## Seminar 6 ML estimation

1. We receive constant signal with unknown amplitude A,  $r(t) = \underbrace{A}_{s_{\Theta}(t)} + noise$ , where

the noise is gaussian with  $\mathcal{N}(\mu = 0, \sigma^2 = 2)$ . The signal is sampled at moments  $t_i = [0, 1.5, 3, 4]$  and the samples are  $r_i = [4.6, 5.2, 5.35, 4.8]$ .

- a. Estimate A using Maximum Likelihood (ML) estimation
- b. Repeat a) if the noise is uniform U[-2,2]. Is it possible to find a precise value?
- 2. A received signal  $r(t) = a \cdot t^2 + noise$  is sampled at time moments  $t_i = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]$ , and the values are  $r_i = [1.2, 3.7, 8.5, 18, 25.8]$ . The noise distribution is  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 = 1)$ . Estimate the parameter a.
  - a. use Maximum Likelihood (ML) estimation
- 3. Fit a linear function y = ax (i.e. estimate a) through the following data points  $(x_i, y_i) = (1, 1.8), (2, 4.1), (2.5, 5.1), (4, 7.9), (4.3, 8.5)$ , assuming the noise is  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 = 1)$ 
  - a. use Maximum Likelihood (ML) estimation
- 4. A robot travels a linear road with a constant but unknown speed v cm/s, starting from position  $x_0$  at time 0.

Every second the robot measures its position using an imprecise sensor, which provides values affected by Gaussian noise  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 = 0.1)$ .

The measured values at time moments  $t_i = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]$  are  $r_i = [4.9, 9.8, 14.3, 21.2, 25.7]$ .

- a. Estimate the speed v using ML estimation.
  - *Hint*: If the speed is constant, the travelled distance is  $x = v \cdot t$ .
- b. Predict the robot position at time 6.

- c. Assuming the starting position  $x_0$  is unknown,  $x_0 \neq 0$ , estimate the pair of parameters [v,  $x_0$ ] using ML estimation. Predict the robot's position at time 6.
- d. Assuming the movement law is  $x(t) = a \cdot t^2 + v_0 \cdot t + x_0$ , write the equation system for finding the unknown parameters  $[a, v_0, x_0]$ . (constant acceleration a, initial speed  $v_0$ , initial position  $x_0$ ).
- 5. Repeat point a) for the previous exercise, assuming we have some prior knowledge if the speed, as a prior distribution  $w(v) = \mathcal{N}(\mu = 4.5, \sigma^2 = 1)$ .