

1. The log-likelihood function is  $l(\theta) = -\sum_{1 \leq j \leq n} \log\{1 + (X_j - \theta)^2\} - n \log \pi$ . Let  $\dot{l}(\theta) = 0$ , leading to the equation that the MLE must satisfy:

$$s(\hat{\theta}) = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n} \frac{2(X_j - \hat{\theta})}{1 + (X_j - \hat{\theta})^2} = 0. \quad (1)$$

Note

$$\dot{s}(\theta) \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} s(\theta) = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1 - (X_j - \theta)^2}{\{1 + (X_j - \theta)^2\}^2}.$$

Hence the Newton-Raphson iteration is defined as

$$\hat{\theta}_{k+1} = \hat{\theta}_k - s(\hat{\theta}_k) / \dot{s}(\hat{\theta}_k), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Note that the score function  $s(\theta)$  is not monotone in  $\theta$ . Hence (1) may have more than one solutions. We should start the above Newton-Raphson iteration with a good initial value. Since the density  $f(\cdot, \theta)$  is symmetric around  $\theta$ , it makes sense to consider either the sample mean or sample median as an initial estimate. However  $E(X_1)$  is not well-defined, so the sample mean may not be a good estimator  $\theta$ . Thus we may use the sample median as the initial value for our algorithm.

2. Note that  $P(u_j \leq X_j \leq v_j) = e^{-\lambda u_j} - e^{-\lambda v_j}$ , and  $f_{X_j}(x | u_j \leq X_j \leq v_j) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} / \{e^{-\lambda u_j} - e^{-\lambda v_j}\}$ . Hence,

$$\tilde{X}_j(\lambda) \equiv E_\lambda(X_j | X_j \in [u_j, v_j]) = \frac{1}{\lambda} + \frac{u_j \exp(-\lambda u_j) - v_j \exp(-\lambda v_j)}{\exp(-\lambda u_j) - \exp(-\lambda v_j)}.$$

The log-likelihood function based on the full sample is

$$l(\theta) \equiv l(\theta; X_1, \dots, X_n) = n \log \lambda - \lambda \sum_{j=1}^n X_j,$$

which yields the MLE based on full sample  $\hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n) = n / \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n} X_j$ .

Now the E-step is

$$Q(\lambda) = E_{\lambda_0}\{l(\theta) | Y_j \in [u_j, v_j] \text{ for } m < j \leq n\} = n \log \lambda - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^m X_i - \lambda \sum_{j=m+1}^n \tilde{X}_j(\lambda_0),$$

and the M-step is simply

$$\lambda_1 = n / \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m X_i + \sum_{j=m+1}^n \tilde{X}_j(\lambda_0) \right\}.$$

The EM-algorithm iterates E-step and M-step with, for example, initial value  $\lambda_0 = m / (X_1 + \dots + X_m)$ .

3. (a) Note  $l(p) = X \log p + (n - X) \log(1 - p)$ ,  $s(p) = X/p - (n - X)/(1 - p)$ , and  $\dot{s}(p) = -X/p^2 - (n - X)/(1 - p)^2$ . Hence the Fisher information is

$$\mathcal{I}(p) = -E_p\{\dot{s}(p)\} = n/p + n/(1 - p) = n/\{p(1 - p)\}.$$

The C-R lower bound for the variance of unbiased estimator of  $\theta (= p^2)$  is  $(\frac{d\theta}{dp})^2 / \mathcal{I}(p) = 4p^3(1 - p)/n$ .

(b) Note  $L(p) = \prod_{j=1}^n p^{X_j} (1 - p)^{1 - X_j}$ . This yields  $\hat{p} = X/n$ , where  $X = \sum_{j=1}^n X_j$ . Hence  $\hat{\theta} = (\hat{p})^2 = X^2/n^2$ .

(c) Note

$$E_p(X^2) = \sum_{i=1}^n E_p(X_i^2) + \sum_{1 \leq i \neq j \leq n} E_p(X_i X_j) = nE_p(X_1^2) + (n^2 - n)E_p(X_1 X_2) = np + (n^2 - n)p^2.$$

Hence  $E_p(\hat{\theta}) = p^2 + p(1-p)/n \neq p^2$ , i.e.  $\hat{\theta}$  is a biased estimator for  $\theta$  with bias  $p(1-p)/n$ .

(d) We draw bootstrap sample  $X_1^*, \dots, X_n^*$  from Bernoulli distribution with probability  $\hat{p}$ . Define the bootstrap estimator  $\hat{\theta}^* = (X_1^* + \dots + X_n^*)^2/n^2$ . The bootstrap estimator for the bias of  $\hat{\theta}$  is  $\text{Bias}^* \equiv E_{\hat{p}}(\hat{\theta}^*) - \hat{\theta}$ . In practice,  $E_{\hat{p}}(\hat{\theta}^*)$  may be estimated via repeated bootstrap samplings.

**Note.** For this simple example, the bias estimator admits a simple analytic formula  $\text{Bias}^* = \hat{p}(1-\hat{p})/n$ , which is the simple plug-in estimator.

4. Since both Null and Alternative Hypotheses are completely specified, by the Neyman-Pearson Lemma, with a sample  $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ , the most powerful test will reject  $H_0$  for large values of

$$LR = \frac{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}; \theta_2)}{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}; \theta_1)}.$$

Now,

$$LR = \frac{\frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi}\theta_2)^n} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2/\theta_2\right]}{\frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi}\theta_1)^n} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2/\theta_1\right]}$$

which reduces to

$$LR = \left(\sqrt{\theta_1/\theta_2}\right)^n \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2/(1/\theta_2 - 1/\theta_1)\right].$$

Obviously, this rejects  $H_0$  for small values of

$$\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2/(1/\theta_2 - 1/\theta_1).$$

So, if  $\theta_1 > \theta_2$ , the most powerful test rejects  $H_0$  for small values of  $\sum x_i^2$ . If, on the other hand,  $\theta_1 < \theta_2$ , the most powerful test rejects  $H_0$  for large values of  $\sum x_i^2$ .

The critical value depends on the distribution under  $H_0$ . For  $n = 10$ ,  $T = \sum X_i^2 \sim \chi_{10}^2$  under  $H_0 : \theta = \theta_1 = 1$ . To test against  $H_1 : \theta = \theta_2 = 2$ , we reject  $H_0$  iff

$$T > \chi_{10,\alpha}^2 = 18.30 \quad \text{for } \alpha = 0.05,$$

where  $\chi_{n,\alpha}^2$  is the upper  $100\alpha\%$  point of the  $\chi^2$  distribution with  $n$  degrees-of-freedom. The power is

$$P\{T > 18.30 | \theta = 2\} = P\{T/2 > 9.15\} = P\{\chi_{10}^2 > 9.15\} = 0.518.$$

5. Let  $\sigma_1^2 > \sigma_0^2$ . For simple hypotheses  $H_0 : \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$  against  $H_1 : \sigma^2 = \sigma_1^2$ , the MPT is defined in terms of the likelihood ratio statistic

$$LR = \frac{\sigma_1^{-n} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2} \sum_i X_i^2\right\}}{\sigma_0^{-n} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} \sum_i X_i^2\right\}} = (\sigma_0/\sigma_1)^n \exp\left\{\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} - \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}\right) \sum_i X_i^2\right\}.$$

Therefore  $LR > K$  is equivalent to  $\sum_i X_i^2 > K_1$ . Let

$$P_{\sigma_0^2} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 > K_1 \right\} = P_{\sigma_0^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 > K_1/\sigma_0^2 \right\} \equiv \alpha,$$

Hence  $K_1 = \sigma_0^2 \chi_{n,\alpha}^2$ , where  $\chi_{n,\alpha}^2$  is the upper  $\alpha$ -point of  $\chi^2$ -distribution with  $n$  degrees of freedom. Note this test does not depend on  $\sigma_1^2$ , and is therefore the MPT for any  $\sigma_1^2 > \sigma_0^2$ . On the other hand, for any  $\sigma^2 < \sigma_0^2$ ,

$$P_{\sigma^2} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 > \sigma_0^2 \chi_{n,\alpha}^2 \right\} = P_{\sigma^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 > \frac{\sigma_0^2}{\sigma^2} \chi_{n,\alpha}^2 \right\} \leq P_{\sigma^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 > \chi_{n,\alpha}^2 \right\} = \alpha.$$

Hence it is the desired UMPT.