

Chapter Three

2. Mean Square error (MSE) متوسط مربع الخطأ

If $\hat{\theta}$ is an estimator of the parameter θ Then The mean square error can be defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSE}(\hat{\theta}) &= E(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2 \\ &= E(\hat{\theta}^2 - 2\hat{\theta}\theta + \theta^2) \\ &= E(\hat{\theta}^2) - 2E(\hat{\theta})E(\theta) + E(\theta^2) \\ &= E(\hat{\theta}^2) - 2E(\hat{\theta}) \cdot \theta + \theta^2 \quad (\text{باعتبار } E(\theta) = \theta) \\ &= E(\hat{\theta}^2) - [E(\hat{\theta})]^2 + [E(\hat{\theta})]^2 - 2\theta E(\hat{\theta}) + \theta^2 \\ &= [E(\hat{\theta}^2) - (E(\hat{\theta}))^2] + [E(\hat{\theta})]^2 - 2\theta E(\hat{\theta}) + \theta^2 \\ &= \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) + (E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta)^2 \\ &= \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) + (\text{bias}(\hat{\theta}))^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } \text{MSE}(\hat{\theta}) &= E(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2 \\ &= \text{Var}(\hat{\theta}) + \text{bias}^2(\hat{\theta}) \end{aligned}$$

ملاحظة

إذا كانت $\hat{\theta}$ غير متحيزة للعلمة θ ، و $E(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$ ، فإن $\text{bias}(\hat{\theta}) = 0$ ، أي أن

$$\text{MSE}(\hat{\theta}) = \text{Var}(\hat{\theta})$$

- If $\text{MSE}(\hat{\theta})$ is smaller, $\hat{\theta}$ is a better estimator of θ .

- For two estimators $\hat{\theta}_1$ and $\hat{\theta}_2$ of θ , if $MSE(\hat{\theta}_1) < MSE(\hat{\theta}_2)$, $\hat{\theta}_1$ is better estimator of θ .

Ex/ Let we have two estimators for the parameter θ which they are $\hat{\theta}_1$ and $\hat{\theta}_2$ where $MSE(\hat{\theta}_1) = 0.758$ and $MSE(\hat{\theta}_2) = 0.427$ which estimator is better?

Sol/

Since $MSE(\hat{\theta}_1) = 0.758 > MSE(\hat{\theta}_2) = 0.427$
 $\Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_2$ is better estimator for θ .