Project 2 Computational Numerical Statistics

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Bootstrap & Jackknife

In the resolution of the following problems **do not** use any of the R bootstrap and jackknife built-in functions.

Fix your R random seed to 123 in all simulations.

1. A specific electrical battery installation needs that all its batteries are regularly replaced after 1200 hours. One observed the following 20 survival times of independent batteries

Let

T = number of survival hours of a battery

and
$$p = P(T > 1200)$$
. Let $\mathcal{P} = \frac{X}{n}$ with $X \sim Bin(n, p)$ and

X = number of batteries that lived more than 1200 hours in n inspected batteries being p = P(T > 1200) the probability of success.

- (a) Show that \mathcal{P} is an unbiased and consistent estimator of p. Estimate p and $V(\mathcal{P})$.
- (b) Use the **non-parametric** bootstrap (B = 10000 samples) approach to estimate the variance and bias of \mathcal{P} . Display the histograms of the bootstrap estimated p's. Also, report the bootstrap and bias corrected estimates of p.
- (c) Using the simulated bootstrap samples from (b), provide both the non-parametric bootstrap **percentile** and **studentized** 90% CIs for p.
- (d) Use the **non-parametric** bootstrap (B = 10000 samples) to test the hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu \le 1000$$
 vs $H_1: \mu > 1000$,

where μ is the population mean, at the 5% significance level.

2. Let $X \sim Geom(p)$, which has probability mass function (p.m.f.) given by

$$f(x; p) = p(1-p)^x$$
 $x = 0, 1, ...$ $p \in [0, 1].$

Let

$0\; 2\; 3\; 0\; 0\; 0\; 0\; 2\; 3\; 1\; 0\; 1\; 0\; 1\; 0\; 2\; 5\; 2\; 5\; 1\; 2\; 2\; 1\; 0\; 0\\$

be an observed sample from X.

- (a) Derive the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) of p and use it to estimate p.
- (b) Use both the bootstrap and jackknife techniques to estimate the standard error and bias of the MLE of p. Compare the results.

Optimization

3. Let $X \sim Beta(\alpha, 1)$, which has p.d.f.

$$f(x;\alpha) = \frac{x^{\alpha-1}}{B(\alpha,1)}, \qquad \alpha > 0, \qquad x \in [0,1]$$

Let

be an observed sample from X.

- (a) Derive the likelihood, log-likelihood and score functions.
- (b) Display the likelihood, log-likelihood and score functions graphically in order to locate the ML estimate of α .
- (c) Use the R function maxLik() from library maxLik to approximate the ML estimate of α .
- (d) Derive the algorithms of bisection, Newton-Raphson and Fisher scoring that enable the approximation of the ML estimate of α . Implement those in R and use the sample above to estimate α . Justify your choice of the initial estimates.

Use the **absolute** convergence criterion as a stop rule with $\varepsilon = 0.000001$.

(e) Which of the methods in (d) is more sensitive to the initial estimates?

4. Let $X \sim Exp(\lambda)$, which has p.d.f.

$$f(x; \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, \quad \lambda > 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Let

be an observed sample from X.

- (a) Use the observed data and the method of Newton-Raphson to approximate the ML estimate of λ . Justify your choice of the initial estimate and all the intermediate steps.
- (b) Consider the following reparametrization $b = \log(\lambda)$ in the pdf above. Implement the Newton-Rapshon algorithm to approximate the ML estimate of λ using this reparametrization.
- (c) Which approach, (a) or (b) is more sensitive to the initial values?

Use the **relative** convergence criterion as a stop rule with $\varepsilon = 0.000001$.