

## BST 140.651 Formula sheet

1. **DeMorgan's laws** state that  $(A \cup B)^c = A^c \cap B^c$  and  $(A \cap B)^c = A^c \cup B^c$ .

2. **Baye's rule**

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|A^c)P(A^c)}.$$

3. **Binomial mass function**  $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$  for  $x = 0, \dots, n$

4. **The normal pdf**  $f(x) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-1/2} \exp\{-(x - \mu)^2/2\sigma^2\}$  for  $-\infty < x < \infty$ .

5. **Std. Z quantiles**  $Z_{.90}$ ,  $Z_{.95}$ ,  $Z_{.975}$  and  $Z_{.99}$  are 1.28, 1.645, 1.96 and 2.32, respectively.

6. **Sample variance** of data  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  with sample mean  $\bar{x}$  is

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

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

8. **variance** of a random variable  $X$  is  $\sigma^2 = E[(X - \mu)^2] = E[X^2] - E[X]^2$ .

9. **Chebyshev's inequality** states that for any random variable  $P(|X - \mu| \geq K\sigma) \leq 1/K^2$ .

10. **Central Limit Theorem.** If the  $X_i$  are iid with mean  $\mu$  and (finite) variance  $\sigma^2$  then

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

will limit to a standard normal distribution.

11. Assuming normality and a sample standard deviation of  $S$   $\left[ \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi_{n-1, 1-\alpha/2}^2}, \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi_{n-1, \alpha/2}^2} \right]$  is a 100(1 -  $\alpha$ )% confidence interval for  $\sigma^2$

12. If  $Z$  is standard normal and  $X$  is independent Chi-squared with  $df$  degrees of freedom then  $\frac{Z}{\sqrt{X/df}}$  follows a Student's  $T$  distribution with  $df$  degrees of freedom.

13. The **Score interval** is obtained by inverting a score test

$$\hat{p} \left( \frac{n}{n + Z_{1-\alpha/2}^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{Z_{1-\alpha/2}^2}{n + Z_{1-\alpha/2}^2} \right) \pm Z_{1-\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n + Z_{1-\alpha/2}^2} \left[ \hat{p}(1 - \hat{p}) \left( \frac{n}{n + Z_{1-\alpha/2}^2} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{Z_{1-\alpha/2}^2}{n + Z_{1-\alpha/2}^2} \right) \right]}.$$

14. For independent groups of iid variables, say  $X_i$  and  $Y_i$ , with a constant variance  $\sigma^2$  across groups

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_x - \mu_y)}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_x} + \frac{1}{n_y}}}$$

limits to a standard normal random variable as both  $n_x$  and  $n_y$  get large. Here

$$S_p^2 = \frac{(n_x - 1)S_x^2 + (n_y - 1)S_y^2}{n_x + n_y - 2}$$

is the **pooled estimate** of the variance. Obviously,  $\bar{X}$ ,  $S_x$ ,  $n_x$  are the sample mean, sample standard deviation and sample size for the  $X_i$  and  $\bar{Y}$ ,  $S_y$  and  $n_y$  are defined analogously.

15. The statistic

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X} - (\mu_y - \mu_x)}{\left(\frac{\sigma_x^2}{n_x} + \frac{\sigma_y^2}{n_y}\right)^{1/2}}$$

approximately follows Gosset's  $T$  distribution with degrees of freedom equal to

$$\frac{(S_x^2/n_x + S_y^2/n_y)^2}{\left(\frac{S_x^2}{n_x}\right)^2/(n_x - 1) + \left(\frac{S_y^2}{n_y}\right)^2/(n_y - 1)}$$