STA2001 Probability and Statistics (I)

Lecture 16

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Key concepts and/or techniques:

1. Sample mean: Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent and identically distributed with mean μ . Then the sample mean is defined as

$$\overline{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i, \quad \overline{X} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \cdot \overline{n}$$

and a statistic and also an estimator of mean μ .

2. Mgf technique: Mgf, if exists, uniquely determines the distribution of the RV. Therefore, the distribution of a RV can be equivalently found via its mgf.

Use the mgf technique to derive the distribution of

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i X_i \qquad Y = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i' X_i'$$

[Theorem 5.4-1]

If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are independent RVs with respective mgfs $M_{X_i}(t)$ where $|t| < h_i$ for positive number $h_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Then the mgf of $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i$ is

$$M_Y(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n M_{X_i}(a_i t),$$

where $|a_it| < h_i, i = 1, \cdots, n$.

[Theorem 5.4-2]

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent chi-square RVs with r_1, r_2, \dots, r_n degrees of freedom, respectively, i.e., $X_i \sim \chi^2(r_i), i=1,\dots,n$ Then

$$Y = X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_n$$
 is $\chi^2(r_1 + r_2 + \cdots + r_n)$

[Corollary 5.4-3]

If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are independent and have normal distributions $N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$, i = 1, 2, ..., n, respectively, then the distribution of

tion of
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{\chi_{i} - \mu_{i}}{\sigma_{i}} \right)^{2} \sim \chi^{2}(n) \quad \text{NCU}(6i^{2})$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{\chi_{i} - \mu_{i}}{\sigma_{i}} \right)^{2} \sim \chi^{2}(n)$$

[Theorem 5.5-1]

If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are n independent normal variables with means $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n$ and variances $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2$, respectively, then $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i$ has the normal distribution

$$Y \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sigma_i^2\right)$$

[Corollary 5.5-1]

If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is a random sample of size n from the normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then the sample mean \overline{X} has the following distribution \mathbb{Z} \mathbb{Z}

$$E[X] = U$$

$$\overline{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) \Leftrightarrow \frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1) \quad P(\frac{\Delta}{6/\sqrt{n}}) \Leftrightarrow \frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \Leftrightarrow$$

Definition

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be independent and identically distributed with mean μ and σ^2 . Then the sample variance is defined as

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i - \overline{X})^2, \qquad E(S^2) = \sigma^2.$$

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Theorem 5.5-2, page 202

[Theorem 5.5-2]

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be random sample of size n from the normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ with $\sigma^2 > 0$. Then the sample mean $\overline{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ and the sample variance $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \overline{X})^2$ are independent, and

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{X_i - \overline{X}}{\sigma}\right)^2 \sim \chi^2(n-1)$$

 $\frac{(n+1)s^2}{6^2} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(\frac{N-1}{6} \right) \sim \sqrt{(n-1)}$

The independence of \overline{X} and S^2 is not proved here but deferred to Section 6.7 on page 294, and we only prove the second part.

Proof of Theorem 5.5-2, page 202

Following the proof of $E(S^2) = \sigma^2$, we have $E[S^2] = G^2$

$$\frac{n-1}{\sigma^2}S^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{n}{Z} \left(\frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{Z} \left(\frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2$$

$$W = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{X_i - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2, \quad Z = \frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

Then

Now let

$$W = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} + Z^2$$

$$W = \frac{(H)}{6^2} S^2 + Z^2$$

Further note that $W \sim \chi^2(n), Z^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$, and moreover, S^2 and \overline{X} are independent by assumption.

$$W_{\gamma}(n)$$
 $Z_{\gamma}(1)$

Proof of Theorem 5.5-2, page 202

Note that $W \sim \chi^2(n), Z^2 \sim \chi^2(1), S^2$ and \overline{X} are independent

$$E[e^{tw}] = E[e^{t(\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} + Z^2)}] = E[e^{t\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}}]E[e^{tZ^2}]$$

$$(1-2t)^{-\frac{n}{2}} = E[e^{t\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}}] \cdot (1-2t)^{-\frac{1}{2}}, \quad t < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow E[e^{t\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}}] = (1-2t)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}}, \quad t < \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$$

A remark

Combining Corollary 5.4-3 and Thm 5.5-2 leads to the observation:

If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is a random sample of size n from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{X_{i} - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^{2} \sim \chi^{2}(n), \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{X_{i} - \overline{X}}{\sigma}\right)^{2} \sim \chi^{2}(n-1)$$

When the mean μ is replaced by the sample mean \overline{X} , one degree of freedom is lost.

This is because there is an additional constraint

$$\overline{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$$

Example 5.5-3, page 204

Let X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 be a random sample of size 4 from the normal distribution N(76.4, 383).

$$\sum_{i=1}^{4} \frac{(X_i - 76.4)^2}{383} \sim \chi^2(4), \quad \sum_{i=1}^{4} \frac{(X_i - \overline{X})^2}{383} \sim \chi^2(3)$$

Student's t Distribution

[Theorem 5.5-3]

Let

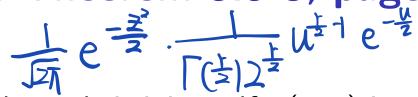
$$T = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{U/r}}, \quad f(t) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2})}} \cdot \frac{1}{(1+\frac{1}{r})^{\frac{r}{2}}}$$

where $Z \sim N(0,1)$, $U \sim \chi^2(r)$, and Z and U are independent. Then T has a student's t distribution

$$f(t) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{r+1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi r}\Gamma(\frac{r}{2})} \frac{1}{(1+\frac{t^2}{r})^{\frac{r+1}{2}}}, \quad t \in (-\infty,\infty),$$

where r is called the degrees of freedom, and we simply write $T \sim t(r)$.

Sketch of the Proof of Theorem 5.5-3, page 204



Since Z and U are independent, their joint pdf g(z, u) is

$$g(z,u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{r}{2})2^{\frac{r}{2}}} u^{\frac{r}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{u}{2}}, \quad z \in R, u \in [0,\infty)$$

1. The cdf of T, F(t) is

$$F(t) = P(T \le t) = P\left(\frac{Z}{\sqrt{\frac{U}{r}}} \le t\right) = P\left(Z \le \sqrt{\frac{U}{r}}t\right)$$

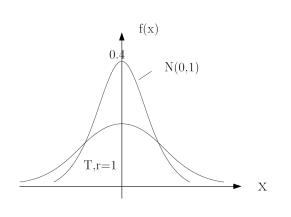
2. The pdf of T,

$$f(t) = F'(t)$$

Student's t Distribution: Heavy-tailed Distribution

Student's t distribution is a heavy tailed distribution

Standard normal distribution:



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

Students' t distribution with r = 1:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}, \quad x \in (-\infty, \infty)$$

Therefore, Student's t distribution is a better choice than the normal distribution when the data contains outliers.

A Student's t RV based on Random Samples from Normal Distribution

By using the result of Corollary 5.5-1 and Theorems 5.5-2 and

5.5-3, we can construct an important student's t random variable.

Assume that X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is a random sample of size n from a

normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.

A Student's t RV based on Random Samples from

Normal Distribution

$$Z = \frac{x-u}{6/m}$$
 $U = \frac{(n-1) S^2}{6^2}$

Let

$$Z = \frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}, \quad U = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}$$

$$Z \sim N(0.1) \quad U \sim \chi^2 (\gamma - 1)$$

Then $Z \sim N(0,1)$ and $U \sim \chi^2(n-1)$. Since Z and U are independent, then

$$T = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{U/(n-1)}} = \frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t(n-1)$$

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Section 5.6 The Central Limit Theorem

Motivation

Let \overline{X} be the sample mean of a random sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n of size n from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Then for any n,

$$\frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1) \Longleftrightarrow \overline{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) \Longleftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$$

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The result can be extended to more general random distributions:

as
$$n \to \infty$$
, the sequence $\frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ converges to $N(0,1)$ in some sense,

which concerns the topic of convergence of sequence of random

variables!

Convergence of Sequence of Numbers

Definition

A sequence of numbers a_1 , a_2 , ... is said to converge to a limit a if

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}a_n=a.$$

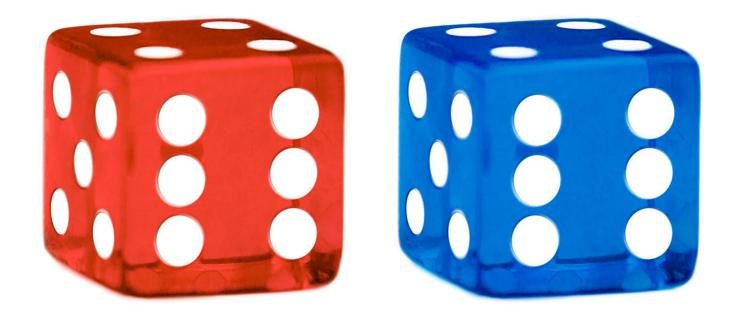
That is, for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|a_n - a| < \epsilon$$
, for all $n > N$.

How to define convergence of sequence of random variables?

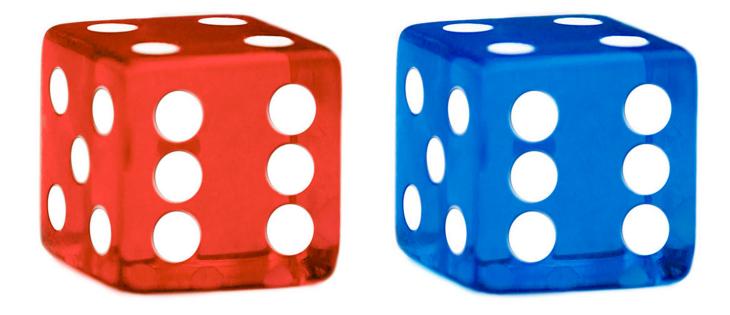
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- probability
- mathematical expectation

Convergence in Distribution

Definition

A sequence of random variables $Z_1, Z_2, ...$ is said to converge in distribution, or converge weakly, or converge in law to a random variable Z, denoted by $Z_n \stackrel{d}{\to} Z$, if

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} F_n(z) = F(z),$$

for every number $z \in R$ at which F(z) is continuous, where $F_n(z)$ and F(z) are the cdfs of random variables Z_n and Z, respectively.

Remark

For a given z at which F(z) is continuous, let

$$a_n = F_n(z) = P(Z_n \leq z)$$

$$a = F(z) = P(Z \le z)$$

The convergence in distribution of sequence of random variables

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} F_n(z) = F(z),$$

can be interpreted as the convergence of sequence of numbers

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}a_n=a,$$

that is, for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|P(Z_n \le z) - P(Z \le z)| < \epsilon$$
, for all $n > N$.



Example 1

Let $Z_2, Z_3 \cdots$ be a sequence of random variables such that

$$F_{Z_n}(z) = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} 1 - \left(1 - rac{1}{n}\right)^{nz}, & z > 0 \\ 0, & z \leq 0 \end{array}
ight.$$

Then prove that Z_n converges in distribution to exponential distribution with $\theta=1$, whose cdf F(z)=0 for $z\leq 0$ and $F(z)=1-e^{-z}$ for z>0.

Example 1

For
$$z \leq 0$$
, $F_{Z_n}(z) = F(z)$, for $n = 2, \cdots$.

For z > 0, we have

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} F_{Z_n}(z) = 1 - \lim_{n\to\infty} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{nz} = 1 - e^{-z} = F(z)$$

Central Limit Theorem (CLT), page 208

CLT

Let \overline{X} be the sample mean of the random sample of size n, X_1, X_2, \cdots, X_n from a distribution with a finite mean μ and a finite nonzero variance σ^2 , then as $n \to \infty$, the random variable $\frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ converges in distribution to N(0,1).

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- Practical use of CLT: for large n, $\frac{\overline{\chi}-\mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ can be approximated by N(0,1). $\overline{\chi} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$. $\overline{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$.
 - $\triangleright \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$ can be approximated by $N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$.

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For large n, the probabilities of events of $\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$, \overline{X} and $\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$ can be calculated approximately by treating them as if they are N(0,1), $N(\mu,\frac{\sigma^2}{n})$, and $N(n\mu,n\sigma^2)$, respectively, and by looking up tables of normal distributions.

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Recall that if $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$P(a \le Y \le b) = P(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma} \le \frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma} \le \frac{b - \mu}{\sigma})$$
$$= \Phi(\frac{b - \mu}{\sigma}) - \Phi(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma})$$

where $\Phi(\cdot)$ is the cdf of N(0,1)

Question

Let X_1, \dots, X_{25} be a random sample of size n = 25 from a distribution with mean 15 and variance 4.

Q1: Compute $P(14.4 < \overline{X} < 15.6)$ approximately ?

Q1: By CLT, \overline{X} approximately have $N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) = N(15, \frac{4}{25} = 0.4^2)$

$$P(14.4 < \overline{X} < 15.6) = P(\frac{14.4 - 15}{0.4} < \frac{X - 15}{0.4} < \frac{15.6 - 15}{0.4})$$

$$= \Phi(1.5) - \Phi(-1.5) = 0.9332 - (1 - 0.9332)$$

= 0.8664

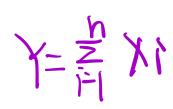
Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample of size n from the uniform

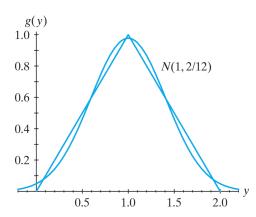
distribution U(0,1).

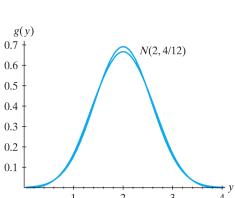
$$u = \frac{ath}{2}$$
 $6^2 = \frac{(ath)^2}{12}$

Recall its pdf, mean and variance are as follows:

$$f(x) = 1, \quad x \in [0, 1]. \quad E(X) = \mu = \frac{1}{2}, \quad Var(X) = \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{12}.$$







Consider $Y = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$. Our goal is to check the difference between the pdf of Y and the pdf of its approximation $N(n\mu, n\sigma^2)$ from CLT.

ightharpoonup check n=2, pdf of Y,

$$g(y) = \begin{cases} y, & y \in [0, 1] \\ 2 - y, & y \in [1, 2] \end{cases}$$
pdf of $N(2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}, 2 \cdot \frac{1}{12}) = N(1, \frac{1}{6})$

ightharpoonup check n=4.

We sketch the derivation of the pdf of Y for n = 2.

Clearly, the joint pdf of (X_1, X_2) is

$$f(x_1, x_2) = 1, \quad 0 < x_1 < 1, \ 0 < x_2 < 1.$$

- 1. cdf of Y, $G(y) = P(Y \le y) = P(X_1 + X_2 \le y)$
- 2. pdf of Y, g(y) = G'(y) at which G(y) is differentiable

$$\chi = \chi_1 + \chi_2$$

$$\int_0^{1} dx_1 \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{1} \right) \frac{1}{1} dx_2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1}$$

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$$x_1 + x_2 \leq y$$
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 $y = 4$
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$$f(x_1, x_2) = f(x_1) f(x_2) = 1$$

$$0 < x_1 < 1 \qquad x_1 + x_2 = Y$$

$$0 < x_2 < 1 \qquad Sy e(0, 2)$$

Case D.
$$D<\gamma<1$$

$$G(\gamma) = P(x_1+x_2 \leq \gamma) = \int_0^{\gamma} dx_1 \int_0^{\gamma-x_1} dx_2$$

Case (2)
$$|xy| \ge y$$
 $0 < x_1 < 1$
 $0 < x_2 < 1$
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