

Homework Solution.

§5.4.1.2. There are 4 observations $(M_i, \delta_i, \mathbf{z}_i)$'s: $(1, 1, 1)$, $(3, 1, 2)$, $(4, 0, 1)$, $(7, 1, 2)$. Find the Miller estimator of β under the linear regression model. $X_i = \beta z_i + \epsilon_i$. You are able to find the solution explicitly, because there are at most 6 distinct values of $\hat{S}_b(T_i(b))$ (as a function of b) for each fixed i , where $T_i = M_i - bz_i$.

Sol. $T_i(b) = M_i - bz_i \in \{1 - b, 3 - 2b, (4 - b)_+, 7 - 2b\}$.

$$H(b) = \int t^2 d\hat{F}_{T(b)}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}(T_i(b))(T_i(b) - \hat{\alpha}(b))^2,$$

$$\text{where } \hat{f}(T_i(b)) = \frac{\hat{f}_{T(b)}(T_i(b))}{\sum_j \mathbf{1}(T_j(b) = T_i(b))}. \quad (1)$$

$T_i(b) = T_j(b)$ yields $b = -1, 2, 3, 6$.

$b :$	T_i 's	$\hat{f}(T_i(b))$	$\hat{\alpha}(b) = \sum T_i(b)\hat{f}(T_i)$
$(-\infty, -1)$			$(2 + 9 + 21)/8 - b(2 + 6 + 6)/8 = 4 - \frac{14}{8}b$
-2	3, 7, 6+, 11	$(2, 3, 0, 3)/8$	
-1	2, 5, 5+, 9	$(1, 1, 0, 2)/4$	$(1 + 3 + 14)/4 - (-1)(1 + 2 + 4)/4 = 25/4$
$0 \in (-1, 2)$	1, 3, 4+, 7	$(1, 1, 0, 2)/4$	$(1 + 3 + 14)/4 - b(1 + 2 + 4)/4 = \frac{9}{2} - \frac{7}{4}b$
2	-1, -1, 2+, 3	$(1, 1, 0, 1)/2$	<i>modified as follows</i>
2	-1, -1, 2+, 3	$(1, 1, 0, 2)/4$	<i>(see Eq.(1))</i>
$2.5 \in (2, 3)$	-1.5, -2, 1.5+, 2	$(1, 1, 0, 2)/4$	$\frac{9}{2} - \frac{7}{4}b$
3	-2, -3, 1+, 1	$(1, 1, 1, 1)/4$	<i>modified as follows</i>
3	-2, -3, 1, 1	$(1, 1, 1, 1)/4$	$26/4 - 3(9/4) = -3/4$
$4 \in (3, 6)$	-3, -5, 0+, -1	$(1, 1, 1, 1)/4$	$\frac{15}{4} - 1.5b$
6	-5, -9, -2+, -5	$(2, 1, 1, 2)/4$	<i>modified as</i>
6	-5, -9, -2+, -5	$(1, 1, 1, 1)/4$	$(-31)/4 - 6(9/4) = -85/4$
$7 \in (6, \infty)$	-6, -11, -3+, -7	$(1, 1, 1, 1)/4$	$15/4 - 1.5b$

So we just need to consider

$T_i(b) = T_j(b)$ and $\delta_i \neq \delta_j$,

$b :$	T_i 's	$\hat{f}(T_i(b))$	$\hat{\alpha}(b) = \sum T_i(b)\hat{f}(T_i)$
$\Rightarrow b = -1, 3.$	-2 $\in (-\infty, -1)$	3, 7, 6+, 11	$4 - \frac{14}{8}b$
	0 $\in [-1, 3)$	1, 3, 4+, 7	$\frac{9}{2} - \frac{7}{4}b$
	4 $\in [3, \infty)$	-3, -5, 0, -1	$\frac{15}{4} - 1.5b$

$$H_1(b) = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}(T_i(b))(T_i(b) - \hat{\alpha}(b))^2 \quad b < -1$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} [2(1 - b - (4 - \frac{14}{8}b))^2 + 3(3 - 2b - (4 - \frac{14}{8}b))^2 + 3(7 - 2b - (4 - \frac{14}{8}b))^2]$$

$$\geq H_1(-1) = 7.687 \quad \text{minimum at } b = 4.$$

$$H(b) = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}(T_i(b))(T_i(b) - \hat{\alpha}(b))^2 \quad b \in [-1, 3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [(1 - b - \frac{9}{2} + \frac{7}{4}b)^2 + (3 - 2b - \frac{9}{2} + \frac{7}{4}b)^2 + 2(7 - 2b - \frac{9}{2} + \frac{7}{4}b)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [(-\frac{7}{2} + \frac{3}{4}b)^2 + (-\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{4}b)^2 + 2(\frac{5}{2} - \frac{1}{4}b)^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [b^2(9/16 + 1/16 + 2/16) + b(-21/4 + 3/4 + 5/2) + (49/4 + 9/4 + 25/2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} [(3/4)b^2 - 2b + 108/4] \quad \text{if } b \in [-1, 3)$$

$$\geq H(4/3) = \frac{1}{4} [(4/3) - 8/3 + 108/4] \approx 6.4 \quad \text{minimum at } b = 4/3.$$

$$H_3(b) = \frac{1}{4} [(1 - b - (15/4 - 1.5 * b))^2 + (3 - 2 * b - (15/4 - 1.5 * b))^2] \quad b \geq 3$$

$$\geq H_3(3) \approx 3.2 \quad (\text{minimum at } b=2.5. \hat{\beta} = ?)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
H_3(b) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}(T_i(b))(T_i(b) - \hat{\alpha}(b))^2 & b \geq 3 \\
&= \frac{1}{4} [(1 - b - (15/4 - 1.5 * b))^2 + (3 - 2 * b - (15/4 - 1.5 * b))^2 \\
&\quad + (4 - b - (15/4 - 1.5 * b))^2 + (7 - 2 * b - (15/4 - 1.5 * b))^2] \quad b \in [3, \infty) \\
&\geq H_3(3) \approx 3.2 & \text{minimum at } b = 2.5.
\end{aligned}$$

Does the iterative algorithm result in Miller's estimate ?

Thus Miller's estimate is $\hat{\beta} = 3$.

§5.4.2.2. Homework

1. There are 4 observations $(M_i, \delta_i, \mathbf{z}_i)$'s: $(3, 1, 2)$, $(4, 0, 1)$, $(1, 1, 1)$, $(7, 1, 2)$. Show that there is only one BJE of β under the linear regression model and it is 2.

Remark. A non-iterative algorithm for obtaining all BJE's (for $p = 1$):

1. Let b_{ij} be the solution to an equation $T_i(b) = T_j(b)$, where $z_i \neq z_j$ and $\delta_i \neq \delta_j$. Let $q_1 < \dots < q_m$ be all the distinct solutions b_{ij} 's. Let $q_0 = -\infty$ and $q_{m+1} = \infty$.
2. (Case (1)). For each $h = 0, 1, \dots, m$, first compute the PLE \hat{S}_b for a $b \in (q_h, q_{h+1})$. If $\hat{b}_h \in (q_h, q_{h+1})$ and $H(\hat{b}_h) = 0$ (see (2.7)), it is a BJE of β .
3. (Case (2)). Compute $H(q_i-)$, $H(q_i)$ and $H(q_i+)$, $i = 1, \dots, m$. If $H(q_i-)H(q_i+) \leq 0$, or $H(q_i-)H(q_i) \leq 0$, or $H(q_i)H(q_i+) \leq 0$, then q_i is a zero-crossing point of H and thus is a BJE of β .

Remark. In computing $H(b)$ is better off to use the following equivalent expression

$$H(b) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i^* - z_i^* b)(z_i - \bar{z}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (T_i^*(b))(z_i - \bar{z}), \quad (2.7)$$

where $T_i^*(b) = \delta_i T_i(b) + (1 - \delta_i) \frac{\sum_{t > T_i(b)} t \hat{f}_{T(b)}(t)}{\hat{S}_{T(b)}(T_i(b))}$. because even though (M_i^*, z_i^*) depends on b , it is constant in b on each interval (q_j, q_{j+1}) , but \hat{X}_i^* is not. Compare to the objective function in Miller's approach:

$$H(b) = \int t^2 d\hat{F}_{T(b)}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{f}(T_i(b))(T_i(b) - \hat{\alpha}(b))^2, \text{ where } \hat{f}(T_i(b)) = \frac{\hat{f}_{T(b)}(T_i(b))}{\sum_j \mathbf{1}(T_j(b) = T_i(b))}.$$

Partition points: $T_1(b) = T_2(b)$ and $T_2(b) = T_4(b)$ yield -1 and 3 .

Case (1), root of $H(t)$:

- (1) For $b = -2$, $H(t) = 0 \Rightarrow t < -1$?
- (2) For $b = 2$, $H(t) = 0 \Rightarrow t \in (-1, 3)$?
- (3) For $b = 4$, $H(t) = 0 \Rightarrow t \in (3, \infty)$?

Case (2) zero crossing point of $H(b)$:

- $b = -1$. $H(b-)$. Does $H(b)$, $H(b+)$ change signs ?
 $b = 3$. $H(b-)$. Does $H(b)$, $H(b+)$ change signs ?

§5.4.2.

2. Under interval censoring, (2.2) can be rewritten as

$$X_i^* = E(X_i | X_i \in I_i), \text{ where } I_i \text{ is the } i\text{-th observed interval.}$$

- 2.a. Verify (2.3) under the mixed case model with continuous random vectors.
- 2.b. Give corresponding expressions for (2.5).

Sol. Note that our observations are (L_i, R_i, z_i) , $i = 1, \dots, n$,
or (I_i, z_i) , $i = 1, \dots, n$,

$X_i \in I_i$ and L_i and R_i are the endpoints of I_i .

Thus

$$X_i^* = E(X_i | X_i \in I_i) = E(X_i | I_i) = E(X_i | L_i, R_i) = \frac{\int_{x \in I_i} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)}{\int_{x \in I_i} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)}.$$

$X_i^* = E(X_i | z_i) = g(z_i)$ where $g(t) = E(X_i | z_i = t)$ and z_i is treated as a random variable. The IC data are (L_i, R_i, z_i) , $i = 1, \dots, n$, from model $X_i = \beta z_i + \epsilon_i$, where ϵ_i s are i.i.d.

$$I_i = \begin{cases} (-\infty, Y_1] & \text{(denoted by } J_0) & \text{if } X_i \leq Y_1 \\ (Y_j, Y_{j+1}] & \text{(denoted by } J_j) & \text{if } Y_{j-1} < X_i \leq Y_j, 1 \leq j < N \\ (Y_N, \infty) & \text{(denoted by } J_N) & \text{if } Y_N < X_i. \end{cases}$$

Denote $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, Y_2, \dots)$. $X \perp (\mathbf{Y}, N)$.

$$\begin{aligned} & E(X_i^* | z_i) = E\{E(X_i | L_i, R_i) | z_i\} \\ &= \int \frac{\int_{x \in I} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)}{\int_{x \in I} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)} dF_{L_i, R_i}(l, r) \\ & \quad \text{(where the endpoints of } I \text{ is } l \text{ and } r, \text{ disregarding models)} \\ & \quad \text{(under the mixed case IC model hereafter)} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_N(k) \int \frac{\int_{x \in I} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)}{\int_{x \in I} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)} dF_{L_i, R_i | N}(l, r | k) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_N(k) \left\{ \int [1(I_i = J_0 = (-\infty, r]) \frac{\int_{x \in I_i} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)}{\int_{x \in I_i} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)} \int_{x \in I_i} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)] dF_{Y_1 | N}(r | k) \right. \\ & \quad + \sum_{j=2}^k \int [1(I_i = J_{j-1} = (l, r]) \frac{\int_{x \in I_i} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)}{\int_{x \in I_i} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)} \int_{x \in I_i} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)] dF_{Y_{j-1}, Y_j | N}(l, r | k) \\ & \quad + \int [1(I_i = J_k = (l, \infty)) \frac{\int_{x \in I_i} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)}{\int_{x \in I_i} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)} \int_{x \in I_i} dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)] dF_{Y_k | N}(l | k) \left. \right\} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_N(k) \left\{ \int [1(I_i = J_0 = (-\infty, r]) \int_{x \in I_i} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)] dF_{Y_1 | N}(r | k) \right. \\ & \quad + \sum_{j=2}^k \int [1(I_i = J_{j-1} = (l, r]) \int_{x \in I_i} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)] dF_{Y_{j-1}, Y_j | N}(l, r | k) \\ & \quad + \int [1(I_i = J_k = (l, \infty)) \int_{x \in I_i} x dF_{X_i | z_i}(x)] dF_{Y_k | N}(l | k) \left. \right\} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{E(X_i 1(I_i = J_0) | N = k, z_i) + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} E(X_i 1(I_i = J_j) | N = k, z_i) \\ & \quad + E(X_i 1(I_i = J_k) | N = k, z_i)\} f_N(k) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \{E(X_i | N = k, z_i)\} f_N(k) \\ &= E(X_i | z_i) \end{aligned}$$

It suffices to show

$$E(X^* | Z = z) = E(X | Z = z),$$

where $X^* = E(X | X \in I, Z = z)$, Z is a random variable and $I = (L, R)$.

Note that $X^* = \sum_{j=0}^N X^* 1(I = J_j)$.

$$E(X^* | Z = z) = E\{E(X | X \in I) | Z = z\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= E\{E[E(X|X \in I)|N, \mathbf{Y}]|Z = z\} \\
&= E\{E[\sum_{j=0}^N E(X|X \in I = J_j)P(I = J_j|N, \mathbf{Y})|N, \mathbf{Y}]|Z = z\} \\
&= E\{E[\sum_{j=0}^N E(X|X \in J_j)P(I = J_j|N, \mathbf{Y})|N, \mathbf{Y}]|Z = z\} \\
&= E\{E[\sum_{j=0}^N E(X|I = J_j)P(I = J_j|N, \mathbf{Y})|N, \mathbf{Y}]|Z = z\} \\
&\hspace{15em} (\text{ the event } \{I = J_j\} = \{X \in J_j\}) \\
&= E\{E[E(\sum_{j=0}^N E(X1(X \in I = J_j)|N, \mathbf{Y})|N, \mathbf{Y})|Z = z]\} \\
&= E\{E[E(X|N, \mathbf{Y})|N, \mathbf{Y}]|Z = z\} \\
&= E\{E[X|N, \mathbf{Y}]|Z = z\} \\
&= E\{X|Z = z\}
\end{aligned}$$

A simple proof. Since $X^* = E(X|X \in I, Z = z) = E(X|(L, R), Z = z)$,
 $E(X^*|Z = z) = E(E(X|(L, R), Z = z)) = E(X|Z = z)$.

2b Note that (2.5) is an estimate of X_i^* . Verify that

$$\begin{aligned}
F_{X_i|z_i}(t) &= P(X_i \leq t|Z = z_i) = P(X_i - \beta z_i \leq t - \beta z_i|Z = z_i) \\
&= P(\epsilon \leq t - \beta z_i) = F_\epsilon(t - \beta z_i)
\end{aligned}$$

X_i^* can be estimated by

$$\hat{X}_i^* = \frac{\int_{x \in I_i} x d\hat{F}_{X_i|z_i}(x)}{\int_{x \in I_i} d\hat{F}_{X_i|z_i}(x)} = \frac{\int_{x \in I_i} x \hat{f}_{X_i|z_i}(x) dx}{\int_{x \in I_i} d\hat{F}_{X_i|z_i}(x)} \quad ???$$

where $\hat{F}_{X_i|z_i}(x) = \hat{F}_{\hat{\beta}}(x - \hat{\beta}z_i)$ and $\hat{F}_{\hat{\beta}}$ is the GMLE of F_ϵ based on $(L_i - bz_i, R_i - bz_i)$ s and $\hat{\beta}$ is a consistent estimator of β .