

# Part III — Statistics

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# 1 Representation and summary of data - location

## 1.1 Basic Concepts of Variable

**Definition** (Quantitative variables and Qualitative variables). Quantitative variable associated with numerical observation. Qualitative variables associated with non-numerical observations.

**Definition** (Continuous variable and discrete variable). Continuous variable can take any value in given range. Discrete can take only specific values in a given range.

## 1.2 Grouped data

**Definition** (Grouped data). The groups are more commonly known as classes.

- class boundaries.
- mid-point of a class.
- class width.

**Example.** Example 5-6

**Definition** (Frequency and cumulative frequency). Number of anything; example is how many sheep. It is sometimes helpful to add a column to the table showing the running total of the frequencies. This is called the cumulative frequency

**Definition** (Ungrouped data). Show all data

## 1.3 Mean , mode and median

**Definition** (Mode). The mode is the value that occurs most often

**Definition** (Median).  $n/2$  term or 1 term above

**Definition** (Mean).

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_i^n x_i}{n}$$

## 1.4 Linear interpolation

**Example.** Example 14-15

## 1.5 Coding

**Example.** pick 1 example

## **2 Representation and summary of data - measures of dispersion**

### **2.1 Range and interquartile range**

The list of formula:

$$- \text{Range} = \text{Upper value} - \text{Lowest value}$$

**Example.** example 3

### **2.2 Percentiles split the data into 100 parts**

**Example.** example 4

### **2.3 Range and Interquartile range**

**Example** (Linear Interpolation).

### **2.4 Variance and standard deviation**

**Definition** (Variance). Let  $f$  stand for the frequency, then  $n = \sum f$  and

$$\text{Variance} = \frac{\sum f(x - \bar{x})^2}{\sum f} \text{ or } \frac{\sum fx^2}{\sum f} - \left( \frac{\sum fx}{\sum f} \right)^2$$

### **2.5 Variance and standard deviation for grouped data**

**Definition.**

**Example.** example 7-8

### **2.6 Coding**

**Example.** example 9-11

### 3 Representation of data

#### 3.1 Stem and Leaf diagrams

#### 3.2 Outlier

**Definition.** An outlier is an extreme value that lies outside the overall pattern of the data.

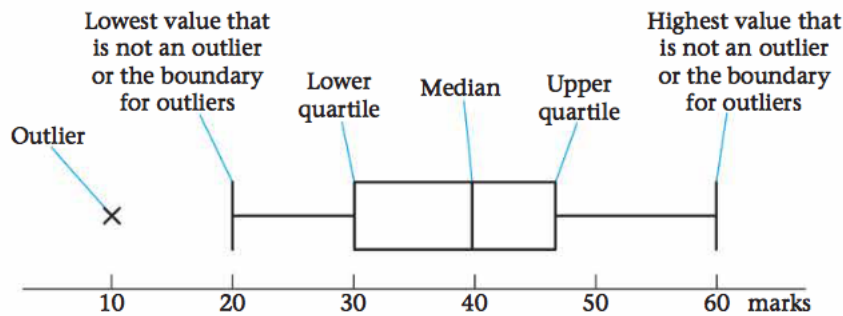
An outlier is any value, which is

greater than the upper quartile +  $1.5 \times$  interquartile range

OR

less than the lower quartile +  $1.5 \times$  interquartile range

#### 3.3 Box plot



#### 3.4 Histogram

**Definition** (Frequency density).

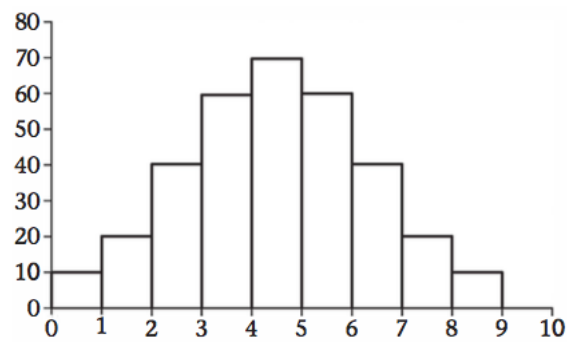
$$\text{frequency density} = \frac{\text{frequency}}{\text{class width}}$$

**Example.** 7

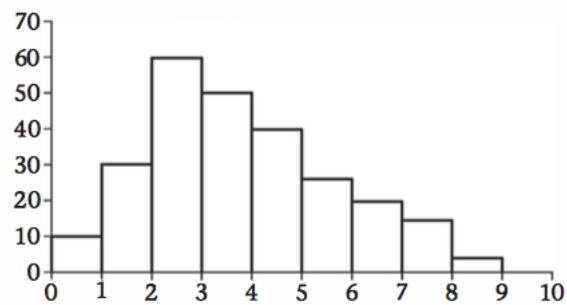
#### 3.5 Skewness (Shape)

A distribution can be symmetrical, have positive skew or have negative skew

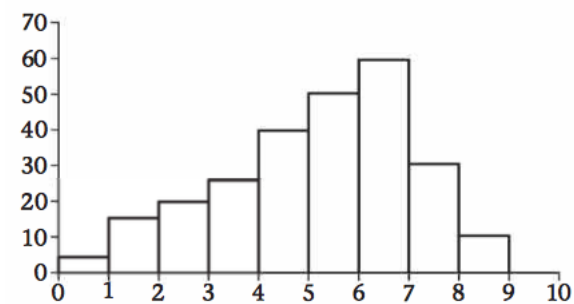
symmetrical  $Q_2 - Q_1 = Q_3 - Q_2$  or mode=median=mean



positive :  $Q_2 - Q_1 < Q_3 - Q_2$  or mode < median < mean



negative :  $Q_2 - Q_1 > Q_3 - Q_2$  or mode > median > mean



Or you can calculate:

$$\frac{3(\text{mean} - \text{median})}{\text{SD}}$$

### 3.6 What!?

**Example.** example 10-12

## 4 Probability

### 4.1 Classical Probability

### 4.2 Venn diagram and their rules

**Definition** (Complementary Probability).

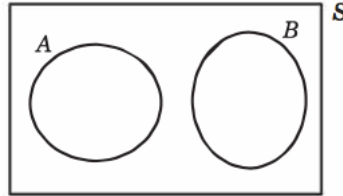
### 4.3 Conditional Probabilities

#### 4.3.1 Venn diagram

#### 4.3.2 Tree diagram

### 4.4 Special Events of Probabilities

**Definition** (Mutually exclusive). When events have no outcomes in common, they are mutually exclusive.



There is no intersection of A and B, so  $P(A \cap B) = 0$

We can use  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$   
result is

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

**Definition** (Independent events). When one event has no effect on another, they are independent so  $P(A|B) = P(A)$

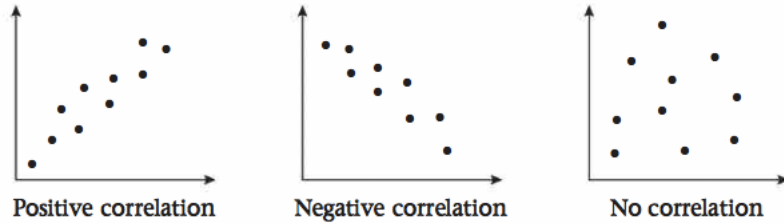
by  $\frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} = P(A)$  we have:

$$P(A \cap B) = P(B) \times P(A)$$



## 5 Correlation

### 5.1 Correlation



### 5.2 Bivariate data

Recall this formula :

$$\text{Variance} = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n}$$

In correlation we write:

$$S_{xx} = \sum (x - \bar{x})^2$$

$$S_{yy} = \sum (y - \bar{y})^2$$

so

$$\text{Variance} = \frac{S_{xx}}{n}$$

**Definition** (Co-Variance).

$$S_{xy} = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})(y - \bar{y})}{n}$$

### 5.3 Product moment Correlation coefficient $r$

$$r = \frac{S_{xy}}{\sqrt{S_{xx}S_{yy}}}$$

The value of  $r$  varies between -1 and 1

If  $r = 1$  , positive linear correlation

If  $r = -1$ , negative linear correlation

If  $r = 0$ , no linear correlation

limitation:

### 5.4 Coding

does not effect  $r$

## 6 Regression

### 6.1 Linear

let  $y = a + bx$  be a regression line  
where

$$b = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} \text{ and } a = \bar{y} - b\bar{x}$$

### 6.2 Coding

### 6.3 Interpolation and Extrapolation

## 7 Discrete random variables

### 7.1 Probability distribution

**Definition** (Mean / Expected value).

$$E(X) = \sum xp(x)$$

when we find  $E(X^n)$ :

$$E(X^n) = \sum x^n p(x)$$

**Definition** (Variable).

$$Var(X) = E(X^2) - (E(X))^2$$

The constant  $a$  and  $b$  affect on  $E(X)$  and  $Var(X)$

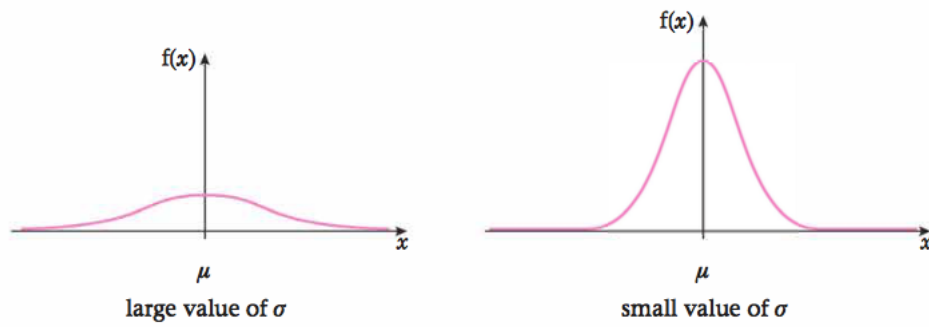
$$E(aX + b) = aE(x) + b$$

$$Var(aX + b) = a^2 Var(X)$$

**Definition** (Uniform distribution). The distribution is uniform when all the probabilities is the same of all values.

## 8 The normal distribution

$Z \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  represent the normal distribution.



The random variable  $X$  can be written as  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

you can transformed  $X$  to  $Z$  by this formula

$$z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

**Example.** Example 8-9

## 9 Binomial distribution

### 9.1 Basic Concept

$X \sim B(n, p)$  represent the Binomial distribution, then

$$P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1 - p)^{n-x}$$

### 9.2 Mean and Variance

If  $X \sim B(n, p)$  then

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= \mu = np \\ \text{Var}(X) &= \sigma^2 = np(1 - p) \end{aligned}$$

**Example.** example 9-14

## 10 Poisson distribution

### 10.1 Basic Concepts

Recall the exponential function

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x^1}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \cdots + \frac{x^r}{r!} + \cdots$$

If you let  $x = \lambda$  and remember that  $\lambda^0 = 1$  this gives

$$e^\lambda = \lambda^0 + \frac{\lambda^1}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} + \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} + \cdots + \frac{\lambda^r}{r!} + \cdots$$

Dividing by  $e^\lambda$  gives

$$\frac{e^\lambda}{e^\lambda} = \lambda^0 + \frac{\lambda^1 e^{-\lambda}}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^2 e^{-\lambda}}{2!} + \frac{\lambda^3 e^{-\lambda}}{3!} + \cdots + \frac{\lambda^r e^{-\lambda}}{r!} + \cdots$$

And the probability function is

$$P(X = x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

We say that  $X$  has a Poisson distribution with parameter  $\lambda$  and write

$$X \sim Po(\lambda)$$

### 10.2 Mean and Variance

$$Var(X) = E(X) = \mu = \sigma^2 = \lambda$$

**Lemma.** If mean and standard deviation square is same, we usually use Poisson distribution.

**Example.** example 5-6

### 10.3 Approximate a Binomial with Poisson

If  $X \sim B(n, p)$  and

- $n$  is large
- $p$  is small

then  $X$  can be approximated by

$$Po(np)$$

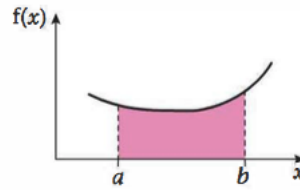
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## 11 Continuous random variables

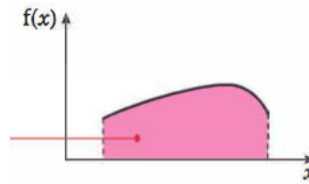
### 11.1 Continuous random variable

The Continuous random variables with p.d.f  $f(x)$  satisfied the following properties:

- (i)  $f(x) \geq 0$  since we cannot have negative probabilities
- (ii)  $P(a < X < b) = \text{shaded area} = \int_a^b f(x) dx$



- (iii)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$  since the area under the curve = 1.



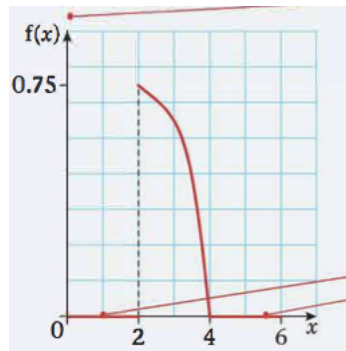
**Example.** The random variable  $X$  has probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} kx(4-x) & 2 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find the value of  $k$  and sketch the p.d.f

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^4 k(4x - x^2) dx &= 1 \\ k[2x^2 - \frac{x^3}{3}]_2^4 &= 1 \\ k &= (\frac{3}{16}) \end{aligned}$$



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**Example.** The random variable  $X$  has probability density function

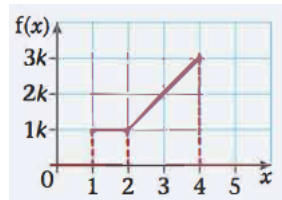
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} k & 1 < x < 2 \\ k(x-1) & 2 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find the value of  $k$  and sketch the p.d.f

*Proof.*

$$\int_1^2 k \, dx + \int_2^4 k(x-1) \, dx = 1$$

$$k = \frac{1}{5}$$

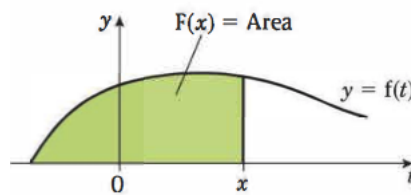


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## 11.2 Cumulative distribution function

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) \, dt$$

where  $F(x) = P(X \leq x) = 1$





If  $X$  is a Continuous random variable with c.d.f.  $F(x)$  and p.d.f  $f(x)$

$$f(x) = \frac{d}{dx}F(x) \text{ and } F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt$$

**Example.** example 5-6

### 11.3 Mean and Variance

If  $X$  is a Continuous random variable with p.d.f  $f(x)$

$$\mu = E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xf(x) dx$$

$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - \mu^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx - \mu^2$$

**Remark.** The range is the range of that function instead of negative infinity to infinity.

### 11.4 Mode, median and quartiles

The median  $m$  or  $Q_2$  satisfies  $F(m) = F(Q_2) = 0.5$

The lower quartile  $Q_1$  satisfies  $F(Q_1) = 0.25$

The upper quartile  $Q_3$  satisfies  $F(Q_3) = 0.75$

The mode is the  $x$  value at the highest point of the p.d.f  $f(x)$

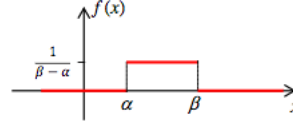
## 12 Continuous uniform distribution

### 12.1 Continuous uniform distribution

#### Definition

A continuous uniform distribution has **constant** probability density over a fixed interval.

Thus  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha}$  is the continuous uniform p.d.f. over the interval  $[\alpha, \beta]$  and has a rectangular shape.



#### Median

By symmetry the median is  $\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}$

#### Mean and Variance

The expected mean is  $E[X] = \mu = \frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}$ , which is the same as the median.

and the expected variance is  $\text{Var}[X] = \sigma^2 = \frac{(\beta - \alpha)^2}{12}$ .

These formulae are proved in the appendix

### 12.2 Mean and Variance

Example. example 4-7

### 12.3 Choosing the right model

Example. example 8-10

## 13 Normal approximation

### 13.1 Approximating binomial by normal

If  $X \sim B(n, p)$  and

- $n$  is large
- $p$  is close to 0.5

Then  $X$  can be approximated by

$$Y \sim N(np, np(1-p))$$

**Example.**  $X \sim B(120, 0.25)$  approximated to  $Y \sim N(30, (\sqrt{22.5})^2)$

**Example.** example 4

### 13.2 Approximating Poisson by normal

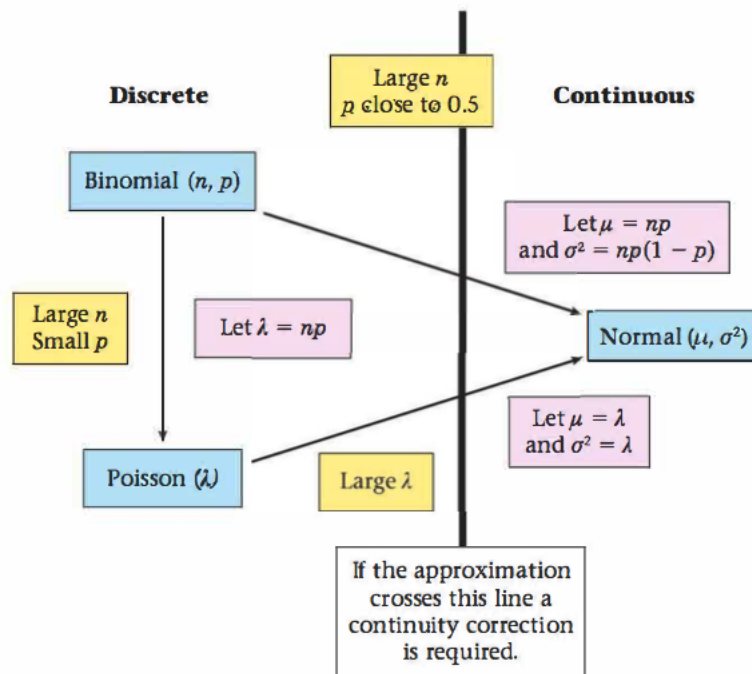
If  $\lambda$  is large

$$X \sim Po(\lambda) \text{ to } Y \sim N(\lambda, (\sqrt{\lambda})^2)$$

**Example.**  $X \sim Po(25)$  transformed to  $Y \sim N(25, 5^2)$

**Example.** example 6

### 13.3 Choosing the appropriate approximation



**Example.** example 7

## 14 Population and samples

### 14.1 The Concept of population and samples

List of the possible samples and find their probabilities and distribution.

**Example.** example 5 6

## 15 Hypothesis testing

### 15.1 Concept of hypothesis testing

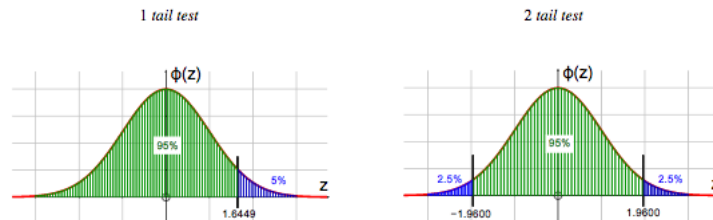
**Definition** (Null hypothesis  $H_0$ ). The hypothesis which is assumed to be correct unless shown otherwise.

**Definition** (Alternative hypothesis  $H_1$ ). This is the conclusion that should be made if  $H_0$  is rejected

**Definition** (Critical region). The range of values which would lead you to reject the null hypothesis,  $H_0$

**Definition** (Significance level). The actual significance level is the probability of rejecting  $H_0$  when it is in fact true.

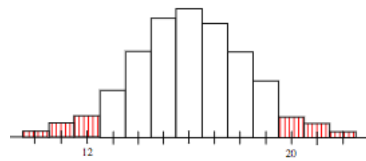
From your observed result (test statistic) you decide whether to reject or not to reject the null hypothesis  $H_0$



The test statistic is significant at 5%, or that we reject  $H_0$ . Thus  $H_0$  could actually be true but we still reject it. Thus, the significance level, 5%, is the probability that we reject  $H_0$  when it is in fact true, or the probability of incorrectly rejecting  $H_0$ .

When we reject the null hypothesis,  $H_0$ , we use the alternative hypothesis to write the conclusion.

The Poisson and Binomial distributions are discrete, and we look at probability histograms.



In the diagram, the critical region (shown by the shaded areas) is  $X \leq 12$  or  $X \geq 20$ .

We include the whole bar around  $X = 12$  and around  $X = 20$

So  $P(X \leq 12)$  is the area to the left of 12.5, and  $P(X \geq 20)$  is the area to the right of 19.5,

If  $P(X \leq 12) = 0.0234$  and  $P(X \geq 20) = 0.0217$ , then the actual significance level is  $0.0234 + 0.0217 = 0.0451 = 4.51\%$ . Thus the probability of incorrectly rejecting  $H_0$  is 0.0451.

## 15.2 One- and two-tailed tests

The One-tail test is

$$\begin{aligned}H_0 : a &= b \\ H_1 : a &> b \text{ or } a < b\end{aligned}$$

The Two-tail test is

$$\begin{aligned}H_0 : a &= b \\ H_1 : a &\neq b\end{aligned}$$

**Example. 3**

**Example. 4-13**

## 16 Combination of random variables

If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent normal random variables

$$X_1 \sim \mathbb{N}(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) \text{ and } X_2 \sim \mathbb{N}(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$$

then  $X_1 + X_2$  and  $X_1 - X_2$  are also normal random variables

$$X_1 + X_2 \sim \mathbb{N}(\mu_1 + \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2) \text{ and } X_1 - X_2 \sim \mathbb{N}(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)$$

## 17 Sampling



## 18 Estimation , confidence intervals and tests

### 18.1 Estimation

**Definition** (Biased and unbiased estimator). If  $X$  (usually found from a sample) is used to estimate the value of a population parameter,  $t$ , then  $X$  is an unbiased estimator of  $t$  if  $E[X] =$  the true value of the parameter  $t$ .

If an estimator,  $X$ , is biased, then the bias is the difference between  $E[X]$  and the true value of the parameter  $t$ .

**Definition** (Unbiased estimators of  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$ ).

### 18.2 Confidence intervals and significance tests

**Definition** (Sampling distribution of the mean).

$$\mathbb{N}(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$

**Theorem** (Central limit theorem). If  $\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$  is a random sample of size  $n$  drawn any population with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$  then the population of sample means.

- (i) has expected mean  $\mu$
- (ii) has expected variance  $\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$
- (iii) forms a normal distribution if  $n$  is 'large enough' i.e.  $\bar{X} \sim \mathbb{N}(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$

The standard error of the sample mean is  $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

**Example.**

**Example:**

A biscuit manufacturer makes packets of biscuits with a nominal weight of 250 grams. It is known that over a long period the variance of the weights of the packets of biscuits produced is 25 grams<sup>2</sup>. A sample of 10 packets is taken and found to have a mean weight of 253.4 grams. Find 95% confidence limits for the mean weight of all packets produced by the machine.

**Solution:**

First assume that the machine is still producing packets with the same variance, 25.

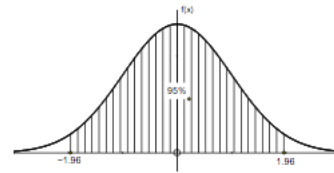
Suppose that the mean weight of all packets of biscuits is  $\mu$  grams then the population of all packets has mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation 5.

From the central limit theorem we can assume that the sample means form an approximately normal population with mean  $\mu$  and standard error (standard deviation)  $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{10}} = 1.5811$

95% of the samples will have a mean in the region

$$-1.96 < Z < 1.96$$

We assume that the mean of this sample, 253.4, lies in this region



$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow -1.9600 &< \frac{253.4 - \mu}{1.5811} < 1.9600 \\ \Rightarrow -1.9600 &< \frac{253.4 - \mu}{1.5811} \text{ and } \frac{253.4 - \mu}{1.5811} < 1.9600 \\ \Rightarrow \mu - 1.9600 \times 1.5811 &< 253.4 \text{ and } 253.4 < \mu + 1.9600 \times 1.5811 \\ \Leftrightarrow \mu &< 253.4 + 1.9600 \times 1.5811 \text{ and } 253.4 - 1.9600 \times 1.5811 < \mu \\ \Leftrightarrow 253.4 - 1.9600 \times 1.5811 &< \mu < 253.4 + 1.9600 \times 1.5811 \\ \Leftrightarrow 250.3 &< \mu < 256.5 \end{aligned}$$

This means that 95% of the samples will give an interval which contains the mean and we say that [250.3 g, 256.5 g] is a 95% confidence interval for  $\mu$ .

This means that there is a 0.95 probability that **this interval contains the true mean**.

It *does not* mean that there is a probability of 0.95 that the true mean lies in this interval - the true mean is a fixed number, and either *does* or *does not* lie in the interval so the probability that the true mean lies in the interval is either 1 or 0.

**In practice we go straight to the last line of the example:**

95% confidence limits are $\mu \pm 1.9600 \times \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$	since $P(Z - 1.9600 < z < 1.9600) = 0.95$
	tables give $P(Z > 1.9600) = 0.025$
90% confidence limits are $\mu \pm 1.6449 \times \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$	since $P(Z - 1.6449 < z < 1.6449) = 0.90$
	tables give $P(Z > 1.6449) = 0.05$

Other confidence limits can be found using the Normal Distribution tables.

**Example:** A sample of 64 packets of cornflakes has a mean weight  $\bar{X} = 510$  grams and a variance  $S^2 = 36$  grams<sup>2</sup>. Find 90% confidence limits for the mean weight of all packets.  
(Note that the 'sample variance' is taken as the unbiased estimate of  $\sigma^2$ .)

**Solution:** We assume that the sample variance = the variance of the population of all packets  
 $\Rightarrow S^2 = 36 = \sigma^2$ .

Now find standard deviation (standard error) of the sampling distribution of the mean (population of sample means), standard error =  $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{6}{\sqrt{64}} = 0.75$

For 90% confidence limits  $z = \pm 1.6449$  (remember to use the 4 D.P. tables after the Normal Dist. tables),  
 using the sample mean  $\bar{X} = 510$  grams

$$\Rightarrow 90\% \text{ confidence limits are } 510 \pm 1.6449 \times 0.75 = 510 \pm 1.234$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{a } 90\% \text{ confidence interval is } [508.8, 511.2] \text{ to 4 s.f.}$$

**Note that we have assumed that the unbiased estimate,  $S^2 (=36)$ , is the actual variance,  $\sigma^2$ , of the population.**

This is a reasonable assumption as the number in the sample, 64, is large and the error introduced is therefore small.

**Example.**

**Significance testing– variance of population known****Mean of normal distribution***Example:*

A machine, when correctly set, is known to produce ball bearings with a mean weight of 84 grams with a standard deviation of 5 grams. The production manager decides to test whether the machine is working correctly and takes a sample of 120 ball bearings. The sample has mean weight 83.2 grams. Would you advise the production manager to alter the setting of his machine? Use a 5% significance level.

*Solution:*

- 1)  $H_0: \mu = 84$  grams
- 2)  $H_1: \mu \neq 84$  grams  $\Rightarrow$  2 tail test  
(Note that the machine is not working correctly if the test result is too high *or* too low)
- 3) 5% Significance level
- 4) The Test

We assume that the machine is still working with a standard deviation of  $\sigma = 5$  g.

From  $H_0$ , the mean weight of all ball bearings is assumed to be  $\mu = 84$  g.

These are the parameters for the population of **all** ball bearings.

We want to test a sample mean and therefore need the mean and standard deviation of the population of sample means (the sampling distribution of the sample mean,  $\bar{X}$ ).

Expected mean of the sample means =  $\mu = 84$  g. and

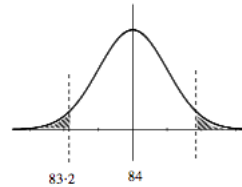
expected standard deviation of the sample means = standard error =  $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{5}{\sqrt{120}} = 0.456435\dots$

We have an observed mean of 83.2

For a two-tailed test at 5%, we take 2.5% at each end

$$\begin{aligned} P(\bar{X} < 83.2) &= \Phi\left(\frac{83.2 - 84}{0.456435\dots}\right) = \Phi(-1.7527) \\ &= (1 - \Phi(1.75)) = 0.0401 \\ &= 4.01\% > 2.5\% \end{aligned}$$

and so not significant at the 5% level.



- 5) Conclusion

Do not reject  $H_0$  at the 5% level and advise the production manager that there is evidence that he should not change his setting, or that there is evidence that the machine is working correctly, etc.

Fortunately the formula for testing the difference between sample means

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_x - \mu_y)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_x^2}{n_x} + \frac{\sigma_y^2}{n_y}}}$$

is in your formula booklet

**18.3 Combination of sampling distribution**

Same

## 19 Goodness of fit and contingency tables

### 19.1 Basic Concept

**Definition** ( $\chi$  test).

$$\chi^2 \sum \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}$$

where  $O_i$  and  $E_i$  are the observed and expected frequencies

### 19.2 Examples for all distributions

#### Discrete uniform distribution

**Example:** A die is rolled 300 times and the frequency of each score recorded.

Score:	1	2	3	4	5	6
Frequency:	43	49	54	57	46	51

Test whether the die is fair at the 2.5% level of significance.

**Solution:**  $H_0$ : The die is fair, the probability of each score is  $1/6$ .

$H_1$ : The die is not fair, the probability of each score is not  $1/6$ .

The expected frequencies are all  $1/6 \times 300 = 50$  and we have

Score	Observed frequency	Expected frequency	$\frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}$
1	43	50	0.98
2	49	50	0.02
3	54	50	0.32
4	57	50	0.98
5	46	50	0.72
6	51	50	0.02
<b>Totals</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>3.04</b>

$$\Rightarrow \chi^2 = 3.04$$

and  $\nu$  = number of degrees of freedom =  $n - 1 = 6 - 1 = 5$   
since the total is a linear equation connecting the frequencies and is fixed.

From tables we see that  $\chi^2_{5}(2.5\%) = 12.832 > 3.04$ , so our observed result is not significant.  
We do not reject  $H_0$  and conclude that the die is fair.

**Continuous uniform distribution**

This is very similar to the discrete uniform distribution – pay attention to the class boundaries and find the expected frequencies.

**Binomial distribution**

For  $H_0$  *The Binomial distribution is a good fit*

we use the mean of the Observed frequencies to calculate the Expected frequencies, and so both  $O_i$  and  $E_i$  give the same mean and total: thus there are 2 linear equations connecting the frequencies and  $\nu = n - 2$

**but** For  $H_0$  *The Binomial distribution,  $B(30, 0.3)$ , is a good fit*

the means using  $O_i$  and  $E_i$  will be different: thus there is only 1 linear equation, the total, connecting the frequencies and so  $\nu = n - 1$ .

**Poisson distribution**

For  $H_0$  *The Poisson distribution is a good fit*

we use the mean of the Observed frequencies to calculate the Expected frequencies, and so both  $O_i$  and  $E_i$  give the same mean and total: thus there are 2 linear equations connecting the frequencies and  $\nu = n - 2$

**but** For  $H_0$  *The Poisson distribution,  $P_\lambda(3)$ , is a good fit*

the means using  $O_i$  and  $E_i$  will be different: thus there is only 1 linear equation, the total, connecting the frequencies and so  $\nu = n - 1$ .

**Example:** A switchboard operator records the number of new calls in 69 consecutive one-minute periods in the table below.

number of calls	0	1	2	3	4	5	$\geq 6$
frequency	6	9	11	15	13	9	6

- Say why you think that a Poisson distribution might be suitable.
- Find the mean and variance of this distribution. Do these figures support the view that they might form a Poisson distribution?
- Test the goodness of fit of a Poisson distribution at the 5% level.

**Solution:**

- Telephone calls are likely to occur singly, randomly, independently and uniformly which are the conditions for a Poisson distribution.
- Treating  $\geq 6$  as 7 we calculate the mean and variance

$x$	$f$	$xf$	$x^2f$
0	6	0	0
1	9	9	9
2	11	22	44
3	15	45	135
4	13	52	208
5	9	45	225
7	6	42	294
	69	215	915

$$\Rightarrow \text{mean} = \frac{215}{69} = 3.12$$

$$\text{and variance} = \frac{915}{69} - \left(\frac{215}{69}\right)^2 = 3.55.$$

From these figures we can see that the mean and variance are approximately equal: since the mean and variance of a Poisson distribution are equal this confirms the view that the distribution could be Poisson.

- c)  $H_0$ : The Poisson distribution is a suitable model  
 $H_1$ : The Poisson distribution is not a suitable model.

The Poisson probabilities can be calculated from  $P(r) = \frac{\lambda^r e^{-\lambda}}{r!}$  where  $\lambda = 3.12$ , and the expected frequencies by multiplying by  $N = 69$ .

Note that the probability for  $\geq 6$  is found by adding the other probabilities and subtracting from 1.

$x$	$O$	$p$	$E$	$O$ (grouped)	$E$ (grouped)	$\frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$
0	6	0.044337	3.059234			
1	9	0.138151	9.532395	15	12.59	0.461326
2	11	0.215235	14.8512	11	14.85	0.998148
3	15	0.223553	15.42515	15	15.43	0.011983
4	13	0.174145	12.01597	13	12.02	0.079900
5	9	0.108525	7.488214	9	7.49	0.304419
$\geq 6$	6	0.096056	6.627836	6	6.63	0.059864
	69		69		69.01	1.915641

The expected frequency for  $x = 0$  is  $3.06 < 5$  so it has been grouped with  $x = 1$ .

Thus we have  $n = 6$  classes (after grouping) and  $\nu = n - 2 = 4$

and  $\chi^2_4(5\%) = 9.488$ .

We have calculated  $\chi^2 = 1.92 < 9.488$  which is not significant so we do not reject  $H_0$  and conclude that the Poisson distribution is a suitable model.

**The normal distribution**

For  $H_0$  The Normal distribution is a good fit

we use the mean and variance of the Observed frequencies to calculate the Expected frequencies, and so both  $O_i$  and  $E_i$  give the same mean, variance and total: thus there are 3 linear equations connecting the frequencies and  $\nu = n - 3$

but For  $H_0$  The Normal distribution,  $N(14, 3^2)$ , is a good fit

the means and variances using  $O_i$  and  $E_i$  will be different: thus there is only 1 linear equation, the total, connecting the frequencies and so  $\nu = n - 1$ .

*Example:* The sizes of men's shoes purchased from a shoe shop in one week are recorded below.

size of shoe	$\leq 6$	7	8	9	10	11	$\geq 12$
number of pairs	14	19	29	45	40	21	7

Is the manager's assumption that the normal distribution is a suitable model justified at the 5% level?

*Solution:*  $H_0$ : The normal distribution is a suitable model

$H_1$ : The normal distribution is not a suitable model.

The total number of pairs, mean and standard deviation are calculated to be 175, 8.886 and 1.713 (taking  $\leq 6$  as 5 and  $\geq 12$  as 12)

Remembering that size 8 means from 7.5 to 8.5 we need to find the area between 7.5 and 8.5 and multiply by 175 to find the expected frequency for size 8, and similarly for other sizes.

$x$	$z = \frac{x - m}{s}$	$\Phi(z)$	class	area = $p$	$E = 175p$	$O$	$\frac{(O - E)^2}{E}$
6.5	-1.39	0.082	$< 6.5$	0.082	14.4	14	0.01
7.5	-0.81	0.209	6.5 to 7.5	$0.209 - 0.082 = 0.127$	22.2	19	0.46
8.5	-0.23	0.409	7.5 to 8.5	$0.409 - 0.209 = 0.200$	35.0	29	1.03
9.5	0.36	0.641	8.5 to 9.5	$0.641 - 0.409 = 0.232$	40.6	45	0.48
10.5	0.94	0.826	9.5 to 10.5	$0.826 - 0.641 = 0.185$	32.4	40	1.78
11.5	1.53	0.937	10.5 to 11.5	$0.937 - 0.826 = 0.111$	19.4	21	0.13
			$> 11.5$	$1 - 0.937 = 0.063$	11.0	7	1.45
							5.34

$n = 7$  classes & 3 linear equations connecting the frequencies ( $N, m, s$ )  $\Rightarrow \nu = n - 3 = 4$ .

$\chi^2_{(5\%)} = 9.488$  and we have calculated  $\chi^2 = 5.34 < 9.488$  and so we do not reject  $H_0$  and therefore conclude that the normal distribution is a suitable model.



**Contingency tables**

For a  $5 \times 4$  table in which the totals of each row and column are fixed the '?' cells represent the degrees of freedom since if we know the values of the '?'s the frequencies in the other cells can now be calculated

	A	B	C	D	E	totals
W	?	?	?	?		✓
X	?	?	?	?		✓
Y	?	?	?	?		✓
Z						✓
totals	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Thus there are  $(5 - 1) \times (4 - 1) = 12$ .

Generalising we can see that for an  $m \times n$  table the number of degrees of freedom is  $(m - 1)(n - 1)$ .

*Example:* Natives of England, Africa and China were classified according to blood group giving the following table.

	O	A	B	AB
English	235	212	79	83
African	147	106	30	51
Chinese	162	135	52	43

Is there any evidence at the 5% level that there is a connection between blood group and nationality?

*Solution:*  $H_0$ : There is no connection between blood group and nationality.  
 $H_1$ : There is a connection between blood group and nationality.

First redraw the table showing totals of each row and column

	O	A	B	AB	totals
English	235	212	79	83	609
African	147	106	30	51	334
Chinese	162	135	52	43	392
totals	544	453	161	177	1335

Now we need to calculate the expected frequency for English and group O. There are 609 English and 1335 people altogether so  $\frac{609}{1335}$  of the people are English, and from  $H_0$  we know that there is no connection between blood group and nationality, so there should be  $\frac{609}{1335}$  of those with group O who are also English

$$\Rightarrow \text{expected frequency for English and group O is } \frac{609}{1335} \times 544 = \frac{609 \times 544}{1335} = 248.2$$

this can become automatic if you notice that you just multiply the totals for the row and column concerned and divide by the total number

	O	A	B	AB	totals
English	$\frac{609 \times 544}{1335} = 248.2$	$\frac{609 \times 453}{1335} = 206.6$	$\frac{609 \times 161}{1335} = 73.4$	$\frac{609 \times 177}{1335} = 80.7$	608.9
African	$\frac{334 \times 544}{1335} = 136.1$	$\frac{334 \times 453}{1335} = 113.3$	$\frac{334 \times 161}{1335} = 40.3$	$\frac{334 \times 177}{1335} = 44.3$	334
Chinese	$\frac{392 \times 544}{1335} = 159.7$	$\frac{392 \times 453}{1335} = 133.0$	$\frac{392 \times 161}{1335} = 47.3$	$\frac{392 \times 177}{1335} = 52.0$	392
totals	544	452.9	161	177	1335

The value of  $\chi^2$  is calculated below

Observed frequency	Expected frequency	$\frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$
235	248.2	0.70
212	206.6	0.14
79	73.4	0.43
83	80.7	0.07
147	136.1	0.87
106	113.3	0.47
30	40.3	2.63
51	44.3	1.01
162	159.7	0.03
135	133.0	0.03
52	47.3	0.47
43	52.0	1.56
		<hr/> 8.41

We have  $\nu = (4-1)(3-1) = 6$  degrees of freedom and  $\chi^2_6(5\%) = 12.592$ .

We have calculated  $\chi^2 = 8.41 < 12.592$

$\Rightarrow$  do not reject  $H_0$  and therefore conclude that there is no connection between nationality and blood group

## 20 Regression and correlation

### Spearman's rank correlation coefficient

#### Ranking and equal ranks

Ranking is putting a list of figures in order and giving each one its position or *rank*.

Equal numbers are given the average of the ranks they would have had if all had been different.

*Example:* Rank the following numbers: 45, 65, 76, 56, 34, 45, 23, 67, 65, 45, 81, 32.

*Solution:* First put in order and give ranks as if all were different: then give the average rank for those which are equal.

Numbers:	81	76	67	<b>65</b>	<b>65</b>	56	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	34	32	23
Actual rank	1	2	3	4=	4=	6	7=	7=	7=	10	11	12
Rank (if all different)	1	2	3	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	6	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	10	11	12
average for equal ranks				$\frac{4+5}{2} = 4\frac{1}{2}$			$\frac{7+8+9}{3} = 8$					
Modified rank	1	2	3	4½	4½	6	8	8	8	10	11	12

You must now calculate the PMCC, **not** Spearman, using the modified ranks.

### Spearman's rank correlation coefficient

To compare two sets of rankings for the same  $n$  items, first find the difference,  $d$ , between each pair of ranks and then calculate Spearman's rank correlation coefficient

$$r_s = 1 - \frac{6 \sum d^2}{n(n^2 - 1)}$$

This is the same as the product moment correlation coefficient of the two sets of ranks and so we know that

$r_s = +1$  means rankings are in perfect agreement,

$r_s = -1$  means rankings are in exact reverse order,

$r_s = 0$  means that there is no correlation between the rankings.

**Example:** Ten varieties of coffee labelled A, B, C, ..., J were tasted by a man and a woman. Each ranked the coffees from best to worst as shown.

Man: G H C D A E B J I F

Woman: C B H G J D I E F A

Find Spearman's rank correlation coefficient.

**Solution:** Rank for each person, find  $d$  and then  $r_s$ .

Coffee	Man	Woman	$d$	$d^2$
A	5	10	-5	25
B	7	2	5	25
C	3	1	2	4
D	4	6	-2	4
E	6	8	-2	4
F	10	9	1	1
G	1	4	-3	9
H	2	3	-1	1
I	9	7	2	4
J	8	5	3	9
				86

$$r_s = 1 - \frac{6 \sum d^2}{n(n^2 - 1)} = 1 - \frac{6 \times 86}{10 \times 99} = 0.521212 = 0.521 \text{ to 3 s.f.}$$

### Spearman or PMCC

#### Use of Spearman's rank correlation coefficient

- (i) Use when one, or both, sets of data are **not** from a normal population.
- (ii) Use when the data does not have to be measured on scales or in units (probably not normal).
- (iii) Use when data is subjective – e.g. judgements in order of preference (not normal).
- (iv) Can be used if the scatter graph indicates a non-linear relationship between the variables, since the PMCC is used to indicate **linear** correlation.
- (v) Do **not** use for tied ranks (Spearman formula depends on non-tied ranks).

#### Use of Product moment correlation coefficient

- (i) Use when ranks are tied – see above: modify the ranks and then use PMCC on the modified ranks.
- (ii) Use when both sets of figures are normally distributed (this will not be the case when using ranks).
- (iii) Use when the scatter diagram indicates a linear relationship between the variables – i.e. when the points lie close to a straight line.

**Testing for zero correlation****N.B.** the tables give figures for a ONE-TAIL test**Product moment correlation coefficient**

PMCC tests to see if there is a **linear connection** between the variables. For strong correlation, the points on a scatter graph will lie close to a straight line.

$$\text{Reminder: PMCC} = \rho = \frac{S_{xy}}{\sqrt{S_{xx}S_{yy}}}$$

$$\text{where } S_{xx} = \sum x_i^2 - \frac{(\sum x_i)^2}{n}, \quad S_{yy} = \sum y_i^2 - \frac{(\sum y_i)^2}{n}, \quad S_{xy} = \sum x_i y_i - \frac{(\sum x_i)(\sum y_i)}{n}.$$

**Example:** The product moment correlation coefficient between 40 pairs of values is +0.52. Is there any evidence of correlation between the pairs at the 5% level?

**Solution:**  $H_0$ : There is no correlation between the pairs,  $\rho = 0$ .

$H_1$ : There is correlation, positive or negative, between the pairs,  $\rho \neq 0$ , two-tail test

From tables for  $n = 40$  which give **one-tail** figures, we must look at the 2.5% column and the critical values are  $\pm 0.3120$

The calculated figure is  $0.52 > 0.3120$  and so is significant

$\Rightarrow$  we reject  $H_0$  and conclude that there is some correlation (positive or negative) between the pairs.

**Spearman's rank correlation coefficient**

Spearman tests to see if there is a **connection** (or correlation) between the **ranks**.

**Example:** It is believed that a person who absorbs a drug well on one occasion will also absorb a drug well on another occasion. Tests on ten patients to find the percentage of drug absorbed gave the following value for Spearman's rank correlation coefficient,  $r_s = 0.634$ . Is there any evidence at the 5% level of a positive correlation between the two sets of results.

**Solution:**  $H_0$ : There is no correlation between the two sets of results,  $\rho_s = 0$ ,

$H_1$ : There is positive correlation between the two sets of results,  $\rho_s > 0$ , one-tail test.

From the tables for  $n = 10$  and a one-tail test the critical value for 5% is 0.5364.

The calculated value is  $0.634 > 0.5364$  which is significant

$\Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$ ; conclude that there is evidence of positive correlation between the two sets of results.

Note that this shows correlation between the **ranks** of the two sets of results.

**Comparison between PMCC and Spearman**

*Example:* A random sample of 8 students sat examinations in Geography and Statistics. The product moment correlation coefficient between their results was 0.572 and the Spearman rank correlation coefficient was 0.655.

- (a) Test both of these values for positive correlation. Use a 5% level of significance.  
 (b) Comment on your results.

*Solution:*

- (a)  $H_0: \rho = 0$  ;  $H_1: \rho > 0$

For the PMCC

the 5% Critical Value is **0.6215**

$0.572 < \mathbf{0.6215} \Rightarrow$  not significant at %5

$\Rightarrow$  there is evidence that there is no positive correlation.

For Spearman's rank correlation coefficient

the 5% Critical Value is **0.6429**

$0.655 > \mathbf{0.6429} \Rightarrow$  significant at 5%

$\Rightarrow$  there is evidence of positive correlation.

- (b) From the PMCC there is not enough evidence to conclude that as Statistics marks increased Geography marks also increased  
 – i.e. conclude that the points on a scatter diagram do not lie close to a straight line.

From Spearman's rank correlation coefficient there is evidence that students **ranked** highly in Statistics were also **ranked** highly in Geography, or people with **high scores** in Statistics also had **high scores** in Geography

## 21 Quality of tests and estimators

## 22 One-sample procedures



## 23 Two-sample procedures