

# Machine Learning and Computational Statistics

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## Exercise 1

a) we know that

$$p(x) = \theta^2 x \exp(-\theta x) u(x)$$

The likelihood function can be written as

$$L(x|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^N p(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^N \theta^2 x_i \exp(-\theta x_i) u(x_i) = \theta^{2N} \exp(-\theta \sum_{i=1}^N x_i) \prod_{i=1}^N x_i u(x_i)$$

We need to maximize the likelihood function which is the same as maximizing the log-likelihood. The log-likelihood function can be written as:

$$\ln L(x|\theta) = 2N \ln \theta - \theta \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + \sum_{i=1}^N u(x_i)$$

Taking the partial derivative of the log-likelihood and setting to 0 we obtain:

$$\frac{\partial \ln L(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta} = \frac{2N}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i = 0 \Rightarrow \theta_{MLE} = \frac{2N}{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}$$

b)

i)  $\theta_{MLE} = 0.84$

ii)  $\hat{p}(2.3) = 0.235$

iii)  $\hat{p}(2.9) = 0.179$

## Exercise 2

According to Bays' Theorem:

$$p(\theta|x) = \frac{p(\theta)p(x|\theta)}{p(x)}$$

In order to find the Maximum A-posterior Probability we will need to maximize  $p(\theta)p(x|\theta)$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{argmax}_{\theta} p(\theta)p(x|\theta) \\
& \Rightarrow \text{argmax}_{\theta} \ln(p(\theta)p(x|\theta)) \\
& \Rightarrow \text{argmax}_{\theta} \ln \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_0^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\theta - \theta_0)^2}{2\sigma_0^2}\right) \theta^{2N} \exp\left(-\theta \sum_{i=1}^N x_i\right) \prod_{i=1}^N x_i u(x_i) \right] \\
& \Rightarrow \text{argmax}_{\theta} -\frac{1}{2} \ln 2\pi - \ln \sigma_0 + \frac{(\theta - \theta_0)^2}{2\sigma_0^2} + 2N \ln \theta - \theta \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + \sum_{i=1}^N u(x_i)
\end{aligned}$$

Taking the partial derivative w.r.t  $\theta$  and setting to 0 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial p(\theta)p(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta} &= 0 \\
-\frac{(\theta - \theta_0)}{\sigma_0^2} + \frac{2N}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i &= 0 \\
-\theta(\theta - \theta_0) + 2N\sigma_0^2 - \theta\sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i &= 0 \\
-\theta^2 + \theta\theta_0 - \theta\sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + 2N\sigma_0^2 &= 0 \\
\theta^2 - \theta\theta_0 + \theta\sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i - 2N\sigma_0^2 &= 0 \\
\theta^2 - \theta(\theta_0 - \sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i) - 2N\sigma_0^2 &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

We have a 2nd order polynomial with

$$\Delta = (\theta_0 - \sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2 + 8N\sigma_0^2 > 0$$

Then

$$\theta_{1,2} = \frac{\theta_0 - \sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \pm \sqrt{(\theta_0 - \sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2 + 8N\sigma_0^2}}{2}$$

We have  $\theta_2 < 0$  since

$$\theta_0 - \sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i - \sqrt{(\theta_0 - \sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2 + 8N\sigma_0^2} < 0$$

where  $k > 0$

so

$$\theta_{MAP} = \frac{\theta_0 - \sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + \sqrt{(\theta_0 - \sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2 + 8N\sigma_0^2}}{2}$$

b)

i)  $N \rightarrow \infty$  then  $\theta_{MAP} = \theta_0$  since we have sampled the whole population

ii)  $\sigma^2 \gg$  then  $\theta_{MLE} = \frac{2N}{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}$  because the first term of the following equation becomes 0

$$-\frac{(\theta - \theta_0)}{\sigma_0^2} + \frac{2N}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i = 0$$

iii)  $\sigma^2 \ll$  then  $\theta_{MAP} = \theta_0$  because  $\sigma_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \approx 0$  and  $8N\sigma_0^2 \approx 0$

### Exercise 3

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mu) &= \sum_{i=1}^N (x_n - \mu)^2 + \lambda((\mu - \mu_0)^2 - \rho) = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N x_n^2 - 2\mu \sum_{i=1}^N x_n + \sum_{i=1}^N \mu^2 + \lambda[\mu^2 - 2\mu\mu_0 + \mu_0^2 - \rho] = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N x_n^2 - 2\mu \sum_{i=1}^N x_n + \sum_{i=1}^N \mu^2 + \lambda\mu^2 - 2\lambda\mu\mu_0 + \lambda\mu_0^2 - \lambda\rho = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N x_n^2 - 2\mu \sum_{i=1}^N x_n + N\mu^2 + \lambda\mu^2 - 2\lambda\mu\mu_0 + \lambda\mu_0^2 - \lambda\rho \end{aligned}$$

Taking the partial derivative w.r.t  $\mu$  and setting to 0 we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \mu} &= -2 \sum_{i=1}^N x_n + 2N\mu + 2\lambda\mu - 2\lambda\mu_0 = 0 \\ \Rightarrow - \sum_{i=1}^N x_n + N\mu + \lambda\mu - \lambda\mu_0 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow - \sum_{i=1}^N x_n + \mu(N + \lambda) - \lambda\mu_0 &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \mu_{RR} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_n + \lambda\mu_0}{N + \lambda} \end{aligned}$$

### Exercise 4

a)

$$p(Y|\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^N \lambda e^{-\lambda x_i} = \lambda^N e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{argmax} P(\lambda) p(Y|\lambda) \\
&= \text{argmax} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-b\lambda} \lambda^N e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i} \\
&= \text{argmax} \ln \left[ \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-b\lambda} \lambda^N e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i} \right] \\
&= \text{argmax} \alpha \ln b - \ln \Gamma(\alpha) + (\alpha - 1) \ln \lambda - b\lambda + N \ln \lambda - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i
\end{aligned}$$

Taking the partial derivative w.r.t  $\lambda$  and setting to 0 we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\partial P(\lambda) p(Y|\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = 0 \\
& \Rightarrow \frac{\alpha - 1}{\lambda} - b + \frac{N}{\lambda} - \sum_{i=1}^N x_i = 0 \\
& \Rightarrow \alpha - 1 - b\lambda + N - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i = 0 \\
& \Rightarrow \lambda_{MAP} = \frac{\alpha - 1 + N}{b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i}
\end{aligned}$$

c)

$$p(x) = \frac{\alpha - 1 + N}{b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i} \exp \left( - \frac{\alpha - 1 + N}{b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i} x_i \right)$$

d)

$$P(\lambda|Y) = \frac{P(\lambda)P(Y|\lambda)}{P(Y)} = \frac{1}{P(Y)} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-b\lambda} \lambda^N e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i} = \frac{P(\lambda)P(Y|\lambda)}{P(Y)} = \frac{1}{P(Y)} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{N+\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda(b+\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)}$$

setting  $\frac{\beta^\alpha}{P(Y)\Gamma(\alpha)} = C$  we have  $C\lambda^{N+\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda(b+\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)}$  which is in a form of a gamma distribution  $C\lambda^r e^{-s\lambda}$  where  $r = N + \alpha - 1$  and  $s = b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$

e)

$$\frac{\text{Posterior}}{\text{Prior}} = \frac{\frac{1}{P(Y)} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{N+\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda(b+\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)}}{\frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-b\lambda}} = \frac{\lambda^N e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i}}{P(Y)} \Rightarrow \text{Prior} \cdot \frac{\lambda^N e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i}}{P(Y)} = \text{Posterior}$$

We can see how the prior was scaled by a factor of  $\frac{\lambda^N e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^N x_i}}{P(Y)}$

f) Since  $p(\lambda|y)$  is a gamma distribution, we express  $p(\lambda|y)$  as:

$$p(\lambda|y) = \frac{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^{N+a}}{\Gamma(N+a)} \lambda^{N+a-1} e^{-\lambda(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} p(x|y) &= \int p(x|\lambda)p(\lambda|y)d\lambda \\ &= \int \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \frac{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^{N+a}}{\Gamma(N+a)} \lambda^{N+a-1} e^{-\lambda(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)} \\ &= \frac{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^{N+a}}{\Gamma(N+a)} \int \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \lambda^{N+a-1} e^{-\lambda(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)} \\ &= \frac{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^{N+a}}{\Gamma(N+a)} \int \lambda^{N+a} e^{-\lambda(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + x)} \\ &= \frac{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^{N+a}}{\Gamma(N+a)} \frac{\Gamma(N+a+1)}{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + x)^{N+a+1}} \\ &= \frac{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^{N+a}}{\Gamma(N+a)} \frac{(N+a)\Gamma(N+a)}{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + x)^{N+a+1}} \\ &= \frac{(N+a)(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^{N+a}}{(b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i + x)^{N+a+1}} \end{aligned}$$

which is a lomax distribution with  $d = b + \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$  and  $c = N + a$

g)  $p(x) = 0.411e^{-0.411x}$

h)  $p(x|y) = \frac{55,806,059,528}{(17+x)^9}$

i)  $P(X = 2) = 0.14709$  and  $P(X = 2|Y) = 0.13688$