

18.05 Solution 7

① 20.2

(a) $MSE(T) = (E(T) - \theta)^2 + Var(T) = 9 + 4 = 13$

$MSE(S) = (E(S) - \theta)^2 + Var(S) = 40$

so we prefer T.

(b) Similarly, $MSE(T) = a^2 + 4$, $MSE(S) = 40$

When $|a| < 6$, we prefer T

when $|a| > 6$, we prefer S.

② 21.5

(a) The likelihood function is

$$L(\mu) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}$$

so $l(\mu) = \log L(\mu) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2 - n \log(\sqrt{2\pi})$

Let $\frac{dl(\mu)}{d\mu} = 0$, we can find the MLE of μ

$$\hat{\mu}_{MLE} = \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n}$$

(b)

$L(\sigma) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n \sigma^{-n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}$, so

$l(\sigma) = \log L(\sigma) = -n \log \sigma - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + n \log\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)$

$\frac{dl(\sigma)}{d\sigma} = -\frac{n}{\sigma} + \frac{1}{\sigma^3} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$.

Let $\frac{dl(\sigma)}{d\sigma} = 0$, we know that $\hat{\sigma}_{MLE} = \sqrt{\frac{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}{n}}$

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(a) Likelihood.

$$L(\delta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{\delta}(x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n e^{-(x_i - \delta)} \cdot I(x_i \geq \delta)$$

$$= e^{n\delta - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \cdot I(\delta \leq \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\})$$

(b) $e^{n\delta - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$ is an increasing function of δ

So $L(\delta)$ is increasing in δ when $\delta \leq \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

and $L(\delta) = 0$ when $\delta > \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

Hence $\hat{\delta}_{MLE} = \min\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$

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$$\text{Likelihood: } L(a, b) = \binom{b}{2} \left(\frac{e^{a+53b}}{1 + e^{a+53b}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{a+53b}} \right)^4 \binom{b}{1} \left(\frac{e^{a+57b}}{1 + e^{a+57b}} \right) \\ \left(\frac{e^{a+51b}}{1 + e^{a+51b}} \right)^5 \dots \dots \dots \binom{b}{0} \left(\frac{e^{a+81b}}{1 + e^{a+81b}} \right)^0 \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{a+81b}} \right)^b$$

log likelihood:

$$\ell(a, b) = \log L(a, b) = \sum_b \left[\log \binom{b}{N_b} + N_b \log \left(\frac{e^{a+b}}{1 + e^{a+b}} \right) + (b - N_b) \log \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{a+b}} \right) \right]$$