
EXAM ESTIMATION - DETECTION

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SOLUTIONS

Exercise 1: Estimation

1. Maximum likelihood estimation

(a)

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta) = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)^n \theta^{n\beta}} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta}\right)$$

$$\ln f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta) = -n\beta \ln \theta - n \ln \Gamma(\beta) + (\beta - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta)}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{n\beta}{\theta} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta^2} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad \implies \theta = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta} = \frac{\bar{x}}{\beta}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{n\beta}{\theta^2} - 2 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta^3}$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right|_{\theta=\bar{x}/\beta} = \frac{n\beta}{\bar{x}^2/\beta^2} - 2 \frac{n\bar{x}}{\bar{x}^3/\beta^3} = -\frac{n\beta^3}{\bar{x}^2} < 0$$

$$\implies \hat{\theta}_{ML} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta} = \frac{\bar{x}}{\beta}$$

(b)

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{\theta}_{ML}] = \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta}\right] = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[x_i]}{n\beta} = \frac{n\beta\theta}{n\beta} = \theta \quad \implies \text{unbiased}$$

$$\text{Var}[\hat{\theta}_{ML}] = \text{Var}\left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta}\right] = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}[x_i]}{n^2\beta^2} = \frac{n\beta\theta^2}{n^2\beta^2} = \frac{\theta^2}{n\beta} \quad \implies \text{convergent}$$

(c)

$$I(\theta) = \mathbb{E}\left[-\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2}\right] = -\frac{n\beta}{\theta^2} + 2 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[x_i]}{\theta^3} = \frac{n\beta}{\theta^2}$$

$$CRB(\theta) = \frac{\theta^2}{n\beta} = \text{Var}[\hat{\theta}_{ML}] \implies \hat{\theta}_{ML} \text{ is the efficient estimator for } \theta$$

(d) Using the characteristic function of the Gamma law with parameters a and b , we have

$$\varphi_X(t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{itX}] = (1 - itb)^{-a}$$

$$\varphi_{Y=\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}(t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{it\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}] = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[e^{itX_i}] = \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi_X(t) = (1 - itb)^{-na}$$

and therefore, $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \mathcal{G}(na, b)$. The probability distribution of $Z = cX$ is

$$g_Z(z) = f_X(x(z)) \left| \frac{dx}{dz} \right| = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)b^a} \left(\frac{y}{c}\right)^{a-1} \exp\left(-\frac{y}{bc}\right) \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)(bc)^a} y^{a-1} \exp\left(-\frac{y}{bc}\right)$$

and hence $Z = cX \sim \mathcal{G}(a, bc)$. Substituting $a = \beta$, $b = \theta$ and $c = \frac{1}{n\beta}$ gives

$$\hat{\theta}_{ML} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta} \sim \mathcal{G}\left(n\beta, \frac{\theta}{n\beta}\right).$$

2. Method of moments

(a)

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \beta\theta \longrightarrow \hat{\theta}_{m_1} = \frac{\bar{x}}{\beta}$$

Hence $\hat{\theta}_{m_1} = \hat{\theta}_{ML}$ and $\hat{\theta}_{m_1}$ it is unbiased, convergent, and the efficient estimator for θ .

(b)

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2] = \text{Var}[X] + \mathbb{E}[X]^2 = \beta\theta^2 + \beta^2\theta^2 = \theta^2\beta(1 + \beta)$$

$$\theta = \sqrt{\frac{\mathbb{E}[X^2]}{\beta(1 + \beta)}} \longrightarrow \hat{\theta}_{m_2} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{n\beta(1 + \beta)}}$$

(c) With $n = 1$, the estimator simplifies to $\hat{\theta}_{m_2} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{\beta(1 + \beta)}}$.

$$b_{m_2}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}[\hat{\theta}_{m_2}] - \theta = \frac{\beta\theta}{\sqrt{\beta(1 + \beta)}} - \theta = \theta \left(\sqrt{\frac{\beta}{1 + \beta}} - 1 \right) = \theta \frac{\sqrt{\beta} - \sqrt{1 + \beta}}{\sqrt{1 + \beta}}$$

$$\text{Var}[\hat{\theta}_{m_2}] = \frac{\beta\theta^2}{\beta(1 + \beta)} = \frac{\theta^2}{1 + \beta}$$

$$mse_{m_2}(\theta) = b_{m_2}(\theta)^2 + \text{Var}[\hat{\theta}_{m_2}] = \theta^2 \left(\sqrt{\frac{\beta}{1 + \beta}} - 1 \right)^2 + \frac{\theta^2}{1 + \beta} = 2\theta^2 \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{\beta}{1 + \beta}} \right)$$

3. Bayesian estimation with Jeffrey's prior for θ

(a) From 1.(c), we immediately have $p(\theta) \propto \sqrt{I(\theta)} = \sqrt{\frac{n\beta}{\theta^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{n\beta}}{\theta}$.

(b)

$$f(\theta; x, \beta) \propto \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)^n \theta^{n\beta}} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta}\right) \frac{\sqrt{n\beta}}{\theta}$$

$$\ln f(\theta; x, \beta) \propto -(n\beta + 1) \ln \theta - n \ln \Gamma(\beta) + (\beta - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta} + \frac{1}{2} \ln(n\beta)$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln f(\theta; x, \beta)}{\partial \theta} = -\frac{n\beta + 1}{\theta} + \frac{1}{\theta^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \implies \theta = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta + 1}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(\theta; x, \beta)}{\partial \theta^2} \Big|_{\theta = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta + 1}} = \frac{n\beta + 1}{\theta^2} - \frac{2}{\theta^3} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \Big|_{\theta = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta + 1}} = -\frac{(n\beta + 1)^3}{(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i)^2} < 0$$

$$\implies \hat{\theta}_{MAP}^J = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta + 1}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MAP}^J = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{n\beta}{n\beta(n\beta + 1)} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \frac{n\beta + 1 - 1}{n\beta(n\beta + 1)} = \hat{\theta}_{ML} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta(n\beta + 1)}$$

4. Bayesian estimation with inverse Gamma prior $\mathcal{IG}(k, \tau)$ for θ : $\theta \sim \mathcal{IG}(k, \tau)$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta) &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)^n \theta^{n\beta}} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta}\right) \\
p_\theta(\theta; k, \tau) &= \frac{\tau^k}{\Gamma(k)} \theta^{-k-1} \exp(-\tau/\theta) \\
f(\theta; x, \beta, k, \tau) &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(\beta)^n \theta^{n\beta}} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta}\right) \frac{\tau^k}{\Gamma(k)} \theta^{-k-1} \exp(-\tau/\theta) \\
&= \underbrace{\frac{\tau^k \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1}}{\Gamma(k)\Gamma(\beta)^n}}_C \theta^{-(n\beta+k)-1} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \tau}{\theta}\right) \\
&= \mathcal{IG}\left(n\beta + k, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \tau\right)
\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\ln f(\theta; x, \beta, k, \tau) &= \ln C - (n\beta + k + 1) \ln \theta - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \tau}{\theta} \\
\frac{\partial \ln f(\theta; x, \beta, k, \tau)}{\partial \theta} &= -\frac{n\beta + k + 1}{\theta} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \tau}{\theta^2} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \\
\hat{\theta}_{MAP} &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \tau}{n\beta + k + 1}
\end{aligned}$$

(One verifies that $\left. \frac{\partial^2 \ln f(\theta; x, \beta, k, \tau)}{\partial \theta^2} \right|_{\theta = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \tau}{n\beta + k + 1}} < 0$.)

(c) For $X \sim \mathcal{IG}(k, \tau)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[X] &= \int x \frac{\tau^k}{\Gamma(k)} x^{-k-1} \exp(-\tau/x) dx = \int \frac{\tau^k}{\Gamma(k)} x^{-(k-1)-1} \exp(-\tau/x) dx \\
&= \tau \frac{\Gamma(k-1)}{\Gamma(k)} \underbrace{\int \frac{\tau^{k-1}}{\Gamma(k-1)} x^{-(k-1)-1} \exp(-\tau/x) dx}_{= \int \mathcal{IG}(k-1, \tau) = 1} = \tau \frac{\Gamma(k-1)}{\Gamma(k)} = \frac{\tau}{k-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since the posterior law of θ is $\mathcal{IG}(n\beta + k, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \tau)$, we immediately have

$$\hat{\theta}_{MMSE} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \tau}{n\beta + k + 1}.$$

Exercise 2: Detection

1. We want to test the hypotheses $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ and $H_1 : \theta = \theta_1$ with $\theta_1 > \theta_0$.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{reject } H_0 \text{ if } & \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta | H_1)}{f(x_1, \dots, x_n; \beta, \theta | H_0)} > K_\alpha \\
 & \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1} \Gamma(\beta)^n \theta_0^{n\beta} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_1}\right)}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1} \Gamma(\beta)^n \theta_1^{n\beta} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_0}\right)} > K_\alpha \\
 & \left(\frac{\theta_0}{\theta_1}\right)^{n\beta} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \left(\frac{1}{\theta_1} - \frac{1}{\theta_0}\right)\right) > K_\alpha \\
 & n\beta(\ln \theta_0 - \ln \theta_1) + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \left(\frac{1}{\theta_0} - \frac{1}{\theta_1}\right)}_{>0} > \ln K_\alpha \\
 T_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i > t_\alpha & = \frac{\theta_0 \theta_1}{\theta_1 - \theta_0} (\ln K_\alpha + n\beta(\ln \theta_1 - \ln \theta_0))
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) It immediately follows that under H_0 , $T_n \sim \mathcal{IG}(n\beta, \theta_0)$ and under H_1 , $T_n \sim \mathcal{IG}(n\beta, \theta_1)$.

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha &= P[\text{reject } H_0 | H_0 \text{ true}] = P[T_n > t_\alpha | T_n \sim \mathcal{IG}(n\beta, \theta_0)] \\
 &= 1 - \int_0^{t_\alpha} \frac{\theta_0^{n\beta} x^{-n\beta-1}}{\Gamma(n\beta)} \exp(-\theta_0/x) dx = 1 - F_0(t_\alpha) \\
 \implies t_\alpha &= F_0^{-1}(1 - \alpha)
 \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi &= P[\text{reject } H_0 | H_1 \text{ true}] = P[T_n > t_\alpha | T_n \sim \mathcal{IG}(n\beta, \theta_1)] \\
 &= 1 - \int_0^{t_\alpha} \frac{\theta_1^{n\beta} x^{-n\beta-1}}{\Gamma(n\beta)} \exp(-\theta_1/x) dx = 1 - F_1(t_\alpha) \\
 &= 1 - F_1(F_0^{-1}(1 - \alpha))
 \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{reject } H_0 \text{ if } & \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \Omega_1} f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta)}{\sup_{\theta \in \Omega_0} f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta)} = \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta = \hat{\theta}_{ML(1)})}{f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta = \theta_0)} > K_\alpha \\
 & \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1} \Gamma(\beta)^n \theta_0^{n\beta} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\hat{\theta}_{ML(1)}}\right)}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\beta-1} \Gamma(\beta)^n \hat{\theta}_{ML(1)}^{n\beta} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_0}\right)} > K_\alpha \\
 & \left(\frac{\beta \theta_0}{\bar{x}}\right)^{n\beta} \exp\left(-n\bar{x} \left(\frac{\beta}{\bar{x}} - \frac{1}{\theta_0}\right)\right) > K_\alpha \\
 & n\beta(\ln(\beta \theta_0) - \ln \bar{x}) - n\beta + \frac{n\bar{x}}{\theta_0} > \ln K_\alpha \\
 & \beta \theta_0(\ln(\beta \theta_0) - \ln \bar{x} - 1) + \bar{x} > \frac{\theta_0 \ln K_\alpha}{n} \\
 T_n = \bar{x} - \beta \theta_0 \ln \bar{x} > t_\alpha & = \frac{\theta_0 \ln K_\alpha}{n} - \beta \theta_0(\ln(\beta \theta_0) - 1)
 \end{aligned}$$

3. (a) Since the parameter θ is unknown, the Kolmogorov test can not be applied. The χ^2 test is appropriate for this problem.

(b)

$$\hat{\theta}_{ML} = \frac{\bar{x}}{\beta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n\beta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{25} x_i}{100} = 1.84$$

The mean is given by $\mu = \beta\hat{\theta}_{ML} = 7.36$ and the standard deviation by $\sigma = \sqrt{\beta\hat{\theta}_{ML}} = 3.68$.

- (c) With $a = 1 - F^{-1}(3/4)$, the classes for testing for the standard Normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ are given by

$$(-\infty, -a], (-a, 0], (0, a], (a, \infty)$$

and the classes for $\mathcal{N}(\mu = 7.36, \sigma^2 = 3.68^2)$ are therefore

$$C_1 = (-\infty, \mu - \sigma a] = (-\infty, 4.88]$$

$$C_2 = (\mu - \sigma a, \mu] = (4.88, 7.36]$$

$$C_3 = (\mu, \mu + \sigma a] = (7.36, 9.84]$$

$$C_4 = (\mu + \sigma a, \infty) = (9.84, \infty)$$

- (d) The test statistic is given by

$$\phi = \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{(n_k - Np_k)^2}{Np_k}$$

with $K = 4$, $p_k = 1/4$ and $(n_1, n_2, n_3, n_4) = (5, 11, 4, 5)$. Hence,

$$\phi = \frac{4}{25} \left(\frac{25}{16} + \frac{361}{16} + \frac{81}{16} + \frac{25}{16} \right) = \frac{492}{100} = 4.92.$$

Since the unknown parameter θ was replaced with its maximum likelihood estimate, the critical value of the test is given by the quantile of the χ^2 distribution with $N = K - 1 = 3$ degrees of freedom, $t_\alpha = 4.61 < 4.92$. The test therefore rejects the hypothesis that the sample is Normal with significance $\alpha = 0.1$.