Assignment 1

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1 Problem 1

1.1 MLE

According to the MLE

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{10} f(x_i | \theta)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2\theta}{3}\right)^2 \cdot \left(\frac{\theta}{3}\right)^3 \cdot \left(\frac{2(1-\theta)}{3}\right)^3 \cdot \left(\frac{1-\theta}{3}\right)^3$$
(1)

So we can get

$$l(\theta) = logL(\theta)$$

$$= 2ln\frac{2\theta}{3} + 3ln\frac{\theta}{3} + 3ln\frac{2(1-\theta)}{3} + 2ln\frac{1-\theta}{3}$$
(2)

Therefore, the score function is,

$$U(\theta) = \frac{dl(\theta)}{d\theta}$$

$$= \frac{5}{\theta} - \frac{5}{1-\theta}$$
(3)

We know that,

$$\frac{dU(\theta)}{d\theta} = -\frac{5}{\theta^2} - \frac{5}{(1-\theta)^2} < 0 \tag{4}$$

So we can make $U(\theta) = 0$. Thus maximum likelihood estimator of θ is,

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \frac{1}{2}$$

1.2 MME

According to the MME

$$\frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i = 1.5 \tag{5}$$

$$E(X) = \sum_{i=0}^{3} iP(X=i)$$

$$= \frac{7 - 6\theta}{3}$$
(6)

We know that,

$$\frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i = E(X) \tag{7}$$

So we can calculate method of moments estimator of θ ,

$$\hat{\theta}_{MME} = \frac{5}{12}$$

2 Problem 2

2.1 MLE

According to the MLE

$$L(\sigma) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f(X_i | \sigma)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{2\sigma} e^{-\frac{|X_i|}{\sigma}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\sigma)^n} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |X_i|}{\sigma}}$$
(8)

So we can get

$$l(\sigma) = log L(\sigma)$$

$$= -nln2\sigma - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |X_i|}{\sigma}$$
(9)

Therefore, the score function is,

$$U(\theta) = \frac{dl(\theta)}{d\theta}$$

$$= -\frac{n}{\sigma} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} |X_i|}{\sigma^2}$$
(10)

So we can make $U(\theta) = 0$. Thus maximum likelihood estimator of θ is,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{MLE} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |X_i|$$

2.2 MME

We can calculate that,

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\sigma} x e^{-\frac{|x|}{\sigma}} dx$$

$$= 0$$
(11)

So we need to use secondary moment,

$$E(X^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\sigma} x^2 e^{-\frac{|x|}{\sigma}} dx$$

$$= 2\sigma^2$$
(12)

We know that,

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}X_{i}^{2} = E(X) \tag{13}$$

So we can calculate method of moments estimator of θ ,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{MME} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i^2}$$

3 Problem 3

3.1 MLE

According to the MLE

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

$$= (\frac{1}{\theta})^n$$
(14)

It is obviously that $L(\theta)$ is a monotonically decreasing function. Therefore, if we want to maximize $L(\theta)$, we need to minimize θ . We know that θ is a parameter from a uniform distribution and X_i , ..., X_n form a random sample from the distribution, so we can get,

$$\theta \geq max\{X_1,...,X_n\}$$

Thus maximum likelihood estimator of θ is,

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = max\{X_1, ..., X_n\}$$

3.2 MME

According to the MME

$$E(X) = \int_0^\theta \frac{x}{\theta} dx$$

$$= \frac{\theta}{2}$$
(15)

We know that,

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i = E(X)$$
 (16)

So we can calculate method of moments estimator of θ ,

$$\hat{\theta}_{MME} = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$$

4 Problem 4

4.1 Central Limit Theorem

We know that, X_n can be decomposed into n independent random variables that obey the Bernoulli distribution with the parameter p,

$$X_n = x_1 + \dots + x_n, x_i \sim b(1, p)$$

Therefore, our target can be changed as,

$$\frac{X_n}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \overline{x}$$

According to the Bernoulli distribution

$$E(x_i) = p$$
$$Var(x_i) = p(1-p)$$

So, we can get,

$$E(\overline{x}) = p$$

$$Var(\overline{x}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$$

According to the Central Limit Theorem,

$$\frac{\overline{x} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\overline{x} \sim N(p, \frac{p(1-p)}{n})$$
(17)

Therefore,

$$\frac{X_n}{n} \sim N(p, \frac{p(1-p)}{n})$$

4.2 Delta Method

According to the Delta Method,

$$\mu = p$$

$$g(\mu) = g(p)$$

$$= p(1-p)$$
(18)

$$g(\overline{x}) = g(\frac{X_n}{n})$$

$$= \delta_n$$
(19)

We know that $p \neq \frac{1}{2}$, so,

$$g'(p) = 1 - 2p \neq 0$$

Therefore, according to the usual first order Delta method states,

$$\delta_n \sim N(p(1-p), \frac{p(1-p)(1-2p)^2}{n})$$

5 Problem 5

According to the Bernoulli distribution

$$E(x_i) = \mu$$

$$Var(x_i) = \sigma^2$$

So, we can get,

$$E(\overline{X}_n) = \mu$$

$$Var(\overline{X}_n) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

According to the Central Limit Theorem,

$$\sqrt{n}(\overline{X}_n - \mu) \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \tag{20}$$

According to the Delta Method,

$$q(\mu) = \mu^2$$

$$g(\overline{X}_n) = \overline{X}_n^2$$

$$g'(\mu) = 2\mu$$

if $\mu \neq 0$, according to the usual first order Delta method states,

$$\overline{X}_n^2 \sim N(\mu^2, \frac{4\sigma^2\mu^2}{n})$$

if $\mu = 0$, the second derivative,

$$g^{"} = 2 \neq 0$$

Therefore, According to the usual second order Delta method states,

$$n(\overline{X}_n^2 - \mu^2) \sim \sigma^2 \chi_1^2$$

$$\overline{X}_n^2 \sim \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \chi_1^2 + \mu^2$$

6 Problem 6

According to the problem 4,

$$\frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

Using the asymptotic normal approximation,

$$\frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

Therefore, $100(1-\alpha)\%$ confidence interval for p,

$$[\hat{p} - z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}, \hat{p} + z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}]$$

We know that, $\hat{p}=0.2,\,\alpha=0.05,\,\mathrm{so}$ the 95% confidence interval for p,