

Assignment No. 3

1. If $x[n]$ for $n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ are IID according to $U[0, \theta]$, show that the regularity condition does not hold or that

$$E \left[\frac{\partial \ln p(x; \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right] \neq 0 \quad \text{for all } \theta > 0.$$

Hence, the CRLB cannot be applied to this problem.

2. If $x[n] = A + w[n]$ for $n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ are observed and $\mathbf{w} = [w[0] \ w[1] \ \dots \ w[N - 1]]^T \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{C})$, find the CRLB for A. Does an efficient estimator exist and if so what is its variance?

3. We observe two samples of a DC level in *correlated* Gaussian noise

$$x[0] = A + w[0]$$

$$x[1] = A + w[1]$$

where $\mathbf{w} = [w[0] \ w[1]]^T$ is zero mean with covariance matrix

$$\mathbf{C} = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The parameter ρ is the correlation coefficient between $w[0]$ and $w[1]$. Compute the CRLB for A and compare it to the case when $w[n]$ is WGN or $\rho = 0$. Also, explain what happens when $\rho \rightarrow \pm 1$. Finally comment on the additivity property of the Fisher information for non-independent observations.

4. For a 2×2 Fisher information matrix

$$\mathbf{I}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$$

which is positive definite, show that

$$[\mathbf{I}^{-1}(\theta)]_{11} = \frac{c}{ac - b^2} \geq \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{[\mathbf{I}(\theta)]_{11}}$$

What does this say about estimating a parameter when a second parameter is either known or unknown? When does equality hold and why?