Incomplete Data Analysis

Assignment 2

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All code used for this assignment can be found in the following repository [https://github.com/c-abbott/ida] under the folder assignment-2.

Question 1

Suppose $Y_1, ..., Y_n$ are independent and identically distributed with cumulative distribution function given by

$$F(y;\theta) = 1 - e^{-y^2/(2\theta)}, \quad y \ge 0, \ \theta > 0$$

Further suppose that observations are (right) censored if $Y_i > C$, for some known C > 0, and let

$$X_i = \begin{cases} Y_i & if \ Y_i \le C, \\ C & if \ Y_i > C, \end{cases} \qquad R_i = \begin{cases} 1 & if \ Y_i \le C \\ 0 & if \ Y_i > C \end{cases}$$

Question 1a

Show that the maximum likelihood estimator based on the observed data $\{x_i, r_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is given by

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i^2}{2\sum_{i=1}^{n} R_i}$$

Solution:

- To derive the MLE we must maximize the log-likelihood of the observed data $\{(x_i, r_i)\}_{i=1}^n$. In this context, there are two contributions to the likelihood function:
 - 1. $f(y_i; \theta) = \frac{dF(y_i; \theta)}{dy_i}$ from non-censored observations.
 - 2. $Pr(Y_i > C; \theta) = S(C; \theta) = 1 F(y_i; \theta)$ from censored observations.
- All observations $Y_i, ..., Y_n$ are iid, hence,

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ [f(y_i; \theta)]^{r_i} [S(C; \theta)]^{1-r_i} \right\}$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \left[\frac{y_i}{\theta} e^{-y_i^2/2\theta} \right]^{r_i} \left[e^{-C^2/2\theta} \right]^{1-r_i} \right\}$$

$$= \left(\frac{y_i}{2\theta} \right)^{\sum_i r_i} exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\theta} \sum_i [r_i y_i^2 + (1-r_i)C^2] \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{y_i}{2\theta} \right)^{\sum_i r_i} exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\theta} \sum_i x_i^2 \right)$$

• Note that in order to understand how one goes from line 3 to line 4 in the equation defined above, we recall that we can write the variable X_i as $X_i = Y_i R_i + C(1 - R_i)$ and due to the binary nature of R_i :

$$\implies X_i^2 = Y_i^2 R_i^2 + C^2 (1 - R_i)^2 + 2Y_i R_i C (1 - R_i)$$

$$\implies X_i^2 = Y_i^2 R_i + C^2 (1 - R_i)$$

• We can now define the log-likelihood to be

$$\log L(\theta) := l(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} r_i \log \left(\frac{y_i}{2\theta}\right) - \frac{1}{2\theta} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i^2$$

• Maximising this quantity through taking its derivative

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}\theta}l(\theta) = -\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} r_i}{\theta} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i^2}{2\theta^2}$$

· leading to

$$\widehat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i^2}{2\sum_{i=1}^{n} R_i}.$$

• Note that we have assumed here that $\widehat{\theta}_{MLE}$ is indeed a maximum and have not computed the second derivative since our result matches the one given in the question.

Question 1b

Show that the expected Fisher information for the observed data likelihood is

$$I(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta^2} (1 - e^{-C^2/2\theta})$$

Note: $\int_0^C y^2 f(y;\theta) dy = -C^2 e^{-C^2/2\theta} + 2\theta(1 - e^{-C^2/2\theta})$, where $f(y;\theta)$ is the density function corresponding to the cumulative distribution function $F(y;\theta)$ defined above.

Solution:

• We first recall the general definition of the expected Fisher information to be

$$I(\theta) = -\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{d^2l(\theta)}{d\theta^2}\right]$$

• We now compute the second derivative of the log-likelihood and re-introduce the variables r_i and y_i for x_i which will allow us to take expectations more clearly. This yields,

$$I(\theta) = -\frac{\sum_{i} \mathbb{E}[R_i]}{\theta^2} + \frac{\sum_{i} \mathbb{E}[R_i Y_i^2]}{\theta^3} + \frac{\sum_{i} C^2 \mathbb{E}[(1 - R_i)]}{\theta^3}$$

• Note that R is a binary random variable and so

$$\mathbb{E}[R] = 1 \times \Pr(R = 1) + 0 \times \Pr(R = 0)$$

$$= \Pr(R = 1)$$

$$= \Pr(Y \le C)$$

$$= F(C; \theta)$$

$$= 1 - e^{-C^2/2\theta}.$$

• And hence

$$I(\theta) = -\frac{\sum_{i} \mathbb{E}[R_{i}]}{\theta^{2}} + \frac{\sum_{i} \mathbb{E}[R_{i}Y_{i}^{2}]}{\theta^{3}} + \frac{\sum_{i} C^{2} \mathbb{E}[(1 - R_{i})]}{\theta^{3}}$$

$$= -\frac{n}{\theta^{2}} (1 - e^{C^{2}/2\theta}) + \frac{n}{\theta^{3}} \left\{ -C^{2} e^{-C^{2}/2\theta} + 2\theta (1 - e^{-C^{2}/2\theta}) \right\} + \frac{n}{\theta^{3}} e^{-C^{2}/2\theta}$$

$$= \frac{n}{\theta^{2}} (1 - e^{-C^{2}/2\theta})$$

• Where the note given in the question was used to calculate $\mathbb{E}[R_iY_i^2] = \int_0^C y^2 f(y;\theta) dy = -C^2 e^{-C^2/2\theta} + 2\theta(1-e^{-C^2/2\theta})$

Question 1c

Appealing to the asymptotic normality of the maximum likelihood estimator, provide a 95% confidence interval for θ .

Solution:

• We recall the asymptotic normality of the MLE as

$$\widehat{\theta}_{\mathrm{MLE}} \sim N(\theta, I(\theta)^{-1})$$

Therefore

$$\frac{\widehat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} - \theta}{\sqrt{I(\theta)^{-1}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

• Using the properties of the standard Gaussian distribution ($\alpha = 0.05$)

$$Pr\left(z_{-\alpha/2} \le \frac{\widehat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} - \theta}{\sqrt{I(\theta)^{-1}}} \le z_{\alpha/2}\right) = 1 - \alpha = 0.95$$

• The 95% CI for θ is hence $\left[\sqrt{I(\theta)^{-1}}z_{-\alpha/2} + \widehat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}}, \sqrt{I(\theta)^{-1}}z_{\alpha/2} + \widehat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}}\right]$ where $z_{\alpha/2} = 1.959964$, $z_{-\alpha/2} = -1.959964$, and $\sqrt{I(\theta)^{-1}} = \theta/\sqrt{n(1-e^{-C^2/2\theta})}$

alpha = 0.05
$$z = qnorm(1-alpha/2)$$

Suppose that $Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ are iid for i = 1, ..., n. Further suppose that now observations are (left) censored if $Y_i < D$, for some known D and let

$$X_i = \begin{cases} Y_i & if \ Y_i \ge D, \\ D & if \ Y_i < D, \end{cases} \qquad R_i = \begin{cases} 1 & if \ Y_i \ge D \\ 0 & if \ Y_i < D \end{cases}$$

Question 2a

Show that the log-likelihood of the observed data $\{x_i, r_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is given by

$$l(\mu, \sigma^2 | \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{r}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ r_i \log \phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2) + (1 - r_i) \log \Phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2) \right\}$$

where $\phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2)$ and $\Phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2)$ stands, respectively, for the density function and cumulative distribution function of the normal distribution with mean μ and variance σ^2 .

Solution:

- Similar to 1a, our likelihood function has two contributions:
 - 1. $\phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2)$ from non-censored observations.
 - 2. $Pr(X_i < D; \mu, \sigma^2) = S(D; \mu, \sigma^2) = \Phi(x_i; \mu, \sigma^2)$ from censored observations.
- All observations $X_i, ..., X_n$ are iid, hence,

$$l(\mu, \sigma^{2} | \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{r}) = \log \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \phi(x_{i}; \mu, \sigma^{2}) \right]^{r_{i}} \left[\Phi(x_{i}; \mu, \sigma^{2}) \right]^{1-r_{i}}$$

$$= \log \left\{ \phi(x_{i}; \mu, \sigma^{2}) \right]^{\sum_{i} r_{i}} \left[\Phi(x_{i}; \mu, \sigma^{2}) \right]^{\sum_{i} (1-r_{i})}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ r_{i} \log \phi(x_{i}; \mu, \sigma^{2}) + (1-r_{i}) \log \Phi(x_{i}; \mu, \sigma^{2}) \right\}$$

Question 2b

Determine the maximum likelihood estimate of μ based on the data available in the file dataex2.Rdata. Consider σ^2 known and equal to 1.5².

Solution:

- Given that we are now in possession of the log-likelihood of our data, we proceed to maximize this with respect to the parameter μ in order to derive our MLE of this parameter which we denote $\widehat{\mu}_{\text{MLE}}$.
- The Newton-Raphson method was used to optimise our log-likelihood which yielded the following MLE: $\hat{\mu}_{\text{MLE}} = 5.5328$ to 4 d.p.

library(maxLik)

Loading in data

load('dataex2.Rdata')

Consider a bivariate normal sample (Y_1, Y_2) with parameters $\theta = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_{12}, \sigma_2^2)$ The variable Y_1 is fully observed, while some values of Y_2 are missing. Let R be the missingness indicator, taking the value 1 for observed values and 0 for missing values. For the following missing data mechanisms state, justifying, whether they are ignorable for likelihood-based estimation.

Solution:

- A missing data mechanism (MDM) is said to be ignorable for likelihood based inference if and only if the following two criteria are met:
 - 1. The missing data are missing at random (MAR) or missing completely at random (MCAR).
 - 2. The parameter ψ (missingness mechanism) and θ (data model) are distinct in the sense that the joint parameter space of (ψ, θ) is the product of the parameter spaces Ψ and Θ (separability condition).
- (a) $logit \{ Pr(R = 0 | y_1, y_2, \theta, \psi) \} = \psi_0 + \psi_1 y_1; \quad \psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2) \text{ distinct from } \theta.$
 - We observe that the MDM is dependent on the fully observed variable, y_1 , only. The missing data resulting from this mechanism will hence be MAR. Furthermore, ψ (missingness mechanism) and θ (data model) are distinct indicating that MDM (a) is ignorable for likelihood based inference.
- (b) $logit \{ Pr(R = 0 | y_1, y_2, \theta, \psi) \} = \psi_0 + \psi_1 y_2; \quad \psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2) \text{ distinct from } \theta.$
 - We observe that the MDM is dependent on the missing variable, y_2 , only. The missing data resulting from this mechanism will hence be missing not at random (MNAR) indicating that MDM (b) is **NOT** ignorable for likelihood-based inference.
- (c) $logit \{Pr(R=0|y_1,y_2,\theta,\psi)\} = 0.5(\mu_1 + \psi_1 y_1); \quad \psi \text{ (scalar) distinct from } \theta.$
- We observe a similar MDM to (a) with an added dependency on μ_1 . The parameter μ_1 is contained within the parameter space of both the missing data model, θ , and the MDM, ψ . Criterion 2 is hence not met and MDM (c) is **NOT** ignorable for likelihood-based inference

Suppose that

$$Y_i \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p_i(\boldsymbol{\beta}),$$

$$p_i(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \frac{exp(\beta_0 + x_i\beta_1)}{1 + exp(\beta_0 + x_i\beta_1)}$$

for i = 1, ..., n and $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1)'$. Although the covariate x is fully observed, the response variable Y has missing values. Assuming ignorability, derive and implement the EM algorithm to compute the MLE of β based on the data available in dataex4.Rdata.

Solution:

• We begin by first obtaining the likelihood for β which is given by

$$L(\beta) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \{ p_i(\beta)^{y_i} [1 - p_i(\beta)]^{1 - y_i} \}$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \left(\frac{e^{\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1}} \right)^{y_i} \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1}} \right)^{1 - y_i} \right\}.$$

• The corresponding log likelihood is hence

$$l(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ y_i \log \left(\frac{e^{\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1}} \right) + (1 - y_i) \log \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1}} \right) \right\}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{ y_i (\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1) - \log(1 + e^{\beta_0 + x_i \beta_1}) \}.$$

- Now that we are in possession of the log-likelihood, we can use this to conduct the expectation step of the EM algorithm and define our Q function.
- Note that the expectation is taken under the distribution of the **missing data**. We hence make use of our univariate pattern of missingness and assume that the first m values of Y are reserved and the remaining n-m are missing i.e. $y_{obs} = y_1, ..., y_m$ and $y_{mis} = y_m + 1, ..., y_n$.

$$Q(\beta|\beta^{(t)}) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{y_{mis}}} \left[l(\beta)|\mathbf{y_{obs}}, \mathbf{x}, \beta^{(t)} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left\{ y_i(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) \right\} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log(1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}) + \sum_{i=m+1}^{n} (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{y_{mis}}} [y_i|\mathbf{y_{obs}}, \mathbf{x}, \beta^{(t)}]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{m} \left\{ y_i(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) \right\} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log(1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}) + \sum_{i=m+1}^{n} (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) p_i(\beta)$$

- Where we have used the result that $\mathbb{E}[Y_i] = p_i(\boldsymbol{\beta})$ since $Y_i \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}\{(p_i(\boldsymbol{\beta}))\}$. We remind the reader of the definition of $p_i(\boldsymbol{\beta})$ is $p_i(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \frac{exp(\beta_0 + x_i\beta_1)}{1 + exp(\beta_0 + x_i\beta_1)}$ as defined in the question.
- Following our definition of the Q function, we conduct the maximization step of the EM algorithm and maximize this function with respect to the parameters, $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1)'$.
- The R code below repeatedly maximizes our Q function for every iteration of our algorithm in order to find subsequent values of the parameters considered.
- This process is repeated until the following convergence criterion is met and we have our MLEs ($\epsilon = 1 \times 10^{-10}$):

$$|p^{(t+1)} - p^{(t)}| + |\mu^{(t+1)} - \mu^{(t)}| + |(\sigma^{(t+1)})^2 - (\sigma^{(t)})^2| + |\lambda^{(t+1)} - \lambda^{(t)}| < \epsilon$$

• At convergence, the following results are achieved for our MLEs: $\widehat{\beta}_{0\text{MLE}} = 0.9755$ to 4 d.p and $\widehat{\beta}_{1\text{MLE}} = -2.4804$ to 4 d.p as our MLEs for $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1)'$.

```
# Loading relevant packages
library(maxLik)
library(dplyr)
library(tidyr)
library(magrittr)
# Loading data
load('dataex4.Rdata')
dataex4 = dataex4 %>%
  # Sorting data in ascending order in column Y (0 -> 1 -> NA)
  arrange(Y) %>%
  # Creating indicator variable column (if Y == NA \rightarrow R = 0, else \rightarrow R = 1)
  mutate(R = (Y == 0 | Y == 1)*1) %%
  # Replacing NAs with Os in R column
  tidyr::replace_na(list(R = 0)) %>%
  # Replacing NAs with 2s in Y column to prevent coercion problems i.e. O*NA=NA
  tidyr::replace_na((list(Y = 2)))
# Sigmoid probability function
prob = function(beta, x) {
 return(exp(beta[1] + x*beta[2]) / (1 + exp(beta[1] + x*beta[2])))
}
# Defining Q function for EM algorithm
q_function = function(params, data){
  beta0 = params[1]; beta1 = params[2]
  xx = data$X
 yy = data$Y
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rr = data$R
  sum(yy*rr*(beta0 + beta1*xx) - log(1 + exp(beta0 + beta1*xx)) +
        (1 - rr)*(beta0 + beta1*xx)*prob(beta.old, xx))
}
# Repeatedly maximising to get \beta^(t+1)
# until convergence criterion is met
tol = 1e-10
beta.old = c(0, 0)
repeat{
  beta = coef(maxLik(q_function, data=dataex4, start = beta.old))
 if (max(abs(beta - beta.old)) < tol) {</pre>
   break
  }
 beta.old = beta
}
beta
```

[1] 0.9755261 -2.4803837

Consider a random sample $Y_1, ..., Y_n$ from the mixture distribution with density

$$f(y) = p f_{\text{logNormal}}(y; \mu, \sigma^2) + (1 - p) f_{\text{Exp}}(y; \lambda),$$

with

$$f_{\text{logNormal}}(y; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{y\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left\{\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\log y - \mu)^2\right\}, \quad y > 0, \ \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \ \sigma > 0$$
$$f_{\text{Exp}}(y; \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y}, \quad y \ge 0, \quad \lambda > 0$$

and $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (p, \mu, \sigma^2, \lambda)$

Question 5a

Derive the EM algorithm to find the updating equations for $\theta^{(t+1)} = (p^{(t+1)}, \mu^{(t+1)}, (\sigma^{(t+1)})^2, \lambda^{(t+1)})$.

Solution:

• We begin by taking our mixture model and computing the likelihood:

$$L(\boldsymbol{\theta}; y) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ p f_{\text{logNormal}}(y_i; \mu, \sigma^2) + (1 - p) f_{\text{Exp}}(y_i; \lambda) \right\}$$

• The log likelihood is hence

$$l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; y) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \left\{ p f_{\text{logNormal}}(y_i; \mu, \sigma^2) + (1 - p) f_{\text{Exp}}(y_i; \lambda) \right\}$$

- The combination of the summation and logarithm make it very difficult to maximize this log-likelihood. We hence turn to the EM algorithm for this computation, but first, we must artificially create *missing data* in order to implement it.
- The idea that enables us to implement the EM algorithm is that if we knew the group the observation y_i belonged to, then we could fit the appropriate distribution (log-normal or exponential).
- Let us define $y_{obs} = (y_1, ..., y_n)$ and $y_{mis} = z = (z_1, ..., z_n)$ where $Z_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ and hence

$$Z_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Y_i \text{ belongs to } f_{\text{logNormal}}(y_i; \mu, \sigma^2) \\ 0 & \text{if } Y_i \text{ belongs to } f_{\text{Exp}}(y_i; \lambda) \end{cases}$$

• Re-writing our log-likelihood in terms of z

$$l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; y, \boldsymbol{z}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} z_i \left\{ \log p + \log f_{\text{logNormal}}(y_i; \mu, \sigma^2) \right\} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1 - z_i) \left\{ \log(1 - p) + \log f_{\text{Exp}}(y_i; \lambda) \right\}$$

• With our log-likelihood and artificial missing data in hand we can now define our Q function to be:

$$Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{\theta^{(t)}}) = \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{z}}\left[l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; y, \boldsymbol{z})\right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{z}|\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta^{(t)}}] \left\{\log p + \log f_{\text{logNormal}}(y_i; \mu, \sigma^2)\right\} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1 - \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{z}|\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta^{(t)}}]) \left\{\log(1 - p) + \log f_{\text{Exp}}(y_i; \lambda)\right\}$$

• Taking the relevant expectation

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{z}|\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}] &= \mathbb{E}[z_i|\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}] \\ &= \Pr(z_i = 1|y_i, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}) \\ &= \frac{p_i^{(t)} f_{\text{logNormal}}(y; \mu, \sigma^2)}{p_i^{(t)} f_{\text{logNormal}}(y; \mu, \sigma^2) + (1 - p_i^{(t)}) f_{\text{Exp}}(y_i; \lambda)} \\ &:= \tilde{p}_i^{(t)} \end{split}$$

• We hence define our Q function to be

$$Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{\theta^{(t)}}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)} \left\{ \log p + \log f_{\log \text{Normal}}(y_{i}; \mu, \sigma^{2}) \right\} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1 - \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)}) \left\{ \log (1 - p) + \log f_{\text{Exp}}(y_{i}; \lambda) \right\}$$

• With the Q function defined above, we can analytically maximize this function in order to find $\theta^{(t+1)}$. Taking the derivative of the Q function with respect to all our parameters yields

$$\begin{split} &\frac{\partial Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{\theta^{(t)}})}{\partial p} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)} - \frac{1}{(1-p)} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1-\tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)}) \\ &\frac{\partial Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{\theta^{(t)}})}{\partial \mu} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)} \left\{ \frac{\log y_{i} - \mu}{\sigma^{2}} \right\} \\ &\frac{\partial Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{\theta^{(t)}})}{\partial \sigma^{2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)} \left\{ \frac{(\log y_{i} - \mu)^{2}}{2\sigma^{4}} - \frac{1}{2\sigma^{2}} \right\} \\ &\frac{\partial Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{\theta^{(t)}})}{\partial \lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (1-\tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)}) \left\{ \frac{1}{\lambda} - y_{i} \right\} \end{split}$$

• Setting the each derivative defined above to zero and solving for each parameter in θ at iteration t+1 we yield the following update equations

$$\begin{split} p^{(t+1)} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)} \\ \mu^{(t+1)} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)} \log y_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)}} \\ \left(\sigma^{(t+1)}\right)^{2} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)} (\log y_{i} - \mu^{(t+1)})^{2}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)}} \\ \lambda^{(t+1)} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (1 - \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (1 - \tilde{p}_{i}^{(t)}) y_{i}} \end{split}$$

Question 5b

Using the dataset datasetex5. Rdata implement the EM algorithm and find the MLEs for each component of θ . As starting values, you might want to consider $\theta^{(0)} = (p^{(0)}, \mu^0), (\sigma^{(0)})^2, \lambda^{(0)}) = (0.1, 1, 0.5^2, 2)$. Draw the histogram of the data with the estimated density superimposed.

Solution:

• Using the code defined below (see comments for details on implementation), we find the MLEs for each component of $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ to be (4 d.p): $\widehat{p}_{\text{MLE}} = 0.4795$; $\widehat{\mu}_{\text{MLE}} = 2.0133$; $\widehat{\sigma^2}_{\text{MLE}} = 0.8637$; $\widehat{\lambda}_{\text{MLE}} = 1.0330$

```
load('dataex5.Rdata')
# Calculates tilde p for all i, with the current parameter values
p_tilde <- function(y, p.t, mu.t, sigma2.t, lambda.t) {</pre>
  c1 <- p.t * dlnorm(y, mu.t, sqrt(sigma2.t))</pre>
 c2 \leftarrow (1 - p.t) * dexp(y, lambda.t)
  c1 / (c1 + c2)
}
\# Applies the EM algorithm to fit the mixture density with provided observations y
em <- function(y, p.t, mu.t, sigma2.t, lambda.t, eps = 1e-8, maxit = 1e3) {
 n <- length(y)</pre>
  t <- 0
  # Until converged or maximum iterations reached, iterate indefinitely...
  repeat {
    # Calculate the tilde p values for all i, using the current parameter values
    p_tilde.t <- p_tilde(y, p.t, mu.t, sigma2.t, lambda.t)</pre>
    # Store tilde p sum for efficiency, since this is used in multiple update equations
    sum.p_tilde.t <- sum(p_tilde.t)</pre>
    # Store the previous parameter values (used later for convergence check)
    params.prev <- c(p.t, mu.t, sigma2.t, lambda.t)</pre>
    # Update parameters using the update equations
    p.t <- sum.p_tilde.t / n</pre>
    mu.t <- sum(p_tilde.t * log(y)) / sum.p_tilde.t</pre>
    sigma2.t \leftarrow sum(p_tilde.t * (log(y) - mu.t)^2) / sum.p_tilde.t
    lambda.t <- (n - sum.p_tilde.t) / sum((1 - p_tilde.t) * y)
    # Increment iteration counter
    t <- t + 1
```

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# Store all parameters into an output variable
    output <- list(p = p.t, mu = mu.t, sigma2 = sigma2.t, lambda = lambda.t)</pre>
    attributes(output)$iter <- t</pre>
    if (t == maxit) \{
      warning('Reached maximum number of iterations')
      return(output)
    } else if (sum(abs(params.prev - c(p.t, mu.t, sigma2.t, lambda.t))) < eps) {</pre>
      # Convergence check: sum/theta^(t) - theta^(t+1)/ < epsilon (over i)
      return(output)
    }
  }
}
# Apply the EM algorithm to dataex5 to find the MLEs
theta <- em(dataex5, p.t = 0.1, mu.t = 1, sigma2.t = 0.25, lambda.t = 2)
theta
## $p
## [1] 0.4795454
##
## $mu
## [1] 2.013274
##
## $sigma2
## [1] 0.8637291
##
## $lambda
## [1] 1.033006
##
## attr(,"iter")
## [1] 519
```

• We will now draw the histogram of the data with estimated density superimposed:

Random Sample from Mixture Distribution

