

Econometrics HW6

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1 Question 1

1.1 Part A

$$P(X = 1) = p = p^1(1 - p)^{1-1} = f(1). \quad P(X = 0) = (1 - p) = p^0(1 - p)^{1-0} = f(0).$$

1.2 Part B

Our parameter is $\theta = p$. $l_n(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(f(X_i|\theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\theta^{X_i}(1-\theta)^{1-X_i}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \log(\theta) + (1 - X_i) \log(1 - \theta)$.

1.3 Part C

$$\frac{\partial l_n(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{\theta} - \frac{1-X_i}{1-\theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i(1-\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \theta - X_i\theta \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

2 Question 2

2.1 Part A

$$l_n(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log\left(\frac{\theta}{X_i^{1+\theta}}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\theta) - (1+\theta)\log(X_i) = n\log(\theta) - (1+\theta) \sum_{i=1}^n \log(X_i)$$

2.2 Part B

$$\frac{\partial l_n(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(X_i) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(X_i).$$

3 Question 3

3.1 Part A

$$l_n(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log\left(\frac{1}{\pi(1+(X_i-\theta)^2)}\right) = -n\log(\pi) - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1+(X_i-\theta)^2).$$

3.2 Part B

$$\frac{\partial l_n(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2(X_i-\hat{\theta}_n)}{1+(X_i-\hat{\theta}_n)^2} = 0$$

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4 Question 4

4.1 Part A

$$l_n(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\frac{1}{2} \exp(-|X_i - \theta|)) = n \log(\frac{1}{2}) - \sum_{i=1}^n |X_i - \theta|$$

4.2 Part B

The likelihood is maximized when the term $\sum_{i=1}^n |X_i - \theta|$ is minimized. This is minimized for $\theta = E[X]$ and so $\hat{\theta}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

5 Question 5

$$\begin{aligned} I_0 &= -E \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log(f(X|\theta)) |_{\theta=\theta_0} \right] = -E \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log(\theta x^{-1-\theta}) |_{\theta=\theta_0} \right] = -E \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log(\theta) + (-1-\theta) \log(x) |_{\theta=\theta_0} \right] \\ &= -E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \frac{1}{\theta} - \log(x) |_{\theta=\theta_0} \right] = -E \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \frac{1}{\theta} |_{\theta=\theta_0} \right] = \frac{1}{\theta_0^2} \end{aligned}$$

6 Question 6

6.1 Part A

$$\begin{aligned} I_0 &= -E \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log(\theta \exp(-\theta x)) |_{\theta=\theta_0} \right] = -E \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log(\theta) + \log(\exp(-\theta x)) |_{\theta=\theta_0} \right] \\ &= -E \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log(\theta) - \theta x |_{\theta=\theta_0} \right] = \hat{\theta}_0^{-2} \Rightarrow \text{Var}(\bar{\theta}_n) \geq (n \hat{\theta}_0^{-2})^{-1} = \frac{\theta_0^2}{n} \end{aligned}$$

6.2 Part B

$$\begin{aligned} l_n(\theta) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log(f(X_i|\theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\theta \exp(-\theta X_i)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\theta) + \log(\exp(-\theta X_i)) \\ &= n \log(\theta) - \theta \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \Rightarrow \frac{\partial l_n(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_n = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}. \end{aligned}$$

By the delta method, $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) \rightarrow_d N(0, V)$ where $V = (-1(\theta_0)^{-2})^2 \sigma^2 = \theta_0^{-4} \sigma^2$ where $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X_i) = \frac{1}{\theta_0^2}$. Thus, $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) \rightarrow_d N(0, \theta_0^{-6})$

6.3 Part C

Our general formula is $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) \rightarrow_d N(0, I_0^{-1}) = N(0, \theta_0^2)$

7 Question 7

8 Question 8

9 Question 9

10 Question 10