

HW-3

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Homework 3 - Predictive Modeling in Finance and Insurance

1. Likelihood Function for variance of normal distribution

a. Joint Density Function

Note that Y_1, Y_2 , and Y_3 are independent. Therefore, their joint probability density function (p.d.f) is a product of their marginal probability density functions:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{(Y_1, Y_2, Y_3)}(y_1, y_2, y_3) &= f_{Y_1}(y_1)f_{Y_2}(y_2)f_{Y_3}(y_3) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y_1-700)^2} * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y_2-750)^2} * \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y_3-850)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} * e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}((y_1-700)^2+(y_2-750)^2+(y_3-850)^2)} \end{aligned}$$

b. Likelihood function and Log-Likelihood

The likelihood function is just the joint p.d.f, given parameter of interest μ :

$$L(\mu) = f_{(Y_1, Y_2, Y_3)}(y_1, y_2, y_3; \mu) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} * e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}((y_1-700)^2+(y_2-750)^2+(y_3-850)^2)}$$

The log-likelihood is just the natural log of this function:

$$\begin{aligned} \ell(\sigma^2) = \ln(L(\sigma^2)) &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}\right) + \ln\left(e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}((y_1-700)^2+(y_2-750)^2+(y_3-850)^2)}\right) \\ &= -\frac{3}{2}\ln(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}((y_1-700)^2+(y_2-750)^2+(y_3-850)^2) \end{aligned}$$

c. Score function, Observed Information, Expected Information

The score function is simply the derivative of the log likelihood with respect to the parameter of interest, σ^2 : (I call $\vec{y} = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$ for simplicity)

$$S(\sigma^2; \vec{y}) = \frac{d}{d\sigma^2}\ell(\sigma^2) = -\frac{3}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2(\sigma^2)^2}((y_1-700)^2+(y_2-750)^2+(y_3-850)^2)$$

The observed information is simply the second derivative of the log likelihood multiplied by -1 :

$$\begin{aligned} j(\sigma^2; \vec{y}) &= -\frac{d^2}{d(\sigma^2)^2}\ell(\sigma^2) = -\left(\frac{3}{2(\sigma^2)^2} - \frac{1}{(\sigma^2)^3}((y_1-700)^2+(y_2-750)^2+(y_3-850)^2)\right) \\ &= -\frac{3}{2(\sigma^2)^2} + \frac{1}{(\sigma^2)^3}((y_1-700)^2+(y_2-750)^2+(y_3-850)^2) \end{aligned}$$

2. Fun with Distributions

a. Distribution of Y_1^2

Since $Y_1 \sim N(0, 1)$, $Y_1^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$, or the chi-squared distribution with 1 degree of freedom.

b. Combination of Y_1 and Y_2

Note $\frac{Y_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2} = \frac{Y_2 - 3}{2} \sim N(0, 1)$; therefore:

$$\left(\frac{Y_2 - 3}{2}\right)^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$$

Using the independence of Y_1 and Y_2 and Cochran's Theorem:

$$y^T y = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 & \frac{Y_2 - 3}{2} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ \frac{Y_2 - 3}{2} \end{bmatrix} = Y_1^2 + \left(\frac{Y_2 - 3}{2}\right)^2 = \chi^2(1 + 1) = \chi^2(2)$$

So, $y^T y$ has the chi-squared distribution with 2 degrees of freedom.

c. Multivariate Normal

Note that V in this case is the Variance-Covariance matrix. Since Y_1 and Y_2 are independent, the off-diagonal elements, which represent covariance, are 0. There diagonal elements are just $\sigma_1^2 = 1$ and $\sigma_2^2 = 4$, respectively, so:

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

I find the inverse of this 2 by 2 matrix:

$$V^{-1} = \frac{1}{1(4) - 0(0)} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned} y^T V^{-1} y &= \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 & Y_2 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 & \frac{Y_2}{4} \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= Y_1^2 + \left(\frac{Y_2}{2}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

4. Linear Regression

##a. Fitting model B

```
library(ggplot2)
library(readxl)
```

I first import the data:

```
carbData <- read_excel("Table 6.3 Carbohydrate diet-1.xls", skip = 2, sheet = "Sheet1")
carbData
```

```
## # A tibble: 20 x 4
##   carbohydrate    age weight protein
##         <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>   <dbl>
## 1           33     33    100      14
## 2           40     47     92      15
## 3           37     49    135      18
## 4           27     35    144      12
## 5           30     46    140      15
## 6           43     52    101      15
## 7           34     62     95      14
## 8           48     23    101      17
## 9           30     32     98      15
## 10          38     42    105      14
## 11          50     31    108      17
## 12          51     61     85      19
## 13          30     63    130      19
## 14          36     40    127      20
## 15          41     50    109      15
## 16          42     64    107      16
## 17          46     56    117      18
## 18          24     61    100      13
## 19          35     48    118      18
## 20          37     28    102      14
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