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1. 1

We must find the bias of each estimator. Begin with  $\hat{\lambda}_1$ .

$$B(\hat{\lambda}_1) = E\left[\frac{Y_1 + Y_2}{2}\right] - \lambda$$
$$= \frac{E[Y_1] + E[Y_2]}{2} - \lambda$$
$$= \lambda - \lambda$$
$$= 0.$$

So  $\hat{\lambda}_1$  is unbiased, so its MSE is simply its variance. Now for  $\hat{\lambda}_2$ .

$$B(\hat{\lambda}_2) = E[\bar{Y}] - \lambda$$

$$= \frac{1}{25} E[\sum_{i=1}^{25} Y_i] - \lambda$$

$$= \frac{1}{25} \sum_{i=1}^{25} E[Y_i] - \lambda$$

$$= E[Y_i] - \lambda$$

$$= \lambda - \lambda$$

$$= 0.$$

And the efficiency of these two random variables is simply the ratio of their variances.

$$\begin{split} eff(\hat{\lambda}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2) &= \frac{V\left[\frac{Y_1 + Y_2}{2}\right]}{V[\bar{Y}]} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{4}V\left[Y_1 + Y_2\right]}{\frac{1}{25^2}V[\sum_{i=1}^{25}Y_i]} \\ &= \frac{\frac{\lambda}{2}}{\frac{1}{25}V[\sum_{i=1}^{25}Y_i]} \\ &= \frac{\lambda}{\frac{2}{25}\lambda} \\ &= \frac{25}{2}. \end{split}$$

By independence

So  $\hat{\lambda}_2$  is more efficient than  $\hat{\lambda}_1$ .

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$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_i - \bar{Y}^2)}{2(n-1)} = \frac{(n-1)S_X^2 + (n-1)S_Y^2}{2(n-1)}$$
$$= \frac{S_X^2 + S_Y^2}{2}.$$

And since we know  $S_X^2 \to^p \sigma^2$  and  $S_Y^2 \to^p \sigma^2$ , using summation and constant properties of consistency we know that  $\frac{S_X^2 + S_Y^2}{2} \to^p \sigma^2$ , and our above expression converges in probability to  $\sigma^2$ .

- 4. 4
- 5. 5

We start with a probability statement. Let  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$$P(|Y_{(1)} - \beta| \le \epsilon) = P(\beta - \epsilon \le Y_{(1)} \le \beta + \epsilon)$$
  
=  $F_{(Y_1}(\beta + \epsilon) - F_{(Y_1)}(\beta - \epsilon)$ .

We can see that the second term of this must be zero since  $\beta - \epsilon < \beta$ ,  $\epsilon$  is positive. So our expression becomes:

$$P(|Y_{(1)} - \beta| \le \epsilon) = 1 - \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta + \epsilon}\right)^{\alpha n}.$$

And we apply the limit to find

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P(|Y_{(1)} - \beta| \le \epsilon) = \lim_{A \to \infty} 1 - \left(\frac{\beta}{\beta + \epsilon}\right)^{\alpha n} = 1 - 0 = 1.$$

(The second last equality comes from  $\beta + \epsilon > \beta$ , so the fraction is less than 1, and its limit tends to 0. So  $Y_{(1)}$  is consistent for  $\beta$ 

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(a) We find an MoM estimator for  $\beta$ , by equating our first sample and theoretical moments.

$$\bar{X} = E[X] = \int_{\beta}^{\infty} x e^{\beta - x} dx = \beta + 1.$$

So we have  $\bar{X} = \beta + 1$ , and this gives  $\hat{\beta}_{MoM} = \beta + 1$ .

(b) We begin with our likelihood function:

$$L(\beta) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} e^{b-x_i}$$
$$= e^{\beta n} e^{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}$$
$$= e^{\beta n} e^{-n\bar{x}}.$$

And from this our log-likelihood function:

$$l(\beta) = \ln(e^{\beta n - n\bar{x}})$$
$$= n(\beta - \bar{x}).$$

Setting this equal to zero,

$$0 = n(\beta - \bar{x})$$
$$\hat{\beta}_{MLE} = \bar{x}.$$

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We begin with our likelihood function for  $\theta$ .

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} (\theta + 1) y^{\theta}$$
$$= (\theta + 1)^{n} \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} y^{\theta}$$
$$= (\theta + 1)^{n} \left(\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} y\right)^{\theta}.$$

Taking ln for our log-likelihood,

$$l(\theta) = \ln\left((\theta+1)^n \prod_{i=1}^n y^{\theta}\right)$$
$$= n\ln(\theta+1) + \sum_{i=1}^n n\ln\theta$$
$$= n\ln(\theta+1) + \theta \sum_{i=1}^n \ln y.$$

And now we differentiate w.r.t  $\theta$ ,

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \theta} = \frac{n}{\theta + 1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln y$$

$$0 = \frac{n}{\theta + 1} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln y$$

$$\frac{n}{\theta + 1} = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln y$$

$$\frac{\theta + 1}{n} = -\frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln y}$$

$$\theta + 1 = -\frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln y}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = -\frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln y} - 1$$

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## 11. 11

Our null hypothesis  $H_0$  is that the true population proportion of overweight children is  $p \ge 0.15$ , and our alternative  $H_a$  is that the true population proportion p < 0.15.

We can do this with prop.test in R

Our test gives us a p-value of .02877, so we reject the null hypothesis and conclude the true value of p is less than 15%.

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- (a) We can say by looking at the histogram, that the average internet usage of the Canadians surveyed appears normally distributed.
- (b) Our null hypothesis  $H_0$  is that the mean personal time spent online by the average Canadian in a week is less than or equal to 12.7 hours, the amount observed in 2005. This means our alternative  $H_a$  is that the average Canadian spends strictly more than 12.7 hours a week online in their personal time.

For this we use the R code:

Which gives us the p-value of 0.9973, a test statistic of 2.8548, and since the p-value is much higher than our  $\alpha = .05$ , we fail to reject the null hypothesis and cannot say that the true mean is less than 12.7.

(c) R gives us our confidence interval from t.test, -Inf 20.69673. Of course we cannot have any negative hours of time spent on the Internet, so our 95% CI for the true mean is:

(0, 20.69673).

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