

# Lecture 5 . Asymptotic Theory.

All asymptotics are fake, sometimes they are useful.

Def.  ~~$a_n \rightarrow a$~~  <sup>convergence</sup> if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  an  $N(\varepsilon)$  such that for all  $n > N(\varepsilon)$ , we have  $a_n \rightarrow a$ .

Def. Convergence in probability:

$P(|X_n - x| \geq \delta) \rightarrow 0$   
for any  $\delta, \varepsilon$ ,  $\exists N(\delta, \varepsilon)$  such that for all  $n > N$ ,  
Some bad event will happen.

$$X_n \xrightarrow{P} x$$

$$\text{or } \text{plim } X_n = x.$$

Different from convergence in expectation

$$E Z_n \rightarrow E Z.$$

$$\text{eg. if } Z_n = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{with prob } 1 - \frac{1}{n} \\ n, & \text{with prob } \frac{1}{n}. \end{cases}$$

then  $E Z_n \rightarrow 1$  but  $Z_n \not\xrightarrow{P} 0$ .

LLN.

Chebyshev inequality - for any mean ~~to~~ r.v.  $Z_n$   
 ~~$\Pr(|Z_n| > \delta)$~~  with finite variance,

$$\Pr(|Z_n| > \delta) \leq \frac{\text{var}(Z_n)}{\delta^2}.$$

Use Chebyshev inequality to prove LLN.

if  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are i.i.d., and  $\text{var}(X_1) < \infty$ , then

$$\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} EX.$$

Applies to i.i.d.

$$\Pr(|\bar{X}_n - EX| > \delta) \leq \frac{\text{var}(X_1)}{n\delta^2} \rightarrow 0.$$

Stronger version:

if  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are i.i.d., and  $EX$  exists  ~~$EX < \infty$~~   $EX < \infty$ , then

$$\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} EX.$$

Kolmogorov LLN.

if  $X$  is vector-valued, convergence means convergence for each element.

Convergence in distribution.

$$X_n \sim F_n(a), \quad X \sim F$$

$$X_n \xrightarrow{d} X \text{ if } F_n(a) \rightarrow F(a)$$

at all points that  $F(a)$  is continuous.

The difference between  $\xrightarrow{p}$  and  $\xrightarrow{d}$ .  
Weak convergence.

Lindeberg-Lévy CLT: if i.i.d and  $E \text{var}(X_i) < \infty$ ,

$$\text{then } \sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\text{Vector version: } \sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, E(X - \mu)(X - \mu)')$$

Lindeberg-Feller CLT (i.i.d)

$$\frac{\sum (y_i - \mu_i)}{\sqrt{\sum \sigma_i^2}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1),$$

if the Lindeberg condition is satisfied.

Sufficient condition that are easy to verify.

$$\text{s.t. } E(y_i - \mu_i)^2 < k < \infty$$

$$\inf E \sigma_i^2 > c > 0$$

variance finite

not finite

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CMT: if  $Z_n \xrightarrow{P} c$ , and  $g(z_n)$  is continuous at  $c$ , then  $g(z_n) \xrightarrow{P} g(c)$ .

$$g \quad Z_n + a \xrightarrow{P} c + a$$

$$a Z_n \xrightarrow{P} a c$$

$$\frac{g}{Z_n} \xrightarrow{P} \frac{g}{c} \text{ if } c \neq 0.$$

CMT for  $\xrightarrow{d}$ :  
if  $g$  is continuous almost everywhere  
 $g(z_n) \xrightarrow{d} g(c)$

Delta method:  $g$  is a continuous function, or  $\mu$  continuously differentiable in a neighborhood of  $\theta$ , or the distribution points has measure zero.  
if  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$

$$\text{then } \sqrt{n}(g(\hat{\theta}_n) - g(\theta)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, (g'(\theta))^2 \sigma^2).$$

Vector version

$$g(\hat{\theta}) - g(\theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, g'(\theta) \Omega g'(\theta))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{pf } \sqrt{n}(g(\hat{\theta}_n) - g(\theta)) &= \sqrt{n} G'(\theta)(\hat{\theta} - \theta) \\ &\quad + \sqrt{n} G''(\theta^*) (\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Smaller order.

Slutsky theorem

$$\text{if } X_n \xrightarrow{p} X, \quad Y_n \xrightarrow{d} Y$$

$$\text{then } X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X + Y$$

$$X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{d} XY$$

Stochastic symbols.

$$\text{if } X_n \xrightarrow{p} 0, \text{ we say } X_n = o_p(1) \quad \frac{1}{n} \sum X_n = o_p(1)$$

$$\text{if } \frac{X_n}{n^r} \xrightarrow{p} 0, \text{ we say } X_n = o_p(n^r). \quad \hat{\mu} = \mu + o_p(n^{-1/2})$$

if for any  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\exists M(\varepsilon)$  such that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Pr(|X_n| > M(\varepsilon)) \leq \varepsilon,$$

then we say  $X_n = O_p(1)$ .

eg. normal.

# ~~Lecture 6~~ Any thing for LS.

for the project model,

$$y = X\beta + \varepsilon, \quad E(\varepsilon|X) = 0.$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1} X'y$$

Assump: 1. i.i.d.

2.  $E y^2 < \infty$ .

3.  $E \|X\|^2 < \infty$

4.  $Q_{XX} = E(X'X)$  is positive definite.

~~Thm 1~~ Thm 1. (Consistency).

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\beta} &= (X'X)^{-1} X'(X\beta + \varepsilon) \\ &= \beta + \left( \frac{X'X}{n} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{X'\varepsilon}{n} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \frac{X'X}{n} \right)^{-1} \xrightarrow{P} (E X'X)^{-1}, \quad Q_{XX} \text{ p.d., invertible.}$$

$$\frac{X'\varepsilon}{n} \xrightarrow{P} E(X_i \varepsilon_i) = 0.$$

Thm 2. Any nrmly.

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta_0) = \left(\frac{X'X}{n}\right)^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum X_i \varepsilon_i.$$

$$\text{if } \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \varepsilon_i \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \Omega)$$

$$\text{then } \sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, Q_{XX}^{-1} \Omega Q_{XX}^{-1}).$$

What is  $\Omega$ ?  $\Omega = E(X_i X_i' \varepsilon_i^2)$ .

$$\text{If indep. } E(X_i X_i' \varepsilon_i^2) = E(X_i X_i') E(\varepsilon_i^2).$$

So second ~~mom~~ moment is sufficient.

(When we allow depends between  $X_i, \varepsilon_i$ , must have stronger condn.)

$$\text{Sufficient: } E|X_i|^4 < \infty, E|\varepsilon_i|^4 < \infty$$

for all  $i$

Assump 6.1.2 in the book.

(Cauchy Schwarz inequality to make sure  $\Omega < \infty$  if homoskedastic)

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_i X_i' \varepsilon_i^2) &= E(E(X_i X_i' \varepsilon_i^2 | X_i)) \\ &= E(X_i X_i' E(\varepsilon_i^2 | X_i)) \\ &= \sigma^2 E(X_i X_i'). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2 Q_{XX}^{-1}).$$

Estimate the error variance.

If  $e_i$  ~~can~~ were observable,  $\frac{1}{n} \sum e_i^2$ .

Now we only have  $\hat{e}_i = y_i - x_i \hat{\beta}$ .

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{e}_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - x_i \hat{\beta}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \hat{\beta} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{e}_i^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i e_i (\beta - \beta_0) \\ &\quad + (\beta - \beta_0) \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i' (\beta - \beta_0) \end{aligned}$$

$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$   
 $0 \quad Q_{xx} \quad 0$

Under homo.

$$AVar(\hat{\beta}) = \underline{Q_{xx}^{-1}} \sigma^2 \text{ trivial.}$$

heteroskedastic, the derivation is complicated

but the result is

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum x_i x_i' \hat{e}_i^2 - \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i x_i' e_i^2 \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum x_i x_i' e_i \xrightarrow{P} 0$$