## 3. Cramer-Rao Lower Bound (クラメール・ラオの下限): $I(\theta)$

Suppose that an estimator of  $\theta$  is given by s(X).

The expectation of s(X) is:

$$E(s(X)) = \int s(x)L(\theta; x)dx.$$

Differentiating the above with respect to  $\theta$ ,

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial \mathrm{E}(s(X))}{\partial \theta} &= \int s(x) \frac{\partial L(\theta; x)}{\partial \theta} \mathrm{d}x = \int s(x) \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; x)}{\partial \theta} L(\theta; x) \mathrm{d}x \\ &= \mathrm{Cov}\left(s(X), \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta}\right) \end{split}$$

For simplicity, let s(X) and  $\theta$  be scalars.

Then.

$$\begin{split} \left(\frac{\partial \mathrm{E}(s(X))}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 &= \left(\mathrm{Cov}\left(s(X), \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta}\right)\right)^2 = \rho^2 \mathrm{V}\left(s(X)\right) \mathrm{V}\left(\frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta}\right) \\ &\leq \mathrm{V}\left(s(X)\right) \mathrm{V}\left(\frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta}\right), \end{split}$$

where  $\rho$  denotes the correlation coefficient between s(X) and  $\frac{\partial \log L(\theta;X)}{\partial \theta}$ ,

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i.e.,

$$\rho = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}\left(s(X), \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta}\right)}{\sqrt{\operatorname{V}\left(s(X)\right)} \sqrt{\operatorname{V}\left(\frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta}\right)}}.$$

Note that  $|\rho| \le 1$ .

Therefore, we have the following inequality:

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathrm{E}(s(X))}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 \leq \mathrm{V}(s(X)) \; \mathrm{V}\left(\frac{\partial \log L(\theta;X)}{\partial \theta}\right),$$

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i.e.,

$$V(s(X)) \ge \frac{\left(\frac{\partial E(s(X))}{\partial \theta}\right)^2}{V\left(\frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta}\right)}$$

Especially, when  $E(s(X)) = \theta$ ,

$$\mathsf{V}(s(X)) \geq \frac{1}{-\mathsf{E}\left(\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta;X)}{\partial \theta^2}\right)} = (I(\theta))^{-1}.$$

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Even in the case where s(X) is a vector, the following inequality holds.

$$V(s(X)) \ge (I(\theta))^{-1},$$

where  $I(\theta)$  is defined as:

$$\begin{split} I(\theta) &= -\mathrm{E}\left(\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'}\right) \\ &= \mathrm{E}\left(\frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta'}\right) \\ &= \mathrm{V}\left(\frac{\partial \log L(\theta; X)}{\partial \theta}\right). \end{split}$$

4. Asymptotic Normality of MLE:

Let  $\tilde{\theta}$  be MLE of  $\theta$ .

As n goes to infinity, we have the following result:

$$\sqrt{n}(\tilde{\theta}-\theta) \longrightarrow N\left(0,\lim_{n\to\infty}\left(\frac{I(\theta)}{n}\right)^{-1}\right),$$

where it is assumed that  $\lim_{n\to\infty}\left(\frac{I(\theta)}{n}\right)$  converges.

That is, when n is large,  $\tilde{\theta}$  is approximately distributed as follows:

$$\tilde{\theta} \sim N\left(\theta, \left(I(\theta)\right)^{-1}\right).$$

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Suppose that  $s(X) = \tilde{\theta}$ .

When *n* is large, V(s(X)) is approximately equal to  $(I(\theta))^{-1}$ .

5. Optimization (最適化):

$$0 = \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; x)}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial \log L(\theta^*; x)}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta^*; x)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'} (\theta - \theta^*).$$

Solving the above equation with respect to  $\theta$ , we obtain the following:

$$\theta = \theta^* - \left(\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta^*; x)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'}\right)^{-1} \frac{\partial \log L(\theta^*; x)}{\partial \theta}.$$

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Replace the variables as follows:

$$\theta \longrightarrow \theta^{(i+1)}$$

$$\theta^* \longrightarrow \theta^{(i)}$$

Then, we have:

$$\theta^{(i+1)} = \theta^{(i)} - \left(\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta^{(i)}; x)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'}\right)^{-1} \frac{\partial \log L(\theta^{(i)}; x)}{\partial \theta}.$$

⇒ Newton-Raphson method (ニュートン・ラプソン法)

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Replacing  $\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta^{(i)};x)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'}$  by  $\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial^2 \log L(\theta^{(i)};x)}{\partial \theta \partial \theta'}\right)$ , we obtain the following optimization algorithm:

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(i+1)} &= \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(i)} - \left( \mathbb{E} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(i)}; \boldsymbol{x})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta} \partial \boldsymbol{\theta}'} \right) \right)^{-1} \frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(i)}; \boldsymbol{x})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(i)} + \left( I(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(i)}) \right)^{-1} \frac{\partial \log L(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(i)}; \boldsymbol{x})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \end{split}$$

 $\Longrightarrow$  Method of Scoring (スコア法)

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## 9.1 MLE: The Case of Single Regression Model

The regression model:

$$y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i + u_i,$$

- 1.  $u_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  is assumed.
- 2. The density function of  $u_i$  is:

$$f(u_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}u_i^2\right).$$

Because  $u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_n$  are mutually independently distributed, the joint den-

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sity function of  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  is written as:

$$f(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) = f(u_1)f(u_2) \cdots f(u_n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2\right)$$

3. Using the transformation of variable  $(u_i = y_i - \beta_1 - \beta_2 x_i)$ , the joint density function of  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  is given by:

$$f(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_1 - \beta_2 x_i)^2\right)$$
  

$$\equiv L(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2 | y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n).$$

 $L(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2 | y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$  is called the likelihood function.

 $\log L(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2 | y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_n)$  is called the log-likelihood function.

$$\log L(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2 | y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$$

$$= -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_1 - \beta_2 x_i)^2$$

## 4. Transformation of Variable (変数変換):

Suppose that the density function of a random variable X is  $f_x(x)$ .

Defining X = g(Y), the density function of Y,  $f_y(y)$ , is given by:

$$f_y(y) = f_x(g(y)) \left| \frac{\mathrm{d}g(y)}{\mathrm{d}y} \right|.$$

In the case where X and g(Y) are  $n \times 1$  vectors,  $\left| \frac{\mathrm{d}g(y)}{\mathrm{d}y} \right|$  should be replaced by  $\left| \frac{\partial g(y)}{\partial y'} \right|$ , which is an absolute value of a determinant of the matrix  $\frac{\partial g(y)}{\partial y'}$ .

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5. Given the observed data  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$ , the likelihood function  $L(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2|y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ , or the log-likelihood function  $\log L(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2|y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$  is maximized with respect to  $(\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2)$ .

Solve the following three simultaneous equations:

$$\frac{\partial \log L(\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2 | y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_n)}{\partial \alpha} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_1 - \beta_2 x_i) = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial \log L(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2 | y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_n)}{\partial \beta} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_1 - \beta_2 x_i) x_i = 0,$$

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**Example:** When  $X \sim U(0, 1)$ , derive the density function of  $Y = -\log(X)$ .

$$f_x(x) = 1$$

 $X = \exp(-Y)$  is obtained.

Therefore, the density function of Y,  $f_y(y)$ , is given by:

$$f_y(y) = \left| \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}y} \right| f_x(g(y)) = |-\exp(-y)| = \exp(-y)$$

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$$\frac{\partial \log L(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2 | y_1, y_2, \cdots, y_n)}{\partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{n}{2} \frac{1}{\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_1 - \beta_2 x_i)^2 = 0.$$

The solutions of  $(\beta_1, \beta_2, \sigma^2)$  are called the maximum likelihood estimates, denoted by  $(\tilde{\beta}_1, \tilde{\beta}_2, \tilde{\sigma}^2)$ .

The maximum likelihood estimates are:

$$\tilde{\beta}_2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2}, \qquad \tilde{\beta}_1 = \overline{y} - \tilde{\beta}_2 \overline{x}, \qquad \tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \tilde{\alpha} - \tilde{\beta} x_i)^2.$$

The MLE of  $\sigma^2$  is divided by n, not n-2.