

# Mini Project 3

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## Section – 1

Q1(a) Mean Squared Error of an estimator can be calculated using Monte Carlo Simulation. Firstly, we are required to draw random samples from a Uniform distribution. The Maximum Likelihood Estimator is estimated by finding the maximum of the sample and the Method of Moments Estimator is estimated as twice the mean of the sample. Next, we calculate the square of the difference between the actual value and estimator. This step is repeated many times and each time the square of difference is calculated. Finally, mean of all these squared error values is calculated.

Q1(b) Firstly, save the vector of given values. Also, save the vector of given theta values.

```
# given values of n  
n = c(1,2,3,5,10,30)
```

```
# given values of theta  
theta = c(1,5,50,100)
```

Next step is to obtain the values of Maximum Likelihood Estimator and Method of Moments Estimator through defined function. This function takes value of n and theta as input parameters and returns both MLE thetaOne and MOME thetaTwo.

```
# Question 1(b)  
# function to obtain Maximum Likelihood Estimator  
# and Method of Moments estimator
```

```
MC_simulation = function(n, theta){  
  
  result = runif(n, min = 0, max = theta)  
  
  # obtain thetaOne  
  thetaOne = max(result)  
  
  # obtain thetaTwo  
  thetaTwo = 2 * (mean(result))  
}
```

```

    return (c(thetaOne,thetaTwo))
}

```

Replicate the above method N = 1000 times. Return the mean squared error value.

```

# replicate the simulation 1000 times
MSE_method = function(n,theta){

    thetaEstm = replicate(1000, MC_simulation(n, theta))

    # compute MSE value which is for MLE and MOME
    # for n, theta
    return (rowMeans((thetaEstm - theta) ^ 2))

}

```

Save the lengths of n and theta vectors which are required in the next step.

```

# get the length of n and theta
nLen = length(n)
thetaLen = length(theta)

```

Q1(c) The above (b) step is repeated for all combinations of (n,theta). The MSE values for MLE and MOME are saved in their respective matrices. The rows represent values of n and columns represent values of theta.

```

#Question 1(c)
# create two matrices of dimensions (n x theta)
# these two matrices will store MSE of MLE and MSE of MOME in
# the respective matrices for every combination of n, theta

```

```

MSE_MLE = matrix(nrow = nLen, ncol = thetaLen)
MSE_MOME = matrix(nrow = nLen, ncol = thetaLen)

```

```

for(i in 1:nLen){
    for(j in 1:thetaLen){
        finalResult = MSE_method(n[i], theta[j])
        MSE_MLE[i,j] = finalResult[1]
        MSE_MOME[i,j] = finalResult[2]
    }
}

```

**# display the final matrices of MLE and MOME**

**MSE\_MLE**

**MSE\_MOME**

The following output is obtained for MSE\_MLE matrix. (n =1,2,3,5,10,30) (Theta=1,5,50,100)

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]
[1,]	0.335293959	8.33231758	841.736755	3323.8538
[2,]	0.174497050	4.25703225	424.110737	1648.6370
[3,]	0.102068384	2.49339638	275.792427	931.1959
[4,]	0.047456769	1.27706736	121.858577	476.3442
[5,]	0.014926774	0.36155216	35.993828	139.2009
[6,]	0.001865776	0.05470539	4.690373	21.3883

The following output is obtained for MSE\_MOME matrix. (n =1,2,3,5,10,30) (Theta=1,5,50,100)

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]
[1,]	0.33028704	8.1549199	852.98331	3454.8227
[2,]	0.17030154	4.1206676	395.96801	1709.9743
[3,]	0.10992293	2.8401453	275.75657	1181.7614
[4,]	0.06731996	1.6098978	160.40724	670.3819
[5,]	0.03572565	0.7970113	78.27285	305.4459
[6,]	0.01106951	0.2798123	27.75344	109.8311

Graph plots are obtained for MSE of MLE and MSE of MOME against n for different values of theta. The solid line depicts the behavior of MSE of MLE and the dotted line depicts behavior of MSE of MOME.

**# graph plots for MSE of MLE and MSE of MOME for each value of theta**

**# for theta = 1**

**# solid line for MSE of MLE**

**plot(n, MSE\_MLE[,1],main = "theta = 1",ylab = "MSE", type = "l", lty = "solid")**

**# dotted line for MSE of MOME**

**lines(n,MSE\_MOME[,1], lty = "dotted")**

**# for theta = 5**

**# solid line for MSE of MLE**

**plot(n, MSE\_MLE[,2],main = "theta = 5",ylab = "MSE", type = "l", lty = "solid")**

**# dotted line for MSE of MOME**

**lines(n,MSE\_MOME[,2], lty = "dotted")**

```

# for theta = 50
# solid line for MSE of MLE
plot(n, MSE_MLE[,3],main = "theta = 50",ylab = "MSE", type = "l", lty = "solid")

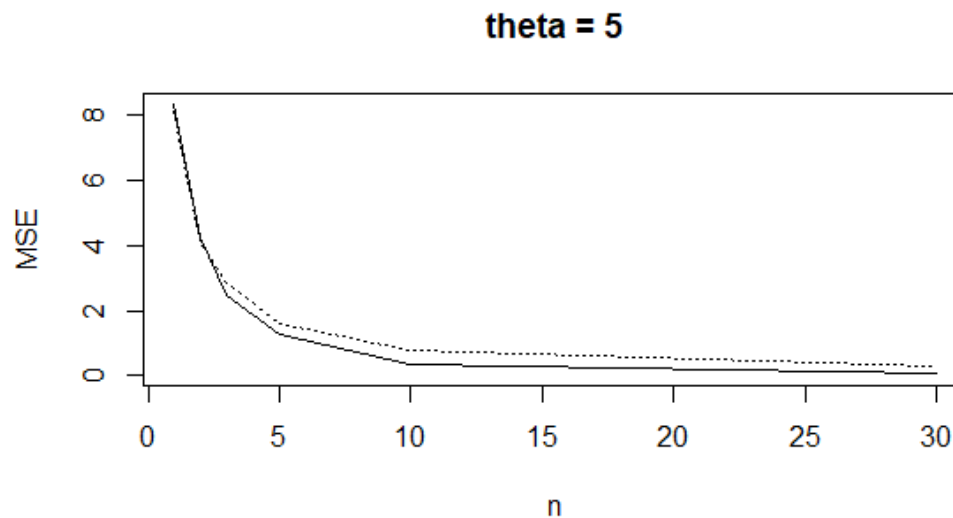
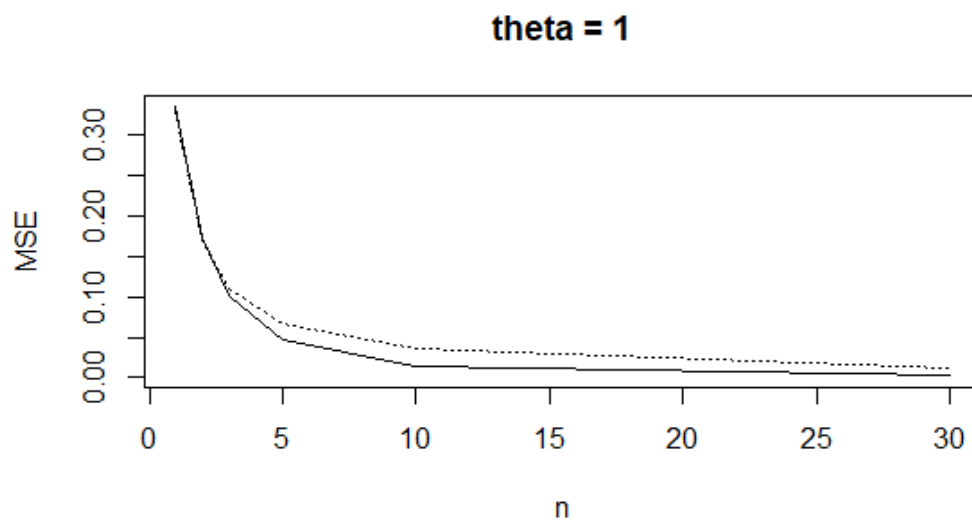
# dotted line for MSE of MOME
lines(n,MSE_MOME[,3], lty = "dotted")

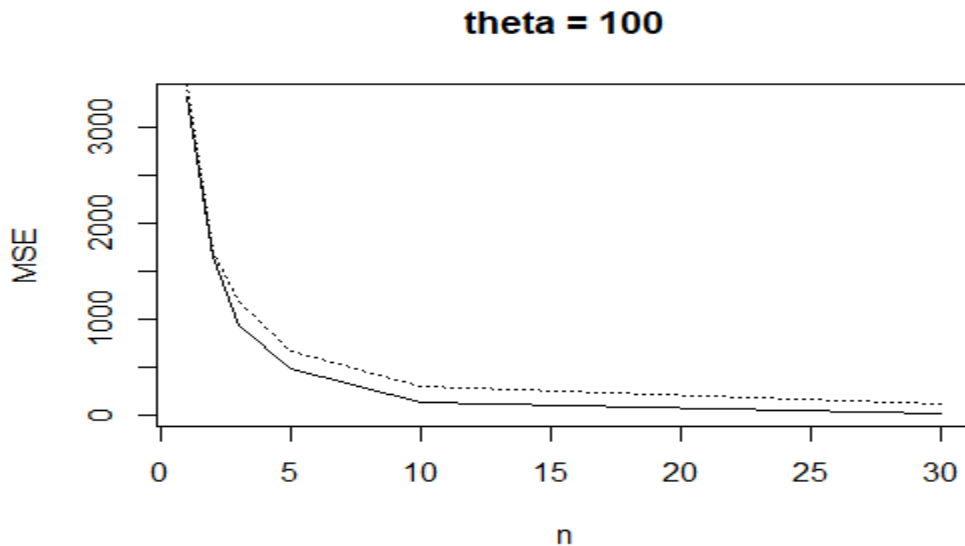
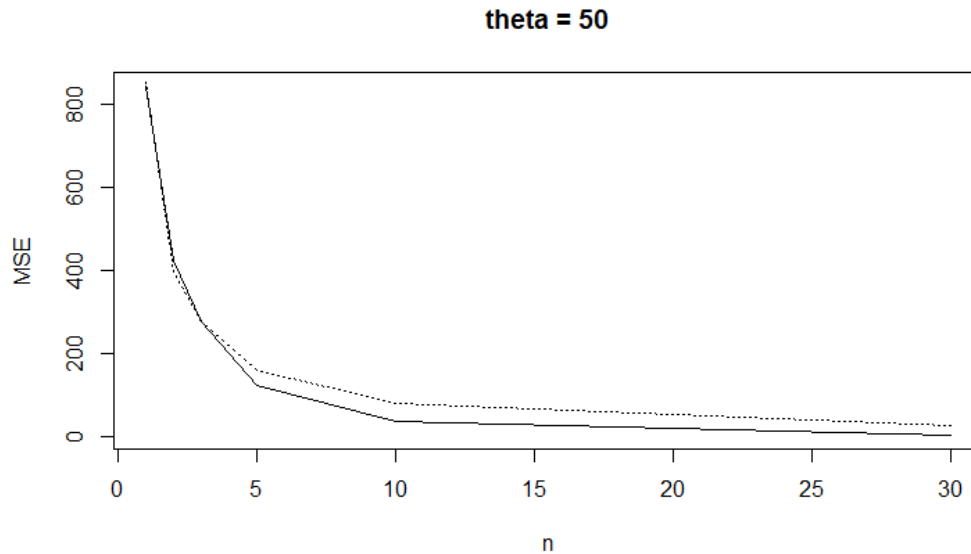
# for theta = 100
# solid line for MSE of MLE
plot(n, MSE_MLE[,4],main = "theta = 100",ylab = "MSE", type = "l", lty = "solid")

# dotted line for MSE of MOME
lines(n,MSE_MOME[,4], lty = "dotted")

```

The following plots were obtained.





Q1(d) It can be observed from above plots that MSE of both estimators decreases as the value of  $n$  increases. The reason being, their accuracy increases as  $n$  increases. It can also be observed that as  $\theta$  increases the MSE also increases. For smaller values of  $n$ , both MSE of MLE and MSE of MOME are almost equal. However, as value of  $n$  increases MSE of MLE is less when compared to MSE of MOME. We can infer that for  $n$  less than 5 MSE is almost equal for both estimators. For  $n$  greater than or equal to 5, MSE of MLE is less than MSE of MOME. Therefore, for a given value of  $n$  and  $\theta$  overall, MLE is better than MOME.

Q2(a) Given pdf  $\Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{\theta}{x^{\theta+1}}$

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{\theta}(x_i)$$

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Obtain log likelihood estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Log}\{L(\theta)\} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \log \frac{\theta}{x_i^{\theta+1}} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \{ \log \theta - (\theta + 1) \log x_i \} \\ &= n(\log \theta) - (\theta + 1) \log \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \end{aligned}$$

We can find the maximum likelihood by partially differentiating  $\text{Log}\{L(\theta)\}$  with respect to  $\theta$  and equating it to 0.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\theta} \log\{L(\theta)\} &= 0 \\ \frac{d}{d\theta} n(\log \theta) - (\theta + 1) \log \sum_{i=1}^n x_i &= 0 \\ \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i) &= 0 \\ \frac{n}{\theta} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i) \\ \theta &= \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we can conclude that

$$\Theta_{\text{MLE}} = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i)}$$

Q2(b) Given  $n = 5$ ,

Sample values are  $x_1 = 21.72$ ,  $x_2 = 14.65$ ,  $x_3 = 50.42$ ,  $x_4 = 28.78$ ,  $x_5 = 11.23$

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_{\text{MLE}} &= \frac{5}{\log(21.72) + \log(14.65) + \log(50.42) + \log(28.78) + \log(11.23)} \\ &= 0.32338741 \end{aligned}$$

Q2(c) Using the above sample values to estimate, by numerically maximizing the log-likelihood function.

**# n=5, store sample values in vector**

**sampleVal = c(21.72,14.65,50.42,28.78,11.23)**

Define PDF in the function

```
# Probability density function
# of the continuous random variable defined in the function
funcTheta = function(t,x){
  return (t/x^(t+1))
}
```

Using the above PDF, we define the Negative of Log-likelihood function. This can then be used in the *optim* function.

```
# Negative of log-likelihood function
neg.loglik.fun = function(par,dat){
  logSum = sum(log(funcTheta(par,dat)))
  return (-logSum)
}
```

*Optim* by default performs minimization, and hence we minimize  $-\log(L)$  to in turn obtain Maximized  $\log(L)$ .

```
# Minimize -log (L), i.e., maximize log (L)
# obtain parameter estimate
ml.est = optim(par=1, fn = neg.loglik.fun, method = "BFGS", hessian = TRUE, dat = sampleVal)
ml.est$par
```

```
[1] 0.323387
```

Therefore, the value obtained for the estimate is 0.323387. This is same as the one obtained in Q2(b).

Q2(d) The standard error of the Maximum Likelihood estimate can be calculated as follows

```
# Question 2(d)
# Standard error of the MLE
(result = sqrt(diag(solve(ml.est$hessian))))
```

```
[1] 0.1446217
```

The standard error obtained is 0.1446217

The 95% Confidence Interval for  $\theta$  is obtained as follows.

```
# Calculate 95% Confidence Interval of estimate
Conflnter = ml.est$par + c(-1,1)*qnorm(0.975)*result
Conflnter
```

```
[1] 0.03993372 0.60684034
```

The lower and upper values of the Confidence Interval are 0.03993372 and 0.60684034 respectively. Therefore, Confidence Interval is [0.03993372 , 0.60684034].

The above obtained values of Standard Error and Confidence Interval cannot be good approximations. The reason being, the sample size is very small. Also, it cannot be concluded that  $\theta$  has normal distribution. Therefore, we cannot conclude that obtained Confidence Interval values may be correct.

## Section – 2

### R - Code

Q1)

```
# Question 1
```

```
# given values of n
```

```
n = c(1,2,3,5,10,30)
```

```
# given values of theta
```

```
theta = c(1,5,50,100)
```

```
set.seed(123)
```

```
# Question 1(b)
```

```
# function to obtain Maximum Likelihood Estimator
```

```
# and Method of Moments estimator
```

```
MC_simulation = function(n, theta){
```

```
  result = runif(n, min = 0, max = theta)
```

```
  # obtain thetaOne
```

```
  thetaOne = max(result)
```

```
  # obtain thetaTwo
```

```
  thetaTwo = 2 * (mean(result))
```



```

    return (c(thetaOne,thetaTwo))
  }

# replicate the simulation 1000 times
MSE_method = function(n,theta){

  thetaEstm = replicate(1000, MC_simulation(n, theta))

  # compute MSE value which is for MLE and MOME
  # for n, theta
  return (rowMeans((thetaEstm - theta) ^ 2))

}

# get the length of n and theta
nLen = length(n)
thetaLen = length(theta)

# Question 1(c)
# create two matrices of dimensions (n x theta)
# these two matrices will store MSE of MLE and MSE of MOME in
# the respective matrices for every combination of n, theta

MSE_MLE = matrix(nrow = nLen, ncol = thetaLen)
MSE_MOME = matrix(nrow = nLen, ncol = thetaLen)

for(i in 1:nLen){
  for(j in 1:thetaLen){
    finalResult = MSE_method(n[i], theta[j])
    MSE_MLE[i,j] = finalResult[1]
    MSE_MOME[i,j] = finalResult[2]
  }
}

# display the final matrices of MLE and MOME
MSE_MLE
MSE_MOME

# graph plots for MSE of MLE and MSE of MOME for each value of theta
# for theta = 1
# solid line for MSE of MLE
plot(n, MSE_MLE[,1],main = "theta = 1",ylab = "MSE", type = "l", lty = "solid")

```

**# dotted line for MSE of MOME**

```
lines(n,MSE_MOME[,1], lty = "dotted")
```

**# for theta = 5**

**# solid line for MSE of MLE**

```
plot(n, MSE_MLE[,2],main = "theta = 5",ylab = "MSE", type = "l", lty = "solid")
```

**# dotted line for MSE of MOME**

```
lines(n,MSE_MOME[,2], lty = "dotted")
```

**# for theta = 50**

**# solid line for MSE of MLE**

```
plot(n, MSE_MLE[,3],main = "theta = 50",ylab = "MSE", type = "l", lty = "solid")
```

**# dotted line for MSE of MOME**

```
lines(n,MSE_MOME[,3], lty = "dotted")
```

**# for theta = 100**

**# solid line for MSE of MLE**

```
plot(n, MSE_MLE[,4],main = "theta = 100",ylab = "MSE", type = "l", lty = "solid")
```

**# dotted line for MSE of MOME**

```
lines(n,MSE_MOME[,4], lty = "dotted")
```

Q2)

**# Question 2(c)**

**# n=5, store sample values in vector**

```
sampleVal = c(21.72,14.65,50.42,28.78,11.23)
```

**# Probability density function**

**# of the continuous random variable defined in the function**

```
funcTheta = function(t,x){
  return (t/x^(t+1))
}
```

**# Negative of log-likelihood function**

```
neg.loglik.fun = function(par,dat){
  logSum = sum(log(funcTheta(par,dat)))
  return (-logSum)
}
```

**# Minimize - log (L), i.e., maximize log (L)**

**# obtain parameter estimate**

```
ml.est = optim(par=1, fn = neg.loglik.fun, method = "BFGS", hessian = TRUE, dat = sampleVal)
ml.est$par
```

**# Question 2(d)**

**# Standard error of the MLE**

```
(result = sqrt(diag(solve(ml.est$hessian))))
```

**# Calculate 95% Confidence Interval of estimate**

```
ConfInter = ml.est$par + c(-1,1)*qnorm(0.975)*result
ConfInter
```