

ex] $n = 5, \sum_{i=1}^5 \ln x_i = 9.6158$

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$x_i: 0.5, 5, 10, 20, 30$
 consider model

Weibull ($\gamma = 1.5, \theta = 25$)

vs Weibull ($\hat{\gamma}, \hat{\theta}$),

The loglikelihood function of the Weibull fit at the optimum value is -17.8625 .

perform LRT,

Soln] $f(x) = \frac{\gamma x^{\gamma-1}}{\theta^\gamma} e^{-x^\gamma/\theta^\gamma}$

$$L(\gamma, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i) = \gamma^n \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{\gamma-1} \theta^{-n\gamma} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^\gamma}{\theta^\gamma}}$$

$$\ln L(\gamma, \theta) = n \ln(\gamma) + (\gamma-1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(x_i) - n\gamma \ln(\theta) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i^\gamma}{\theta^\gamma}$$

$$\ln L(\gamma = 1.5, \theta = 25) =$$

$$5 \ln(1.5) - (1.5-1)(9.6158) - 5(1.5) \ln(25) - \frac{\sum x_i^{1.5}}{(25)^{1.5}}$$

$$= -19.6817$$

i) H_0 Weibull ($\gamma = 1.5, \theta = 25$) fit is good
 H_1 use Weibull ($\hat{\gamma}, \hat{\theta}$)

$$\text{ii) } T = 2(\ln L_B - \ln L_A) = 2(-17.8625 + 19.6817) = 3.6384$$

$$\text{iii)} \quad d = d_B - d_A = 2 - 0 = 2 \quad \alpha = .05$$

\hat{p}	.9	.9	.95
	.211	4.605	5.991

$T \leq 5.991$ (use $\alpha = .05$ when not given) likely values

fail to reject H_0

notes
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iv) use the Weibull ($T=6.5, \theta=25$) model

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usually omitted

Schwarz Bayesian

# of parameters	maximum log likelihood	
1	$\ln(L_1)$	$\ln(L_1) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(n)$
2	$\ln(L_2)$	$\ln(L_2) - \frac{2}{2} \ln(n)$
⋮	⋮	
k	$\ln(L_k)$	$\ln(L_k) - \frac{k}{2} \ln(n)$

31] Consider the table in 30]. The Schwarz Bayesian Criterion (SBC) says select the model that maximizes

$\ln(L_r) - \frac{r}{2} \ln(n)$ where n is the sample size and r is the number of parameters. So take the model that maximizes the 3rd column.

ex) $n = 10$

$r =$	# parameters	$\ln(L_r)$	SBC $\ln(L_r) - \frac{r}{2} \ln(n)$	M404 49
1		-321.32	$-321.32 - 1.1513 = -322.4713$	
2		-319.93	$-319.93 - 2.3026 = -322.2326$	←
3		-319.12	$-319.12 - 3.4539 = -322.5739$	
4		-318.12	$-318.12 - 4.605 = -322.7252$	

$0.5 \ln(10) = 1.1513$, The 2 parameter model
is selected. see HW 7 1b.

32] reject H_0 if pvalue $< \alpha$
 fail to reject H_0 if pvalue $> \alpha$.
 So reject H_0 if pvalue is small.

§15.5 Bayesian Estimation

□ Frequentist methods assume θ are constant parameters "generated by nature."
Bayesian methods assume the parameters θ are random variables.

ex] Math 403 had $N|\lambda \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ and $\lambda \sim G(\alpha, \theta)$. Then $N \sim \text{NB}(\beta = \theta, r = \alpha)$.
 This type of problem is closely related to Bayesian methods.

2) Let $\pi(\theta)$ be the prior pdf or pmf, (49.5)

For estimation this

ex) $\pi(\lambda)$ is the $G(\alpha, \beta)$ pdf
↑
RV
↑
dummy variable
↑↑
"hyperparameters" \approx usual parameters

Let $f(x|\theta)$ be the conditional pdf or pmf
(the usual likelihood function for frequentist models)

ex) $N|\lambda$ has the poisson(λ) pmf.

The joint pdf or pmf is

$$f(x, \theta) = \pi(\theta) f(x|\theta).$$

The posterior pdf or pmf is

$$\pi(\theta|x) = \frac{f(x, \theta)}{f(x)}. \quad \text{For estimation,}$$

the prior and posterior are usually pdfs.

For testing the prior and posterior are usually pmfs.

$f(x) = \int f(x, \theta) d\theta$ is the unconditional pdf or pmf. (marginal or)

ex] N has the NB ($\beta = \theta, r = \alpha$) pmf. (M404 50)

3] Bayes' Theorem: The posterior distribution

$$\text{is given by } \pi(\underline{\theta} | \underline{x}) = \frac{f(\underline{x} | \underline{\theta}) \pi(\underline{\theta})}{\int f(\underline{x} | \underline{t}) \pi(\underline{t}) d\underline{t}}$$

$$= \frac{f(\underline{x} | \underline{\theta}) \pi(\underline{\theta})}{f(\underline{x})}$$

dummy variable,
often written as $\underline{\theta}$

Replace the integral by a
sum for a pmf.

4] The posterior is just a conditional
distribution: $\pi(\underline{\theta} | \underline{x}) = \frac{\text{joint of } \underline{x} \text{ and } \underline{\theta}}{\text{marginal of } \underline{x}}$.

$$\text{Typically } f(\underline{x} | \underline{\theta}) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i | \underline{\theta}).$$

5] Often $\underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$ has $k=1$.

6] Often use $\pi(\underline{\theta} | \underline{x}) \propto f(\underline{x} | \underline{\theta}) \pi(\underline{\theta}) \propto$

brand name distribution, and then

get the constant from the brand name

distribution. Note $\underline{\theta} \in$ interval for brand name distributions.

Need a pdf to model a variable on an interval.

ex] Suppose that conditional on μ ,

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{EXP}\left(\frac{1}{\mu}\right) \text{ and the}$$

Prior $\mu \sim G(\alpha, \frac{1}{\lambda})$.

(50.5)

$$\text{So } \pi(\mu) = \frac{\mu^{\alpha-1} e^{-\mu/\lambda}}{(\frac{1}{\lambda})^\alpha \Gamma(\alpha)} \propto \mu^{\alpha-1} e^{-\mu/\lambda}$$

$$f(x|\mu) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\mu) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mu e^{-x_i \mu} = \mu^n e^{-\mu \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

$$\text{So } \pi(\mu|x) \propto f(x|\mu) \pi(\mu) \propto \mu^{(n+\alpha)-1} e^{-\mu (\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i)}$$

So the posterior pdf is the

$$\text{gamma} \left(n+\alpha, \frac{1}{\lambda + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \right) \text{ pdf.}$$

Warning: you need to memorize some pdfs to do this quickly.

7] The prior distribution can be interpreted as the prior information about θ before gathering data.

After gathering data, the likelihood function is used to update the prior distribution, resulting in the posterior distribution for θ .

8) The posterior distribution ^{M404 51} is a perfectly good probability distribution. Let $W = \theta | x$.

Then $P(a < W < b) = P(a < \theta < b | x)$

and $E(W) = E[\theta | x]$.

9) If the prior distribution has support $[a, b]$, then the support of the posterior distribution is a subset of $[a, b]$ (often $[a, b]$).

ex) HW 7 4) The RV θ models a probability, so $\theta \in [0, 1]$. The prior and the posterior have support $(0.6, 0.8)$.

10) ^{P. 414} often the posterior distribution is a brand name distribution. If a conjugate prior is used, then the posterior distribution has the same distribution as the conjugate prior, but different parameters. Conjugate priors tend to go with exponential families.

ex] Often θ models a probability. ✓ 5/5

so $\theta \in [0, 1]$.

$W \sim \text{beta}(a/b)$ if $f(w) = \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} w^{a-1} (1-w)^{b-1}$

where $a > 0, b > 0, w \in [0, 1]$.

For the geometric and negative binomial,

can take $p = \frac{1}{1+\beta} \in [0, 1]$ and the

binomial has $\theta \in [0, 1]$.

If x_i are ^{independently} iid and $P(x_i=1) = \theta = 1 - P(x_i=0)$,

then the x_i are Bernoulli(θ) = binomial($\theta, m=1$).

If x_i are ^{independently} iid $\text{bin}(\theta, m)$, $f(x|\theta) \propto \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-\theta)^{nm - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$.

If the prior $\pi(\theta) \sim \text{beta}(a, b)$, then the posterior

$$\pi(\theta|x) \propto \pi(\theta) f(x|\theta) \propto \theta^{a + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - 1} (1-\theta)^{b + nm - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - 1}$$

so $\theta|x \sim \text{beta}(a + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, b + nm - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i)$.

If $X \sim \text{bin}(\theta, m)$ ($n=1$),

then $\theta|x \sim \text{beta}(a+x, b+m-x)$.

If $m=1$ (Bernoulli trials), then M404 52

$$\theta | \underline{x} \sim \text{beta} (a + \sum_i x_i, b + n - \sum_i x_i).$$

11) Notation: text is often using capital Greek letters. So Θ is the RV and

$\hat{\Theta} = \theta$ is the observed RV. Some Greek

letters are ugly like $\Xi = \sum_i x_i$.

12)* a) $\theta | \underline{x} \sim \text{beta}(a, b)$ if $\pi(\theta | \underline{x}) \propto \theta^{a-1} (1-\theta)^{b-1}$ and $\theta \in [0, 1]$, $a, b > 0$.

b) $\theta | \underline{x} \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$ if $\pi(\theta | \underline{x}) \propto \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\theta/\beta}$, $\alpha, \beta, \theta > 0$.
Exp(β) has $\alpha=1$.

c) $\theta | \underline{x} \sim \text{single parameter Pareto}(\alpha, \beta)$ if
 $\pi(\theta | \underline{x}) \propto \theta^{-(\alpha+1)}$ where $\theta > \beta$, $\alpha > 0$, $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$.

d) $\theta | \underline{x} \sim \text{Pareto}(\alpha, \beta)$ if
 $\pi(\theta | \underline{x}) \propto (\beta + \theta)^{-(\alpha+1)}$, $\alpha, \beta, \theta > 0$.

e) $\theta | \underline{x} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ if

$$\pi(\theta | \underline{x}) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(\theta - \mu)^2\right), \quad \sigma^2 > 0, \theta, \mu \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Note θ takes the place of x and β often takes the place

of θ in the pdf.

13) Recognizing that $\pi(\theta|x) \propto \pi(\theta) f(x|\theta)$ is a brand name distribution is easier than calculating the constant c that makes $\pi(\theta|x)$ a pdf (or pmt).

ex) Losses follow a $U(0, \theta)$ dist.

$$\pi(\theta) = \frac{24}{\theta^4}, \theta \geq 2. \quad (\text{parameter other than } \theta \text{ undesirable})$$

a) Find the posterior distribution after 10 losses with a maximum loss of 5.

Sol'n) $f(x|\theta) \propto \frac{1}{\theta^n} I[\theta \geq x_n]$.

So $\pi(\theta|x) \propto \pi(\theta) f(x|\theta) \propto \frac{1}{\theta^{n+4}} I[\theta \geq \max(x_n, 2)]$

$$I(\theta > a) I(\theta > b) = I[\theta > \max(a, b)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^{14}} I[\theta \geq 5]$$

\propto single parameter Pareto ($\alpha = 13, \beta = 5$) $\sim W$

b) Find the mean of the above posterior dist.

Sol'n) $E(W) = \frac{\alpha \beta}{\alpha - 1} = \frac{13(5)}{12} = \frac{65}{12} = E[\theta|x]$.