

Lecture 6

ML with censored data
ML estimate as r.v.

HW 1 due
HW 2 out.
Campus-trees out.
Plotting tutorial ✓

Lecture Notes II – Maximum Likelihood Estimation for Discrete Distributions

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Max Likelihood Principle ✓

ML estimation for arbitrary discrete distributions ✓

- finite S
- tied parameters
- Poisson

Other ML estimation examples ← censored data

ML estimate as a random variable ←

Reading: Ch. 4.1, 4.2

Other ML estimation examples

Censored data

Ex: 1) clinical trial

$$\frac{\text{Observed}}{X_t = 0}$$

$$X_{t+1 \text{ year}} = 1$$

time

X $\xrightarrow{t^*}$
not
observed

2) $X = \text{color image (unobserved)}$
 $Y = \text{B/W image observed}$

2') $Y = \text{low resolution (X)}$
 $X \text{ high} \longrightarrow \text{unobserved}$

$X \sim P_X$? $\xrightarrow{\text{deterministic}}$ $Y(X)$
unobserved observed

3) $X \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots\} = S$ $P_X = \text{expo}(\lambda)$
sample $X^1, X^2, \dots, X^n \sim P_X$ iid unobserved
 $\underline{y^i} = X^i \bmod 2 \Leftrightarrow y^i = \begin{cases} 1 & X^i \text{ odd} \\ 0 & X^i \text{ even} \end{cases}$

Other ML estimation examples - *censored data - cont* $\downarrow$
 $P_X = \text{geom}(\lambda)$

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ML Principle

$$L(\underline{\lambda} | y^{1:n}) = P(y^{1:n} | \lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(y^i | \lambda)$$

observed

Find $P[\text{observed} | \text{parameters}] \equiv L$

$$\underline{P[Y=0 | \lambda]} = P[X \text{ even} | \lambda] =$$

$$\begin{aligned} X &\in S \\ P(X) &= (1-\lambda)\lambda^X \\ \lambda &\in (0, 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$= P[0] + P[2] + \dots + P[2j] + \dots$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (1-\lambda) \lambda^{2j} = (1-\lambda) \frac{1}{1-\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{1+\lambda}$$

Other ML estimation examples - censored data (cont.)

$$P[y=1|\lambda] = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} P[2j+1] = \dots$$

$$= 1 - P[y=0|\lambda] = 1 - \frac{1}{1+\lambda} = \frac{\lambda}{1+\lambda} < P[y=0|\lambda]$$

$$\underline{L}(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda^{y^i}}{1+\lambda} = \frac{\lambda^{\sum y^i}}{(1+\lambda)^n}$$

$$\theta_0 \leftarrow \left[\frac{1}{1+\lambda} \right]_{y^i=0} \rightarrow \theta_1 \left[\frac{\lambda}{1+\lambda} \right]_{y^i=1}$$

log- l

$$l(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n y^i \cdot \ln \lambda - n \ln(1+\lambda)$$

$n_1 = \# \{y^i = 1\}$

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$\max_{\lambda \in (0,1)} l(\lambda):$

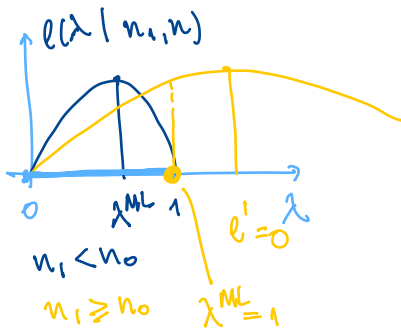
$$l'(\lambda) = \frac{n_1}{\lambda} - \frac{n}{1+\lambda} = 0$$

$$\frac{1+\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{n}{n_1} = \frac{n_0+n_1}{n_1}$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} + 1 = \frac{n_0}{n_1} + 1 \Rightarrow \lambda^{ML} = \frac{n_1}{n_0}$$

Other ML estimation examples - censored data (cont)

$\lambda^{ML} = \frac{n_1}{n_0}$
 always > 0 ✓
 < 1 can be > 1 !!
 → if $\frac{n_1}{n_0} > 1 \Rightarrow \operatorname{argmax}_{\lambda \in [0,1]} \ell(\lambda) = 1 = \lambda^{ML}$
 can't define a $\operatorname{geom}(\lambda)$
 $\lambda < 1$!!



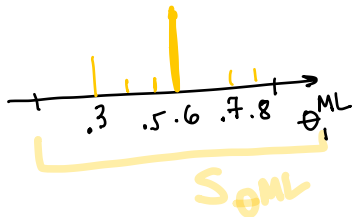
get more data !

Ex given λ
 $\mathbb{P}[n_1 > n_0 | \lambda, n] = ?$

ML estimate as a random variable

Ex Tossing a coin $\theta_1 = \Pr[1] = ?$ $S = \{0, 1\}$
 $n=10 \Rightarrow \theta_1^{ML} = \frac{n_1}{n} \neq \theta_1^{true}$ 0.5 maybe

A GUESS !!



$\Rightarrow$ 1. random

$$S_{\theta^{ML}}^{n=10} = \{0, 0.1, 0.2, \dots, 0.9, 1\}$$
$$= \left\{ \frac{k}{n}, k=0:n \right\}$$

$$|S_{\theta^{ML}}| = n+1$$
$$S_{\theta^{ML}}^{n=100} = \{0, 0.01, \dots, 0.99, 1\}$$

$\theta^{true} \notin S_{\theta^{ML}}$
?

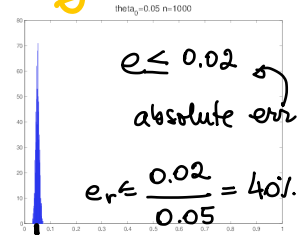
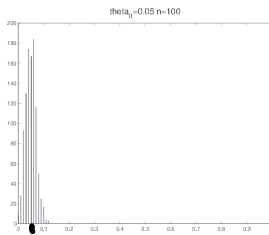
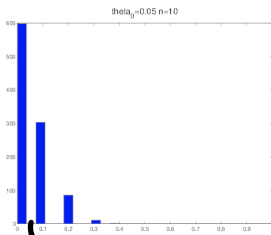
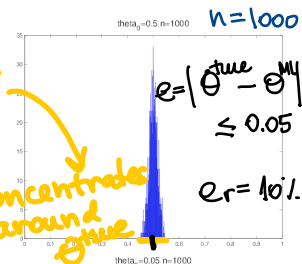
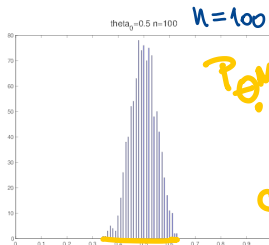
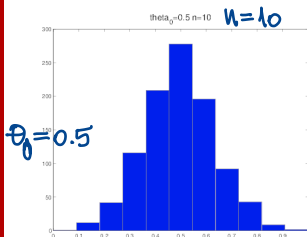
3. $P[\theta_1^{ML} = \frac{k}{n}] = ?$

Randomness of θ_1^{ML}

ML estimate as a random variable

Randomness experimentally

1000 repetitions



$\theta_0 = 0.05$

$$\text{Relative err} = \frac{e}{\theta_{\text{true}}}$$

ML estimate as a random variable

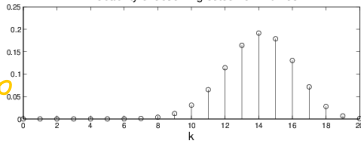
Randomness Theoretically

$$\theta_1^{\text{true}} = .7$$

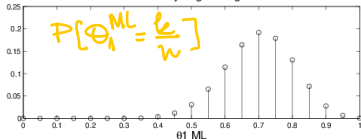
$$\binom{n}{n_0 n_1 \dots n_{m-1}} = \frac{n!}{n_0! n_1! \dots n_{m-1}!}$$

$$P[n_1 = k]$$

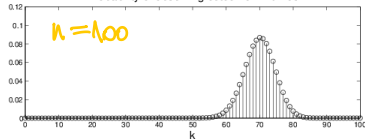
Probability of observing outcome 1 k times



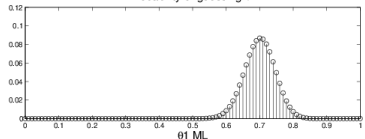
Probability of guessing θ_1



Probability of observing outcome 1 k times



Probability of guessing θ_1



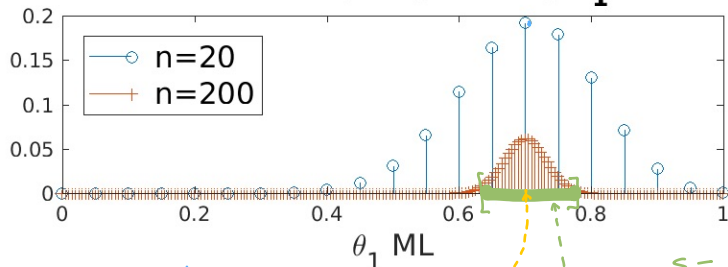
Exact $P[\theta_1^{\text{ML}} = \frac{k}{n}]$ for some $k = 0:n$

$$P[\frac{k}{n}] = P[n_1 = k | \theta_1] = \binom{n}{n_1} \theta_1^k (1-\theta_1)^{n-k}$$

multinomial

ML estimate as a random variable

Probability of guessing θ_1



$$P[\theta_1^{ML} = \theta_1^{true}] \rightarrow \text{with } n$$

$$P[|\theta_1^{ML} - \theta_1^{true}| < \epsilon] \nearrow 1 \text{ with } n$$

$$n=200 \quad P[e < \epsilon] \approx 1$$

$$n=20 \quad P[e < \epsilon] \approx \frac{1}{2}$$

Practically n large enough $\Rightarrow \theta_1^{ML} \approx \theta_1^{true} \Rightarrow$

$$P[e > \epsilon | \theta_1^{ML}] \approx P[e > \epsilon | \theta_1^{true}]$$

ML estimate as a random variable

In general n , Model class = $\{P_\theta, \theta \in \text{some range}\}$

$n \rightarrow S_{\theta^{ML}} = \{ \text{all possible values} \}$

$P[\tilde{\theta}^{ML} | \theta^{true} = \theta^{ML}]$ on $S_{\theta^{ML}}$

Data $x^{1:n} \xrightarrow{\text{ML}} \theta^{ML}$

