

Chapter 6 Introduction to Statistics

6.1 Population and Random Sample

- **Definition: Random Sample.** A random sample, denoted as $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, is a sequence of n random variables X_1, \dots, X_n . A realization of the random sample \mathbf{X}^n , denoted as $\mathbf{x}^n = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, is called a data set generated from \mathbf{X}^n or a sample point of \mathbf{X}^n . The positive integer n is called the sample size. A random sample \mathbf{X}^n constitutes the sample space of the random sample \mathbf{X}^n .

- **Remark:** The joint pdf or PMF of random vector (X_1, \dots, X_n) is

$$f_{\mathbf{X}^n}(\mathbf{x}^n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i|\mathbf{X}^{i-1}}(x_i|\mathbf{x}^{i-1})$$

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i).IID$$

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• **Definition: IID Random Sample.** The sequence of random variables X_1, \dots, X_n is called an independent and identically distributed (IID) random sample of size n from the population $F_X(x)$ if:

- (1) X_1, \dots, X_n are mutually *independent* random variables, and
- (2) each X_i has the same marginal distribution $F_X(x)$.

• **Question:**

- What is the interpretation and implication of an IID random sample?
- How to define the population if the random variables X_1, \dots, X_n in the sample are not identically distributed?
- How to extract information from a data set \mathbf{x}^n ?

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- **Example: Tossing Coins** Suppose we throw n coins. Let X_i denote the outcome of throwing the i -th coin, with $X_i = 1$ for head, and $X_i = 0$ for tail. Then $\mathbf{X}^n = X_1, \dots, X_n'$ constitutes a random sample. We will obtain a sequence of real numbers, such as $\mathbf{x}^n = (1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 1)$.
- **Example: GDP Annual Growth Rate.** Let X_i denote the Chinese GDP growth rate in year i , from 1953 to 2010. Then $\mathbf{X}^n = X_1, \dots, X_n'$ constitutes a random sample with sample size $n = 58$.

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- **Definition: Statistic.** Let $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be a random sample of size n from a population. A statistic $T(\mathbf{X}^n) = T(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a real-valued or vector valued function of a random sample \mathbf{X}^n . Then the random variable or random vector $Y = T(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is called a *statistic*.
- **Examples:**
 - Sample mean: $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.
 - Sample variance: $S_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$.
 - Sample standard deviation: $S_n = \sqrt{S_n^2}$.
- **Definition: Sampling Distribution.** The probability distribution of a statistic $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$ is called the *sampling distribution* of $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$.

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- **Definition: Log-likelihood Function.** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be an IID random sample of size n from the population $f(x; \theta)$. Then the logarithm of the joint pmf/pdf of (X_1, \dots, X_n)

$$L(\theta \mid X_1, \dots, X_n) = \log \prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i; \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(X_i; \theta)$$

is called the *log-likelihood function* of θ ; conditional on the random sample X_1, \dots, X_n .

- **Remark:** $L(\theta \mid X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is not a statistic, because it depends on the parameter θ .

6.2 The Sampling Distribution of the Sample Mean

- **Definition: Sample Mean.** Suppose $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a random sample from a population with mean μ and variance σ^2 . Then

$$T(\mathbf{X}^n) \equiv \bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

is the sample mean for the random sample \mathbf{X}^n .

- **Theorem.** Suppose \mathbf{X}^n is a random sample. Then

$$\bar{X}_n = \arg \min_{-\infty < a < \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - a)^2.$$

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- **Another Version.** Let x_1, \dots, x_n be any number and $\bar{x}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$, then

$$\min_a \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2.$$

- **Remarks:**

- $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n\bar{x}_n^2$.
- Define $s_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2$.
- $\hat{a} = \bar{x}_n$ is the *ordinary least square* (OLS) estimator for the linear regression model

$$x_i = a + \varepsilon_i,$$

where $\{\varepsilon_i\}$ is an i.i.d. sequence with $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$.

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- **Lemma:** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be an IID random sample of a population and let $g(x)$ be a function such that $\text{Var}(X)$ exist. Then

$$E \left[\sum_{i=1}^n g(X_i) \right] = nE[g(X_1)],$$

and

$$\text{Var} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n g(X_i) \right] = n\text{Var}[g(X_1)].$$

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- **Theorem:** Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are identically distributed random variables with the same mean μ . Then

$$E(\bar{X}_n) = \mu.$$

- **Theorem:** Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are IID random variables with $E(X_i) = \mu$ and $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 < \infty$. Then for all $n \geq 1$,

$$\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n) = \sigma^2/n.$$

- **Remark:** The sample mean and the sample variance can be considered as the approximations of the true mean and the true variance of the population $f(x)$, respectively.

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- **Theorem.** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be an IID random sample from a population with mgf $M_X(t)$. Then the mgf of the sample mean is

$$M_{\bar{X}_n}(t) = [M_X(t/n)]^n.$$

- **Theorem.** Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are IID normally distributed with mean μ and variance $\sigma^2 < \infty$. Define the standardized sample mean

$$Z_n = \frac{\bar{X}_n - E(\bar{X}_n)}{\sqrt{\text{var}(\bar{X}_n)}} = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma}.$$

Then $Z_n \sim N(0, 1)$ for all $n \geq 1$.

- **Example:** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be an IID random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then the mgf of \bar{X}_n is

$$M_{\bar{X}_n}(t) = \exp\left\{\mu t + \frac{(\sigma^2/n)t^2}{2}\right\},$$

and \bar{X}_n has a $N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$ distribution.

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- **Example:** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be an IID random sample from $\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$, then the mgf of \bar{X}_n is

$$M_{\bar{X}_n}(t) = \left(1 - \beta \frac{t}{n}\right)^{-n\alpha},$$

and \bar{X}_n has a $\text{Gamma}(n\alpha, \beta/n)$ distribution.

- **Example:** Let Z_1, \dots, Z_n be an IID random sample from $\text{Cauchy}(0, \sigma)$ distribution with the pdf $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\pi\sigma} \frac{1}{1+(x/\sigma)^2}$, then \bar{Z}_n also has a $\text{Cauchy}(0, \sigma)$ distribution.

- **Proof.**

- If $U \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, \eta)$, $V \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, \tau)$, then $U + V \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, \eta + \tau)$ (Exercise 5.7, Casella & Berger).
- Because $Z_1 + \dots + Z_n \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, n\sigma)$, so $\bar{Z}_n \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, \sigma)$.

6.3 The Sampling Distribution of the Sample Variance

- **Sample Variance Estimator.** $S_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$.
- **Questions:**
 - What is the mean of S_n^2 ?
 - What is the variance of S_n^2 ?
 - What is the sampling distribution of S_n^2 ?
- **Theorem.** Suppose $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is an IID random sample from a population with (μ, σ^2) . Then

$$E(S_n^2) = \sigma^2.$$

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- **Lemma.** Let Z_1, \dots, Z_k be IID $N(0,1)$ random variables. Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^k Z_i^2 \sim \chi_k^2.$$

That is, the sum of squares of k independent $N(0,1)$ random variable follows a χ_k^2 distribution.

- **Theorem.** Suppose $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is an IID $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ random sample. Then for each $n > 1$,

$$\frac{(n-1)S_n^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2,$$

where χ_{n-1}^2 is a chi-square distribution with $n - 1$ degrees of freedom.

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• **Lemma.** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be an IID random sample with $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.

For constants a_{ij} and b_{rj} , $j = 1, \dots, n, i = 1, \dots, \nu, r = 1, \dots, m$, define

$$U_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} X_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, \nu,$$
$$V_r = \sum_{j=1}^n b_{rj} X_j, \quad r = 1, \dots, m.$$

where $\nu + m \leq n$. Then

- (1) The random variables U_i and V_r are independent iff $\text{Cov}(U_i, V_r) = 0$.
- (2) The random vectors (U_1, \dots, U_ν) , and (V_1, \dots, V_m) are independent if and only if U_i is independent of V_r for all $i = 1, \dots, \nu, r = 1, \dots, m$.

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- **Definition:** Random vectors (U_1, \dots, U_k) and (V_1, \dots, V_m) are *independent* if for any Borel sets $A \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ and $B \subset \mathbb{R}^m$,

$$\begin{aligned} P[(U_1, \dots, U_k) \in A, (V_1, \dots, V_m) \in B] \\ = P[(U_1, \dots, U_k) \in A]P[(V_1, \dots, V_m) \in B]. \end{aligned}$$

- **Remarks:**

- (U_1, \dots, U_k) and (V_1, \dots, V_m) are independent if and only if the joint pdf/pmf can be written as

$$f_{UV}(u_1, \dots, u_k, v_1, \dots, v_m) = h(u_1, \dots, u_k)g(v_1, \dots, v_m)$$

for all $(u_1, \dots, u_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k$ and $(v_1, \dots, v_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$.

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- **Remarks:**

- If (U_1, \dots, U_k) and (V_1, \dots, V_m) are independent, then for any $g(\cdot)$ and $h(\cdot)$, $g(U_1, \dots, U_k)$ and $h(V_1, \dots, V_m)$ are independent random variables.
- If (U_1, \dots, U_k) and (V_1, \dots, V_m) are independent, then every pair of U_i and V_r are independent.
- The converse may not be true. For example, in cases X_1, X_2, X_3 are pairwise independent, but not jointly independent, let $U = (X_1, X_2)$, $V = X_3$.

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- **Lemma.** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be independent random variables, $X_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$. For constants a_{ji} and b_{ri} , $j = 1, \dots, k$, $r = 1, \dots, m$, where $k + m \leq n$, define

$$U_j = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ji} X_i, \quad j = 1, \dots, k,$$
$$V_r = \sum_{i=1}^n b_{ri} X_i, \quad r = 1, \dots, m.$$

Then

- (1) $(U_1, \dots, U_k, V_1, \dots, V_m)$ are jointly normal distributed.
- (2) U_j and V_r are independent iff $\text{Cov}(U_j, V_r) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ji} b_{ri} \sigma_i^2 = 0$.
- (3) (U_1, \dots, U_k) and (V_1, \dots, V_m) are independent if and only if U_j is independent of V_r for all j, r .

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- **Theorem.** Suppose \mathbf{X}^n is an IID $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ random sample. Then for any $n > 1$, S_n^2 and \bar{X}_n are mutually independent.
- **Remark.** The sum of squares $\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$ has only $n - 1$ degrees of freedom.
- **Ordinary Least Square(OLS).** In classical linear regression model $Y_i = X_i' \beta + \varepsilon_i$, where X_i is a $p \times 1$ explanatory vector, β is a $p \times 1$ parameter vector, $\{\varepsilon_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is an IID sequence from $N(0, \sigma_\varepsilon^2)$. For simplicity, assume that $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^n$ are nonstochastic.
- What is the distribution of each Y_i ?
- Find the OLS estimator $\hat{\beta}$ for β .
- Find the distribution of $\hat{\beta}$ under some regularity conditions

- Find the residual variance estimator for σ_ε^2 .
- How about if X_i s are random variables?

Hint:

- $Y_i \sim N(X_i'\beta, \sigma_\varepsilon^2)$.
- Then OLS estimator for β is

$$\hat{\beta} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i X_i' \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i = (X'X)^{-1} X'Y,$$

by $\hat{\beta} = \arg \min_{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - X_i'\beta)^2$.

- Under a set of regularity conditions, $\hat{\beta} - \beta_0 \sim N(0, \sigma_\varepsilon^2(X'X)^{-1})$.
- We can use $S_\varepsilon^2 = \frac{1}{n-p} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - X_i'\hat{\beta})^2$ to estimate σ_ε^2 .
- If X_i s are random variables, we should consider $Y|X_i$, conditional case.

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- **Definition: Chi Squared Distribution.** A random variable follows *chi squared* distribution with *degrees of freedom* p , denoted by χ_p^2 , if its pdf has the form

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)2^{p/2}} x^{(p/2)-1} e^{-x/2}, \quad 0 < x < \infty.$$

- **Facts about chi squared random variables.**

- (a) If X is a $N(0, 1)$ random variable, then $X^2 \sim \chi_1^2$.
- (b) If Z_1, \dots, Z_n are independent and $Z_i \sim \chi_{p_i}^2$, then $Z_1 + \dots + Z_n \sim \chi_{p_1 + \dots + p_n}^2$.

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- **Proof.** (a) Calculate the pdf of $Y = X^2$. (b) Z_i follows $\text{Gamma}(p_i/2, 2)$ with mgf $(1 - 2t)^{-p_i/2}$, then the mgf of $Z_1 + \cdots + Z_n$ is $(1 - 2t)^{-(p_1 + \cdots + p_n)/2}$. $Z_1 + \cdots + Z_n$ follows $\text{Gamma}((p_1 + \cdots + p_n)/2, 2)$.

- **Theorem.** Suppose $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \cdots, X_n)$ is an IID $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ random sample. Then for all $n > 1$,

$$\text{var}(S_n^2) = \frac{2\sigma^4}{n-1}.$$

The fact that $\text{var}(S_n^2) = 2\sigma^4/(n-1)$ and $E(S_n^2) = \sigma^2$ implies that

$$\text{MSE}(S_n^2) = E(S_n^2 - \sigma^2)^2 = \text{var}(S_n^2) = \frac{2\sigma^4}{n-1} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

6.4 Student's t-Distribution

- **Definition:** If $U \sim N(0, 1)$, $V \sim \chi_\nu^2$, U and V are independent, then $T = U/\sqrt{V/\nu}$ has *Student's t distribution* with ν degrees of freedom, and we write $T \sim t_\nu$. It has pdf

$$f_T(t) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \frac{1}{(\nu\pi)^{1/2}} \frac{1}{(1 + t^2/\nu)^{(\nu+1)/2}}, \quad -\infty < t < \infty.$$

- **Remarks:**

- t_1 has no mean, t_2 has no variance.
- If $Y \sim t_\nu$, then $E(Y) = 0$, $\text{Var}(Y) = \nu/(\nu - 2)$.
- The density can be obtained by $T = U/\sqrt{V/\nu}$, $R = U$, and then integrating out R .
- $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} f_T(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2}$.

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- **Lemma: Properties of the Student t_ν Distribution.**

- (1) The PDF of t_ν is symmetric about 0.
- (2) t_ν has a heavier distributional tail than $N(0, 1)$.
- (3) Only the first $\nu - 1$ moments exist. The mean $\mu = 0$, and the variance $\sigma^2 = \nu/(\nu - 2)$ when $\nu > 2$. The MGF does not exist for any given k .
- (4) When $\nu = 1$, $t_1 \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, 1)$.
- (5) $t_\nu \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ as $\nu \rightarrow \infty$.

- **Theorem:** Let $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be an IID random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then for all $n > 1$, the standardized sample mean

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

where t_{n-1} is the Student t distribution with $n - 1$ degrees of freedom.

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- **Example: Confidence Interval Estimation for Population Mean**

μ . Suppose there is an IID $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ random sample $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ of size n , where both μ and σ^2 are unknown. We are interested in constructing a confidence interval estimator for μ at the $(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence level.

- $(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence level for μ is defined as a random interval $[\hat{L}_n, \hat{U}_n]$, such that $P(\hat{L}_n < \mu < \hat{U}_n) = 1 - \alpha$.
- $P\left(\left|\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{S_n}\right| \leq C_{n-1, \alpha/2}\right) = 1 - \alpha$.
- $P\left(\bar{X}_n - \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}C_{t_{n-1}, \alpha/2} < \mu < \bar{X}_n + \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}C_{t_{n-1}, \alpha/2}\right) = 1 - \alpha$.
- The $(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval for μ is $[\bar{X}_n - \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}C_{t_{n-1}, \alpha/2}, \bar{X}_n + \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}C_{t_{n-1}, \alpha/2}]$

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- **Example: Hypothesis Testing on Population Mean: The t-test.** Suppose there is an IID $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ random sample $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ of size n , and we are interested in testing the hypothesis

$$\mathcal{H}_0 : \mu = \mu_0,$$

where μ is a given(known) constant (e.g., $\mu_0 = 0$). How can we test this hypothesis?

- Statistic: $\bar{X}_n - \mu_0 = (\bar{X}_n - \mu) + (\mu - \mu_0)$.
- How far away $\bar{X}_n - \mu_0$ is from zero will be considered as “sufficiently large” in absolute value ?
- Feasible statistic $T(\mathbf{X}^n) = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{S_n / \sqrt{n}}$.
- Decision rule: Rejection region, p -value.

6.5 Snedecor's F Distribution

- **Definition: The F Distribution.** Let $U \sim \chi_p^2$, $V \sim \chi_q^2$, U and V are independent, then $F = (U/p)/(V/q)$ has the F distribution with p and q degrees of freedom, denoted by $F_{p,q}$, with pdf

$$f_F(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{p+q}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{p}{2})\Gamma(\frac{q}{2})} \left(\frac{p}{q}\right)^{p/2} \frac{x^{p/2-1}}{[1 + (p/q)x]^{(p+q)/2}}, \quad 0 < x < \infty.$$

PDF can be obtained by $F = (U/p)/(V/q)$, $G = U$, and integrating out G .

- **Lemma:**
 - If $X \sim F_{p,q}$, then $1/X \sim F_{q,p}$.
 - If $X \sim t_q$, then $X^2 \sim F_{1,q}$.
 - If $q \rightarrow \infty$, then $p \cdot F_{p,q} \rightarrow \chi_p^2$.

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- **Theorem:** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a $N(\mu_X, \sigma_X^2)$ population, and let Y_1, \dots, Y_m from an independent $N(\mu_Y, \sigma_Y^2)$ population. The random variable $F = (S_{n,X}^2/\sigma_X^2)/(S_{m,Y}^2/\sigma_Y^2) \sim F_{n-1,m-1}$.
- **Example: Hypothesis Testing on equality of Population Variances.** Let $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be an IID random sample of size n from a $N(\mu_X, \sigma_X^2)$ population, and $\mathbf{Y}^m = (Y_1, \dots, Y_m)$ be an IID random sample of size m from a $N(\mu_Y, \sigma_Y^2)$ population. Assume that \mathbf{X}^n and \mathbf{Y}^m are independent. Suppose we are interested in comparing variability of the population, i.e. interested in testing whether $\mathcal{H}_0 : \sigma_X^2 = \sigma_Y^2$ holds. Test statistic is $(S_{n,X}^2/S_{m,Y}^2)$

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F-Test. Consider the classical linear regression model

$$Y_i = X_i'\beta + Z_i'\gamma + \varepsilon_i,$$

where β is $p \times 1$ parameter vector, and γ is $q \times 1$ parameter vector, $\{\varepsilon_i\}$ is a sequence of IID $N(0, \sigma_\varepsilon^2)$ random variables and is independent of $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)'$ and $\mathbf{Z} = (Z_1, \dots, Z_n)'$. We are interested in

$$H_0 : \gamma = 0.$$

- Under H_0 , $Y_i = X_i'\beta + \varepsilon_i$, $\tilde{\beta} = \arg \min_{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - X_i'\beta)^2$, $S_R^2 = \frac{1}{n-p} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - X_i'\tilde{\beta})^2$.
- Under H_1 , $Y_i = X_i'\beta + Z_i'\gamma + \varepsilon_i$, $(\hat{\beta}, \hat{\gamma}) = \arg \min_{\beta, \gamma} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - X_i'\beta - Z_i'\gamma)^2$, $S_U^2 = \frac{1}{n-p-q} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - X_i'\hat{\beta} - Z_i'\hat{\gamma})^2$.
- Under H_0 , Test statistic $F = \frac{[(n-p)S_R^2 - (n-p-q)S_U^2]/q}{(n-p-q)S_U^2/(n-p-q)} \sim F_{q, n-p-q}$

6.6 Sufficient Statistics

- **Sufficiency Principle.** A statistic $T(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a *sufficient statistic* for a parameter θ if any inference about θ **only** depends on the value of $T(\mathbf{X})$. That is, if $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$ are two sample points such that $T(\mathbf{x}) = T(\mathbf{y})$, then the inference about θ should be the same whether $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}$ or $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{y}$ is observed.
- **Interpretation:** When a sample X_1, \dots, X_n is given, there might be too much irrelevant information if we are only interested in knowing the value of some parameter θ . The sufficiency principle provides a method of data reduction that “throw away” the irrelevant information and maintain only the essential information $T(\mathbf{X})$.

6.6 Sufficient Statistics

- **Definition: Sufficient Statistic.** Let $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be a random sample from some population $f(x; \theta)$ with the parameter θ . A statistics $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$ is a *sufficient statistic* for θ if the conditional distribution of the sample $\mathbf{X}^n = \mathbf{x}^n$ given the value of $T(\mathbf{X}^n) = T(\mathbf{x}^n)$ does not depend on θ , i.e.,

$$f_{\mathbf{X}^n|T(\mathbf{X}^n)}[\mathbf{x}^n|T(\mathbf{x}^n), \theta] = h(\mathbf{x}^n) \text{ for all possible } \theta,$$

where the left hand side is the conditional PMF/PDF of $\mathbf{X}^n = \mathbf{x}^n$ given $T(\mathbf{X}^n) = T(\mathbf{x}^n)$, which generally depends on θ . The right hand side $h(\mathbf{x}^n)$ does not depend on θ ; it is a function \mathbf{x}^n only.

- **Example:** The *maximum likelihood estimate* (MLE) of θ is obtained by maximizing the *likelihood* function $L(\theta) = f_X(\mathbf{x}; \theta)$ as a function of θ given observation \mathbf{x} . If $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a sufficient statistic, then $L(\theta) = f_X(\mathbf{x}; \theta)$ is maximized at the same point at which $f_T[T(\mathbf{x}); \theta]$ is maximized.

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- **Theorem: Factorization Theorem.** Let $f_{\mathbf{X}^n}(\mathbf{x}^n, \theta)$ be the pmf or pdf of \mathbf{X}^n with parameter θ . Then $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$ is a sufficient statistics for θ if and only if there exist functions $g(t, \theta)$ and $h(\mathbf{x}^n)$ such that for any sample points \mathbf{x}^n in the sample space of \mathbf{X}^n and for any parameter points $\theta \in \Theta$,

$$f_{\mathbf{X}^n}(\mathbf{x}^n, \theta) = g[T(\mathbf{x}^n), \theta]h(\mathbf{x}^n),$$

where $g(t, \theta)$ depends on parameter θ but $h(\mathbf{x}^n)$ does not depend on parameter θ .

- **Theorem: Invariance Principle.** Suppose $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$ is a sufficient statistic for θ , then any 1-1 function $G(\mathbf{X}^n) = r[T(\mathbf{X}^n)]$ is also a sufficient statistic for θ , and a sufficient statistic for the transformed parameter $r(\theta)$.

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- **Example:** It is always true that the complete random sample (X_1, \dots, X_n) is a sufficient statistic for parameter θ .
- **Example:** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. Bernoulli random variables with parameter θ . The pmf of X_i is $f(x, \theta) = \theta^x(1 - \theta)^{1-x}$ for $x = 0, 1$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \\ &= \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1 - \theta)^{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} h(\mathbf{x}), \end{aligned}$$

where $h(\mathbf{x}) = 1$ if all $x_i = 0$ or 1 , otherwise $h(\mathbf{x}) = 0$. Therefore, $T(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistic for θ .

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- **Example: Normal Sufficient Statistic.** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. We have

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$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n + \bar{x}_n - \mu)^2 \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[n(\bar{x}_n - \mu)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2 \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

- \bar{X}_n is a sufficient statistic for μ if σ^2 is known.
- When both μ and σ^2 are unknown parameters, $T = (\bar{X}_n, S_n^2)$ is a sufficient statistic for (μ, σ^2) .

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- **Example: Uniform Sufficient Statistic.** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from the discrete uniform distribution on $1, \dots, \theta$, where θ is a positive integer.

– The joint pmf of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta^n} & x_i \in \{1, \dots, \theta\}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

– The joint pmf can be rewritten as

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} I(x_{(n)} \leq \theta) h(x_1, \dots, x_n),$$

where $h(\mathbf{x}) = 1$ if all x_i are positive integers, otherwise $h(\mathbf{x}) = 0$.

– $X_{(n)}$ is a sufficient statistic for θ .

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- **Definition: Exponential Family.** A family of pdf or pmf is called an *exponential family* if it can be expressed as

$$f(x, \theta) = h(x)c(\theta)\exp\left\{\sum_{j=1}^k w_j(\theta)t_j(x)\right\},$$

- **Examples:**

- Discrete exponential families: Bernoulli, binomial, Poisson.
- Continuous exponential families: normal, gamma, beta.
- The expression needs to hold for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$. In cases that the support $A = \{x : f(x, \theta) > 0\}$ is not \mathbb{R} , we can incorporate the indicator function $I_A(x)$ in $h(x)$.
- In general, the support A of an exponential family can not depend on θ .

6.6 Sufficient Statistics

- **Theorem:** Let $\mathbf{X}^n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be an IID random sample from a pdf or a pmf that belongs to an exponential family

$$f(x, \theta) = h(x)c(\theta)\exp\left\{\sum_{j=1}^k w_j(\theta)t_j(x)\right\},$$

then

$$T(\mathbf{X}^n) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n t_1(X_i), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n t_k(X_i)\right)$$

is a sufficient statistic for θ .

- **Problem:** In any model, there are numerous sufficient statistics for θ . What is the most efficient sufficient statistic that achieves the most data reduction while still containing all the information about θ ?

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- **Definition: Minimal Sufficient Statistic.** A sufficient statistic $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$ is called a *minimal sufficient statistic* for parameter θ if, for any other sufficient statistic $G(\mathbf{X}^n)$, $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$ is a function of $G(\mathbf{X}^n)$. That is, for any sufficient statistic $G(\mathbf{X}^n)$, there always exists some function $r(\cdot)$ such that $T(\mathbf{X}^n) = r[G(\mathbf{X}^n)]$.

- **Remarks:**

- If for any two sample points \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} , $T'(\mathbf{x}) = T'(\mathbf{y})$ implies $T(\mathbf{x}) = T(\mathbf{y})$, then $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a function of $T'(\mathbf{X})$.
- Minimal sufficient statistic may not exist.
- If $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a minimal sufficient statistic, then for any 1-1 function r , $T^*(\mathbf{x}) = r(T(\mathbf{x}))$ is also a minimal sufficient statistic.

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- **Theorem.** Let $f_{\mathbf{X}^n}(\mathbf{x}^n, \theta)$ be the PMF/PDF of a random sample \mathbf{X}^n . Suppose there exists a function $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$ such that, for two sample points \mathbf{x}^n and \mathbf{y}^n in the sample space of \mathbf{X}^n , the ratio of joint PMF/PDF $f_{\mathbf{X}^n}(\mathbf{x}^n, \theta)/f_{\mathbf{X}^n}(\mathbf{y}^n, \theta)$ is constant as a function of θ (i.e. is independent of θ) if and only if $T(\mathbf{x}^n) = T(\mathbf{y}^n)$. Then $T(\mathbf{X}^n)$ is a minimal sufficient statistic for parameter θ .

- **Conclusion.**