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## Methods of Estimation (Methods of Evaluating Estimators)

1<sup>o</sup> Luck (or)

Def:  $X \sim p(x; \theta)$ ,  $\theta \in \Theta$ , statistic  $T(X)$  is unbiased

2<sup>o</sup> Solve (or)

for  $g(\theta)$  if  $E_\theta T(X) = g(\theta)$ ,  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$

3<sup>o</sup> Conditional (L-S)

4<sup>o</sup> Information Thm: Given,  $MSE_\theta T(X) = E_\theta (T(X) - g(\theta))^2$ , then

5<sup>o</sup> Linear dependence  $MSE_\theta(T(X)) = Var_\theta T(X) + Bias_\theta^2 T(X)$   
where  $Bias_\theta T(X) = E_\theta T(X) - g(\theta)$ .

Def: Estimator  $S(X)$  is uniformly minimum variance, unbiased for  $g(\theta)$ ,  
if  $E_\theta S(X) = g(\theta)$  and (UMVU)

$Var_\theta S(X) \leq Var_\theta U(X)$ ,  $\forall$  unbiased  $U(X)$  of  $g(\theta)$ ,  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$ .

Notes:

- 1<sup>o</sup> May not exist

$E_\theta g(X) = ?$   $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, \theta)$ , there's no Unbiased estimator  
for  $g(\theta) = \frac{\theta}{1-\theta}$ . This place supposed  $\cancel{T(X) = g(X)}$

- 2<sup>o</sup> May not well behaved

$X \sim \text{Poisson}(\theta)$ , the UMVU estimator is  $g(X) = (-1)^X$

Lemma: r.v.  $X$  satisfies  $EX^2 < \infty$ , then

$$\text{Var}(E(X|Y)) \leq \text{Var}X, \quad \forall \text{ r.v. } Y.$$

[proof:  $\text{Var}X = E\{\text{Var}(X|Y)\} + \text{Var}(E(X|Y)) \geq \text{Var}(E(X|Y)). \quad \square$

Thm: (Rao-Blackwell Theorem)

If  $T(X)$  is sufficient for  $\theta$ , and  $S(X)$  is an estimator for  $g(\theta)$ ,  
with  $E_\theta |S(X)| < \infty$ ,  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$ , let  $S^*(X) = E(S(X)|T(X))$ ,  
then  $E_\theta (S^*(X) - g(\theta))^2 \leq E_\theta (S(X) - g(\theta))^2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{proof: } \text{Bias}_\theta S^*(X) &= E_\theta S^*(X) - g(\theta) \\
 &= E_\theta(E(S(X)|T(X))) - g(\theta) \\
 &= \cancel{E_\theta} S(X) - g(\theta) \\
 &= \text{Bias}_\theta S(X) \\
 \text{Var}_\theta S^*(X) &= \text{Var}_\theta(E(S(X)|T(X))) \leq \text{Var}_\theta S(X) \\
 \therefore \text{MSE}_\theta S^*(X) &\leq \text{MSE}_\theta S(X). \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  iid  $N(\mu, 1)$   
 $S(X) = X_1$  is ~~efficient~~ unbiased for  $\mu$ .  
 $T(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is ~~sufficient~~ for  $\mu$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Then } S^*(X) &= \cancel{E}(E(X_1 | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i)) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} E(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \\
 &= \bar{X}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thm: (Lehmann-Scheffe Theorem)

Let  $T(X)$  be a complete, sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ ,  
let  $S(X)$  be unbiased for  $g(\theta)$ , then  
 $S^*(X) = E(S(X) | T(X))$  is UMVU for  $g(\theta)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{proof: } E_\theta S^*(X) &= E_\theta S(X) = g(\theta) \\
 \therefore S^*(X) &\text{ is unbiased for } g(\theta). \\
 \text{If } U(X) &\text{ is unbiased estimator for } g(\theta), \\
 \text{let } g_1(T(X)) &= E(U(X) | T(X)) \\
 g_2(T(X)) &= E(S(X) | T(X)) \\
 g(T(X)) &= g_1(T(X)) - g_2(T(X))
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{\theta}[g(T(X))] &= E_{\theta}[g_1(T(X))] - E_{\theta}[g_2(T(X))] \\
 &= E_{\theta}[U(X)] - E_{\theta}[S(X)] \\
 &= g(\theta) - g(\theta) \\
 &= 0 \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta
 \end{aligned}$$

$\because T(X)$  is complete

$$\therefore g(t) = 0, \text{ i.e. } E(S(X)|T(X)) = E(U(X)|T(X))$$

$$\therefore \text{Var}_{\theta} S^*(X) = \text{Var}_{\theta} E(S(X)|T(X)) = \text{Var}_{\theta} E(U(X)|T(X)) \leq \text{Var}_{\theta} U(X)$$

$\therefore S^*(X)$  is UMVU for  $g(\theta)$ .  $\square$ .

Cor: If  $S(X)$  is a function of a complete, sufficient statistic, it is UMVU of its expectation.

Note: 1°  $\bar{X}, S^2$  are functions of complete, sufficient statistic  
 (Lick)  $(T_1(X), T_2(X)) = (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2)$  for  ~~$\Theta = (\mu, \sigma^2)$~~ , given  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

Hence,  $\bar{X}$  and  $S^2$  are UMVU for  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$  resp.

(Lick) 2°  $E_{\theta}(\bar{X}^2 - \frac{S^2}{n}) = \mu^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} - \frac{\sigma^2}{n} = \mu^2$   
 Hence  $\bar{X}^2 - \frac{S^2}{n}$  is UMVU for  $\mu^2$ .

(Lick) 3°  $X_{(n)}$  is a complete sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ , given  $X \sim U(0, \theta)$ .  
 Since  $E_{\theta} \frac{n+1}{n} X_{(n)} = \theta$ , then  $\frac{n+1}{n} X_{(n)}$  is UMVU for  $\theta$ .

(Lick) 4°  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is a complete sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ , given  $X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\theta)$ .  
 Since  $E_{\theta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \theta$ , then  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is UMVU for  $\theta$ .

(Solve) 5° (As in 4°) Look for UMVU estimator for  $\text{Var}X = \theta(1-\theta)$ .  
 Let  $E_{\theta} g(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i) = \theta(1-\theta)$ , then

$$\sum_{k=0}^n g(k) \binom{n}{k} \theta^k (1-\theta)^{n-k} = \theta(1-\theta).$$

Substitute  $\eta = \frac{\theta}{1-\theta}$ , we get  $\sum_{k=0}^n g(k) \binom{n}{k} \eta^k = \eta(1+\eta)^{n-2}$

By comparing parameters, we find  $g(k) = \frac{k(n-k)}{n(n-1)}$  ( $k=0, \dots, n$ )

(Conditional)  $\text{6}^{\circ} X_1, \dots, X_n \rightarrow$  iid Exponential ( $\lambda$ ),

$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is a complete sufficient statistic for  $\lambda$ ,

Look for UMVU estimator for  $g(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda t}$ .

Since  $E \mathbb{I}(X_i > t) = P(X_i > t) = e^{-\lambda t}$ ,  $\mathbb{I}(X_i > t)$  is an unbiased estimator of  $g(\lambda)$ .

Then  $E(\mathbb{I}(X_i > t) | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = s)$  is UMVU for  $g(\lambda)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \because E(\mathbb{I}(X_i > t) | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = s) \\ &= P(X_1 > t | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = s) \\ &= P\left(\frac{X_1}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i} > \frac{t}{s} | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = s\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{X_1}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i} > \frac{t}{s}\right) \quad (\because \left(\frac{S_1}{S_n}, \dots, \frac{S_{n-1}}{S_n}\right) \perp\!\!\!\perp S_n) \\ &= P(U_{(1, n-1)} > \frac{t}{s}) \quad (\because \left(\frac{S_1}{S_n}, \dots, \frac{S_{n-1}}{S_n}\right) \sim (U_{(1)}, \dots, U_{(n-1)})) \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{t}{s}\right)^{n-1} \\ &\therefore \left(1 - \frac{t}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}\right)^{n-1} \text{ is UMVU for } g(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda t}. \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $\left(1 - \frac{t}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}\right)^{n-1} \xrightarrow{P} e^{-\lambda t}$ , so it's consistent.