

# Fundamental Probability and Statistics

"There are known knowns. These are things we know that we know. There are known unknowns. That is to say, there are things that we know we don't know. But there are also unknown unknowns. There are things we don't know we don't know," Donald Rumsfeld

# Probability Theory

Reference: G.R. Grimmett and D.R. Stirzaker, *Probability and Random Processes*, Oxford Science Publications, 1997

Probability Space:  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$

$\Omega$  – Sample Space – set of all possible outcomes of an experiment

$\mathcal{F}$  –  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$  that contains all events of interest

$P : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ : probability or measure that satisfies

(i)  $P(\emptyset) = 0$

(ii)  $P(\Omega) = 1$

(iii)  $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  implies  $P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$

Example: Toss possibly biased coin once

$$\Omega = \{H, T\}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{\emptyset, H, T, \Omega\}$$

Take

$$P(\emptyset) = 0, P(H) = p, P(T) = 1 - p, P(\Omega) = 1$$

Note: Fair coin if  $p = 1/2$

# Probability Theory

**Example:** Two coins tossed possibly multiple times and outcome is ordered pair

$$\Omega = \{(H, H), (T, H), (H, T), (T, T)\}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{\emptyset, (H, H), (T, H), (H, T), (T, T), \Omega, \{(H, H), (T, H)\}, \dots\}$$

Let

$$A = \{(H, H), (T, H)\}$$

$$B = \{(H, H), (H, T)\}$$

Then

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{2}, P(B) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{4}, P(A \cup B) = \frac{3}{4}$$

**Definition:** Events A and B are independent if

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$$

# Random Variables and Distributions

**Definition:** A random variable is a function  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with the property that  $\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \leq x\} \in \mathcal{F}$  for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition:** The value of a random variable  $X$  at a point  $\omega \in \Omega$

$$x = X(\omega)$$

is a realization of  $X$ .

**Definition:** Associated with every random variable  $X$  is a cumulative distribution function  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  given by

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= P\{\omega \in \Omega \mid X(\omega) \leq x\} \\ &= P(X) \leq x \end{aligned}$$

**Example:** Take  $\Omega = \{(H, H), (T, H), (H, T), (T, T)\}$  and define  $X(\omega)$  as number of heads

$$X(H, H) = 2$$

$$X(H, T) = X(T, H) = 1$$

$$X(T, T) = 0$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 1 \\ \frac{3}{4} & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 1 & \text{if } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

# Distributions and Densities

**Definition:** A random variable  $X$  is discrete if it takes values in a countable subset  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ , only, of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

**Definition:**  $X$  is continuous if its distribution function can be expressed as

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(s)ds, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

for some integrable function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  where  $f$  is called the probability density function (PDF) of  $X$ .

**Definition:** The probability mass function of a discrete random variable  $X$  is a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$  given by  $f(x) = P(X = x)$ .

**PDF Properties:**

(i)  $f(x) \geq 0$

(ii)  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x)dx = 1$

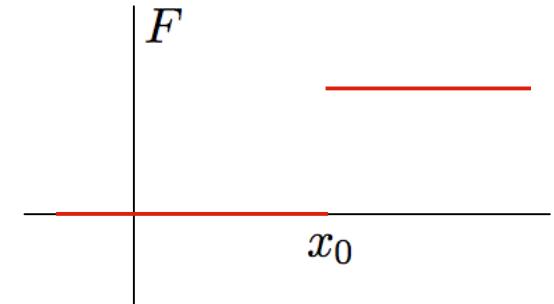
(iii)  $P(x_1 \leq X \leq x_2) = F(x_2) - F(x_1) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x)dx$

# Density Properties

Example:

$$X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x < x_0 \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq x_0 \end{cases}$$

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \quad x < x_0 \\ 1 & , \quad x \geq x_0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow f(x) = \delta(x - x_0)$$



Example:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(x-\mu)^2/2\sigma^2}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(s)ds = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{2}}\right) \right]$$

where

$$\operatorname{erf}(x) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^x e^{-s^2} ds$$

Note:  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

# Density Properties

Additional Properties:

(i) Mean, first moment or expected value

$$\mu = E(X) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x f(x) dx$$

(ii)  $n^{th}$  moment

$$E(X^n) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^n f(x) dx$$

(iii) Second central moment (difference between  $X$  and  $\mu$ )

$$\sigma^2 = \text{var}(X) = E[(X - \mu)^2] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (x - \mu)^2 f(x) dx$$

Note:

$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - \mu^2$$

(iv) The covariance of  $X$  and  $Y$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(X, Y) &= E[(X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))] \\ &= E(XY) - E(X)E(Y) \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated if  $\text{cov}(X, Y) = 0$

# Multivariate Distributions

**Note:** Important for longitudinal data

$$X = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$$

$\Rightarrow X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  Random Vector

**Joint CDF:**  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow [0, 1]$  by

$$\begin{aligned} F(x_1, \dots, x_n) &= P\{w \in \Omega \mid X_j(\omega) \leq x_i, j = 1, \dots, n\} \\ &= P(X \leq x) \end{aligned}$$

**Joint Density** (if it exists):  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow [0, \infty)$

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{x_n} f(s_1, \dots, s_n) d s_1 \cdots d s_n$$

**Example:** Let  $X \sim N(\mu, V)$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n |V|}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)V^{-1}(x - \mu)^T \right]$$

# Multivariate Distributions

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Note:

- $E(X) = \mu$  so  $E(X_j) = \mu_j$
- $V = (v_{ij})$  is the covariance matrix since  $v_{ij} = \text{cov}(X_i, X_j)$ . This is often written

$$V = E((X - \mu)^T (X - \mu))$$

Note:

$$V = \text{cov}(X) = \begin{bmatrix} \text{var}(X_1) & \text{cov}(X_1, X_2) & \cdots & \text{cov}(X_1, X_n) \\ \text{cov}(X_1, X_2) & \text{var}(X_2) & \cdots & \text{cov}(X_2, X_n) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \text{cov}(X_1, X_n) & \text{cov}(X_2, X_n) & \cdots & \text{var}(X_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

# Multivariate Distributions

**Definition:** The marginal distribution functions of  $X$  and  $Y$  are

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x) &= P(X \leq x) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^x \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u, y) dy \right) du \end{aligned}$$

with a similar definition for  $F_Y(y)$ .

**Definition:** Marginal density function of  $X$

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy$$

**Definition:**  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent if and only if

$$F(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$$

or

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$$

**Note:**  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent  $\Rightarrow \text{cov}(X, Y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow X$  and  $Y$  are uncorrelated

## Estimators and Estimates

**Definition:** An estimator is a function or procedure for deriving an estimate from observed data. An estimator is a random variable whereas an estimate is a real number.

**Example:** Suppose we want to estimate the variance  $\text{var}(Y) = \sigma^2$  of a random variable  $Y$  using a sample of  $n$  independent observations. Consider two statistics.

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \mu)^2$$

$$T^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \bar{Y})^2 \text{ where } \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n}[Y_1 + Y_2 + \cdots + Y_n]$$

Now

$$E(S^2) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n E(Y_j - \mu)^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \sigma^2 = \sigma^2 \text{ but } \mu \text{ is often unknown}$$

$$E(T^2) = \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 \text{ so biased}$$

$$\text{Unbiased estimator: } T^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \bar{Y})^2$$

# Other Estimators

## Commonly Employed Estimators:

- Maximum likelihood
- Bayes estimators
- Particle filter (Sequential Monte Carlo (SMC))
- Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)
- Kalman filter
- Wiener filter

# Linear Regression

Consider

$$y = X\beta + \varepsilon$$

where

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & \cdots & X_{1p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & \cdots & X_{np} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{bmatrix}, \quad \varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

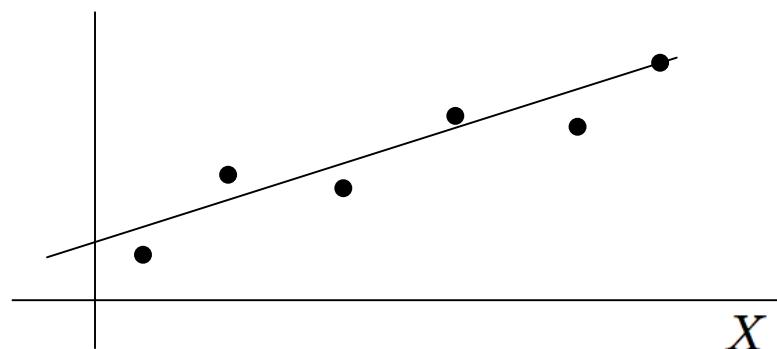
Observations

Design Matrix

Unknown  
Parameters

Errors

Example:  $y_j = (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_j) + \varepsilon_j, j = 1, \dots, n$



# Linear Regression

Statistical Model:

$$Y = X\beta_0 + \varepsilon$$

Assumptions:

(i)  $E(\varepsilon) = 0$

(ii)  $\varepsilon$  iid (independent and identically distributed)

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}(\varepsilon_j) = \sigma_0^2$$

$$E[(\varepsilon_i - E(\varepsilon_i))(\varepsilon_j - E(\varepsilon_j))] = \text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j$$

(iii\*) If  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_0^2)$  and hence  $Y_j \sim N(X\beta_0, \sigma_0^2)$ , maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) provides expression for  $\beta_0$  and  $\sigma_0^2$ .

(iv\*) Generalized least squares employed if nonconstant variance.

Goals:

(1) Construct a 'good' estimator  $B$  for  $\beta$ .

(2) Construct an estimator  $S^2$  for  $\sigma_0^2$ .

# Least Squares Problem

Minimize

$$T = (y - X\beta)^T (y - X\beta)$$

**Note:** General result for quadratic forms

$$Q = A^T \Phi A$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla_{\beta} Q = 2(\nabla_{\beta} A^T) \Phi A$$

Thus

$$\nabla_{\beta} T = 2[\nabla_{\beta}(y - X\beta)^T][y - X\beta]$$

where

$$\nabla_{\beta}(y - X\beta)^T = -\nabla_{\beta}\beta^T X^T = -X^T$$

**Least Squares Estimate:**  $\hat{b} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$

**Least Squares Estimator:**  $B = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$

**Note:**  $B = \arg \min_{\beta} (Y - X\beta)^T (Y - X\beta)$

# Parameter Estimator Properties

Estimator Mean:

$$\begin{aligned} E(B) &= E[(X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y] \\ &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T E(Y) \\ &= \beta_0 \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\beta_0$  denotes the ‘true’ parameters that generate  $Y$

Estimator Covariance: Let  $A = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(B) &= E[(B - \beta_0)(B - \beta_0)^T] \\ &= E[(\beta_0 + A\varepsilon - \beta_0)(\beta_0 + A\varepsilon - \beta_0)^T] \quad \text{since } B = AY \\ &= AE(\varepsilon\varepsilon^T)A^T \\ &= \sigma_0^2(X^T X)^{-1} X^T \cdot X(X^T X)^{-T} \\ &= \sigma_0^2(X^T X)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

# Variance Estimator Properties

Goal: Construct an estimator  $S^2$  for  $\sigma_0^2$

Residual:  $R = Y - XB$

Variance Estimator:  $S^2 = \frac{R^T R}{n - p}$

Note:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= Y - X(X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y \\ &= (I_n - H)Y \end{aligned}$$

where

$$H = X(X^T X)^{-1} X^T$$

Properties of  $H$ :

$$H^T = H \quad (\text{symmetric})$$

$$H^2 = H \quad (\text{idempotent})$$

$$(I_n - H)^2 = (I_n - H)$$

$$(I_n - H)X = X - X(X^T X)^{-1} X^T X = 0$$

# Variance Estimator Properties

Note:

$$\begin{aligned} R &= (I_n - H)Y \\ &= (I_n - H)(X\beta_0 + \varepsilon) \\ &= (I_n - H)\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} R^T R &= [(I_n - H)\varepsilon]^T [(I_n - H)\varepsilon] \\ &= \varepsilon^T (I_n - H)\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$R^T R = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n g_{ij} \varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} E(R^T R) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n g_{ij} E(\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n g_{ij} \text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) \text{ since } E(\varepsilon_i) = E(\varepsilon_j) = 0 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n g_{ii} \text{var}(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma_0^2 \text{tr}(I_n - H) \end{aligned}$$

# Variance Estimator Properties

Note:

$$\text{tr}(A + B) = \text{tr}(B + A)$$

$$\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\text{tr}(I_n - H) &= n - \text{tr}[(X^T X)^{-1} X^T X] \\ &= n - p\end{aligned}$$

Unbiased Estimator:

$$S^2 = \frac{R^T R}{n - p}$$

Unbiased Estimate:

$$\hat{s}^2 = \frac{1}{n - p} \sum_{j=1}^n [y_j - (X\hat{b})_j]^2$$

# Parameter Estimator Properties

Properties of B: Assume  $\varepsilon_j$  are iid with  $E(\varepsilon_j) = 0$  constant variance  $\sigma_0$

1.  $E(B) = \beta_0$
2.  $\text{cov}(B) = \sigma_0^2(X^T X)^{-1}$
3. Suppose in addition that  $\varepsilon_j \sim N(0, \sigma_0^2)$ . Then  $B \sim N_p(\beta_0, \sigma_0^2(X^T X)^{-1})$ .
4. Suppose  $\varepsilon_j$  are iid with  $E(\varepsilon_j) = 0$ , constant variance  $\sigma_0$  and unknown distribution. Then in the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$B \sim N_p(\beta_0, \sigma_0^2(X^T X)^{-1})$$

Proof: Involves Central Limit Theorem

Central Limit Theorem:

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be a sequence of iid random variables with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ . Then

$$\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

where

$$S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$$

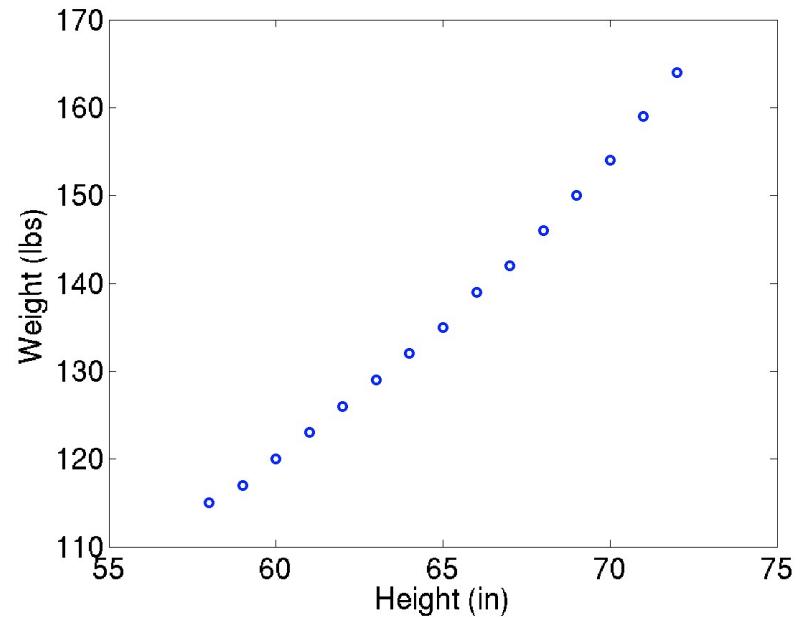
## Example

**Example:** Consider the height-weight data from the *1975 World Almanac and Book of Facts*

Height (in)	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72
Weight (lbs)	115	117	120	123	126	129	132	135	139	142	146	150	154	159	164

Consider the model

$$y_j = \beta_0 + \beta_1(x_j/12) + \beta_2(x_j/12)^3 + \varepsilon_j$$



# Example

Here

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4.83 & 112.91 \\ 1 & 4.92 & 118.85 \\ 1 & 5.00 & 125.00 \\ 1 & 5.08 & 131.35 \\ 1 & 5.17 & 137.92 \\ 1 & 5.25 & 144.70 \\ 1 & 5.33 & 151.70 \\ 1 & 5.42 & 158.93 \\ 1 & 5.50 & 166.38 \\ 1 & 5.58 & 174.05 \\ 1 & 5.67 & 181.96 \\ 1 & 5.75 & 190.11 \\ 1 & 5.83 & 198.50 \\ 1 & 5.92 & 207.12 \\ 1 & 6.00 & 216.00 \end{bmatrix}$$

Least Square Estimate:

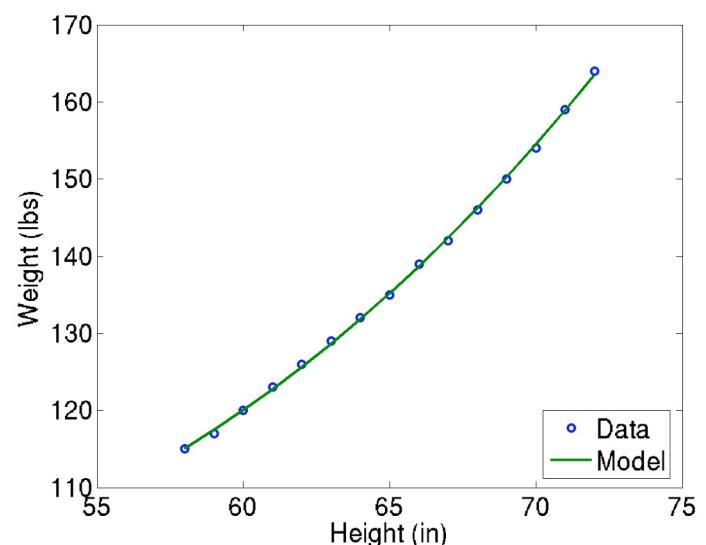
$$(X^T X) \hat{b} = X^T y$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 81 & 2415 \\ 81 & 442 & 13255 \\ 2415 & 13255 & 404171 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{b}_0 \\ \hat{b}_1 \\ \hat{b}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2051 \\ 11190 \\ 337421 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{b}_0 = 146.59$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{b}_1 = -23.77$$

$$\hat{b}_2 = 0.74$$



Note:  $\text{cond}(X^T X) = 8.4 \times 10^8$

Note:  $\text{eig}(H) = \text{eig}(X(X^T X)^{-1} X^T) = 0, 1$

# Example

Variance Estimate:

$$\hat{s}^2 = \frac{\hat{r}^T \hat{r}}{n-p} = \frac{1}{n-p} \sum_{j=1}^n [y_j - (X\hat{b})_j]^2 = 0.131$$

Parameter Covariance Estimate:

$$\widehat{\text{cov}(B)} = \hat{s}^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$$

Note: This yields variances and standard deviations for parameter estimates

$$\hat{b}_0 = 146.59 \pm 15.9$$

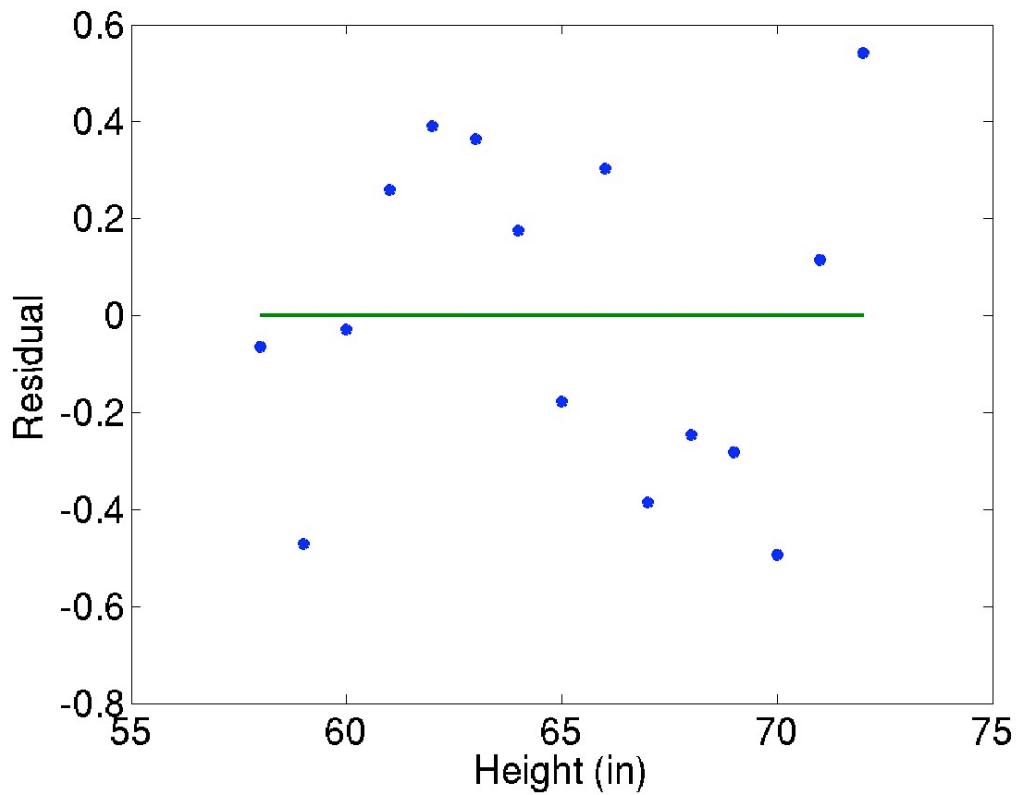
$$\hat{b}_1 = -23.77 \pm 4.4$$

$$\hat{b}_2 = 0.74 \pm 0.05$$

Goal: Can we additionally compute confidence intervals? Yes, but we need a little more statistics.

# Example

Hypothesis: One way to check the hypothesis of iid is to plot the residuals



# Random Variables Related to the Normal

## Chi-Square Random Variables:

If  $X \sim N(0, 1)$ , then the random variable  $Y = X^2$  is said to have a  $\chi^2$ -distribution with 1 dof. Furthermore, if  $Y_i, i = 1, \dots, n$  are independent  $\chi^2$  random variables with 1 dof, then their sum

$$\chi^2(n) = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$$

is a  $\chi^2$  random variable with  $n$  dof.

## T Random Variables:

If  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$  and  $\chi^2(n)$  is a chi-square random variable with  $n$  dof that is independent from  $Z$ , then

$$T = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{\chi^2(n)/n}}$$

has a (Student's)  $t$ -distribution with  $n$  dof.

## Variance Estimator Properties

**Assumption:** Assume that  $\varepsilon_j \sim N(0, \sigma_0^2)$  are iid (use asymptotic results if not normal).

**Property 1:**  $(n - p)S^2/\sigma_0^2$  has a  $\chi^2$ -distribution with  $n - p$  dof.

**Property 2:** If  $\delta_k$  denotes the  $k^{th}$  diagonal element of  $(X^T X)^{-1}$ , then

$$T_k = \frac{B_k - \beta_{0k}}{S\sqrt{\delta_k}}$$

has a  $t$ -distribution with  $n - p$  dof.

**Verification of 1:** Recall that

$$\begin{aligned} (n - p)S^2/\sigma_0^2 &= \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} R^T R \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \varepsilon^T (I_n - H) \varepsilon \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \langle \varepsilon, (I_n - H) \varepsilon \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \langle \varepsilon, Q \Lambda Q^T \varepsilon \rangle , \text{ } Q \text{ orthogonal} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \langle Q^T \varepsilon, \Lambda Q^T \varepsilon \rangle \end{aligned}$$

## Variance Estimator Properties

Note: The eigenvalues of  $H$  are either 0 or 1 and  $\text{tr}(I_n - H) = \text{rank}(I_n - H) = n - p$ .  
Thus

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} I_{n-p} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note:  $Q^T$  orthogonal implies that  $q = Q^T \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_0)$  since  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_0)$ . Thus

$$\frac{\langle q, \Lambda q \rangle}{\sigma_0^2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-p} \frac{q_i^2}{\sigma_0^2}$$

is the sum of squares of  $n - p$  independent  $N(0, 1)$  random variables.

Result:  $(n - p)S^2/\sigma_0^2$  is  $\chi^2(n - p)$ .

## Variance Estimator Properties

Verification of 2: Recall that  $B_k - \beta_{0k} \sim N(0, \sigma_0^2 \delta_k)$  so  $\frac{B_k - \beta_{0k}}{\sigma_0 \sqrt{\delta_k}} \sim N(0, 1)$ . Now

$$T_k = \frac{B_k - \beta_{0k}}{S \sqrt{\delta_k}} = \frac{(B_k - \beta_{0k}) / \sigma_0 \sqrt{\delta_k}}{S / \sigma_0} = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{\chi^2(n-p)/(n-p)}}$$

Result:  $T_k$  has a  $t$ -distribution with  $n - p$  dof.

Confidence Interval: The  $(1 - \alpha) \times 100\%$  confidence interval for  $\beta_{0k}$  is

$$(B_k - t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2} S \sqrt{\delta_k}, B_k + t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2} S \sqrt{\delta_k})$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} P[-t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2} \leq T_k \leq t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2}] &= 1 - \alpha \\ \Rightarrow P\left[-t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2} \leq \frac{B_k - \beta_{0k}}{S \sqrt{\delta_k}} \leq t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2}\right] &= 1 - \alpha \\ \Rightarrow P\left[B_k - t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2} S \sqrt{\delta_k} \leq \beta_{0k} \leq B_k + t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2} S \sqrt{\delta_k}\right] &= 1 - \alpha \end{aligned}$$

## Example

Previous Example:

For  $\alpha = .05$ ,  $t_{n-p,1-\alpha/2} = 2.2$ . The 95% confidence intervals are thus

$$\hat{b}_0 \in [111.6, 181.5]$$

$$\hat{b}_1 \in [-33.5, -14.1]$$

$$\hat{b}_2 \in [.63, .85]$$

Note: This is consistent with the results on Slide 23 with  $2\sigma = 94.45\%$ .

# Summary of Linear Theory

Statistical Model:

$$Y = X\beta_0 + \varepsilon \quad , \quad \beta_0 \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

$$y = X\beta_0 + \varepsilon \quad (\text{Realization})$$

Assumptions:  $E(\varepsilon_j) = 0$  ,  $\varepsilon_j$  iid with  $\text{var}(\varepsilon_j) = \sigma_0^2$

Least Squares Estimator and Estimate: Note that  $E(B) = \beta_0$

$$B = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y \quad , \quad \hat{b} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

Variance Estimator and Estimate:  $R = Y - XB$  ,  $\hat{r} = y - XB$

$$S^2 = \frac{R^T R}{n - p} \quad , \quad \hat{s}^2 = \frac{\hat{r}^T \hat{r}}{n - p}$$

Covariance Estimator and Estimate:

$$\text{cov}(B) = \sigma_0^2 (X^T X)^{-1} \quad , \quad \widehat{\text{cov}(B)} = \hat{s}^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$$

# Summary of Linear Theory

Statistical Properties: (if  $\varepsilon_k \sim N(0, \sigma_0^2)$  or in the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$ )

- $B \sim N_p (\beta_0, \sigma_0^2 (X^T X)^{-1})$
- $\frac{n-p}{\sigma_0^2} S^2 \sim \chi^2(n-p)$
- The  $(1 - \alpha) \times 100\%$  confidence interval for  $\hat{b}_k$  is

$$(\hat{b}_k - t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2} SE_k, \hat{b}_k + t_{n-p, 1-\alpha/2} SE_k)$$

where  $SE_k = \sqrt{\widehat{\text{cov}(B)}_{kk}}$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, p$

# Hypothesis Testing

## Statistical Testing:

- An objective of statistics is to make inferences about unknown population parameters and models based on information in sample data.
- Inferences may be estimates of parameters or tests of hypotheses regarding their values.

## Hypothesis Testing:

- Largely originated with Ronald Fisher, Jerzy Neyman, Karl Pearson and Egon Pearson
- Fisher: Agricultural statistician: emphasized rigorous experiments and designs
- Neyman: Emphasized mathematical rigor
- Early Paper: R. Fisher, ``Mathematics of a Lady Tasting Tea," 1956
  - Question: Could lady determine means of tea preparation based on taste?
  - Null Hypothesis: Lady had no such ability
  - Fisher asserted that no alternative hypothesis was required

# Hypothesis Testing

## Elements of Test:

- Let  $X$  be a random variable with density  $f(x; \theta)$
- Assume  $\theta$  can take values in two possible sets  $\Theta_0$  or  $\Theta_1$
- Based on experiment, we want to decide if  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  or  $\theta \in \Theta_1$
- Null Hypothesis  $H_0$ : statement that  $\theta \in \Theta_0$
- Alternative Hypothesis  $H_1$ : statement that  $\theta \in \Theta_1$

## Strategy:

- Take random sample of size  $n$  of  $X$
- Decide in favor of  $H_0$  if  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in S_0 \subset \mathbb{R}^n(X)$
- Decide in favor of  $H_1$  if  $x \in S_1 = \overline{S}_0$
- The partition  $(S_0, S_1)$  of the sample space  $\mathbb{R}^n(X)$  is termed a test of the hypothesis  $H_0$  against  $H_1$

# Hypothesis Testing

## Elements of Test:

1. Null hypothesis  $H_0$
2. Alternative hypothesis  $H_1$
3. Test statistics
4. Rejection or critical region  $S_1$

## Definitions:

- Test Statistic: Function of sample measurement upon which decision is made.
- Rejection Region: Value of test statistic for which null hypothesis is rejected.

## Definitions:

- A Type I error is made if  $H_0$  is rejected when  $H_0$  is true. The probability of a Type I error is denoted  $\alpha$ .
- A Type II error is made if  $H_0$  is accepted when  $H_1$  is true. The probability of a Type II error is denoted  $\beta$ .

# Hypothesis Testing

**Example:** Adam is running for Student body president and thinks he will gain more than 50% of the votes and hence win. His committee is very pragmatic and wants to test the hypothesis that he will receive less than 50% of the vote. Here we take

$$H_0 : p = 0.5$$

$$H_1 : p < 0.5$$

Sample Size:  $n = 15$  in poll

Test Statistic  $X$ : Number of sampled voters favoring Adam

Case i: Calculate  $\alpha$  if  $S_1 = \{x \leq 2\}$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= P(\text{Type I error}) \\ &= P(\text{rejecting } H_0 \text{ when } H_0 \text{ is true}) \\ &= P(\text{value of test statistic is in } S_1 \text{ when } H_0 \text{ is true}) \\ &= P(X \leq 2 \text{ when } p = 0.5)\end{aligned}$$

Note:  $X$  is a binomial random variable with  $n = 15$  and  $p = 0.5$ . Thus

$$\alpha = \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{15}{x} (0.5)^{15} = 0.004$$

# Hypothesis Testing

**Example:** Is this test equally protect us from erroneously concluding that Adam is the winner when, in fact, he will lose? Suppose that he will really win 30% of the vote so that  $p = 0.3$ . What is the probability of a Type II error?

Here

$$\begin{aligned}\beta &= P(\text{Type II error}) \\ &= P(\text{accepting } H_0 \text{ when } H_1 \text{ is true}) \\ &= P(\text{value of test statistic is not in } S_1 \text{ when } H_1 \text{ is true})\end{aligned}$$

Consider value of  $\beta$  when  $p = 0.3$  (a value in  $H_1$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}\beta &= P(X > 2 \text{ when } p = 0.3) \\ &= \sum_{x=3}^{15} \binom{15}{x} (0.3)^x (0.7)^{15-x} \\ &= 0.873\end{aligned}$$

**Note:** The test using this rejection region protects Adam from Type I errors but not Type II errors.

## Hypothesis Testing

One Solution: Use a larger critical or rejection region.

e.g., Consider  $S_1 = \{x \leq 5\}$ . In this case,

$$\alpha = 0.151 \text{ when } p = 0.5$$

$$\beta = 0.278 \text{ when } p = 0.3$$

Conclusion: This provides a better balance between Type I and Type II errors.

Question: How can we reduce both errors?