

M3S3/M4S3 : SOLUTIONS 3

1. (a) Using the hint given; we know, by properties of vector random variables,

$$\text{Var}[Y] = \text{Var} \left[\sum_{i=1}^k a_i X_i \right] = \text{Var} \left[\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{X} \right] = \mathbf{a}^\top \Sigma \mathbf{a}$$

where variances taken with respect to the distribution of Y and \mathbf{X} on the left and right hand sides respectively. But Y is a scalar random variable that is non degenerate, provided $a_i \neq 0$ for $i = 1, \dots, k$. Thus $\text{Var}[Y] > 0$, and hence $\mathbf{a}^\top \Sigma \mathbf{a} > 0$. *Note that this solution assumes at least one X_i is non degenerate (with variance > 0).*

(b) As $\Sigma \Pi = \mathbf{1}_k$, the $k \times k$ identity, we have by multiplying out the block matrices

$$\Sigma_{11}\Pi_{11} + \Sigma_{12}\Pi_{21} = \mathbf{1}_d \tag{1}$$

$$\Sigma_{11}\Pi_{12} + \Sigma_{12}\Pi_{22} = \mathbf{0} \tag{2}$$

$$\Sigma_{21}\Pi_{11} + \Sigma_{22}\Pi_{21} = \mathbf{0} \tag{3}$$

$$\Sigma_{21}\Pi_{12} + \Sigma_{22}\Pi_{22} = \mathbf{1}_{k-d} \tag{4}$$

From equation (2), premultiplying by Σ_{11}^{-1} and rearranging, we have

$$\Pi_{12} = -\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12}\Pi_{22} \tag{5}$$

and thus from equation (4) we have

$$\Sigma_{21}(-\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12}\Pi_{22}) + \Sigma_{22}\Pi_{22} = \mathbf{1}_{k-d} \quad \therefore \quad (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{21}\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12}) \Pi_{22} = \mathbf{1}_{k-d}$$

and hence

$$\Pi_{22} = (\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{21}\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12})^{-1}. \tag{6}$$

Substituting back into equation (5) yields

$$\Pi_{12} = -\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12}(\Sigma_{22} - \Sigma_{21}\Sigma_{11}^{-1}\Sigma_{12})^{-1}. \tag{7}$$

Now, by symmetry of form, we can exchange the roles of the indices and deduce immediately that

$$\Pi_{11} = (\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1} \tag{8}$$

$$\Pi_{21} = -\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21}(\Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21})^{-1}. \tag{9}$$

Thus we have Σ^{-1} in terms of the blocks of Σ .

2. As I is presumed positive definite and hence non-singular, we have immediately that

$$\det I \equiv |I| = I_{11}I_{22} - I_{12}I_{21} > 0.$$

Using the above formulae (or the ones from lectures), we know that in this scalar case

$$I^{11} = \left(I_{11} - \frac{I_{12}I_{21}}{I_{22}} \right)^{-1} = \frac{I_{22}}{I_{11}I_{22} - I_{12}I_{21}}$$

so

$$(I_{11})^{-1} < I^{11} \quad \iff \quad \frac{1}{I_{11}} < \frac{I_{22}}{I_{11}I_{22} - I_{12}I_{21}} \quad \iff \quad I_{11}I_{22} - I_{12}I_{21} < I_{11}I_{22}.$$

as I_{11} and $I_{11}I_{22} - I_{12}I_{21}$ are positive. This leaves the inequality $I_{12}I_{21} > 0$; but in this scalar case, by symmetry of I , we know that $I_{21} = I_{12}$, so it is **always** true that $I_{12}I_{21} = I_{12}^2 > 0$ unless $I_{12} = 0$, in which case the parameters are orthogonal.

3. We have, by the quadratic approximation,

$$\mathbf{l}_n(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathbf{l}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n) + \dot{\mathbf{l}}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n)(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n) + \frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n)^\top \ddot{\mathbf{l}}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n)(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n)$$

But $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n$ is the MLE, so

$$\dot{\mathbf{l}}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n) = \mathbf{0}$$

so, in fact,

$$\mathbf{l}_n(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathbf{l}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n) + \frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n)^\top \ddot{\mathbf{l}}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n)(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n) \quad (10)$$

and as $\mathbf{l}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n)$ is a constant, the right hand side has a functional dependence on $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ only through the quadratic form. This form explains the role of the *curvature*, or second partial derivative matrix

$$-\Psi(\boldsymbol{\theta}; X) = \ddot{\mathbf{l}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; X)$$

as

$$\ddot{\mathbf{l}}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ddot{\mathbf{l}}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n; X_i) = - \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n; X_i)$$

At $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n$, the log-likelihood curves *downwards* at a rate determined by $\ddot{\mathbf{l}}_n(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_n)$.

(a) If $X_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$, let $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} l_n(\lambda) &= \text{constant} + s_n \log \lambda - n\lambda \\ \dot{l}_n(\lambda) &= s_n/\lambda - n \\ \ddot{l}_n(\lambda) &= -s_n/\lambda^2 \end{aligned}$$

and as the MLE is $\widehat{\lambda}_n = \bar{x}$, we have from equation (10) the likelihood approximation

$$l_n(\lambda) = l_n(\widehat{\lambda}_n) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{s_n}{\widehat{\lambda}_n^2} (\lambda - \widehat{\lambda}_n)^2 = l_n(\bar{x}) - \frac{n(\lambda - \bar{x})^2}{2\bar{x}}$$

(b) If $X_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \equiv N(0, \theta)$, say, where $\theta = \sigma^2$. Then, if $q_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} l_n(\theta) &= \text{constant} - \frac{n}{2} \log \theta - \frac{q_n}{2\theta} \\ \dot{l}_n(\theta) &= -\frac{n}{2\theta} + \frac{q_n}{2\theta^2} \\ \ddot{l}_n(\theta) &= \frac{n}{2\theta^2} - \frac{q_n}{\theta^3} \end{aligned}$$

The MLE is $\widehat{\theta}_n = q_n/n$, and thus

$$\ddot{l}_n(\widehat{\theta}_n) = \frac{n}{2\widehat{\theta}_n^2} - \frac{q_n}{\widehat{\theta}_n^3} = -\frac{n^3}{2q_n^2}$$

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$$l_n(\theta) = l_n(\widehat{\theta}_n) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{n^3}{2q_n^2} (\theta - \widehat{\theta}_n)^2 = l_n(q_n/n) - \frac{n^3(\theta - q_n/n)^2}{4q_n^2}.$$

4. (a) Using the estimator of $I(\theta)$ denoted $\widehat{I}_n(\tilde{\theta}_n)$, where

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{I}_n(\tilde{\theta}_n) &= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\tilde{\theta}_n, X_i) = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log f_X(X_i, \theta) \Big|_{\theta=\tilde{\theta}_n} = -\frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log f_X(X_i, \theta) \Big|_{\theta=\tilde{\theta}_n} \\ &= -\frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} l_n(\theta) \Big|_{\theta=\tilde{\theta}_n} = -\frac{1}{n} \ddot{l}_n(\tilde{\theta}_n)\end{aligned}$$

we have

$$W_n = n(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta_0)^\top \widehat{I}_n(\tilde{\theta}_n)(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta_0) = -(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta_0)^2 \ddot{l}_n(\tilde{\theta}_n)$$

as $(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta_0)$ is a scalar quantity.

Similarly, for the Rao statistic, we may use

$$\widehat{I}_n(\theta_0) = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\theta_0, X_i) = -\frac{1}{n} \ddot{l}_n(\theta_0)$$

as an estimator/estimate of $I(\theta_0)$, the single datum or unit information matrix. Then

$$\begin{aligned}Z_n &\equiv Z_n(\theta_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n S(X_i; \theta_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f_X(X_i, \theta) \Big|_{\theta=\theta_0} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \sum_{i=1}^n \log f_X(X_i, \theta) \Big|_{\theta=\theta_0} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \dot{l}_n(\theta_0)\end{aligned}$$

and thus, as all quantities are scalars

$$R_n = Z_n(\theta_0)^\top \left[\widehat{I}_n(\theta_0) \right]^{-1} Z_n(\theta_0) = \frac{\{Z_n(\theta_0)\}^2}{\widehat{I}_n(\theta_0)} = \frac{\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \dot{l}_n(\theta_0) \right\}^2}{-\frac{1}{n} \ddot{l}_n(\theta_0)} = - \left\{ \dot{l}_n(\theta_0) \right\}^2 \left\{ \ddot{l}_n(\theta_0) \right\}^{-1}$$

For the Rao statistic it is more common and more straightforward to use $\widehat{I}_n(\theta_0)$ rather than $\widehat{I}_n(\tilde{\theta}_n)$ as the estimate of the Fisher information, although under the null hypothesis the asymptotic distribution is the same in both cases - using θ_0 is obviously more straightforward as we do not need to compute $\tilde{\theta}_n$.

(b) For the Poisson case, for $\lambda > 0$

$$f_X(x; \lambda) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

and so if $s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

$$l_n(\lambda) = -n\lambda + s_n \log \lambda - \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i!$$

and so

$$\dot{l}_n(\lambda) = -n + \frac{s_n}{\lambda} \quad \ddot{l}_n(\lambda) = -\frac{s_n}{\lambda^2}$$

and hence the MLE, from $\dot{l}_n(\hat{\lambda}_n) = 0$, is $\hat{\lambda}_n = s_n/n = \bar{x}$, with estimator $S_n/n = \bar{X}$. Thus

- **Wald Statistic:** using the formula above

$$W_n = -(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta_0)^2 \ddot{l}_n(\tilde{\theta}_n) = -(\bar{X} - \lambda_0)^2 \left(\frac{-S_n}{(\bar{X})^2} \right) = n \frac{(\bar{X} - \lambda_0)^2}{\bar{X}}$$

- **Rao Statistic:** using the formula above

$$R_n = - \left\{ \dot{l}_n(\theta_0) \right\}^2 \left\{ \ddot{l}_n(\theta_0) \right\}^{-1} = \frac{- \left(\frac{S_n}{\lambda_0} - n \right)^2}{-\frac{S_n}{\lambda_0^2}} = \frac{(S_n - n\lambda_0)^2}{S_n} = \frac{n(\bar{X} - \lambda_0)^2}{\bar{X}}$$

that is, identical to Wald.

Note: in this case, we can compute the Fisher Information $I(\lambda_0)$ exactly - we have

$$I(\lambda_0) = E_{X|\lambda_0} [-\Psi(\lambda_0, X)] = E_{f_{X|\lambda_0}} \left[\frac{X}{\lambda_0^2} \right] = \frac{1}{\lambda_0^2} E_{f_{X|\lambda_0}} [X] = \frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda_0^2} = \frac{1}{\lambda_0}$$

so a perhaps preferable version of the Rao statistic is

$$R_n = \frac{\{Z_n(\theta_0)\}^2}{I(\theta_0)} = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\frac{S_n}{\lambda_0} - n \right)^2 \right)}{\frac{1}{\lambda_0}} = \frac{\lambda_0}{n} \left(\frac{S_n}{\lambda_0} - n \right)^2 = \frac{n(\bar{X} - \lambda_0)^2}{\lambda_0}$$

As a general rule, if the Fisher Information can be computed exactly, then the exact version should be used for the Rao/Score statistic rather than an estimated version.

- **Likelihood Ratio Statistic:** by definition, using the notation Λ_n here

$$\Lambda_n = \frac{L_n(\hat{\lambda}_n)}{L_n(\lambda_0)} = \frac{e^{-n\hat{\lambda}_n} \hat{\lambda}_n^{S_n}}{e^{-n\lambda_0} \lambda_0^{S_n}} = \exp \left\{ -n(\hat{\lambda}_n - \lambda_0) + S_n(\log \hat{\lambda}_n - \log \lambda_0) \right\}$$

or equivalently

$$2 \log \Lambda_n = -2n(\hat{\lambda}_n - \lambda_0) + 2S_n(\log \hat{\lambda}_n - \log \lambda_0)$$

(c) Under the normal model, the likelihood is

$$L_n(\mu, \sigma) = f_{X|\mu, \sigma}(x; \mu, \sigma^2) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \right)^{n/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2 \right\}$$

and thus, in terms of the random variables, for general X ,

$$l(X; \theta) = \log f_{X|\mu, \sigma}(X; \mu, \sigma^2) = -\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (X - \mu)^2$$

and, for μ

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} l(X; \theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (X - \mu) \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu^2} \{l(X; \theta)\} = -\frac{1}{\sigma^2}$$

whereas for σ^2

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} \{l(X; \theta)\} = -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} (X - \mu)^2 \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial (\sigma^2)^2} \{l(X; \theta)\} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{1}{\sigma^6} (X - \mu)^2$$

and

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \mu \partial \sigma^2} \{l(X; \theta)\} = -\frac{1}{\sigma^4}(X - \mu)$$

(here taking σ^2 as the variable with which we differentiating with respect to). Now

$$E_{f_{X|\mu,\sigma}} [(X - \mu)] = 0 \quad E_{f_{X|\mu,\sigma}} [(X - \mu)^2] = \sigma^2$$

we have for the Fisher Information for (μ, σ^2) from a single datum as

$$I(\mu, \sigma^2) = - \begin{bmatrix} E \left[-\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right] & E \left[-\frac{1}{\sigma^4}(X - \mu) \right] \\ E \left[-\frac{1}{\sigma^4}(X - \mu) \right] & E \left[\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{1}{\sigma^6}(X - \mu)^2 \right] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{11} & I_{12} \\ I_{21} & I_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

say, and $I_n(\mu, \sigma^2) = nI(\mu, \sigma^2)$.

(i) The Wald Statistic in this multiparameter setting is, from notes

$$W_n = n(\tilde{\theta}_{n1} - \theta_{10})^\top \left[\hat{I}_n^{11}(\tilde{\theta}_n) \right]^{-1} (\tilde{\theta}_{n1} - \theta_{10}).$$

Here, σ^2 is **estimated under H_1** as given in notes, so

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\theta}_{n1} = \bar{X} \quad \theta_{10} = 0 \quad \left[\hat{I}_n^{11}(\tilde{\theta}_n) \right]^{-1} &= \hat{I}_{n11} - \hat{I}_{n12} \hat{I}_{n22}^{-1} \hat{I}_{n21} = \hat{I}_{n11} = \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}^2} = \frac{1}{S^2} \\ \implies W_n &= n(\bar{X})^\top \left[\frac{1}{S^2} \right] (\bar{X}) = \frac{n(\bar{X})^2}{S^2} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Under H_0 , the μ and σ^2 are completely specified, whereas under H_1 , the MLEs of μ and σ^2 are

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \quad S^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2.$$

Hence the Wald Statistic is

$$\begin{aligned} W_n &= n(\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta_0)^\top \left[\hat{I}_n(\tilde{\theta}_n) \right] (\tilde{\theta}_n - \theta_0) = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - 0) \\ \sqrt{n}(S^2 - \sigma_0^2) \end{bmatrix}^\top \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{S^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2S^4} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - 0) \\ \sqrt{n}(S^2 - \sigma_0^2) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{n(\bar{X})^2}{S^2} + \frac{n(S^2 - \sigma_0^2)^2}{2S^4} \end{aligned}$$