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Stat261 - Spring 2018

Assignment #2 - due Thursday, January 18 in class

Neatly hand write your solutions - marks will be assigned for presentation

1. Suppose that diseased trees are distributed randomly and uniformly throughout a large forest with an average of λ per acre. Let X denote the number of diseased trees in a randomly chosen one-acre plot with range, $\mathcal{X} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$.

1 (a) What distribution can we use to model X ? Write down its probability mass function (p.m.f.).

2 (b) Suppose that we observe the number of diseased trees on n randomly chosen one-acre parcels, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n . The random variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n can be assumed to be independent. Write down the JOINT probability mass function for X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n . Simplify this expression which is a function of λ and the X 's.

2 (c) We are going to use the Method of Maximum Likelihood to estimate λ . Write down the Likelihood function $L(\lambda)$.

1 (d) Write down the Log-likelihood function $\ell(\lambda)$.

2 (e) Write down the Score Function $S(\lambda)$.

2 (f) Derive the maximum likelihood estimate of λ .

1 (g) Write down the Information Function $I(\lambda)$.

1 (h) Use the second derivative test to show that you have found a maximum.

2 (i) Suppose that the numbers of diseased trees observed in eight randomly chosen one-acre parcels were: 5, 8, 9, 2, 10, 7, 6, 10. Compute the maximum likelihood estimate of λ using this data.

3 (j) Suppose that the unit of measure was a five-acre plot, i.e. we found the same number of diseased trees in eight randomly chosen five-acre plots, but λ is still the mean number per one acre. What is the maximum likelihood estimate of λ now?

2. According to genetic theory, there are three blood types MM, NM and NN which should occur in a very large population with probabilities, θ^2 , $2\theta(1-\theta)$ and $(1-\theta)^2$, where θ is the (unknown) gene frequency, $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$.

1 (a) Suppose that in a random sample of size $n = 10$ from the population, there are f_1 , f_2 , and f_3 of types MM, NM and NN respectively. What distribution can we assume for the frequencies, f_1 , f_2 , and f_3 ? Write down its probability mass function.

Blood Type	MM	NM	NN	Total
Observed frequency	f_1	f_2	f_3	$n = 100$
Probability	$p_1 = \theta^2$	$p_2 = 2\theta(1-\theta)$	$p_3 = (1-\theta)^2$	1

2 (b) What are the assumptions required for the distribution you assume in part (a)?

2 (c) Write down the Log-likelihood function as a function of θ , $\ell(\theta)$. Write down the Score function, $S(\theta)$.

3 (d) Find an expression for the maximum likelihood estimate of θ .

16. 2 (e) Suppose that $f_1 = 3$, $f_2 = 4$, and $f_3 = 3$. Compute the maximum likelihood estimate of θ .

3 (f) Compute the estimated probabilities for p_1, p_2 and p_3 under this model. i.e. $p_i(\hat{\theta})$, $i = 1, 2, 3$.

3 (g) Compute the estimated expected frequencies under this model $np_i(\hat{\theta})$ and compare them with the observed frequencies.

33 + 2 presentation.

1. (a) $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ since diseased trees occur randomly over space (one acre)

$$f(x; \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!} \quad x=0,1,\dots \quad \lambda > 0, \lambda = \text{mean \# diseased trees in 1 acre.}$$

- (b) X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n iid $\text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ $x_i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; \lambda) &= f(x_1; \lambda) \times f(x_2; \lambda) \times \dots \times f(x_n; \lambda) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda^{x_i} e^{-\lambda}}{x_i!} \\ &= \frac{\lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} e^{-n\lambda}}{x_1! x_2! \dots x_n!} \leftarrow \text{not depend on } \lambda \end{aligned}$$

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

(d) $l(\lambda) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \ln \lambda - n\lambda$

(e) $S(\lambda) = l'(\lambda) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\lambda} - n$

(f) $S(\hat{\lambda}) = 0 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\hat{\lambda}} - n \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$ sample mean.

(g) $I(\lambda) = -\frac{d^2 l}{d\lambda^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\lambda^2} > 0$ when not all $x_i = 0$.

(h) $I(\hat{\lambda}) > 0$, therefore we have a maximum.

(i) $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 57$, $\therefore \hat{\lambda} = 57/8 = 7.128$

(j) $X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(5\lambda)$

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; \lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{(5\lambda)^{x_i} e^{-5\lambda}}{x_i!} = \frac{\lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} e^{-5n\lambda}}{x_1! \dots x_n!} \times (5^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i})$$

$$L(\lambda) = \lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} e^{-5n\lambda}$$

$$l(\lambda) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \ln \lambda - 5n\lambda$$

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$$S(\lambda) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\lambda} - 5n \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{5n}$$

$$\therefore \hat{\lambda} = \frac{57}{40} = 1.425$$

$$2/ (a) \quad P(f_1, f_2, f_3; \theta) = \underbrace{\binom{10}{f_1, f_2, f_3}}_{\text{constant}} p_1(\theta)^{f_1} p_2(\theta)^{f_2} p_3(\theta)^{f_3}$$

$$(f_1, f_2, f_3) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n=10, p_1(\theta), p_2(\theta), p_3(\theta))$$

(b) - n subjects are independent

- randomly chosen subjects have constant prob. of blood types mm, Nm, NN.

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \quad L(\theta) &= p_1(\theta)^{f_1} p_2(\theta)^{f_2} p_3(\theta)^{f_3} \\ &= [\theta^2]^{f_1} [2\theta(1-\theta)]^{f_2} [(1-\theta)^2]^{f_3} \\ &= c \theta^{2f_1 + f_2} (1-\theta)^{f_2 + 2f_3} \quad c = 2^{f_2} \end{aligned}$$

$$l(\theta) = (2f_1 + f_2) \ln \theta + (f_2 + 2f_3) \ln(1-\theta)$$

$$S(\theta) = \frac{2f_1 + f_2}{\theta} - \frac{(f_2 + 2f_3)}{1-\theta}$$

$$(d) \quad S(\hat{\theta}) = 0 \quad \hat{\theta} = \frac{2f_1 + f_2}{2n} \quad n = f_1 + f_2 + f_3$$

$$(e) \quad \hat{\theta} = \frac{2 \times 3 + 4}{20} = \frac{10}{20} = .5$$

	mm	Nm	NN
(f) (a) obs freq.	3	4	3
$p(\hat{\theta})$.25	.5	.25
Est exp freq.	2.5	5	2.5

The observed are reasonably close to the estimated expected frequencies.