

Quiz 3

1. Let X_1, X_2, X_3 be a random sample from a $N(\theta, 1)$. Suppose that the realized values of X_1, X_2, X_3 are $X_1 = 3, X_2 = 1, X_3 = 5$.

If θ is restricted by $\theta \leq 2$. What is the MLE of θ ?

$$\Rightarrow L(\theta) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^3 \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\{(3-\theta)^2 + (1-\theta)^2 + (5-\theta)^2\}\right]$$

$$\ell(\theta) = \log L(\theta) = -\frac{3}{2}\log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2}\{(3-\theta)^2 + (1-\theta)^2 + (5-\theta)^2\}$$

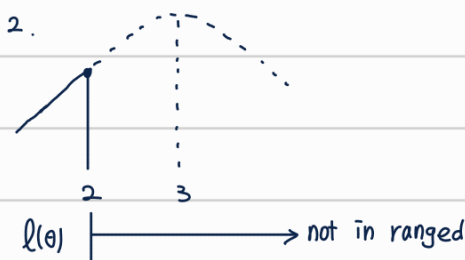
We have to find the value that maximizes $\ell(\theta)$.

$$\text{Since } \ell'(\theta) = \frac{d\log L(\theta)}{d\theta} = -\frac{1}{2}\{-2(3-\theta) - 2(1-\theta) - 2(5-\theta)\} = 9 - 3\theta$$

and $\ell''(\theta) < 0$, $\ell(\theta)$ is maximized when $\hat{\theta} = 2$ if $\theta \leq 2$.

Hence, the MLE is $\hat{\theta}^{MLE} = 2$.

$$\therefore \hat{\theta}^{MLE} = 2$$



2. Let X and Y be a random sample from $f(x;\theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1}$, $0 < x < 1$, $0 < \theta < \infty$.

If the observed value of X and Y are $x = e^{-3}$ and $y = e^{-2}$.

What is the MLE of θ ?

$$\Rightarrow L(\theta) = \theta^2 e^{-5(\theta-1)}$$

$$\ell(\theta) = \log L(\theta) = 2\log \theta - 5(\theta-1)$$

$$\ell'(\theta) = \frac{d\log L(\theta)}{d\theta} = \frac{2}{\theta} - 5 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{\theta} = 5$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\therefore \hat{\theta}^{MLE} = \frac{2}{5}$$