

Wed. April 7 - Lect. 33

ML Properties ...

Recall CRLB:  $\hat{\theta}(y)$  unbiased for  $\theta$

$$\text{Var}_{\theta} \{ \hat{\theta}(y) \} \geq \left( E_{\theta} \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f_{\theta}(y) \right)^2 \right\} \right)^{-1}$$

||

$$\left( -E_{\theta} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log f_{\theta}(y) \right\} \right)^{-1}$$

+ Equality  $\Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f_{\theta}(y) = a(\theta) [\hat{\theta}(y) - \theta]$

Such are called efficient.

Thm Subject to usual smoothness conditions if an efficient est. exists it will be ML.

$\hat{\theta}$  is efficient  $\Leftrightarrow$

$$\frac{\partial \log f_{\theta}(y)}{\partial \theta} = a(\theta) [\hat{\theta}(y) - \theta]$$

Recall that ML est. is found from ...

$$\left. \frac{\partial \log f_{\theta}(y)}{\partial \theta} \right|_{\theta = \hat{\theta}_{ML}(y)} = 0$$

$$0 = a(\theta) [\hat{\theta}(y) - \theta] \Big|_{\theta = \theta_{ML}}$$

So must have

either  $a(\theta_{ML}) = 0$  or  $[\hat{\theta}(y) - \theta_{ML}] = 0$

$a(\theta_{ML}) = 0$  is not a good soln since it results in a  $\hat{\theta}_{ML}(y)$  that is indep. of obs.

$\Rightarrow$  Then the CRLB =  $\infty$ .

$\hat{\theta}(y) = \hat{\theta}_{ML}(y) \rightarrow$  This is a legitimate estimator

**Thm** An ML estimator is a function of any suff. stat. for  $\theta$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Comes from NF Fact. Thm

$$f_{\theta}(y) = g_{\theta}(T(y)) h(y)$$

Example

$$Y_i = s(\theta) + N_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$N_i \sim \text{iid} \sim N(0, \sigma^2).$$

$$f_{\theta}(y) = C(y) \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - s(\theta))^2 \right\}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f_{\theta}(y) = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - s(\theta)) \frac{\partial s(\theta)}{\partial \theta}$$

↳ In general can't write in form needed for existence of eff. est.

Look at solving likelihood ...

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} \frac{\partial s(\theta)}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \end{array} \right] \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i - s(\theta) \right] \Big|_{\theta = \hat{\theta}_{ML}(y)} = 0$$

If range of  $S(\theta)$  as  $\theta \in \Lambda$  includes  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$   
then a soln to likelihood equation exists  
and it will satisfy ...

$$S(\hat{\theta}_{ML}(y)) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$$

Thus if  $S^{-1}(\cdot)$  exists then

$$\hat{\theta}_{ML}(y) = S^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i\right)$$

Note: If  $S^{-1}(\cdot)$  does not exist then the  
\* ML est. prob. for  $\theta$  is not well posed.

\* If range of  $S(\theta)$  does not include  
the sample mean  $\Rightarrow$  ML est will corresp.  
to some boundary pt. of range.

$$Y_k = \sqrt{\Theta} s_k R_k + N_k \quad k=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$\{s_k : 1 \leq k \leq n\}$  Known sig.

$N_k$  and  $R_k$  are iid  $\sim N(0, 1)$   $N_k \perp R_k$

$\Theta \geq 0$  is an unknown param.

- (a) Likelihood eqn for  $\Theta, Y_k$
- (b) CRLB
- (c) IF  $s_k$  is  $\pm 1$  seq. Find MLE explicitly.
- (d) Compute bias, var. compare CRLB.

$Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n$  are indep.  $\sim N(0, 1 + \theta s_k^2)$

$$\begin{aligned} \log f_{\theta}(y) &= \sum_{k=1}^n \log \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sqrt{1 + \theta s_k^2}} e^{-y_k^2 / 2(1 + \theta s_k^2)} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \log(1 + \theta s_k^2) - \frac{y_k^2}{2(1 + \theta s_k^2)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Likelihood eqn:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f_{\theta}(y) &= -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \frac{s_k^2}{1 + \theta s_k^2} - \frac{y_k^2 s_k^2}{(1 + \theta s_k^2)^2} \right\} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{s_k^2 (y_k^2 - 1 - \theta s_k^2)}{(1 + \theta s_k^2)^2} = 0$$

$\hat{\theta}_{ML}(y)$  is among the solns of this.

CRLB

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log f_{\theta}(y) = \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \frac{-s_k^{\dagger} y_k^2}{(1 + \theta s_k^2)^3} + \frac{s_k^{\dagger}}{2(1 + \theta s_k^2)^2} \right\}$$

$$I_{\theta} = -E_{\theta} \left\{ \text{above} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{s_k^{\dagger}}{(1 + \theta s_k^2)^2}$$

$$\text{CRLB} = \frac{1}{I_{\theta}}$$

© Say  $s_k^2 = 1$ .

$$\Rightarrow \text{Find } \hat{\Theta}_{ML}(y) = \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n y_k^2 \right) - 1$$

① Also find

$$E_{\theta} \left\{ \hat{\Theta}_{ML}(Y) \right\} = \Theta \text{ is unbiased.}$$

$$\text{Var}_{\theta} \left\{ \hat{\theta}_{ML}(\gamma) \right\} = \frac{2(1+\theta)^2}{n}$$

= CRLB for this  $S_k^2 = 1$  case.

# Background for Next Lect.

Strong Law Large Numb.:  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  an iid seq. of rvs having a finite mean

Def  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  a seq. of rvs.

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \rightarrow E\{X_1\}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  with prob. one.

$X_n \rightarrow X$  with prob. 1 if  $P\left\{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = X\right\} = 1$ .  
(almost everywhere or almost surely)  $\left\{ \omega \in \Omega : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n(\omega) = X(\omega) \right\}$

$X_n \rightarrow X$  in probability if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left\{|X_n - X| \geq \varepsilon\right\} = 0 \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0.$$