

Question #146

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Let α_j be the parameter for region j . The likelihood function is $L = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha_1}{x_i^{\alpha_1+1}} \right) \left(\prod_{i=1}^m \frac{\alpha_2}{y_i^{\alpha_2+1}} \right)$.

The expected values satisfy $\frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_2 - 1} = 1.5 \frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_1 - 1}$ and so $\alpha_2 = \frac{3\alpha_1}{2 + \alpha_1}$. Substituting this in the likelihood function and taking logs produces

$$l(\alpha_1) = \ln L(\alpha_1) = n \ln \alpha_1 - (\alpha_1 + 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i + m \ln \left(\frac{3\alpha_1}{2 + \alpha_1} \right) - \frac{2 + 4\alpha_1}{2 + \alpha_1} \sum_{i=1}^m \ln y_i$$

$$l'(\alpha_1) = \frac{n}{\alpha_1} - \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i + \frac{2m}{\alpha_1(2 + \alpha_1)} - \frac{6}{(2 + \alpha_1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^m \ln y_i = 0.$$