

STAT 231 - Statistics

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Chapter 1

Lectures

1.1 2020-03-02

Roadmap:

- (i) 5 min recap
- (ii) Confidence for Normal with unknown variance
- (iii) Prediction Intervals
- (iv) Relationship between likelihood intervals and confidence intervals

$$W \sim \chi_n^2 \iff W = Z_1^2 + Z_2^2 + \cdots + Z_n^2$$

where each $Z_i \sim N(0, 1)$ and Z_i 's independent. We know $E(W) = n$ and $Var(W) = 2n$.

Let $W_1 \sim \chi_{n_1}^2$ and $W_2 \sim \chi_{n_2}^2$ be independent, then

$$W_1 + W_2 \sim \chi_{n_1+n_2}^2$$

Student's T-distribution

We say $T \sim T_n$ if

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

where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ and $W \sim \chi_n^2$ are independent. Note that $E(T) = 0$ and T is symmetric. Also, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then $T \rightarrow Z \sim N(0, 1)$.

THEOREM 1.1.1. Let Y_1, \dots, Y_n be iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ where μ and σ are unknown. Let

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$$

and

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

Then,

(i) The pivotal quantity for μ is:

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}} \sim T_{n-1}$$

(ii) The pivotal quantity for σ^2 is:

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$

REMARK 1.1.2. (i) Shows that if we replace σ by its estimator S , then it follows a T -distribution with $(n-1)$ degrees of freedom.

EXAMPLE 1.1.3. An independent sample of 25 students are taken and STAT 231 scores are recorded.

- $\bar{y} = 75$
- $s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = 64$

- (a) Find the 99% confidence interval for μ .
- (b) Find the 95% confidence interval for σ^2 .
- (c) Find the 99% prediction interval for Y_{26} .

Solution. We know $Y_1, \dots, Y_{25} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ where $Y_i = \text{STAT 231 score of the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ student}$.

(a) We know

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}} \sim T_{24}$$

We want a t such that

$$P(|T_{24}| \leq t) = 0.99$$

Using the table we see that $t = 2.80$. Now,

$$P(-2.8 \leq T_{24} \leq 2.8) = 0.99$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(-2.8 \leq \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}} \leq 2.8\right) = 0.99$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\bar{Y} - 2.8 \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{Y} + 2.8 \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 0.99$$

Thus, the 99% confidence interval is:

$$\bar{y} \pm 2.8 \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow [62.2, 87.8]$$

(b) We know

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{24}^2$$

We want any value a and b such that

$$P(a \leq \chi_{24}^2 \leq b) = 0.95$$

We choose the symmetric solution with $a = 0.025 \rightarrow 13.120$ and $b = 0.975 \rightarrow 40.646$. Now,

$$\begin{aligned} P(13.120 \leq \chi_{24}^2 \leq 40.646) &= 0.95 \\ \Rightarrow P\left(13.120 \leq \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \leq 40.646\right) &= 0.95 \\ \Rightarrow P\left(\frac{(n-1)S^2}{40.646} \leq \sigma^2 \leq \frac{(n-1)S^2}{13.120}\right) &= 0.95 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the 95% confidence interval for σ^2 is:

$$\left[\frac{(n-1)s^2}{40.646}, \frac{(n-1)s^2}{a}\right] \Rightarrow [37.79, 117.07]$$

(c) Prediction interval.

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{26} &\sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \\ \bar{Y} &\sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n) \\ \Rightarrow Y_{26} - \bar{Y} &\sim N\left(0, \sigma^2\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the pivotal quantity is:

$$\frac{Y_{26} - \bar{Y}}{\sigma\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n}}} = Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

we replace σ by its estimator and get

$$\frac{Y_{26} - \bar{Y}}{S\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n}}} \sim T_{24}$$

Thus,

$$P(|T_{24}| \leq 2.8) = 0.99$$

yields the general 99% prediction interval:

$$\bar{y} \pm t^* s \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n}}$$

We make the following remark:

REMARK 1.1.4. Let Y_1, \dots, Y_n be iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Then,

(i) The general confidence interval for μ is:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y} \pm z^* \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} &\quad \text{if } \sigma \text{ is known} \\ \bar{y} \pm t^* \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} &\quad \text{if } \sigma \text{ is unknown} \end{aligned}$$

(ii) The general confidence interval for σ^2 is:

$$\left[\frac{(n-1)s^2}{b}, \frac{(n-1)s^2}{a}\right]$$

where a and b come from the χ^2_{n-1} table and $b - a = \text{RHS}$.

(iii) The general prediction interval for Y_{n+1} is:

$$\bar{y} \pm t^* s \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n}}$$

THEOREM 1.1.5. As $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\Lambda(\theta) = -2 \ln \left[\frac{L(\theta)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \right] \sim \chi^2_1$$

where $\hat{\theta}$ is the maximum likelihood estimator. We call the random variable $\Lambda(\theta)$ the likelihood ratio statistic.

EXAMPLE 1.1.6. Suppose n is large, and we have a 10% likelihood interval. What is the corresponding coverage probability?

Solution. 10% likelihood interval $\implies R(\theta) \geq 0.1$

$$\implies \frac{L(\theta)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \geq 0.1$$

$$\implies -2 \ln \left[\frac{L(\theta)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \right] \leq -2 \ln(0.1)$$

$$\implies \lambda(\theta) \leq -2 \ln(0.1)$$

Thus, the corresponding coverage:

$$\begin{aligned} P(\Lambda(\theta) \leq -2 \ln(0.1)) &= P(Z^2 \leq -2 \ln(0.1)) \\ &= P(|Z| \leq \sqrt{-2 \ln(0.1)}) \\ &\approx 97\% \end{aligned}$$

1.2 2020-03-04

DEFINITION 1.2.1. An estimator $\tilde{\theta}$ is called **unbiased** for θ if

$$E(\tilde{\theta}) = \theta$$

EXAMPLE 1.2.2. Let $W = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}$. Find $E(S^2)$.

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} E(W) &= n - 1 \\ \implies E\left(\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}\right) &= n - 1 \\ \implies \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2} E(S^2) &= n - 1 \\ \implies E(S^2) &= \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore S^2 is an unbiased estimator for σ^2 , and this is why we divide by $(n-1)$.

Other Confidence Intervals

Poisson Suppose $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim \text{Poi}(\mu)$ are independent and n is large. Find the 95% confidence interval.

$$\bar{Y} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2 = \mu/n)$$

Find the pivotal quantity now.

Exponential Suppose $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim \exp(\theta)$ are independent and n is small.

THEOREM 1.2.3. If $Y \sim \exp(\theta)$, then

$$\frac{2Y}{\theta} \sim \exp(2)$$

If $W_i = 2Y_i/\theta$, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n W_i \sim \chi_{2n}^2$$

Proof. Let $F_W(w)$ be the cumulative distribution function of W . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} F_W(w) &= P(W \leq w) \\ &= P\left(\frac{2Y}{\theta} \leq w\right) \\ &= P\left(Y \leq \frac{w\theta}{2}\right) \\ &= 1 - e^{-\frac{w\theta}{2}} \\ &= 1 - e^{-w/2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$f(w) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-w/2}$$

□

Using this theorem, we can find the confidence interval for θ .

$$\begin{aligned} P(a \leq \chi_{2n}^2 \leq b) &= 0.95 \\ \implies P\left(a \leq \sum_{i=1}^n W_i \leq b\right) &= 0.95 \\ \implies P\left(a \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2Y_i}{\theta} \leq b\right) &= 0.95 \\ \implies P\left(a \leq \frac{2}{\theta} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \leq b\right) &= 0.95 \end{aligned}$$

yields

$$\left[\frac{2 \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i}{b}, \frac{2 \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i}{a} \right]$$

where a and b are from the χ^2 table.

THEOREM 1.2.4. If we have a $p\%$ coverage interval with Z as a pivot, and n is large, then the corresponding likelihood is given by

$$e^{-(z^*)^2/2}$$

EXAMPLE 1.2.5. If $p = 0.95$ and $z^* = 1.96$, then the corresponding likelihood is:

$$e^{-(1.96)^2/2} \approx 0.15$$

1.3 2020-03-06

Roadmap:

- (i) Recap (excluded from these notes)
- (ii) Testing of hypotheses (Null vs Alternate) and (Two-sided vs One-sided tests)
- (iii) Clicker

Hypothesis Testing

DEFINITION 1.3.1. A hypothesis is a statement about the (parameters of) population. There are two (competing) hypotheses.

Null Hypothesis H_0 : current belief, conventional wisdom

Alternate Hypothesis H_1 : challenger to the conventional wisdom

EXAMPLE 1.3.2. Suppose we want to test whether a coin is biased. We flip the coin 100 times and get 52 heads. Let $\theta = P(H)$

- $H_0: \theta = \frac{1}{2}$
- $H_1: \theta \neq \frac{1}{2}$

Approach p -value approach.

DEFINITION 1.3.3. The p -value: is the probability of observing my evidence (or worse) under the assumption that H_0 is true. The lower the p -value, the stronger is the evidence against H_0 .

Notes:

- H_0 and H_1 are not treated symmetrically.
- Unless there is overwhelming evidence (“beyond a reasonable doubt”) against H_0 , we stick with it. The burden is on the challenger.

	H_0 is true	H_1 is true
Reject H_0 (convict)	X_1	✓
Do not reject H_0	✓	X_2

where X_1 is a Type I error and X_2 is a Type II error.

Two-sided vs One-sided tests:

- $H_0: \theta = \frac{1}{6}$
- $H_1: \theta < \frac{1}{6}$

Clicker Question The p -value = $P(H_0 \text{ is true})$.

- (a) True
- (b) **False**

1.4 2020-03-09

Roadmap:

- (i) Binomial testing
- (ii) Review for the midterm (excluded from these notes)

DEFINITION 1.4.1. p -value: Probability of observing as extreme an observation of your data, given the null hypothesis is true.

DEFINITION 1.4.2. A test statistic (discrepancy measure) is a random variable that measures the level of disagreement of your data with the null hypothesis. Typically, it satisfies the following properties:

1. $D \geq 0$
2. $D = 0 \implies$ best news for H_0
3. High values of $D \implies$ bad news for H_0
4. Probabilities can be calculated if H_0 is true

Steps for a Statistical test

Step 1: Construct the test-statistic D

EXAMPLE 1.4.3. Test whether a coin is fair (against the two sided alternative). Let $n = 100$ and $y = 52$ heads.

- $H_0: \theta = \frac{1}{2}$
- $H_1: \theta \neq \frac{1}{2}$

where $\theta = P(H)$.

Model: $Y \sim \text{Bin}(100, \theta)$.

$$D = |Y - 50|$$

as it satisfies (i)-(iv).

Step 2: Find d from your data set.

$$p\text{-value} = P(D \geq d; H_0 \text{ is true})$$

Step 3: Make conclusions based on your p-value

For our Binomial problem,

$$D = |Y - 50| \implies d = |52 - 50| = 2$$

Thus,

$$p\text{-value} = P(|Y - 50| \geq 2)$$

but this is difficult to calculate. For n large enough, we can use

$$D = \left| \frac{Y - n\theta}{\sqrt{n\theta(1-\theta)}} \right|$$

as a possible test statistic.

1.5 2020-03-11

TODO.

1.6 2020-03-13

Roadmap:

- (i) Recap and the relationship between Confidence and Hypothesis
- (ii) Example: Bias Testing
- (iii) Testing for variance (Normal)
- (iv) What if we don't know how to construct a Test-Statistic?

EXAMPLE 1.6.1. Y_1, \dots, Y_n iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

- $\sigma^2 = \text{known}$
- $\mu = \text{unknown}$
- Sample: $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$
- $\bar{y} = \text{sample mean}$
- $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$
- $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$

$$D = \left| \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu_0}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \right| \rightarrow \text{Test-Statistic (r.v.)}$$

$$d = \left| \frac{\bar{y} - \mu_0}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \right| \rightarrow \text{Value of the Test-Statistic}$$

$$p\text{-value} = P(D \geq d) \quad \text{assuming } H_0 \text{ is true}$$

$$= P(|Z| \geq d) \quad Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

Question: Suppose the p -value for the test > 0.05 if and only if μ_0 belongs in the 95% confidence interval for μ ?

YES.

Suppose μ_0 is in the 95% confidence interval for μ , i.e.

$$\bar{y} \pm 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\mu_0 \leq \bar{y} + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\mu_0 \geq \bar{y} - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

These two equations yield

$$d = \left| \frac{\bar{y} - \mu_0}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \right| \leq 1.96$$

$$P(|Z| \geq d) > 0.05$$

General result (assuming same pivot)

p -value of a test $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ vs $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$ is more than $q\%$, then θ_0 belongs to the $100(1 - q)\%$ confidence interval and vice versa.

EXAMPLE 1.6.2 (Bias). A 10 kg weighted 20 times (y_1, \dots, y_n)

- H_0 : The scale is unbiased
- H_1 : The scale is biased

If the scale was unbiased,

$$Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim N(10, \sigma^2)$$

If the scale was biased,

$$Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim N(10 + \delta, \sigma^2)$$

- H_0 : $\delta = 0$ (unbiased)
- H_1 : $\delta \neq 0$ (biased)

is equivalent to

- H_0 : $\mu = 10$
- H_1 : $\mu \neq 10$

Test-statistic:

$$D = \left| \frac{\bar{Y} - 10}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}} \right|$$

Compute d .

$$d = \left| \frac{\bar{y} - 10}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned} p\text{-value} &= P(D \geq d) \\ &= P(|T_{19}| \geq d) \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 1.6.3 (Draw Conclusions). $Y_1, \dots, Y_n = \text{co-op salaries}$. $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

- H_0 : $\mu = 3000$
- H_1 : $\mu < 3000$ ($\mu \neq 3000$)

$$D = \left| \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}} \right|$$

$$D = \begin{cases} 0 & \bar{Y} > \mu_0 \\ \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}} & \bar{Y} < \mu_0 \end{cases}$$

If n is large, then

$$Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim f(y_i; \theta)$$

- H_0 : $\theta = \theta_0$
- H_1 : $\theta \neq \theta_0$

$$\Lambda(\theta) = -2 \ln \left[\frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \right]$$

where Λ satisfies all the properties of D . Also,

$$\lambda(\theta) = -2 \ln \left[\frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \right]$$

and

$$p\text{-value} = P(\Lambda \geq \lambda) = P(Z^2 \geq \lambda)$$

Chapter 2

Online Lectures

2.1 2020-03-16: Testing for Variances

Roadmap:

- (i) General info
- (ii) Testing for variance for Normal
- (iii) An example

The general problem: $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ iid where μ and σ^2 are both unknown. $H_0: \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$ vs two sided alternative.

- (i) Test statistic? Problem
- (ii) Convention?

The pivot is:

$$U = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$

can we use this as our test statistic?

EXAMPLE 2.1.1.

- Normal population: $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$
- $n = 20$, $\sum y_i = 888.1$, $\sum y_i^2 = 39545.03$
- $H_0: \sigma = 2$
- $H_1: \sigma \neq 2$

What is the p -value? We know

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum y_i^2 - n\bar{y}^2 \right] = 5.7342$$

Compute U :

$$U = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2} = 27.24$$

χ_{19}^2

$$\begin{aligned} p\text{-value} &= 2P(U \geq 27.24) \\ &= 2P(\chi_{19}^2 \geq 27.24) \\ &= 10\% \text{ and } 20\% \end{aligned}$$

so, $p > 0.1$ means there is no evidence against null-hypothesis.

2.2 2020-03-18: Likelihood Ratio Test Statistic Example

Roadmap:

- (i) 5 min recap
- (ii) LTRS for large n
- (iii) An example

Y_1, \dots, Y_n iid $\sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

- $H_0: \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$
- $U = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$

We calculated the p -value:

$$U = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2}$$

If

- $U > \text{median } \chi_{n-1}^2 \implies p\text{-value} = 2P(U \geq u)$
- $U < \text{median } \chi_{n-1}^2 \implies p\text{-value} = 2P(U \leq u)$

Exercise: Construct the 95% confidence interval for σ^2 . Then, check if $\sigma_0^2(4) \in 95\%$ confidence interval.

- $H_0: \sigma^2 = 4$ (more than 10%, so it is in the 95% confidence interval)

Likelihood Ratio Test Statistic (one parameter)

Y_1, \dots, Y_n iid $f(y_i; \theta)$ with n large.

- Sample: $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$
- θ = unknown parameter
- $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$
- $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$

Step 1: Test statistic:

$$\Lambda = -2 \ln \left[\frac{L(\theta)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \right]$$

If H_0 is true:

$$\Lambda = -2 \ln \left[\frac{L(\theta)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \right] \sim \chi_1^2$$

Step 2: Calculate λ

$$\lambda = -2 \ln \left[\frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \right] = -2 \ln [R(\theta_0)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} p\text{-value} &= P(\Lambda \geq \lambda) \\ &= P(Z^2 \geq \lambda) \\ &= 1 - P(|Z| \leq \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 2.2.1. Suppose $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim f(y_i; \theta)$ iid. where

$$f(y, \theta) = \frac{2y}{\theta} e^{-y^2/\theta}$$

Data: $n = 20$, $\sum y_i^2 = 72$

We want to test $H_0: \theta = 5$ (two sided alternative).

- $\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum y_i^2 = 3.6$
- $R(\theta_0) = \frac{\hat{\theta}}{\theta_0} e^{(1 - \hat{\theta}/\theta_0)^n}$
- $\lambda(\theta_0) = \dots$

We know $\lambda = -2 \ln [R(\theta_0)] = 1.9402$ and so

$$R(\theta_0) = \frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\hat{\theta})} = 0.3791$$

also $\theta_0 = 5$. Lastly, calculate the p -value.

$$\begin{aligned} p\text{-value} &= P(\Lambda \geq \lambda) \\ &= P(Z^2 \geq 1.9402) \\ &\approx 16.5\% \end{aligned}$$

Thus, no evidence against null-hypothesis (H_0).

A few final points:

- (i) Careful about the previous example.
- (ii) λ and the relationship with R
- (iii) Next video
 - $n = 20$ is not large
 - $\lambda = -2 \ln [R(\theta_0)]$: high values of $\lambda \implies$ low values of $R(\theta_0)$

2.3 2020-03-20: Intro to Gaussian Response Models

Roadmap:

(a) Housekeeping

Modified Syllabus + Incentives

Extra materials

Dropbox link + MathSoc

(b) Gaussian Response Model: An introduction

Gaussian Response Models

Assumption: $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim \text{Normal}$

Before: $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ iid. with $\mu, \sigma^2 = \text{unknown}$.

$$Y_i = \mu + R_i$$

where $R_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ and R_i 's independent for each $i \in [1, n]$. We call:

- Y_i **response** variable

- μ *systematic part*
- R *random part*

Now:

- x = explanatory variable
- $\mu = \mu(x)$
- $\sigma^2 = \sigma^2(x)$

For example,

$$Y_i \sim N(\mu(x), \sigma^2(x))$$

Simple Linear Regression: $\mu = \alpha + \beta x$ and $\sigma^2 = \text{constant}$.

EXAMPLE 2.3.1.

- Response: Y_i = STAT 231 score of student i
- Explanatory (covariate): x_i = STAT 230 score of student i (given)

Can Y be explained by x ?

Simple Linear Regression Model

$$Y_i \sim N(\alpha + \beta x_i, \sigma^2)$$

for each $i \in [1, n]$ independent.

Our assumptions are:

- $E(Y) = \mu(x) = \alpha + \beta x$
- $Y \sim \text{Normal}$
- $\sigma^2 = \text{constant}$ (independent of x)
- independent

We want to estimate α and β .

2.4 2020-03-23: MLE Regression

Roadmap:

- (i) 5 min recap
- (ii) MLE for α, β, σ
- (iii) Least Squares
- (iv) Example

Recap:

General: $Y \sim N(\mu(x), r(x))$

Assumptions for the Simple Linear Regression Model (Gauss Markov Assumptions)

- (i) One covariate (for the time being)
- (ii) Normality: Y_i 's are Normal
- (iii) Linearity: $E(Y) = \alpha + \beta x$
- (iv) Independence: Y_i 's are all independent
- (v) Homoscedasticity: $\sigma^2 = \sigma^2(x) = \sigma^2$ for all x

We call it a Simple since x is the only explanatory variate. If we used more than one explanatory variate, we call it a multi-variable regression (not covered in this course).

MLE Calculation

$$Y_i \sim N(\alpha + \beta x_i, \sigma^2)$$

for each $i \in [1, n]$ independent. We can also write

$$Y_i = (\alpha + \beta x_i) + R_i$$

where $R_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ and R_i 's independent.

$$f(y_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y_i - (\alpha + \beta x_i))^2}$$

$$L(\alpha, \beta, \sigma) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sigma^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum [y_i - (\alpha + \beta x_i)]^2}$$

so,

$$\ell(\alpha, \beta, \sigma) = -\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi) - n \ln(\sigma) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum [y_i - (\alpha + \beta x_i)]^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \alpha} = 0 \implies \hat{\alpha} = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta} \bar{x}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \beta} = 0 \implies \hat{\beta} = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \sigma} = 0 \implies \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum [y_i - (\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta} x_i)]^2$$

2.5 2020-03-23: Beta Properties and a Look Ahead

Roadmap:

- (i) Interpretation of SLRM and Recap
- (ii) An example
- (iii) Possible Questions

What we know so far:

- Y_i = response variate = R.V where $i = 1, \dots, n$
- x_i = explanatory variable = given (known numbers)

Examples:

- Y_i = STAT 231, x = STAT 230
- Y_i = stock price in month i , $x = P/E$
- Y_i = wage of UW graduate, x = major

Model: $Y_i \sim N(\alpha + \beta x_i, \sigma^2)$ $i \in [1, n]$ independent.

$$Y_i = \alpha + \beta x_i + R_i$$

R_i = residuals and $R_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$.

Goal: Extract the relationship between x and Y .

Interpretation:

$$E(Y_i) = \alpha + \beta x_i + 0$$

β = change in $E(Y)$ if x changes by 1 unit

Suppose $x = 0$, then $Y_i = \alpha + R_i$. So $E(Y_i) = \alpha$.

EXAMPLE 2.5.1.

- $n = 30$
- $\bar{x} = 76.733$
- $\bar{y} = 72.233$
- $S_{yy} = 7585.3667$
- $S_{xx} = 5135.8667$
- $S_{xy} = 5106.8667$

What is $\hat{\alpha}$, $\hat{\beta}$, $\hat{\sigma}$?

- $\hat{\alpha} = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}\bar{x} = -4.0677$
- $\hat{\beta} = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} = 0.9944$

Regression:

$$Y = \underbrace{-4.0677}_{\hat{\alpha}} + \underbrace{0.9944}_{\hat{\beta}}x$$

$$(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_{30}, y_{30})$$

$x_{15} = 75 \rightarrow y_{15}$ = predicted with the regression. However, it may or may not lie on the line. Suppose $\beta = 0$, this means that x has no effect on Y_i since

$$Y_i \sim N(\alpha, \sigma^2)$$

Exercise: $\hat{\beta} = 0 \iff r_{xy} = 0$?

We could also figure out the following (next lecture):

- $H_0: \beta = 0$
- $H_1: \beta \neq 0$
- Confidence interval for β .

2.6 2020-03-25: Interval Estimation and Hypothesis for Beta

Roadmap:

- Confidence Interval for β
- Testing for $H_0: \beta = 0$ – Test for correlation for X and Y

EXAMPLE 2.6.1.

- $n = 30$
- $\bar{x} = 76.733$
- $\bar{y} = 72.233$
- $S_{yy} = 7585.3667$
- $S_{xx} = 5135.8667$
- $S_{xy} = 5106.8667$

Regression (Least Squared Equation): $y = -4.0677 + 0.9944x$

- $\hat{\alpha} = -4.0677$
- $\hat{\beta} = 0.9944$
- $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - (\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x_i)]^2$
- $s_e^2 = \frac{1}{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - (\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x_i)]^2$
- s_e = standard error = 9.4630 (sqrt of s_e^2)

A look ahead: s_e^2 is an unbiased estimator for σ^2 .

Some Algebra

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{xy} &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})y_i \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(y_i - \bar{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i y_i) - n\bar{x}\bar{y} \\
S_{xx} &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})x_i
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})y_i}{S_{xx}} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i y_i$$

where $a_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{S_{xx}}$. Also,

$$\tilde{\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i Y_i$$

Result:

$$\tilde{\beta} \sim N\left(\beta, \frac{\sigma^2}{S_{xx}}\right)$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{\tilde{\beta} - \beta}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{S_{xx}}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

but, σ is unknown, so

$$\frac{\tilde{\beta} - \beta}{\frac{s_e}{\sqrt{S_{xx}}}} \sim T_{n-2}$$

THEOREM 2.6.2. We can use

$$\frac{\tilde{\beta} - \beta}{\frac{s_e}{\sqrt{S_{xx}}}} \sim T_{n-2}$$

as a pivotal quantity for β . We can use

$$\frac{(n-2)s_e^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-2}^2$$

as a pivotal quantity for σ^2 .

EXAMPLE 2.6.3.

- (i) Find the 95% Confidence Interval for β .
- (ii) Test whether $\beta = 0$
- (i) The pivot is:

$$\frac{\tilde{\beta} - \beta}{\frac{s_e}{\sqrt{S_{xx}}}} \sim T_{28}$$

Step 1: Critical points $t^* = 2.05$.

$$P(-2.05 \leq \frac{\tilde{\beta} - \beta}{\frac{s_e}{\sqrt{S_{xx}}}} \leq 2.05) = 0.95$$

Coverage interval:

$$\tilde{\beta} \pm t^* \frac{S_e}{\sqrt{S_{xx}}}$$

Confidence interval:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\beta} \pm t^* \frac{s_e}{\sqrt{s_{xx}}} \\ \implies [0.72, 1.26] \end{aligned}$$

(ii) We know $\beta = [0.72, 1.26]$. We want to test $\beta = 0$ (we can already see it's not within this interval).

- $H_0: \beta = 0$
- $H_1: \beta \neq 0$

$$D = \left| \frac{\tilde{\beta}}{\frac{s_e}{\sqrt{S_{xx}}}} \right|$$

Value of the test $d = 7.53$.

$$\begin{aligned} p\text{-value} &= P(D \geq d) \\ &= P(|T_{28}| \geq 7.53) \\ &\approx 0 \end{aligned}$$

There is very strong evidence against H_0 . We could also test for any $\beta = \beta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$.

2.7 2020-03-26: Pivotal Distribution for Beta and Confidence for the Mean

Roadmap:

(i) A look back: Pivot for β

(ii) A look ahead: Confidence interval for $\mu(x)$ = mean response

STAT 230: If $X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma^2)$, Y is $N(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$, X and Y independent, then

$$aX + bY \sim N(a\mu_1 + b\mu_2, \sigma^2(a^2 + b^2))$$

General result: If $X_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma^2)$ with $i = 1, \dots, n$ independent, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i, \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2\right)$$

We know

$$\hat{\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \quad \tilde{\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i Y_i \quad Y_i \sim N(\underbrace{\alpha + \beta x_i}_{\mu_i}, \sigma^2)$$

$$\tilde{\beta} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i (\alpha + \beta x_i), \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \right)$$

Recall:

$$a_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{s_{xx}}$$

$$1. \sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 0$$

$$2. \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i = 1$$

$$3. \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{S_{xx}}$$

So, the mean is

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \beta x_i \\ &= \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n a_i + \beta \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i \\ &= \beta \end{aligned}$$

the result now follows. \square

Now, we fix x were

- $Y = \text{STAT 231}$
- $X = \text{STAT 230}$

Confidence interval for $\mu(x) = \alpha + \beta x$.

(Average STAT 231 score for all students with a 75 in STAT 230).

$$\mu(x) = \alpha + \beta 75$$

$$\hat{\mu}(x) = \hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta} x$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(x) = \tilde{\alpha} + \tilde{\beta} x$$

We know $\tilde{\beta}$ is normal, and we can show $\tilde{\alpha}$ is normal. So,

$$\tilde{\mu} \sim N \left(\mu(x), \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}} \right) \right)$$

(proof beyond the scope of this course) Thus, the corresponding pivot is

$$\frac{\tilde{\mu}(x) - \mu(x)}{S_e \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} - \frac{(x - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}}} \sim T_{n-2}$$

Therefore, the confidence interval (exercise) for $\mu(x)$ is:

$$\left[\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta} x \right] \pm t^* S_e \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} - \frac{(x - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}}$$

Can we find the confidence interval for α ? Yes.

Recall, $\alpha = \mu(0)$, so we can just plug in 0 and we get the confidence interval for α .

2.8 2020-03-28: Prediction Interval and Intro to Model Checking

Roadmap:

- (i) Prediction Interval for Y given $x = x_{\text{new}}$
- (ii) Model Checking

Problem: $Y_i \sim N(\alpha + \beta x_i, \sigma^2)$ $i = 1, \dots, n$ independent. Find the 95% Prediction Interval for Y_{new} when $x = x_{\text{new}}$.

Difference:

- μ was constant (stationary target)
- Y_{new} is a random variable with mean μ (moving target)

EXAMPLE 2.8.1. $x = x_{\text{new}}$

Problem 1: Find the 95% Confidence Interval for $\mu = \alpha + \beta(75)$. Done last lecture.

Problem 2: Find the 95% Prediction Interval for Y when $x_{\text{new}} = 75$.

$$Y \sim N(\alpha + \beta(75), \sigma^2) \quad (2.1)$$

$$\tilde{\mu}(75) \sim N\left(\mu(75), \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(75 - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}\right)\right) \quad (2.2)$$

Subtracting (1) from (2), we get

$$Y - \tilde{\mu}(75) \sim N\left(0, 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(75 - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}\right)$$

Thus,

$$\frac{Y - \tilde{\mu}(75)}{\sigma \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(75 - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}}} = Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

we replace S_e , then we get

$$\frac{Y - \tilde{\mu}(75)}{S_e \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(75 - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}}} = T_{n-2}$$

Finally, the Prediction Interval is:

$$\hat{\mu}(x_{\text{new}}) \pm t^* s_e \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{\text{new}} - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}}$$

$$\hat{\mu}(x_{\text{new}}) = \hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x_{\text{new}}$$

Checking the assumptions

Main assumptions

- Normality, with constant variance
- Linearity: $E(Y) = \alpha + \beta x$
- Independence

Checking

- Warning
- The Least Squares line
- The residual plots

Estimated residuals $= r_i = y_i - \underbrace{(\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x_i)}_{\hat{y}_i}$. The r_i 's should behave like independent outcomes of $N(0, \sigma^2)$.

Some questions to think about:

- (1) (r_i, x_i)
- (2) (r_i, \hat{y}_i)
- (3) Q-Q plot of r_i 's

2.9 2020-03-29: Model Checking and Final Points

Roadmap:

- (i) Model Checking
- (ii) Final points

SLRM: $Y_i = \alpha + \beta x_i, R_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

Residuals: $r_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i = y_i - (\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x_i)$.

(a) If the model is correct, how should r_i 's behave?

$$\hat{r}_i = r_i / s_e = \text{standardized residuals} \sim N(0, 1)$$

(b) How should \hat{r}_i 's behave?

Note: $\sum_{i=1}^n r_i = 0$ (check)

Graphical methods

- (i) Residual plots

(r_i, x_i)

(r_i, \hat{y}_i)

Q-Q plot of r_i 's

\hat{r}_i ?

- (ii) Warning signs

Final points

- Extensions

Multivariate (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_R) : STAT 3xx

Time Series $(Y_{t-1}, Y_{t-2}, \dots, Y_{t-k})$: STAT 443 (Forecasting)

Non-linearity ($E(Y) = \text{non-linear}$): STAT 4xx

2.10 2020-03-30: Two Population Case I Equal Variance

Two population problems

Roadmap: Gaussian mean problem with equal variances

Problem: $Y_{11}, \dots, Y_{1n_1} \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma^2)$ and $Y_{21}, \dots, Y_{2n_2} \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$

Question:

- (i) Test $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$ (Two sided alternative)
- (ii) Equivalently, find the confidence interval for $(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$

EXAMPLE 2.10.1.

- CS vs FARM (STAT 231 score)
- Constant variance assumption

Idea:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y_{1i} &\sim N(\mu_1, \sigma^2) \implies \bar{Y}_1 \sim N\left(\mu_1, \frac{\sigma^2}{n_1}\right) \\
 Y_{2j} &\sim N(\mu_2, \sigma^2) \implies \bar{Y}_2 \sim N\left(\mu_2, \frac{\sigma^2}{n_2}\right) \\
 \implies \bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2 &\sim N\left(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} = Z$$

But σ is unknown, so we can say

$$\frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \sim T_{n_1+n_2-2}$$

for some S_p , we need to find this.

The calculation of the MLE

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\mu}_1 &= \frac{1}{n_1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} y_{1i} \\
 \hat{\mu}_2 &= \frac{1}{n_2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} y_{2j} \\
 \hat{\sigma}^2 &= \frac{1}{n_1 + n_2} \left[\sum (y_{1i} - \bar{y}_1)^2 + \sum (y_{2j} - \bar{y}_2)^2 \right] \\
 S_p^2 &= \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Check $E(S_p^2) = \sigma^2$.

EXAMPLE 2.10.2. Assume equal variances hold.

- $n_1 = 10$
- $n_2 = 10$
- $\bar{y}_1 = 10.4$
- $\bar{y}_2 = 9.0$
- $s_1 = 1.1314$
- $s_2 = 1.8742$

Test whether $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$ vs the two sided alternative.

Test statistic:

$$D = \left| \frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \right| = \left| \frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2)}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \right|$$

$$d = \frac{\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2}{s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}}$$

where

$$s_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

which we get $s_p = 1.548$, and $d = 2.2215$.

$$p\text{-value} < 5\%$$

reject H_0 .

Final points:

- Relationship with SLRM?
- A look ahead

2.11 2020-04-01: Large Samples and Paired Data

Roadmap:

- (i) Independent population, unequal variance
- (ii) Paired Data
- (iii) Housekeeping: *evaluate.uwaterloo.ca*
- (iv) Recap

The following are equivalent:

- $H_1: \mu_1 = \mu_2$
- Confidence interval: $\mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$

Recap: Equal variances:

$$Y_{1i} \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma^2), Y_{2j} \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$$

Pivotal Quantity:

$$\frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \sim T_{n_1+n_2-2} \implies (\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2) \pm t^* s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

where

$$s_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

Test statistic is the absolute value of above.

Unequal variances, large samples, independent population

$$Y_{1i} \sim N(\mu, \sigma_1^2), Y_{2j} \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$$

where $i = 1, \dots, n_1$ and $j = 1, \dots, n_2$.

THEOREM 2.11.1. If n_1 and n_2 are large, then

$$\frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{S_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{S_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim Z$$

The 95% confidence interval; that is, we solve $P(-1.96 \leq Z \leq 1.96) = 0.95$ where Z is defined as in the theorem is:

$$(\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2) \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

where $z^* = 1.96$. To test $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$, check if 0 is within the interval.

EXAMPLE 2.11.2.

- $n_1 = 278$
- $\bar{y}_1 = 60.2$
- $s_1 = 10.16$
- $n_2 = 345$
- $\bar{y}_2 = 58.1$
- $s_2 = 9.02$

Find the 95% confidence interval for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$.

Solution.

$$(\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2) \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

yields

$$[0.57, 3.63]$$

Suppose we are given $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$ at 5%, is this reasonable? No, since 0 is not within the interval above $\implies p\text{-value} < 0.05$.

Paired Data: Natural 1 – 1 map between the units of the population.

(i) Examples

(ii) Idea of Pivotal Quantity

(iii) Example

(i)

- Before and after
- Same car, same driver, number of miles travelled between fuel A and fuel B (not independent)

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ a_1 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} b_n \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where each b_i are before data and each a_i are after data.

$$B_i \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$$

$$A_i \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$$

these are pairs, so let's subtract them

$$(B_i - A_i) = Y_i \sim N(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \sigma^2)$$

for some σ^2 (there will be covariance within there). We are testing $H_0: \mu = 0$. Population of differences (B_i 's vs A_i 's)

EXAMPLE 2.11.3. Step 1: Construct $y_i = b_i - a_i$ for each $i \in [1, n]$.

$$Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

and test $H_0: \mu = 0$.

- $\bar{y} = -0.020$
- $s = 0.411$
- $d = \frac{\bar{y}}{s/\sqrt{n}} \sim T_{n-1}$ where $n - 1 = 19$
- Confidence interval: $[-0.212, 0.172]$

$$\bar{y} + t^* s / \sqrt{n}, t^* = \text{column 19, row 0.975.}$$

0 falls within the confidence interval, so the p -value is less than 5%.

Final points

- (i) Case I: Equal variance, independent samples
- (ii) Case II: Unequal variance, independent samples, large sample sizes
- (iii) Case III: Paired data

We ignored one case: small sample sizes, unequal variances (we don't worry about it in this course).

Typically, in paired data the two variables are not independent, but positively correlated, however the variance is $\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 - 2\text{Cov}(b_i, a_i)$ where $\text{Cov}(b_i, a_i) > 0$ if the variance is lower, the variances are more accurate. We should always go for the paired method iff the covariance is positively correlated.

2.12 2020-03-02: The Big Picture

Roadmap

- (i) The big picture
- (ii) Two examples

Example 1: Check whether a die is fair

- $\theta_i = P(\text{ith face})$ where $i = 1, \dots, 6$
- $H_0: \theta_1 = \theta_2 = \dots = \theta_6 = \frac{1}{6}$

TODO.