## ST2132

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# 01. PROBABILITY

# **Expectation**

**discrete**: (mass)
$$E(X) := \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i p_i$$

continuous: (density)

$$E(X) := \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i p_i \qquad E(X) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$$

# 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, 
$$\operatorname{var}(X) := E\{(X - \mu)^2\}$$
  
=  $E(X^2) - E(X)^2$ 

standard deviation,  $SD(X) := \sqrt{\operatorname{var}(X)}$ 

### useful cases

- $E\{X(X \mu)\} = E(X^2) \mu^2$
- var(X c) = var(X)
- · variance of sum = sum of variances  $\operatorname{var}(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{var}(x_i)$

# Law of Large Numbers

**LLN:** for a function h, as realisations  $r \to \infty$ .

$$\frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^{r} h(x_i) \to E\{h(X)\}$$
$$\bar{x} \to E(X), \quad v \to \text{var}(X)$$

# Monte Carlo approximation

simulate  $x_1, \ldots, x_r$  from X. by LLN, as  $r \to \infty$ , 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:

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

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

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

#### Covariance

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

#### covariance

$$cov(X,Y) = E\{(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)\}$$

$$= E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y$$

$$= cov(Y,X)$$

$$cov(W, aX + bY + c) = a cov(W,X) + b cov(W,Y)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{var}(X) &= \operatorname{cov}(X, X) \\ \operatorname{var}(\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i X_i) &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^{N} a_i^2 \operatorname{var}(X_i) + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq N} a_i a_j \operatorname{cov}(X_i, X_j) \end{aligned}$$

# 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
- $f_X(\cdot|y)$  is the **conditional** density of X given Y=y
- for discrete case, density  $\equiv$  probability,  $x \equiv x_i, y \equiv y_i$

## Independence

- X, Y are independent  $\iff \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ ,
  - 1.  $f(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$
  - 2.  $f_Y(y|x) = f_Y(y)$
  - 3.  $f_X(x|y) = f_Y(x)$
- X, Y are independent  $\Rightarrow$ 
  - E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)• 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  $X = x_i$ .

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

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

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

#### continuous case

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

$$var[Y|x] := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (y - E[Y|x])^2 f_Y(y|x) \, dy$$
$$= E(Y^2|x) - \{E(Y|x)\}^2$$

#### **Distributions**

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

distribution of $X$	E(X)	var(X)
Bernoulli(p)	p	p(1-p)
Binomial(n,p)	np	np(1-p)
Geometric(n, p)	1/p	$(1-p)/p^2$
$Multinomial(n, \mathbf{p})$	$\begin{bmatrix} {}^{n}p_{1} \\ {}^{n}p_{2} \\ \vdots \\ {}^{n}p_{k} \end{bmatrix}$	$ \begin{aligned} & \operatorname{var}(X_i) = n p_i (1 - p_i) \\ & \operatorname{var}(X) = \operatorname{covariance matrix} M \\ & \text{with} \qquad m_{ij} \qquad = \\ & \left\{ \operatorname{var}(X_i) & \text{if } i = j \\ & \operatorname{cov}(X_i, X_j) & \text{if } i \neq j \\ \end{aligned} \right. $

- binomial: n coin flips (bernoulli) with probability p
  - $X \sim Bin(n, p) \Rightarrow X_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} Bernoulli(p)$
  - $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$
  - $\operatorname{cov}(X, n X) = -\operatorname{var}(X)$
- multinomial: tally of k possible outcomes (n events)
  - $\operatorname{cov}(X_i, X_i) < 0$
- $X_i \sim Bin(n, p_i)$
- $X_i + X_j \sim Bin(n, p_i + p_j)$

# 02. PROBABILITY (2)

# Mean Square Error (MSE)

$$\begin{split} MSE &= E\{(Y-c)^2\} \\ &= \mathrm{var}(Y) + \{E(Y)-c\}^2 \\ \min MSE &= \mathrm{var}(Y) \text{ when } c = E(Y) \\ \text{if } Y \text{ and } X \text{ are correlated:} \end{split}$$

$$MSE = var[Y|x] + \{E[Y|x] - c\}^2$$

#### mean MSE

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

## random conditional expectations

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

$$E(E[X_2|X_1]) = E(X_2) var(E[X_2|X_1]) + E(var[X_2|X_1]) = var(X_2)$$

# CDF (cumulative distribution function)

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

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

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

## Standard Normal Distribution

$$Z \sim N(0,1) \text{ has density function}$$
 
$$\phi(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\{-\frac{z^2}{2}\}, \quad -\infty < z < \infty$$

$$E(Z) = 0$$
,  $var(Z) = 1$ 

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

•  $E(Z^2) = 1$ 

## general normal distribution

standardisation:  $\frac{X-\mu}{2} \sim N(0,1)$ 

- 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**

as  $n \to \infty$ , the distribution of the standardised  $S_n = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}$  converges to N(0,1)for large n, approximately  $S_n \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$ 

## Distributions

## chi-square $(\chi^2)$

let  $Z \sim N(0,1)$ .  $\Rightarrow$  then  $Z^2 \sim \chi^2_1$  (1 degree of freedom)

$$\bullet$$
 degrees of freedom = number of RVs in the sum

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

let 
$$V_1,\ldots,V_n \overset{i.i.d.}{\sim} \chi_1^2$$
 and  $V = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i$ . then  $V \sim \chi_n^2$  
$$E(V) = n \quad \mathrm{var}(V) = 2n$$

#### gamma

let shape parameter  $\alpha > 0$ , rate parameter  $\lambda > 0$ . The  $Gamma(\alpha, \lambda)$  density is  $\frac{\lambda^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)}x^{\alpha-1}e^{-\lambda x}, \quad x > 0$ 

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

$$E(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda}, \quad \text{var}(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2}$$
  
 $\Gamma(\alpha + 1) = \alpha \Gamma(\alpha)$ 

• if  $X_1 \sim Gamma(\alpha_1, \lambda)$  and  $X_2 \sim Gamma(\alpha_2, \lambda)$  are independent, then  $X_1 + X_2 \sim Gamma(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2, \lambda)$ 

#### 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
- $t_n \to Z$  as  $n \to \infty$  (because  $\frac{V}{n} \to 1$ )

#### 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

## **IID Random Variables**

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

sample variance, 
$$S^2=\frac{1}{n-1}\sum_{i=1}^n(X_i-\bar{X})^2$$
 
$$E(S^2)=\sigma^2 \quad \text{but} \quad E(S)<\sigma$$

more distributions:

$$\frac{\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{n-1}$$
  $\bar{X}$  and  $S^2$  are independent

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

## **Multivariate Normal Distribution**

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

> the random vector  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_k)'$  has a multivariate normal distribution  $N(\mu, \Sigma)$  $E(X) = \mu$ ,  $var(X) = \Sigma$

• two multinomial normal random vectors  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , sizes h and k, are independent if  $cov(X_1, X_2) = \mathbf{0}_{h \times k}$ 

## 03. POINT ESTIMATION

for a variable v in population N.

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

•  $\mu$ ,  $\sigma^2$  are **parameters** (unknown constants)

## draws with replacement

random sample mean, 
$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$$
 
$$E(\bar{X}) = \mu, \, \mathrm{var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$
 
$$E(X_i) = \mu, \quad \mathrm{var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$$

- same distribution:  $x_i, X_i$ , population distribution
- the error in  $\bar{x}$  is  $\mu \bar{x}$ ; it cannot be estimated

## representativeness

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

#### Point estimation of mean

a population (size N) has unknown mean  $\mu$ , variance  $\sigma^2$ .

#### standard error

SE is a constant by definition:  $SE = SD(\hat{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ point estimation of mean: SE  $(\bar{x})$  is estimated as  $\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$ 

# Simple random sampling (SRS)

n random draws without replacement from a population

for 
$$i \neq j$$
,  $cov(X_i, X_j) = -\frac{\sigma^2}{N-1}$ 

• if n/N is relatively large, account for  $cov(X_i, X_j)$ 

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

• if  $n \ll N$ , then SRS is like sampling with replace*ment* (treat the data as IID RVs  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ )

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

## estimating proportion p

- the estimate of  $\sigma$  is  $\hat{\sigma}$ , not s
- unbiased estimator  $\hat{p}$

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

# 04. ESTIMATION (SE, bias, MSE)

for random draws  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  with replacement

## MSE and bias

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

- $E(\bar{X}) = w + b$ ,  $SD(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
- $SE=rac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$  measures how far  $ar{x}$  is from w+b, not w if b
  eq 0, then  $ar{x}$  is a biased estimate for w
- $MSE = E\{(\bar{X} w)^2\} = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} + b^2$

## general case

let  $\theta$  be a parameter and  $\hat{\theta}$  be an estimator (RV).  $SE = SD(\hat{\theta}), \quad \text{bias} = E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta,$  $MSE = E\{(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2\} = SE^2 + bias^2$ as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $MSE \to b^2$ 

## 05. INTERVAL ESTIMATION

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

point estimation:  $\mu \approx \bar{x} \pm \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$ 

**interval estimation:** interval contains u 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 
$$Z \sim N(0,1)$$
. let  $z_p$  be the  $(1-p)$ -quantile of  $Z$ .  $p = \Pr(Z > z_p)$ 

# (case 1) normal distribution with known $\sigma^2$

$$\begin{array}{l} X_1,\dots,X_n \overset{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0,1) \text{ with known } \sigma^2. \\ \text{for } 0 < \alpha < 1, \ \Pr(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq Z \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) = 1 - \alpha \end{array}$$

**confidence interval for**  $\mu$ **:** 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  $\mu$  with probability (confidence level)  $1-\alpha$ 

# (case 2) normal distribution with unknown $\sigma^2$

replace  $\sigma$  with S and use t distribution:

for 
$$0< p<1$$
, let  $t_{p,n}$  be such that 
$$\Pr(t_n>t_{p,n})=p$$
 as  $n\to\infty,\ t_{n,n}\to z_n$ 

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  $\mu$  with probability  $1-\alpha$ .

# (case 3) general distribution with unknown $\sigma^2$

- CLT: for large n, approximately  $\frac{S_n n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \sim N(0,1)$
- since  $\frac{S_n n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} = \frac{\bar{X} \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ ,

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  $\mu$  with probability  $\approx 1 - \alpha$ 

- for SRS, multiply SE by correction factor  $\sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}}$
- contains  $\mu$  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:  $f(x|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}, \quad x = 0, 1, \dots$ • parameter space is  $\mathbb{R}_{+}$

## parameter estimation

assuming data  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  are realisations of IID RVs  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  with mass/density function  $f(x|\theta)$ , where  $\theta$  is unknown in parameter space  $\Theta$ .

- 2 methods to estimate  $\theta$ :
  - · method of moments (MOM)
  - method of maximum likelihood (MLE)
- the estimate of  $\theta$  is a realisation of an estimator  $\hat{\theta}$
- parameter space  $\Theta$ : set of values that can be used to estimate the real parameter value  $\theta$ 
  - e.g. for  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , parameter space  $\Theta = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+$

## 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  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  be IID with the same distribution as X.

the 
$$k$$
-th sample moment is 
$$\hat{\mu}_k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k$$
 
$$E(\hat{\mu}_k) = E(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k) = \mu_k \quad \Rightarrow \text{unbiased!}$$

# MOM: general

let  $X \sim Distribution(\theta)$ . to obtain  $\bar{x}$  and SE:

- 1.  $\mu = \mu_1$ ,  $\sigma^2 = \mu_2 \mu_1^2$
- 2. express parameters in terms of moments
- 3. estimate MOM estimator using sample mean  $\bar{x}$ :  $\hat{\theta}$  =
- 4. obtain  $SE = SD(\hat{\theta}) = \sqrt{\operatorname{var}(\hat{\theta})} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{var}(X)}$  $\theta \approx \bar{x} \pm \sqrt{\frac{\text{var}(X)}{1}}$

## 07. MLE

## Likelihood function

let  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  be realisations of iid rvs  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  with density  $f(x|\theta), \ \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ .

**likelihood function**  $L:\Theta\to\mathbb{R}_+$  is

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f(x_i|\theta)$$
$$= f(x_1|\theta) \times \dots \times f(x_n|\theta)$$

**loglikelihood function**  $\ell:\Theta\to\mathbb{R}$  is

$$\ell(\theta) = \log L(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log f(x_n | \theta)$$

(can omit additive constants  $(\ell)$ /constant factors (L))

## Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE)

- **maximiser** of  $L \to \text{the maximum likelihood estimate of } \theta$ (a realisation of the MLEstimator  $\hat{\theta}$ )
  - maximiser of loglikelihood  $\ell = \log L$  over  $\Theta$

find the value of  $\theta$  that maximises (log)likelihood:

- 1. calculate likelihood L, loglikelihood  $\ell$
- 2. differentiate loglikelihood  $\ell$ :  $\ell'(\theta) = 0$
- 3. confirm max point:  $\ell''(\theta) < 0$

## ML vs MOM

- MOM estimates can always be written in terms of the data (sample moments)
  - ML uses \*
- · ML has better (smaller) SE and bias than MOM
- · MOM/ML estimates are asymptotically unbiased
  - as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $E(\hat{\theta}_n) \to \theta$

# Kullback-Liebler divergence (KL)

let  $\mathbf{q} = (q_1, \dots, q_k)$  and  $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_k)$  be strictly positive probability vectors.

the KL divergence between q and p is

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

- $d_{KL}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \ge 0$  (equality  $\iff \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{p}$ ) •  $d_{KL}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \neq d_{KL}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q})$
- used to maximise ℓ to find MLE for multinomial
- let q be the MOM estimate for p. for any p,

$$\ell(\mathbf{q}) - \ell(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} x_i \log q_i - \sum_{i=1}^{k} x_i \log p_i$$
$$= n d_{KL}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \ge 0$$

• 
$$\ell(\mathbf{q}) - \ell(\mathbf{p}) = 0 \iff \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{q} = \frac{\mathbf{x}}{n}$$

# Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium (HWE)

let  $\theta$  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  $Binom(2, \theta)$  distribution
- for n randomly chosen people, number of a alleles  $(AA, Aa, aa) \sim Multinomial(n, \theta)$

### Multinomial ML estimation

for  $(X_1, X_2, X_3) \sim Multinomial(n, \mathbf{p})$ 

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{where } p_1 = (1-\theta)^2, \ p_2 = 2\theta(1-\theta), \ p_3 = \theta^2 \\ \bullet \ L(\theta) = p_1^{x_1} \ p_2^{x_2} \ p_3^{x_3} & = 2^{x_2} \ (1-\theta)^{2x_1+x_2} \ \theta^{x_2+2x_3} \end{array}$ 

•  $\ell(\theta) = x_2 \log 2 + (2x_1 + x_2) \log(1 - \theta) + (x_2 + 2x_3) \log \theta$ 

• ML estimator:  $\hat{\theta} = \frac{X_2 + 2X_3}{2}$ 

• SE estimation:  $\sqrt{\frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{2n}}$ 

•  $X_2 + 2X_3$  is the number of a alleles:  $Binom(2n, \theta)$  $\Rightarrow \operatorname{var}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{2\pi}$ 

# 08. LARGE-SAMPLE DISTRIBUTION OF MLEs

## asymptotic normality of ML estimator

let  $\hat{\theta}_n$  be the ML estimator of  $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}$ , based on iid RVs  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  with density  $f(x|\theta)$ .

> for large n, approximately  $\hat{\theta}_n \sim N(\theta, \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{1})$

#### Fisher Information

let X have density  $f(x|\theta), \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ .

the **Fisher information** is the  $k \times k$  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  $-E\left[\frac{\delta^2\log f(X|\theta)}{\kappa a_1\kappa a_2}\right]$
- $\mathcal{I}(\theta)$  measures the information about  $\theta$  in one sample X.

# Asymptotic normality: general

1. obtain fisher information,

$$\mathcal{I}(\theta) = -E\left(\frac{d^2 \log f(X|\theta)}{d\theta^2}\right)$$

2. **asymptotic normality**: for large n, approximately  $\hat{\theta}_n \sim N(\theta, \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{2})$  (not necessarily exact)

# Approximate CI with ML estimate

 $\hat{\theta}_n$  is the ML estimator of  $\theta$  based on iid RVs  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ .

- for large n, approximately  $\hat{\theta}_n \sim N(\theta, \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{2})$ .
- · 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  $\theta$  with probability  $\approx 1 - \alpha$ 

## Scope of asymptotic normality of ML estimators

• let  $\hat{\theta}^n$  be the ML estimator of  $\theta$ . For strictly increasing or strictly decreasing  $h: \Theta \to \mathbb{R}, h(\hat{\theta}^n)$  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  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ ,

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

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

## Cramér-Rao inequality

if  $\hat{\theta}_n$  is unbiased, then  $\operatorname{var}(\hat{\theta}_n) \geq \frac{\mathcal{I}(\theta)^{-1}}{2}$ **efficient**  $\iff$  equality

 $E(\frac{d\log f(X|\lambda)}{d\lambda}) = 0$ 

## 09. HYPOTHESIS TESTING

let  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  be realisations of IID  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  RVs  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  where  $\mu$  is a parameter and  $\sigma$  is known.

> null hypothesis,  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ alternative hypothesis,  $H_1: \mu = \mu_1$

if  $\sigma$  is unknown or  $x_1, \ldots, x_n \not\sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , we can use CLT

## 09.1. Rejection region

one-tailed test:  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0, \quad H_1: \mu = \mu_1 > \mu_0$ two-tailed test:  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0, \quad H_1: \mu = \mu_1 \neq \mu_0$ 

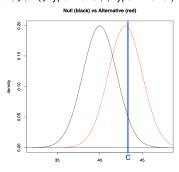
- 1. state hypotheses  $H_0, H_1$ .
- 2. reject  $H_0$  if  $\bar{x} \mu_0 > c$  (or  $|\bar{x} \mu_0| > c$ )
- 3.  $c = z_{\alpha(/2)} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$  by normalising  $\alpha = P_{H_0}(\bar{X} > \mu_0 + c)$ 
  - since under  $H_0$ ,  $X \sim N(\mu_0, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$ .
- 4. **rejection region**: reject  $H_0$  if . . .
  - $\bar{x} \in (\mu_0 + c, \infty)$
  - $\bar{x} \in (-\infty, \mu_0 c) \cup (\mu_0 + c, \infty)$

composite  $H_1$ : (does not change rejection region) one-tailed test:  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0, \quad H_1: \mu > \mu_0$ two-tailed test:  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0, \quad H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$ 

## Size and power

Hypothesis	$\bar{x} < \mu_0 + c$	$\bar{x} > \mu_0 + c$
$H_0$	$\checkmark$ not reject $H_0$	$\times (I)$ reject $H_0$
$H_1$	$\times (II)$ not reject $H_0$	$\checkmark$ 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** of a test  $\rightarrow$  (aka **level**) probability of a Type I error
  - $\alpha := P_{H_0}(\bar{X} > \mu_0 + c)$
  - (for 2-tail) corresponds to a  $(1-\alpha)$ -Cl for  $\mu$
- **power** of a test  $\rightarrow 1-$  probability of a Type II error
  - $\beta := P_{H_1}(\bar{X} > \mu_0 + c) \Rightarrow \mathsf{power} = 1 \beta$
- as  $n \to \infty$ , power  $\to 1$
- $\uparrow c: \downarrow \alpha, \downarrow \beta$  ( $\downarrow$  type *I* error,  $\uparrow$  type *II* error)



#### 09.2. *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

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

## 10. GOODNESS-OF-FIT

#### General LR test

- n iid RVs with density defined by  $\theta \in \Omega_1$
- smaller model  $\Omega_0$  is **nested** in  $\Omega_1$  ( $\Omega_0 \subset \Omega_1$ )
  - $L_1 \ge L_0$  ( $L_0$  is the maximum over a subset of  $L_1$ )
  - larger  $L_1/L_0 \Rightarrow$  poorer fit for smaller model

$$H_0: \theta \in \Omega_0 \qquad H_1: \theta \in \Omega_1 \backslash \Omega_0$$

## **LR statistic** (to test $H_0$ )

$$G=2\log\left(rac{L_1}{L_0}
ight)=2(\log L_1-\log L_0)$$
 if  $heta\in\Omega_0$ , as  $n o\infty$ ,  $G\sim\chi^2_{\dim\Omega_1-\dim\Omega_0}$ 

#### LR test

LR test statistic.

$$G = 2\log\left(\frac{L_1}{L_0}\right) = 2(\log L_1 - \log L_0)$$

- 2. null hypothesis,  $H_0$ : the tighter model holds
- 3. approximate P-value to  $\chi^2$ -distribution:
  - $P \approx \Pr\left(\chi_{deg}^2 > G\right)$
  - calculate a using observed count  $x_i$  and expected count (under  $H_0$ , calculated using ML estimate)
- 4. high *P*-value = better fit for tighter model

## General Multinomial LR test

let  $(X_1, \ldots, X_k) \sim Multinomial(n, \mathbf{p})$ , then  $\mathbf{p} \in \Omega_1$ , the set of all positive probability vectors of length k. let subspace  $\Omega_0 = \{(p_1(\theta), \dots, p_k(\theta)) : \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^h\}$ with  $\dim \Omega_0 < \dim \Omega_1 = k - 1$ . to test  $H_0 : \mathbf{p} \in \Omega_0$ 

- $G = 2\sum_{i=1}^{k} X_i \log \left( \frac{X_i}{nn_i(\hat{\theta})} \right)$
- for  $\Omega_1$ :  $\log L_1 = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \log(\frac{X_i}{n})$
- $\begin{array}{c} \bullet \text{ for } \Omega_0 \colon \log L_0 = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i \log p_i(\hat{\theta}) \\ \bullet P = P_{H_0}(G > g) \approx \Pr(\chi^2_{k-1 \dim \Omega_0} > g) \text{ for large } n. \end{array}$
- to compute a, replace
- X<sub>i</sub> with observed count x<sub>i</sub>
- $np_i(\hat{\theta})$  with expected count (under  $H_0$ ) using ML estimate of  $\theta$

## Test of independence

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

- let  $(X_{ij}, 1 \le i \le I, 1 \le j \le J) \sim Multinomial(n, \mathbf{p})$ .  $\mathbf{p} \in \Omega_1$ , 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  $\begin{array}{l} \sum_{i=1}^{I}q_i=\sum_{j=1}^{J}r_j=1 \text{ such that } p_{ij}=q_i\times r_j,\\ 1\leq i\leq I, 1\leq j\leq J \end{array}$
- under  $H_0$ , for large n, approximately  $G \sim \chi^2_{(I-1)(J-1)}$ 
  - dim  $\Omega_0 = (I-1) + (J-1) = I + J 2$
  - dim  $\Omega_1$  dim  $\Omega_0 = (I-1)(J-1)$
- $G = 2(\log L_1 \log L_0) = 2\sum_{ij} X_{ij} \log \left(\frac{X_{ij}}{X_{i+1}X_{i+1}/n}\right)$ 
  - $\Omega_1$ :  $\log L_1 = \sum_{i,j} X_{ij} \log(\frac{X_{ij}}{R})$
  - $\Omega_0$ :  $\log L_0 = \sum_i X_{i+1} \log(\frac{X_{i+1}}{L}) + \sum_{j=1}^{L} X_{+j} \log(\frac{X_{+j}}{L})$
- P-value =  $\Pr\left(\chi^2_{(I-1)(J-1)} > g\right)$ 
  - the data  $x_{ij}$  are the observed counts
  - the data  $x_{i+}x_{+i}/n$  are the expected counts

#### Normal LR test

$$X_1,\dots,X_n \overset{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(\mu,\sigma^2)$$
. to test  $H_0:\mu=0$ : 
$$\begin{array}{c|cccc} \sigma & \Omega_1 & \dim\Omega_1 & \Omega_0 & \dim\Omega_0 \\ \hline known & \mathbb{R} & 1 & \{0\} & 0 \\ unknown & \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+ & 2 & \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}_+ & 1 \\ \end{array}$$
 under  $H_0$ , for large  $n$ , approximately  $G \sim \chi_1^2$ 

- case 1: σ known
- $\Omega_0: \log L_0 = -\frac{n\hat{\mu}^2}{2\sigma^2}, \ \Omega_1: \log L_1 = -\frac{n\hat{\sigma}^2}{2\sigma^2}$
- $G = 2(\log L_1 \log L_0) = \frac{n\bar{X}^2}{2}$ 
  - if  $H_0$  holds ( $\mu=0$ ), then  $\bar{X}\sim N(0,\frac{\sigma^2}{2})$ . for any  $n, G \sim \chi_1^2$  exactly.
- case 2: σ unknown
  - $\log L_0 = -\frac{n}{2} \log \hat{\mu}_2 \frac{n}{2}$ ,  $\log L_1 = -\frac{n}{2} \log \hat{\sigma}^2 \frac{n}{2}$
  - $G = 2(\log L_1 \log L_0) = n \log(\frac{\hat{\mu}_2}{\hat{\mu}_2})$
  - if  $H_0$  holds ( $\mu = 0$ ), for large  $n, G \sim \chi_1^2$  approximately