

# Midterm2

# Sufficient Statistic

$p(x_1, \dots, x_n | T(x_1, \dots, x_n); \theta)$  does not depend on  $\theta$  for any  $t$

The factorization theorem (Neyman-Fisher)

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n; \theta) = h(x_1, \dots, x_n) g(T(x_1, \dots, x_n); \theta)$$

Example:  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_1, \dots, x_n; \mu, \sigma^2) &= \prod \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}^n \sigma^n}}_h \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}_g\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \quad \text{if } \mu, \sigma^2 \text{ unknown}$$

$$T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \quad \text{if } \mu \text{ unknown, } \sigma \text{ known}$$

proof of factorization theorem

$$L(\theta) = g(T(x_1, \dots, x_n); \theta) \underbrace{h(x_1, \dots, x_n)}$$

$$L(\theta) = g(T(x_1, \dots, x_n); \theta) \quad \text{ignore constants do not depend on } \theta$$

Minimal sufficiency,

$$\text{Define ratio: } R = \frac{p(y_1, \dots, y_n; \theta)}{p(x_1, \dots, x_n; \theta)}$$

$T$  is MSS if  $R$  does not depend on  $\theta$  iff  $T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = T(y_1, \dots, y_n)$

Rao-Blackwell theorem:

$$R(\hat{\theta}, \theta) \leq R(\tilde{\theta}, \theta) \quad \tilde{\theta} = E(\hat{\theta} | T)$$

Example:  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Ber}(\theta)$ .

$$\hat{\theta} = X_1$$

$$\hat{\theta} = E[X_1 | \sum^n X_i] = 1 \cdot P(X_1=1 | \sum^n X_i) = \frac{\cancel{p} \cdot \binom{T-1}{n-1} p^{T-1} (\cancel{1-p})^{n-(T-1)}}{\binom{T}{n} p^T (1-p)^{n-T}} = \frac{T}{n}$$

$$R(\hat{\theta}) = \theta(1-\theta)$$

$$R(\tilde{\theta}) = \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{n} < \theta(1-\theta)$$

Proof of Rao-Blackwell.

$$R(\tilde{\theta}, \theta) = E[(E[\tilde{\theta}|T] - \theta)^2]$$

$$= E[(E[\tilde{\theta} - \theta | T])^2]$$

$$\star \leq E[E[(\tilde{\theta} - \theta)^2 | T]] \quad \text{by Jensen.}$$

$$= R(\hat{\theta}, \theta)$$

Exponential Family

$$P(x; \theta) = \exp \left[ \sum \eta_i(\theta) T_i(x) - A(\theta) \right] h(x)$$

$$A: \theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

canonical parametrization:

$$P(x; \theta) = \exp \left[ \sum \theta_i T_i(x) - A(\theta) \right] h(x)$$

$\theta$ : natural parameters.

properties of Exponential Families

- Random sampling.

The exponential structure is preserved for an iid <sup>sample</sup>  $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}_{n \sim P(x)}$

$$P(x_1, \dots, x_n; \theta) = \prod h(x_i) \exp \left[ \sum \theta_i \sum T_i(x_j) - nA(\theta) \right]$$

same natural parameters

$$T_1, \dots, T_n \xrightarrow{n} T, \dots$$

$$T_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum T_i(x_j)$$

- $A(\theta)$  log-normalization constant  
log-partition function  
cumulant function

$$A(\theta) = \log \left[ \int_{\mathcal{X}} \exp \left[ \sum \theta_i T_i(x) \right] h(x) dx \right]$$

$$\frac{A(\theta)}{\theta_i} = \frac{\int_{\mathcal{X}} \exp \left[ \sum \theta_i T_i(x) \right] T_i(x) h(x) dx}{\int_{\mathcal{X}} \exp \left[ \sum \theta_i T_i(x) \right] h(x) dx} = E[T_i(x)]$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 A(\theta)}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} = \text{cov}(T_i(x), T_j(x))$$

- The log likelihood in an exponential family is concave

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto \left[ \sum \theta_i \sum T_i(x_j) - nA(\theta) \right]$$

Hessian is  $(-n) \times$  Hessian of  $A$ .  $A$  is convex

- minimal

no set of coefficient, such that  $\sum a_i T_i(x) = \text{const}$

Over complete exponential families are not statistically identifiable.

"The exponential families arise naturally"  $\left. \begin{array}{l} 1. \text{ maximize the entropy of distribut} \\ 2. \text{ constraint } \hat{\mu}_i = E_P[T_i(x)] \end{array} \right\}$

- MLE coincide with MOM

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto \left[ \sum \theta_i \sum T_i(x_j) - nA(\theta) \right] \rightarrow \text{concave.}$$

$$\partial \mathcal{L}(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum T_i(x_j) - nA'(\theta)$$

$$= \underbrace{\sum_j T_i(x_j) - n E_P[T_i(x)]}$$

Point Estimation

The method of moments

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Maximum Likelihood

The MLE is equivariant

Bayes Estimator

$$P(\theta | X_1, \dots, X_n) \propto L(\theta) P(\theta) \quad \text{Likelihood} \times \text{prior}$$

Example 1:  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Ber}(\theta)$ .  $\theta \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$  prior

$$P(\theta) \propto \theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1}$$

$$P(\theta | X) \propto L(\theta) P(\theta) = \theta^{\sum X_i} (1-\theta)^{n-\sum X_i} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1}$$

$$P(\theta | X) = \text{Beta}(\alpha + \sum X_i, n - \sum X_i + \beta)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{\text{Bayes}} = \frac{\alpha + \sum X_i}{n + \alpha + \beta} = (1-\lambda) \hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} + \lambda \bar{\theta}$$

Example 2:  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\mu \sim N(m, \tau^2)$

$$P(\mu | X) \propto \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \right)^n \exp\left(-\frac{\sum (X_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\tau} \exp\left(-\frac{(\mu - m)^2}{2\tau^2}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\tau} \exp\left(-\frac{\tau^2 \sum (X_i - \mu)^2 + (\mu - m)^2 \sigma^2}{2\sigma^2 \tau^2}\right)$$

$$\tau^2 \left( n\mu^2 - 2\sum X_i \mu + \sum X_i^2 \right) +$$

$$\sigma^2 \left( \mu^2 - 2m\mu + m^2 \right)$$

$$(n\tau^2 + \sigma^2) \mu - (2\sum X_i \tau^2 + 2m) \mu + \dots$$

$$\left( \mu - \frac{\sum X_i \tau^2 + m\sigma^2}{n\tau^2 + \sigma^2} \right)^2$$

$$\hat{\mu}_{\text{Bayes}} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i \tau^2 + \frac{1}{n} m \sigma^2}{\tau^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{n}}$$

$$\text{Var}(\mu | X) = \frac{\sigma^2 \tau^2}{n\tau^2 + \sigma^2}$$

# Evaluating Point Estimators.

Mean Squared Error

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\theta} (\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2 &= (E_{\theta} (\hat{\theta} - \theta))^2 + \text{Var}_{\theta} (\hat{\theta}) \\ &= B^2 + V \end{aligned}$$

Log-likelihood:  $LL(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log p(x_i; \theta)$

Score:  $S(\theta) = \frac{\partial LL(\theta)}{\partial \theta}$

Fish Information:  $I(\theta) = E [S(\theta)S(\theta)^T]$

Score function has mean 0

proof:

$$E_{\theta} (S(\theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\mathcal{X}} \nabla_{\theta} \log p(x_i; \theta) p(x_i; \theta) dx_i$$

$$= n \int \nabla_{\theta} \log p(x; \theta) p(x; \theta) dx$$

$$= \int \frac{\nabla_{\theta} p(x; \theta)}{p(x; \theta)} p(x; \theta) dx \quad \text{dominated convergence theorem}$$

$$= \nabla_{\theta} \int p(x; \theta) dx = \nabla_{\theta} 1 = 0$$

$I_{i,i}(\theta) = E [-\nabla_{\theta}^2 \log p(x; \theta)]$

Proof:

$$\nabla_{\theta}^2 \log p(x; \theta) = \nabla_{\theta} \frac{\nabla_{\theta} p(x; \theta)}{p(x; \theta)}$$

$$= \frac{\nabla_{\theta} p(x; \theta)}{p(x; \theta)} - \frac{\nabla_{\theta} p(x; \theta) \nabla_{\theta} p(x; \theta)^T}{p(x; \theta)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\nabla_{\theta} p(x; \theta)}{p(x; \theta)} - S(\theta)S(\theta)^T$$

$\dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E \nabla_{\theta} \log p(x; \theta) &= E \frac{\nabla_{\theta} p(x; \theta)}{p(x; \theta)} - E s(\theta) s(\theta)' \\
 &= - E s(\theta) s(\theta)' \\
 &= - I(\theta)
 \end{aligned}$$

## Cramér-Rao Bound

$\hat{\theta}$  unbiased estimator

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) \geq \frac{1}{n I_{11}(\theta)}$$

Multivariate Generalization

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) \geq I(\theta)^{-1}$$

KL loss:  $KL(p(x; \theta), p(x; \alpha)) = E_{x \sim p(\cdot | \theta)} \log \left( \frac{p(x; \theta)}{p(x; \alpha)} \right)$

Risk:  $R(\theta, \hat{\theta}(x)) = E_{x \sim \theta} L(\theta, \hat{\theta}(x))$

Bayes Risk:  $B_{\pi}(\hat{\theta}) = \int R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) \pi(\theta) d\theta$

$$\alpha = \beta = \sqrt{\frac{n}{4}}, \quad R(\hat{\theta}_B, \theta) = \frac{n}{4(\ln 4)}$$

posterior risk

$\hat{\theta}$  Bayes minimize  $r(\hat{\theta} | x^n)$

$$r(\hat{\theta} | x^n) = \int L(\theta, \hat{\theta}(x^n)) \pi(\theta | x^n) d\theta$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_{\pi}(\hat{\theta}) &= \int R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) \pi(\theta) d\theta = \int \left( \int L(\theta, \hat{\theta}) p(x | \theta) dx^n \right) \pi(\theta) d\theta \\
 &= \iint L(\theta, \hat{\theta}(x^n)) \underline{p(x, \theta)} dx^n d\theta \\
 &= \iint L(\theta, \hat{\theta}(x^n)) \pi(\theta | x^n) m(x^n) dx^n d\theta \\
 &= \iint L(\theta, \hat{\theta}(x^n)) \pi(\theta | x^n) d\theta m(x^n) dx^n \\
 &= \iint r(\hat{\theta} | x^n) m(x^n) dx^n
 \end{aligned}$$

$\hat{\theta}$  Bayes minimize  $r(\hat{\theta} | x^n)$

If  $L(\theta, \hat{\theta}) = |\theta - \hat{\theta}|^2$ , then  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{Bayes}} = \mathbb{E}(\hat{\theta} | X^n)$

$$\int |\theta - \hat{\theta}|^2 p(\theta | X) d\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \int (\theta - \hat{\theta}) p(\theta | X) d\theta \Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \int \theta p(\theta | X) d\theta = \mathbb{E}_\theta(\theta | X)$$

The risk:  $R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim p(\theta)} L(\theta, \hat{\theta}) = \int_X L(\theta, \hat{\theta}(X)) p(X_n; \theta) dX_n$

when  $L(\theta, \hat{\theta})$  is squared loss. MSE is the risk,

Example: comparing risk functions

$$X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Ber}(p)$$

$$\hat{p}_1 = \bar{x}, \quad \hat{p}_2 = \frac{n\bar{x} + \alpha}{n + \alpha + \beta}$$

$$r(p, \hat{p}_1) = \text{Var}(\bar{x}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$$

$$r(p, \hat{p}_2) = \left( \frac{\alpha(1-p) - \beta p}{n + \alpha + \beta} \right)^2 + \frac{n p(1-p)}{(n + \alpha + \beta)^2}$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha = \beta = \sqrt{\frac{n}{4}}, \quad R(p, \hat{p}_2) = \frac{n}{4(n + \sqrt{n})^2}$$

maximum risk:  $\bar{R}(\hat{\theta}) = \max_{\theta} R(\theta, \hat{\theta})$

Bayes risk:  $B_{\pi}(\hat{\theta}) = \int R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) \pi(\theta) d\theta$

$$p(\theta | X) = \frac{p(X | \theta) \pi(\theta)}{p(X)}, \quad \pi(\theta | X^n) = \frac{p(X^n | \theta) \pi(\theta)}{m(X^n)} \rightarrow \text{marginal distribution of } X^n$$

Posterior risk:  $r(\hat{\theta} | X^n) = \int_{\theta} L(\theta, \hat{\theta}(X^n)) \pi(\theta | X^n) d\theta$

\*: The difference between  $R(\theta, \hat{\theta})$  and  $r(\hat{\theta} | X^n)$

Bayes risk:  $B_{\pi}(\hat{\theta}) = \int_{\theta} R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) \pi(\theta) d\theta$

relationship with  $\int_{\theta} \int_X L(\theta, \hat{\theta}) p(X | \theta) dX \pi(\theta) d\theta$

posterior risk

$$= \int_{\theta} \int_X L(\theta, \hat{\theta}) p(X) dX d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_{\theta} \int_{x} L(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) p(\theta|x) m(x) dx d\theta \\
&= \int_x \int_{\theta} L(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) p(\theta|x) d\theta m(x) dx \\
&= \int_x r(\tilde{\theta}|x^n) m(x^n) dx^n \star
\end{aligned}$$

Bayes estimator: minimize Bayes risk (definition)  
 minimize  $r(\tilde{\theta}|x^n)$  posterior risk

$\hat{\theta}_{\text{Bayes}}$   $L(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) = (\theta - \tilde{\theta})^2$ ,  $r(\tilde{\theta}|x^n) = \int (\theta - \tilde{\theta})^2 \pi(\theta|x^n) d\theta$   
 $\nabla r(\tilde{\theta}|x^n) = \int -2(\theta - \tilde{\theta}) \pi(\theta|x^n) d\theta = 0$   
 $\hat{\theta} = E(\theta|x^n)$

$L(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) = |\theta - \tilde{\theta}|$   $r(\tilde{\theta}|x^n) = \int_{-\infty}^{\tilde{\theta}} (\tilde{\theta} - \theta) \pi(\theta|x^n) d\theta$   
 $+ \int_{\tilde{\theta}}^{\infty} (\theta - \tilde{\theta}) \pi(\theta|x^n) d\theta$   
 $\nabla r(\tilde{\theta}|x^n) = 0 \Rightarrow \int_{-\infty}^{\tilde{\theta}} \pi(\theta|x^n) d\theta = \int_{\tilde{\theta}}^{\infty} \pi(\theta|x^n) d\theta = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\hat{\theta} = \text{median}(\theta|x^n)$

$L(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) = \mathbb{1}(\theta \neq \tilde{\theta})$   $r(\hat{\theta}|x^n) = \int \mathbb{1}(\theta \neq \hat{\theta}) \pi(\theta|x^n) d\theta$   
 $= 1 - \pi(\hat{\theta}|x^n)$   
 $\hat{\theta} = \text{mode}(\theta|x^n)$

### Minimax Estimator through Bayes Estimator

→ Bounding the Minimax Risk.

$$B_r(\hat{\theta}_{\text{Bayes}}) \leq B_r(\hat{\theta}_{\text{minimax}}) \leq \inf_{\tilde{\theta}} \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta, \tilde{\theta}) \leq \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta, \hat{\theta}_{\text{Bayes}})$$

Example:  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\theta, I_d)$

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \quad \text{show that } \hat{\theta} \text{ is minimax estimator.}$$

$$\hat{\theta} \sim N(\theta, \frac{I_d}{n})$$

$$R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) = E \left[ \sum_{i=1}^d (\hat{\theta}_i - \theta_i)^2 \right] = E \left[ \sum_{i=1}^d z_i^2 \right]$$

$$z_i \sim N(0, \frac{1}{n})$$

$$\inf_{\hat{\theta}} \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) \leq R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) = \frac{d}{n}$$

$$\text{take prior } \pi = N(0, c^2 I_d) \quad ?$$

→ Least Favorable Prior

$$R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) \leq B_{\pi}(\hat{\theta}) \text{ for all } \theta$$

$\pi$  is least favorable prior,  $\hat{\theta}$  is minimax

## MLE Asymptotics

Consistency:  $\hat{\theta}_{MLE} \xrightarrow{P} \theta$

Asymptotic distribution  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{1}{I(\theta)})$

mle. maximize  $\log L(\theta)$

equals minimize

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum \frac{\log p(x_i; \theta)}{\log p(x_i; \hat{\theta})} \rightarrow \text{empirical risk}$$

$$\text{population risk} \leftarrow \underbrace{E_{\theta} \frac{\log p(x_i; \theta)}{\log p(x_i; \hat{\theta})}}_{\text{KL divergence}}$$

Conditions for consistency:

1. Identifiability: if  $\theta_1 \neq \theta_2$ , then  $p(x; \theta_1) \neq p(x; \theta_2)$

2. Strong identifiability:  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \inf_{\hat{\theta}: |\hat{\theta} - \theta| \geq \epsilon} \text{KL}(p(x; \theta) \| p(x; \hat{\theta})) > \epsilon$

3. Uniform LLN:  $\sup_{\hat{\theta}} |R_n(\theta, \hat{\theta}) - R(\theta, \hat{\theta})| \xrightarrow{P} 0$

Asymptotic:  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{1}{I(\theta)})$

proof:

$$0 = LL'(\hat{\theta}) = LL'(\theta) + (\hat{\theta} - \theta)L''(\tilde{\theta})$$

$$\hat{\theta} - \theta = - \frac{LL'(\theta)}{L''(\tilde{\theta})}$$

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) = - \frac{\frac{LL'(\theta)}{\sqrt{n}}}{\frac{L''(\tilde{\theta})}{n}}$$

numerator:  $\frac{LL'(\theta)}{\sqrt{n}} = \sqrt{n} \times \frac{1}{n} \sum \nabla_{\theta} \log p(x_i; \theta)$

$$= \sqrt{n} \times \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum \nabla_{\theta} \log p(x_i; \theta) - E \nabla_{\theta} \log p(x_i; \theta) \right)$$

by CLT, and  $E(s(\theta)) \Big|_{\theta} = 0 \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \text{Var}(s(\theta))) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, I(\theta))$

denominator:  $-\frac{L''(\tilde{\theta})}{n} = -\frac{1}{n} \sum \nabla_{\theta}^2 \log p(x_i; \tilde{\theta}) \xrightarrow{d} I(\theta)$   
 $\tilde{\theta} \xrightarrow{p} \theta$

by Slutsky's

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} \frac{1}{I(\theta)} N(0, I(\theta)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{1}{I(\theta)})$$

Example:  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$

$$p(x) = \theta e^{-\theta x}$$

$$LL(\theta) = n \log \theta - \theta \sum X_i$$

$$s(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum X_i$$

$$I(\theta) = E\left[-\frac{n}{\theta^2}\right] = \frac{n}{\theta^2}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \frac{\sum X_i}{n}, \quad \sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) \rightarrow N(0, \frac{\theta^2}{n})$$

Counterexample..

Uniform distribution.

Definitions: minimal representation: no set of  $a \in \mathbb{R}^s$   
 $\sum_{i=1}^s a_i T_i(x) = \text{const.}$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{X}$

Non-minimal exponential families are over-complete.  
 not identifiable.

full-rank exponential family: space of  $\theta_i$  is  $s$ -dim.  
 $\Downarrow$  sufficient statistics are minimal

Minimal Sufficiency:

$T(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  is sufficient, and for any other sufficient statistic  
 $S(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ . we can write  $T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = g(S(x_1, \dots, x_n))$

Condition:

$$R(x_1, \dots, x_n, y_1, \dots, y_n; \theta) = \frac{p(x_1, \dots, x_n; \theta)}{p(y_1, \dots, y_n; \theta)}$$

does not depend on  $\theta$

iff  $T(x_1, \dots, x_n) = T(y_1, \dots, y_n)$

Inconsistency of the MLE:

- o not identifiable
- o the parameter space is too large, fail of Uniform LLN

MLE under misspecification

when  $q$  does not belong to our model  $(\mathcal{H})$

$$KL(q \| p_{\theta_{MLE}}) \leq KL(q \| p_{\theta}) \text{ for all } \theta \in (\mathcal{H})$$

MLE is estimating the KL projection of  $q$  onto our model.