

Solution to Homework #8

Question 1 (Q1 of pg 104)

X_1, \dots, X_n iid Poisson (λ).

$$\text{So, } f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i) = \frac{e^{-n\lambda} \lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n (x_i!)} = h(\underline{x}) c(\lambda) \exp\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \log \lambda\right]$$

where $h(\underline{x}) = \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n (x_i!)}$, $c(\lambda) = e^{-n\lambda}$, $T(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$, $\eta(\lambda) = \log \lambda$.

Hence, this is an exponential family with $T(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ as the complete sufficient statistic. [Let $T = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$]

Now, if we can find an unbiased estimate of θ^k using T , then it will be its required UMVUE.

Now consider $V = T(T-1)(T-2) \dots (T-k+1)$.

$$\therefore E(V) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} t(t-1) \dots (t-k+1) e^{-n\lambda} \frac{(n\lambda)^t}{t!} \quad [\because T \sim \text{Poisson}(n\lambda)]$$

$$= \sum_{t=k}^{\infty} e^{-n\lambda} \frac{(n\lambda)^t}{(t-k)!}$$

$$= (n\lambda)^k \sum_{z=0}^{\infty} e^{-n\lambda} \frac{(n\lambda)^z}{z!} \quad [z = t-k]$$

$$= (n\lambda)^k \cdot 1 \quad [\text{sum of Poisson}(n\lambda) \text{ probabilities}]$$

$$= n^k \lambda^k$$

$$\therefore E\left(\frac{1}{n^k} V\right) = \lambda^k$$

\therefore the required UMVUE of λ^k is given by

$$\frac{1}{n^k} \cdot V = \frac{1}{n^k} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - 1\right) \dots \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - k + 1\right)$$

Question 2 (Q2 of pg 104)

$$X_i = \alpha + \beta t_i + \varepsilon_i \quad \text{where } \varepsilon_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2), \quad i=1(1)n.$$

$$\Rightarrow X_i \sim N(\alpha + \beta t_i, \sigma^2).$$

To obtain the LSE of α & β , we have to minimize

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \alpha - \beta t_i)^2 \quad \text{wrt } \alpha \text{ & } \beta.$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \alpha} = -2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - n\alpha - \beta \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \right).$$

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial \beta} = -2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i t_i - \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n t_i - \beta \sum_{i=1}^n t_i^2 \right).$$

\therefore to obtain $\hat{\alpha}$ & $\hat{\beta}$ we solve $\frac{\partial T}{\partial \alpha} = 0$ & $\frac{\partial T}{\partial \beta} = 0$ to obtain

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{S_{xt}}{S_{tt}} \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} S_{xt} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i t_i - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \right) \rightarrow \text{sample cov. of } x \text{ & } t \\ S_{tt} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i^2 - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \right)^2 \rightarrow \text{sample var. of } t \end{array} \right]$$

$$\hat{\alpha} = \bar{X} - \hat{\beta} \bar{t} = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) - \frac{S_{xt}}{S_{tt}} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \right).$$

$$E(\hat{\beta}) = \frac{E \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i t_i - \bar{X} \bar{t} \right]}{S_{tt}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) t_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) \bar{t}}{S_{tt}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha + \beta t_i) t_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha + \beta t_i) \bar{t}}{S_{tt}}$$

$$= \frac{\cancel{\alpha \bar{t}} + \beta \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i^2 - \cancel{\alpha \bar{t}} - \beta \bar{t}^2}{S_{tt}}$$

$$= \frac{\beta \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i^2 - \bar{t}^2 \right)}{S_{tt}} = \frac{\beta S_{tt}}{S_{tt}} = \beta.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(\hat{\alpha}) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(x_i) - E(\hat{\beta}) \cdot \bar{t} \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha + \beta t_i) - \beta \bar{t} \\
 &= \alpha + \beta \bar{t} - \beta \bar{t} \\
 &= \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

$\hat{\alpha}$ & $\hat{\beta}$ are unbiased estimators. Hence, if we can show that they are functions of the complete & sufficient statistic, they will be UMVUE.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x_i - \alpha - \beta t_i)^2 \right] \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x_i^2 + \alpha^2 + \beta^2 t_i^2 - 2\beta x_i t_i - 2\alpha x_i + 2\alpha\beta t_i) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2}} \exp \left[-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{\beta}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i t_i + \frac{\alpha}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \frac{\beta^2}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{\alpha\beta}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i - \frac{n\alpha^2}{2\sigma^2} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= h(\underline{x}) c(\underline{\theta}) \exp \left[\sum_{i=1}^3 \eta_i T_i(\underline{x}) \right]$$

where $\underline{\eta} = \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}, \frac{\beta}{\sigma^2}, \frac{\alpha}{\sigma^2} \right)$ & $T(\underline{x}) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i t_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)$

$T(\underline{x})$ is the required complete sufficient statistic for the exponential family

$$\text{Now, } \hat{\beta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i t_i - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \bar{t}}{S_{tt}} = g_1(T(\underline{x}))$$

$$\hat{\alpha} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \hat{\beta} \bar{t} = g_2(T(\underline{x}))$$

$\hat{\alpha}$ & $\hat{\beta}$ are functions of the complete sufficient statistic & they are unbiased $\Rightarrow \hat{\alpha}$ & $\hat{\beta}$ are the required UMVUEs.

Question 3 (Q3 of page 104)

$$X \sim \text{Poisson}(\theta) \text{ is } P(X=x) = e^{-\theta} \frac{\theta^x}{x!}$$

Let us assume that $T(x)$ is an unbiased estimate of $1/\theta$.

$$\therefore E(T(x)) = 1/\theta \quad \forall \theta$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} e^{-\theta} \frac{\theta^x}{x!} T(x) = \frac{1}{\theta}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^{x+1} T(x)}{x!} = e^{\theta} = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^x}{x!}$$

Now since this result is true $\forall \theta$, the coefficients of θ^k must match on both sides. $\forall k$.

But the coefficient of θ^0 on the LHS is 0, on the RHS is 1.

This is a contradiction.

Alternatively: $\rightarrow \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \text{LHS} = 0$, but $\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \text{RHS} = 1$.

$\Rightarrow \text{LHS} \neq \text{RHS}$ in the limit.

So, $\sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^{x+1}}{x!} T(x) \neq \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^x}{x!}$ for any $T(x)$.

$\Rightarrow E(T(x)) \neq 1/\theta$ for any function of x .

So, $1/\theta$ cannot have an unbiased estimator.

[Proved].

Question 4 (85 of page 105)

For the functional model, $f_{\theta, \eta_i}(x, y) = \eta_i e^{-\eta_i x} \eta_i \theta e^{-\eta_i \theta y} I(x > 0, y > 0)$

for this model, $\underline{\theta}' = (\theta, \eta_1, \dots, \eta_n)$

We want the information bound for $g(\underline{\theta}) = (\theta, 0, \dots, 0)'$

$$\nabla g(\underline{\theta}) = (1, 0, \dots, 0)'$$

$\nabla g(\underline{\theta})' I^{-1}(\underline{\theta}) \nabla g(\underline{\theta})$ is basically the (1,1)th element of $I^{-1}(\underline{\theta})$

$$\text{Now, } \underline{l}_{\theta} = \log [P_{\underline{\theta}}(x, y)] = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \log \eta_i + n \log \theta - \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i (x_i + \theta y_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{l}_{\theta}}{\partial \theta} = \frac{n}{\theta} - \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i y_i$$

$$\frac{\partial \underline{l}_{\theta}}{\partial \eta_i} = \frac{2}{\eta_i} - (x_i + \theta y_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \underline{l}_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^2} = -\frac{n}{\theta^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \underline{l}_{\theta}}{\partial \eta_i^2} = -\frac{2}{\eta_i^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \underline{l}_{\theta}}{\partial \eta_i \partial \eta_j} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \underline{l}_{\theta}}{\partial \theta \partial \eta_i} = -y_i$$

$$I(\underline{\theta}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{n}{\theta^2} & \frac{1}{\eta_1 \theta} & \frac{1}{\eta_2 \theta} & \dots & \frac{1}{\eta_n \theta} \\ \frac{1}{\eta_1 \theta} & & & & \\ \vdots & & D_{n \times n} & & \\ \frac{1}{\eta_n \theta} & & & & \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where } D \text{ is } \text{diag} \left(\frac{2}{\eta_1^2}, \dots, \frac{2}{\eta_n^2} \right)$$

Let $A = I(\underline{\theta})^{-1}$ & $(t, t_1, \dots, t_n)'$ be the 1st column of A

$$\text{Now, } I(\underline{\theta}) \cdot A = I \Rightarrow \frac{nt}{\theta^2} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{t_i}{\eta_i \theta} = 1$$

$$\text{Also, } \frac{t_i}{\eta_i \theta} + \frac{2t_i}{\eta_i^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{t_i}{\eta_i} = -\frac{t}{2\theta}$$

$$\frac{nt}{\theta^2} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{t}{2\theta^2} = 1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{t}{\theta^2} (n - \frac{n}{2}) = 1 \text{ or } t = \frac{2\theta^2}{n}$$

∴ the required information bound is $\frac{2\theta^2}{n} = \frac{I(\theta)}{n}$ (say) A_1 (say).

(b) For the structural model,

$$P_{\theta,a,b}(x,y) = \int_0^{\infty} \theta \eta^2 e^{-\eta x} e^{-\eta \theta y} \frac{b^a \eta^{a-1}}{\Gamma_a} e^{-b\eta} d\eta$$

$$= \frac{\theta b^a}{\Gamma_a} \int_0^{\infty} \eta^{a+1} e^{-\eta(x+\theta y+b)} d\eta$$

$$= \frac{\theta b^a}{\Gamma_a} \frac{\Gamma_{a+2}}{(x+\theta y+b)^{a+2}} \quad [\text{from integral of Gamma density}]$$

$$= \frac{a(a+1) \cdot \theta b^a}{(x+\theta y+b)^{a+2}}$$

$$\log [P_{\theta,a,b}(x,y)] = k + \log \theta - (a+2) \log(x+\theta y+b) \quad [k \text{ indep of } \theta]$$

$$l_{\theta} = \log [P_{\theta,a,b}(x,y)] = c + n \log \theta - (a+2) \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i + \theta y_i + b) \quad [c \text{ indep of } \theta]$$

$$\frac{\partial l_{\theta}}{\partial \theta} = \frac{n}{\theta} - (a+2) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i}{x_i + \theta y_i + b}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^2} = -\frac{n}{\theta^2} + (a+2) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2}{(x_i + \theta y_i + b)^2}$$

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

$$= \frac{n}{\theta^2} - E \left[(a+2) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2}{(x_i + \theta y_i + b)^2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{n}{\theta^2} - n(a+2) \cdot E \left[\frac{y_i^2}{(x_i + \theta y_i + b)^2} \right] \quad [\because (x_i, y_i) \text{'s are iid}]$$

$$E \left[\frac{y_1^2}{(x_1 + \theta y_1 + b)^2} \right]$$

$$= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{y_1^2}{(x_1 + \theta y_1 + b)^2} \cdot \frac{a(a+1)\theta b^a}{(x_1 + \theta y_1 + b)^{a+2}} dx_1 dy_1$$

$$= \int_0^\infty y_1^2 \int_{\theta y_1 + b}^\infty \frac{a(a+1)\theta b^a}{z^{a+3}} dz dy_1 \quad [z = x_1 + \theta y_1 + b]$$

$$= \int_0^\infty y_1^2 \frac{a(a+1)\theta b^a (\theta y_1 + b)^{-(a+3)}}{(a+3)} dy_1$$

$$= \frac{a(a+1)}{a+3} \int_b^\infty \left(\frac{\omega - b}{\theta} \right)^2 \cdot \theta b^a \omega^{-(a+3)} d\omega / \theta \quad [\text{Assuming } \omega = \theta y_1 + b]$$

$$= \frac{a(a+1)b^a}{(a+3)\theta^2} \left[\int_b^\infty \omega^{-(a+1)} d\omega - 2b \int_b^\infty \omega^{-(a+2)} d\omega + b^2 \int_b^\infty \omega^{-(a+3)} d\omega \right]$$

$$= \frac{a(a+1)b^a}{(a+3)\theta^2} \left[\frac{1}{ab^a} - \frac{2b}{(a+1)b^{a+1}} + \frac{b^2}{(a+2)b^{a+2}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{a(a+1)b^a}{(a+3)\theta^2} \cdot \frac{1}{b^a} \left[\frac{1}{a} - \frac{2}{a+1} + \frac{1}{a+2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{a(a+1)}{(a+3)\theta^2} \left[\frac{a+1-a}{a(a+1)} - \frac{a+2-a-1}{(a+1)(a+2)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{a(a+1)}{(a+3)\theta^2} \left[\frac{1}{a(a+1)} - \frac{1}{(a+1)(a+2)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{a(a+1)}{(a+3)\theta^2} \cdot \frac{2}{a(a+1)(a+2)} = \frac{2}{(a+3)(a+2)\theta^2}$$

$$\therefore I(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta^2} - \frac{(a+2)n}{(a+3)(a+2)} \cdot \frac{2}{\theta^2}$$

$$= \frac{n}{\theta^2} \left[1 - \frac{2}{a+3} \right] = \frac{n}{\theta^2} \left(\frac{a+1}{a+3} \right)$$

\(\therefore\) the required information bound is $I(\theta)^{-1} = \frac{\theta^2}{n} \frac{(a+3)}{(a+1)} = A_2$ (say)

(c) Hence, $A_1 \geq A_2$ according as

$$\frac{2\theta^2}{n} \geq \frac{\theta^2}{n} \frac{(a+3)}{a+1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow a \geq 1$$

So, if $a > 1$, the information bound in (a) is greater,
 if $a < 1$, the information bound in (b) is greater,
 if $a = 1$, they are equal.

Now, the information for θ in (a) is $\frac{n}{\theta^2}$ & in (b) is

$$\frac{n}{\theta^2} \cdot \frac{a+1}{a+3}$$

\(\Rightarrow\) information for θ in (a) is always greater than that in (b)

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