

Ex. let $X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bern}(p)$

Consider $g(x) = x \log(x/p) - (1-x) \log\left(\frac{1-x}{1-p}\right)$

↑ KL divergence between two Bernallis

What can I say about $g(\bar{X})$? $\psi^2 = \psi^2(p)$

CLT: $\sqrt{N}(\bar{X} - p) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \overbrace{p(1-p)})$

notice: $g'(x) = \log\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right) - \log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$

so $g'(p) = 0$

Can't use FO Δ -method

However, $g''(x) = \frac{1}{x(1-x)}$

and $g''(p) \neq 0$ for $0 < p < 1$

Can use SO Δ -method:

$$N(g(\bar{x}) - g(p)) \xrightarrow{d} \frac{\psi^2 g''(p)}{2} \chi^2(1)$$

$$\frac{p(1-p) \frac{1}{p(1-p)}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

i.e.

$$N(g(\bar{x}) - g(p)) \xrightarrow{d} \frac{1}{2} \chi^2(1)$$

pf.

Second order Taylor expansion of g about θ

$$g(x) \approx g(\theta) + g'(\theta)(x - \theta) + \frac{1}{2} g''(\theta)(x - \theta)^2$$

if $g'(\theta) = 0$ then

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i.e.

$$g(x) - g(\theta) \approx \frac{1}{2} g''(\theta) (x - \theta)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow N(g(x) - g(\theta)) \approx \frac{1}{2} g''(\theta) [\sqrt{N}(x - \theta)]^2$$

Know: $\sqrt{N}(\gamma_N - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \psi^2)$

$$\Rightarrow N(g(\gamma_N) - g(\theta)) \approx \frac{1}{2} g''(\theta) (\sqrt{N}(\gamma_N - \theta))^2$$

$$\rightarrow \psi N(0, 1)$$

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$$\frac{1}{2} g''(\theta) \psi^2 \chi^2(1)$$

Back to estimation

Finite samples, considered:

① bias

(1) bias

(2) Variance

For large samples (asymptotically) we also want ests that

(1) are asymptotically unbiased
(consistency)

(2) are asymptotically low variance

Theorem: MLEs are consistent (*) need some tech. cond., works for exp. fams

If $\hat{\theta}_{MLE}$ is the MLE for θ
then

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} \xrightarrow{P} \theta.$$

Defn: Asymptotically Normal

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① asymptotic mean $\tau(\theta)$

② asymptotic variance $v(\theta)$

if

$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\theta} - \tau(\theta)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, v(\theta))$$

Notation:

$$\hat{\theta} \sim AN(\tau(\theta), v(\theta)/N)$$

Defn: Asymptotic Relative Efficiency (ARE)

If T_N and W_N are ests for $\tau(\theta)$

and $T_N \sim AN(\tau(\theta), \sigma_T^2)$

$$W_N \sim AN(\tau(\theta), \sigma_W^2)$$

then the ARE of W_N w.r.t. T_N is

$$ARE(W_N, T_N) = \sigma_T^2 / \sigma_W^2$$

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if $ARE < 1$ then we prefer T_N
 > 1 " W_N

Ex. Let $X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Pois}(\lambda)$

and let $\tau(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda} = P(X_n = 0)$
 $= \frac{\lambda^0 e^{-\lambda}}{0!} = e^{-\lambda}$

Way 1: \bar{X} is the MLE for λ

hence $\boxed{e^{-\bar{X}}}$ is the MLE for $e^{-\lambda}$

Way 2: $Y_n = \mathbb{1}(X_n = 0)$

could consider $\boxed{\bar{Y}}$ = pct. of X_n that are zero.

Q: which is better ① $e^{-\bar{X}}$ or ② \bar{Y} ?

① CLT says $\bar{X} \sim \text{AN}(\lambda, \lambda/N)$

... $1 - \bar{X} > \dots$

What about $e^{-\bar{x}}$? Use Δ -method.

$$g(x) = e^{-x}, \quad g'(x) = -e^{-x}$$

$$g'(x) = -e^{-x} \neq 0$$

So use FO Δ -method.

$$g(\bar{x}) \sim AN(g(\lambda), [g'(\lambda)]^2 \lambda/N)$$

$$e^{-\bar{x}} \sim AN(e^{-\lambda}, e^{-2\lambda} \lambda/N)$$

$$(2) Y_n = \mathbb{1}(X_n = 0) \sim \text{Bern}(p)$$

$$p = P(Y_n = 1)$$

$$= P(X_n = 0) = e^{-\lambda}$$

$$Y_n \sim \text{Bern}(e^{-\lambda})$$

$$\text{CLT: } \bar{Y} \sim AN(e^{-\lambda}, e^{-\lambda}(1-e^{-\lambda})/N)$$

Which do we prefer?

$$ARE(\bar{Y}, e^{-\bar{x}}) = \frac{\text{asympt. var } e^{-\bar{x}}}{\text{asympt. var. } \bar{Y}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-2\lambda} \cancel{\lambda/N}}{e^{-\lambda}(1-e^{-\lambda}) \cancel{N}} \quad e^{2\lambda} \quad e^{2\lambda}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{e^{\lambda}(1-e^{-\lambda})}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{e^{\lambda} - 1}$$

$$e^{\lambda} = 1 + \lambda + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} + \frac{\lambda^4}{4!} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} + \dots}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \text{pos.}} < 1$$

So we prefer $e^{-\bar{x}}$.

Defn: Asymptotic Efficiency

We say $\hat{\theta}$ is asymp. efficient for $T(\theta)$ if

$$\hat{\theta} \sim AN(T(\theta), B(\theta))$$

\uparrow CRLB

$$B(\theta) = \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 / I_N(\theta)$$

Ex, $e^{-\bar{x}} \sim AN(e^{-\lambda}, \boxed{e^{-2\lambda} \frac{1}{N}})$

What's the CRLB?

$$I(\lambda) = -E \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda^2} \log f_{\lambda}(x) \right]$$

$$\rightarrow f_{\lambda}(x) = \lambda^x e^{-\lambda} / x!$$

$$\rightarrow \log f_{\lambda}(x) = x \log(\lambda) - \lambda - \log(x!)$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} [\dots] = \frac{x}{\lambda} - 1$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda^2} [\dots] = -\frac{x}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\rightarrow I(\lambda) = -E\left[\frac{x}{\lambda^2}\right] = -E\left[\frac{x}{\lambda^2}\right] = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} E x$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$I_N(\lambda) = N/\lambda, \quad T(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda}, \quad T'(\lambda) = -e^{-\lambda}$$

$$B = \left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \lambda} \right)^2 / I_N(\lambda) = \frac{e^{-2\lambda} \lambda}{N}$$

Theorem: MLEs are asymptotically efficient ^(*)

(*) (1) likelihood diff'able

(2) $I(\theta) \neq 0$

$$(\partial T / \partial \lambda)^2$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} \sim AN(T(\theta), (\partial^2 \ell / \partial \theta^2)^2 / I_N(\theta))$$

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Hypothesis testing

A hypothesis is a statement about parameters:

$$H_0 : \theta \in \Theta_0 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a : \theta \in \Theta_a$$

null hypothesis

alt.
hypothesis

$$\text{call } \Theta = \Theta_0 \cup \Theta_a$$

$$\text{Constraint: } \Theta_0 \cap \Theta_a = \emptyset.$$
