

Internal Assesment Test - 2

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1 Questions (Answer any 5 out of 7 questions)

1. Show that the conditional expectation is the optimal estimator with respect to the mean square error as a cost function. (10 points)
2. Suppose the observation model is given by

$$\mathbf{r} = a + \mathbf{n}, \quad (1)$$

where $a \in \mathbb{R}$ is a fixed but unknown quantity, and $\mathbf{n} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_n^2)$. Find the MMSE estimate of a . (10 points)

3. Consider the following hypothesis testing problem

$$(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) \sim \begin{cases} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 I_{N \times N}) & \text{under } \mathcal{H}_0 \\ \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{m}, \sigma^2 I_{N \times N}) & \text{under } \mathcal{H}_1. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where $\mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times 1}$ is the mean vector. Find the optimal decision rule for this problem. (10 points)

4. List all the properties of an ML estimator. (10 points)
5. Find the optimal estimate with respect to the following cost functions: (i) absolute error and (ii) $C_\tau(\hat{a}) = 1$ if $|\hat{a}| > \tau$, and zero otherwise for some $\tau > 0$. (10 points)
6. Define an unbiased estimator, and derive the Cramer-Rao Lower Bound (CRLB) for any unbiased estimator. (10 points)
7. Find an ML estimate of the mean of a poisson process given N observations, i.e.,

$$(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2, \dots, \mathbf{r}_N) \stackrel{(i.i.d)}{\sim} \text{Poiss}(\lambda) \quad (3)$$

In the above, $\text{Poiss}(\lambda)$ denotes the Poisson distribution with mean λ given by

$$\Pr\{X = k\} = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}, k = 0, 1, \dots, \quad (4)$$

Verify if the above ML estimator achieves the CRLB. *Hint:* Find the mean square error in the ML estimate, and check if it is equal to the CRLB. (10 points)

2 Solution

- See class notes for all the solutions.