

Exercises I4

Example 4.1

(a) is there a sufficient statistic for θ ?

I use the normalization property of the pdf:

$$1 = \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} c_{\theta} \theta^x = c_{\theta} \left(\frac{1}{1-\theta} - 1 \right)$$

and solving the equation we get $f(x; \theta) = (1 - \theta)\theta^{x-1}$ a geometric rv with parameter $1 - \theta$.

$$f(\vec{x}; \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta) = (1 - \theta)^n \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \theta^{-n}$$

if we choose $h(x) = 1$ and $g(\bar{x}; \theta) = \frac{(1-\theta)^n}{\theta^n} \theta^{n\bar{x}}$

we see how $f(\vec{x}; \theta) = h(x)g(\bar{x}; \theta)$ which means that \bar{x} is a sufficient statistic because of the factorisation criterion. \square

(c) method of moments and asymptotic bias:

Since X_i is a geometric rv with parameter $1 - \theta$ we have that

$\mathbb{E}[X] = \frac{1}{1-\theta}$, solving the equation for the 1st moment we find:

$$\hat{\theta}_{MM} = \frac{\bar{X}-1}{\bar{X}}$$

The asymptotic distribution of \bar{X} can be computed using CLT

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mathbb{E}[X_i]}{\sqrt{\frac{\text{var}(X_i)}{n}}} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \text{ we get that } \bar{X} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{N}\left(\frac{1}{1-\theta}, \frac{\theta}{n(1-\theta)^2}\right)$$

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It is not an unbiased estimator because $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\hat{\theta}_{MM}]$

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(d) MLE

$$L(\theta) = \frac{(1-\theta)^n}{\theta^n} \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} = (1-\theta)^n \theta^{n(\bar{x}-1)}$$

$$L'(\theta) = -n(1-\theta)^{n-1} \theta^{n(\bar{x}-1)} + (1-\theta)^n n(\bar{x}-1) \theta^{n(\bar{x}-1)-1}$$

we solve $L'(\hat{\theta}) = 0$ and get $\hat{\theta} = \frac{\bar{x}-1}{\bar{x}}$, the same estimator obtained by the method of moments.

For the sample $(8, 2, 3, 1)$ $\bar{x} = \frac{8+2+3+1}{4} = 3.5$, $\hat{\theta} = 0.71428$

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(e) The answer is the same as in (d) because the sample is iid.

Example 4.2

$$f(x, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \text{ pdf of } X_i$$

$$L(\sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma^n (2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\ell(\sigma) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^n (2\pi)^{n/2}}\right) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{2\sigma^2} =$$

$$= -n \ln(\sigma(2\pi)^{1/2}) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{2\sigma^2} =$$

$$= -n \ln(\sigma) - (2\pi)^{1/2} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

$$\ell'(\sigma) = \frac{-n}{\sigma} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{\sigma^3}$$

solve $\ell'(\hat{\sigma}) = 0$ we get

$$\hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{n}}$$

and since MLE is equivariant then $\hat{\psi} = \ln(\hat{\sigma})$.

Example 4.3

(a) MLE of $\psi = \frac{\sigma}{\mu}$ and its distribution:

$$f(x, \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \text{ pdf of } X_i$$

$$L(\mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma^n (2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\ell(\mu, \sigma) = -n \ln(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

$$\nabla \ell(\mu, \sigma) = \left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)}{\sigma^2}, \frac{-n}{\sigma} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^3} \right]^\top$$

Solving $\nabla \ell(\mu, \sigma) = \vec{0}$ we get:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \bar{x} \\ \hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\overline{x^2} - \bar{x}^2} \end{cases}$$

and for the equivariant property $\hat{\psi} = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\hat{\mu}} = \frac{\overline{x^2} - \bar{x}^2}{\bar{x}}$

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(b) sample size 10, $\bar{x} = 1.5$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = 3$

provide an approximation for $P(\hat{\psi} > 1 + \psi)$

$$\hat{\mu} = 1.5, \hat{\sigma} = \frac{3}{n} = 0.3 \rightarrow \hat{\psi} = 0.2$$

$$P(\hat{\psi} > 1 + \psi) = P(\psi < -0.8)$$

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Example 4.4

X_1, \dots, X_n iid sample with $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\theta, \theta^2)$ with $\theta > 0$

(a) sufficient statistic for θ is $T = [\overline{x^2}, \bar{x}]$

$$f(\vec{x}, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n (2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2}{2\theta^2}} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^n (2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 + \theta^2 - 2x_i\theta)}{2\theta^2}} =$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^n (2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{\overline{nx^2} + n\theta^2 - 2n\theta\bar{x}}{2\theta^2}}$$

and for the likelihood factorisation criterion T is sufficient

(b) MLE of θ :

$$f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\theta)^2}{2\theta^2}} \text{ pdf of } X_i$$

$$L(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n (2\pi)^{n/2}} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2}{2\theta^2}}$$

$$\ell(\theta) = -n \ln(\theta\sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2}{2\theta^2}$$

$$= -n \ln(\theta\sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 + \theta^2 - 2x_i\theta)}{2\theta^2} =$$

$$= -n \ln(\theta\sqrt{2\pi}) - \overline{nx^2} - \frac{-n}{2} + \frac{n\bar{x}}{\theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{n}{\theta} - \frac{n\bar{x}}{\theta^2}$$

We solve $\frac{\partial \ell(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$ and get

$$\hat{\theta} = -\bar{x}$$

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Example 4.5

X_1, \dots, X_n iid random sample with $X_i \sim \text{Unif}(\theta, 0)$

(i) Distribution of MLE of θ :

$f(x, \theta) = -\frac{1}{\theta} \mathbb{1}_{[\theta, 0]}(x)$ pdf of X_i (θ is negative)

$$L(\theta) = \begin{cases} (-1)^n \frac{1}{\theta^n} & \text{if } x_{(1)} \geq \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

I cannot compute the log likelihood since the likelihood is 0 for some values of θ .

$L'(\theta) =$

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Example 4.6

X_1, X_2, X_3 iid sample with $X_i \sim \text{Ber}(\theta)$

(a) $S = \sum_{i=1}^3 X_i$ is sufficient, prove it using the definition:

We need to check that the following (\star) conditional probability does not depend on θ

$$(\star) = P_{\theta}(\vec{X} = \vec{x} | T(\vec{X}) = t(\vec{x})) = \frac{f(\vec{x}; \theta)}{q(t(\vec{x}); \theta)}$$

We have that the pdf of \vec{X} is $f(\vec{x}; \theta) = \theta^{x_1+x_2+x_3} (1-\theta)^{3-x_1-x_2-x_3}$

and since S is the sum of 3 independent Bernoulli rvs we have that

the pdf of S is $q(x_1 + x_2 + x_3; \theta) = \binom{3}{x_1+x_2+x_3} \theta^{x_1+x_2+x_3} (1-\theta)^{3-x_1-x_2-x_3}$

which means that $(\star) = \frac{1}{\binom{3}{x_1+x_2+x_3}}$ that doesn't depend on θ . \square

(b) Show that $X_1 + 2X_2 + 3X_3$ is not sufficient:

The pdf of \vec{X} is the same as in point (a)

$A \triangleq X_1$ is a Bernoulli rv, $B \triangleq 2X_2$ has a pmf $f_B(b) = \theta^b (1-\theta)^{2-b}$ and

$C \triangleq 3X_3$ has a pmf $f_C(c) = \theta^c (1-\theta)^{3-c}$

functions of independent rvs are independent, which means A, B, C are independent rvs.

The rv $T = A + B + C$ takes values in 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and we have that:

A+B+C	A	B	C	Pr
0	0	0	0	$(1 - \theta)^3$
1	1	0	0	$(1 - \theta)^2 \theta$
2	0	2	0	$(1 - \theta)^2 \theta$
3	1	2	0	$(1 - \theta) \theta^2$
3	0	0	3	$(1 - \theta)^2 \theta$
4	1	0	3	$(1 - \theta) \theta^2$
5	0	2	3	$(1 - \theta) \theta^2$
6	1	2	3	θ^3

which means that the pmf of T is \$\$

Example 4.7

Compute the method of moments estimator for X_1, \dots, X_n iid random sample with $X_i \sim \text{Unif}(0, \theta)$

Method of moments, we solve: $\mathbb{E}[Y] = \bar{Y}$

$$\mathbb{E}[Y] = \frac{\theta}{2} = \bar{Y}$$

which means that $\hat{\theta}_{MM} = 2\bar{Y}$

the bias of the method of moments estimator is

$$b(\theta; \hat{\theta}_{MM}) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}_{MM}) - \theta = 2\frac{\theta}{2} - \theta = 0, \text{ it's unbiased.}$$

To compute the MSE we also need

$$\text{var}(\hat{\theta}_{MM}) = \text{var}(2\bar{Y}) \underbrace{=}_{\text{prop. of } \bar{Y}} \frac{4\sigma^2}{n}$$

so $\text{mse}(\theta; \hat{\theta}_{MM}) = \frac{4\sigma^2}{n}$.

For the MLE we have that $\hat{\theta} = Y_{(n)}$ is only asymptotically unbiased in fact:

$$f_{Y_{(n)}}(t) = n(F(t))^{n-1}f(t) = n\left(\frac{t}{\theta}\right)^{n-1}\frac{1}{\theta}\mathbb{1}_{[0,\theta]}$$

$$E_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}) = \int_0^{\theta} t f_{Y_{(n)}}(t) dt =$$

$$= \int_0^{\theta} n \frac{t^n}{\theta^n} dt =$$

$$= \frac{n}{n+1} \frac{\theta^{n+1}}{\theta^n} = \frac{n}{n+1} \theta$$

$$b(\theta; \hat{\theta}) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}) - \theta = \frac{n}{n+1} \theta - \theta = \frac{-1}{n+1} ,$$

$$\text{var}(\hat{\theta}) = \text{var}(Y_{(n)}) \underbrace{=}_{\text{prop. of var}} \mathbb{E}[Y_{(n)}^2] - \mathbb{E}[Y_{(n)}]^2 =$$

$$(\mathbb{E}[Y_{(n)}^2] = \dots = \frac{n}{n+2} \theta^2) = \frac{n}{n+2} \theta^2 - \frac{n^2}{(n+1)^2} \theta^2 =$$

$$= \theta^2 \left(\frac{n(n+1)^2 - n^3 - 2n^2}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} \right) =$$

$$= \theta^2 \left(\frac{n^3 + 2n^2 + n - n^3 - 2n^2}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} \right) =$$

$$= \theta^2 \left(\frac{n}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} \right)$$

$$\text{mse}(\theta, \hat{\theta}) = \theta^2 \left(\frac{n}{(n+2)(n+1)^2} \right) + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}$$

We see that both estimators are consistent because the mse of both goes to 0 for $n \rightarrow \infty$

But the MM estimator is unbiased while the MLE is only asymptotically unbiased, also mse of MLE depends on θ while the mse of MM does not.

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