
Statistical Method Computer Assignment

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1 Exercises from Course's book

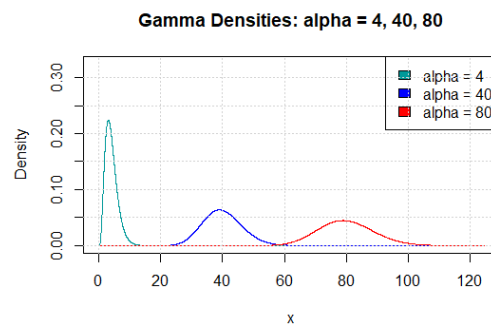
In the .R file for each exercise a function is defined

4.84

to run the code from the .R file:

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ex.4.84()
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Figure 1: Exercise 4.84



- (a) The density curve tends to be more symmetric as the value of α increases.
- (b) From Figure 1 it is evident that the distribution centers increases for the larger values of α .
- (c) the distribution centers increases for the larger values of α because the mean (μ) of *Density Functions* increases.

4.117

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ex.4.117()
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- (a) The three densities are skewed left.
- (b) As the value of α gets closer to 12 the densities tends to be more symmetric.
- (c) *Beta Density Functions* are skewed right if $\alpha > \beta > 1$

4.118

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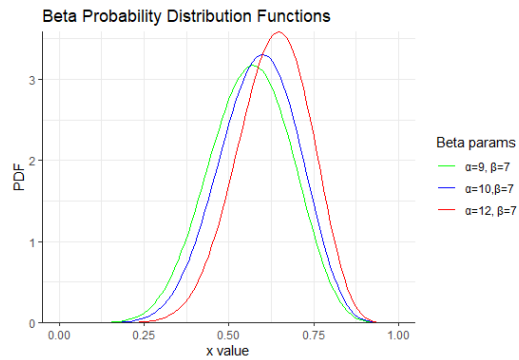


Figure 2: Exercise 4.117

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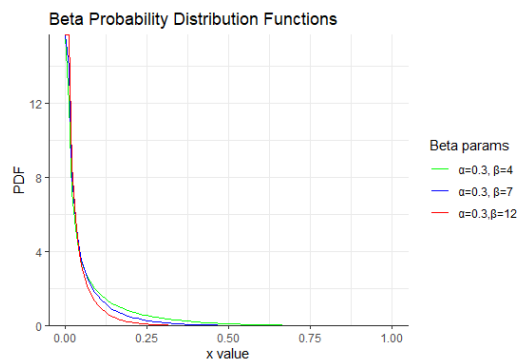


Figure 3: Exercise 4.118

- (a) The three densities are skewed right.
- (b) According Figure 3 to as the value of β gets closer to 12 the spread decreases.
- (c) At $x = 0.2$ the highest *Beta Density* value belongs to the distribution with $\alpha = 0.3$ and $\beta = 4$
- (d) When $\alpha < 1$ and $\beta > 1$ *Beta Density Function's* shape is similar to an exponential function.

10.19

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ex.10.19()

$$H_0 : \mu = 130, H_a : \mu < 130, n = 40$$

$$Z = \frac{128.6 - 130}{2.1/\sqrt{40}}$$

so, $Z = -4.216$

test with level : $z_{0.05} = 1.645$

H_0 is rejected because $|Z| > z_{0.05}$. There is evidence that the mean output voltage is less than 130.

10.21

to run the code from the .R file:

ex.10.21()

testing $H_0 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$ where μ_1 and μ_2 are the average shear strength measurements derived from unconfined compression tests for two types of soils. An estimator for μ_1 and μ_2 is $\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2$ and the test statistic under H_0 is :

$$Z = \frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} = 3.65$$

Since $|Z| > z_{0.005} = 2.575$ we reject $H_0 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$. In other words, the soil do appear to differ with respect to average shear strength at the 0.01 confidence level.

11.31

ex.11.31() to test $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ vs. $H_a : \beta_1 \neq 0$ we fit the regression model.

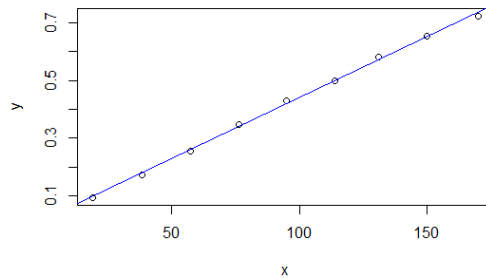


Figure 4: Exercise 11.31

The fitted model is :

$y = .01875 + .004215x$ and $p_value = 2.372e - 11$ thus H_0 is rejected and so, the peak increases as nickel concentrations increase.

11.69

The manufacturer of Lexus automobiles.

to run the code from the .R file:

ex.11.69()

- (a) for the Linear model: fitted model :

$$y = 32.725 + 1.812x$$

- (b) Quadratic model :

$$y = 35.5625 + 1.8119x - .1351x^2$$

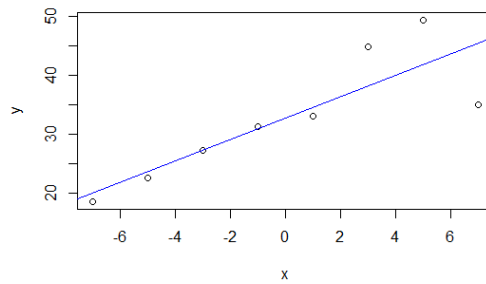


Figure 5: Exercise 11.69(a)

Imputation techniques

Which type of missing mechanism do you prefer to get a good imputation?

- Random regression imputations are more likely to appropriately spread across the range of the population. Matching and hot-deck imputation can be combined with regression by defining similarity as closeness in the regression predictor. Matching can be viewed as a nonparametric or local version of regression and can also be useful in some settings where setting up a regression model is challenging. In matching we replace each unit with a missing unit y , with similar values of X in the observed data. Matching imputations is more likely to avoid biased estimates.

Say something about simple random imputation and regression imputation of a single variable.

- Simple random imputation: In simple random sampling imputation, samples are randomly drawn from the dataset for imputing the missing value. This approach ignores the useful information from all the other variables. This method can be a convenient starting point. A better approach is to fit a regression to the observed cases and then use that to predict the missing cases.

Regression: A regression model is used to estimate the predict observed values of a missing data. Hence, available information for complete and incomplete cases is used to predict the value of a specific variable. The problem is that the imputed data do not have an uncertainty in them. Random regression imputation : adding the uncertainty term into the imputations by adding the prediction error into the regression. This method is less biased .

Explain shortly what Multiple Imputation is.

- Multiple Imputation: Routine multivariate imputation The direct approach to imputing missing data in several variables is to fit a multivariate model to all the variables that have missing value. The difficulty of this method is to to set up a reasonable multivariate regression model.

Iterative regression imputation: Iterative regression imputation is used to estimate multiple values that reflect the uncertainty around the true value. As a result, the uncertainty about imputed values is carried out to our final inferences.

Algorithm: - Add uncertainty/variation on the imputed dataset.

- Perform analysis (ie. Mean, Simple random imputation,) on the imputed dataset.

- Repeat this process.

- Summarize the results to produce parameter estimate, standard error and other estimates and find a set of parameters that maximizes the probability of having seen the observed data.

It is evident that multiple imputations requires many decisions and can be computationally intensive.