

Statistical estimation

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<https://dominhhai.github.io/vi/2017/10/sampling-parameters-estimation/>

• MLE (Maximum Likelihood Estimation)

- **Idea:** Picking a θ that $f(x|\theta)$ has highest chance to happen (x is an already happen circumstance)
- **Example:** p ($0 \leq p \leq 1$) is the chance that a lottery piece is the winning one
 - If you bought N lottery and win Y of them. Then find p^\wedge that with $p=p^\wedge$, this circumstance have highest chance to happen
 - ANSWER: Change to this circumstance happen is $f(x|p^\wedge) = p^{\wedge Y} (1-p^\wedge)^{N-Y}$. So we have to maximum $f(x|p^\wedge)$
 - $f(x|p^\wedge) \text{ max } \Leftrightarrow F = \ln[f(x|p^\wedge)] \text{ max } \Leftrightarrow F' = 0$
 - Continue on that formula, we can find that $p^\wedge = Y/N$

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n p^{X_i} (1-p)^{1-X_i}$$

Phiên bản log:

$$\begin{aligned} LL(\theta) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left(p^{X_i} (1-p)^{1-X_i} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left(p^{X_i} \right) + \log \left((1-p)^{1-X_i} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \log(p) + (1-X_i) \log(1-p) \end{aligned}$$

Đặt $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, ta có:

$$LL(\theta) = Y \log(p) + (n-Y) \log(1-p)$$

Giờ ta cần chọn \hat{p} sao cho hàm trên đạt giá trị lớn nhất:

$$\hat{p} = \underset{p}{\operatorname{argmax}} \left(Y \log(p) + (n-Y) \log(1-p) \right)$$

Như ta đã biết hàm này đạt cực trị tại điểm có đạo hàm bằng 0, tức là:

$$\begin{aligned} LL(p)' &= 0 \\ \iff Y \frac{1}{p} + (n-Y) \frac{-1}{1-p} &= 0 \\ \iff p &= \frac{Y}{n} \end{aligned}$$

◦ Exercise

Q. 1

Recall that the pdf of the exponential distribution is as follows.

$$f(x; \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

- i) Under the observed data of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n , find the log likelihood $\ln L(\lambda)$.

$$\ln L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln f(X_i; \theta)$$

- ii) Find the maximum-likelihood estimator λ .

A.1

i)

$$\ln L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln f(X_i; \theta)$$

$$\log f(x|\theta) = \log \lambda - \lambda x$$

$$\log L(\lambda) = n \log \lambda - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

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A.1

ii)

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} (\log L(\lambda)) = \frac{n}{\lambda} - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

Thus, $\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} (\log L(\lambda)) = 0$ yields

$$\lambda = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

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Q.2

Recall that the pdf of the exponential distribution is as follows.

$$f(x; \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

Now, given the observed data of 0.30, 0.06, 0.05, 0.08, 0.12
That follow the exponential distribution, find the ML estimator λ .

Hint; You can apply the result of Q.1

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0.30, 0.06, 0.05, 0.08, 0.12

Since

$$\lambda = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

and $n=5$,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0.30 + 0.06 + 0.05 + 0.08 + 0.12 = 0.61$$

$$\lambda = 5/0.61 = 8.2$$

Q.3

As we observed the customer arrival intervals in a certain amusement park, the observed data were:

1.51, 0.13, 0.21, 2.29, 0.11, 0.79, 0.65, 1.10, 1.08, 2.11 [sec].

Given that they follow the exponential distribution,

- Find the ML estimator λ ;
- Find the probability that an interval is 1 sec or less.

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A.3

- Find the ML estimator λ ;

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 1.51 + 0.13 + 0.21 + 2.29 + 0.11 + 0.79 + 0.65 + 1.10 + 1.08 + 2.11 = 0.998$$

$$\lambda = 10/0.998 = \boxed{1.0}$$

- Find the probability that an interval is 1 sec or less.

$$P(X \leq x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x}$$



$$P(X \leq 1) = 1 - e^{-1.0 \times 1} = \underline{0.63}$$

Q.4

The Weibull distribution is used to model the interval of system failures. A specific form of its pdf is:

$$f(x; \lambda) = 2\lambda^{-2} x e^{-\frac{x^2}{\lambda^2}} \quad (x \geq 0, \lambda > 0)$$

i) Given X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n ,

Find the log-likelihood;

ii) Find the ML estimator λ in general;

iii) Given the following data, find the ML estimator λ :

7.01, 7.72, 3.57, 2.56, 3.53

Hint:

$$\ln(f(x)) = \ln(2\lambda^{-2}) + \ln x - \frac{x^2}{\lambda^2}$$

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$$\ln L(\lambda) = n \ln(2\lambda^{-2}) + \sum \ln(x_i) - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \sum x_i^2$$

$$L(\lambda) = f(x_1; \lambda) \times f(x_2; \lambda) \times \dots f(x_n; \lambda) = \frac{2}{\lambda^2} x_1 e^{-\frac{x_1^2}{\lambda^2}} \times \frac{2}{\lambda^2} x_2 e^{-\frac{x_2^2}{\lambda^2}} \times \dots \frac{2}{\lambda^2} x_n e^{-\frac{x_n^2}{\lambda^2}}$$

$$= \frac{2^n}{\lambda^{2n}} \left(\prod_{j=1}^n x_j \right) e^{-\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2}{\lambda^2}}$$

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$$\textcircled{1} \log L(\lambda) = n \log 2 - 2n \log \lambda + \sum_{j=1}^n \log x_j - \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2$$

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$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} (\log L(\lambda)) = -\frac{2n}{\lambda} + \frac{2}{\lambda^3} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{2} \lambda = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2}{n}}$$

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A.4

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2}{n}}$$



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$$\hat{\lambda} = \sqrt{\frac{(7.01^2 + 7.72^2 + 3.57^2 + 2.56^2 + 3.53^2)}{5}} = 5.30$$

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