

**LECTURE**

**9 OCTOBER**

**9:00-10:00AM**

**MATH3/4/68181**

## ML Estimation

Suppose  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are IID from the GP model.

$$\begin{aligned} L(\sigma, \xi) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{q}{\sigma} \left[ 1 + \xi \frac{x_i - \mu}{\sigma} \right]^{-\frac{1}{\xi} - 1} \\ &= \frac{q^n}{\sigma^n} \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^n \left[ 1 + \xi \frac{x_i - \mu}{\sigma} \right] \right\}^{-\frac{1}{\xi} - 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log L(\sigma, \xi) = n \log q - n \log \sigma$$

$$- \left( \frac{1}{\xi} + 1 \right) \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left[ 1 + \xi \frac{x_i - \mu}{\sigma} \right]$$

## MLE equations for the GP distribution

The MLEs of  $\sigma$  and  $\xi$  are the simultaneous solutions of

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \sigma} &= -\frac{n}{\sigma} + \frac{1+\xi}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - t) \left(1 + \xi \frac{x_i - t}{\sigma}\right)^{-1} \\ &= 0, \end{aligned} \quad \dots \quad (1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \xi} &= \frac{1}{\xi^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left(1 + \xi \frac{x_i - t}{\sigma}\right) \\ &\quad - \frac{1+\xi}{\xi \sigma} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - t) \left(1 + \xi \frac{x_i - t}{\sigma}\right)^{-1} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad \dots \quad (2)$$

The MLEs of  $\sigma$  and  $\xi$  are the simultaneous solutions of (1) and (2).

In R, `fpot` will compute the MLEs of  $\sigma$  and  $\xi$ .

Is there a way to check that ETT will hold without checking conditions (I) - (III)? Yes.

Suppose  $X$  is a discrete RV.

Let  $F(\cdot)$  denote the CDF of  $X$ .

Then ETT will not hold if

$$\frac{P(X=k)}{1 - F(k-1)} \not\rightarrow 0 \quad (*)$$

as  $k \rightarrow w(F)$ .

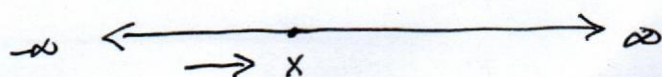
Suppose  $X$  is a continuous RV with

CDF  $F(\cdot)$ . Then ETT will not

hold if

$$\frac{f(x)}{1 - F(x^-)} \not\rightarrow 0$$

as  $x \rightarrow w(F)$ .



Ex 3  $X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda)$ .

$$P(X = k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

$$\omega(F) = \infty$$

$$\begin{aligned} (*) &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}}{1 - \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!}} \\ &= 1 - P(X \leq k-1) \\ &= P(X > k-1) = P(X \geq k) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\cancel{e^{-\lambda}} \lambda^k}{k!}}{\sum_{i=k}^{\infty} \frac{\cancel{e^{-\lambda}} \lambda^i}{i!}}$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\lambda^k}{k!}}{\sum_{i=k}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^i}{i!}}$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{\lambda^k}{k!}}{\frac{\lambda^k}{k!} + \sum_{i=k+1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^i}{i!}}$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{i=k+1}^{\infty} \frac{k! \lambda^{i-k}}{i!}}$$

$$\frac{k!}{i!} = \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+2)\dots(k+i-k)}$$

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 $k \quad k \quad k$

$$< \frac{1}{k^{i-k}}$$

$$> \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{i=k+1}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^{i-k}}{k^{i-k}}}$$

$$j = i - k$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\lambda}{k}\right)^j}$$

$$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{1 - \left(\frac{\lambda}{k}\right)} - 1} = 1$$

$\left(\frac{\lambda}{k}\right) \rightarrow 0$

$$\Rightarrow (*) > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (*) \neq 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  ETT will not hold.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \theta^n = \frac{1}{1-\theta} - 1$$