

Mini Project - 2

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1 Question 1

We have been given that x_n follows a Weibull distribution

$$f_{\theta,k}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{\theta} \left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^{k-1} e^{-\left(\frac{x}{\theta}\right)^k} & , x \geq 0 \\ 0 & , x < 0 \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Here the true parameters $\theta = 2$ and $k=1$

For which the likelihood function is:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{\hat{x}}(\theta, k) &= \prod_{i=1}^N f_{\theta,k}(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^N \frac{k}{\theta} \left(\frac{x_i}{\theta}\right)^{k-1} e^{-\left(\frac{x_i}{\theta}\right)^k} = \frac{k^N}{\theta^{Nk}} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{x_i}{\theta}\right)^k} \prod_{i=1}^N x_i^{k-1} \\ \ell_{\hat{x}}(\theta, k) &:= \ln \mathcal{L}_{\hat{x}}(\theta, k) = N \ln k - Nk \ln \theta - \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{x_i}{\theta}\right)^k + (k-1) \sum_{i=1}^N \ln x_i \end{aligned}$$

Now since we know k only θ needs to be estimated which be done by taking the partial derivative of $\ell_{\hat{x}}(\theta, k)$ w.r.t θ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial l}{\partial \theta} &= -Nk \frac{1}{\theta} + k \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^k \frac{1}{\theta^{k+1}} && \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \\ \frac{\partial l}{\partial k} &= \frac{N}{k} - N \ln \theta - \sum_{i=1}^N \ln \left(\frac{x_i}{\theta}\right) e^{k \ln \left(\frac{x_i}{\theta}\right)} + \sum_{i=1}^N \ln x_i && \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \end{aligned}$$

And taking $k=1$ It follows:

$$\boxed{\hat{\theta} = \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \right)}$$

Fischer information =

$$\boxed{I(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^2}}$$

1.1 Tabulating the $E[\sigma]$ & $\text{Var}(\sigma)$

N	$E[\sigma]$	$\text{Var}(\sigma)$
1	1.94222	3.8309
10	2.04264	0.424264
100	1.96885	0.03530
1000	2.0015	0.00418
10000	1.9996	0.00037

It can be seen that the $E[\sigma]$ converges to the true value i.e 2 implying that the estimator is unbiased.

Also, the variance decreases with an increase in sample size as the mle estimator is consistent and it converges to the true value of σ in probability

1.2 Plotting the pdf & CDF of the estimate $\hat{\theta}$

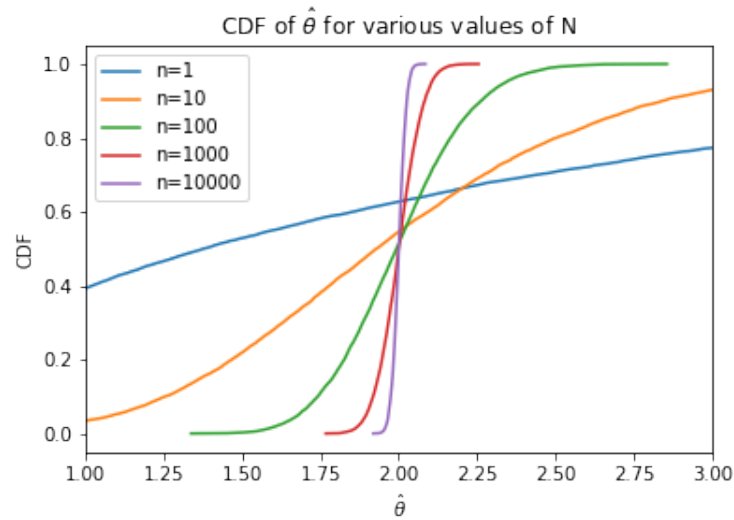


Figure 1: CDF of the estimate $\hat{\theta}$

It can be seen that the CDF becomes narrower as the variance decreases with an increase in sample size

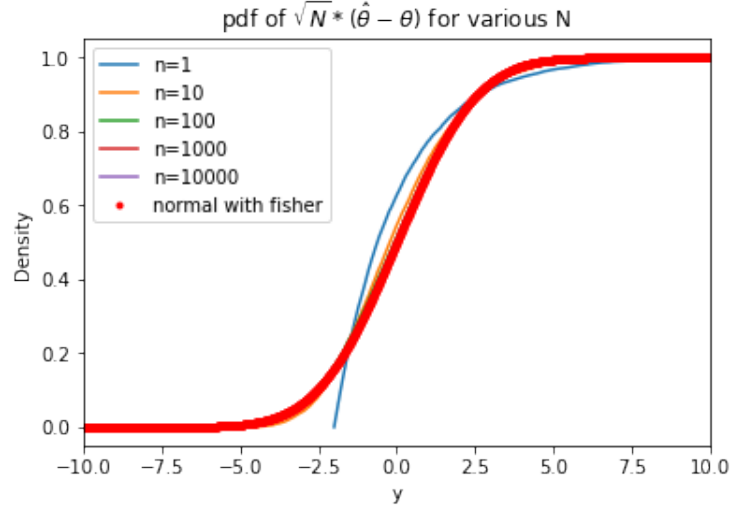


Figure 2: CDF of $\sqrt{N} * (\hat{\theta} - \theta)$

It can be seen that the CDF converges to the Normal distribution with 0 mean and variance given by the FI. This shows that the estimator is consistent and unbiased

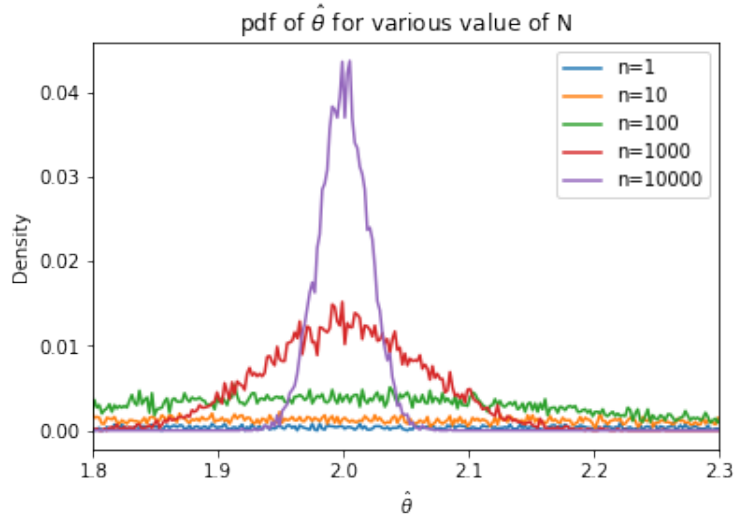


Figure 3: pdf of the estimate $\hat{\theta}$

The pdf also follows a Gaussian distribution with the width becoming narrower as sample size increases

2 Question 2

We have been given that Y_n follows a Gumbel (Type-1) Distribution with

$$f_y(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma} e^{-\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma}} e^{-e^{-\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma}}} \quad (2)$$

Here the true parameters $\mu = 14.9787$ and $\sigma_{gev} = 5$

For which the likelihood function is:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma} e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}} e^{-e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}}} \\ L &= \sigma^{-n} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma} + e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}} \right)} \\ \ln(L) &= -n \ln(\sigma) - \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma} + e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now since we know μ only σ needs to be estimated which be done by taking the partial derivative of $\ln(L)$ w.r.t σ as follows:

$$\frac{\partial \ln(L)}{\partial \sigma} = -\frac{n}{\sigma} + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu) - \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu) e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}} = 0$$

Since there is no easy closed form for this expression we use an iterative numerical technique called Newton-Raphson where we update σ as:

$$\sigma = \sigma - \frac{\frac{\partial \ln(L)}{\partial \sigma}}{\frac{\partial^2 \ln(L)}{\partial \sigma^2}} \quad (3)$$

Where

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln(L)}{\partial \sigma^2} = \frac{n}{\sigma^2} - \frac{2}{\sigma^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu) + \frac{2}{\sigma^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu) e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}} - \frac{2}{\sigma^4} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}}$$

And the Fischer n is given by the integral which is implemented using numerical packages:

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\sigma^2} - \frac{2}{\sigma^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu) + \frac{2}{\sigma^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu) e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}} - \frac{2}{\sigma^4} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 e^{-\frac{y_i-\mu}{\sigma}} f_y(y : \sigma) dy$$

2.1 Tabulating the $E[\sigma]$ & $\text{Var}(\sigma)$

N	$E[\sigma]$	$\text{Var}(\sigma)$
1	4.2046	12.1047
10	4.8867	1.03424
100	4.8076	0.14665
1000	4.8310	0.012605
10000	4.81147	0.001196

It can be seen that the $E[\sigma]$ converges to 4.8 instead of 5 implying that the estimator is biased.

Nevertheless, the variance decreases with an increase in sample size as the mle estimator is consistent and it converges to the true value of σ in probability

2.2 Plotting the CDF of the estimate $\hat{\sigma}_{gev}$

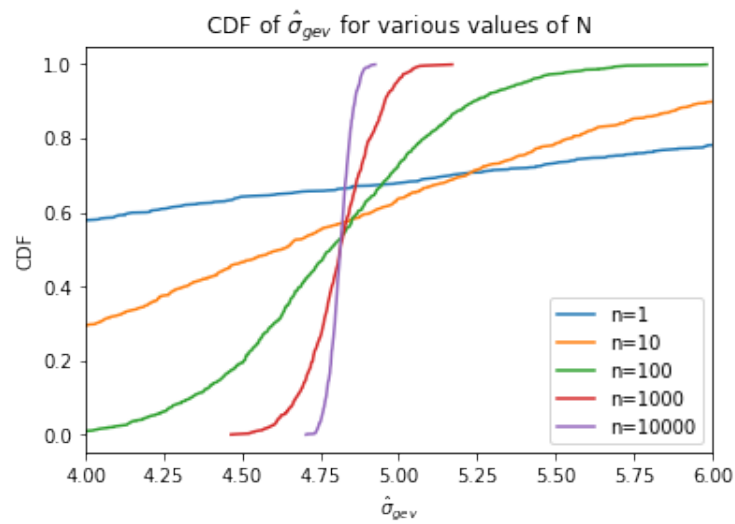


Figure 4: CDF of the estimate $\hat{\sigma}_{gev}$

It can be seen that the CDF becomes narrower as the variance decreases with an increase in sample size

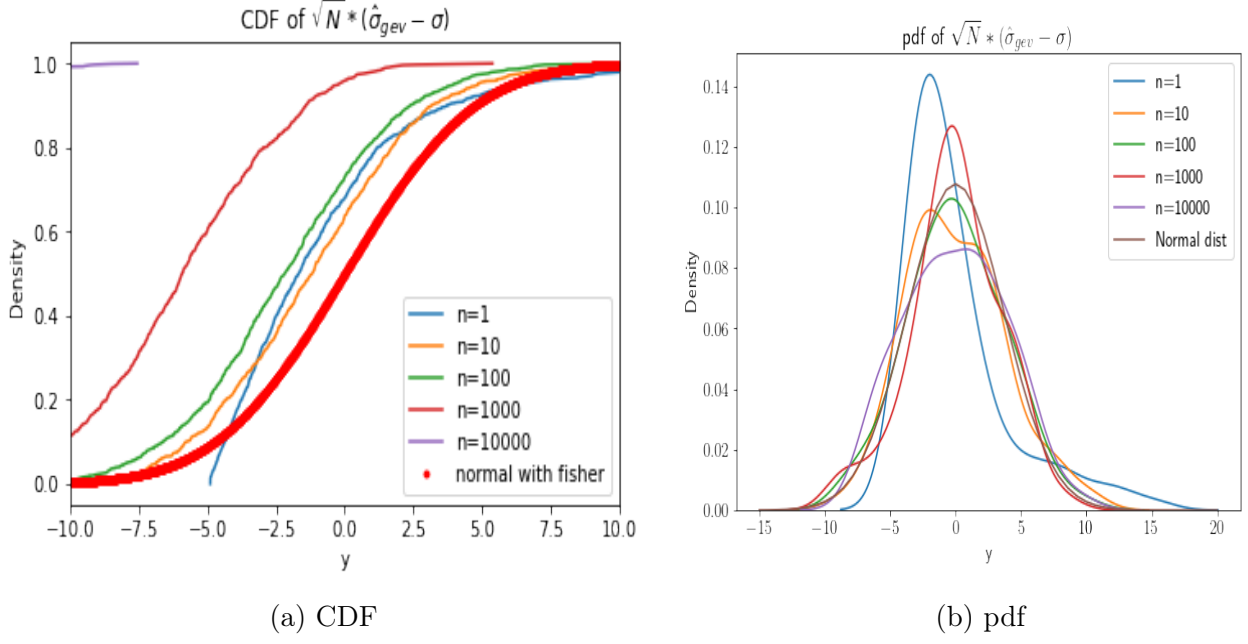


Figure 5: CDF and pdf of $\sqrt{N} * (\hat{\sigma}_{gev} - \sigma)$

Here we can clearly see the effect of the biasedness of the estimator. The CDF and pdf are both shifted.

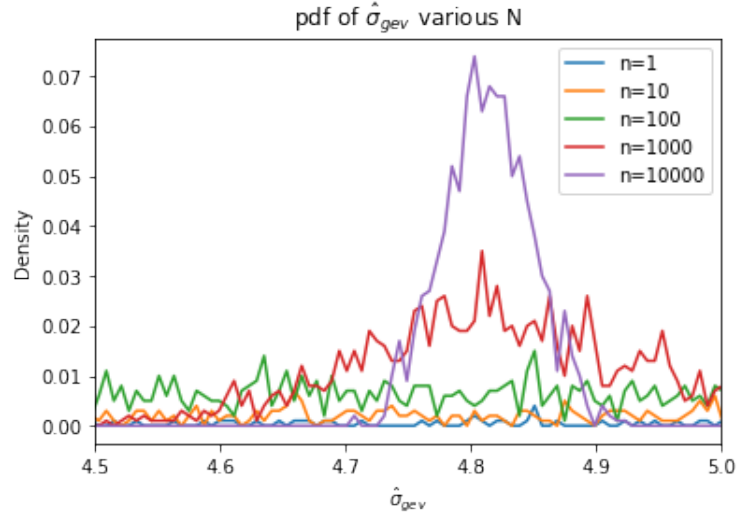


Figure 6: pdf of the estimate $\hat{\sigma}_{gev}$

The pdf also follows a Gaussian distribution with the width becoming narrower as sample size increases. However, it is heavy-tailed towards the right as the distribution is extreme-valued.

3 Question 3

Using the generalized Pareto distribution (GPD)

We get the MLE as:

$$\hat{\sigma}_{gpd} = \left(\frac{1}{L} \sum_{i=1}^n S_i \right)$$

And the Fischer information =

$$I(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{gpd}^2}$$

3.1 Tabulating the $E[\hat{\sigma}_{gev}]$ & $Var(\hat{\sigma}_{gev})$

N	$E[\sigma]$	$Var(\sigma)$
1	4.93320	21.4661
10	5.0411	15.2535
100	5.03381	1.29202
1000	5.00518	0.12399
10000	4.9981	0.01247

It can be seen that the $E[\sigma_{gev}]$ converges to the true value i.e 5 implying that the estimator is unbiased.

Also, the variance decreases with an increase in sample size as the mle estimator is consistent and it converges to the true value of σ_{gev} in probability

3.2 Plotting the pdf & CDF of the estimate $\hat{\theta}$

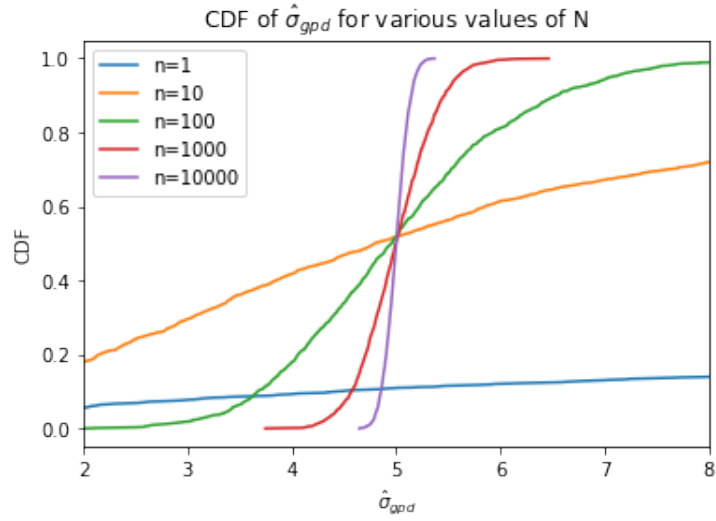


Figure 7: CDF of the estimate $\hat{\sigma}_{gpd}$

It can be seen that the CDF becomes narrower as the variance decreases with an increase in sample size.

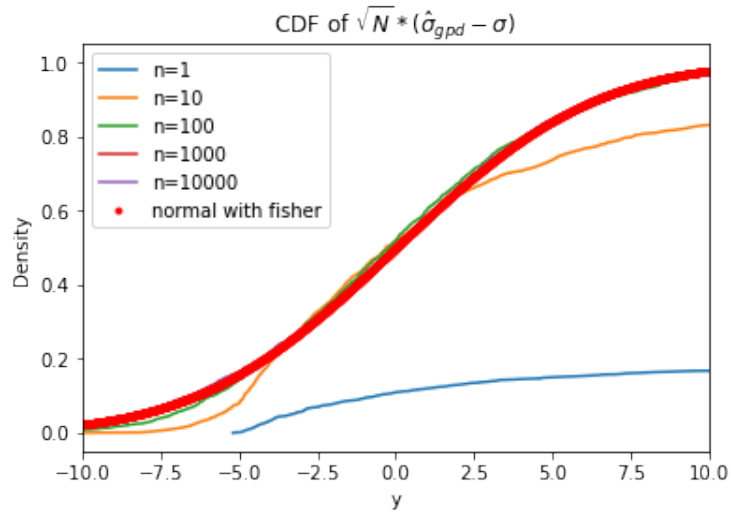


Figure 8: CDF of $\sqrt{N} * (\hat{\sigma}_{gpd} - \sigma)$

It can be seen that the CDF converges to the Normal distribution with 0 mean and variance given by the FI. This shows that the estimator is consistent and unbiased.

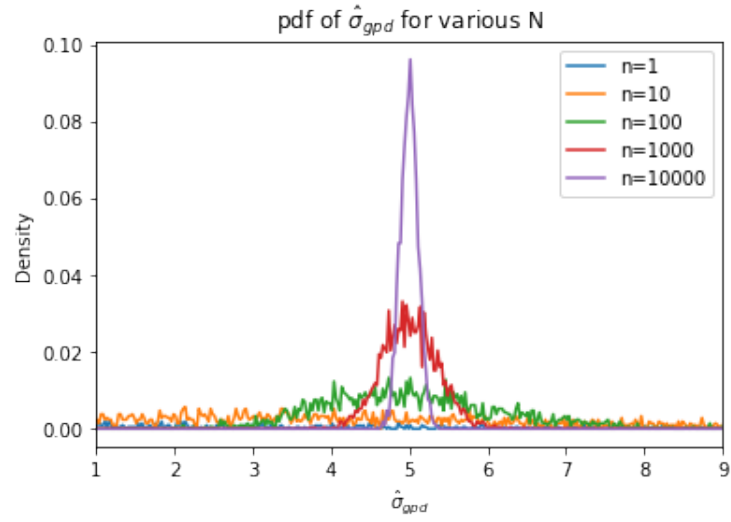


Figure 9: pdf of the estimate $\hat{\sigma}_{gpd}$

The pdf also follows a Gaussian distribution with the width becoming narrower as sample size increases. And it is centered around 5 as the estimator is unbiased