

276. For a group of policies, you are given:

- (i) Losses follow the distribution function

$$F(x) = 1 - \theta/x, \quad x > 0.$$

- (ii) A sample of 20 losses resulted in the following:

Interval	Number of Losses
(0, 10]	9
(10, 25]	6
(25, ∞)	5

Calculate the maximum likelihood estimate of θ .

→: Likelihood Function:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(A)} \quad & 5.00 \\
 \text{(B)} \quad & 5.50 \\
 \text{(C)} \quad & 5.75 \\
 \text{(D)} \quad & 6.00 \\
 \text{(E)} \quad & 6.25
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(\theta) &= (F(10))^9 (F(25) - F(10))^6 (1 - F(25))^5 \\
 &= \left(1 - \frac{\theta}{10}\right)^9 \left(1 - \frac{\theta}{25} - \left(1 - \frac{\theta}{10}\right)\right)^6 \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{\theta}{25}\right)\right)^5 \\
 &= \left(1 - \frac{\theta}{10}\right)^9 \theta^6 \left(\frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{25}\right)^6 \cdot \frac{\theta^5}{25^5} \\
 &= \frac{(10-\theta)^9}{10^9} \theta^{11} \left(\frac{1}{10} - \frac{1}{25}\right)^6 \cdot \frac{1}{25^5}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$L(\theta) \propto (10-\theta)^9 \cdot \theta^{11}$$

↑
proportional to

⇒ Up to a constant, our log-likelihood is

$$\ell(\theta) = 9 \cdot \ln(10-\theta) + 11 \cdot \ln(\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \ell'(\theta) = 9 \cdot (-1) \cdot \frac{1}{10-\theta} + 11 \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} = 0$$

$$\frac{11}{\theta} = \frac{9}{10-\theta}$$

$$110 - 11\theta = 9\theta$$

$$20\theta = 110$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = 5.5$$

MLE: Censored and truncated data.

Censoring.

If the j^{th} data point is censored @ u_j ,
then we look @ the probability of "hitting" $[u_j, +\infty)$.

Truncation.

If the j^{th} data point is truncated @ d_j ,
then we can do:

- shifting: Let x_j be the value of the actual loss;
construct $L(\theta)$ based on the actual losses
w/ the model for the actual losses;
- conditioning: omit $x_j < d_j$;

for the remainder

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{f_x(x_j; \theta)}{S_x(d_j; \theta)}$$

for individual observations.

218. The random variable X has survival function:

$$S_X(x) = \frac{\theta^4}{(\theta^2 + x^2)^2} = \theta^4 (\theta^2 + x^2)^{-2}$$

Two values of X are observed to be 2 and 4. One other value exceeds 4.

$x_1 \quad x_2$

$x_3 = 4$

Calculate the maximum likelihood estimate of θ .

$$\rightarrow : L(\theta) = f(2) \cdot f(4) \cdot S(4)$$

$$f(x) = -S'(x) = +\theta^4 (x^2) (\theta^2 + x^2)^{-3} \cdot (2x)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{4\theta^4 \cdot x}{(\theta^2 + x^2)^3}$$

- (A) Less than 4.0
- (B) At least 4.0, but less than 4.5
- (C) At least 4.5, but less than 5.0
- (D) At least 5.0, but less than 5.5
- (E) At least 5.5

219. For a portfolio of policies, you are given:

- (i) The annual claim amount on a policy has probability density function:

$$f(x|\theta) = \frac{2x}{\theta^2}, \quad 0 < x < \theta$$

- (ii) The prior distribution of θ has density function:

$$\pi(\theta) = 4\theta^3, \quad 0 < \theta < 1$$

- (iii) A randomly selected policy had claim amount 0.1 in Year 1.

Calculate the Bühlmann credibility estimate of the claim amount for the selected policy in Year 2.

- (A) 0.43
- (B) 0.45
- (C) 0.50
- (D) 0.53
- (E) 0.56

Our likelihood:

$$L(\theta) = \frac{4 \cdot \theta^4 \cdot 2}{(\theta^2 + 4)^3} \cdot \frac{4 \cdot \theta^4 \cdot 4}{(\theta^2 + 16)^3} \cdot \frac{\theta^4}{(\theta^2 + 16)^2} \propto \frac{\theta^{12}}{(\theta^2 + 4)^3 (\theta^2 + 16)^5}$$

$$\Rightarrow l(\theta) = 12 \cdot \ln(\theta) - 3 \cdot \ln(\theta^2 + 4) - 5 \ln(\theta^2 + 16)$$

$$\Rightarrow l'(\theta) = 12 \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} - 3 \cdot \frac{1}{\theta^2 + 4} (2\theta) - 5 \cdot \frac{1}{\theta^2 + 16} (2\theta) = 0$$

$$\frac{12}{\theta} = \frac{6\theta}{\theta^2 + 4} + \frac{10\theta}{\theta^2 + 16}$$

$$12(\theta^2 + 4)(\theta^2 + 16) = 6\theta^2(\theta^2 + 16) + 10\theta^2(\theta^2 + 4)$$

$$12\theta^4 + 12 \cdot 16 \cdot \theta^2 + 12 \cdot 4 \cdot \theta^2 + 12 \cdot 4 \cdot 16 = 6\theta^4 + 6 \cdot 16 \cdot \theta^2 + 10\theta^4 + 40\theta^2$$

$$4\theta^4 - 104\theta^2 - 768 = 0 \quad | :4$$

$$\theta^4 - 26\theta^2 - 192 = 0$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{1,2}^2 = \frac{26 \pm \sqrt{26^2 + 4 \cdot 192}}{2} = 32 \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \sqrt{32} = 5.6569$$

Example. Truncated data w/ a common d.

The likelihood f'ction:

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{f_X(x_j; \theta)}{S_X(d; \theta)} = \frac{1}{(S_X(d; \theta))^n} \cdot \prod_{j=1}^n f_X(x_j; \theta)$$

⇒ the log-likelihood f'ction:

$$l(\theta) = \sum_{j=1}^n \ln(f_X(x_j; \theta)) - n \ln(S_X(d; \theta))$$