A Small Collection Of Mathematical Formulas For The Prospective Statistician

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1 Basic Arithmetic

Logarithms. In the following let a, b > 0 and $n \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$ln(a \cdot b) = ln(a) + ln(b)$$
$$ln(\frac{a}{b}) = ln(a) - ln(b)$$
$$ln(a^n) = n \cdot ln(a)$$
$$e^{ln(a)} = ln(e^a) = a.$$

Binomial Coefficient. Suppose $0 < k \le n$. Then

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k! \cdot (n-k)!}$$

where $n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot \ldots \cdot n$.

2 Differential Calculus

Elementary Derivatives. In the following let f be a real-valued function of x and $a, b, r \in \mathbb{R}$. Then the derivative of f is given by f' as

$$f(x) = x^r \to f'(x) = r \cdot x^{r-1}$$

$$f(x) = e^x \to f'(x) = e^x$$

$$f(x) = e^{a \cdot x + b} \to f'(x) = a \cdot e^{a \cdot x + b}$$

$$f(x) = \ln(x) \to f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$f(x) = r^x \to f'(x) = r^x \cdot \ln(r)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^r} \to f'(x) = -r \cdot x^{-r-1}$$

$$f(x) = \sin(x) \to f'(x) = \cos(x)$$

$$f(x) = \cos(x) \to f'(x) = -\sin(x)$$

Differentiation rules. In the following let h, u, v be real-valued functions of x.

- Product Rule: $h(x) = u(x) \cdot v(x) \rightarrow h'(x) = u'(x) \cdot v(x) + u(x) \cdot v'(x)$
- Chain Rule: $h(x) = u(v(x)) \rightarrow h'(x) = u'(v(x)) \cdot v'(x)$
- Reciprocal Rule: $h(x) = \frac{1}{v(x)} \to h'(x) = \frac{v'(x)}{(v(x))^2}$
- Quotient Rule: $h(x) = \frac{u(x)}{v(x)} \rightarrow h'(x) = \frac{v(x)u'(x)-u(x)v'(x)}{(v(x))^2}$

Gradient. Let f be a differentiable function of n variables. Then

$$\operatorname{\mathbf{grad}}(f) = \nabla f = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} f(x) \dots \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n} f(x)\right)^T.$$

Jacobian Matrix. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$ be a differentiable function of n variables. Then the Jacobian matrix \mathbf{J} of f is an $m \times n$ matrix whose (i,j)th entry is $\mathbf{J}_{ij} = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_i}$. Which is

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla^T f_1 \\ \vdots \\ \nabla^T f_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

where $\nabla^T f_i$ is the transpose (row vector) of the gradient of the ith component.

Symmetry Of Second Derivatives (Schwarz's theorem). The order of taking partial derivatives of a function $f(x) = f(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)$ of n variables is interchangeable

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} f(x) \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} f(x) \right).$$

3 Integral Calculus

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