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$X_1, \dots, X_n$ IID

Poisson(λ)

We saw, the MLE is

$$\hat{\lambda} = \bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n}$$

For $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$

we know that

$$\text{Var}(X) = \lambda$$

Define

$$S_{n-1}^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$$

... and

We know

$$E(S_{n-1}^2) = \text{Var}(X) = \lambda$$

$\Rightarrow S_{n-1}^2$ is unbiased estimator of λ
but S_{n-1}^2 is the MLE

Discrete uniform

$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ are IID

from Discrete Uniform
distribution with support
on $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

$$\Omega = \{1, 2, \dots, M\}, \quad \underline{M \in \Omega}$$

So, the PMF is

$$P(X=x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{M} & \text{if } x \in \Omega \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\Omega = \{x \in \mathbb{N} : x \leq m\} = \frac{1}{M} \mathbb{1}_{\Omega}(x)$$

where

$$\mathbb{1}_{\Omega}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in \Omega \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The likelihood function is

$$L(M) = P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i = x_i)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{M} \mathbb{1}_\Omega(x_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow L(M) = \frac{1}{M^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_\Omega(x_i)$$

we want to find MLE
of M

you have $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

Mode $\{1, 2, 3, 3, 5\}$

Mode = 3 $\hat{=}$ $\tilde{M}_1$, some estimator

$$L(\tilde{M}_1) = 0$$

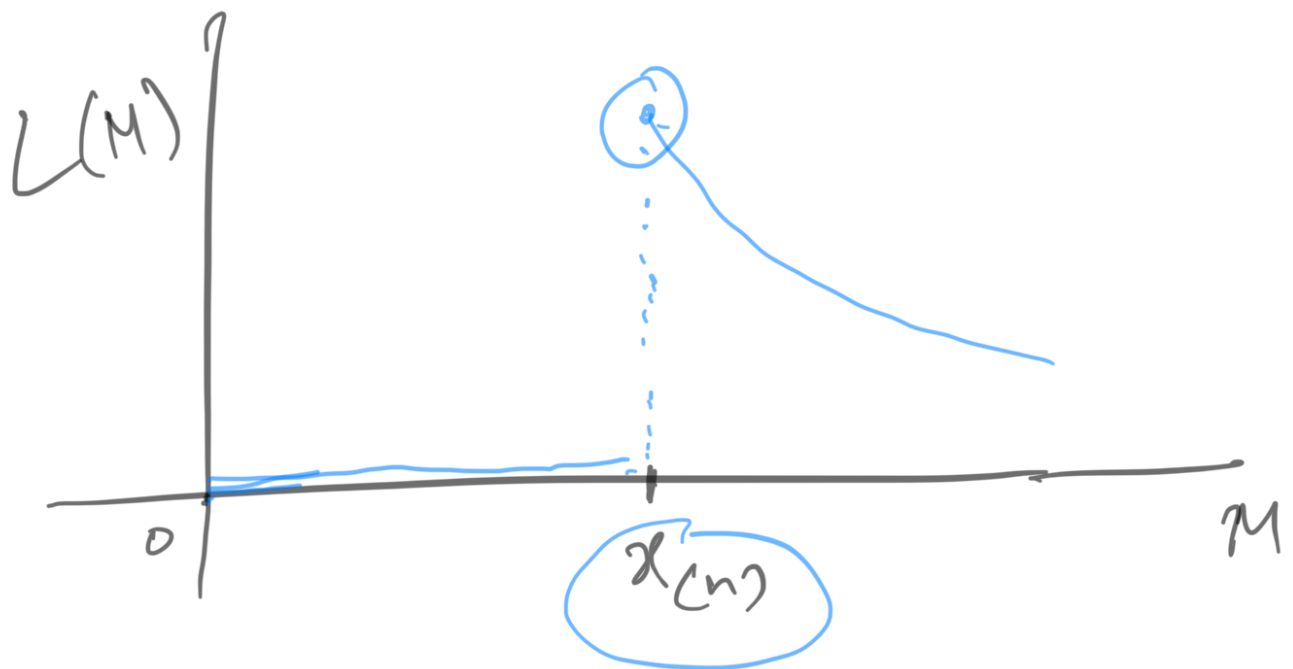
$$\tilde{M}_2 = 6$$

$$L(\hat{M}_2) = \frac{1}{\hat{M}_2^5} = \frac{1}{6^5}$$

$$L(\hat{M}) = \frac{1}{\hat{M}^5} \quad \text{if } \hat{M} > \max\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$

define

$$x_{(n)} = \max\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$



then for

① if $M < 2(n)$

then $L(M) = 0$

② if $M \geq 2(n)$

then $L(M) = \frac{1}{M^n}$

This is a decreasing
function of M .

Therefore the $L(M)$
is maximised if

$$M = 2(n)$$

...

$$= \max \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$

So, the MLE is

$$\hat{M} = X_{(n)}$$

$$= \max \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$

Next

let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ be IID

$U(0, \theta)$ observations

(continuous uniform). The PDF

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta} & \text{if } x \leq \theta \\ 0 & \text{if } x > \theta \end{cases}$$

the parameter space is

$$\textcircled{H} = \{\theta: \theta > 0\}$$

The likelihood function

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} \cdot \mathbb{1}(x_i \leq \theta)$$

where $\mathbb{1}(x_i \leq \theta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_i \leq \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

define $X_{(n)} = \max\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

then

$$L(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} \cdot \mathbb{1}(X_{(n)} \leq \theta)$$

because

$$\{X_{(n)} \leq \theta\}$$

$$= \{X_1 \leq \theta, X_2 \leq \theta, \dots, X_n \leq \theta\}$$

therefore

$$L(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} \cdot \underline{1(X_{(n)} \leq \theta)}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \theta < X_{(n)} \\ \frac{1}{\theta^n} & \text{if } \theta \geq X_{(n)} \end{cases}$$

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So, $L(\theta)$ is maximised

$$\text{if } \theta = X_{(n)}$$

$$= \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$$

Thus the MLE is

$$\hat{\theta} = \max \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$$

let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ are
IID obs. from a pop.
with PDF

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta} & \text{if } 0 < x < \theta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

the likelihood function is

$$L(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} \cdot \mathbb{I}(X_{(n)} < \theta)$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \theta \leq X_{(n)} \\ \frac{1}{\theta^n} & \text{if } \theta > X_{(n)} \end{cases}$$

For some $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\text{if } \tilde{\theta} = X(n) + \epsilon$$

Then

$$L(\tilde{\theta}) = \frac{1}{\tilde{\theta}^n}$$

ϵ cannot be determined
based on given sample

So, the MLE does not
exist.