

CH5115 Parameter and State Estimation
Quiz 2 Solutions

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Given the individual probability mass function of $y[k]$,

$$f(y, \theta) = \begin{cases} \theta^y (1 - \theta)^{1-y} & \text{if } y \in \{0, 1\}, 0 < \theta < 1 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The likelihood for the obtained dataset is expressed as

$$f(\mathbf{y}|\theta) = \theta^{\left(\sum_{k=1}^N y[k]\right)} (1 - \theta)^{\left(N - \sum_{k=1}^N y[k]\right)} \quad (1)$$

Claim: $T(y[k]) = \sum_{k=1}^N y[k]$ is a sufficient statistic for θ .

Proof: Firstly, it is to be checked whether $f(\mathbf{y}|\theta)$ can be written as a product of $g(T(y[k]), \theta)$ and $h(\mathbf{y})$.

$$f(\mathbf{y}|\theta) = \theta^{\left(\sum_{k=0}^N y[k]\right)} (1 - \theta)^{\left(N - \sum_{k=0}^N y[k]\right)} \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1) \times \underbrace{\theta^{\left(\sum_{k=0}^N y[k]\right)} (1 - \theta)^{\left(N - \sum_{k=0}^N y[k]\right)}}_{g(T(y[k]), \theta)} \quad (3)$$

Since the likelihood in this scenario is composable in the aforementioned manner according to Fisher-Neaman factorisation theorem, it can be concluded that $T(y[k]) = \sum_{k=1}^N y[k]$ is a sufficient statistics.

From the mass function, $E(y[k])$ can be calculated as θ . Further, $E(T(y[k]))$ can also be obtained as $N\theta$. From the corollary of R-B theorem, the realizable, MVUE of θ is $\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N y[k]$.

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The log-likelihood of the associated distribution is

$$\begin{aligned}
 L = \ln f(\mathbf{y}|\theta) &= \sum_{k=1}^N y[k] \ln \theta + \left(N - \sum_{k=1}^N y[k] \right) (\ln(1 - \theta)) \\
 \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = S &= \frac{\sum_{k=1}^N y[k]}{\theta} - \frac{N - \sum_{k=1}^N y[k]}{1 - \theta} \\
 E\left(-\frac{d^2 L}{d\theta^2}\right) &= \frac{\sum_{k=1}^N E(y[k])}{\theta^2} + \frac{E(N - \sum_{k=1}^N y[k])}{(1 - \theta)^2} \\
 E\left(-\frac{d^2 L}{d\theta^2}\right) &= \frac{N}{\theta} + \frac{N}{1 - \theta} \\
 I(\theta) &= \frac{N}{\theta(1 - \theta)} \\
 \sigma_{\theta_{CR}} &= \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)}{N}
 \end{aligned}$$

The variance for the MVUE estimate for θ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\theta} &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N y[k] \\
 \sigma_{\hat{\theta}} &= \frac{\theta(1 - \theta)}{N}
 \end{aligned}$$

The MVUE ($\hat{\theta}_{CR}$) according to the Cramer-Rao theorem is obtained as

$$\hat{\theta}_{CR} = \frac{S}{I} + \theta \tag{4}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{CR} = \frac{(1 - \theta) \sum_{k=1}^N y[k] - \theta(N - \sum_{k=1}^N y[k])}{N} + \theta \tag{5}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{CR} = \theta_{MVUE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N y[k] \tag{6}$$

Since i) $T(y)$ is complete and ii) the loss function *i.e* the likelihood in this case is concave (this can be verified in the steps for calculation of $I(\theta)$) the solution of θ_{MVUE} is unique which is why both the solutions are one and same.

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Given, $y[k] = \frac{1}{\beta} u[k] + e[k]$ where, $e[k] \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_e^2)$.

Calculation of α^* : The likelihood of $y[k]$ can be written as

$$L(\mathbf{y}|\alpha) = (2\pi\sigma_e)^{-\frac{N}{2}} \exp \left(-\frac{\sum_{k=1}^N (y[k] - \alpha u[k])^2}{2\sigma_e^2} \right) \quad (7)$$

$$l(\mathbf{y}|\alpha) = \log(L(\mathbf{y}|\alpha)) = -\frac{N}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_e) - \frac{\sum_{k=1}^N (y[k] - \alpha u[k])^2}{2\sigma_e^2} \quad (8)$$

$$\left. \frac{dl(\mathbf{y}|\alpha)}{d\alpha} \right|_{\alpha=\alpha^*} = 0 = \sum_{k=1}^N (y[k] - \alpha u[k]) u[k] \Big|_{\alpha=\alpha^*} \quad (9)$$

$$\alpha^* = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^N y[k] u[k]}{\sum_{k=1}^N u^2[k]} \quad (10)$$

$$I(\alpha) = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^N u^2[k]}{\sigma_e^2} \quad (11)$$

The expression for $\hat{\beta}_{MV}$ can be obtained as $\hat{\beta}_{MV} = \frac{1}{\alpha^*} = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^N u^2[k]}{\sum_{k=1}^N y[k] u[k]}$.

The following observations are made by re-parameterizing the model:

1. The point estimates of β obtained from MLE and by inverting $\hat{\alpha}$ are the same.
2. From the efficiency view-point, re-parameterization of α as $1/\beta$ do not result in the most efficient estimate of β . Even though $\hat{\alpha}$ is an efficient estimate, $\hat{\beta} = \frac{1}{\hat{\alpha}}$ is not an efficient estimate.
3. $\hat{\beta}$ is a biased estimate where as $\hat{\alpha}$ is unbiased estimate.
4. Both $\hat{\alpha}$ and $\hat{\beta}$ are asymptotically efficient.

Therefore, it can be said that re-parameterizing of the model for finite sample size results in biased and inefficient estimate even though the point estimates of both the, original and re-parameterized, models are same.

MATLAB codes to check the consistency of $\hat{\beta}_{MV}$

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1 N = 100000; % Sample size
2 ek = randn(N,1); % Generation of e[k]
3 k = 1:1:N;
4 uk = k>=0; % Generation of known deterministic input u[k]
5 beta = 1.5;
6 alpha = 1/beta;
7 yk = (1/beta).*uk' + ek; % Generation of y[k]
8 % Consistency
9 for i = 1:length(yk)
10     beta_hat(i) = sum(uk(1:i).*uk(1:i))./sum(yk(1:i).*uk(1:i)');
11     alpha_hat(i) = 1/beta_hat(i);
12 end
13 % Plotting the estimated beta and alpha with true values

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14 figure; subplot(2,1,1); plot(beta_hat)
15 hold on; plot(beta*ones(length(beta_hat),1))
16 title('Consistency of esitimated parameters')
17 ylabel('Estimated beta')
18 subplot(2,1,2); plot(alpha_hat)
19 hold on; plot(alpha*ones(length(alpha_hat),1))
20 ylabel('Estimated alpha')
21 xlabel('Sample size (N)');

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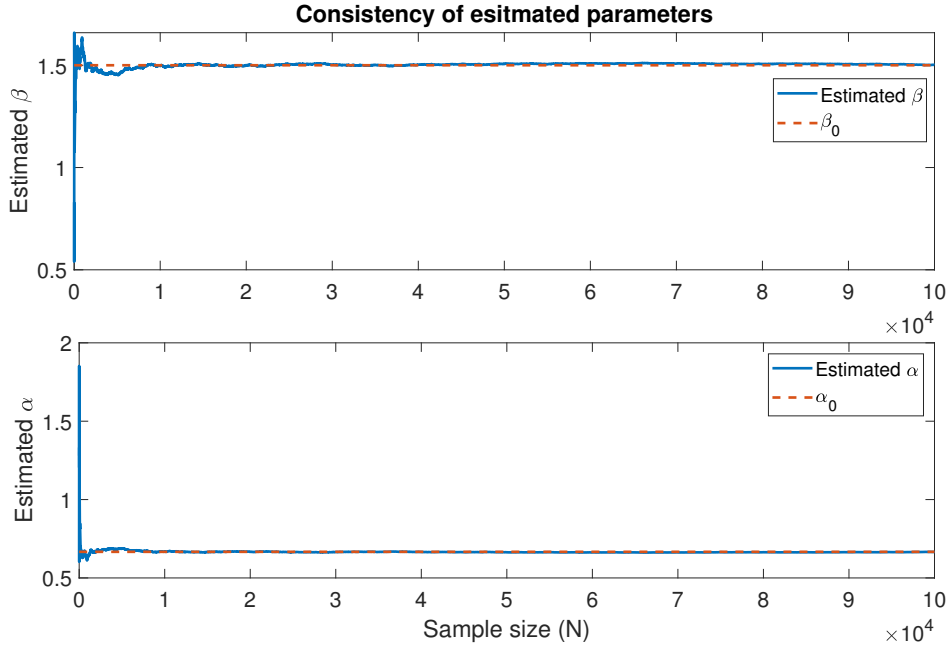


Figure 1: Consistency of $\hat{\beta}_{MV}$ and $\hat{\alpha}^*$

As observed from the Figure 1, $\hat{\beta}_{MV}$ converges with the increasing sample size, however, $\hat{\alpha}^*$ is not a consistent estimate of α .

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Given the model $y[k] = f(x[k], \theta) + e[k]$ with known variance and $f(.,.)$. Since the particular form of the nonlinearity is known along with the knowledge of the optimal value of $\theta - \hat{\theta}_N$ one approach to implement BLUE can be through Taylor series expansion of $f(x[k], \theta)$

Linearised model: From Taylor series expansion

$$f(x[k], \theta) = f(x[k], \hat{\theta}_N) + \left. \frac{\partial f(x[k], \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right|_{\hat{\theta}_N} \delta\theta + h.o.t \quad (12)$$

Since we are using Taylor series expansion, we assume that $f(x, \theta)$ is analytic with respect to θ .

Ignoring higher order terms, we get,

$$y[k] - \underbrace{f(x[k], \hat{\theta}_N)}_{\hat{y}[k]} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial f(x[k], \theta)}{\partial \theta} x[k]}_{g(x[k])} \bigg|_{\hat{\theta}_N} \delta\theta + e[k] \quad (13)$$

$$y'[k] = y[k] - \hat{y}[k] = g(x[k]) + \varepsilon[k] \quad (14)$$

$$\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x})\delta\theta + \varepsilon \quad (15)$$

$$\delta\theta_{\text{BLUE}} = \frac{\mathbf{y}'^T \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x})}{\|\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x})\|_2^2} \quad (16)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{N+1} = \hat{\theta}_N + \delta\theta_{\text{BLUE}}$$

$\delta\theta_{\text{BLUE}}$ has to estimated recursively.