

On the estimation of analytic intensity density functions of Poisson random fields

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Abstract

1. The aim of this talk is to present some results about non-parametric estimation of analytic functions. We consider the following problem. We are observing a Poisson random field $X_\varepsilon(t)$ (a Poisson random measure $X_\varepsilon(A)$) on a region $G \subset R^d$. The non-homogeneous random field $X_\varepsilon(t)$ has the intensity measure $\varepsilon^{-1}\Lambda$ where $\varepsilon > 0$ is a known small parameter and Λ is an unknown measure. It is supposed that the measure Λ is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure and has the density (the intensity density) function $\lambda(t)$ and that the unknown density λ belongs to a known class F of analytic functions. The basic problem is to estimate λ on the base of the observations X_ε . Denote $\|\cdot\|_p$ the norm in $L_p(G)$. Set

$$\Delta_p(\varepsilon, F) = \Delta_p(\varepsilon) = \inf \sup \mathbf{E}_\lambda \|\hat{\lambda} - \lambda\|_p$$

where sup is taken over all $\lambda \in F$ and inf is taken over all possible estimates $\hat{\lambda}$ of λ . We are interesting in asymptotic behavior of estimates when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ and in particular in the rate of convergence of Δ to zero.

The rate depends on F . We suppose that F consists of analytic functions and consider the following well known classes of analytic functions.

(i) The classes $A(M, \Gamma)$ of functions analytic in a bounded region $\Gamma, G \subset \Gamma$ and bounded there by a constant M .

(ii) The classes $E(M, \sigma, \rho)$ of entire functions satisfying the following restrictions on their growth

$$\sup_{z=(z_1, \dots, z_d), |z_i| \leq R_i} |\lambda(z)| \leq M \exp\left\{ \sum_1^d \sigma_i |R_i|^{\rho_i} \right\}$$

2. Let $F = A(M, G)$ where M, G are supposed to be known.

Theorem 0.1 *If $F = A(M, G)$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_p(\varepsilon, F) &\asymp (\varepsilon \ln(\varepsilon)^{-1})^{1d/2}, \quad p < 4, \\ \Delta_4(\varepsilon, F) &\asymp (\varepsilon \ln(\varepsilon)^{-1})^{d/2} (\ln \ln(\varepsilon)^{-1})^{1d/4}, \\ \Delta_p(\varepsilon, F) &\asymp (\varepsilon)^{1d/2} (\ln(\varepsilon)^{-1})^{d(1-2/p)}, \quad p > 4. \end{aligned}$$

3. An analytic function $f(z)$ possesses a remarkable property: being observed on an interval it becomes immediately known throughout its domain of analyticity. Of course the problem of recovering $f(z)$ is an ill posed problem and it would be interesting to know what will happen if the observations are disturbed by random errors. Below is an example of such a problem. We suppose that the Poisson random field X_ε is observed on a bounded set $G \subset R^d$. The intensity function λ is supposed to belong to a class $E(M, \sigma, \rho)$ with known M, σ, ρ . The question is how far from the set G the consistent estimation of λ is still possible. The answer is that when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ this distance behaves itself roughly speaking as $(\ln \frac{1}{\varepsilon})^{\frac{1}{\varrho}}$ where $\varrho = \max \rho_i$. We give two following examples.

Theorem 0.2 *Let $F = E(M, \sigma, \rho)$ where M, σ, ρ are supposed to be known. Let $G_\varepsilon(\alpha)$ denote the T_ε - neighborhood of the set G where $T_\varepsilon = T_\varepsilon(\alpha) = \ln(\frac{1}{\varepsilon})^{\alpha/\varrho}$. Here $\varrho = \max \rho_i, \alpha > 0$. Then there exists an estimator $\hat{\lambda}$ of λ such that for any $\beta < \alpha < 1$*

$$\sup_{\lambda \in F} \mathbf{E}_\lambda \left\{ \sup_{G_\varepsilon(\beta)} |\lambda(x) - \hat{\lambda}(x)|^2 \right\} \leq C_{\alpha, \beta} \varepsilon^{(1-\alpha)/d}.$$

Theorem 0.3 *Let under the conditions of the previous theorem x is an exterior point of the set $G_\varepsilon(\alpha), \alpha > 1$. Then for all sufficiently small $\varepsilon, \varepsilon < c_\alpha$,*

$$\inf_{\hat{\lambda}} \sup_{\lambda \in F} \mathbf{E}_\lambda |\lambda(x) - \hat{\lambda}(x)|^2 \geq 1/2.$$