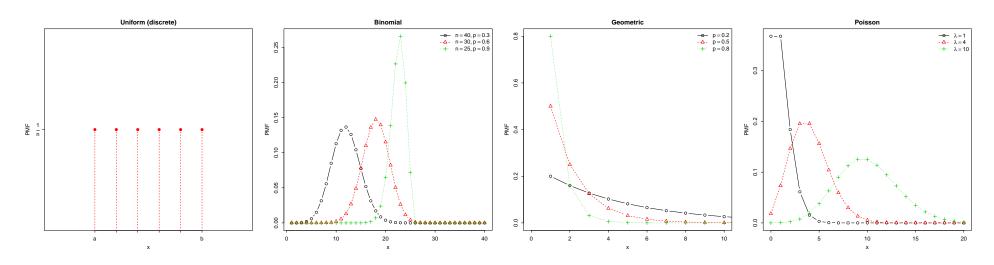
# PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS CHEAT SHEET

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# 1 Distribution Overview

# 1.1 Discrete Distributions

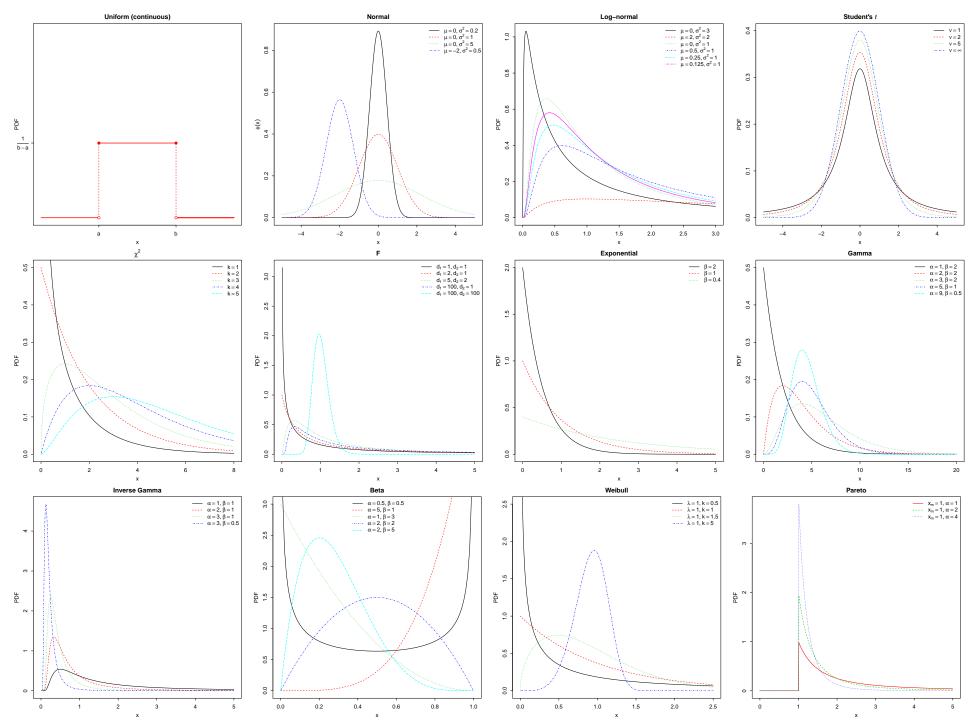
	Notation <sup>1</sup>	$F_X(x)$	$f_X(x)$	$\mathbb{E}\left[X\right]$	$\mathbb{V}\left[X\right]$	$M_X(s)$
Uniform	Unif $\{a,\ldots,b\}$	$\begin{cases} 0 & x < a \\ \frac{\lfloor x \rfloor - a + 1}{b - a} & a \le x \le b \\ 1 & x > b \\ (1 - p)^{1 - x} \end{cases}$	$\frac{I(a < x < b)}{b - a + 1}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a+1)^2-1}{12}$	$\frac{e^{as} - e^{-(b+1)s}}{s(b-a)}$
Bernoulli	$\mathrm{Bern}(p)$	$(1-p)^{1-x}$	$p^x \left(1 - p\right)^{1 - x}$	p	p(1-p)	$1 - p + pe^s$
Binomial	$\operatorname{Bin}\left(n,p\right)$	$I_{1-p}(n-x,x+1)$	$\binom{n}{x} p^x \left(1 - p\right)^{n - x}$	np	np(1-p)	$(1 - p + pe^s)^n$
Multinomial	$\mathrm{Mult}(n,p)$		$\frac{n!}{x_1! \dots x_k!} p_1^{x_1} \dots p_k^{x_k}  \sum_{i=1}^k x_i = n$	$np_i$	$np_i(1-p_i)$	$\left(\sum_{i=0}^k p_i e^{s_i}\right)^n$
Hypergeometric	$\mathrm{Hyp}\left(N,m,n\right)$	$\approx \Phi\left(\frac{x - np}{\sqrt{np(1 - p)}}\right)$	$\frac{\binom{m}{x}\binom{m-x}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{x}}$	$rac{nm}{N}$	$\frac{nm(N-n)(N-m)}{N^2(N-1)}$	N/A
Negative Binomial	$\mathrm{NBin}(n,p)$	$I_p(r, x+1)$	$\binom{x+r-1}{r-1}p^r(1-p)^x$			$\left(\frac{p}{1 - (1 - p)e^s}\right)^r$
Geometric	$\mathrm{Geo}\left(p\right)$	$1 - (1 - p)^x  x \in \mathbb{N}^+$	$p(1-p)^{x-1}  x \in \mathbb{N}^+$	$\frac{1}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$	$\frac{p}{1 - (1 - p)e^s}$
Poisson	$Po(\lambda)$	$e^{-\lambda} \sum_{i=0}^{x} \frac{\lambda^i}{i!}$	$\frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$	λ	λ	$e^{\lambda(e^s-1)}$



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>We use the notation  $\gamma(s,x)$  and  $\Gamma(x)$  to refer to the Gamma functions (see §22.1), and use B(x,y) and  $I_x$  to refer to the Beta functions (see §22.2).

# 1.2 Continuous Distributions

	Notation	$F_X(x)$	$f_X(x)$	$\mathbb{E}\left[X\right]$	$\mathbb{V}\left[X\right]$	$M_X(s)$
Uniform	$\mathrm{Unif}(a,b)$	$\begin{cases} 0 & x < a \\ \frac{x-a}{b-a} & a < x < b \\ 1 & x > b \end{cases}$	$\frac{I(a < x < b)}{b - a}$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$	$\frac{e^{sb} - e^{sa}}{s(b-a)}$
Normal	$\mathcal{N}\left(\mu,\sigma^2 ight)$	$\Phi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} \phi(t)  dt$	$\phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$	$\exp\left\{\mu s + \frac{\sigma^2 s^2}{2}\right\}$
Log-Normal	$\ln\mathcal{N}\left(\mu,\sigma^2\right)$	$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{erf}\left[\frac{\ln x - \mu}{\sqrt{2\sigma^2}}\right]$	$\frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}}\exp\left\{-\frac{(\ln x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$	$e^{\mu+\sigma^2/2}$	$(e^{\sigma^2} - 1)e^{2\mu + \sigma^2}$	
Multivariate Normal	$\operatorname{MVN}\left(\mu,\Sigma\right)$		$(2\pi)^{-k/2}  \Sigma ^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)}$	$\mu$	$\Sigma$	$\exp\left\{\mu^T s + \frac{1}{2} s^T \Sigma s\right\}$
Student's $t$	$\mathrm{Student}(\nu)$	$I_x\left(rac{ u}{2},rac{ u}{2} ight)$	$\frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\nu\pi}\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)}\left(1+\frac{x^2}{\nu}\right)^{-(\nu+1)/2}$	0	0	
Chi-square	$\chi^2_k$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(k/2)}\gamma\left(\frac{k}{2},\frac{x}{2}\right)$	$\frac{1}{2^{k/2}\Gamma(k/2)}x^{k/2}e^{-x/2}$	k	2k	$(1-2s)^{-k/2} \ s < 1/2$
F	$\mathrm{F}(d_1,d_2)$	$I_{\frac{d_1x}{d_1x+d_2}}\left(\frac{d_1}{2}, \frac{d_1}{2}\right)$	$\frac{\sqrt{\frac{(d_1x)^{d_1}d_2^{d_2}}{(d_1x+d_2)^{d_1+d_2}}}}{xB\left(\frac{d_1}{2},\frac{d_1}{2}\right)}$	$\frac{d_2}{d_2-2}$	$\frac{2d_2^2(d_1+d_2-2)}{d_1(d_2-2)^2(d_2-4)}$	
Exponential	$\mathrm{Exp}\left(\beta\right)$	$1 - e^{-x/\beta}$	$\frac{1}{\beta}e^{-x/eta}$	$\beta$	$eta^2$	$\frac{1}{1-\beta s} \left( s < 1/\beta \right)$
Gamma	$\operatorname{Gamma}\left(\alpha,\beta\right)$	$rac{\gamma(lpha,x/eta)}{\Gamma(lpha)}$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^{\alpha}}x^{\alpha-1}e^{-x/\beta}$	lphaeta	$lphaeta^2$	$\left(\frac{1}{1-\beta s}\right)^{\alpha} (s < 1/\beta)$
Inverse Gamma	$\operatorname{InvGamma}\left(\alpha,\beta\right)$	$\frac{\Gamma\left(\alpha,\frac{\beta}{x}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\alpha\right)}$	$\frac{\beta^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}x^{-\alpha-1}e^{-\beta/x}$	$\frac{\beta}{\alpha - 1} \ \alpha > 1$	$\frac{\beta^2}{(\alpha-1)^2(\alpha-2)^2} \ \alpha > 2$	$\frac{2(-\beta s)^{\alpha/2}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}K_{\alpha}\left(\sqrt{-4\beta s}\right)$
Dirichlet	$\mathrm{Dir}\left( lpha ight)$		$\frac{\Gamma\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}\right)}{\prod_{i=1}^{k} \Gamma\left(\alpha_{i}\right)} \prod_{i=1}^{k} x_{i}^{\alpha_{i}-1}$	$\frac{\alpha_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i}$	$\frac{\mathbb{E}\left[X_{i}\right]\left(1-\mathbb{E}\left[X_{i}\right]\right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{k}\alpha_{i}+1}$	
Beta	$\mathrm{Beta}\left(\alpha,\beta\right)$	$I_x(lpha,eta)$	$\frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1}$	$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$	$\frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha+\beta)^2(\alpha+\beta+1)}$	$1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \prod_{r=0}^{k-1} \frac{\alpha + r}{\alpha + \beta + r} \right) \frac{s^k}{k!}$
Weibull	Weibull $(\lambda, k)$	$1 - e^{-(x/\lambda)^k}$	$\frac{k}{\lambda} \left(\frac{x}{\lambda}\right)^{k-1} e^{-(x/\lambda)^k}$	$\lambda\Gamma\left(1+\frac{1}{k}\right)$	$\lambda^2 \Gamma \left( 1 + \frac{2}{k} \right) - \mu^2$	$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^n \lambda^n}{n!} \Gamma\left(1 + \frac{n}{k}\right)$
Pareto	Pareto $(x_m, \alpha)$	$1 - \left(\frac{x_m}{x}\right)^{\alpha} \ x \ge x_m$	$\alpha \frac{x_m^{\alpha}}{x^{\alpha+1}}  x \ge x_m$	$\frac{\alpha x_m}{\alpha - 1} \ \alpha > 1$	$\frac{x_m^{\alpha}}{(\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 2)} \ \alpha > 2$	$\alpha(-x_m s)^{\alpha} \Gamma(-\alpha, -x_m s) \ s < 0$



# 2 Probability Theory

#### Definitions

- Sample space  $\Omega$
- Outcome (point or element)  $\omega \in \Omega$
- Event  $A \subseteq \Omega$
- $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ 
  - 1.  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$
  - $2. A_1, A_2, \ldots, \in \mathcal{A} \implies \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$
  - 3.  $A \in \mathcal{A} \implies \neg A \in \mathcal{A}$
- ullet Probability distribution  $\mathbb P$ 
  - 1.  $\mathbb{P}[A] \geq 0$  for every A
  - $2. \ \mathbb{P}\left[\Omega\right] = 1$
  - 3.  $\mathbb{P}\left[\bigsqcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}\left[A_i\right]$
- Probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$

### Properties

- $\mathbb{P}\left[\emptyset\right] = 0$
- $B = \Omega \cap B = (A \cup \neg A) \cap B = (A \cap B) \cup (\neg A \cap B)$
- $\mathbb{P}\left[\neg A\right] = 1 \mathbb{P}\left[A\right]$
- $\mathbb{P}[B] = \mathbb{P}[A \cap B] + \mathbb{P}[\neg A \cap B]$
- $\mathbb{P}\left[\Omega\right] = 1$   $\mathbb{P}\left[\emptyset\right] = 0$
- $\neg(\bigcup_n A_n) = \bigcap_n \neg A_n \quad \neg(\bigcap_n A_n) = \bigcup_n \neg A_n$  DEMORGAN
- $\mathbb{P}\left[\bigcup_{n} A_{n}\right] = 1 \mathbb{P}\left[\bigcap_{n} \neg A_{n}\right]$
- $\mathbb{P}[A \cup B] = \mathbb{P}[A] + \mathbb{P}[B] \mathbb{P}[A \cap B]$ 
  - $\implies \mathbb{P}\left[A \cup B\right] \leq \mathbb{P}\left[A\right] + \mathbb{P}\left[B\right]$
- $\bullet \ \mathbb{P}\left[A \cup B\right] = \mathbb{P}\left[A \cap \neg B\right] + \mathbb{P}\left[\neg A \cap B\right] + \mathbb{P}\left[A \cap B\right]$
- $\mathbb{P}[A \cap \neg B] = \mathbb{P}[A] \mathbb{P}[A \cap B]$

# Continuity of Probabilities

- $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset \ldots \implies \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}[A_n] = \mathbb{P}[A]$  where  $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$
- $A_1 \supset A_2 \supset \ldots \implies \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}[A_n] = \mathbb{P}[A]$  where  $A = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i$

# Independence $\perp \!\!\! \perp$

$$A \perp \!\!\!\perp B \iff \mathbb{P}[A \cap B] = \mathbb{P}[A] \mathbb{P}[B]$$

# Conditional Probability

$$\mathbb{P}\left[A\,|\,B\right] = \frac{\mathbb{P}\left[A\cap B\right]}{\mathbb{P}\left[B\right]} \qquad if \quad \mathbb{P}\left[B\right] > 0$$

Law of Total Probability

$$\mathbb{P}[B] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{P}[B|A_i] \mathbb{P}[A_i] \qquad \Omega = \bigsqcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i$$

Bayes' Theorem

$$\mathbb{P}\left[A_i \mid B\right] = \frac{\mathbb{P}\left[B \mid A_i\right] \mathbb{P}\left[A_i\right]}{\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{P}\left[B \mid A_j\right] \mathbb{P}\left[A_j\right]} \qquad \Omega = \bigsqcup_{j=1}^n A_i$$

Inclusion-Exclusion Principle

$$\left| \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} A_i \right| = \sum_{r=1}^{n} (-1)^{r-1} \sum_{i \le i_1 < \dots < i_r \le n} \left| \bigcap_{j=1}^{r} A_{i_j} \right|$$

# 3 Random Variables

Random Variable

$$X:\Omega\to\mathbb{R}$$

Probability Mass Function (PMF)

$$f_X(x) = \mathbb{P}[X = x] = \mathbb{P}[\{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) = x\}]$$

Probability Density Function (PDF)

$$\mathbb{P}\left[a \le X \le b\right] = \int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, dx$$

Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF):

$$F_X: \mathbb{R} \to [0,1]$$
  $F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}[X \le x]$ 

- 1. Nondecreasing:  $x_1 < x_2 \implies F(x_1) \le F(x_2)$
- 2. Normalized:  $\lim_{x\to-\infty}=0$  and  $\lim_{x\to\infty}=1$
- 3. Right-continuous:  $\lim_{y\downarrow x} F(y) = F(x)$

$$\mathbb{P}\left[a \le Y \le b \mid X = x\right] = \int_{a}^{b} f_{Y\mid X}(y\mid x) dy \qquad a \le b$$
$$f_{Y\mid X}(y\mid x) = \frac{f(x,y)}{f_{X}(x)}$$

Independence

- 1.  $\mathbb{P}\left[X \leq x, Y \leq y\right] = \mathbb{P}\left[X \leq x\right] \mathbb{P}\left[Y \leq y\right]$
- 2.  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$

## **Transformations**

Transformation function

$$Z = \varphi(X)$$

Discrete

$$f_Z(z) = \mathbb{P}\left[\varphi(X) = z\right] = \mathbb{P}\left[\left\{x : \varphi(x) = z\right\}\right] = \mathbb{P}\left[X \in \varphi^{-1}(z)\right] = \sum_{x \in \varphi^{-1}(z)} f(x)$$

Continuous

$$F_Z(z) = \mathbb{P}\left[\varphi(X) \le z\right] = \int_{A_z} f(x) dx \text{ with } A_z = \{x : \varphi(x) \le z\}$$

Special case if  $\varphi$  strictly monotone

$$f_Z(z) = f_X(\varphi^{-1}(z)) \left| \frac{d}{dz} \varphi^{-1}(z) \right| = f_X(x) \left| \frac{dx}{dz} \right| = f_X(x) \frac{1}{|J|}$$

The Rule of the Lazy Statistician

$$\mathbb{E}\left[Z\right] = \int \varphi(x) \, dF_X(x)$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[I_A(x)\right] = \int I_A(x) \, dF_X(x) = \int_A dF_X(x) = \mathbb{P}\left[X \in A\right]$$

Convolution

• 
$$Z := X + Y$$
  $f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, z - x) dx \stackrel{X,Y \ge 0}{=} \int_{0}^{z} f_{X,Y}(x, z - x) dx$ 

• 
$$Z := |X - Y|$$
  $f_Z(z) = 2 \int_0^\infty f_{X,Y}(x, z + x) dx$ 

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$$Z := |X - Y|$$
  $f_Z(z) = 2 \int_0^\infty f_{X,Y}(x, z + x) dx$   
•  $Z := \frac{X}{Y}$   $f_Z(z) = \int_{-\infty}^\infty |x| f_{X,Y}(x, xz) dx \stackrel{\perp}{=} \int_{-\infty}^\infty x f_x(x) f_X(x) f_Y(xz) dx$ 

# Expectation

Expectation

• 
$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \mu_X = \int x \, dF_X(x) = \begin{cases} \sum_x x f_X(x) & \text{X discrete} \\ \int x f_X(x) & \text{X continuous} \end{cases}$$

- $\mathbb{P}[X=c]=1 \implies \mathbb{E}[c]=c$
- $\mathbb{E}[cX] = c\mathbb{E}[X]$
- $\mathbb{E}[X+Y] = \mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[Y]$

- $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \int_{YX} xy f_{X,Y}(x,y) dF_X(x) dF_Y(y)$
- $\mathbb{E}\left[\varphi(Y)\right] \neq \varphi(\mathbb{E}\left[X\right])$ (cf. Jensen inequality)
- $\bullet \ \mathbb{P}\left[X \geq Y\right] = 0 \implies \mathbb{E}\left[X\right] \geq \mathbb{E}\left[Y\right] \land \mathbb{P}\left[X = Y\right] = 1 \implies \mathbb{E}\left[X\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[Y\right]$
- $\mathbb{E}[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[X \ge x]$

Sample mean

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

Conditional Expectation

- $\mathbb{E}[Y | X = x] = \int y f(y | x) dy$
- $\mathbb{E}[X] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X | Y]]$
- $E[\varphi(X,Y) \mid X=x] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x,y) f_{Y|X}(y \mid x) dx$
- $\mathbb{E}\left[\varphi(Y,Z) \mid X=x\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(y,z) f_{(Y,Z)\mid X}(y,z\mid x) \, dy \, dz$
- $\mathbb{E}[Y + Z \mid X] = \mathbb{E}[Y \mid X] + \mathbb{E}[Z \mid X]$
- $\mathbb{E}\left[\varphi(X)Y \mid X\right] = \varphi(X)\mathbb{E}\left[Y \mid X\right]$
- $E[Y \mid X] = c \implies \text{Cov}[X, Y] = 0$

# Variance

- $\mathbb{V}\left[X\right] = \sigma_X^2 = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(X \mathbb{E}\left[X\right]\right)^2\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[X^2\right] \mathbb{E}\left[X\right]^2$
- $\mathbb{V}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{V}\left[X_i\right] + 2\sum_{i \neq i} \operatorname{Cov}\left[X_i, Y_j\right]$
- $\mathbb{V}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n}X_{i}\right] = \sum_{i=1}^{n}\mathbb{V}\left[X_{i}\right]$  iff  $X_{i} \perp \!\!\! \perp X_{j}$

Standard deviation

$$\operatorname{sd}[X] = \sqrt{\mathbb{V}[X]} = \sigma_X$$

Covariance

- $\operatorname{Cov}[X,Y] = \mathbb{E}[(X \mathbb{E}[X])(Y \mathbb{E}[Y])] = \mathbb{E}[XY] \mathbb{E}[X]\mathbb{E}[Y]$
- Cov[X, a] = 0
- $\operatorname{Cov}\left[X,X\right] = \mathbb{V}\left[X\right]$
- $\operatorname{Cov}[X, Y] = \operatorname{Cov}[Y, X]$
- Cov[aX, bY] = abCov[X, Y]
- $\operatorname{Cov}\left[X + a, Y + b\right] = \operatorname{Cov}\left[X, Y\right]$

• Cov 
$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i, \sum_{j=1}^{m} Y_j\right] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \text{Cov}\left[X_i, Y_j\right]$$

Correlation

$$\rho\left[X,Y\right] = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}\left[X,Y\right]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}\left[X\right]\mathbb{V}\left[Y\right]}}$$

Independence

$$X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y \implies \rho\left[X,Y\right] = 0 \iff \operatorname{Cov}\left[X,Y\right] = 0 \iff \mathbb{E}\left[XY\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[X\right]\mathbb{E}\left[Y\right]$$

Sample variance

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

Conditional Variance

- $\mathbb{V}[Y|X] = \mathbb{E}[(Y \mathbb{E}[Y|X])^2|X] = \mathbb{E}[Y^2|X] \mathbb{E}[Y|X]^2$
- $\bullet \ \mathbb{V}\left[Y\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbb{V}\left[Y \,|\, X\right]\right] + \mathbb{V}\left[\mathbb{E}\left[Y \,|\, X\right]\right]$

# 6 Inequalities

CAUCHY-SCHWARZ

$$\mathbb{E}\left[XY\right]^{2} \leq \mathbb{E}\left[X^{2}\right] \mathbb{E}\left[Y^{2}\right]$$

Markov

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\varphi(X) \ge t\right] \le \frac{\mathbb{E}\left[\varphi(X)\right]}{t}$$

Chebyshev

$$\mathbb{P}\left[|X - \mathbb{E}\left[X\right]| \ge t\right] \le \frac{\mathbb{V}\left[X\right]}{t^2}$$

CHERNOFF

$$\mathbb{P}\left[X \ge (1+\delta)\mu\right] \le \left(\frac{e^{\delta}}{(1+\delta)^{1+\delta}}\right) \quad \delta > -1$$

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$$\mathbb{E}\left[\varphi(X)\right] \ge \varphi(\mathbb{E}\left[X\right]) \quad \varphi \text{ convex}$$

# 7 Distribution Relationships

Binomial

- $X_i \sim \operatorname{Bern}(p) \implies \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \operatorname{Bin}(n, p)$
- $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p), Y \sim \text{Bin}(m, p) \implies X + Y \sim \text{Bin}(n + m, p)$
- $\lim_{n\to\infty} \text{Bin}(n,p) = \text{Po}(np)$  (n large, p small)

•  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \text{Bin}(n,p) = \mathcal{N}(np, np(1-p))$  (n large, p far from 0 and 1)

Negative Binomial

- $X \sim \text{NBin}(1, p) = \text{Geo}(p)$
- $X \sim \text{NBin}(r, p) = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \text{Geo}(p)$
- $X_i \sim \text{NBin}(r_i, p) \implies \sum X_i \sim \text{NBin}(\sum r_i, p)$
- $X \sim \text{NBin}(r, p)$ .  $Y \sim \text{Bin}(s + r, p) \implies \mathbb{P}[X \leq s] = \mathbb{P}[Y \geq r]$

Poisson

• 
$$X_i \sim \text{Po}(\lambda_i) \wedge X_i \perp \!\!\!\perp X_j \implies \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Po}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i\right)$$

• 
$$X_i \sim \text{Po}(\lambda_i) \wedge X_i \perp X_j \implies X_i \left| \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \sim \text{Bin}\left(\sum_{j=1}^n X_j, \frac{\lambda_i}{\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j}\right) \right|$$

Exponential

• 
$$X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\beta) \wedge X_i \perp \!\!\!\perp X_j \implies \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Gamma}(n,\beta)$$

• Memoryless property:  $\mathbb{P}[X > x + y \mid X > y] = \mathbb{P}[X > x]$ 

Normal

- $X \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \sigma^2\right) \implies \left(\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \sim \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right)$
- $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) \wedge Z = aX + b \implies Z \sim \mathcal{N}(a\mu + b, a^2\sigma^2)$
- $X \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2\right) \wedge Y \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2\right) \implies X + Y \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2\right)$
- $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2\right) \implies \sum_i X_i \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\sum_i \mu_i, \sum_i \sigma_i^2\right)$
- $\mathbb{P}\left[a < X \le b\right] = \Phi\left(\frac{b-\mu}{\sigma}\right) \Phi\left(\frac{a-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$
- $\Phi(-x) = 1 \Phi(x)$   $\phi'(x) = -x\phi(x)$   $\phi''(x) = (x^2 1)\phi(x)$
- Upper quantile of  $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$ :  $z_{\alpha} = \Phi^{-1}(1-\alpha)$

Gamma

- $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \iff X/\beta \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, 1)$
- Gamma  $(\alpha, \beta) \sim \sum_{i=1}^{\alpha} \operatorname{Exp}(\beta)$
- $X_i \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_i, \beta) \wedge X_i \perp \!\!\!\perp X_j \implies \sum_i X_i \sim \text{Gamma}(\sum_i \alpha_i, \beta)$
- $\bullet \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\lambda^{\alpha}} = \int_0^\infty x^{\alpha 1} e^{-\lambda x} \, dx$

Beta

• 
$$\frac{1}{B(\alpha,\beta)}x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1} = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}x^{\alpha-1}(1-x)^{\beta-1}$$

• 
$$\mathbb{E}\left[X^{k}\right] = \frac{\mathrm{B}(\alpha+k,\beta)}{\mathrm{B}(\alpha,\beta)} = \frac{\alpha+k-1}{\alpha+\beta+k-1}\mathbb{E}\left[X^{k-1}\right]$$

• Beta  $(1,1) \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$ 

# Probability and Moment Generating Functions Conditional mean and variance

• 
$$G_X(t) = \mathbb{E}\left[t^X\right] \qquad |t| < 1$$

• 
$$M_X(t) = G_X(e^t) = \mathbb{E}\left[e^{Xt}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(Xt)^i}{i!}\right] = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbb{E}\left[X^i\right]}{i!} \cdot t^i$$

• 
$$\mathbb{P}[X=0] = G_X(0)$$

$$\bullet \ \mathbb{P}\left[X=1\right] = G_X'(0)$$

$$\bullet \ \mathbb{P}\left[X=i\right] = \frac{G_X^{(i)}(0)}{i!}$$

• 
$$\mathbb{E}[X] = G'_X(1^-)$$

• 
$$\mathbb{E}\left[X^k\right] = M_X^{(k)}(0)$$

$$\bullet \ \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{X!}{(X-k)!}\right] = G_X^{(k)}(1^-)$$

• 
$$\mathbb{V}[X] = G_X''(1^-) + G_X'(1^-) - (G_X'(1^-))^2$$

• 
$$G_X(t) = G_Y(t) \implies X \stackrel{d}{=} Y$$

# Multivariate Distributions

## 9.1 Standard Bivariate Normal

Let 
$$X, Y \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \wedge X \perp \!\!\!\perp Z$$
 with  $Y = \rho X + \sqrt{1 - \rho^2} Z$ 

Joint density

$$f(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{x^2 + y^2 - 2\rho xy}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right\}$$

Conditionals

$$(Y \mid X = x) \sim \mathcal{N}(\rho x, 1 - \rho^2)$$
 and  $(X \mid Y = y) \sim \mathcal{N}(\rho y, 1 - \rho^2)$ 

Independence

$$X \perp \!\!\!\perp Y \iff \rho = 0$$

# Bivariate Normal

Let  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2)$  and  $Y \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_y, \sigma_y^2)$ 

$$f(x,y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{z}{2(1-\rho^2)}\right\}$$

$$z = \left[ \left( \frac{x - \mu_x}{\sigma_x} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{y - \mu_y}{\sigma_y} \right)^2 - 2\rho \left( \frac{x - \mu_x}{\sigma_x} \right) \left( \frac{y - \mu_y}{\sigma_y} \right) \right]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[X \mid Y] = \mathbb{E}[X] + \rho \frac{\sigma_X}{\sigma_Y} (Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])$$

$$\mathbb{V}[X \mid Y] = \sigma_X \sqrt{1 - \rho^2}$$

#### Multivariate Normal 9.3

Covariance Matrix  $\Sigma$  (Precision Matrix  $\Sigma^{-1}$ )

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{V}[X_1] & \cdots & \operatorname{Cov}[X_1, X_k] \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \operatorname{Cov}[X_k, X_1] & \cdots & \mathbb{V}[X_k] \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$ ,

$$f_X(x) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} |\Sigma|^{-1/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x-\mu)\right\}$$

**Properties** 

- $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) \wedge X = \mu + \Sigma^{1/2}Z \implies X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma)$
- $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma) \implies \Sigma^{-1/2}(X \mu) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
- $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma) \implies AX \sim \mathcal{N}(A\mu, A\Sigma A^T)$
- $X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Sigma) \wedge a$  is vector of length  $k \implies a^T X \sim \mathcal{N}(a^T \mu, a^T \Sigma a)$

#### Convergence 10

Let  $\{X_1, X_2, \ldots\}$  be a sequence of RV's and let X be another RV. Let  $F_n$  denote the CDF of  $X_n$  and let F denote the CDF of X.

Types of Convergence

1. In distribution (weakly, in law):  $X_n \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} X$ 

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} F_n(t) = F(t) \qquad \forall t \text{ where } F \text{ continuous}$$

2. In probability:  $X_n \stackrel{P}{\to} X$ 

$$(\forall \varepsilon > 0) \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}\left[|X_n - X| > \varepsilon\right] = 0$$

3. Almost surely (strongly):  $X_n \stackrel{\text{as}}{\to} X$ 

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\lim_{n\to\infty} X_n = X\right] = \mathbb{P}\left[\omega \in \Omega : \lim_{n\to\infty} X_n(\omega) = X(\omega)\right] = 1$$

4. In quadratic mean  $(L_2): X_n \stackrel{\text{qm}}{\to} X$ 

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}\left[ (X_n - X)^2 \right] = 0$$

Relationships

$$\bullet \ X_n \stackrel{\text{\tiny qm}}{\to} X \implies X_n \stackrel{\text{\tiny P}}{\to} X \implies X_n \stackrel{\text{\tiny D}}{\to} X$$

$$\bullet X_n \stackrel{\text{as}}{\to} X \implies X_n \stackrel{\text{P}}{\to} X$$

• 
$$X_n \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} X \land (\exists c \in \mathbb{R}) \mathbb{P}[X = c] = 1 \implies X_n \stackrel{\text{P}}{\to} X$$

• 
$$X_n \stackrel{P}{\to} X \wedge Y_n \stackrel{P}{\to} Y \implies X_n + Y_n \stackrel{P}{\to} X + Y$$

• 
$$X_n \stackrel{\text{qm}}{\to} X \wedge Y_n \stackrel{\text{qm}}{\to} Y \implies X_n + Y_n \stackrel{\text{qm}}{\to} X + Y$$

$$\bullet X_n \xrightarrow{P} X \wedge Y_n \xrightarrow{P} Y \implies X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{P} XY$$

• 
$$X_n \stackrel{\mathrm{P}}{\to} X \implies \varphi(X_n) \stackrel{\mathrm{P}}{\to} \varphi(X)$$

• 
$$X_n \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{\to} X \implies \varphi(X_n) \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{\to} \varphi(X)$$

• 
$$X_n \stackrel{\text{qm}}{\to} b \iff \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[X_n] = b \wedge \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{V}[X_n] = 0$$

• 
$$X_1, \ldots, X_n \text{ IID } \wedge \mathbb{E}[X] = \mu \wedge \mathbb{V}[X] < \infty \iff \bar{X}_n \stackrel{\text{qm}}{\to} \mu$$

Slutzky's Theorem

• 
$$X_n \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{\to} X$$
 and  $Y_n \stackrel{\mathrm{P}}{\to} c \implies X_n + Y_n \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{\to} X + c$ 

• 
$$X_n \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} X$$
 and  $Y_n \stackrel{\text{P}}{\to} c \implies X_n Y_n \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} cX$ 

• In general: 
$$X_n \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} X$$
 and  $Y_n \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} Y \implies X_n + Y_n \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} X + Y$ 

# 10.1 Law of Large Numbers (LLN)

Let  $\{X_1,\ldots,X_n\}$  be a sequence of IID RV's,  $\mathbb{E}[X_1]=\mu$ , and  $\mathbb{V}[X_1]<\infty$ .

Weak (WLLN)

$$\bar{X}_n \stackrel{\mathrm{P}}{\to} \mu$$
 as  $n \to \infty$ 

Strong (SLLN)

$$\bar{X}_n \stackrel{\text{as}}{\to} \mu$$
 as  $n \to \infty$ 

# 10.2 Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

Let  $\{X_1, \ldots, X_n\}$  be a sequence of IID RV's,  $\mathbb{E}[X_1] = \mu$ , and  $\mathbb{V}[X_1] = \sigma^2$ .

$$Z_{n} := \frac{\bar{X}_{n} - \mu}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}\left[\bar{X}_{n}\right]}} = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_{n} - \mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{\mathbf{D}} Z \quad \text{where } Z \sim \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}\left[Z_n \le z\right] = \Phi(z) \qquad z \in \mathbb{R}$$

**CLT Notations** 

$$Z_n \approx \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

$$\bar{X}_n \approx \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

$$\bar{X}_n - \mu \approx \mathcal{N}\left(0, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

$$\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu) \approx \mathcal{N}\left(0, \sigma^2\right)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{n} \approx \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

Continuity Correction

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\bar{X}_n \le x\right] \approx \Phi\left(\frac{x + \frac{1}{2} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\bar{X}_n \ge x\right] \approx 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{x - \frac{1}{2} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

Delta Method

$$Y_n \approx \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right) \implies \varphi(Y_n) \approx \mathcal{N}\left(\varphi(\mu), (\varphi'(\mu))^2 \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

# 11 Statistical Inference

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} F$  if not otherwise noted.

## 11.1 Point Estimation

- Point estimator  $\widehat{\theta}_n$  of  $\theta$  is a RV:  $\widehat{\theta}_n = g(X_1, \dots, X_n)$
- $\operatorname{bias}(\widehat{\theta}_n) = \mathbb{E}\left[\widehat{\theta}_n\right] \theta$
- Consistency:  $\widehat{\theta}_n \stackrel{P}{\to} \theta$
- Sampling distribution:  $F(\widehat{\theta}_n)$
- Standard error:  $se(\widehat{\theta}_n) = \sqrt{\mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{\theta}_n\right]}$
- Mean squared error:  $\text{MSE} = \mathbb{E}\left[(\widehat{\theta}_n \theta)^2\right] = \mathsf{bias}(\widehat{\theta}_n)^2 + \mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{\theta}_n\right]$
- $\lim_{n\to\infty} \mathsf{bias}(\widehat{\theta}_n) = 0 \wedge \lim_{n\to\infty} \mathsf{se}(\widehat{\theta}_n) = 0 \implies \widehat{\theta}_n$  is consistent
- Asymptotic normality:  $\widehat{\theta_n} \theta \xrightarrow{\text{D}} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$
- SLUTZKY'S THEOREM often lets us replace  $se(\widehat{\theta}_n)$  by some (weakly) consistent estimator  $\widehat{\sigma}_n$ .

### 11.2 Normal-based Confidence Interval

Suppose  $\widehat{\theta}_n \approx \mathcal{N}\left(\theta, \widehat{\mathsf{se}}^2\right)$ . Let  $z_{\alpha/2} = \Phi^{-1}(1 - (\alpha/2))$ , i.e.,  $\mathbb{P}\left[Z > z_{\alpha/2}\right] = \alpha/2$  and  $\mathbb{P}\left[-z_{\alpha/2} < Z < z_{\alpha/2}\right] = 1 - \alpha$  where  $Z \sim \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right)$ . Then

$$C_n = \widehat{\theta}_n \pm z_{\alpha/2} \widehat{\mathsf{se}}$$

# 11.3 Empirical Distribution Function

Empirical Distribution Function (ECDF)

$$\widehat{F}_n(x) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i \le x)}{n}$$

$$I(X_i \le x) = \begin{cases} 1 & X_i \le x \\ 0 & X_i > x \end{cases}$$

Properties (for any fixed x)

- $\mathbb{E}\left[\hat{F}_n\right] = F(x)$
- $\mathbb{V}\left[\hat{F}_n\right] = \frac{F(x)(1 F(x))}{n}$
- MSE =  $\frac{F(x)(1 F(x))}{n} \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} 0$
- $\hat{F}_n \stackrel{\mathrm{P}}{\to} F(x)$

DVORETZKY-KIEFER-WOLFOWITZ (DKW) Inequality  $(X_1, \ldots, X_n \sim F)$ 

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\sup_{x} \left| F(x) - \hat{F}_n(x) \right| > \varepsilon\right] = 2e^{-2n\varepsilon^2}$$

Nonparametric  $1 - \alpha$  confidence band for F

$$L(x) = \max{\{\hat{F}_n - \epsilon_n, 0\}}$$
$$U(x) = \min{\{\hat{F}_n + \epsilon_n, 1\}}$$
$$\epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2n} \log{\left(\frac{2}{\alpha}\right)}}$$

$$\mathbb{P}\left[L(x) < F(x) < U(x) \ \forall x\right] > 1 - \alpha$$

## 11.4 Statistical Functionals

- Statistical functional: T(F)
- Plug-in estimator of  $\theta = T(F) : \widehat{\theta}_n = T(\widehat{F}_n)$
- Linear functional:  $T(F) = \int \varphi(x) dF_X(x)$
- Plug-in estimator for linear functional:

$$T(\hat{F}_n) = \int \varphi(x) \, d\widehat{F}_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \varphi(X_i)$$

- Often:  $T(\hat{F}_n) \approx \mathcal{N}\left(T(F), \widehat{\mathsf{se}}^2\right) \implies T(\hat{F}_n) \pm z_{\alpha/2}\widehat{\mathsf{se}}$
- $p^{\text{th}}$  quantile:  $F^{-1}(p) = \inf\{x : F(x) \ge p\}$
- $\bullet \ \hat{\mu} = \bar{X}_n$
- $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i \bar{X}_n)^2$
- $\hat{\kappa} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i \hat{\mu})^3}{\widehat{\sigma}^3 i}$
- $\hat{\rho} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i \bar{X}_n)(Y_i \bar{Y}_n)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i \bar{X}_n)^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_i \bar{Y}_n)}}$

# 12 Parametric Inference

Let  $\mathfrak{F} = \{f(x; \theta : \theta \in \Theta)\}$  be a parametric model with parameter space  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^k$  and parameter  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$ .

## 12.1 Method of Moments

 $j^{\rm th}$  moment

$$\alpha_j(\theta) = \mathbb{E}\left[X^j\right] = \int x^j dF_X(x)$$

 $j^{\rm th}$  sample moment

$$\hat{\alpha}_j = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^j$$

Method of Moments Estimator (MoM)

$$\alpha_1(\theta) = \hat{\alpha}_1$$
$$\alpha_2(\theta) = \hat{\alpha}_2$$

$$\dot{\dot{}}=\dot{\dot{}}$$

$$\alpha_k(\theta) = \hat{\alpha}_k$$

Properties of the MoM estimator

•  $\widehat{\theta}_n$  exists with probability tending to 1

• Consistency:  $\widehat{\theta}_n \stackrel{\text{\tiny P}}{\to} \theta$ 

• Asymptotic normality:

$$\sqrt{n}(\widehat{\theta} - \theta) \xrightarrow{D} \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$$

where 
$$\Sigma = g\mathbb{E}\left[YY^T\right]g^T$$
,  $Y = (X, X^2, \dots, X^k)^T$ ,  $g = (g_1, \dots, g_k)$  and  $g_j = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}\alpha_j^{-1}(\theta)$ 

## 12.2 Maximum Likelihood

Likelihood:  $\mathcal{L}_n:\Theta\to[0,\infty)$ 

$$\mathcal{L}_n(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i; \theta)$$

Log-likelihood

$$\ell_n(\theta) = \log \mathcal{L}_n(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(X_i; \theta)$$

Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE)

$$\mathcal{L}_n(\widehat{\theta}_n) = \sup_{\theta} \mathcal{L}_n(\theta)$$

Score Function

$$s(X; \theta) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(X; \theta)$$

Fisher Information

$$I(\theta) = \mathbb{V}_{\theta} [s(X; \theta)]$$
  
 $I_n(\theta) = nI(\theta)$ 

Fisher Information (exponential family)

$$I(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta} \left[ -\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} s(X; \theta) \right]$$

Observed Fisher Information

$$I_n^{obs}(\theta) = -\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(X_i; \theta)$$

Properties of the MLE

• Consistency:  $\widehat{\theta}_n \stackrel{P}{\to} \theta$ 

- Equivariance:  $\widehat{\theta}_n$  is the MLE  $\Longrightarrow \varphi(\widehat{\theta}_n)$  is the MLE of  $\varphi(\theta)$
- Asymptotic normality:

1. se 
$$\approx \sqrt{1/I_n(\theta)}$$

$$\frac{(\widehat{\theta}_n - \theta)}{\text{se}} \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

2. 
$$\widehat{\operatorname{se}} \approx \sqrt{1/I_n(\widehat{\theta}_n)}$$

$$\frac{(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta)}{\widehat{\mathsf{se}}} \overset{\scriptscriptstyle{\mathrm{D}}}{\to} \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right)$$

• Asymptotic optimality (or efficiency), i.e., smallest variance for large samples. If  $\widetilde{\theta}_n$  is any other estimator, the asymptotic relative efficiency is

$$ARE(\widetilde{\theta}_n, \widehat{\theta}_n) = \frac{\mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{\theta}_n\right]}{\mathbb{V}\left[\widetilde{\theta}_n\right]} \le 1$$

• Approximately the Bayes estimator

#### 12.2.1 Delta Method

If  $\tau = \varphi(\widehat{\theta})$  where  $\varphi$  is differentiable and  $\varphi'(\theta) \neq 0$ :

$$\frac{(\widehat{\tau}_n - \tau)}{\widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\tau})} \stackrel{\mathsf{D}}{\to} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

where  $\widehat{\tau} = \varphi(\widehat{\theta})$  is the MLE of  $\tau$  and

$$\widehat{\mathsf{se}} = \left| \varphi'(\widehat{\theta}) \right| \widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\theta}_n)$$

## 12.3 Multiparameter Models

Let  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$  and  $\widehat{\theta} = (\widehat{\theta}_1, \dots, \widehat{\theta}_k)$  be the MLE.

$$H_{jj} = \frac{\partial^2 \ell_n}{\partial \theta^2}$$
  $H_{jk} = \frac{\partial^2 \ell_n}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_k}$ 

Fisher Information Matrix

$$I_n(\theta) = - \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E}_{\theta} \left[ H_{11} \right] & \cdots & \mathbb{E}_{\theta} \left[ H_{1k} \right] \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbb{E}_{\theta} \left[ H_{k1} \right] & \cdots & \mathbb{E}_{\theta} \left[ H_{kk} \right] \end{bmatrix}$$

Under appropriate regularity conditions

$$(\widehat{\theta} - \theta) \approx \mathcal{N}(0, J_n)$$

with  $J_n(\theta) = I_n^{-1}$ . Further, if  $\widehat{\theta}_j$  is the  $j^{\text{th}}$  component of  $\theta$ , then

$$\frac{(\widehat{\theta}_{j} - \theta_{j})}{\widehat{\operatorname{se}}_{j}} \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{\to} \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right)$$

where  $\widehat{\mathsf{se}}_j^2 = J_n(j,j)$  and  $\operatorname{Cov}\left[\widehat{\theta}_j,\widehat{\theta}_k\right] = J_n(j,k)$ 

## 12.3.1 Multiparameter Delta Method

Let  $\tau = \varphi(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$  be a function and let the gradient of  $\varphi$  be

$$\nabla \varphi = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \theta_k} \end{pmatrix}$$

Suppose  $\nabla \varphi |_{\theta = \widehat{\theta}} \neq 0$  and  $\widehat{\tau} = \varphi(\widehat{\theta})$ . Then,

$$\frac{(\widehat{\tau} - \tau)}{\widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\tau})} \stackrel{\mathsf{D}}{\to} \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right)$$

where

$$\widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\tau}) = \sqrt{\left(\hat{\nabla}\varphi\right)^T \hat{J}_n\left(\hat{\nabla}\varphi\right)}$$

and  $\hat{J}_n = J_n(\hat{\theta})$  and  $\hat{\nabla}\varphi = \nabla\varphi|_{\alpha=\hat{\theta}}$ .

# 12.4 Parametric Bootstrap

Sample from  $f(x; \hat{\theta}_n)$  instead of from  $\hat{F}_n$ , where  $\hat{\theta}_n$  could be the MLE or method of moments estimator.

# Hypothesis Testing

 $H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$  versus  $H_1:\theta\in\Theta_1$ 

Definitions

- Null hypothesis  $H_0$
- Alternative hypothesis  $H_1$
- Simple hypothesis  $\theta = \theta_0$
- Composite hypothesis  $\theta > \theta_0$  or  $\theta < \theta_0$
- Two-sided test:  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$  versus  $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$
- One-sided test:  $H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$  versus  $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$
- $\bullet$  Critical value c
- Test statistic T
- Rejection Region  $R = \{x : T(x) > c\}$
- Power function  $\beta(\theta) = \mathbb{P}[X \in R]$
- Power of a test:  $1 \mathbb{P} [\text{Type II error}] = 1 \beta = \inf_{\theta \in \Theta_1} \beta(\theta)$
- Test size:  $\alpha = \mathbb{P}\left[\text{Type I error}\right] = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta)$

	Retain $H_0$	Reject $H_0$
$H_0$ true		Type I error $(\alpha)$
$H_1$ true	Type II error $(\beta)$	$\sqrt{\text{(power)}}$

p-value

- p-value =  $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \mathbb{P}_{\theta} [T(X) \ge T(x)] = \inf \{ \alpha : T(x) \in R_{\alpha} \}$  p-value =  $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \underbrace{\mathbb{P}_{\theta} [T(X^{\star}) \ge T(X)]}_{1-F_{\theta}(T(X)) \text{ since } T(X^{\star}) \sim F_{\theta}} = \inf \{ \alpha : T(X) \in R_{\alpha} \}$

p-value	evidence
< 0.01	very strong evidence against $H_0$
0.01 - 0.05	strong evidence against $H_0$
0.05 - 0.1	weak evidence against $H_0$
> 0.1	little or no evidence against $H_0$

Wald Test

- $\bullet$  Two-sided test
- Reject  $H_0$  when  $|W| > z_{\alpha/2}$  where  $W = \frac{\widehat{\theta} \theta_0}{\widehat{se}}$
- $\mathbb{P}\left[|W| > z_{\alpha/2}\right] \to \alpha$
- p-value =  $\mathbb{P}_{\theta_0}[|W| > |w|] \approx \mathbb{P}[|Z| > |w|] = 2\Phi(-|w|)$

Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT)

• 
$$T(X) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \mathcal{L}_n(\theta)}{\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \mathcal{L}_n(\theta)} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_n(\widehat{\theta}_n)}{\mathcal{L}_n(\widehat{\theta}_{n,0})}$$

• 
$$\lambda(X) = 2 \log T(X) \stackrel{\text{D}}{\to} \chi_{r-q}^2$$
 where  $\sum_{i=1}^k Z_i^2 \sim \chi_k^2$  with  $Z_1, \dots, Z_k \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0,1)$  •  $x^n = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  • Prior density  $f(\theta)$ 

• p-value =  $\mathbb{P}_{\theta_0} [\lambda(X) > \lambda(x)] \approx \mathbb{P} [\chi_{r-a}^2 > \lambda(x)]$ 

Multinomial LRT

• Let 
$$\hat{p}_n = \left(\frac{X_1}{n}, \dots, \frac{X_k}{n}\right)$$
 be the MLE

• 
$$T(X) = \frac{\mathcal{L}_n(\hat{p}_n)}{\mathcal{L}_n(p_0)} = \prod_{j=1}^k \left(\frac{\hat{p}_j}{p_{0j}}\right)^{X_j}$$

• 
$$\lambda(X) = 2\sum_{j=1}^{k} X_j \log\left(\frac{\hat{p}_j}{p_{0j}}\right) \xrightarrow{D} \chi_{k-1}^2$$

• The approximate size  $\alpha$  LRT rejects  $H_0$  when  $\lambda(X) \geq \chi^2_{k-1}$ 

Pearson  $\chi^2$  Test

• 
$$T = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{(X_j - \mathbb{E}[X_j])^2}{\mathbb{E}[X_j]}$$
 where  $\mathbb{E}[X_j] = np_{0j}$  under  $H_0$ 

- $T \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{\to} \chi^2_{k-1}$
- p-value =  $\mathbb{P}\left[\chi_{k-1}^2 > T(x)\right]$
- Faster  $\stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{\to} X_{k-1}^2$  than LRT, hence preferable for small n

Independence Testing

- I rows, J columns, X multinomial sample of size n = I \* J
- MLEs unconstrained:  $\hat{p}_{ij} = \frac{X_{ij}}{n}$
- MLEs under  $H_0$ :  $\hat{p}_{0ij} = \hat{p}_i \cdot \hat{p}_{\cdot j} = \frac{X_i}{n} \cdot \frac{X_{\cdot j}}{n}$
- LRT:  $\lambda = 2 \sum_{i=1}^{I} \sum_{j=1}^{J} X_{ij} \log \left( \frac{nX_{ij}}{X_i, X_j} \right)$
- Pearson  $\chi^2$ :  $T = \sum_{i=1}^{I} \sum_{j=1}^{J} \frac{(X_{ij} \mathbb{E}[X_{ij}])^2}{\mathbb{E}[X_{i:j}]}$
- LRT and Pearson  $\stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{\to} \chi_{L}^{2} \nu$ , where  $\nu = (I-1)(J-1)$

# **Bayesian Inference**

Bayes' Theorem

$$f(\theta \mid x) = \frac{f(x \mid \theta)f(\theta)}{f(x^n)} = \frac{f(x \mid \theta)f(\theta)}{\int f(x \mid \theta)f(\theta) d\theta} \propto \mathcal{L}_n(\theta)f(\theta)$$

Definitions

$$\bullet \ X^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

- Likelihood  $f(x^n \mid \theta)$ : joint density of the data In particular,  $X^n \text{ IID } \Longrightarrow f(x^n \mid \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i \mid \theta) = \mathcal{L}_n(\theta)$
- Posterior density  $f(\theta \mid x^n)$
- Normalizing constant  $c_n = f(x^n) = \int f(x \mid \theta) f(\theta) d\theta$
- Kernel: part of a density that depends on  $\theta$
- Posterior Mean  $\bar{\theta}_n = \int \theta f(\theta \mid x^n) d\theta = \frac{\int \theta \mathcal{L}_n(\theta) f(\theta)}{\int \mathcal{L}_n(\theta) f(\theta) d\theta}$

#### 14.1Credible Intervals

 $1 - \alpha$  Posterior Interval

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\theta \in (a,b) \mid x^n\right] = \int_a^b f(\theta \mid x^n) \, d\theta = 1 - \alpha$$

 $1 - \alpha$  Equal-tail Credible Interval

$$\int_{-\infty}^{a} f(\theta \mid x^{n}) d\theta = \int_{b}^{\infty} f(\theta \mid x^{n}) d\theta = \alpha/2$$

 $1-\alpha$  Highest Posterior Density (HPD) region  $R_n$ 

- 1.  $\mathbb{P}\left[\theta \in R_n\right] = 1 \alpha$
- 2.  $R_n = \{\theta : f(\theta \mid x^n) > k\}$  for some k

 $R_n$  is unimodal  $\Longrightarrow R_n$  is an interval

## **Function of Parameters**

Let  $\tau = \varphi(\theta)$  and  $A = \{\theta : \varphi(\theta) \le \tau\}$ .

Posterior CDF for  $\tau$ 

$$H(r \mid x^n) = \mathbb{P}\left[\varphi(\theta) \le \tau \mid x^n\right] = \int_A f(\theta \mid x^n) d\theta$$

Posterior Density

$$h(\tau \mid x^n) = H'(\tau \mid x^n)$$

Bayesian Delta Method

$$\tau \,|\, X^n \approx \mathcal{N}\left(\varphi(\widehat{\theta}), \widehat{\operatorname{se}}\left|\varphi'(\widehat{\theta})\right|\right)$$

## 14.3 Priors

#### Choice

- Subjective Bayesianism: prior should incorporate as much detail as possible the research's a priori knowledge via prior elicitation.
- Objective Bayesianism: prior should incorporate as little detail as possible (non-informative prior).
- Robust Bayesianism: consider various priors and determine *sensitivity* of our inferences to changes in the prior.

## Types

• Flat:  $f(\theta) \propto constant$ 

• Proper:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\theta) d\theta = 1$ 

• Improper:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\theta) d\theta = \infty$ 

• Jeffreys' prior (transformation-invariant):

$$f(\theta) \propto \sqrt{I(\theta)}$$
  $f(\theta) \propto \sqrt{\det(I(\theta))}$ 

• Conjugate:  $f(\theta)$  and  $f(\theta | x^n)$  belong to the same parametric family

# 14.3.1 Conjugate Priors

Discrete likelihood					
Likelihood	Conjugate Prior	Posterior hyperparameters			
Bernoulli(p)	$\operatorname{Beta}(lpha,eta)$	$\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i, \beta + n - \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$			
Binomial $(p)$	$\boxed{ \operatorname{Beta}(\alpha,\beta) }$	$\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i, \beta + \sum_{i=1}^{n} N_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$			
Negative $Binomial(p)$	$\boxed{ \operatorname{Beta}(\alpha,\beta) }$	$\alpha + rn, \beta + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$			
Poisson $(\lambda)$	$\boxed{\operatorname{Gamma}(\alpha,\beta)}$	$\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i, \beta + n$			
$\boxed{ \text{Multinomial}(\mathbf{p})}$	$\operatorname{Dirichlet}(\alpha)$	$\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{x}^{(i)}$			
Geometric $(p)$	$  \operatorname{Beta}(\alpha,\beta)  $	$\alpha + n, \beta + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$			

Continuous likelihood (subscript c denotes constant)					
Likelihood	Conjugate Prior	Posterior hyperparameters			
$\mathrm{Uniform}(0,\theta)$	$Pareto(x_m, k)$	$\max_{n} \left\{ x_{(n)}, x_m \right\}, k+n$			
Exponential( $\lambda$ )	$\boxed{\operatorname{Gamma}(\alpha,\beta)}$	$\alpha + n, \beta + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$			
Normal $(\mu, \sigma_c^2)$	$Normal(\mu_0, \sigma_0^2)$	$\left(\frac{\mu_0}{\sigma_0^2} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\sigma_c^2}\right) / \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_c^2}\right), $ $\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_c^2}\right)^{-1}$			
Normal $(\mu_c, \sigma^2)$	Scaled Inverse Chi- square $(\nu, \sigma_0^2)$	$\nu + n, \frac{\nu \sigma_0^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{\nu + n}$			
$Normal(\mu, \sigma^2)$	Normal- scaled Inverse $\operatorname{Gamma}(\lambda, \nu, \alpha, \beta)$	$\begin{vmatrix} \frac{\nu\lambda + n\bar{x}}{\nu + n}, & \nu + n, & \alpha + \frac{n}{2}, \\ \beta + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + \frac{\gamma(\bar{x} - \lambda)^2}{2(n + \gamma)} \end{vmatrix}$			
$\text{MVN}(\mu, \Sigma_c)$	$\mathrm{MVN}(\mu_0,\Sigma_0)$	$ \left  \begin{array}{l} \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + n \Sigma_c^{-1} \right)^{-1} \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} \mu_0 + n \Sigma^{-1} \bar{x} \right), \\ \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + n \Sigma_c^{-1} \right)^{-1} \end{array} \right  $			
$   \text{MVN}(\mu_c, \Sigma)  $	Inverse-Wishart $(\kappa, \Psi)$	$n + \kappa, \Psi + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \mu_c)(x_i - \mu_c)^T$			
Pareto $(x_{m_c}, k)$	$\operatorname{Gamma}(\alpha,\beta)$	$\alpha + n, \beta + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \frac{x_i}{x_{m_c}}$			
Pareto $(x_m, k_c)$	Pareto $(x_0, k_0)$	$x_0, k_0 - kn \text{ where } k_0 > kn$			
	$\operatorname{Gamma}(\alpha_0,\beta_0)$	$\alpha_0 + n\alpha_c, \beta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$			

# 14.4 Bayesian Testing

If  $H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$ :

Prior probability 
$$\mathbb{P}[H_0] = \int_{\Theta_0} f(\theta) d\theta$$
  
Posterior probability  $\mathbb{P}[H_0 \mid x^n] = \int_{\Theta_0} f(\theta \mid x^n) d\theta$ 

Let  $H_0, \ldots, H_{K-1}$  be K hypotheses. Suppose  $\theta \sim f(\theta \mid H_k)$ ,

$$\mathbb{P}\left[H_k \mid x^n\right] = \frac{f(x^n \mid H_k)\mathbb{P}\left[H_k\right]}{\sum_{k=1}^K f(x^n \mid H_k)\mathbb{P}\left[H_k\right]},$$

Marginal Likelihood

$$f(x^n \mid H_i) = \int_{\Theta} f(x^n \mid \theta, H_i) f(\theta \mid H_i) d\theta$$

Posterior Odds (of  $H_i$  relative to  $H_j$ )

$$\frac{\mathbb{P}\left[H_{i} \mid x^{n}\right]}{\mathbb{P}\left[H_{j} \mid x^{n}\right]} = \underbrace{\frac{f(x^{n} \mid H_{i})}{f(x^{n} \mid H_{j})}}_{\text{Bayes Factor } BF_{i,i}} \times \underbrace{\frac{\mathbb{P}\left[H_{i}\right]}{\mathbb{P}\left[H_{j}\right]}}_{\text{prior odds}}$$

**Bayes Factor** 

$$\frac{\log_{10}BF_{10} \quad BF_{10} \quad \text{evidence}}{0-0.5 \quad 1-1.5 \quad \text{Weak}}$$

$$0.5-1 \quad 1.5-10 \quad \text{Moderate}$$

$$1-2 \quad 10-100 \quad \text{Strong}$$

$$>2 \quad >100 \quad \text{Decisive}$$

$$p^* = \frac{\frac{p}{1-p}BF_{10}}{1+\frac{p}{1-p}BF_{10}} \quad \text{where } p = \mathbb{P}\left[H_1\right] \text{ and } p^* = \mathbb{P}\left[H_1 \mid x^n\right]$$

# 15 Exponential Family

Scalar parameter

$$f_X(x \mid \theta) = h(x) \exp \{ \eta(\theta) T(x) - A(\theta) \}$$
  
=  $h(x)q(\theta) \exp \{ \eta(\theta) T(x) \}$ 

Vector parameter

$$f_X(x \mid \theta) = h(x) \exp \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^s \eta_i(\theta) T_i(x) - A(\theta) \right\}$$
$$= h(x) \exp \left\{ \eta(\theta) \cdot T(x) - A(\theta) \right\}$$
$$= h(x)g(\theta) \exp \left\{ \eta(\theta) \cdot T(x) \right\}$$

Natural form

$$f_X(x \mid \eta) = h(x) \exp \{ \eta \cdot \mathbf{T}(x) - A(\eta) \}$$
  
=  $h(x)g(\eta) \exp \{ \eta \cdot \mathbf{T}(x) \}$   
=  $h(x)g(\eta) \exp \{ \eta^T \mathbf{T}(x) \}$ 

# 16 Sampling Methods

# 16.1 The Bootstrap

Let  $T_n = g(X_1, \ldots, X_n)$  be a statistic.

- 1. Estimate  $\mathbb{V}_F[T_n]$  with  $\mathbb{V}_{\hat{F}_n}[T_n]$ .
- 2. Approximate  $\mathbb{V}_{\hat{F}_n}[T_n]$  using simulation:
  - (a) Repeat the following B times to get  $T_{n,1}^*, \ldots, T_{n,B}^*$ , an IID sample from the sampling distribution implied by  $\hat{F}_n$ 
    - i. Sample uniformly  $X_1^*, \ldots, X_n^* \sim \hat{F}_n$ .
    - ii. Compute  $T_n^* = g(X_1^*, ..., X_n^*)$ .
  - (b) Then

$$v_{boot} = \hat{\mathbb{V}}_{\hat{F}_n} = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^{B} \left( T_{n,b}^* - \frac{1}{B} \sum_{r=1}^{B} T_{n,r}^* \right)^2$$

### 16.1.1 Bootstrap Confidence Intervals

Normal-based Interval

$$T_n \pm z_{\alpha/2} \hat{se}_{boot}$$

Pivotal Interval

- 1. Location parameter  $\theta = T(F)$
- 2. Pivot  $R_n = \hat{\theta}_n \theta$
- 3. Let  $H(r) = \mathbb{P}[R_n \leq r]$  be the CDF of  $R_n$
- 4. Let  $R_{n,b}^* = \widehat{\theta}_{n,b}^* \widehat{\theta}_n$ . Approximate H using bootstrap:

$$\hat{H}(r) = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^{B} I(R_{n,b}^* \le r)$$

- 5. Let  $\theta_{\beta}^*$  denote the  $\beta$  sample quantile of  $(\widehat{\theta}_{n,1}^*, \dots, \widehat{\theta}_{n,B}^*)$
- 6. Let  $r_{\beta}^*$  denote the  $\beta$  sample quantile of  $(R_{n,1}^*, \ldots, R_{n,B}^*)$ , i.e.,  $r_{\beta}^* = \theta_{\beta}^* \widehat{\theta}_n$
- 7. Then, an approximate  $1 \alpha$  confidence interval is  $C_n = (\hat{a}, \hat{b})$  with

$$\hat{a} = \hat{\theta}_n - \hat{H}^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) = \hat{\theta}_n - r_{1-\alpha/2}^* = 2\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_{1-\alpha/2}^*$$

$$\hat{b} = \hat{\theta}_n - \hat{H}^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) = \hat{\theta}_n - r_{\alpha/2}^* = 2\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_{\alpha/2}^*$$

Percentile Interval

$$C_n = \left(\theta_{\alpha/2}^*, \theta_{1-\alpha/2}^*\right)$$

# 16.2 Rejection Sampling

Setup

- We can easily sample from  $g(\theta)$
- We want to sample from  $h(\theta)$ , but it is difficult
- We know  $h(\theta)$  up to proportional constant:  $h(\theta) = \frac{k(\theta)}{\int k(\theta) d\theta}$
- Envelope condition: we can find M > 0 such that  $k(\theta) \leq Mg(\theta) \quad \forall \theta$

Algorithm

- 1. Draw  $\theta^{cand} \sim g(\theta)$
- 2. Generate  $u \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$
- 3. Accept  $\theta^{cand}$  if  $u \leq \frac{k(\theta^{cand})}{Mg(\theta^{cand})}$
- 4. Repeat until B values of  $\theta^{cand}$  have been accepted

Example

- We can easily sample from the prior  $g(\theta) = f(\theta)$
- Target is the posterior with  $h(\theta) \propto k(\theta) = f(x^n \mid \theta) f(\theta)$
- Envelope condition:  $f(x^n \mid \theta) \le f(x^n \mid \widehat{\theta}_n) = \mathcal{L}_n(\widehat{\theta}_n) \equiv M$
- Algorithm
  - 1. Draw  $\theta^{cand} \sim f(\theta)$
  - 2. Generate  $u \sim \text{Unif}(0,1)$
  - 3. Accept  $\theta^{cand}$  if  $u \leq \frac{\mathcal{L}_n(\theta^{cand})}{\mathcal{L}_n(\widehat{\theta}_n)}$

# 16.3 Importance Sampling

Sample from an importance function g rather than target density h. Algorithm to obtain an approximation to  $\mathbb{E}\left[q(\theta)\,|\,x^n\right]$ :

- 1. Sample from the prior  $\theta_1, \ldots, \theta_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f(\theta)$
- 2. For each i = 1, ..., B, calculate  $w_i = \frac{\mathcal{L}_n(\theta_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^{B} \mathcal{L}_n(\theta_i)}$
- 3.  $\mathbb{E}\left[q(\theta) \mid x^n\right] \approx \sum_{i=1}^B q(\theta_i) w_i$

# 17 Decision Theory

Definitions

• Unknown quantity affecting our decision:  $\theta \in \Theta$ 

- Decision rule: synonymous for an estimator  $\widehat{\theta}$
- Action  $a \in \mathcal{A}$ : possible value of the decision rule. In the estimation context, the action is just an estimate of  $\theta$ ,  $\widehat{\theta}(x)$ .
- Loss function L: consequences of taking action a when true state is  $\theta$  or discrepancy between  $\theta$  and  $\widehat{\theta}$ ,  $L: \Theta \times \mathcal{A} \to [-k, \infty)$ .

Loss functions

- Squared error loss:  $L(\theta, a) = (\theta a)^2$
- Linear loss:  $L(\theta, a) = \begin{cases} K_1(\theta a) & a \theta < 0 \\ K_2(a \theta) & a \theta \ge 0 \end{cases}$
- Absolute error loss:  $L(\theta, a) = |\theta a|$  (linear loss with  $K_1 = K_2$ )
- $L_p$  loss:  $L(\theta, a) = |\theta a|^p$
- Zero-one loss:  $L(\theta, a) = \begin{cases} 0 & a = \theta \\ 1 & a \neq \theta \end{cases}$

#### 17.1 Risk

Posterior Risk

$$r(\widehat{\theta} \mid x) = \int L(\theta, \widehat{\theta}(x)) f(\theta \mid x) d\theta = \mathbb{E}_{\theta \mid X} \left[ L(\theta, \widehat{\theta}(x)) \right]$$

(Frequentist) Risk

$$R(\theta, \widehat{\theta}) = \int L(\theta, \widehat{\theta}(x)) f(x \mid \theta) dx = \mathbb{E}_{X \mid \theta} \left[ L(\theta, \widehat{\theta}(X)) \right]$$

Bayes Risk

$$\begin{split} r(f,\widehat{\theta}) &= \iint L(\theta,\widehat{\theta}(x)) f(x,\theta) \, dx \, d\theta = \mathbb{E}_{\theta,X} \left[ L(\theta,\widehat{\theta}(X)) \right] \\ r(f,\widehat{\theta}) &= \mathbb{E}_{\theta} \left[ \mathbb{E}_{X\mid\theta} \left[ L(\theta,\widehat{\theta}(X)) \right] \right] = \mathbb{E}_{\theta} \left[ R(\theta,\widehat{\theta}) \right] \\ r(f,\widehat{\theta}) &= \mathbb{E}_{X} \left[ \mathbb{E}_{\theta\mid X} \left[ L(\theta,\widehat{\theta}(X)) \right] \right] = \mathbb{E}_{X} \left[ r(\widehat{\theta}\mid X) \right] \end{split}$$

# 17.2 Admissibility

•  $\widehat{\theta}'$  dominates  $\widehat{\theta}$  if

$$\forall \theta : R(\theta, \widehat{\theta}') \le R(\theta, \widehat{\theta})$$

$$\exists \theta : R(\theta, \widehat{\theta}') < R(\theta, \widehat{\theta})$$

•  $\widehat{\theta}$  is inadmissible if there is at least one other estimator  $\widehat{\theta}'$  that dominates it. Otherwise it is called admissible.

# 17.3 Bayes Rule

Bayes Rule (or Bayes Estimator)

•  $r(f, \widehat{\theta}) = \inf_{\widetilde{\theta}} r(f, \widetilde{\theta})$ 

•  $\widehat{\theta}(x) = \inf r(\widehat{\theta} \mid x) \ \forall x \implies r(f, \widehat{\theta}) = \int r(\widehat{\theta} \mid x) f(x) \ dx$ 

Theorems

 $\bullet\,$  Squared error loss: posterior mean

• Absolute error loss: posterior median

• Zero-one loss: posterior mode

## 17.4 Minimax Rules

Maximum Risk

$$\bar{R}(\hat{\theta}) = \sup_{\theta} R(\theta, \hat{\theta}) \qquad \bar{R}(a) = \sup_{\theta} R(\theta, a)$$

Minimax Rule

$$\sup_{\theta} R(\theta, \widehat{\theta}) = \inf_{\widetilde{\theta}} \bar{R}(\widetilde{\theta}) = \inf_{\widetilde{\theta}} \sup_{\theta} R(\theta, \widetilde{\theta})$$

$$\widehat{\theta} = \text{Bayes rule } \wedge \exists c : R(\theta, \widehat{\theta}) = c$$

Least Favorable Prior

$$\widehat{\theta}^f = \text{Bayes rule } \wedge R(\theta, \widehat{\theta}^f) \leq r(f, \widehat{\theta}^f) \ \forall \theta$$

# 18 Linear Regression

Definitions

 $\bullet$  Response variable Y

• Covariate X (aka predictor variable or feature)

# 18.1 Simple Linear Regression

Model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$$
  $\mathbb{E}\left[\epsilon_i \mid X_i\right] = 0, \ \mathbb{V}\left[\epsilon_i \mid X_i\right] = \sigma^2$ 

Fitted Line

$$\widehat{r}(x) = \widehat{\beta}_0 + \widehat{\beta}_1 x$$

Predicted (Fitted) Values

$$\widehat{Y}_i = \widehat{r}(X_i)$$

Residuals

$$\hat{\epsilon}_i = Y_i - \widehat{Y}_i = Y_i - \left(\widehat{\beta}_0 + \widehat{\beta}_1 X_i\right)$$

Residual Sums of Squares (RSS)

$$\operatorname{RSS}(\widehat{\beta}_0, \widehat{\beta}_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\epsilon}_i^2$$

Least Square Estimates

$$\widehat{\beta}^T = (\widehat{\beta}_0, \widehat{\beta}_1)^T : \min_{\widehat{\beta}_0, \widehat{\beta}_1} RSS$$

$$\begin{split} \widehat{\beta}_0 &= \bar{Y}_n - \widehat{\beta}_1 \bar{X}_n \\ \widehat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n) (Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i - n \bar{X} \overline{Y}}{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - n \overline{X}^2} \\ \mathbb{E} \left[ \widehat{\beta} \, | \, X^n \right] &= \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbb{V} \left[ \widehat{\beta} \, | \, X^n \right] &= \frac{\sigma^2}{n s_X} \begin{pmatrix} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 & -\overline{X}_n \\ -\overline{X}_n & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \widehat{\operatorname{se}}(\widehat{\beta}_0) &= \frac{\widehat{\sigma}}{s_X \sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}{n}} \\ \widehat{\operatorname{se}}(\widehat{\beta}_1) &= \frac{\widehat{\sigma}}{s_X \sqrt{n}} \end{split}$$

where  $s_X^2 = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \overline{X}_n)^2$  and  $\widehat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\epsilon}_i^2$  an (unbiased) estimate of  $\sigma$ . Further properties:

- Consistency:  $\widehat{\beta}_0 \stackrel{P}{\to} \beta_0$  and  $\widehat{\beta}_1 \stackrel{P}{\to} \beta_1$
- Asymptotic normality:

$$\frac{\widehat{\beta}_{0} - \beta_{0}}{\widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\beta}_{0})} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\widehat{\beta}_{1} - \beta_{1}}{\widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\beta}_{1})} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right)$$

• Approximate  $1 - \alpha$  confidence intervals for  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are

$$\widehat{\beta}_0 \pm z_{\alpha/2} \widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\beta}_0)$$
 and  $\widehat{\beta}_1 \pm z_{\alpha/2} \widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\beta}_1)$ 

• The Wald test for testing  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  vs.  $H_1: \beta_1 \neq 0$  is: reject  $H_0$  if  $|W| > z_{\alpha/2}$  where  $W = \widehat{\beta}_1/\widehat{\operatorname{se}}(\widehat{\beta}_1)$ .

 $\mathbb{R}^2$ 

$$R^{2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (\widehat{Y}_{i} - \overline{Y})^{2}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_{i} - \overline{Y})^{2}} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \widehat{\epsilon}_{i}^{2}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_{i} - \overline{Y})^{2}} = 1 - \frac{\text{RSS}}{\text{TSS}}$$

Likelihood

$$\mathcal{L} = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f(X_i, Y_i) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f_X(X_i) \times \prod_{i=1}^{n} f_{Y|X}(Y_i \mid X_i) = \mathcal{L}_1 \times \mathcal{L}_2$$

$$\mathcal{L}_1 = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f_X(X_i)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_2 = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f_{Y|X}(Y_i \mid X_i) \propto \sigma^{-n} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i} \left(Y_i - (\beta_0 - \beta_1 X_i)\right)^2\right\}$$

Under the assumption of Normality, the least squares estimator is also the MLE

$$\widehat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\epsilon}_i^2$$

#### 18.2 Prediction

Observe  $X = x_*$  of the covarite and want to predict their outcome  $Y_*$ .

$$\widehat{Y}_* = \widehat{\beta}_0 + \widehat{\beta}_1 x_*$$

$$\mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{Y}_*\right] = \mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{\beta}_0\right] + x_*^2 \mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{\beta}_1\right] + 2x_* \operatorname{Cov}\left[\widehat{\beta}_0, \widehat{\beta}_1\right]$$

Prediction Interval

$$\widehat{\xi}_n^2 = \widehat{\sigma}^2 \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - X_*)^2}{n \sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2 j} + 1 \right)$$

$$\widehat{Y}_* \pm z_{\alpha/2} \widehat{\xi}_n$$

## 18.3 Multiple Regression

$$Y = X\beta + \epsilon$$

where

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} X_{11} & \cdots & X_{1k} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & \cdots & X_{nk} \end{pmatrix} \quad \beta = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{pmatrix} \quad \epsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Likelihood

$$\mathcal{L}(\mu, \Sigma) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \text{RSS}\right\}$$

$$RSS = (y - X\beta)^{T}(y - X\beta) = ||Y - X\beta||^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (Y_{i} - x_{i}^{T}\beta)^{2}$$

If the  $(k \times k)$  matrix  $X^T X$  is invertible,

$$\begin{split} \widehat{\beta} &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y \\ \mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{\beta} \,|\, X^n\right] &= \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1} \\ \widehat{\beta} &\approx \mathcal{N}\left(\beta, \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}\right) \end{split}$$

Estimate regression function

$$\widehat{r}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{k} \widehat{\beta}_j x_j$$

Unbiased estimate for  $\sigma^2$ 

$$\widehat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-k} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\epsilon}_i^2 \qquad \widehat{\epsilon} = X \widehat{\beta} - Y$$

MLE

$$\widehat{\mu} = \bar{X}$$
  $\widehat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{n-k}{n}\sigma^2$ 

 $1 - \alpha$  Confidence Interval

$$\widehat{\beta}_j \pm z_{\alpha/2} \widehat{\mathsf{se}}(\widehat{\beta}_j)$$

#### 18.4 Model Selection

Consider predicting a new observation  $Y^*$  for covariates  $X^*$  and let  $S \subset J$  denote a subset of the covariates in the model, where |S| = k and |J| = n. Issues

- Underfitting: too few covariates yields high bias
- Overfitting: too many covariates yields high variance

Procedure

- 1. Assign a score to each model
- 2. Search through all models to find the one with the highest score

Hypothesis Testing

$$H_0: \beta_j = 0 \text{ vs. } H_1: \beta_j \neq 0 \quad \forall j \in J$$

Mean Squared Prediction Error (MSPE)

$$\text{MSPE} = \mathbb{E}\left[(\widehat{Y}(S) - Y^*)^2\right]$$

Prediction Risk

$$R(S) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \text{MSPE}_i = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{E}\left[ (\widehat{Y}_i(S) - Y_i^*)^2 \right]$$

Training Error

$$\widehat{R}_{tr}(S) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\widehat{Y}_{i}(S) - Y_{i})^{2}$$

 $\mathbb{R}^2$ 

$$R^{2}(S) = 1 - \frac{\text{RSS}(S)}{\text{TSS}} = 1 - \frac{\widehat{R}_{tr}(S)}{\text{TSS}} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (\widehat{Y}_{i}(S) - \overline{Y})^{2}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_{i} - \overline{Y})^{2}}$$

The training error is a downward-biased estimate of the prediction risk.

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\widehat{R}_{tr}(S)\right] < R(S)$$

$$\mathsf{bias}(\widehat{R}_{tr}(S)) = \mathbb{E}\left[\widehat{R}_{tr}(S)\right] - R(S) = -2\sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathsf{Cov}\left[\widehat{Y}_{i}, Y_{i}\right]$$

Adjusted  $R^2$ 

$$R^{2}(S) = 1 - \frac{n-1}{n-k} \frac{\text{RSS}}{\text{TSS}}$$

Mallow's  $C_p$  statistic

$$\widehat{R}(S) = \widehat{R}_{tr}(S) + 2k\widehat{\sigma}^2 = \text{lack of fit} + \text{complexity penalty}$$

Akaike Information Criterion (AIC)

$$AIC(S) = \ell_n(\widehat{\beta}_S, \widehat{\sigma}_S^2) - k$$

Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)

$$BIC(S) = \ell_n(\widehat{\beta}_S, \widehat{\sigma}_S^2) - \frac{k}{2} \log n$$

Validation and Training

$$\widehat{R}_V(S) = \sum_{i=1}^m (\widehat{Y}_i^*(S) - Y_i^*)^2 \qquad m = |\{\text{validation data}\}|, \text{ often } \frac{n}{4} \text{ or } \frac{n}{2}$$

Leave-one-out Cross-validation

$$\widehat{R}_{CV}(S) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_i - \widehat{Y}_{(i)})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( \frac{Y_i - \widehat{Y}_i(S)}{1 - U_{ii}(S)} \right)^2$$

$$U(S) = X_S(X_S^T X_S)^{-1} X_S$$
 ("hat matrix")

# 19 Non-parametric Function Estimation

# 19.1 Density Estimation

Estimate f(x), where  $f(x) = \mathbb{P}[X \in A] = \int_A f(x) dx$ . Integrated Square Error (ISE)

$$L(f,\widehat{f_n}) = \int \left( f(x) - \widehat{f_n}(x) \right)^2 dx = J(h) + \int f^2(x) dx$$

Frequentist Risk

$$R(f, \widehat{f}_n) = \mathbb{E}\left[L(f, \widehat{f}_n)\right] = \int b^2(x) \, dx + \int v(x) \, dx$$
$$b(x) = \mathbb{E}\left[\widehat{f}_n(x)\right] - f(x)$$
$$v(x) = \mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{f}_n(x)\right]$$

### 19.1.1 Histograms

Definitions

- Number of bins m
- Binwidth  $h = \frac{1}{m}$
- Bin  $B_i$  has  $\nu_i$  observations
- Define  $\widehat{p}_j = \nu_j/n$  and  $p_j = \int_{B_j} f(u) du$

Histogram Estimator

$$\widehat{f}_n(x) = \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\widehat{p}_j}{h} I(x \in B_j)$$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\widehat{f}_n(x)\right] = \frac{p_j}{h}$$

$$\mathbb{V}\left[\widehat{f}_n(x)\right] = \frac{p_j(1-p_j)}{nh^2}$$

$$R(\widehat{f}_n, f) \approx \frac{h^2}{12} \int (f'(u))^2 du + \frac{1}{nh}$$

$$h^* = \frac{1}{n^{1/3}} \left(\frac{6}{\int (f'(u))^2} du\right)^{1/3}$$

$$R^*(\widehat{f}_n, f) \approx \frac{C}{n^{2/3}} \qquad C = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{2/3} \left(\int (f'(u))^2 du\right)^{1/3}$$

Cross-validation estimate of  $\mathbb{E}[J(h)]$ 

$$\widehat{J}_{CV}(h) = \int \widehat{f}_n^2(x) \, dx - \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i) = \frac{2}{(n-1)h} - \frac{n+1}{(n-1)h} \sum_{i=1}^m \widehat{p}_j^2$$

### 19.1.2 Kernel Density Estimator (KDE)

Kernel K

- $K(x) \geq 0$
- $\int K(x) dx = 1$
- $\int xK(x) dx = 0$
- $\int x^2 K(x) dx \equiv \sigma_K^2 > 0$

KDE

$$\widehat{f}_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{h} K\left(\frac{x - X_i}{h}\right)$$

$$R(f, \widehat{f}_n) \approx \frac{1}{4} (h\sigma_K)^4 \int (f''(x))^2 dx + \frac{1}{nh} \int K^2(x) dx$$

$$h^* = \frac{c_1^{-2/5} c_2^{-1/5} c_3^{-1/5}}{n^{1/5}} \qquad c_1 = \sigma_K^2, \ c_2 = \int K^2(x) dx, \ c_3 = \int (f''(x))^2 dx$$

$$R^*(f, \widehat{f}_n) = \frac{c_4}{n^{4/5}} \qquad c_4 = \underbrace{\frac{5}{4} (\sigma_K^2)^{2/5} \left(\int K^2(x) dx\right)^{4/5}}_{C(K)} \left(\int (f'')^2 dx\right)^{1/5}$$

Epanechnikov Kernel

$$K(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{4\sqrt{5}(1-x^2/5)} & |x| < \sqrt{5} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Cross-validation estimate of  $\mathbb{E}\left[J(h)\right]$ 

$$\widehat{J}_{CV}(h) = \int \widehat{f}_n^2(x) \, dx - \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{f}_{(-i)}(X_i) \approx \frac{1}{hn^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n K^* \left(\frac{X_i - X_j}{h}\right) + \frac{2}{nh} K(0)$$

$$K^*(x) = K^{(2)}(x) - 2K(x) \qquad K^{(2)}(x) = \int K(x - y) K(y) \, dy$$

## 19.2 Non-parametric Regression

Estimate f(x), where  $f(x) = \mathbb{E}[Y | X = x]$ . Consider pairs of points  $(x_1, Y_1), \dots, (x_n, Y_n)$  related by

$$Y_i = r(x_i) + \epsilon_i$$

$$\mathbb{E} [\epsilon_i] = 0$$

$$\mathbb{V} [\epsilon_i] = \sigma^2$$

k-nearest Neighbor Estimator

$$\widehat{r}(x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i: x_i \in N_k(x)} Y_i \quad \text{where } N_k(x) = \{k \text{ values of } x_1, \dots, x_n \text{ closest to } x\}$$

Nadaraya-Watson Kernel Estimator

$$\widehat{r}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i(x) Y_i$$

$$w_i(x) = \frac{K\left(\frac{x - x_i}{h}\right)}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} K\left(\frac{x - x_j}{h}\right)} \in [0, 1]$$

$$R(\widehat{r}_n, r) \approx \frac{h^4}{4} \left(\int x^2 K^2(x) dx\right)^4 \int \left(r''(x) + 2r'(x) \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)}\right)^2 dx$$

$$+ \int \frac{\sigma^2 \int K^2(x) dx}{nhf(x)} dx$$

$$h^* \approx \frac{c_1}{n^{1/5}}$$

$$R^*(\widehat{r}_n, r) \approx \frac{c_2}{n^{4/5}}$$

Cross-validation estimate of  $\mathbb{E}[J(h)]$ 

$$\widehat{J}_{CV}(h) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_i - \widehat{r}_{(-i)}(x_i))^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{(Y_i - \widehat{r}(x_i))^2}{\left(1 - \frac{K(0)}{\sum_{j=1}^{n} K\left(\frac{x - x_j}{h}\right)}\right)^2}$$

## 19.3 Smoothing Using Orthogonal Functions

Approximation

$$r(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta_j \phi_j(x) \approx \sum_{j=1}^{J} \beta_j \phi_j(x)$$

Multivariate Regression

$$Y = \Phi \beta + \eta$$
where  $\eta_i = \epsilon_i$  and  $\Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi_0(x_1) & \cdots & \phi_J(x_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_0(x_n) & \cdots & \phi_J(x_n) \end{pmatrix}$ 

Least Squares Estimator

$$\begin{split} \widehat{\beta} &= (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T Y \\ &\approx \frac{1}{n} \Phi^T Y \quad \text{(for equallly spaced observations only)} \end{split}$$

Cross-validation estimate of  $\mathbb{E}\left[J(h)\right]$ 

$$\widehat{R}_{CV}(J) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( Y_i - \sum_{j=1}^{J} \phi_j(x_i) \widehat{\beta}_{j,(-i)} \right)^2$$

# 20 Stochastic Processes

Stochastic Process

$$\{X_t: t \in T\}$$
  $T = \begin{cases} \{0, \pm 1, \dots\} = \mathbb{Z} & \text{discrete} \\ [0, \infty) & \text{continuous} \end{cases}$ 

- Notations:  $X_t$ , X(t)
- State space  $\mathcal{X}$
- $\bullet$  Index set T

## 20.1 Markov Chains

Markov Chain

$$\mathbb{P}\left[X_n = x \,|\, X_0, \dots, X_{n-1}\right] = \mathbb{P}\left[X_n = x \,|\, X_{n-1}\right] \quad \forall n \in T, x \in \mathcal{X}$$

Transition probabilities

$$\begin{aligned} p_{ij} &\equiv \mathbb{P}\left[X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i\right] \\ p_{ij}(n) &\equiv \mathbb{P}\left[X_{m+n} = j \mid X_m = i\right] \quad \text{n-step} \end{aligned}$$

Transition matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  (n-step:  $\mathbf{P}_n$ )

- (i,j) element is  $p_{ij}$
- $p_{ij} > 0$
- $\sum_{i} p_{ij} = 1$

CHAPMAN-KOLMOGOROV

$$p_{ij}(m+n) = \sum_{k} p_{ij}(m)p_{kj}(n)$$
$$\mathbf{P}_{m+n} = \mathbf{P}_{m}\mathbf{P}_{n}$$
$$\mathbf{P}_{n} = \mathbf{P} \times \cdots \times \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^{n}$$

Marginal probability

$$\mu_n = (\mu_n(1), \dots, \mu_n(N))$$
 where  $\mu_i(i) = \mathbb{P}[X_n = i]$   
 $\mu_0 \triangleq \text{initial distribution}$   
 $\mu_n = \mu_0 \mathbf{P}^n$ 

## 20.2 Poisson Processes

Poisson Process

- $\{X_t: t \in [0,\infty)\}$  number of events up to and including time t
- $X_0 = 0$
- Independent increments:

$$\forall t_0 < \dots < t_n : X_{t_1} - X_{t_0} \perp \!\!\! \perp \dots \perp \!\!\! \perp X_{t_n} - X_{t_{n-1}}$$

• Intensity function  $\lambda(t)$ 

$$- \mathbb{P}[X_{t+h} - X_t = 1] = \lambda(t)h + o(h) - \mathbb{P}[X_{t+h} - X_t = 2] = o(h)$$

• 
$$X_{s+t} - X_s \sim \text{Po}\left(m(s+t) - m(s)\right)$$
 where  $m(t) = \int_0^t \lambda(s) \, ds$ 

Homogeneous Poisson Process

$$\lambda(t) \equiv \lambda \implies X_t \sim \text{Po}(\lambda t) \qquad \lambda > 0$$

Waiting Times

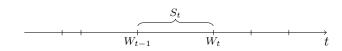
 $W_t := \text{time at which } X_t \text{ occurs}$ 

$$W_t \sim \operatorname{Gamma}\left(t, \frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$$

Interarrival Times

$$S_t = W_{t+1} - W_t$$

$$S_t \sim \text{Exp}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right)$$



# 21 Time Series

Mean function

$$\mu_{x_t} = \mathbb{E}\left[x_t\right] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_t(x) \, dx$$

Autocovariance function

$$\gamma_x(s,t) = \mathbb{E}\left[ (x_s - \mu_s)(x_t - \mu_t) \right] = \mathbb{E}\left[ x_s x_t \right] - \mu_s \mu_t$$
$$\gamma_x(t,t) = \mathbb{E}\left[ (x_t - \mu_t)^2 \right] = \mathbb{V}\left[ x_t \right]$$

Autocorrelation function (ACF)

$$\rho(s,t) = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}\left[x_s, x_t\right]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}\left[x_s\right]\mathbb{V}\left[x_t\right]}} = \frac{\gamma(s,t)}{\sqrt{\gamma(s,s)\gamma(t,t)}}$$

Cross-covariance function (CCV)

$$\gamma_{xy}(s,t) = \mathbb{E}\left[ (x_s - \mu_{x_s})(y_t - \mu_{y_t}) \right]$$

Cross-correlation function (CCF)

$$\rho_{xy}(s,t) = \frac{\gamma_{xy}(s,t)}{\sqrt{\gamma_x(s,s)\gamma_y(t,t)}}$$

Backshift operator

$$B^k(x_t) = x_{t-k}$$

Difference operator

$$\nabla^d = (1 - B)^d$$

White Noise

- $w_t \sim wn(0, \sigma_w^2)$
- Gaussian:  $w_t \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}\left(0, \sigma_w^2\right)$
- $\mathbb{E}[w_t] = 0$   $t \in T$
- $\mathbb{V}[w_t] = \sigma^2 \quad t \in T$
- $\gamma_w(s,t) = 0$   $s \neq t \land s, t \in T$

Random Walk

- Drift  $\delta$
- $x_t = \delta t + \sum_{j=1}^t w_j$
- $\mathbb{E}[x_t] = \delta t$

Symmetric Moving Average

$$m_t = \sum_{j=-k}^{k} a_j x_{t-j}$$
 where  $a_j = a_{-j} \ge 0$  and  $\sum_{j=-k}^{k} a_j = 1$ 

## 21.1 Stationary Time Series

Strictly stationary

$$\mathbb{P}\left[x_{t_1} \le c_1, \dots, x_{t_k} \le c_k\right] = \mathbb{P}\left[x_{t_1+h} \le c_1, \dots, x_{t_k+h} \le c_k\right]$$

$$\forall k \in \mathbb{N}, t_k, c_k, h \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Weakly stationary

- $\mathbb{E}\left[x_t^2\right] < \infty \qquad \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$
- $\mathbb{E}\left[x_t^2\right] = m \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{Z}$
- $\gamma_x(s,t) = \gamma_x(s+r,t+r) \quad \forall r,s,t \in \mathbb{Z}$

Autocovariance function

- $\gamma(h) = \mathbb{E}\left[ (x_{t+h} \mu)(x_t \mu) \right] \quad \forall h \in \mathbb{Z}$
- $\gamma(0) = \mathbb{E}\left[ (x_t \mu)^2 \right]$
- $\gamma(0) \geq 0$
- $\gamma(0) \ge |\gamma(h)|$
- $\gamma(h) = \gamma(-h)$

Autocorrelation function (ACF)

$$\rho_x(h) = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}\left[x_{t+h}, x_t\right]}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}\left[x_{t+h}\right] \mathbb{V}\left[x_t\right]}} = \frac{\gamma(t+h, t)}{\sqrt{\gamma(t+h, t+h)\gamma(t, t)}} = \frac{\gamma(h)}{\gamma(0)}$$

Jointly stationary time series

$$\gamma_{xy}(h) = \mathbb{E}\left[ (x_{t+h} - \mu_x)(y_t - \mu_y) \right]$$

$$\rho_{xy}(h) = \frac{\gamma_{xy}(h)}{\sqrt{\gamma_x(0)\gamma_y(h)}}$$

Linear Process

$$x_t = \mu + \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_j w_{t-j}$$
 where  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi_j| < \infty$ 

$$\gamma(h) = \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_{j+h} \psi_j$$

## 21.2 Estimation of Correlation

Sample mean

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} x_t$$

Sample variance

$$\mathbb{V}\left[\bar{x}\right] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{h=-n}^{n} \left(1 - \frac{|h|}{n}\right) \gamma_x(h)$$

Sample autocovariance function

$$\widehat{\gamma}(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-h} (x_{t+h} - \bar{x})(x_t - \bar{x})$$

Sample autocorrelation function

$$\widehat{\rho}(h) = \frac{\widehat{\gamma}(h)}{\widehat{\gamma}(0)}$$

Sample cross-variance function

$$\widehat{\gamma}_{xy}(h) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n-h} (x_{t+h} - \overline{x})(y_t - \overline{y})$$

Sample cross-correlation function

$$\widehat{\rho}_{xy}(h) = \frac{\widehat{\gamma}_{xy}(h)}{\sqrt{\widehat{\gamma}_x(0)\widehat{\gamma}_y(0)}}$$

Properties

- $\sigma_{\widehat{\rho}_x(h)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  if  $x_t$  is white noise
- $\sigma_{\widehat{\rho}_{xy}(h)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  if  $x_t$  or  $y_t$  is white noise

# 21.3 Non-Stationary Time Series

Classical decomposition model

$$x_t = \mu_t + s_t + w_t$$

- $\mu_t = \text{trend}$
- $s_t = \text{seasonal component}$
- $w_t = \text{random noise term}$

#### 21.3.1 Detrending

Least Squares

- 1. Choose trend model, e.g.,  $\mu_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + \beta_2 t^2$
- 2. Minimize RSS to obtain trend estimate  $\hat{\mu}_t = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 t + \hat{\beta}_2 t^2$
- 3. Residuals  $\triangleq$  noise  $w_t$

Moving average

• The low-pass filter  $v_t$  is a symmetric moving average  $m_t$  with  $a_j = \frac{1}{2k+1}$ :

$$v_t = \frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{i=-k}^{k} x_{t-1}$$

• If  $\frac{1}{2k+1} \sum_{i=-k}^{k} w_{t-j} \approx 0$ , a linear trend function  $\mu_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t$  passes without distortion

Differencing

• 
$$\mu_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t \implies \nabla x_t = \beta_1$$

## 21.4 ARIMA models

Autoregressive polynomial

$$\phi(z) = 1 - \phi_1 z - \dots - \phi_p z_p$$
  $z \in \mathbb{C} \land \phi_p \neq 0$ 

Autoregressive operator

$$\phi(B) = 1 - \phi_1 B - \dots - \phi_p B^p$$

Autoregressive model order p, AR (p)

$$x_t = \phi_1 x_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p x_{t-p} + w_t \iff \phi(B) x_t = w_t$$

AR(1)

• 
$$x_t = \phi^k(x_{t-k}) + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \phi^j(w_{t-j}) \stackrel{k \to \infty, |\phi| < 1}{=} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \phi^j(w_{t-j})$$

- $\mathbb{E}[x_t] = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \phi^j(\mathbb{E}[w_{t-i}]) = 0$
- $\gamma(h) = \operatorname{Cov}\left[x_{t+h}, x_t\right] = \frac{\sigma_w^2 \phi^h}{1 \phi^2}$
- $\rho(h) = \frac{\gamma(h)}{\gamma(0)} = \phi^h$
- $\rho(h) = \phi \rho(h-1)$  h = 1, 2, ...

Moving average polynomial

$$\theta(z) = 1 + \theta_1 z + \dots + \theta_q z_q$$
  $z \in \mathbb{C} \land \theta_q \neq 0$ 

Moving average operator

$$\theta(B) = 1 + \theta_1 B + \dots + \theta_p B^p$$

 $\mathsf{MA}(q)$  (moving average model order q)

$$x_t = w_t + \theta_1 w_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q w_{t-q} \iff x_t = \theta(B) w_t$$

$$\mathbb{E} [x_t] = \sum_{j=0}^q \theta_j \mathbb{E} [w_{t-j}] = 0$$

$$\gamma(h) = \operatorname{Cov} [x_{t+h}, x_t] = \begin{cases} \sigma_w^2 \sum_{j=0}^{q-h} \theta_j \theta_{j+h} & 0 \le h \le q \\ 0 & h > q \end{cases}$$

MA(1)

$$x_{t} = w_{t} + \theta w_{t-1}$$

$$\gamma(h) = \begin{cases} (1 + \theta^{2})\sigma_{w}^{2} & h = 0\\ \theta \sigma_{w}^{2} & h = 1\\ 0 & h > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\rho(h) = \begin{cases} \frac{\theta}{(1+\theta^{2})} & h = 1\\ 0 & h > 1 \end{cases}$$

ARMA(p,q)

$$x_t = \phi_1 x_{t-1} + \dots + \phi_p x_{t-p} + w_t + \theta_1 w_{t-1} + \dots + \theta_q w_{t-q}$$
$$\phi(B) x_t = \theta(B) w_t$$

Partial autocorrelation function (PACF)

- $x_i^{h-1} \triangleq \text{regression of } x_i \text{ on } \{x_{h-1}, x_{h-2}, \dots, x_1\}$
- $\phi_{hh} = corr(x_h x_h^{h-1}, x_0 x_0^{h-1}) \quad h \ge 2$
- E.g.,  $\phi_{11} = corr(x_1, x_0) = \rho(1)$

 $\mathsf{ARIMA}\left(p,d,q\right)$ 

$$\nabla^d x_t = (1 - B)^d x_t \text{ is ARMA}(p, q)$$
$$\phi(B)(1 - B)^d x_t = \theta(B)w_t$$

Exponentially Weighted Moving Average (EWMA)

$$x_t = x_{t-1} + w_t - \lambda w_{t-1}$$

$$x_t = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (1 - \lambda) \lambda^{j-1} x_{t-j} + w_t \quad \text{when } |\lambda| < 1$$

$$\tilde{x}_{n+1} = (1-\lambda)x_n + \lambda \tilde{x}_n$$

Seasonal ARIMA

- Denoted by ARIMA  $(p, d, q) \times (P, D, Q)$
- $\Phi_P(B^s)\phi(B)\nabla_s^D\nabla^d x_t = \delta + \Theta_Q(B^s)\theta(B)w_t$

#### 21.4.1 Causality and Invertibility

ARMA (p,q) is causal (future-independent)  $\iff \exists \{\psi_j\} : \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j < \infty$  such that

$$x_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} w_{t-j} = \psi(B)w_t$$

 $\mathsf{ARMA}\,(p,q)$  is invertible  $\iff \exists \{\pi_j\}: \sum_{j=0}^\infty \pi_j < \infty \text{ such that }$ 

$$\pi(B)x_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} X_{t-j} = w_t$$

Properties

• ARMA (p,q) causal  $\iff$  roots of  $\phi(z)$  lie outside the unit circle

$$\psi(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \psi_j z^j = \frac{\theta(z)}{\phi(z)} \quad |z| \le 1$$

• ARMA (p,q) invertible  $\iff$  roots of  $\theta(z)$  lie outside the unit circle

$$\pi(z) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \pi_j z^j = \frac{\phi(z)}{\theta(z)} \quad |z| \le 1$$

Behavior of the ACF and PACF for causal and invertible ARMA models

	$AR\left(p\right)$	$MA\left(q ight)$	$ARMA\left(p,q\right)$
ACF	tails off	cuts off after lag $q$	tails off
PACF	cuts off after lag $p$	tails off $q$	tails off

# 21.5 Spectral Analysis

Periodic process

$$x_t = A\cos(2\pi\omega t + \phi)$$
  
=  $U_1\cos(2\pi\omega t) + U_2\sin(2\pi\omega t)$ 

• Frequency index  $\omega$  (cycles per unit time), period  $1/\omega$ 

- Amplitude A
- Phase  $\phi$
- $U_1 = A\cos\phi$  and  $U_2 = A\sin\phi$  often normally distributed RV's

Periodic mixture

$$x_t = \sum_{k=1}^{q} (U_{k1} \cos(2\pi\omega_k t) + U_{k2} \sin(2\pi\omega_k t))$$

- $U_{k1}, U_{k2}$ , for  $k = 1, \ldots, q$ , are independent zero-mean RV's with variances  $\sigma_k^2$
- $\gamma(h) = \sum_{k=1}^{q} \sigma_k^2 \cos(2\pi\omega_k h)$
- $\gamma(0) = \mathbb{E}\left[x_t^2\right] = \sum_{k=1}^q \sigma_k^2$

Spectral representation of a periodic process

$$\gamma(h) = \sigma^2 \cos(2\pi\omega_0 h)$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{2} e^{-2\pi i \omega_0 h} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} e^{2\pi i \omega_0 h}$$

$$= \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} e^{2\pi i \omega h} dF(\omega)$$

Spectral distribution function

$$F(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \omega < -\omega_0 \\ \sigma^2/2 & -\omega \le \omega < \omega_0 \\ \sigma^2 & \omega \ge \omega_0 \end{cases}$$

- $F(-\infty) = F(-1/2) = 0$
- $F(\infty) = F(1/2) = \gamma(0)$

Spectral density

$$f(\omega) = \sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} \gamma(h)e^{-2\pi i\omega h} - \frac{1}{2} \le \omega \le \frac{1}{2}$$

- Needs  $\sum_{h=-\infty}^{\infty} |\gamma(h)| < \infty \implies \gamma(h) = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} e^{2\pi i \omega h} f(\omega) d\omega$   $h = 0, \pm 1, \ldots$
- $f(\omega) \ge 0$
- $f(\omega) = f(-\omega)$
- $f(\omega) = f(1 \omega)$
- $\gamma(0) = \mathbb{V}[x_t] = \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} f(\omega) d\omega$
- White noise:  $f_w(\omega) = \sigma_w^2$
- ARMA (p,q),  $\phi(B)x_t = \theta(B)w_t$ :

$$f_x(\omega) = \sigma_w^2 \frac{|\theta(e^{-2\pi i\omega})|^2}{|\phi(e^{-2\pi i\omega})|^2}$$

where  $\phi(z) = 1 - \sum_{k=1}^{p} \phi_k z^k$  and  $\theta(z) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{q} \theta_k z^k$ 

Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

$$d(\omega_j) = n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i e^{-2\pi i \omega_j t}$$

Fourier/Fundamental frequencies

$$\omega_j = j/n$$

Inverse DFT

$$x_t = n^{-1/2} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} d(\omega_j) e^{2\pi i \omega_j t}$$

Periodogram

$$I(j/n) = |d(j/n)|^2$$

Scaled Periodogram

$$P(j/n) = \frac{4}{n}I(j/n)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n} x_t \cos(2\pi t j/n)\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n} x_t \sin(2\pi t j/n)\right)^2$$

## 22 Math

## 22.1 Gamma Function

- Ordinary:  $\Gamma(s) = \int_0^\infty t^{s-1} e^{-t} dt$
- Upper incomplete:  $\Gamma(s,x) = \int_x^\infty t^{s-1} e^{-t} dt$
- Lower incomplete:  $\gamma(s,x) = \int_0^x t^{s-1}e^{-t}dt$
- $\Gamma(\alpha + 1) = \alpha \Gamma(\alpha)$   $\alpha > 1$
- $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$   $n \in \mathbb{N}$
- $\Gamma(1/2) = \sqrt{\pi}$

# 22.2 Beta Function

- Ordinary:  $B(x,y) = B(y,x) = \int_0^1 t^{x-1} (1-t)^{y-1} dt = \frac{\Gamma(x)\Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)}$
- Incomplete:  $B(x; a, b) = \int_0^x t^{a-1} (1-t)^{b-1} dt$
- Regularized incomplete

$$I_x(a,b) = \frac{B(x; a,b)}{B(a,b)} \stackrel{a,b \in \mathbb{N}}{=} \sum_{j=a}^{a+b-1} \frac{(a+b-1)!}{j!(a+b-1-j)!} x^j (1-x)^{a+b-1-j}$$

- $I_0(a,b) = 0$   $I_1(a,b) = 1$
- $I_x(a,b) = 1 I_{1-x}(b,a)$

#### 22.3Series

Finite

$$\bullet \sum_{k=1}^{n} k = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\bullet \sum_{k=1}^{n} (2k-1) = n^2$$

• 
$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} k^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$\bullet \sum_{k=1}^{n} k^3 = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2$$

• 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} c^k = \frac{c^{n+1} - 1}{c - 1}$$
  $c \neq 1$ 

Binomial

$$\bullet \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} = 2^n$$

$$\bullet \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{r+k}{k} = \binom{r+n+1}{n}$$

$$\bullet \sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{k}{m} = \binom{n+1}{m+1}$$

• Vandermonde's Identity:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{r} \binom{m}{k} \binom{n}{r-k} = \binom{m+n}{r}$$

• Binomial Theorem: 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{n} \binom{n}{k} a^{n-k} b^k = (a+b)^n$$

Infinite

• 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p^k = \frac{1}{1-p}$$
,  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p^k = \frac{p}{1-p}$   $|p| < 1$ 

• 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} kp^{k-1} = \frac{d}{dp} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} p^k \right) = \frac{d}{dp} \left( \frac{1}{1-p} \right) = \frac{1}{1-p^2} \quad |p| < 1$$

$$\bullet \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} {r+k-1 \choose k} x^k = (1-x)^{-r} \quad r \in \mathbb{N}^+$$

• 
$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} {\alpha \choose k} p^k = (1+p)^{\alpha} \quad |p| < 1, \, \alpha \in \mathbb{C}$$

# Combinatorics

Sampling

k out of $n$	w/o replacement	w/ replacement	
ordered	$n^{\underline{k}} = \prod_{i=0}^{k-1} (n-i) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$	$n^k$	
unordered		$\binom{n-1+r}{r} = \binom{n-1+r}{n-1}$	

Stirling numbers,  $2^{nd}$  kind

$${n \brace k} = k {n-1 \brace k} + {n-1 \brace k-1} \qquad 1 \le k \le n \qquad {n \brace 0} = {1 \quad n=0 \atop 0 \quad \text{else}}$$

Partitions

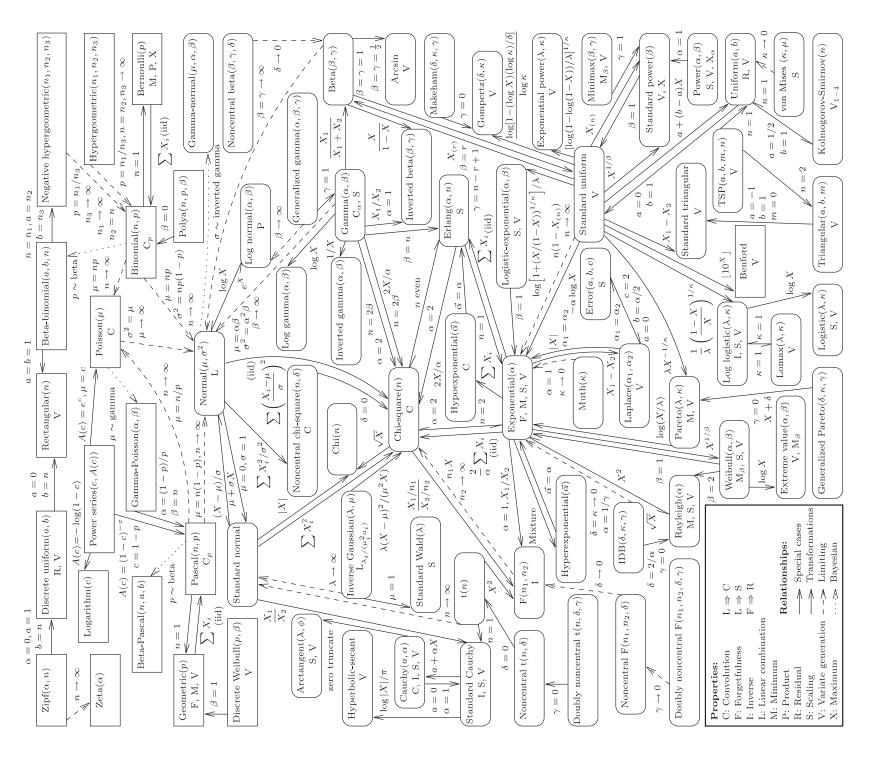
$$P_{n+k,k} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} P_{n,i}$$
  $k > n : P_{n,k} = 0$   $n \ge 1 : P_{n,0} = 0, P_{0,0} = 1$ 

Balls and Urns  $f: B \to U$  $D = \text{distinguishable}, \neg D = \text{indistinguishable}.$ 

B =n, U =m	f arbitrary	f injective	f surjective	f bijective
$B:D,\ U:\neg D$	$m^n$	$\begin{cases} m^{\underline{n}} & m \ge n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$	$m! \begin{Bmatrix} n \\ m \end{Bmatrix}$	$\begin{cases} n! & m = n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$
$B: \neg D, \ U:D$	$\binom{n+n-1}{n}$	$\binom{m}{n}$	$\binom{n-1}{m-1}$	$\begin{cases} 1 & m = n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$
$B:D,\ U:\neg D$	$\sum_{k=1}^{m} \begin{Bmatrix} n \\ k \end{Bmatrix}$	$\begin{cases} 1 & m \ge n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$	$\binom{n}{m}$	$\begin{cases} 1 & m = n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$
$B: \neg D, \ U: \neg D$	$\sum_{k=1}^{m} P_{n,k}$	$\begin{cases} 1 & m \ge n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$	$P_{n,m}$	$\begin{cases} 1 & m = n \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

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