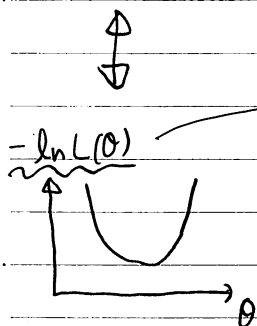


$f(x|\theta)$   
 $\uparrow$  random variable  
 $\theta$  parameters  
 "observable"

• Once we wrote  $\int d\theta g(\theta)$ ,  
 this is Bayesian.



good curve.

Note  $\int d\theta L(\theta) \neq 1$ .

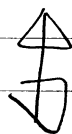
$L(\theta) = f(x|\theta)$   
 $\uparrow$  fixed

### Transformation

• What's the PDF of  $y(x)$  under given PDF  $f(x)$ ?

!!  
 $g(y)$

$$\Rightarrow g(y) = \frac{1}{|dy/dx|} f(x(y))$$



• Likelihood is invariant to transf. of  $\theta$ .

$$L(\phi(\theta)) = L(\theta) \quad \text{for } \phi = \phi(\theta)$$

Parameter Estimation

$$f(x, \theta)$$

• Introduce  $\hat{\theta}(x)$  "Estimator" a func. of R.V.  $x$  (i.e. R.V.!).

• Introduce  $E[\hat{\theta} | \theta]$  "expectation"

$$= \int dx (\hat{\theta}) f(x | \theta)$$

bias( $\theta$ ) :=  $E[\hat{\theta} | \theta] - \theta$  ↗ bias of an estimator  $\hat{\theta}$  under  $\theta$ .

unbiased estimator

$\Leftrightarrow$  bias( $\theta$ ) = 0  
def for  $\forall \theta$

$$\text{Var}[\hat{\theta} | \theta] = E[(\hat{\theta} - E[\hat{\theta} | \theta])^2 | \theta]$$

$$\text{MSE}[\hat{\theta} | \theta] = E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2 | \theta] \quad \text{Mean squared error.}$$

$$\text{Cov}_{ij}[\hat{\theta} | \theta] = \text{Cov}[\hat{\theta}_i, \hat{\theta}_j | \theta] = E[(\hat{\theta}_i - E[\hat{\theta}_i | \theta])(\hat{\theta}_j - E[\hat{\theta}_j | \theta]) | \theta]$$

\* Cramér-Rao bound

$$\text{Var}[\hat{\theta} | \theta] \geq \frac{(1 + \frac{\partial b}{\partial \theta}(\theta))^2}{I(\theta)} \quad \text{for 1-D case}$$

$$I_{ij}(\theta) = E\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} (-\ln L(\theta)) \mid \theta\right]$$

$$= \int dx f(x | \theta) \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} (-\ln L(\theta))$$

## Maximum Likelihood estimator (MLE)

"asymptotically" unbiased

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \underset{\theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} L(\theta)$$

Example lifetime  $e^{-t/\tau}$ 

$$f(t|\tau) = e^{-t/\tau} / \tau$$

$$-\ln L(\tau) = -\ln \left[ \prod_{\text{data}} e^{-t_i/\tau} / \tau \right]$$

$$= \sum_{\text{data}} \left[ \ln \tau + \frac{t_i}{\tau} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \Rightarrow \sum \left( \frac{1}{\tau} - \frac{t_i}{\tau^2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\tau}_{MLE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum t_i$$

$$0 \text{ for } N\tau = \sum t_i$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \tau} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \ln L = 0$$

Example Gaussian

$$-\ln L(\mu) = -\ln \prod \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right]$$

$$= N \ln \sqrt{2\pi}\sigma + \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum (x_i - \mu)^2$$

$$\xrightarrow{\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu}} \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum (\mu - x_i) \rightarrow \hat{\mu}_{MLE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum x_i$$

$$\text{bias}(\hat{\mu}|\mu) = \dots = 0$$

for  $\sigma^2$ ?

$$\hat{\sigma}^2_{MLE} = \sum \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{N}$$

If we know  $\mu$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}^2_{MLE}$  is unbiased.

If we don't know,

$$\hat{\sigma}^2_{MLE} = \sum \frac{(x_i - \hat{\mu}_{MLE})^2}{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow E[\hat{\sigma}^2 | \sigma^2] = \frac{N-1}{N} \sigma^2 \quad \text{"biased"}$$

but "asymptotically unbiased".

James-Stein estimator  $\hat{\mu}_{JS} = \hat{\mu}_{MLE} \left( 1 - \frac{(d-2)}{\|\hat{\mu}_{MLE}\|^2} \right)$

biased, but  $MSE[\hat{\mu}_{JS} | \mu] \leq MSE[\hat{\mu}_{MLE} | \mu] \quad \forall \mu$

for Multi-dim. Gauss.

$$MSE \simeq \text{Var} + \text{Bias}^2$$

"bias/variance trade-off".

... What is good estimator?

Minimum bias?

Minimum variance?

$$\text{PDF: } \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(y-\lambda)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-t_i/\tau+\lambda}}{\tau+\lambda}$$

$$\begin{aligned} -\ln L(\tau, \lambda) &= - \left[ C - \frac{(y-\lambda)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ -\frac{t_i}{\tau+\lambda} - \ln(\tau+\lambda) \right] \right] \\ &= \frac{(y-\lambda)^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\sum t_i}{\tau+\lambda} + n \ln(\tau+\lambda) + C \end{aligned}$$

(a) MLE

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} (-\ln L) = -\frac{\sum t_i}{(\tau+\lambda)^2} + \frac{n}{|\tau+\lambda|}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} (-\ln L) = \frac{\lambda-y}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\sum t_i}{(\tau+\lambda)^2} + \frac{n}{|\tau+\lambda|}$$

$$\text{Both of them} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} |\tau+\lambda| = \frac{1}{n} \sum t_i \\ \lambda = y \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \hat{\lambda}(t_i, y) = y$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\tau}(t_i, y) &= \pm \frac{1}{n} \sum t_i - \hat{\lambda} \\ &= \pm \frac{1}{n} \sum t_i - y \end{aligned}$$

hereafter

 $\hat{\tau} > 0$  is assumed.

(b) Variance

$$\bullet \langle y \rangle = \lambda, \langle t_i \rangle = \tau + \lambda, \text{Var}(y) = \sigma^2, \text{Var}(t_i) = (\lambda + \tau)^2$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}(\hat{\lambda}) = \sigma^2$$

$$V(x) = \langle (x - \langle x \rangle)^2 \rangle$$

$$\text{Var}(\bar{t}) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_i t_i - y\right)$$

$$= \left\langle \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_i t_i - y - \left\langle \frac{1}{n} \sum_i t_i - y \right\rangle \right)^2 \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum (t_i - \langle t_i \rangle) - (y - \langle y \rangle) \right]^2 \right\rangle \left( = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Var}(t_i) + \text{Var}(y) \right)$$

in Mathematica Notebook I did ...

$$= \frac{(\lambda + \tau)^2}{n} + \sigma^2$$

$$= \left\langle \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum t_i - (\tau + \lambda) - y + \lambda \right]^2 \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \frac{1}{n^2} (\sum t_i)^2 + y^2 + \tau^2 - 2\tau \frac{1}{n} \sum t_i \right\rangle$$

Formula  $V(aX + bY) = a^2 V(x) + b^2 V(y) + 2ab \text{Cov}(x, y)$



Decision Theory $\theta \in \Theta$  : parameter space $f(x|\theta)$  $x \in X$  : random var space $a \in A$  : "action" $\delta: X \rightarrow A$ example:  
MSELoss( $\theta, \delta(x)$ ) and Risk( $\theta, \delta$ ) =  $E_{f(x|\theta)}[Loss(\theta, \delta(x))]$ 

- A rule  $\delta$  dominates  $\delta'$  if  $Risk(\theta, \delta) \leq Risk(\theta, \delta') \quad \forall \theta$
- admissible iff no other rules dominates it.

## Bayes' Risk

$$\begin{aligned}
 r(\pi, \delta) &= E_{\pi(\theta)}[R(\theta, \delta)] \\
 &= \int d\theta \int dx \pi(\theta) f(x|\theta) L(\theta, \delta(x))
 \end{aligned}$$

## Expected Loss

$$p(\pi, \delta) = E_{\pi(\theta|x)} Loss(\theta, \delta)$$

- Every admissible rule is a generalized Bayes rule  
(for some prior  $\pi(\theta)$ )
- Every Bayes procedures admissible.