

743- Regression and Time Series

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Statistics Review

A. Background. Point Estimation

- **Point Estimation**. Let $\underline{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ be a sample from $X : F(x) = F(x, q)$ with unknown $q = (q_1, \dots, q_p)$.
- **A point estimator** of q = any statistic $\hat{q}_n = \hat{q}_n(\underline{X})$, which is a **random variable**, and the distribution of this RV is called **sampling distribution** of \hat{q}_n .
- **A point estimate** of $q : \hat{q}_n = \hat{q}_n(\underline{x}), \underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ is a **single number**.

Common point estimators

1. If $q = m = \text{Mean}$, then

$\hat{q} = \hat{q}_n = \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n X_k$ is a point estimator for $q = m$;

$\hat{q} = \hat{q}_n = \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k$ is a point estimate for $q = m$.

2. If $q = s^2 = \text{Variance}$, then

$S_X^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ is a point estimator for $q = s^2$;

$s_x^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$ is a point estimate for $q = s^2$.

Common point estimators

3. If $q = s_{X,Y} = \text{Cov}(X, Y) = \text{Covariance}$, then

$$\hat{s}_{X,Y} = s_{X,Y} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) = \text{point estimator},$$

and $s_{x,y}$ = point estimate for $s_{X,Y}$.

$$s_{XX} = s_X^2.$$

4. If $q = r_{X,Y} = r(X, Y) = \text{Correlation}$, then

$$\hat{r}_{X,Y} = \frac{s_{X,Y}}{s_X s_Y} = \text{point estimator}$$

and $\hat{r}_{x,y} = \frac{s_{x,y}}{s_x s_y} = \text{point estimate for } r_{X,Y}.$

Properties of Point Estimators: Unbiasedness

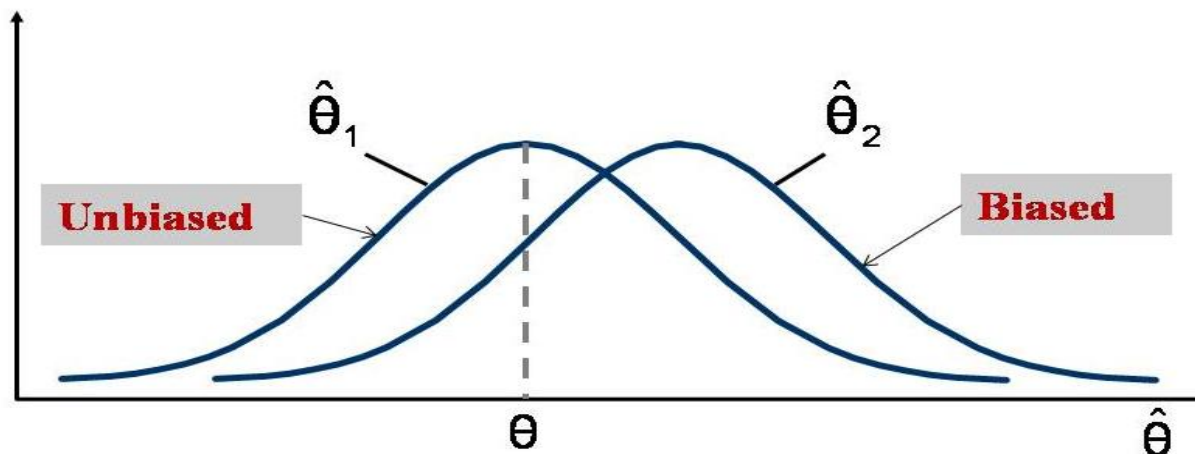
- **Def 1.** Let $\hat{q} = \hat{q}_n$ be a point estimator of q . The difference

$$B(\hat{q}) = E[\hat{q}] - q$$

is called the **bias** of \hat{q} .

- **Def 2.** A point estimator \hat{q} is called an **unbiased** estimator of q if

$$B(\hat{q}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow E[\hat{q}] = q.$$



Properties of Point Estimators: UMVUE

Let U denote the set of all unbiased estimators $\hat{q}_n = \hat{q}_n(\underline{X})$ of unknown parameter q , and let $\hat{q}_1, \hat{q}_2 \in U$.

Then, $\hat{q}_1 \in U$ is said to be more efficient than $\hat{q}_2 \in U$ if

$$\text{Var}(\hat{q}_1) \leq \text{Var}(\hat{q}_2)$$

The relative efficiency of \hat{q}_1 with respect to \hat{q}_2 is defined by

$$\text{Relative Efficiency} = \frac{\text{Var}(\hat{q}_2)}{\text{Var}(\hat{q}_1)}$$

An estimator $\hat{q}_1 \in U$ is called **UMVUE (or best)** estimator of q , if

$$\text{Var}(\hat{q}_1) \leq \text{Var}(\hat{q}) \quad \text{for all } \hat{q} \in U.$$

The Mean Squared Error (MSE)

The **MSE**(\hat{q}) of a point estimator \hat{q} is defined to be

$$MSE(\hat{q}) = E(\hat{q} - q)^2.$$

If $B(\hat{q}) = E[\hat{q}] - q$ is the bias of \hat{q} , then

$$MSE(\hat{q}) = Var(\hat{q}) + [B(\hat{q})]^2.$$

If \hat{q} is unbiased estimator, then

$$MSE(\hat{q}) = Var(\hat{q}).$$

Properties of Point Estimators: Consistency

- **Def.** A point estimator \hat{q}_n is called **consistent** estimator of q if
$$\hat{q}_n \xrightarrow{P} q \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

A Criteria for consistency:

- If \hat{q}_n is an **unbiased** estimator for q , then \hat{q}_n will be **consistent** if
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Var[\hat{q}_n] = 0.$$
- If \hat{q}_n is a **biased** estimator for q , then \hat{q}_n will be **consistent** if
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} MSE[\hat{q}_n] = 0.$$

Asymptotically Normal Estimators

A point estimator \hat{q}_n is called asymptotically normal estimator of q if the asymptotic distribution of

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{q}_n - q) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

is normal, that is,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{q}_n - q) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, S_q^2).$$

Asymptotically Efficient Estimators

A point estimator \hat{q}_n is called **asymptotically efficient** estimator of q if it is **asymptotically normal**, that is,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{q}_n - q) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, s_q^2), \quad s_q^2 = \frac{1}{I(q)},$$

where

$$I(q) = I_n(q) = E \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial q} \ln f(\underline{X}, q) \right)^2 \right]$$

is the **Fisher information** for sample $\underline{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

Rao-Cramer Lower Bound:

$$\text{Var}[\hat{q}(\underline{X})] \geq \frac{1}{I(q)}.$$

The Method of Maximum Likelihood

- **Likelihood function.** Let $\underline{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be a random sample from a distribution having *pdf* (or *pmf*) $f(x, q), q \in \Theta$ (*for simplicity*, first we consider the one-dimensional parameter $q \in \Theta \subset R^1$).

The joint *pdf* of $\underline{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is

$$f(\underline{x}; q) = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n; q) = \prod_{k=1}^n f(x_k; q), \underline{x} \in R^n.$$

The Method of Maximum Likelihood

This function can be considered as a function of the parameter q , in this case, it is denoted by $L(q)$ and is called **likelihood function**. Thus,

$$L(q) = L(q; \underline{x}) = \prod_{k=1}^n f(x_k; q), q \in \Theta. \quad (1)$$

The Method of Maximum Likelihood

- **Def.** The **maximum likelihood estimate (MLE)** $\hat{q} = \hat{q}_n$ of the unknown parameter q is the value of the parameter that **maximize the likelihood function**, that is,

$$L(\hat{q}) \geq L(q) \text{ for all } q \in \Theta.$$

We also use the notation

$$\hat{q}_{MLE} = \hat{q} = \underset{q \in \Theta}{\operatorname{Arg\,max}} L(q; \underline{X}).$$

- The **maximum likelihood estimate (MLE)** is

$$\hat{q}_{MLE} = \hat{q}(\underline{x}) = \hat{q}(x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

The Method of Maximum Likelihood

- To find the MLE \hat{q} we often apply calculus. Specifically we solve the equation

$$\frac{d}{dq} L(q) = 0 \quad (2)$$

for q and check that the solution \hat{q} is a maximum point for $L(q)$.

$$\left. \frac{d^2}{dq^2} L(q) \right|_{q=\hat{q}} < 0.$$

- Equation (2) is called **Estimation or Likelihood Equation.**

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The Method of Maximum Likelihood

- In some cases, it is convenient, instead of likelihood function $L(q)$, to consider the log-likelihood function

$$l(q) = \log L(q).$$

Since $\log L(q)$ increases with $L(q)$, they will have the same maximum point \hat{q} .

So (2) is equivalent to

$$\frac{d}{dq} l(q) = 0 \quad (3)$$

The Method of Maximum Likelihood

- **Remark.** If we have p -dimensional parameter $\mathbf{q} = (q_1, \dots, q_p)$, then the MLE $\hat{\mathbf{q}} = (\hat{q}_1, \dots, \hat{q}_p)$, can be found by solving the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial^k}{\partial q_k} l(q_1, \dots, q_p) = 0 \\ k = 1, 2, \dots, p. \end{cases}$$

The Method of Maximum Likelihood

- **Proposition.** (The Invariance Principle of MLE).

Let $\hat{q} = (\hat{q}_1, \dots, \hat{q}_p)$ be the MLE of the parameter $q = (q_1, \dots, q_p)$.

Then the MLE of the parameter $h = g(q)$, where g is any function, is given by

$$\hat{h} = g(\hat{q}).$$

The Method of Maximum Likelihood

✓ Ex. 1. An experimenter has reason to believe that the pdf describing the variability in a certain type of measurement is the continuous model :

$$(1) \ f(x, q) = \frac{1}{q^2} x \cdot e^{-x/q}, \ 0 < x < \infty, \ 0 < q < \infty.$$

Five data points have been collected:

$$(2) \ x_1 = 9.2; \ x_2 = 5.6; \ x_3 = 18.4; \ x_4 = 12.1; \ x_5 = 10.7.$$

- (a) Find the maximum likelihood estimate for q .
- (b) Find the maximum likelihood estimate for $h = g(q) = q^3$.

Example 1-Solution

Solution.

(a) **First** we find a **general formula** for MLE \hat{q} .

The **likelihood function** is

$$\begin{aligned} L(q) &= L(q, \underline{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, q) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{q^2} x_i \cdot e^{-x_i/q} \\ &= \frac{1}{q^{2n}} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \cdot \left(e^{-\frac{1}{q} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \right) \end{aligned}$$

The **log-likelihood** function is

$$l(q) = \ln L(q) = -2n \ln q + \ln \prod_{i=1}^n x_i - \frac{1}{q} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i.$$

Example 1-Solution

The **Estimation Equation** is

$$\frac{d}{dq} l(q) = -\frac{2n}{q} + \frac{1}{q^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0.$$

Solving for q , we find the following general formula for maximum likelihood estimator and estimate:

$$\hat{q} = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \text{maximum likelihood } \underline{\text{estimator}}$$

$$\hat{q} = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \text{maximum likelihood } \underline{\text{estimate.}}$$

Example 1-Solution

Finally, the MLE \hat{q} for the specified sample (2) is $n=5$

$$\hat{q} = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 5} \sum_{i=1}^5 x_i = \frac{56}{10} = 5.6. \quad \text{So, } \hat{q}_{MLE} = 5.6.$$

(b) Find the maximum likelihood estimate for $h = g(q) = q^3$.

Use the Invariance Principle of MLE

$$\hat{h} = g(\hat{q}) = (\hat{q})^3 = \left(\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^3,$$

$$\hat{h} = g(\hat{q}) = (\hat{q})^3 = 5.6^3 = 175.61.$$

The Method of Maximum Likelihood

✓ Ex.2. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a Random Sample of size n from the normal distribution $N(m, s^2)$ with unknown parameters $q_1 = m$ and $q_2 = s^2$:

$$f(x_1, q_1, q_2) = f(x, m, s^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi s}} \cdot e^{-\frac{(x-m)^2}{2s^2}},$$
$$-\infty < x < \infty, -\infty < m < \infty, 0 < s^2 < \infty.$$

Find the ML Estimators and Estimates for m and s^2 .

Example 2-Solution

Solution.

1) The **Likelihood function** is

$$\begin{aligned} L(q_1, q_2) &= L(m, s^2) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, m, s^2) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2p} \cdot s} \cdot e^{-\frac{(x_i - m)^2}{2s^2}} = (2ps^2)^{-n/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{x_i - m}{s}\right)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

2) The **Log-Likelihood** function is

$$l(m, s^2) = \log L(m, s^2) = -\frac{n}{2} \ln(2ps^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{x_i - m}{s}\right)^2.$$

Example 2-Solution

- 3) Compute the partial derivatives of $l(m, s^2)$ w.r.t. m and s^2 .

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial m} l(m, s^2) = - \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{x_i - m}{s} \right) \left(-\frac{1}{s} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial s^2} l(m, s^2) = -\frac{n}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2ps^2} 2p - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - m)^2 \left(-\frac{1}{s^4} \right)$$

Example 2-Solution

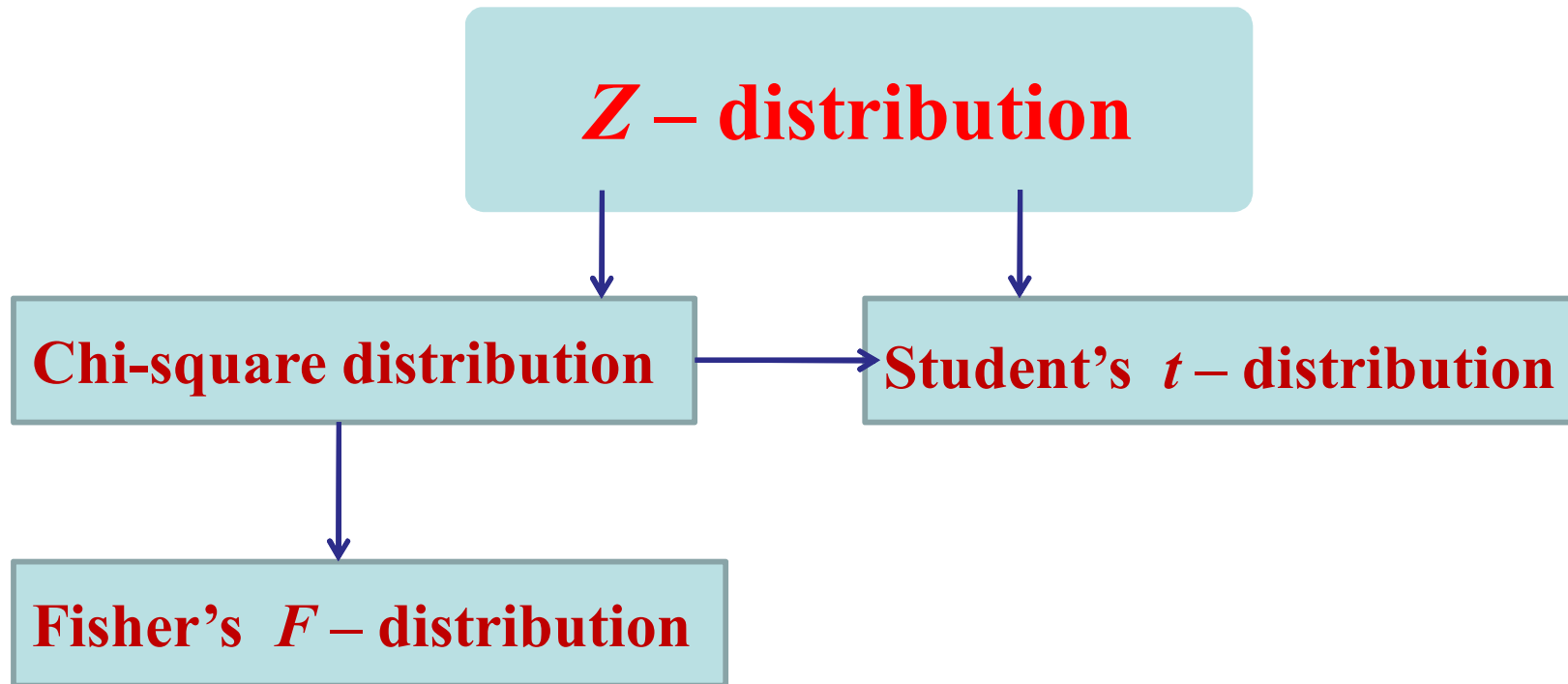
4) The system of Estimation Equation is

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial}{\partial m} l(m, s^2) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial s^2} l(m, s^2) = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - m) = 0 \\ -ns^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - m)^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

5) Solving for m and s^2 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{m} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \bar{x} \\ \hat{s}^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \end{aligned} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{MLEstimates for} \\ m \text{ and } s^2. \end{array}$$

B. Sampling Distributions

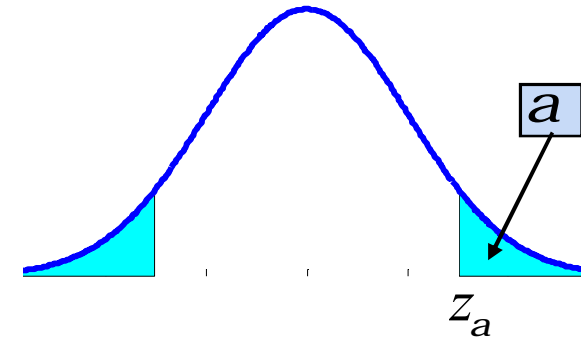


Standard Normal Distribution

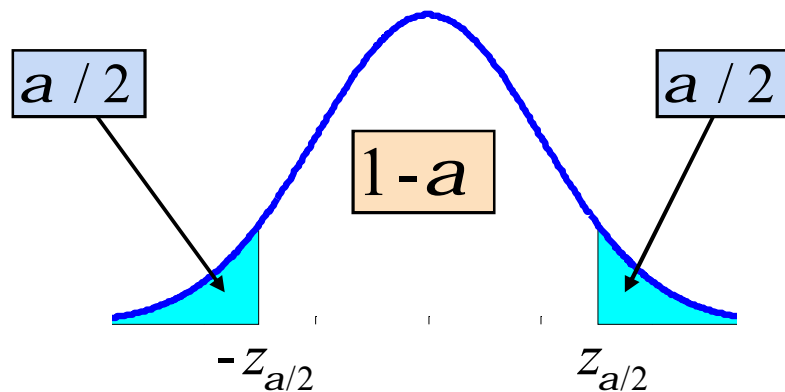
Definition: Let a be given number such that $0 < a < 1$, the value z_a of $Z \sim N(0,1)$ satisfying

$$P(Z > z_a) = a$$

is called a - **upper percentile**, or **Critical Value** of Z .



$$P(-z_{a/2} < Z < z_{a/2}) = 1 - a$$



z_a - values can be found from **Z-Table**

Example:

For $a = .025$: $z_a = z_{.025} = 1.96$

The Chi-square Distribution

Definition: Let Z_1, \dots, Z_n be a sequence of **independent standard normal** random variables (a random sample from standard normal distribution), then the distribution of the RV defined by

$$Y_n = C^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2 = Z_1^2 + Z_2^2 + \dots + Z_n^2$$

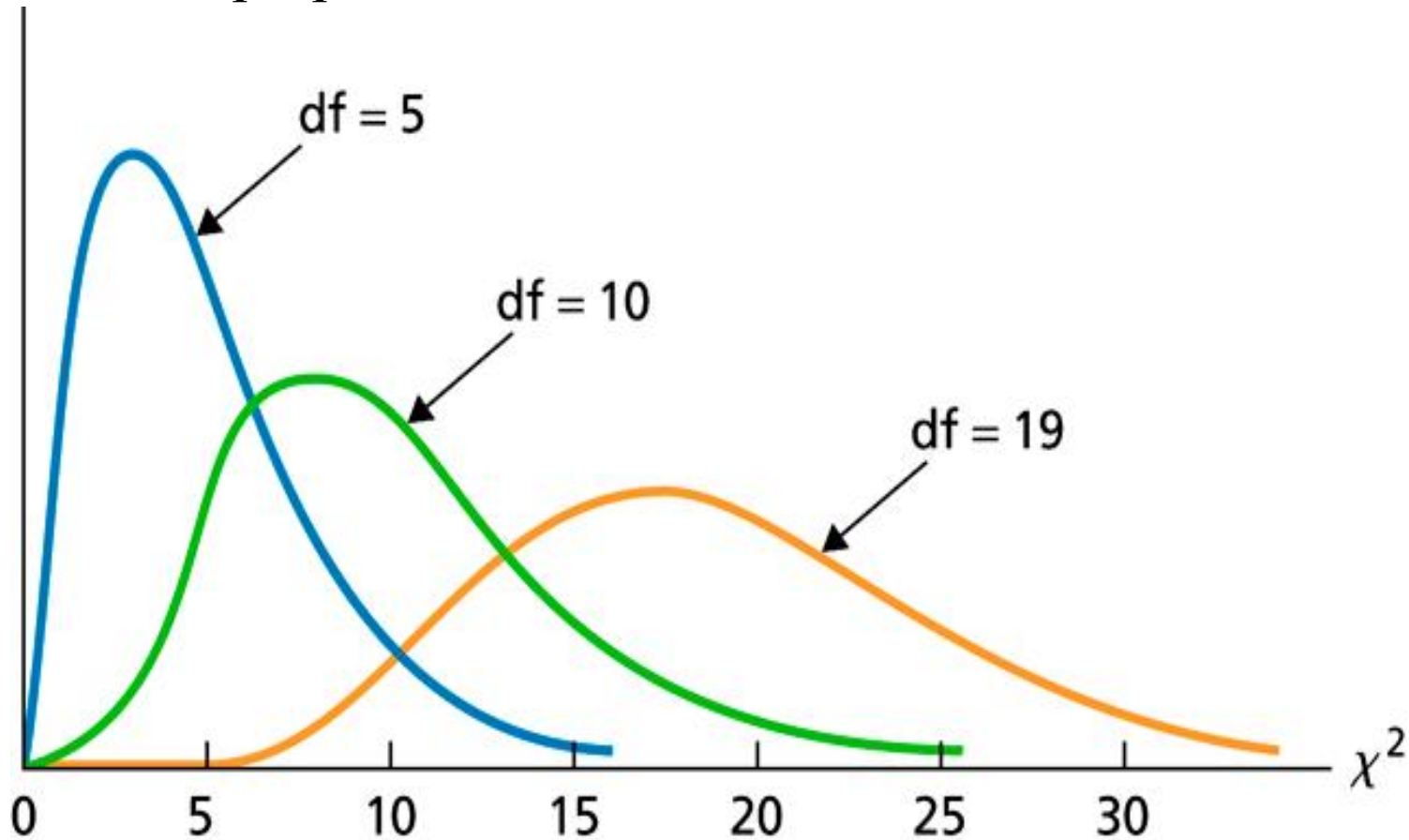
is called **chi-square distribution** with n degrees of freedom (df).

Notation: $Y \sim C_n^2 = C^2(n)$

Remark: Actually, there are **infinitely many** chi-square distributions, and we identify the chi-square distribution in question by its number of degrees of freedom (df).

The Chi-square Distribution

The following Figure shows three χ^2 - curves and illustrates some basic properties of χ^2 - distribution.



The Chi-square Distribution

Properties of the Chi-Square χ^2 - Distribution:

1. The χ^2 -distribution is **not symmetric**. The χ^2 -distribution is **skewed right**.
2. The shape of the chi-square distribution depends on the degrees of freedom.
3. As the number of degrees of freedom increases, the chi-square distribution becomes more nearly symmetric.
4. The values of χ^2 are nonnegative, that is, the values of χ^2 are greater than or equal to 0.

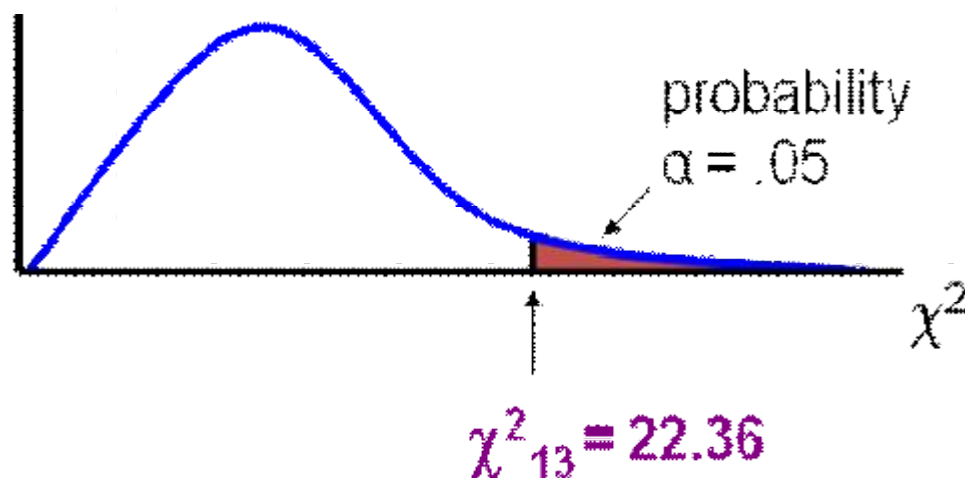
The Chi-square Distribution

Definition: Let a be given number such that $0 < a < 1$, the value

$c_a^2 = c_{a,n}^2$ of $c^2 \sim c_n^2$ satisfying

$$P(c^2 > c_a^2) = a$$

is called a - **upper percentile**, or **Critical Value** of χ^2 -distribution. c_a^2 -values can be found from χ^2 -**Table**



Example:

For $a = .05$; $n = 13$

$$c_{.05,13}^2 = 22.36$$

Student's t - Distribution

Definition: Let Z and Y be two **independent** random variables such that $Z \sim N(0,1)$ and $X \sim \chi^2(n)$, then the distribution of the RV defined by

$$T = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{X/n}}$$

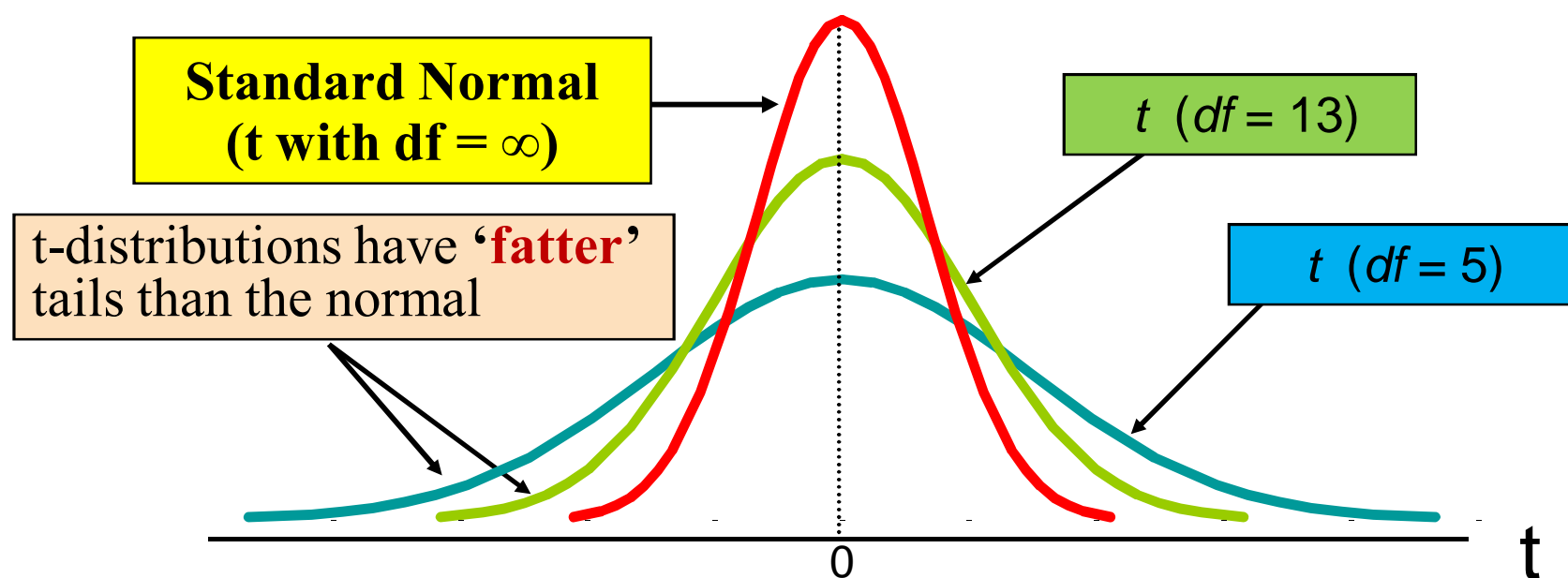
is called **Student's t - distribution** with n degrees of freedom (df).

Notation: $T \sim t(n) = t_n$.

Remark: Actually, there are **infinitely many** t -distributions, and we identify the t -distribution in question by its number of degrees of freedom ($n = df$).

Properties of Student's t - Distribution

1. t - distributions are **bell-shaped**, **centered** at 0, and **symmetric** about 0: $P(T > 0) = P(T < 0) = 1/2$.
2. t - distributions **depend** on $n = df$: $T \sim t_n$
3. For $n < 30$ t - distribution and $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ are **quite different**.
4. For $n \geq 30$ t - distribution and $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ are **close**: $T \longrightarrow Z$.



Critical Values of **t** – Distribution: t_a -values

Definition: Let a be given number such that $0 < a < 1$, the value

$t_a = t_{a,df} = t_{a,n}$ of $T \sim t_n$ satisfying

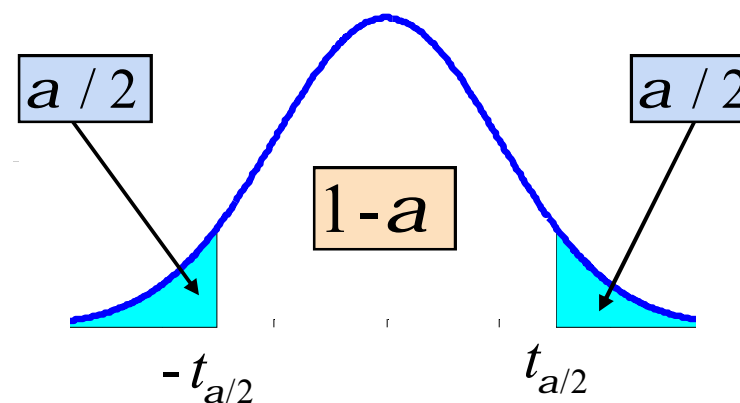
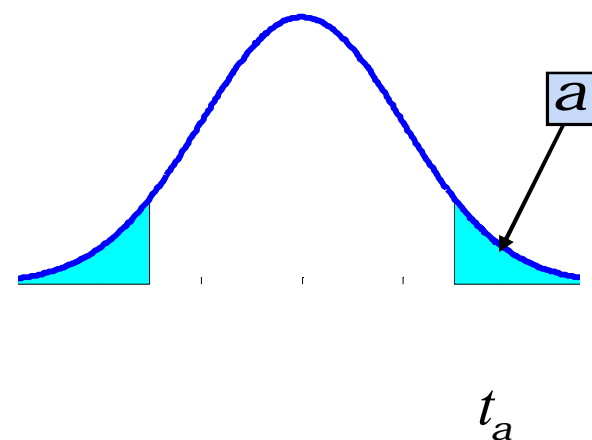
$$P(T > t_a) = a$$

is called a - **Critical Value (CV)**
of t – Distribution.

We have $P(-t_{a/2} < T < t_{a/2}) = 1 - a$

t_a -values can be found from
T-Table (Table B3).

Example: $t_{.025,7} = 2.365$



Fisher's F - Distribution

Definition: Let \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 be two **independent** random variables such that $X_1 \sim c^2(n_1)$ and $X_2 \sim c^2(n_2)$, then the distribution of the RV defined by

$$F = \frac{X_1 / n_1}{X_2 / n_2}$$

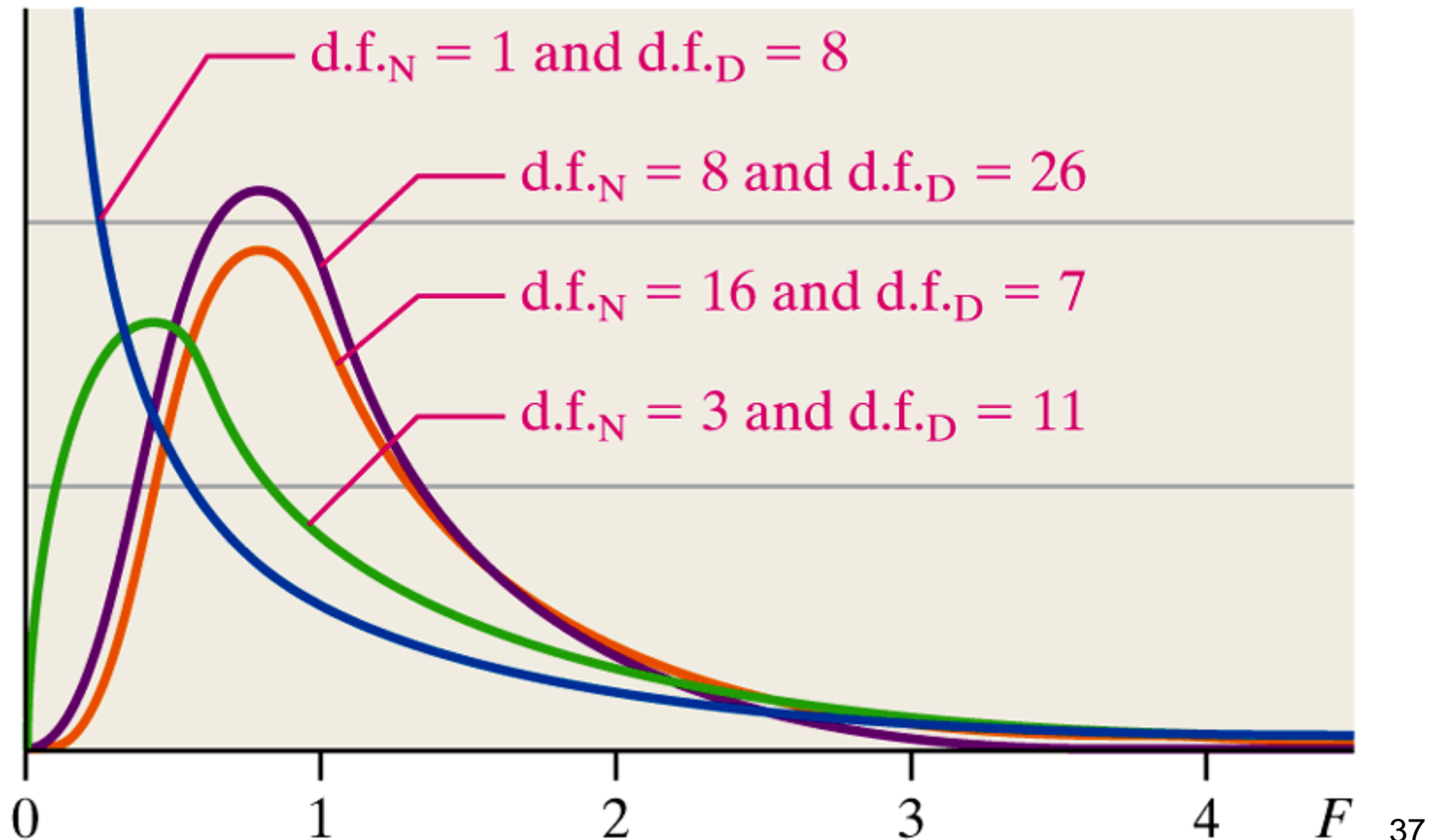
is called **Fisher's F - distribution** with n_1 *numerator df* and n_2 *denominator df*.

Notation: $F \sim F_{n_1, n_2}$

Remark: Actually, there are **infinitely many** F -distributions, and we identify the F -distribution in question by its number of degrees of freedom ($n_1 = df_1$; $n_2 = df_2$).

Fisher's F - Distribution

The following Figure shows three F - *curves* and illustrates some basic properties of F - **distribution**.



Fisher's F - Distribution

Properties of F - distribution:

1. The **F-distribution** is **not symmetric**.
2. The F -distribution is skewed right.
3. The shape of **F-distribution** depends on the degrees of freedom, just as with Student's t -distribution and χ^2 -distribution.
4. The values of F are nonnegative.

Fisher's F - Distribution

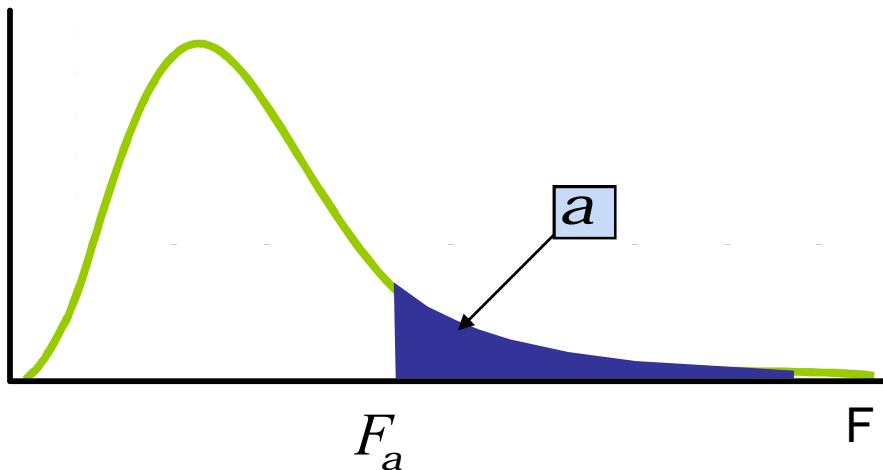
Definition: Let a be given number such that $0 < a < 1$, the value

$F_a = F_{a,n_1,n_2}$ of $F \sim F_{n_1,n_2}$ satisfying

$$P(F > F_a) = a$$

$$F_{1-a,n_1,n_2} = \frac{1}{F_{a,n_2,n_1}}$$

is called a - **upper percentile**, or **Critical Value** of F -distribution. F_a -values can be found from **F-Table**.



Example:

For $a = .025$;
 $n_1 = 20$; $n_2 = 15$

$$F_{.025,20,15} = 2.76$$

Sampling Distribution of Sample Mean

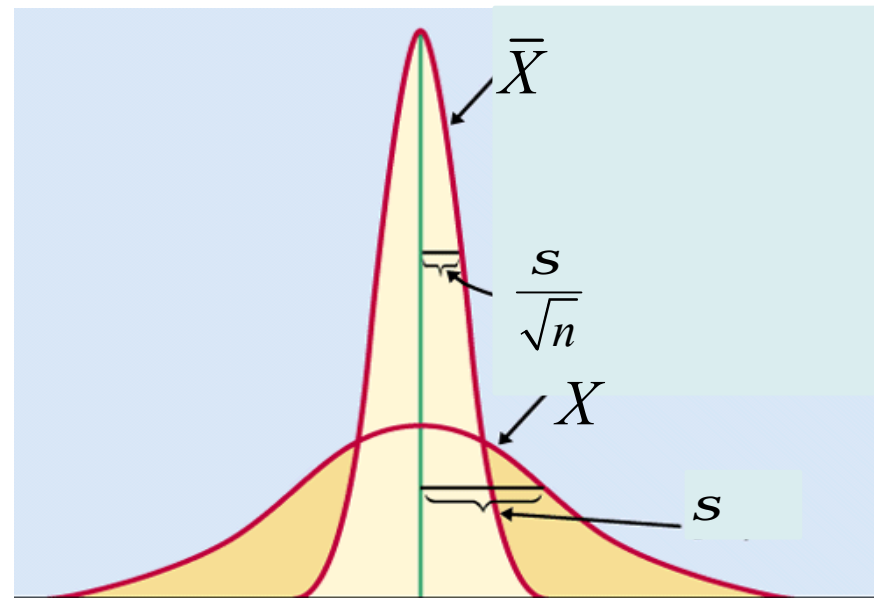
Theorem 1. (**Sampling distribution of the sample mean for normally distributed population.**)

If we have a population as a possible values of a **normal** RV X with mean μ and **known** variance S^2 , then for **any sample of size** n the sampling distribution of \bar{X} **is also normal** with the same mean $m_{\bar{X}} = m$ and variance $S_{\bar{X}}^2 = \frac{S^2}{n}$.

Symbolically:

If $X \sim N(m, S^2)$,

then $\bar{X} \sim N(m, S^2 / n)$.



The sampling distribution of the sample mean

Theorem 1 is a special case of the following **general result**.

- **Theorem 2** (Additivity property of Normal distribution).

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be **independent** RV's such that

$$X_i \sim N(m_i, s_i^2), i = \overline{1, n}.$$

Then for any constants $a_i \in R$ the linear combination

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i : N(m, s^2),$$

where $m = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i m_i$ and $s^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 s_i^2$.

- **Remark.** Theorem 1 now follows from Theorem 2 with

$$a_i = \frac{1}{n}, m_i = m, s_i^2 = s^2.$$

Sampling Distribution of Sample Mean

Theorem 3. (**CLT: Sampling distribution of the sample mean for arbitrary population**).

Assume that we have a population as possible values of an **arbitrary** RV X with mean μ and variance σ^2 ($0 < \sigma^2 < \infty$), and that a random sample of size n , is taken from this population.

Then the sampling distribution of \bar{X} becomes **approximately normal** with mean $m_{\bar{X}} = m$ and variance $\sigma_{\bar{X}}^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$, as the sample size n becomes **large**.

Symbolically: If $X \sim ANY(m, \sigma^2)$, then $\bar{X} \sim AN(m, \sigma^2 / n)$.
A = Approximately, for large n .

Note: n is **large** if $n \geq 30$.

Sampling Distribution of Sample Mean

Z –transform for sampling mean:

$$\bar{X} \sim AN \left(m_{\bar{X}} = m, s_{\bar{X}}^2 = \frac{s^2}{n} \right)$$

Z –transform:

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - m_{\bar{X}}}{s_{\bar{X}}} = \frac{\bar{X} - m}{s / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0,1)$$

Thus, the Sampling Distribution of \bar{X} is **Z –distribution**.

Note. In order to find probabilities for \bar{X} it is enough to know the standard error $s_{\bar{X}} = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$.

Sampling Distribution of Sample Mean

Theorem 4. (Extended CLT).

Assume that we have a population as possible values of an **arbitrary** RV X with mean μ and **unknown variance** S^2 , and that a random sample of size n is taken from this population, and the sample variance S^2 is used as a **point estimator** for **unknown variance** S^2 , then as the sample size n becomes **large** ($n \geq 30$),

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0,1)$$

Thus, the **Sampling Distribution of \bar{X} is Z –distribution.**

Sampling Distribution of Sample Mean

Theorem 5. (Student's Theorem).

Assume that we have a population as possible values of a **normally** distributed RV X with mean μ and **unknown variance** σ^2 : $X \sim N(m, \sigma^2)$, and that a random sample of size n is taken from this population, and the sample variance S^2 is used as a **point estimator** for **unknown variance** σ^2 , then the statistic

$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - m}{S / \sqrt{n}} \sim t_{(n-1)}$$

has **Student's t -distribution** with $df = (n - 1)$.

Thus, the Sampling Distribution of \bar{X} is **t -distribution**.

Properties of the Sample Variance

Theorem 6: Sampling Distribution of Sample Variance S^2 .

If a simple random sample of size n is obtained from a **normally distributed** population with mean m and standard deviation S , then the statistic

$$C^2 = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{S^2} \sim C_{n-1}^2$$

where S^2 is a sample variance, has a **chi-square distribution** with $(n-1)$ degrees of freedom (df).

Thus, the **Sampling Distribution of S^2 is χ^2 -distribution.**

C. Interval Estimation.

Summary. Confidence, Prediction and Tolerance Intervals

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a RS from the distribution of a RV

$X : F(x, q)$ with unknown parameter q , and let a ($0 \leq a \leq 1$) be a given number.

1. The interval $[\hat{q}_L, \hat{q}_U]$ such that $P_q(\hat{q}_L \leq q \leq \hat{q}_U) = 1 - a$ is called a $100(1 - a)\%$ **Confidence Interval** for q .

So **CI covers unknown parameter** q .

Interval Estimation.

2. The interval $[\hat{q}_L, \hat{q}_U]$ such that $P_q(\hat{q}_L \leq X_{n+1} \leq \hat{q}_U) = 1 - a$ is called a $100(1 - a)\%$ **Prediction Interval** for X_{n+1} .

So **PI covers a new RV** X_{n+1} .

3. Given a number $p(0 \leq p \leq 1)$. The interval $[\hat{q}_L, \hat{q}_U]$ such that

$$P_q[F(\hat{q}_U(\underline{X}), q) - F(\hat{q}_L(\underline{X}), q) \geq p] = 1 - a$$

is called a $100(1 - a)\%$ **Tolerance Interval** for $100p\%$ of the population. So **TI covers a proportion of population.**

Confidence Intervals about population mean μ

1. Normal population or Large-sample, SD s is known.

The $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ **Confidence Interval (CI)** for μ is the interval (\hat{m}_L, \hat{m}_U) ,

where

$$\hat{m}_L = \bar{X} - z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{m}_U = \bar{X} + z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

where $z_{\alpha/2}$ is the value of **Z-statistic** satisfying:

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Confidence Intervals about population mean μ

3. Normal population or Small-sample ($n < 30$), SD s is unknown.

The $100(1-a)\%$ **Confidence Interval (CI)** for m is the interval (\hat{m}_L, \hat{m}_U) ,

where

$$\hat{m}_L = \bar{X} - t_{a/2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{m}_U = \bar{X} + t_{a/2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

where $t_{a/2} = t_{a/2, (n-1)}$ is the value of **t -statistic** satisfying:

$$P(t > t_{a/2}) = a / 2.$$

D. Test of Hypotheses

- Specification of the Test Statistic and its Distribution under H_0
- This step depends on the problem of interest.
- For example, in testing of hypothesis concerning mean of population, that is,

$$H_0 : m = m_0 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : m \neq m_0.$$

Test of Hypotheses

A sample mean \bar{X} is used to specify the test statistic, and we have two cases:

a) **Z-statistic** :

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - m}{S / \sqrt{n}};$$
$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - m_0}{S / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0,1) \quad (\text{Z-procedure});$$

b) **T-statistic** :

$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - m}{S / \sqrt{n}};$$
$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - m_0}{S / \sqrt{n}} \sim t_{(n-1)} \quad (\text{T-procedure}).$$

Methods and Steps of Hypotheses Testing

1. Critical - Value Method.

Step 1. Compute the Critical Value and specify the Critical Region or Rej. Region for the test.

Step 2. Take a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n from the population and compute the value of the test statistic, called the Observed Value,

$$z_0 = Z(obz) = \frac{\bar{X} - m_0}{s / \sqrt{n}} \quad \text{for (Z- procedure)}$$

$$t_0 = T(obz) = \frac{\bar{X} - m_0}{s / \sqrt{n}} \quad \text{for (T- procedure)}$$

Critical - Value Method

Step 3. Test the hypothesis using the following Decision Rule.

Decision Rule based on **Critical-values**:

ØReject H_0 if the observed value of the test statistic

$$z_0 = Z(obz) = \frac{\bar{X} - m_0}{s / \sqrt{n}} \text{ falls the RR.}$$

ØDo not reject H_0 if $z_0 = Z(obz)$ does not fall the RR.

2. *P* - Value Method

Definition: The ***P*-value**, (or observed significance level) corresponding to an observed value of a test statistic, is the smallest significance level at which the null hypothesis H_0 should be rejected.

Step 1. Take a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n and compute the **Observed Value**,

$$z_0 = Z(obz) = \frac{\bar{X} - m_0}{S / \sqrt{n}} \quad \text{for (**Z**- procedure)}$$

$$t_0 = T(obz) = \frac{\bar{X} - m_0}{S / \sqrt{n}} \quad \text{for (**T**- procedure)}$$

***P* - Value Method**

Step 2. Calculate the ***P***-value corresponding to $z_0 = Z(obz)$, depending on the alternative hypothesis.

Step 3. **Decision Rule** based on ***P***-values:

ØReject H_0 if $P - value \leq \alpha$.

ØDo not reject H_0 if $P - value > \alpha$.

3. Confidence Intervals Method

Step 1. For a given significance level α construct a CI for m :

$$\bar{X} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (\text{or} \quad \bar{X} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}) \quad \text{for (Z- procedure).}$$

$$\bar{X} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{for (T- procedure).}$$

Step 2. Test the hypothesis using the following Decision Rule.

Decision Rule based on Confidence Intervals:

Reject H_0 if CI does not contain m_0 .

Do not reject H_0 if CI contains m_0 .

Method and Steps of Hypotheses Testing

✓ Example 1. In order to test the null hypothesis

$$H_0 : m = 45 \quad \text{versus} \quad H_1 : m \neq 45.$$

A random sample of size $n=40$ is obtained from a population with known standard deviation $\sigma = 8$.

The sample shows that the sample mean is $\bar{X} = 48.3$.

Test the hypothesis at the $\alpha = .05$ level significance using

- a) **Critical Value method**
- b) **P -value method.**
- c) **CI Method.**

Example1.-Solution

Solution.

(a) Critical Value method

Step 1.

Specify test statistic (TS) and its distribution under H_0 .

Since $n=40 > 30$ we can apply CLT. Hence as a TS we can consider Z -statistic:

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - m}{S / \sqrt{n}} : N(0,1), \text{ if } H_0 \text{ is true, that is,}$$

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - 45}{S / \sqrt{n}} : N(0,1).$$

Solution-(a) Critical Value method

Step 2. Compute the observed value of TS: .

We have

$$\bar{X} = 48.3, n = 40, s = 8, m_0 = 45,$$

$$\text{hence } z_0 = Z(\text{obz}) = \frac{\bar{X} - m_0}{s / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{48.3 - 45}{8 / \sqrt{40}} = 2.61.$$

$$\text{So, } z_0 = Z(\text{obz}) = 2.61.$$

Step 3. Compute the Critical Values and set up RR.

Since we are performing a **two-tailed test**,

Critical Values and RR are:

$$\pm z_{\alpha/2} \text{ and } |Z| > z_{\alpha/2} \text{ respectively for } \alpha = .05, \pm z_{\alpha/2} = \pm 1.96.$$

Solution-(a) Critical Value method

Step 4. Decision.

Since $z_0 = Z(obz) = 2.61$ falls RR ($2.61 > 1.96$), we **reject** H_0 .

Step 5. Conclusion.

There is sufficient evidence to reject the null hypothesis

$$H_0 : m = 45$$

at the $\alpha = .05$ level of significance.

Example 1.-Solution (b)

(b) P-value method.

Step 1. Test Statistic:

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - m}{s / \sqrt{n}} : N(0,1), \text{ if } H_0 \text{ is true.}$$

Step 2. The observed value of TS is:

$$z_0 = Z(obz) = 2.61.$$

Step 3. Compute the P-value corresponding to $z_0 = 2.61$.

Since we are performing a **two-tailed test**, for **P**-value (from Z-Table we have

$$\begin{aligned} p\text{-value} &= 2 \cdot P(Z > |z_0|) = 2 \cdot P(Z > 2.61) \\ &= 2 \cdot P(Z < -2.61) = 2 \cdot [.0045] = .009. \end{aligned}$$

Solution-(b) *P*-value method

Thus, *P*-value = .009.

Step 4. Decision.

Since given significance level is $\alpha = .05$, and the observed significance level is

P-value = .009, and $.009 < .05$ the decision is:

Reject the hypothesis H_0 .

Example 1.-Solution (c)

(c) CI Method.

Step 1. Construct a 95% CI for μ :

$$\bar{X} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} = 48.3 \pm 1.96 \cdot \frac{8}{\sqrt{40}} = 48.3 \pm 2.48.$$

That is, the **95% CI** is: **(45.82, 50.78)**.

Step 2. Decision.

Since the **95% CI = (45.82, 50.78)**, **does not contain** the value $m_0 = 45$, we **reject** the null hypothesis $H_0 : m = 45$.