

Math 502AB - Lecture 14

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1 Lecture - Part 1

1.1 Chapter 5 - Properties of Random Samples

Definition:

The random variables X_1, \dots, X_n are called a *random sample of size n* from the population $f(x)$ if X_1, \dots, X_n are distributed **independently and identically** (iid) $\sim f(x)$

Example:

Let X = Average weight of a newborn baby $\sim N(7, 1.5)$. A sample will be observations from this population $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim X$ (iid)

1.1.1 Joint Distribution of Random Sample

The joint distribution of X_1, \dots, X_n has information about X_1, \dots, X_n

$$f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i | \theta)$$

Example:

Consider $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim poisson(\lambda = 1)$

$$P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{x_i}}{x_i!}$$
$$P(X_1 = 0, \dots, X_n = 0) = e^{-\lambda n}$$

1.1.2 Sampling from a Finite Population

Suppose that a population has N elements, $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N\}$. Let X_1 denote the 1st sample taken and X_2 denote the 2nd sample taken.

$$\begin{aligned}
P(X_1 = y_k) &= \frac{1}{N} \\
P(X_2 = y_k) &= \sum_{i=1}^N P(X_2 = y_k | X_1 = y_i) P(X_1 = y_i) \quad i \neq k \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{1}{N-1} \right) \left(\frac{1}{N} \right) = \frac{1}{N}
\end{aligned}$$

1.2 Statistics

Definition

Given a sample of size n and a sample X_1, \dots, X_n from a population, a **statistic** is defined to be a function of X_1, \dots, X_n (not including parameters)

$$Y = T(X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

Where Y is a random variable, and the distribution of Y is referred to as the sampling distribution

Examples:

1. Sample mean \bar{x}

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

2. Median

3. Sample Variance

$$\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$$

Theorem:

Let x_1, \dots, x_n be any numbers. Then:

$$\min_a \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

Where \bar{x} is defined as above.

Proof:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x} + \bar{x} - a)^2$$

Using the fact that $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) = 0$, the result follows (and is left as an exercise to the reader)

Identity:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n\bar{x}$$

Lemma:

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be **iid** and $g(x)$ be a function such that $E(g(x_i))$ and $Var(g(x_i))$ are finite. Then:

$$E \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n g(x_i) \right] = E[g(x_i)]$$
$$Var() = 3$$

2 Lecture - Part 2

2.1 Properties of \bar{X} and S^2

Theorem:

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a population with $E(X_i) = \mu$ and $var(X_i) = \sigma^2$. Then:

$$E(\bar{X}) = \mu$$
$$Var(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$
$$E(S^2) = \sigma^2$$

Proof:

$$E(\bar{X}) = E \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(x_i) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu = \mu$$
$$Var(\bar{X}) = Var \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right] = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n Var(x_i) = \frac{1}{n^2} n \sigma^2$$
$$E(S^2) = E \left[\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \right]$$
$$= E \left[\frac{1}{n-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n\bar{x}^2 \right) \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E(x_i^2) - \frac{n}{n-1} E(\bar{x}^2)$$
$$= \frac{1}{n-1} \left[n(\sigma^2 + \mu^2) - n \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \mu^2 \right) \right]$$
$$= \sigma^2$$

Using some tedious calculations, it can be shown that:

$$Var(S^2) = \frac{1}{n} \left[\theta_4 - \frac{n-3}{n-1} \theta_2^2 \right]$$

Where

$$\theta_4 = E(x_i - \mu)^4 \quad \theta_2 = E(x_i - \mu)^2 = \sigma^2$$

Under which conditions are \bar{x} *uncorrelated* with S^2 ?

It can be shown that:

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \frac{1}{2n(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (x_i - x_j)^2$$

WLOG, assume that $E(X_i) = 0$ (since shifts do not affect *covariance*).

$$\begin{aligned} Cov(\bar{X}, S^2) &= E[\bar{X} S^2] - E(\bar{X}) E(S^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2n^2(n-1)} E \left[\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n x_k (x_i - x_j)^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

Note that $i = j$ makes this zero

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n E(x_k (x_i - x_j)^2) \\ &= \sum \sum \sum \{i \neq j, i = k \neq j\} + \sum \sum \sum \{i \neq j, j = k \neq i\} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem:

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ **iid**. Then:

1. \bar{X} and S^2 are independent
2. $\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$
3. $\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{(n-1)}^2$

Proof:

1. Since shift and scale do not effect independence, WLOG, we assume that $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(0, 1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
S^2 &= \frac{1}{n-1} \left[(x_1 - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=2}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\left(\sum_{i=2}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) \right)^2 + \sum_{i=2}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Since S^2 is a function of X_2, \dots, X_n , it is sufficient to show that \bar{X} is independent of $(X_2 - \bar{X}), \dots, (X_n - \bar{X})$.

Let:

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_1 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \Rightarrow X_1 = nY_1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\
&\Rightarrow X_1 = - \sum_{i=2}^n Y_i + Y_1 \\
Y_2 &= x_2 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \Rightarrow X_2 = Y_1 + Y_2 \\
&\vdots \\
Y_n &= x_n - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \Rightarrow X_n = Y_n + Y_1
\end{aligned}$$

Yielding the Jacobian:

$$\mathcal{J}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The Joint density of X_1, \dots, X_n

$$\begin{aligned}
f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right\} \\
f_{Y_1, \dots, Y_n}(y_1, \dots, y_n) &= \frac{n}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(y_1 - \sum_{i=2}^n y_i \right)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=2}^n (y_i + y_1)^2 \right\} \\
&= \frac{n}{(2\pi)^{n/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} n y_1^2 \right\} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=2}^n y_i \right)^2 - \sum_{i=2}^n y_i^2 \right] \right\}
\end{aligned}$$