

CS 215: Data Analysis and Interpretation

Assignment-3

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1 Q1

1.1 ML vs MAP estimates

Different Estimate used are

- ML_Estimate
- MAP_1
- MAP_2

ML_Estimate

- ML_Estimate for mean = Sample_mean = $\frac{\sum x_i}{N}$

Bayers-Posterior PDF

$$P(\phi|(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)) = \frac{P((X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)|\phi)P(\phi)}{\int_{\theta} P((X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)|\theta) P(\theta) d\theta}$$

MAP_1

- Gaussian with $\mu_{prior} = 10.5$ and $\sigma_{prior} = 1$

For Gaussian $G(x; \mu_0, \sigma_0)$ mode of the Posterior PDF(a gaussian distribution) comes out to be:

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{\frac{\sum x_i}{N} \sigma_0^2 + \mu_0 \frac{\sigma^2}{N}}{\sigma_0^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{N}}$$

MAP_2

- Uniform prior from [9.5,11.5]

For Uniform prior $U(a, b)$ mode of Posterior PDF(a truncated gaussian between a and b) comes out to be:
lie same side of MLE_mean

$$\hat{\mu} = a \quad \left(\frac{\sum x_i}{N} < a \right)$$

lie opposite side of MLE_mean

$$\hat{\mu} = \frac{\sum xi}{N} \quad (a < \frac{\sum xi}{N} < b)$$

lie same side of MLE_mean

$$\hat{\mu} = b \quad (\frac{\sum xi}{N} > b)$$

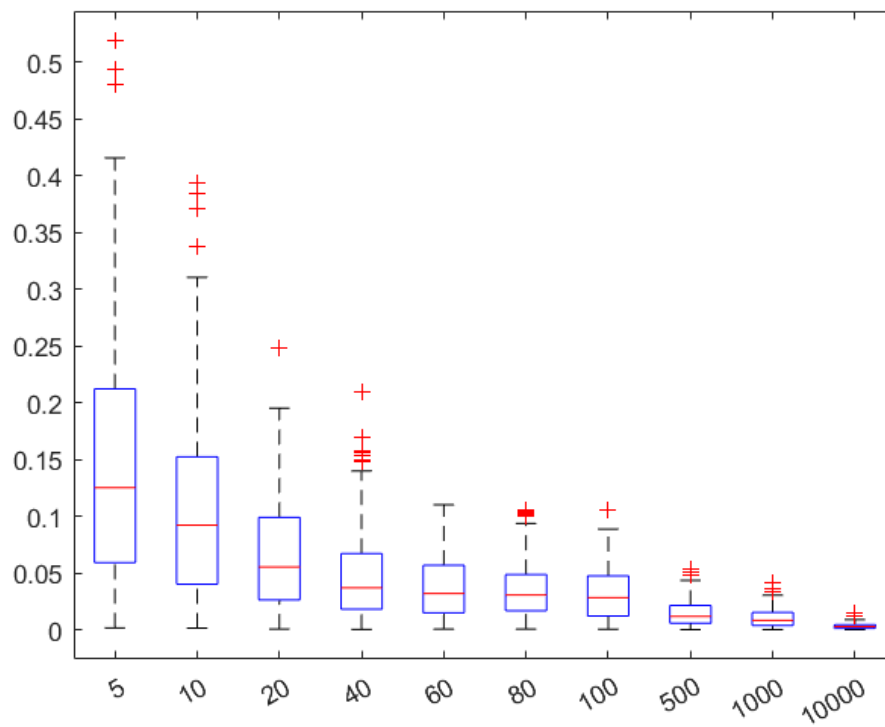


Figure 1: Boxplot error of ML_estimate

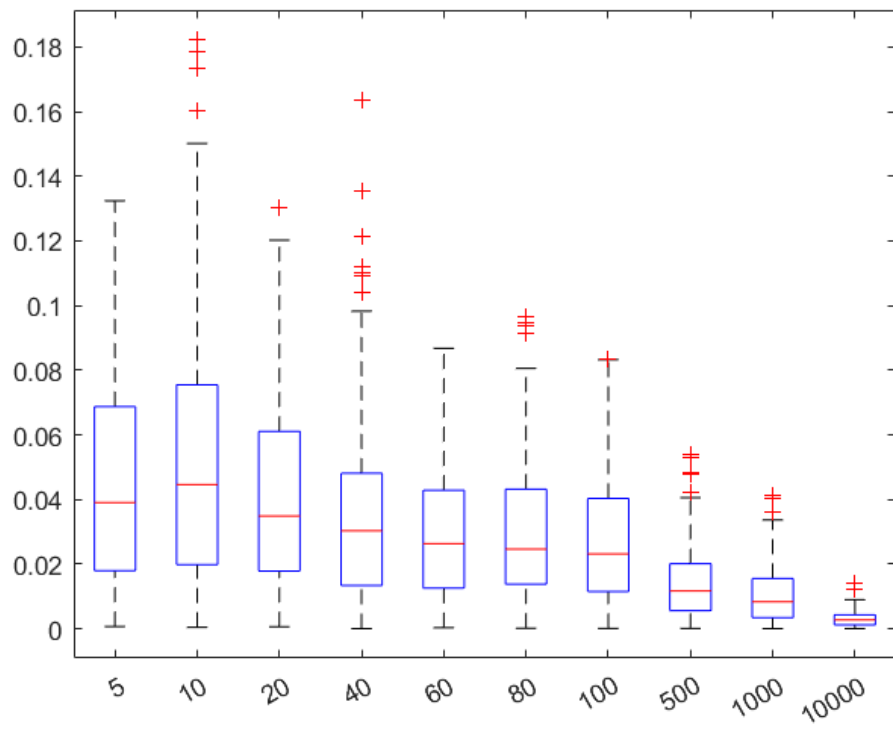


Figure 2: Boxplot error of gaussian prior MAP estimate

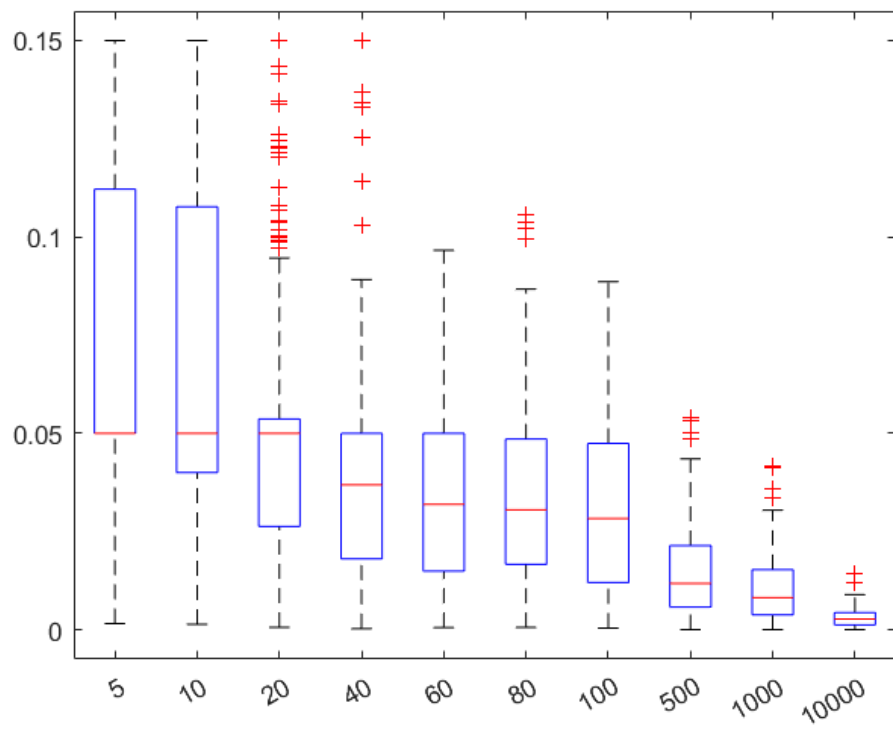


Figure 3: Boxplot error of uniform prior MAP estimate

1.2 Which of the three estimates will you prefer and why ?

- MAP estimates are better for lower values of N
- As they rely on prior Beliefs rather than just data
- Data isn't that useful When Sample Size is small
- But when N becomes Large It doesn't matter on what ur prior is data completely Dominates , This is When ML estimate shines.
- Between Gaussian and Uniform, We can see from the boxplots that Gaussian is a better prior than Uniform .
- If I have to choose one of those three , I would choose Gaussian Prior(MAP_2)

2 Q2

2.1 posterior_mean

- Given x follows Uniform distribution U(0,1)
- $y = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \log x$

$$x = g^{-1}(y) = e^{-\lambda y}$$

$$q(y) = p(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right|$$

$$q(y) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y}$$

- Posterior PDF from gamma prior $\alpha = 5.5$ and $\beta = 1$

$$P(\lambda | (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N)) = \frac{\lambda^{N+\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda(\beta + \sum y_i)}}{\int_0^\infty \lambda^{N+\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda(\beta + \sum y_i)} d\lambda}$$

$$P(\lambda | (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N)) = \frac{(\sum y_i + \beta)^{\alpha+N} \lambda^{N+\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda(\beta + \sum y_i)}}{\tau(\alpha + N)}$$

- which is $\gamma(\lambda; \alpha + N, \beta + \sum y_i)$ (posterior PDF is a Gamma Function)

$$Posterior_mean = \frac{\alpha_{new}}{\beta_{new}} = \frac{\alpha + N}{\beta + \sum y_i}$$

- Log-likelihood function $\log(L(\lambda); y_1, \dots, y_N) = \log(\lambda e^{-\sum y_i})$

$$\frac{d(N \log \lambda - \lambda \sum y_i)}{d\lambda} = 0$$

$$\lambda = \frac{N}{\sum y_i}$$

2.2 Boxplot Of errors between Estimates

- Boxplot of relative error between ML-estimate and True value

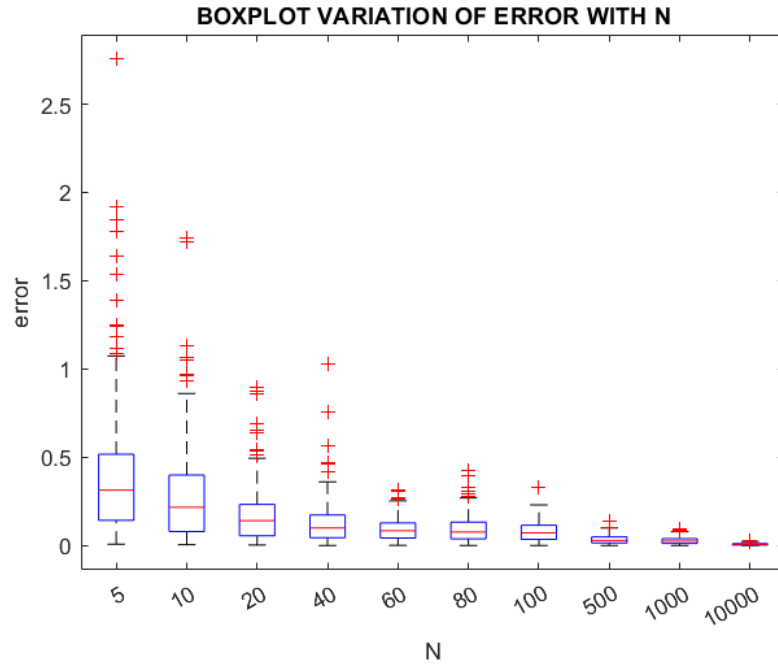


Figure 4: Boxplot error of ML_estimate

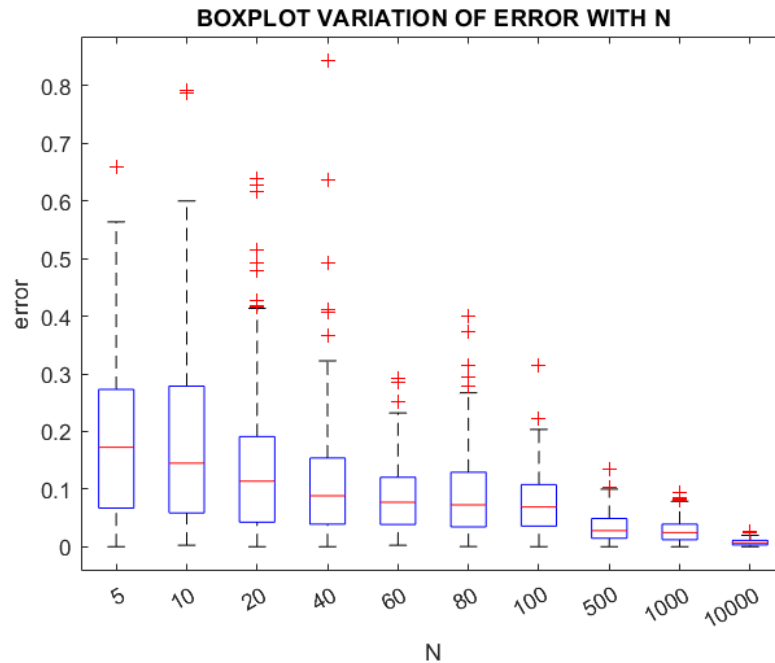


Figure 5: Boxplot error of Posterior mean estimate

2.3 Which of the two estimates will you prefer and why ?

- Arguments are similar to first Question
- MAP dominates in Lower N regime
- ML_estimate dominates in large N regime
- Both tend to same estimates as $N \rightarrow \infty$
- I would choose Gamma Prior rather than plain ML_estimate

3 Q3

Bayers-Posterior PDF

$$P(\phi | (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)) = \frac{P((X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N) | \phi) P(\phi)}{\int_{\theta} P((X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N) | \theta) P(\theta) d\theta}$$

3.1 ML_estimate and MAP_estimate

- Let data from $U(a, b)$ be x_1, \dots, x_N , sorted in increasing order, & $x_1 < x_N$
- $a < x_1$, else likelihood function = 0

- $b > x_N$, else likelihood function = 0
- Log-likelihood function $\log(L(a, b); x_1, \dots, x_N) = -N \log(b-a)$
- $L(a, b)$ is maximum when $a = x_1$ and $b = x_N$, Here $a = 0$ and $b = \theta$

$$\hat{\theta}_{ML} = x_N$$

Case(i): $x_N < \theta_m$

Maximum Likelihood function for all $\theta > \theta_m$ is $(1/\theta)^N$

$$P(\theta | (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)) = \frac{k(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta})^\alpha (\frac{1}{\theta})^N}{\int_{\theta_m}^{\infty} k(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta})^\alpha (\frac{1}{\theta})^N d\theta}$$

$$P(\theta | (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)) = \frac{(\theta_m)^{N+\alpha-1} (N + \alpha - 1)}{(\theta)^{N+\alpha}}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MAP} = \theta_m$$

Case(ii): $x_N > \theta_m$

Maximum Likelihood function for $\theta > x_N$ is $(1/\theta)^N$

$$P(\theta | (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)) = \frac{k(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta})^\alpha (\frac{1}{\theta})^N}{\int_{x_N}^{\infty} k(\frac{\theta_m}{\theta})^\alpha (\frac{1}{\theta})^N d\theta}$$

$$P(\theta | (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)) = \frac{(x_N)^{N+\alpha-1} (N + \alpha - 1)}{(\theta)^{N+\alpha}}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MAP} = x_N$$

Combining both cases

$$\hat{\theta}_{MAP} = \max(x_N, \theta_m)$$

3.2 ML_estimate tend to MAP_estimate as the sample size tends to ∞ ?

- We know Maximum Likelihood estimate tends to true value as N tends to ∞

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{ML} = \theta_{true}$$

$$x_N = \theta_{true}$$

Case(i): $\theta_{true} < \theta_m$ implies $x_N < \theta_m$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{ML} = \theta_{true}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{MAP} = \theta_m$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{ML} \neq \hat{\theta}_{MAP}$$

Case(ii): $\theta_{true} > \theta_m$ implies $x_N > \theta_m$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{ML} = \theta_{true}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{MAP} = \theta_{true}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{ML} = \hat{\theta}_{MAP}$$

3.3 Mean of the posterior distribution $\theta_{PosteriorMean}$

Case(i): $x_N < \theta_m$

$$E[\theta]_{P(\theta|(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N))} = \int_{\theta_m}^{\infty} \frac{(x_N)^{N+\alpha-1} (N + \alpha - 1)}{(\theta)^{N+\alpha-1}} d\theta$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{PosteriorMean} = \theta_m \left(\frac{N + \alpha - 1}{N + \alpha - 2} \right)$$

Case(ii): $x_N > \theta_m$

$$E[\theta]_{P(\theta|(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N))} = \int_{x_N}^{\infty} \frac{(x_N)^{N+\alpha-1} (N + \alpha - 1)}{(\theta)^{N+\alpha-1}} d\theta$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{PosteriorMean} = x_N \left(\frac{N + \alpha - 1}{N + \alpha - 2} \right)$$

3.4 ML estimate tend to ProsteriorMean estimate as the sample size tends to ∞ ?

- We know Maximum Likelyhood estimate tends to true value as N tends to ∞

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{ML} = \theta_{true}$$

$$x_N = \theta_{true}$$

Case(i): $\theta_{true} < \theta_m$ implies $x_N < \theta_m$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{ML} = \theta_{true}$$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \hat{\theta}_{PosteriorMean} = \theta_m$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{ML} \neq \hat{\theta}_{PosteriorMean}$$

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