

Problem Set: Non Parametric Statistics: Group 18

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Question 1

Question 2

Compare the MISE and AMISE criteria in three densities in `nor1mix` of your choice.

1. Code (2.33) and the AMISE expression for the normal kernel, and compare the two error curves.
2. Compare them for $n = 100, 200, 500$, adding a vertical line to represent the h_{MISE} and h_{AMISE} bandwidths. Describe in detail the results and the major takeaways.

For this exercise we require some mathematical ideas that we will develop briefly.

We start with the KDE estimator $\hat{f}(x; h) = \sum_{i=1}^n K_h(x - X_i)$. The expectation and variance for this estimator are given by the following expressions:

- (1) $E[\hat{f}(x; h)] = (K_h * f)(x)$.
- (2) $\text{Var}[\hat{f}(x; h)] = \frac{1}{n}((K_h^2 * f)(x) - (K_h * f)^2(x))$

Then, we develop some asymptotic expression for (1) and (2):

- (3) $E[\hat{f}(x; h)] - f(x) = \text{Bias}[\hat{f}(x; h)] = \frac{1}{2}\mu_2(K)f''(x)h^2 + o(h^2)$
- (4) $\text{Var}[\hat{f}(x; h)] = \frac{R(K)}{nh}f(x) + o((nh)^{-1})$

Then, from the equations (3) and (4) we obtain the following expression for the MSE:

- (5) $\text{MSE}[\hat{f}(x; h)] = \frac{\mu_2^2(K)}{4}(f''(x))^2h^4 + \frac{R(K)}{nh}f(x) + o(h^4 + (nh)^{-1})$

In equations (3), (4) and (5) we have:

- (6) $\mu_2(K) := \int z^2 K(z) dz$
- (7) $R(K) := \int (K(x))^2 dx$

Then, we use $\text{MISE}[\hat{f}(\cdot; h)]$ as global error criteria for measuring the performance of \hat{f} in relation to the target density f .

- (8) $\text{MISE}[\hat{f}(\cdot; h)] = \int \text{MSE}[\hat{f}(x; h)]$

Then, we obtain the following asymptotic expansion for the MISE:

- (9) $\text{MISE}[\hat{f}(\cdot; h)] = \frac{1}{4}\mu_2^2(K)R(f'')h^4 + \frac{R(K)}{nh} + o(h^4 + (nh)^{-1})$

We define the dominating part of equation (9) as $\text{AMISE}[\hat{f}(\cdot; h)]$ defined as:

- (10) $\text{AMISE}[\hat{f}(\cdot; h)] = \frac{1}{4}\mu_2^2(K)R(f'')h^4 + \frac{R(K)}{nh}$

with the expression $R(f'')$ given by:

$$(11) R(f'') = \int (f''(x))^2 dx$$

Finally, the bandwidth that minimizes the AMISE is:

$$(12) h_{AMISE} = \left[\frac{R(K)}{\mu_2^2(K)R(f'')^n} \right]^{1/5}$$

Now, we consider our particular case of study. In this case, we *reduce* our analysis considering:

- a) A normal kernel $K_h(\cdot)$ with distribution $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
- b) The density function f is based on the family of normal r -mixtures:

$$(13) f(x; \mu, \sigma, \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{j=1}^r w_j \phi_{\sigma_j}(x - \mu_j)$$

where $w_j \geq 0$, $j = 1, \dots, r$ and $\sum_{j=1}^r w_j = 1$.

With this two expression, we can obtain a specific value for the AMISE in equation (10). With assumption a), we obtaining the following expressions for equations (6) and (7)

$$(6.1) \mu_2(K) = 1$$

$$(7.1) R(K) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}}$$

Expression for equation (11) can be obtained from the following adaption of expression given in *Theorem 4.1* given by *Marron and Wand (1992)*

$$(11.1) R(f'') = \int (f''(x))^2 dx =$$

With this expression, we obtain the reduced form of the AMISE:

$$(10.1) \text{AMISE}[\hat{f}(\cdot; h)] = \frac{1}{4}R(f'')h^4 + \frac{1}{2nh\sqrt{\pi}}$$

With optimal bandwidth h_{AMISE}

$$(12.1) h_{AMISE} = \left[\frac{(2\sqrt{\pi})^{-1} 1/5}{R(f'')^n} \right]$$

Finally, under this assumptions, we obtain a explicit and exact MISE expression of equation (8):

$$(14) \text{MISE}_r[\hat{f}(\cdot; h)] = (2\sqrt{\pi}nh)^{-1} + \mathbf{w}' \{ (1 - n^{-1})\Omega_2 - \Omega_1 + \Omega_0 \} \mathbf{w}$$

with $(\Omega_a)_{i,j} = \phi_{(ah^2 + \sigma_i^2 + \sigma_j^2)^{1/2}}(\mu_i - \mu_j)$ for $i, j = 1, \dots, r$

Finally, we can proceed with a numeric approach over equation (14) and obtain:

$$(15) \arg \min_{h>0} \text{MISE}[\hat{f}(\cdot; h)]$$

We start with a easy example using

Question 3