

- e. Example: $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, 1)$.
- $\tilde{\theta} = X_1$.
 - \bar{X} sufficient
 - $\text{Cov} [X_1, \bar{X}] = 1/n$
 - $(\bar{X}, X_1) \sim \mathcal{N}((\mu, \mu), \begin{pmatrix} 1/n & 1/n \\ 1/n & 1 \end{pmatrix})$.
 - Inverse of variance matrix is $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{n^2}{n-1} & -\frac{n}{n-1} \\ -\frac{n}{n-1} & \frac{n}{n-1} \end{pmatrix}$
 - So joint density of $(U = \bar{X}, V = X_1)$ is

$$\exp\left(-\frac{n((u-\mu)^2 n - 2(u-\mu)(v-\mu) + (v-\mu)^2)}{2(n-1)})n\right)$$

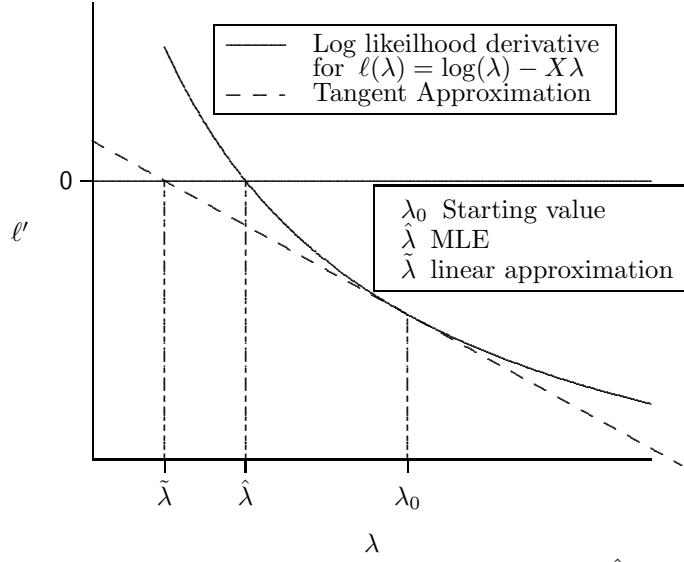
$$= n \exp(-(n(u-\mu)^2 + (v-u)^2(n/(n-1)))/2)/(2\pi\sqrt{n-1}).$$
 - Then $E[X_1|\bar{X}] = \bar{X}$.
 - Repeating Rao-Blackwellizing a second time doesn't change the estimator,
 - because of $\tilde{\theta}$ is a function only of the sufficient statistic U , then $E[\tilde{\theta}(U)|U] = \tilde{\theta}(U)$.
 - If sufficient statistic U is of the same dimensionality of θ , then with some additional conditions can show that Rao-Blackwellizing an unbiased estimator gives you the smallest possible variance.
 - Hence Rao-Blackwellizing gives *Minimum Variance Unbiased Estimator* (MVUE).
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P. Properties of the MLE:

- Score function has expectation zero

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Fig. 7: Approximation to the Maximum Likelihood Estimate



Exponential Dist., $\lambda_0 = 1$. Data $X = 1.5$. MLE $\hat{\lambda} = 2/3$

- $U_i = ((X_i - \theta_1)\theta_2^{-2}, \theta_2^{-3}(X_i - \theta_1)^2 - 1/\theta_2)$.
- $\ell'(\hat{\theta}) = \mathbf{0}$ implies $\hat{\theta}_1 = \bar{X}$,
 $\hat{\theta}_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2/n}$, as before.
- $\ell''(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} -\theta_2^{-2} & -2(X_i - \theta_1)\theta_2^{-3} \\ -2(X_i - \theta_1)\theta_2^{-3} & -3\theta_2^{-4}(X_i - \theta_1)^2 + \theta_2^{-2} \end{pmatrix}$.

- Score function is $U = \ell'(\theta; \mathbf{X}) = \frac{d}{d\theta} f_X(\mathbf{X}, \theta)$
- $1 = \int \exp(\ell(\theta; \mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x}$ (note integral is over all of data space).
- $0 = \int \frac{d}{d\theta} \exp(\ell(\theta; \mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x} = t\ell'(\theta) \exp(\ell(\theta; \mathbf{x})) d\mathbf{x} = E[U]$
- If data are IID, score function is a sample sum
 - $\ell(\theta) = \log(\prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i}(X_i; \theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(f_{X_i}(X_i; \theta))$
 - $\ell'(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n U_i$ for $U_i = \frac{d}{d\theta} f_{X_i}(X_i; \theta)/f_{X_i}(X_i; \theta)$
 - Also, $\ell''(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \log(f_{X_i}(X_i; \theta)) \approx -nE\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \log(f_{X_i}(X_i; \theta))\right]$.
- If $i(\theta) = E\left[-\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} \ln f_{X_i}(X_i; \theta)\right] < \infty$, then $i(\theta) = \text{Var}[U_i]$
 - Proved as part of proof of Cramer-Rao lower bound.
- $\hat{\theta} \approx \theta - [\ell''(\theta)]^{-1}U$.
 - Expanding $\ell'(\theta)$ as a Taylor series,
 $0 = \ell'(\hat{\theta}) \approx \ell'(\theta) + \ell''(\theta)(\hat{\theta} - \theta)$.
 - Solve for θ .
- Hence $\hat{\theta}$ is approximately unbiased, with variance approximately $i(\theta)^{-1}/n$.
- See Fig. 7.
 - Approximately hits the CR lower bound.
- Same calculations hold for vector parameters.
 - CLT applies to U .
- Example: $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, $\theta = (\mu, \sigma)$.
 - $\ell(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n [-\theta_2^{-2}(X_i - \theta_1)^2/2 - \log(2\pi) - \log(\theta_2)]$
 - $\ell'(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n ((X_i - \theta_1)\theta_2^{-2}, \theta_2^{-3}(X_i - \theta_1)^2 - 1/\theta_2)$

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- $\ell''(\hat{\theta}) = -\begin{pmatrix} n\hat{\theta}_2^{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & 3n\hat{\theta}_2^{-2} - n\hat{\theta}_2^{-2} \end{pmatrix} = -\begin{pmatrix} n\hat{\theta}_2^{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & 2n\hat{\theta}_2^{-2} \end{pmatrix}$.
- Information is
 $i(\theta) = E\left[-\begin{pmatrix} -\theta_2^{-2} & -2(X_i - \theta_1)\theta_2^{-3} \\ -2(X_i - \theta_1)\theta_2^{-3} & -3\theta_2^{-4}(X_i - \theta_1)^2 + \theta_2^{-2} \end{pmatrix}\right] = \begin{pmatrix} \theta_2^{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & 2\theta_2^{-2} \end{pmatrix}$.
- Hence $\text{Var}[\hat{\theta}] = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2/n & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2/(2n) \end{pmatrix}$.
- See Table 2 for values of variance.

Table 2: Asymptotic and True Variance for Sample Standard Deviation

| n | Asymptotic Variance $1/(2n)$ | Expectation | True Variance |
|-----|------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| 2. | 0.2500 | 0.56419 | 0.18169 |
| 3. | 0.1667 | 0.72360 | 0.14307 |
| 4. | 0.1250 | 0.79789 | 0.11338 |
| 5. | 0.1000 | 0.84075 | 0.09314 |
| 6. | 0.0833 | 0.86862 | 0.07882 |
| 7. | 0.0714 | 0.88820 | 0.06824 |
| 8. | 0.0625 | 0.90270 | 0.06013 |
| 9. | 0.0556 | 0.91388 | 0.05372 |
| 10. | 0.0500 | 0.92275 | 0.04854 |

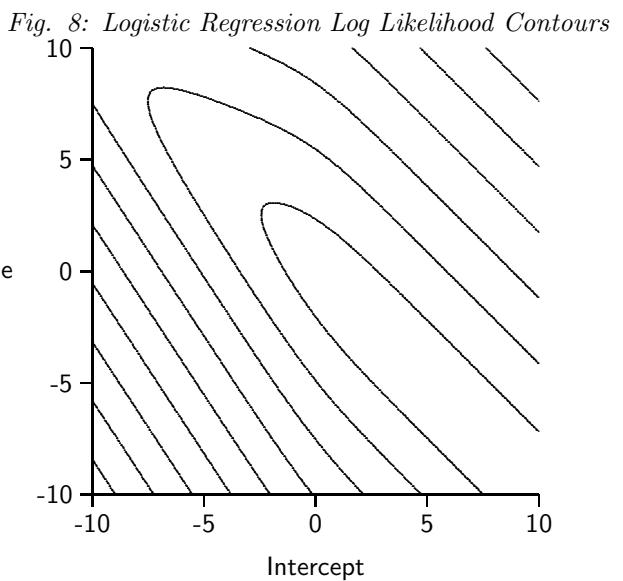
- Example: $Y_i \sim \text{Bin}(\pi_i, 1)$ for $\pi_i = \exp(\beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i)/(1 + \exp(\beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i))$, independent.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P[Y_i = y_i] &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{(\exp(\beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i))^{y_i}}{(1 + \exp(\beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i))} \\
 \text{a.} \quad &= \frac{\exp(\beta_1 \sum_{i=1}^n y_i + \beta_2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i)}{\prod_{i=1}^n (1 + \exp(\beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i))} \\
 \text{i. Hence } (U, V) &= (\sum_{i=1}^n y_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i) \text{ is sufficient} \\
 \text{b. } \ell(\beta_1, \beta_2) &= \beta_1 U + \beta_2 V - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(1 + \exp(\beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i)) \\
 \text{c. } \ell'(\beta_1, \beta_2) &= (U, V) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\exp(\beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i)(1, x_i)}{(1 + \exp(\beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i))} = \\
 &\quad (U, V) - \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i(1, x_i) \\
 \text{d. } \ell''(\beta_1, \beta_2) &= -\sum_{i=1}^n \pi'_i(1, x_i) \\
 \text{i. } \pi'_i &\text{ is} \\
 &\frac{(1+\exp(\beta_1+\beta_2x_i))\exp(\beta_1+\beta_2x_i)-\exp(\beta_1+\beta_2x_i)\exp(\beta_1+\beta_2x_i)}{(1+\exp(\beta_1+\beta_2x_i))^2}(1, x_i) \\
 &= \pi_i(1 - \pi_i)(1, x_i) \\
 \text{ii. } \ell''(\beta_1, \beta_2) &= -\sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i(1 - \pi_i)(1, x_i)(1, x_i)^\top \\
 \text{iii. } \hat{\beta} &\text{ solves } \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\pi}_i(1, x_i) = (U, V). \\
 \text{iv. Distribution is approximately} \\
 &\mathcal{N}(\beta, [\sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i(1 - \pi_i)(1, x_i)(1, x_i)^\top]^{-1})
 \end{aligned}$$

10. Interesting aspects of this example:

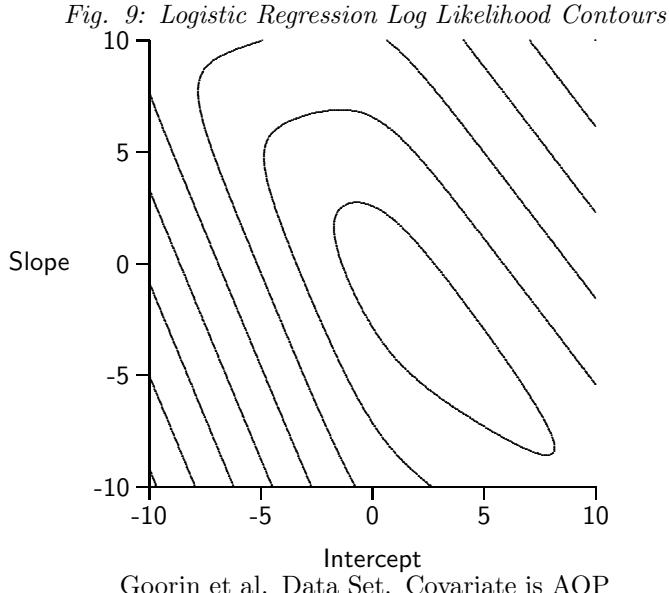
- a. $\hat{\beta}$ generally not available in closed form
 - i. Algorithm for fitting $\hat{\beta}$ uses the Taylor series argument as before, with previous updates for $\hat{\beta}$ in place of true value β .
 - ii. Algorithm is called Newton-Raphson generally
 - iii. Fisher Scoring in statistics lingo.
 - iv. Only guaranteed to work when the log likelihood is concave, except
 - v. See Fig. 8.

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- b. For some collections of responses Y_i , mle is not finite.
 - i. See Fig. 9.



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