

01. PROBABILITY

- probability** of an event \rightarrow the limiting relative frequency of its occurrence as the experiment is repeated many times
- the **realisation** x is a constant, and X is a generator
 - running r experiments gives us r realisations x_1, \dots, x_r

Expectation

discrete: (mass function)	continuous: (density function)
$E(X) := \sum_{i=1}^n x_i p_i$	$E(X) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$

expectation of a function $h(X)$

$$E\{h(X)\} = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^n h(x_i) p_i & X \text{ is discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x) f(x) dx & X \text{ is continuous} \end{cases}$$

Variance

variance, $\text{var}(X) := E\{(X - \mu)^2\}$
standard deviation, $SD(X) := \sqrt{\text{var}(X)}$

- $\text{var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$
- $E(X - \mu) = 0$

Law of Large Numbers

mean and variance of r realisations:

$$\bar{x} := \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r x_i \quad v := \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

LLN: for a function h , as $r \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r h(x_i) \rightarrow E\{h(X)\}$$

$$\bar{x} \rightarrow E(X), \quad v \rightarrow \text{var}(X)$$

Monte Carlo approximation

simulate x_1, \dots, x_r from X . by LLN, as $r \rightarrow \infty$, the approximation becomes exact

$$E\{h(X)\} \approx \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r h(x_i)$$

Joint Distribution

(discrete) mass function:

$$P(X = x_i, Y = y_j) = p_{ij}$$

(continuous) density function:

$$f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow [0, \infty), \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1$$

(expectation) for $h : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$E\{h(X, Y)\} = \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J h(x_i, y_j) p_{ij} & X \text{ is discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x, y) f(x, y) dx dy & Y \text{ is continuous} \end{cases}$$

Algebra of RV's

let X, Y be RVs and a, b, c be constants

- $Z = aX + bY + c$ is also an RV
 - $z = ax + by + c$ is a realisation of Z
- linearity of expectation: $E(Z) = aE(X) + bE(Y) + c$
- any theorem about a RV is true about a constant

Covariance

let $\mu_X = E(X)$, $\mu_Y = E(Y)$.

- covariance**, $\text{cov}(X, Y) = E\{(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)\}$
- $\text{cov}(X, Y) = E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y$
 - $\text{cov}(X, Y) = \text{cov}(Y, X)$
 - $\text{cov}(X, X) = \text{var}(X)$
 - $\text{cov}(W, aX + bY + c) = a \text{cov}(W, X) + b \text{cov}(W, Y)$
 - $\text{var}(aX + bY + c) = a^2 \text{var}(X) + b^2 \text{var}(Y) + 2ab \text{cov}(X, Y)$
 - $\text{var}(\sum_{i=1}^N a_i X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^N a_i^2 \text{var}(X_i) + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} a_i a_j \text{cov}(X_i, X_j)$

joint = marginal \times conditional distributions

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y|x) = f_Y(y) f_X(x|y), \quad x, y \in \mathbb{R}$$

- $f(x, y)$ is the *joint density*
- $f_X(x)$, $f_Y(y)$ are the *marginal densities*
- $f_Y(\cdot|x)$ is the **conditional** density of Y given $X = x$
- $f_X(\cdot|y)$ is the **conditional** density of X given $Y = y$
- for discrete case, *density* \equiv *probability*, $x \equiv x_i$, $y \equiv y_j$

Independence

- X, Y are independent $\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$,
 - $f(x, y) = f_X(x) f_Y(y)$
 - $f_Y(y|x) = f_Y(y)$
 - $f_X(x|y) = f_X(x)$
- X, Y are independent \Rightarrow
 - $E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$
 - $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$
 (the converse does not hold)

Conditional expectation

discrete case

let $f_Y(\cdot|x_i)$ be the conditional pmf of Y given $X = x_i$.

$$E[Y|x_i] := \sum_{j=1}^J y_j f_Y(y_j|x_i)$$

$$\text{var}[Y|x_i] := \sum_{j=1}^J (y_j - E[Y|x_i])^2 f_Y(y_j|x_i)$$

$E[Y|x_i]$ is like $E(Y)$, with conditional distribution replacing marginal distribution $f_Y(\cdot)$. likewise, $\text{var}[Y|x_i]$ like $\text{var}(Y)$.

continuous case

$$E[Y|x] := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y|x) dy$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}[Y|x] &:= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y - E[Y|x])^2 f_Y(y|x) dy \\ &= E(Y^2|x) - \{E(Y|x)\}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Distributions

if X is iid with expectation μ , SD σ and $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$,

- $E(S_n) = n\mu$
- $SD(S_n) = \sqrt{n}\sigma$
- variance of sum = sum of variances
 $\text{var}(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{var}(x_i)$

bernoulli

$X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p) \Rightarrow$ coin flip with probability p

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_i) &= p & \text{var}(X_i) &= p(1-p) \\ E(S_n) &= np & \text{var}(S_n) &= np(1-p) \end{aligned}$$

binomial

$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \Rightarrow X_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

$$E(X) = np, \quad \text{var}(X) = np(1-p)$$

$$E(X) = \sum_{k=1}^n k \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

$$\text{cov}(X, n - X) = -\text{var}(X)$$

multinomial

$X \sim \text{Multinomial}(n, \mathbf{p})$

- for k outcomes E_1, \dots, E_k , $\Pr(E_i) = p_i$. For some $1 \leq i \leq k$, E_i occurs X_i times in n runs.

(X_1, \dots, X_k) has the **multinomial distribution**:

$$\Pr(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k) = \binom{n}{x_1, \dots, x_k} \prod_{i=1}^k p_i^{x_i}$$

- where $\binom{n}{x_1, \dots, x_k} = \frac{n!}{x_1! x_2! \dots x_k!}$
 - combinatorially, # of arrangements of x_1, \dots, x_k
 - $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = n, \quad x_i \geq 0$

$$E(X) = \begin{bmatrix} np_1 \\ np_2 \\ \vdots \\ np_k \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{var}(X_i) = np_i(1-p_i)$$

$\text{var}(X) = \text{covariance matrix } M$ with

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} \text{var}(X_i) & \text{if } i = j \\ \text{cov}(X_i, X_j) & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

- $\text{cov}(X_i, X_j) < 0$
- $X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i)$
- $X_i + X_j \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i + p_j)$

02. PROBABILITY (2)

Mean Square Error (MSE)

$$MSE = E\{(Y - c)^2\}$$

- predicting Y :
 $MSE = \text{var}(Y) + \{E(Y) - c\}^2$
 - $\min MSE = \text{var}(Y)$ when $c = E(Y)$
- Y and X are correlated:
 $MSE = \text{var}[Y|x] + \{E[Y|x] - c\}^2$
 $MSE = E[(Y - c)^2|x] = E[\{Y - E(Y)\}^2|x]$
 - $\min MSE = \text{var}(Y|x)$ when $c = E[Y|x]$
 - if $c = E(Y)$ instead of $E(Y|x) \Rightarrow$ the MSE increases by $(E(Y|x) - E(Y))^2$

mean MSE

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{var}[Y|x_i] \approx E\{\text{var}[Y|X]\}$$

random conditional expectations

let X, Y be r.v.s.

- $E[Y|X]$ is a r.v. which takes value $E[Y|x]$ with probability/density $f_X(x)$
- $\text{var}[Y|X]$ is a r.v. which takes value $\text{var}[Y|x]$ with probability/density $f_X(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(E[X_2|X_1]) &= E(X_2) \\ \text{var}(E[X_2|X_1]) + E(\text{var}[X_2|X_1]) &= \text{var}(X_2) \end{aligned}$$

CDF (cumulative distribution function)

for r.v. X , let $F(x) = P(X \leq x)$

- domain: \mathbb{R} ; codomain: $[0, 1]$

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(x) dx$$

Standard Normal Distribution

$Z \sim N(0, 1)$ has density function

$$\phi(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{z^2}{2}\right\}, \quad -\infty < z < \infty$$

$$E(Z) = 0, \quad \text{var}(Z) = 1$$

$$\text{CDF}, \Phi(x) = P(Z \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \phi(z) dz$$

- $E(Z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z \phi(z) dz = 0$
 - $E(Z^2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z^2 \phi(z) dz = 1$
 - $E(Z^{2k+1}) = 0 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$

general normal distribution

let $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ and $Y \sim N(\nu, \tau^2)$

$$\text{standardisation: } \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$$

- summations:
 - for constants $a, b \neq 0$,
 $a + bX \sim N(a + b\mu, b^2\sigma^2)$
 - $X + Y \sim N(\mu + \nu, \sigma^2 + \tau^2 + 2\text{cov}(X, Y))$
 - $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0, \Rightarrow X \perp Y$
 - $X \perp Y \Rightarrow X + Y \sim N(\mu + \nu, \sigma^2 + \tau^2)$
- for $W = a + bX$,
 - density, $f_W(w) = \frac{d}{dw} F_W(w)$
 - CDF, $F_W(w) = P(X \leq \frac{w-a}{b}) = \Phi(\frac{w-a}{b})$

Central Limit Theorem

let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid rv's with expectation μ and SD σ , with $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

CLT

as $n \rightarrow \infty$, the distribution of the standardised $S_n = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}$ converges to $N(0, 1)$

- $E(S_n) = n\mu$, $\text{var}(S_n) = n\sigma^2$
- for large n , approximately $S_n \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$

bernoulli

let $X_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$. then $S_n \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$

- for large n , $S_n \sim N(np, np(1-p))$
- CLT: standardised $\frac{S_n - np}{\sqrt{n}\sqrt{p(1-p)}} \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Distributions

chi-square (χ²)

- let $Z \sim N(0, 1)$. \Rightarrow then $Z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$
- Z^2 has χ^2 distribution with 1 degree of freedom
- degrees of freedom = number of RVs in the sum

$$\frac{E(Z^2)}{\text{var}(Z^2)} = \frac{1}{E(Z^4) - \{E(Z^2)\}^2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

let V_1, \dots, V_n be iid χ_1^2 RVs and $V = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i$. then

$$V \sim \chi_n^2$$
$$E(V) = n \quad \text{var}(V) = 2n$$

gamma

let $\alpha, \lambda > 0$. The *Gamma*(α, λ) density is

$$\frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x}, \quad x > 0$$

where $\Gamma(\alpha)$ is a number that makes density integrate to 1

- χ_n^2 RV $\sim \text{Gamma}(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$
 - χ_n^2 is a special case of Gamma!
 - density of χ_1^2 RV = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} v^{-1/2} e^{-v/2}$, $v > 0$
 $= \text{Gamma}(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$
- if $X_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1, \lambda)$ and $X_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_2, \lambda)$ are independent, then $X_1 + X_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \lambda)$

t distribution

let $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ and $V \sim \chi_n^2$ be independent.

$$\frac{Z}{\sqrt{V/n}} \sim t_n$$

has a *t* distribution with *n* degrees of freedom.

- t* distribution is symmetric around 0
- $t_n \rightarrow Z$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ (because $\frac{V}{n} \rightarrow 1$)

F distribution

let $V \sim \chi_m^2$ and $W \sim \chi_n^2$ be independent.

$$\frac{V/m}{W/n} \sim F_{m,n}$$

has an *F* distribution with (*m*, *n*) degrees of freedom.

- even if $m = n$, still two RVs *V*, *W* as they are independent
- for $T \sim t_n$, $T^2 = \frac{Z^2}{V/n} \sim F_{1,n}$

IID Random Variables

let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid RVs with mean \bar{X} .

sample variance, $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$
S is an estimate of σ

let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

$$\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$
$$E(\bar{X}) = \mu, \quad \text{var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

more distributions:

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$
$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$
$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

- \bar{X} and S^2 are independent

Multivariate Normal Distribution

let μ be a $k \times 1$ vector and Σ be a *positive-definite* symmetric $k \times k$ matrix.

the random vector $X = (X_1, \dots, X_k)'$ has a multivariate normal distribution $N(\mu, \Sigma)$ if its density function is

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{k/2} \sqrt{\det \Sigma}} \exp \left(-\frac{(x - \mu)' \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)}{2} \right)$$

- $E(X) = \mu$, $\text{var}(X) = \Sigma$
- for any non-zero $k \times 1$ vector *a*,
$$a'X \sim N(a'\mu, a'\Sigma a)$$
 - $a'\Sigma a > 0$ because Σ is positive-definite
 - the product $a'X$ is a scalar (same for $a'\mu$, $a'\Sigma a$)
- two multinomial normal random vectors X_1 and X_2 , sizes *h* and *k*, are independent if $\text{cov}(X_1, X_2) = 0_{h \times k}$
 - $(X_1 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X})$ has a multivariate normal distribution; the covariance between \bar{X} and $(X_1 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X})$ is 0, thus they are independent

03. POINT ESTIMATION

for a variable *v* in population *N*,

$$\mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N v_i \quad \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (v_i - \mu)^2$$

- μ , σ^2 are **parameters** (unknown constants)
- a **simple random sample** is used to estimate parameters: individuals drawn from the population at random without replacement

binary variable

for variable *v* with proportion *p* in the population,

$$\mu = p, \quad \sigma^2 = p(1 - p)$$

single random draw

for variable *v* (population of size *N*, mean μ , variance σ^2), let *X* be the chosen *v*-value.

$$E(X) = \mu, \quad \text{var}(X) = \sigma^2$$

draws with replacement

let X_1, \dots, X_n be random draws with replacement from a population of mean μ and variance σ^2 .

random sample mean, $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

X_1, \dots, X_n are iid with $E(X_i) = \mu$, $\text{var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$
$$E(\bar{X}) = \mu, \quad \text{var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

let x_1, \dots, x_n be realisations of *n* random draws with replacement from the population.

sample mean, $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

- as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\bar{x} \rightarrow \mu$ (LLN)
- sample distribution, x_i has the same distribution as X_i and the population distribution

representativeness

- X_1, \dots, X_n is **representative** of the population
 - as *n* gets larger, \bar{X} gets closer to μ
- x_1, \dots, x_n are *likely* representative of the population

estimating mean

given data x_1, \dots, x_n ,

- sample mean, $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is an **estimate** of μ
- the error in \bar{x} is $\mu - \bar{x}$; it cannot be estimated
- \bar{x} is a realisation of the **estimator** \bar{X}
 - this realisation is used to estimate μ

standard error

the size of error in estimate \bar{x} is roughly $SD(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

the **standard error** (SE) in \bar{x} is $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

- SE is a constant by definition: $SE = SD(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

estimating σ

intuitive estimate of σ^2 , $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$

sample variance, $s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$
$$E(s^2) = \sigma^2$$

Point estimation of mean

a population (size *N*) has unknown mean μ , variance σ^2 . for random draws (without replacement) x_1, \dots, x_n :

\bar{x} is a realisation of \bar{X} , with $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$, $\text{var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

- μ is estimated as $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$
- error in \bar{x} is measured by the SE: $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = SD(\bar{X})$
- SE is estimated as $\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$

$\Rightarrow \mu$ is around \bar{x} , give or take $\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$

unbiased estimation

- since $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$, \bar{X} is an **unbiased** estimator of μ . \bar{x} is an unbiased estimate.
- S^2 is unbiased for σ^2 : $E(S^2) = \sigma^2$
- S* is *not* unbiased for σ : $E(S) < \sigma$

Simple random sampling (SRS)

n random draws *without replacement* from a population of mean μ and variance σ^2 .

- for $i = 1, \dots, n$, $E(X_i) = \mu$ and $\text{var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$
- for $i \neq j$, $\text{cov}(X_i, X_j) = -\frac{\sigma^2}{N-1}$
- if n/N is relatively large,

- multiply SE by correction factor $\sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}}$
- standard error = $\frac{N-n}{N-1}$

$$E(\bar{X}) = \mu, \quad \text{var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{N-n}{N-1} \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

- if $n \ll N$, then SRS is like sampling *with replacement* (treat the data as if they come from IID RVs X_1, \dots, X_n)

$$E(\bar{X}) = \mu, \quad \text{var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

estimating proportion *p*

- in a 0-1 population, $\mu = p$, $\sigma^2 = p(1 - p)$
 - p* is estimated as \bar{x} (sample proportion of 1's)

- $SE = \frac{\sqrt{p(1-p)}}{\sqrt{n}} = SD(\hat{p})$
 - estimated by replacing *p* with \bar{x}
- unbiased estimator \hat{p}
 - $E(\hat{p}) = p$, $\text{var}(\hat{p}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$, $SD(\hat{p}) = SE$

- the estimate of σ is $\hat{\sigma}$, not *s*
- e.g. if a SRS of size 100 has 78 white balls,
$$p \approx 0.78 \pm \frac{\sqrt{0.78 \times 0.22}}{\sqrt{100}}$$

Gauss Model

Let x_i be a realisation of X_i . X_1, \dots, X_{100} are random draws with replacement from an imaginary population with mean *w* and variance σ^2 . *w* and σ^2 are parameters (unknown constants).

- $E(X_i) = w$, $\text{var} X_i = \sigma^2$ (since X_i is just 1 draw)
- $E(\bar{X}) = w$, $\text{var} \bar{X} = \frac{\sigma^2}{100}$

04. ESTIMATION (SE, bias, MSE)

let x_1, \dots, x_n be from random draws X_1, \dots, X_n with replacement from a population of mean μ and variance σ^2 .

sample mean \bar{x} is an *unbiased estimate* of μ

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

SE = $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \approx \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$ tells us roughly how far \bar{x} is from μ

sample variance, $s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$

MSE and bias

suppose measurements were from a population with mean *w* + *b* where *b* is a constant: $x_i = w + b + \epsilon_i$

- $E(\bar{X}) = w + b$
- $SD(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
 - $SE = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ measures how far \bar{x} is from *w* + *b*, not *w*
- if *b* \neq 0, then \bar{x} is a biased estimate for *w*

$$MSE = E\{(\bar{X} - w)^2\} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} + b^2$$
$$MSE = SE^2 + bias^2$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $MSE \rightarrow b^2$

conclusion

let θ be a parameter (constant) and $\hat{\theta}$ be an estimator (RV).

$$SE = SD(\hat{\theta}), \text{ bias} = E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta,$$

$$MSE = E\{(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2\} = SE^2 + bias^2\}$$

05. INTERVAL ESTIMATION

let x_1, \dots, x_n be realisations of IID RVs X_1, \dots, X_n with unknown $\mu = E(X_i)$ and $\sigma^2 = \text{var}(X_i)$.

sample mean, $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

sample variance, $s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$

standard error, $SE = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$

point estimation: $\mu \approx \bar{x}$, give or take $\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$

interval estimation: interval contains μ with some confidence level

interval estimation works well if

- X_i has a normal distribution, for any $n > 1$
- X_i has any other distribution but *n* is large

normal "upper-tail quantile" z_p

let $Z \sim N(0, 1)$. for $0 < p < 1$, let z_p be such that
$$p = \text{Pr}(Z > z_p)$$

- e.g. $z_{0.5} = 0$
- $z_p = (1 - p)$ -quantile of *Z*
- for $0 < p < 0.5$, $\text{Pr}(-z_p \leq Z \leq z_p) = 1 - 2p$

(case 1) normal distribution with known σ^2

assume X_1, \dots, X_n are IID $\sim N(0, 1)$ with known σ^2 .
for $0 < \alpha < 1$, $\Pr(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq Z \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) = 1 - \alpha$

- confidence interval for μ :** the random interval
$$\left(\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$
 contains μ with probability $1 - \alpha$, and produces the realisation $(\bar{x} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}})$
- $1 - \alpha$ is the **confidence level**
- Proof.* since $\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$,
 - $\Pr(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) = 1 - \alpha$
 - $\Pr(\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}) = 1 - \alpha$

(case 2) normal distribution with unknown σ^2

assume X_1, \dots, X_n are IID $\sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ with unknown σ^2 .
replace σ with S :

- for $0 < p < 1$, let $t_{p,n}$ be such that $\Pr(t_n > t_{p,n}) = p$
- $t_{p,n}$ is the *upper p quartile* of the t distribution with n degrees of freedom
 - e.g. $t_{0.1,5} = 1.48$ (using $qt(0.9, 5)$)
- as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $t_{n,p} \rightarrow z_p$
- $\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$
- $\Pr(\bar{X} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}})$
the random interval
$$\left(\bar{X} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$
 contains μ with probability $1 - \alpha$.
- data x_1, \dots, x_n give realisations \bar{x} of \bar{X} and s of S , thus the random interval gives a $(1 - \alpha)$ -CI for μ :
$$\left(\bar{x} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

(case 3) general distribution with unknown σ^2

- IID X_1, \dots, X_n with $E(X_i) = \mu$, $\text{var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$ unknown
- for large n , approximately $\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$
 - since $\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \sim N(0, 1) = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ and $S \approx \sigma$ for large n ,
 - $\Pr(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) \approx 1 - \alpha$
 - $\Pr(\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}) \approx 1 - \alpha$for large n , the random interval
$$\left(\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$
 contains μ with probability $\approx 1 - \alpha$
 - data x_1, \dots, x_n give realisations \bar{x} of \bar{X} and s of S .
 - $(\bar{x} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} SE, \bar{x} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} SE)$ is an *approximate* $(1 - \alpha)$ -CI for μ .
 - $SE = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$
 - for SRS, multiply SE by correction factor $\sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}}$
 - contains μ with probability $< 1 - \alpha$
 - probability $\rightarrow 1 - \alpha$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$
 - exception:** for Bernoulli, $\sigma = \sqrt{p(1-p)}$ is not estimated by s , but by replacing p with the sample proportion

06. METHOD OF MOMENTS

- modified notation of mass/density functions:
- bernoulli:** $f(x|p) = p^x(1-p)^{1-x}$, $x = 0, 1$
 - parameter space is $(0, 1)$
 - poisson:** $f(x|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$, $x = 0, 1, \dots$
 - parameter space is \mathbb{R}_+

parameter estimation

- assuming data x_1, \dots, x_n are realisations of IID RVs X_1, \dots, X_n with mass/density function $f(x|\theta)$, where θ is unknown in parameter space Θ .
- 2 methods to estimate θ :
 - method of moments (MOM)
 - method of maximum likelihood (MLE)
 - for both:
 - the estimate of θ is a realisation of an estimator $\hat{\theta}$
 - SE is $SD(\hat{\theta})$
 - bias is $E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta$
 - parameter space Θ : set of values that can be used to estimate the real parameter value θ

Moments of an RV

- the k -th moment of an RV X is
$$\mu_k = E(X^k), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

estimating moments

- let X_1, \dots, X_n be IID with the same distribution as X .
- the k -th sample moment is
$$\hat{\mu}_k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k$$
 - $E(\hat{\mu}_k) = \mu_k \Rightarrow$ unbiased estimator!
 - $\hat{\mu}_k$ is an estimator of μ_k . For realisations x_1, \dots, x_n , the realisation $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k$ is an *unbiased* estimate of μ_k .
 - hat ($\hat{\cdot}$) means estimator (random variable)
 - note that this violates the uppercase=RV, lowercase=(fixed)realisation notation
 - $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

MOM: Poisson

- assume x_1, \dots, x_n are realisations of IID *Poisson*(λ) RVs X_1, \dots, X_n . Let λ be the mean number of emissions per 10 seconds (λ is a parameter).
- let $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$. $\mu_1 = \lambda$. Estimate λ by estimating μ_1 using sample mean \bar{x} , which is an estimator of \bar{X} .
 - the MOM estimator is $\hat{\lambda} = \hat{\mu}_1 = \bar{X}$
 - the random sample mean
 - $\text{var}(X) = \lambda$, $\text{var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\lambda}{n}$, SE = SD of estimator = $\sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{n}}$
$$\lambda \approx \bar{x} \pm \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{n}}$$

MOM: Bernoulli

- Assume X_1, \dots, X_n are iid *Bernoulli*(p) RVs.
- Finding MOM estimator of p :
- let $X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$. $\Rightarrow \mu_1 = p$
 - MOM estimator, $\hat{p} = \hat{\mu}_1 = \bar{X}$
 - random sample proportion of 1's
 - SE = SD of estimator = $\sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{p})} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$

MOM: Normal

- let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ with parameters μ, σ^2 for $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$: parameter space, $\Theta = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+$
- $\mu_1 = \mu$, $\mu_2 = \sigma^2 + \mu^2$
 - express $\mu = \mu_1$; $\sigma^2 = \mu_2 - \mu_1^2$; then add hats
 - MOM estimators:
$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{X} \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$$
- (to construct CI for σ^2 : use $S^2 \Rightarrow$ since $E(S^2) = \sigma^2$)

MOM: Geometric

- let x_1, \dots, x_n be realisations of IID *Geometric*(p) RVs X_1, \dots, X_n with expectation $1/p$.
- for $X \sim \text{Geometric}(p) \Rightarrow E(X) = \frac{1}{p}$
 - $\Pr(X = i) = p(1-p)^{i-1}$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots$
 - $E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} ip(1-p)^{i-1} = \frac{1}{p}$
 - $\mu_1 = \frac{1}{p} \Rightarrow p = \frac{1}{\mu_1} \Rightarrow \hat{p} = \frac{1}{\bar{X}}$
 - MOM estimator, $\hat{p} = \frac{1}{\bar{X}}$
 - then MOM estimate = $\frac{1}{\bar{x}}$
 - SE = $SD(1/\bar{X}) \Rightarrow$ use monte carlo to approximate

MOM: Gamma

- let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid *Gamma*(α, λ) RVs with shape parameter $\alpha > 0$, rate parameter $\lambda > 0$
- $X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda)$, $E(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda}$, $E(X^2) = \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)}{\lambda^2}$
 - express parameters in terms of moments:
$$\mu_1 = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda}, \mu_2 - \mu_1^2 = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2} \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2 - \mu_1^2}, \alpha = \lambda \mu_1$$
 - MOM estimators: $\hat{\alpha} = \frac{\bar{X}^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$, $\hat{\lambda} = \frac{\bar{X}}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$

MOM estimators are consistent

- let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid with mass/density $f(x|\theta)$, where $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}$.
Suppose $\theta = g(\mu_1)$ for some *continuous* function g .
Then the MOM estimator is **consistent** (approaches θ with more data)
- the MOM estimator is $\hat{\theta} = g(\hat{\mu}_1)$. as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\hat{\mu}_1 \rightarrow \mu_1$
 - since g is continuous, $\hat{\theta} \rightarrow g(\mu_1) = \theta$
 - asymptotic unbiasedness:** $E(\hat{\theta}) \rightarrow \theta$

07. MLE

MOM: works through estimating moments - if no formula is available for $SD(\hat{\theta})$ or $E(\hat{\theta})$, monte carlo can be used
MLE: another estimation method

Likelihood function

- let x_1, \dots, x_n be realisations of iid rvs X_1, \dots, X_n with density $f(x|\theta)$, $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^k$.
- likelihood function** $L: \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ is
$$L(\theta) = f(x_1|\theta) \times \dots \times f(x_n|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta)$$
 - loglikelihood function** $\ell: \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is
$$\ell(\theta) = \log L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(x_i|\theta)$$

Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)

- $$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i|\theta)$$
- maximiser** of $L \rightarrow$ the maximum likelihood estimate of θ (a realisation of the MLEstimator $\hat{\theta}$)
 - maximiser of loglikelihood $\ell = \log L$ over Θ

poisson (log)likelihood/MLE

- Poisson*(λ): $f(x|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$, $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$
- let x_1, \dots, x_n be realisations of iid *Poisson*(λ) RVs X_1, \dots, X_n . the joint probability of data is
$$f(x_1|\lambda) \times \dots \times f(x_n|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} e^{-n\lambda}}{x_1! \dots x_n!}$$
 - likelihood:** probability as a function of only λ
$$L(\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} e^{-n\lambda}}{x_1! \dots x_n!}$$
 - we can leave out constant factors:
$$L(\lambda) = \lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} e^{-n\lambda}$$
 - loglikelihood:**
$$\ell(\lambda) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i) \log \lambda - n\lambda - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i!)$$
 - leaving out additive constants:
$$\ell(\lambda) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i) \log \lambda - n\lambda$$
 - MLE of $\lambda = \bar{x}$** (maximiser of $L(\lambda)$)
 - differentiate $\ell(\lambda)$: $\ell'(\lambda) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\lambda} - n$
 - $\ell'(\lambda) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = \bar{x}$
 - $\ell''(\lambda) < 0$ (thus max point)

normal (log)likelihood/MLE

- $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$: for $x \in \mathbb{R}$,
- $$f(x|\mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} = (2\pi)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sigma^{-1} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$
- let x_1, \dots, x_n be realisations of iid $N(\mu, \sigma)$ RVs X_1, \dots, X_n . the joint probability of data is
$$f(x_1|\lambda) \times \dots \times f(x_n|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} e^{-n\lambda}}{x_1! \dots x_n!}$$
 - likelihood** function: joint density as a function of (μ, σ)
$$L(\mu, \sigma) = f(x_1|\mu, \sigma) \times \dots \times f(x_n|\mu, \sigma)$$
$$= (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \sigma^{-n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}$$

- loglikelihood:**
$$\ell(\mu, \sigma) = -\frac{n}{2} \log(2\pi) - n \log \sigma - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2$$
- MLE:**
 - MLE of $\mu = \bar{x}$
 - MLE of $\sigma = \hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$

Gamma distribution

- Gamma*(α, λ): $f(x|\alpha, \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x}$, $x > 0$
- log of density:** $\alpha \log \lambda - \log \Gamma(\alpha) + (\alpha - 1) \log x - \lambda x$
 - loglikelihood:**
$$n\alpha \log \lambda - n \log \Gamma(\alpha) + (\alpha - 1) \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$
 - if α is known, then $\ell(\lambda) = n\alpha \log \lambda - \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$
 - differentiate \Rightarrow the ML estimates of (α, λ) satisfy
$$\log\left(\frac{\alpha}{\bar{x}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma'(\alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + \bar{y} = 0, \quad \lambda = \frac{\alpha}{\bar{x}} \quad \text{where}$$
$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log x_i$$
 - the **ML estimators** $(\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\lambda})$ satisfy
$$\log\left(\frac{\alpha}{\bar{X}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma'(\alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha)} + \bar{Y} = 0, \quad \lambda = \frac{\alpha}{\bar{X}}$$
 - $\log\left(\frac{\hat{\alpha}}{\bar{X}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma'(\hat{\alpha})}{\Gamma(\hat{\alpha})} + \bar{Y} = 0, \quad \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\hat{\alpha}}{\bar{X}}$

ML vs MOM

- MOM estimates can always be written in terms of the data (sample moments)
 - ML uses \ast
- ML has better (smaller) SE and bias than MOM
- ML estimates are functions of \bar{x} and \bar{y} . MOM never uses \bar{y}

Kullback-Liebler divergence (KL)

let **q** = (q₁, . . . , q_k) and **p** = (p₁, . . . , p_k) be strictly positive probability vectors.

the **KL divergence** between **q** and **p** is

$$d_{KL}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^k q_i \log\left(\frac{q_i}{p_i}\right)$$

• $d_{KL}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \geq 0$ (equality $\iff \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{p}$)
• $d_{KL}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \neq d_{KL}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$

Multinomial

let (x₁, . . . , x_n) be strictly positive realisations from (X₁, . . . , X_n) ~ *Multinomial*(n, **p**).
• $L(\mathbf{p}) = \Pr(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k) = cp_1^{x_1} \dots p_k^{x_k} = p_1^{x_1} \dots p_k^{x_k}$ (simplified)
• $\ell(\mathbf{p}) = x_1 \log p_1 + \dots + x_k \log p_k$
• maximising ℓ via KL divergence

- if x is from $X \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$, the MOM and ML estimates are both $\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n}$
 - the MOM estimate of p_i is $q_i = \frac{x_i}{n}$.
- for any **p**,
 $\ell(\mathbf{q}) - \ell(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i \log q_i - \sum_{i=1}^k x_i \log p_i = n d_{KL}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \geq 0$
 - $\ell(\mathbf{q}) - \ell(\mathbf{p}) = 0 \iff \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{q}$

Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (HWE)

let θ be the proportion of a .
the population is in **HWE** if
 $f(aa) = \theta^2$, $f(aA) = 2\theta(1 - \theta)$, $f(AA) = (1 - \theta)^2$
• (e.g. genotypes) Under HWE, the number of a alleles in an individual has a *Binom*(2, θ) distribution

- for n randomly chosen people, number of a alleles (AA, Aa, aa) ~ *Multinomial*(n, θ)

Multinomial ML estimation

for (X₁, X₂, X₃) ~ *Multinomial*(n, **p**)
where $p_1 = (1 - \theta)^2$, $p_2 = 2\theta(1 - \theta)$, $p_3 = \theta^2$
• $L(\theta) = (1 - \theta)^{2x_1} 2^{x_2} \theta^{x_2} (1 - \theta)^{x_2} \theta^{2x_3} = 2^{x_2} (1 - \theta)^{2x_1 + x_2} \theta^{x_2 + 2x_3}$
• $\ell(\theta) = x_2 \log 2 + (2x_1 + x_2) \log(1 - \theta) + (x_2 + 2x_3) \log \theta$
• ML estimator: $\hat{\theta} = \frac{X_2 + 2X_3}{2n}$
• SE estimation: $\sqrt{\frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{2n}}$

- $X_2 + 2X_3$ is the number of a alleles: *Binom*(2n, θ)
 $\implies \text{var}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{2n}$

08. LARGE-SAMPLE DISTRIBUTION OF MLEs

let X₁, . . . , X_n be iid *Geometric*(0.5) RVs, with mean $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.
by CLT, \bar{X}_n and $\frac{1}{\bar{X}_n}$ have a normal distribution.

asymptotic normality of ML estimator

let $\hat{\theta}_n$ be the ML estimator of $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}$, based on iid RVs X₁, . . . , X_n with density $f(x|\theta)$.
for large n , the distribution of $\hat{\theta}_n$ is approximately
 $N\left(\theta, \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{n}\right)$
where $\mathcal{I}(\theta)$ is the Fisher information derived from $f(x|\theta)$

- $\hat{\theta}_n$ is asymptotically unbiased (like MOM)
 - $E(\hat{\theta}_n) \neq \theta$ (biased)

Fisher Information

let X have density $f(x|\theta)$, $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p$.
the **Fisher information** is the $p \times p$ matrix
 $\mathcal{I}(\theta) = -E\left[\frac{d^2 \log f(X|\theta)}{d\theta^2}\right]$
• $\mathcal{I}(\theta)$ is symmetric, with (ij) -entry $-E\left[\frac{\delta^2 \log f(X|\theta)}{\delta \theta_i \delta \theta_j}\right]$
• $\mathcal{I}(\theta)$ measures the information about θ in one sample X .

Asymptotic normality: Bernoulli

$X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p) : f(x|p) = p^x (1 - p)^{1-x}$, $x = 0, 1$
Fisher information
• $\log f(X|p) = X \log p + (1 - X) \log(1 - p)$
• differentiate $\frac{d}{dp} : \frac{X}{p} - \frac{1-X}{1-p}$
• differentiate $\frac{d^2}{dp^2} : -\frac{X}{p^2} - \frac{1-X}{(1-p)^2}$
• $\mathcal{I}(p) = -E\left(\frac{d^2 \log f(X|p)}{dp^2}\right) = \frac{1}{p(1-p)}$

- minimised at $p = 0.5$

Asymptotic normality
for X₁, . . . , X_n iid *Bernoulli*(p) RVs,
Fisher information in each X_i: $\mathcal{I}(p) = \frac{1}{p(1-p)}$
• ML estimator $\hat{p} = \bar{X}$
• for large n , $\hat{p} \approx N\left(p, \frac{p(1-p)}{n}\right)$

- $E(\hat{p}) = p$, $\text{var}(\hat{p}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$

Asymptotic normality: Geometric

$X \sim \text{Geometric}(p) : f(x|p) = p(1 - p)^{1-x}$
Fisher information
• $\log f(X|p) = \log p + (X - 1) \log(1 - p)$
• differentiate $\frac{d}{dp} : \frac{1}{p} - \frac{X-1}{1-p}$
• differentiate $\frac{d^2}{dp^2} : -\frac{1}{p^2} - \frac{X-1}{(1-p)^2}$
• $\mathcal{I}(p) = -E\left(\frac{d^2 \log f(X|p)}{dp^2}\right) = \frac{1}{p(1-p)} + \frac{1}{p^2} = \frac{1}{p^2(1-p)}$
Asymptotic normality
for X₁, . . . , X_n iid *Geometric*(p) RVs,
Fisher information in each X_i, $\mathcal{I}(p) = \frac{1}{p^2(1-p)}$
• ML estimator $\hat{p} = \frac{1}{\bar{X}}$
• for large n , distribution of $\hat{p} \approx N\left(p, \frac{p^2(1-p)}{n}\right)$

- $E(\hat{p}) > p$ since $E(\hat{p}) = E\left(\frac{1}{\bar{X}}\right) > \frac{1}{E(\bar{X})} = p$
- likely $\text{var}(\hat{p}) \neq \frac{p^2(1-p)}{n}$

Asymptotic normality: Normal

Fisher information
 $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, $\theta = (\mu, \sigma)$.
 $f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left\{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right\}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$
• $\log f(X|\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi - \log \sigma - \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2 n}$
 $= c - \log \sigma - \frac{(X-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2 n}$
• differentiate $\frac{d}{d\theta} : \frac{\delta}{\delta \mu} = \frac{X-\mu}{\sigma^2}$, $\frac{\delta}{\delta \sigma} = -\frac{1}{\sigma} + \frac{(X-\mu)^2}{\sigma^3}$
• differentiate $\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} : \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\delta^2}{\delta \mu^2} & \frac{\delta^2}{\delta \mu \delta \sigma} \\ \frac{\delta^2}{\delta \sigma \delta \mu} & \frac{\delta^2}{\delta \sigma^2} \end{bmatrix}$

• $\mathcal{I}(\theta) = -E\left(\frac{d^2 \log f(X|\theta)}{d\theta^2}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\sigma^2} \end{bmatrix}$

Asymptotic normality
for X₁, . . . , X_n iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ RVs, $\theta = (\mu, \sigma)$,
Fisher information in each X_i : $\mathcal{I}(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\sigma^2} \end{bmatrix}$
• ML estimator $\hat{\theta} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{X} \\ \hat{\sigma} \end{bmatrix}$
• for large n , $\hat{\theta} \approx N\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \sigma \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sigma^2}{n} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\sigma^2}{2n} \end{bmatrix}\right)$

are expectation and variance exact?
• a positive random variable cannot be exactly normal!

- $\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) \implies$ exact
- $\hat{\sigma} \sim N(\sigma, \frac{\sigma^2}{2n}) \implies$ not exact! $E(\hat{\sigma}) \neq \sigma$ since $\sigma \geq 0$

normal data
for x₁, . . . , x_n IID $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ RVs with large n ,
ML estimates of μ and σ are $\bar{x} = \dots$ and $\hat{\sigma} = \dots$

• for approximate variance $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sigma^2}{n} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\sigma^2}{2n} \end{bmatrix}$,
SEs of \bar{x} and $\hat{\sigma}$ are estimated as $\frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{n}}$ and $\frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{2n}}$
• approximate (1 - α)-CI:
 $\mu : \left(\bar{x} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$
 $\sigma : \left(\hat{\sigma} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{2n}}, \hat{\sigma} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{2n}}\right)$

Gamma distribution

$X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda)$,
 $f(x|\alpha, \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x}$, $x > 0$
 $\log f(X) = \alpha \log \lambda - \log \Gamma(\alpha) + (\alpha - 1) \log X - \lambda X$
let $\psi(\alpha) = \frac{d}{d\alpha} \log \Gamma(\alpha)$:
($\psi(\alpha)$ = digamma function, $\psi'(\alpha)$ = trigamma function)
• $\frac{\delta \log f(X)}{\delta \alpha} = \log \lambda - \psi(\alpha) + \log X$
• $\frac{\delta \log f(X)}{\delta \lambda} = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda} - X$
• $\frac{\delta^2 \log f(X)}{\delta \alpha^2} = -\psi'(\alpha)$
• $\frac{\delta^2 \log f(X)}{\delta \lambda^2} = -\frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2}$
• $\frac{\delta^2 \log f(X)}{\delta \alpha \delta \lambda} = \frac{\delta^2 \log f(X)}{\delta \lambda \delta \alpha} = \frac{1}{\lambda}$
 $\mathcal{I}(\alpha, \lambda) = \begin{bmatrix} \psi'(\alpha) & -\frac{1}{\lambda} \\ -\frac{1}{\lambda} & \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2} \end{bmatrix}$

Approximate CI with ML estimate

$\hat{\theta}_n$ is the ML estimator of $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}$ based on iid RVs X₁, . . . , X_n. $0 < \alpha < 1$
• for large n , approximately $\hat{\theta}_n \sim N\left(\theta, \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{n}\right)$.
for $0 < \alpha < 1$,
 $1 - \alpha \approx \Pr\left(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\hat{\theta}_n - \theta}{\sqrt{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}/n}} \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}\right)$
• the random interval
 $\left(\hat{\theta}_n - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{n}}, \hat{\theta}_n + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{n}}\right)$
covers θ with probability $\approx 1 - \alpha$
• **MLE**: ML estimate of θ , **SE**: $\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{n}}$ with θ replaced by MLE

- approxiate $(1 - \alpha) - CI$ for θ is
 $(MLE - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} SE, MLE + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} SE)$

Scope of asymptotic normality of ML estimators

- for iid normal RVs, let $\hat{\sigma}$ be the ML estimator of σ . then $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is the ML estimator of σ^2
 - both $\hat{\sigma}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2$ are asymptotically normal
 - $\frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}}$ is also asymptotically normal
- let $\hat{\theta}^n$ be the ML estimator of θ . For strictly increasing or strictly decreasing $h : \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $h(\hat{\theta}^n)$ is the ML estimator of $h(\theta)$.
 - for large n , $h(\hat{\theta}^n)$ is approximately normal

population mean vs parameter

for n random draws with replacement from a population with mean μ and variance σ^2 ,

Estimator	E	var	Distribution
random sample mean, $\hat{\mu}$	μ	$\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$	\approx normal
ML estimator, $\hat{\theta}_n$	$\approx \theta$	$\approx \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{n}$	\approx normal

$\hat{\theta}_n$ is not normal (but may approach normal for large n)

summary

let X have density $f(x|\theta)$, $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^k$.
The **Fisher information** at θ in X is the $k \times k$ matrix
 $-E\left[\frac{d^2 \log f(X|\theta)}{d\theta^2}\right]$.
let $\hat{\theta}_n$ be the ML estimator of θ based on iid RVs X₁, . . . , X_n with density $f(x|\theta)$.
For large n , the distribution of $\hat{\theta}_n$ is approximately
 $N\left(\theta, \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{n}\right)$

\implies SE can be estimated without monte carlo
 \implies accurate CIs are available
skipped: Fisher information in IID samples; binomial fisher information, MLE; HWE trinomial fisher information
 $E\left(\frac{d \log f(X|\lambda)}{d\lambda}\right) = 0$

Cramér-Rao inequality

if $\hat{\theta}_n$ is unbiased, then $\text{var}(\hat{\theta}_n) \geq \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{n}$
efficient \iff equality

09. HYPOTHESIS TESTING

let x₁, . . . , x_n be realisations of IID $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ RVs X₁, . . . , X_n where μ is a parameter and σ is known.
null hypothesis, $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$
alternative hypothesis, $H_1 : \mu = \mu_1$

It is believed that $\mu = \mu_0$, but it might be μ_1 . 2 methods to test if H_0 should be rejected in favour of H_1 using \bar{x} :
• if \bar{x} falls inside the **rejection region**, we reject H_0

- based on a choice of α (type *I* error)

• **P value** \rightarrow the probability that \bar{X} is more extreme than \bar{x} , assuming H_0 is true. (if small, doubt H_0)

- based on an observed test statistic

if σ is unknown or x₁, . . . , x_n $\not\sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, we can use CLT

Rejection region

x₁, . . . , x_n are from IID $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ RVs, with σ known

One-tailed test

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0, \quad H_1 : \mu = \mu_1 > \mu_0$$

under H_0 ,

$$\bar{X} \sim N(\mu_0, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}), \quad \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$
$$\alpha = P_{H_0}(\bar{X} > \mu_0 + c) = \Pr(Z > \frac{c}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}) \Rightarrow c = z\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

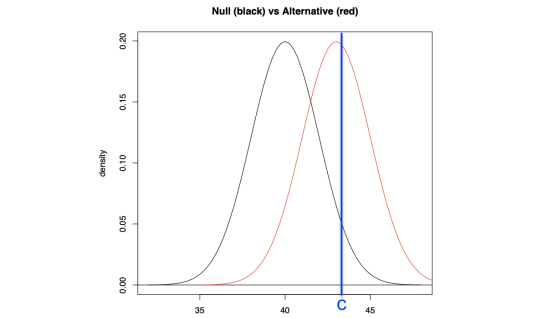
- reject H_0 if $\bar{x} - \mu_0 > c$ (for some $c > 0$)
 - \bar{x} is the **test statistic**
 - interval $(\mu_0 + z\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \infty)$ is the **rejection region**
 - for a test of **size** α , $c = z\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

Hypothesis	$\bar{x} < \mu_0 + c$	$\bar{x} > \mu_0 + c$
$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$	✓ not reject H_0	✗(<i>I</i>) reject H_0
$H_1 : \mu = \mu_1$	✗(<i>II</i>) not reject H_0	✓ reject H_0

- type *I* error: rejecting H_0 when it is true
- type *II* error: not rejecting H_0 when it is false

Size and power

- size** of a test \rightarrow probability of a Type *I* error
 - $\alpha := P_{H_0}(\bar{X} > \mu_0 + c)$
 - aka **level**
- power** of a test $\rightarrow 1 -$ probability of a Type *II* error
 - $\beta := P_{H_1}(\bar{X} > \mu_0 + c) \Rightarrow \text{power} = 1 - \beta$
 - as $n \rightarrow \infty$, power $\rightarrow 1$
 - increasing power of rejecting H_0
- α and β are both about the same event (\bar{X} is in the rejection region), but calculated under different hypotheses (H_0, H_1)
- $\uparrow c$: $\downarrow \alpha, \downarrow \beta$ (\downarrow type *I* error, \uparrow type *II* error)
- commonly $\alpha = 0.05$
 - keep α small since H_0 is the default hypothesis



Two-tailed test

x_1, \dots, x_n are from iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ RVs, σ known

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0, \quad H_1 : \mu = \mu_1 \neq \mu_0$$

- reject H_0 if $|\bar{x} - \mu_0| > c$, for some $c > 0$
 - rejection region:** $(-\infty, \mu_0 - c)$ and $(\mu_0 + c, \infty)$
- $\alpha = P_{H_0}(|\bar{X} - \mu_0| > c) = \Pr\left(|Z| > \frac{c}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) = 2 \Pr\left(Z > \frac{c}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right)$
- $c = z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
 - rejection region:** $(-\infty, \mu_0 - z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}) \cup (\mu_0 + z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \infty)$

Composite hypothesis

- simple** hypothesis \rightarrow specify a single value ($H_0 : \mu = \mu_0, H_1 : \mu = \mu_1$)
- composite** hypothesis \rightarrow range of values
 - one-tailed test: $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0, H_1 : \mu > \mu_0$
 - rejection region: $(\mu_0 + z\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \infty)$ \Rightarrow no change since it doesn't involve μ_1
 - two-tailed test: $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0, H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$
 - rejection region: $(-\infty, \mu_0 - z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}) \cup (\mu_0 + z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \infty)$ \Rightarrow no change since it doesn't involve μ_1
 - if \bar{x} falls *outside* the rejection region, i.e. $\mu_0 - z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{x} \leq \mu_0 + z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
 - then H_0 is NOT rejected at level α
 - μ_0 lies in the $(1 - \alpha)$ -CI for μ
- as $n \rightarrow \infty$, power $\rightarrow 1$

Hypothesis testing and CI

the $(1 - \alpha)$ -CI for μ , $(\bar{x} - z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z\frac{\alpha}{2} \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{n}})$ consists of the values μ_0 for which the test $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0, H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$ is not rejected at level α .

P-value

- P-value** \rightarrow the probability under H_0 that the random test statistic is more extreme than the observed test statistic
 - small p -value = more "extreme" (more doubt)
- reject H_0 at level $\alpha \iff P < \alpha$
- generally, P -value for two-tailed test is double that of one-tailed test

formulae for P-value

$H_1 : \mu > \mu_0$
$$P = P_{H_0}(\bar{X} > \bar{x}) = \Pr\left(Z > \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right)$$
 $H_1 : \mu < \mu_0$
$$P = P_{H_0}(\bar{X} < \bar{x}) = \Pr\left(Z < \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right)$$
 $H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$
$$P = P_{H_0}(|\bar{X} - \mu_0| > |\bar{x} - \mu_0|) = \Pr\left(|Z| > \frac{|\bar{x} - \mu_0|}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

10. GOODNESS-OF-FIT

- likelihood ratio** (LR) test \rightarrow based on the ratio of likelihoods
 - P -value can be approximated using χ^2 distribution for a large sample size

multinomial

let $X \sim \text{Trinomial}(n, \mathbf{p})$. by HWE, \mathbf{p} is a function of θ as follows: $p_1 = (1 - \theta)^2, p_2 = 2\theta(1 - \theta), p_3 = \theta^2$
let L_1 and L_0 be the maximum likelihood value for the general model ($\text{Trinomial}(n, \mathbf{p})$) and the HWE.

- $L_1 \geq L_0$ (L_0 is the maximum over a subset of L_1)
 - general trinomial
 - likelihood, $L(\mathbf{p}) = p_1^{x_1} p_2^{x_2} p_3^{x_3}$
 - ML estimate of \mathbf{p} is $\frac{x}{n}$
 - $\log L_1 = x_1 \log(\frac{x_1}{n}) + x_2 \log(\frac{x_2}{n}) + x_3 \log(\frac{x_3}{n})$
 - HWE:
 - likelihood, $L(\theta) = p_1(\theta)^{x_1} p_2(\theta)^{x_2} p_3(\theta)^{x_3}$
 - ML estimate of θ is $\frac{x_2 + 2x_3}{2n}$
- larger $L_1/L_0 \Rightarrow$ poorer fit for HWE

LR test

- null hypothesis: HWE holds
$$H_0 : p_1 = (1 - \theta)^2, p_2 = 2\theta(1 - \theta), p_3 = \theta^2$$
- LR test statistic: $2 \log\left(\frac{L_1}{L_0}\right) = 2(\log L_1 - \log L_0)$
- degree of freedom = difference in the number of parameters between the models
 - general model has 2 params, HWE has 1 param
- P -value = $\Pr\left(\chi^2_1 > 2 \log\left(\frac{L_1}{L_0}\right)\right)$

Nested models

- the set of all $\text{Trinomial}(n, \mathbf{p})$ distributions can be represented by
$$\Omega_1 = \left\{ (p_1, p_2, p_3) : p_i > 0, \sum_{i=1}^3 p_i = 1 \right\}$$
which has dimension 2 ($\dim \Omega_1 = 2$)
- by HWE, \mathbf{p} is in the subset
$$\Omega_0 = \{((1 - \theta)^2, 2\theta(1 - \theta), \theta^2) : 0 < \theta < 1\}$$
($\dim \Omega_0 = 1$)
 - Ω_0 is **nested** in Ω_1
 - measure goodness-of-fit of HWE by testing $H_0 : \mathbf{p} \in \Omega_0$

General Multinomial LR test

let $(X_1, \dots, X_k) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n, \mathbf{p})$. then $\mathbf{p} \in \Omega_1$, the set of all positive probability vectors of length k .

to test if \mathbf{p} is in a subspace
$$\Omega_0 = \{ (p_1(\theta), \dots, p_k(\theta)) : \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^h \}$$
with $\dim \Omega_0 < \dim \Omega_1 = k - 1$
let L_j be the maximum likelihood value under Ω_j .
To test $H_0 : \mathbf{p} \in \Omega_0$, we use the **LR statistic**,
$$G = 2 \log\left(\frac{L_1}{L_0}\right)$$

- for Ω_1 : $\log L_1 = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \log\left(\frac{X_i}{n}\right)$
 - for Ω_0 : $\log L_0 = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \log p_i(\hat{\theta})$
$$G = 2 \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \log\left(\frac{X_i}{np_i(\hat{\theta})}\right)$$
- given data (x_1, \dots, x_n) , let g be a realisation of G .
 P -value $P_{H_0}(G > g)$ is approximately $\Pr(\chi^2_{k-1-\dim \Omega_0} > g)$ for large n .
- to compute g , replace
 - X_i with *observed count* x_i
 - $np_i(\hat{\theta})$ with *expected count*, calculated using ML estimate of θ

Test of independence

for a population with attributes q and r , let p_{ij} be the population proportion of people with $q = q_i$ and $r = r_j$. for any i, j , $p_{ij} = q_i \times r_j$.

- let $(X_{ij}, 1 \leq i \leq I, 1 \leq j \leq J) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n, \mathbf{p})$. $\mathbf{p} \in \Omega_1$, where $\dim \Omega_1 = IJ - 1 = k - 1$.
- H_0 : the two categories q, r are independent
 - if q, r are independent, then \exists positive numbers $\sum_{i=1}^I q_i = \sum_{j=1}^J r_j = 1$ such that $p_{ij} = q_i \times r_j, 1 \leq i \leq I, 1 \leq j \leq J$
- $\dim \Omega_0 = (I - 1) + (J - 1) = I + J - 2$
- $\dim \Omega_1 - \dim \Omega_0 = (I - 1)(J - 1)$
- under independence (H_0), for large n , approximately $G \sim \chi^2_{(I-1)(J-1)}$

G statistic

for any i , let $X_{i+} = \sum_{j=1}^J X_{ij}$.
for any j , let $X_{+j} = \sum_{i=1}^I X_{ij}$.

- $\Omega_1 : \log L_1 = \sum_{ij} X_{ij} \log\left(\frac{X_{ij}}{n}\right)$
- Ω_0 :
$$\log L_0 = \sum_i X_{i+} \log\left(\frac{X_{i+}}{n}\right) + \sum_{+j} X_{+j} \log\left(\frac{X_{+j}}{n}\right)$$
- $G = 2(\log L_1 - \log L_0) = 2 \sum_{ij} X_{ij} \log\left(\frac{X_{ij}}{X_{i+} X_{+j} / n}\right)$
- the data x_{ij} are the *observed counts*
- the data $x_{i+} x_{+j} / n$ are the *expected counts*
- P -value = $\Pr\left(\chi^2_{(I-1)(J-1)} > g\right)$

General LR test

we have n iid RVs with density defined by $\theta \in \Omega_1$ of dimension k_1 ; nested in Ω_1 is a smaller model Ω_0 of dimension k_0 .

$$H_0 : \theta \in \Omega_0 \quad H_1 : \theta \in \Omega_1 \setminus \Omega_0$$

to test $H_0 : \theta \in \Omega_0$, we use LR statistic
$$G = 2 \log\left(\frac{L_1}{L_0}\right)$$
where L_j is the maximum likelihood value over Ω_j .
for large n , the P -value can be approximately computed, because:
$$\begin{matrix} & \text{if } \theta \in \Omega_0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \\ \text{the distribution of } G \text{ converges to } & \chi^2_{k_1 - k_0} \end{matrix}$$

Normal LR test

x_1, \dots, x_n are from iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ RVs. to test $H_0 : \mu = 0$:

σ	Ω_1	k_1	Ω_0	k_0
known	\mathbb{R}	1	$\{0\}$	0
unknown	$\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+$	2	$\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}_+$	1

under H_0 , for large n , approximately $G \sim \chi^2_1$

- case 1:** σ known
 - $\Omega_1 : \log L_1 = -\frac{n\hat{\sigma}^2}{2\sigma^2}$
 - $\Omega_0 : \log L_0 = -\frac{n\hat{\mu}^2}{2\sigma^2}$
 - $G = 2(\log L_1 - \log L_0) = \frac{n\bar{X}^2}{\sigma^2}$
 - if H_0 holds ($\mu = 0$), then $\bar{X} \sim N(0, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$. for any n , $G \sim \chi^2_1$ exactly.
- case 2:** σ unknown
 - $\Omega_1 : \log L_1 = -\frac{n}{2} \log \hat{\sigma}^2 - \frac{n}{2}$
 - $\Omega_0 : \log L_0 = -\frac{n}{2} \log \hat{\mu}_2 - \frac{n}{2}$
 - $G = 2(\log L_1 - \log L_0) = n \log\left(\frac{\hat{\mu}_2^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2}\right)$
 - if H_0 holds ($\mu = 0$), for large n , $G \sim \chi^2_1$ approximately

Summary

- LR test applies when the investigator wants to know the goodness-of-fit of a model relative to a larger model, of dimensions $k_0 < k_1$.
- test statistic, $G = 2 \log\left(\frac{L_1}{L_0}\right)$
 - L_0, L_1 are the maximum likelihood value under the small and large models
- if n is large, the P -value $\Pr(G > g)$ (computed provided H_0 is true) can be approximated by a $\chi^2_{k_1 - k_0}$ distribution