### NUS ST2334 Final Cheat Sheet

# Counting and Probability

#### Permutation

order is taken into consideration

 $_{n}P_{r} = n(n-1)(n-2)\cdots(n-(r-1)) = n!/(n-r)!$ When not all objects are distinct,  $nP_{n_1,n_2,\dots,n_k} = \frac{n!}{n_1!n_2!\dots n_k!}$ . In circle: (n-1)!

#### Combination

order not considered.  $\left( \begin{array}{c} n \\ r \end{array} \right) = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$ 

#### Axioms of Probability

Axiom 1:  $0 \le Pr(A) \le 1$ Axiom 2: Pr(S) = 1

**Axiom 3**: If  $A_1, A_2, \cdots$  are mutually exclusive (disjoint) events, then

 $\Pr\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Pr\left(A_i\right)$ 

#### Inclusion-Exclusion Principle

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr\left(A_{1} \cup A_{2} \cup \dots \cup A_{n}\right) \\ & = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Pr\left(A_{i}\right) - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} \Pr\left(A_{i} \cap A_{j}\right) \\ & + \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^{n} \Pr\left(A_{i} \cap A_{j} \cap A_{k}\right) \\ & - \dots + (-1)^{n+1} \Pr\left(A_{1} \cap A_{2} \cap \dots \cap A_{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$

#### The Law of Total Probability

Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  be a partition of the sample space S. That is  $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n$  are mutually exclusive and exhaustive events such that  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = S$ . Then for any event B  $\Pr(B) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Pr(B \cap A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Pr(A_i) \Pr(B|A_i)$ 

#### Bayes' Theorem

Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$  be a partition of the sample space S. Then

 $\Pr(A_k|B) = \frac{\Pr(A_k)\Pr(B|A_k)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n}\Pr(A_i)\Pr(B|A_i)}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, n$ . Or  $\Pr\left(A_k|B\right) = \frac{\Pr(A_k)\Pr(B|A_k)}{\Pr(B)}$ 

### Independence

Independent Events:

Two events A and B are independent iff

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

Pairwise Independence: A set of events  $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n$  are pairwise independent iff  $\Pr(A_i \cap A_i) = \Pr(A_i) \Pr(A_i)$  for  $i \neq j$  and  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ 

Mutual Independence:

A set of events  $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n$  are mutually independent iff for any subset  $\{A_{i1}, A_{i2}, \cdots, A_{ik}\}$  of

 $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n,$  $\Pr\left(A_{i_1} \cap A_{i_2} \cap \cdots \cap A_{i_k}\right) =$  $\Pr(A_{i_1})\Pr(A_{i_2})\cdots\Pr(A_{i_k})$ 

Note: their complements are also mutually independent.

# Concepts of Random Variables

# Probability (Mass) Function

The probability of  $X = x_i$  denoted by  $f(x_i)$  (i.e.  $f(x_i) = \Pr(X = x_i)$ , must satisfy the following two conditions.

(1)  $f(x_i) \geq 0$  for all  $x_i$ .  $(2)\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \overline{f}(x_i) = 1$ 

#### **Probability Density Function**

Let X be a **continuous** random variable. (1)  $f(x) \ge 0$  for all  $x \in R_X$ (2)  $\int_{R_X} f(x) dx = 1$  or  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$ since  $\hat{f}(x) = 0$  for x not in  $R_X$ (3) For any c and d such that c < d,  $(i.e.(c,d) \subset$  $\mathbf{R}_X$ ),  $\Pr(c \leq X \leq d) = \int_c^d f(x) dx$ 

#### **Cumulative Distribution Function**

Defined as:  $F(x) = \Pr(X \le x)$ If X is a **discrete** random variable, then its c.d.f is a step function:  $F(x) = \sum_{t < x} f(t) = \sum_{t < x} \Pr(X = t)$ If X is a **continuous** random variable, then  $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(t)dt$ 

For a **continuous** random variable X,  $f(x) = \frac{dF(x)}{dx}$ if the derivative exists.

#### Mean

Discrete random variable:

 $\mu_X = E(X) = \sum_i x_i f(x_i) = \sum_x x f(x)$ Continuous random variable:

 $\mu_X = E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f(x) dx$ 

For any function g(X),

(a)  $E[g(X)] = \sum_{x} g(x)f_X(x)$ (b)  $E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f_X(x)dx$ 

Property: E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b

 $E[a_1g_1(X) + a_2g_2(X) + \cdots + a_kg_k(X)]$  $= a_1 E[g_1(X)] + a_2 E[g_2(X)] + \dots + a_k E[g_k(X)]$ 

 $\sigma_X^2 = V(X) = E\left[ (X - \mu_X)^2 \right]$  $= \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \sum_{x} \left(x - \mu_{X}\right)^{2} f_{X}(x), & \text{if } X \text{ is discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(x - \mu_{X}\right)^{2} f_{X}(x) dx, & \text{if } X \text{ is continuous.} \end{array} \right.$ 

(a)  $V(X) \ge 0$ 

(b)  $V(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$ 

(c) Standard deviation is the positive square root of the variance.

Property: $V(aX + b) = a^2V(X)$ 

#### Moment

The **k-th moment** of X is defined by  $E(X^k)$ .

# Chebyshev's Inequality

Let X be a random variable (discrete or continuous, with any distribution with finite mean and var) with  $E(X) = \mu$  and  $V(X) = \sigma^2$ . For any k > 0,  $\Pr(|X - \mu| \ge k\sigma) \le 1/k^2$ 

That is, the probability that the value of X lies at least k standard deviation from its mean is at most  $\frac{1}{h^2}$ . Alternatively,  $\Pr(|X - \mu| < k\sigma) \ge 1 - 1/k^2$ 

#### Discrete vs. Continuous 2D-RVs

**Discrete**: the possible values of (X(s), Y(s)) are finite or countably infinite.

Continuous: the possible values of (X(s), Y(s)) can assume all values in some region of the Euclidean plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

# Joint Probability Function (discrete)

 $f_{X,Y}(x_i, y_i)$  represents  $Pr(X = x_i, Y = y_i)$  and satisfies the following conditions:  $\begin{array}{l} 1. \ \ f_{X,Y}(x_i,y_j) \geq 0 \ \ \text{for all} \ \ (x_i,y_j) \in R_{X,Y}. \\ 2. \ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f_{X,Y} \ (x_i,y_j) = \\ \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \Pr\left(X = x_i, Y = y_j\right) = 1 \end{array}$ The function  $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$  is called the **joint** probability function for (X, Y).

$$\Pr((X,Y) \in A) = \underbrace{\sum \sum}_{(x,y) \in A} f_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

## Joint Probability Density Function

 $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$  (continuous) satisfies the following

(1)  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) \ge 0$  for all  $(x,y) \in R_{X,Y}$ (2)  $\iint_{(x,y)\in R_{X,Y}} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy = 1$ 

 $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy = 1$ 

#### Marginal Probability Distribution

Discrete:

 $f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X,Y}(x,y)$  and  $f_Y(y) = \sum_{x}^{g} f_{X,Y}(x,y)$ Continuous:  $f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy$  and  $f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx$ 

#### Conditional Distribution

The conditional distribution of Y given that X = x is given by  $f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_{X}(x)}$ , if  $f_{X}(x) > 0$ for each x within the range of X. Vice versa for X given Y.

#### Independent Random Variables

Random variables X and Y are independent iff  $f_{X,Y}(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$  for all x and y. This can be extended to n random variables where  $n \geq 2$ .

#### Expectation

E[q(X,Y)] = $\begin{cases} \sum_{x} \sum_{y} g(x,y) f_{X,Y}(x,y), & \text{discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x,y) f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy, & \text{cont.} \end{cases}$ 

#### Covariance

Let (X,Y) be a bivariate random vector with joint p.f. (or p.d.f.)  $f_{X,Y}(x,y)$  then the covariance of (X,Y) is defined as

 $Cov(X,Y) = E[(x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y)] =$  $\begin{cases} \sum_{x} \sum_{y} (x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y) f_{X,Y}(x,y), \text{ discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y) f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx dy, \text{ cont.} \end{cases}$ 

Remarks: 1.  $Cov(X, Y) = E(XY) - \mu_x \mu_y$ 2. If X and Y are independent, Cov(X,Y) is 0. The converse may not be true.

3. Cov(aX + b, cY + d) = acCov(X, Y)4.  $V(aX + bY) = a^2V(X) + b^2V(Y) + 2abCov(X, Y)$ 

#### Correlation Coefficient

It measures the degree of linear relationship between X and Y.  $-1 \le \rho_{X,Y} \le 1$ .

The correlation coefficient of X and Y, denoted by  $Cor(X,Y), \rho_{X,Y}$  or  $\rho$ , is defined by  $\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X,Y)}{\sqrt{V(X)}\sqrt{V(Y)}}$ 

# Special Distributions

# Discrete Uniform Distribution

 $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{k}$ ,  $forx = x_1, x_2, ..., x_k$ , and 0 otherwise.

#### Bernoulli Distribution

Bernoulli Experiment: a random experiment with only two possible outcomes, say "success" or "failure"

Bernoulli Distribution: A random variable X is defined to have a Bernoulli distribution if the probability function of X is given by  $f_X(x) = p^x (1-p)^{1-x}, x = 0, 1, \text{ and } 0 \text{ otherwise.}$  Pr(X=1) = p and Pr(X=0) = 1 - p = q.

Mean:  $\mu = E(X) = p$ **Variance**:  $\sigma^2 = V(X) = p(1 - p) = pq$ 

#### **Binomial Distribution**

 $X \sim B(n, p)$ , if the probability function of X is:  $\Pr(X = x) = f_X(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} = \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{n-x}$ 

for x = 0, 1, ..., n and 0 and <math>q = 1 - p. X is the number of successes that occur in n independent Bernoulli trials.

Mean:  $\mu = E(X) = np$ 

Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(X) = np(1-p) = npq$ 

#### **Negative Binomial Distribution**

Let X be a random variable represents the number of trials to produce the k successes in a sequence of independent Bernoulli trials. The random variable X is said to follow a Negative Binomial distribution with parameters k and p (i.e. NB(k, p)). The probability function of X is given by

$$\Pr(X = x) = f_X(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x - 1 \\ k - 1 \end{pmatrix} p^k q^{x-k}$$
  
for  $x = k, k+1, k+2, \cdots$ 

Mean:  $\mu = E(X) = \frac{k}{n}$ 

Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(X) = \frac{(1-p)k}{r^2}$ 

#### Geometric Distribution

The number of trials that are required to have the first success is known to follow geometric **distribution**. Let X be the number of attempts necessary for the first success. Therefore X follows a Negative Binomial Distribution with parameters k = 1 and p. (or X follows a Geometric Distribution with p = p). That is  $X \sim NB(1, p)$  or  $X \sim Geom(p)$ .

#### Poisson Distribution

 $f_X(x) = \Pr(X = x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda_X x}}{x!}$  for  $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \cdots$ Mean:  $\mu = E(X) = \lambda$ 

Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(X) = \lambda$ 

# Poisson approx. to Binomial Dist.

Let  $X \sim B(n, p)$ . Suppose that  $n \to \infty$  and  $p \to 0$ such that  $\lambda = np$  stays constant. Then  $X \sim P(np)$ approximately. That is

 $\lim_{p\to 0} \Pr(X=x) = \frac{e^{-np}(np)^x}{x!}$ 

Remark: If p is close to 1, we can interchange success and failure to make p close to zero.

#### Continuous Uniform Distribution

 $X \sim U(a,b)$  over an interval [a,b] if  $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$ , for  $a \le x \le b$ , and 0 otherwise.

(a.k.a. rectangular distribution) **Mean**:  $\mu = E(X) = \frac{a+b}{2}$ 

Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(X) = \frac{1}{12}(b-a)^2$ 

### **Exponential Distribution**

 $f_X(x) = \alpha e^{-\alpha x}$ , parameter  $\alpha > 0$  and x > 0; 0 otherwise.  $X \sim Exp(\alpha)$ 

(frequently used as a model for the distribution of times between the occurrence of successive events)

**Mean**:  $\mu = E(X) = \frac{1}{2}$ Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(X) = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$ 

**OR**:  $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\mu} e^{-x/\mu}$ , for x > 0

Mean:  $\mu = E(X) = \mu$ 

Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(X) = \mu^2$ 

No Memory Property: for any two positive numbers s and t, Pr(X > s + t | X > s) = Pr(X > t)**Upper-tailed cdf**:  $Pr(X > x) = e^{-ax}$ , for x > 0

#### Normal Distribution

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$
 denoted by  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ 

#### Standardised Normal Distribution If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , and if $Z = \frac{(X-\mu)}{\sigma}$ , then

#### \* Linear Interpolation (e.g.)

Let Pr(Z > a) = 0.12. From the normal table, we have Pr(Z > 1.17) = 0.121 and  $Pr(Z \ge 1.18) = 0.119$ . Hence,  $\frac{a-1.17}{1.18-1.17} = \frac{0.12-0.121}{0.119-0.121} \Rightarrow a = 1.175$ 

# Normal approx. to Binomial Dist.

When  $n \to \infty$  and  $p \to 1/2$ . Rule of thumb: use this only when np > 5 and n(1-p) > 5. If  $X \sim B(n, p)$   $(\mu = np, \sigma^2 = np(1-p))$ , as  $n \to \infty$ ,  $Z = \frac{X - np}{\sqrt{npq}}$  is approximately  $\sim N(0,1)$ 

#### **Continuity Correction**

(for norm. approx. to binom.)

- (a)  $Pr(X = k) \approx Pr(k 1/2 < X < k + 1/2)$
- (b)  $\Pr(a < X < b) \approx \Pr(a + 1/2 < X < b + 1/2)$
- (c)  $\Pr(X < c) = \Pr(0 < X < c) \approx \Pr(-1/2 < X < c)$
- (d)  $\Pr(X > c) = \Pr(c < X < n) \approx \Pr(c + 1/2 < X < n)$ n + 1/2

# Sampling

#### Sample Mean

If  $(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$  represent a random sample of size n, then the sample mean is defined by the statistic  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$ 

### Sampling Dist. of Sample Mean

For random samples of size n taken from an inf. pop. or from a finite pop. with replacement having pop. mean  $\mu$  and pop. s.d.  $\sigma$ , the sampling distribution of

the sample mean  $\bar{X}$ :  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = \mu_X$  and  $\sigma_{\bar{Y}}^2 = \frac{\sigma_X^2}{r}$ 

### Law of Large Numbers

Let  $(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$  be a random sample of size nfrom a population having any distribution with mean  $\mu$  and finite population variance  $\sigma^2$ . Then for any  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}, P(|\bar{X} - \mu| > \epsilon) \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty$ 

#### Central Limit Theorem

Let  $(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$  be a random sample of size n from a population having any distribution with mean  $\mu$  and finite population variance  $\sigma^2$ . The sampling distribution of the sample mean  $\bar{X}$  is approximately normal with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$  if n is sufficiently large (Rule of thumb: at least 30).  $\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$ 

#### Sampling distribution of the difference of two sample means

If independent samples of sizes  $n_1(>30)$  and  $n_2(\geq 30)$  are drawn from two populations, with means  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  and variances  $\sigma_1^2$  and  $\sigma_2^2$ , respectively, then the sampling distribution of the differences of the sample means,  $\bar{X_1}$  and  $\bar{X_2}$ , is approximately normally distributed with mean and standard deviation given by

$$\mu_{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2} = \mu_1 - \mu_2 \text{ and } \sigma_{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$$

#### Chi-square Distribution

 $Y \sim \chi^2(n)$  with n degrees of freedom (n is a positive

Mean:  $\mu = E(Y) = n$ 

- Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(Y) = 2n$
- (1) For large n,  $\chi^2(n)$  approx  $\sim N(n, 2n)$ (2) If  $Y_1, Y_2, ..., Y_k$  are **independent** chi-square
- random variables with  $n_1, n_2, ..., n_k$  degrees of freedom respectively, then  $\sum_{i=1}^{k} Y_i \sim \chi^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^{k} n_i \right)$

#### Theorem regarding Chi-square and random sample

1. If  $X \sim N(0, 1)$ , then  $X^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$ . 2. Let  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then  $[(x - \mu)/\sigma]^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$ . 3. Let  $(X_1, X_2, ..., X_n)$  be a random sample of size nfrom a normal population with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ . Define  $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}$ . Then  $Y \sim \chi^2(n)$ 

#### Sample Variance

Let  $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$  be a random sample from a population. Sample variance:  $S^{2} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_{i} - \bar{X})^{2}$ 

# Sampling distribution of $(n-1)S^2/\sigma^2$

If  $S^2$  is the variance of a random sample of size ntaken from a normal population having the variance  $\sigma^2$ , then

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$$

#### t-distribution

Suppose  $Z\sim N(0,1),$  and  $U\sim \chi^2(n).$  If Z and U are independent, then let  $T=\frac{Z}{\sqrt{U/n}}\sim t(n)$ 

(t-distribution with n degrees of freedom)

Mean:  $\mu = E(T) = 0$ 

Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(T) = n/(n-2)$  for n > 2Remark: If the random sample was selected from a

normal population, then  $Z = \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$  and  $U = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$ 

It can be shown that  $\bar{X}$  and  $S^2$  are independent, and so are Z and U. Therefore.

$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)/(\sigma/\sqrt{n})}{\sqrt{\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}/(n-1)}}$$

$$= \frac{Z}{\sqrt{U/(n-1)}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

T (t-value) has a t-distribution with n-1 d.f..

#### F-distribution

Let U and V be independent random variables having  $\chi^2(n_1)$  and  $\chi^2(n_2)$ , respectively, then the distribution of the random variable,  $F = \frac{U/n_1}{V/n_2}$  is called an F-distribution with  $(n_1, n_2)$  degrees of freedom. Its p.d.f.  $f_F(x) > 0$  for x > 0 and 0

**Mean**:  $\mu = E(X) = n_2/(n_2 - 2)$  with  $n_2 > 2$ 

Variance:  $\sigma^2 = V(X) = \frac{2n_2^2(n_1+n_2-2)}{n_1(n_2-2)^2(n_2-4)}$  with  $n_2 > 4$ 

#### Remarks:

(1) Suppose that random samples of sizes  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ are selected from two normal populations with variances  $\sigma_1^2$  and  $\sigma_2^2$  respectively.

$$U = \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2}{\sigma_1^2} \sim \chi^2 (n_1 - 1)$$

$$V = \frac{(n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{\sigma_2^2} \sim \chi^2 (n_2 - 1)$$

are independent random variables. Therefore,

$$F = \frac{U/(n_1 - 1)}{V/(n_2 - 1)} = \frac{\frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2/\sigma_1^2}{(n_1 - 1)}}{\frac{(n_2 - 1)S_2^2/\sigma_2^2}{(n_2 - 1)}}$$

$$S_*^2/\sigma_*^2$$

 $= \frac{S_1^2/\sigma_1^2}{S_2^2/\sigma_2^2} \sim F(n_1 - 1, n_2 - 1)$ 

(2) If  $\bar{F} \sim F(n, m)$ , then  $1/F \sim F(m, n)$ . (3)  $F(n_1, n_2; 1 - \alpha) = 1/F(n_2, n_1; \alpha)$  (useful for

# statistical table)

#### Estimation based on NormDist. Unbiased Estimator

A statistic  $\widehat{\Theta}$  is an unbiased estimator of parameter  $\theta$ if  $E(\widehat{\Theta}) = \theta$ . E.g.:  $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$ ,  $E(S^2) = \sigma^2$ 

#### Margin of Error e

We want  $\Pr(|\bar{X} - \mu| \le e) \ge 1 - \alpha$ .  $e \geq z_{\alpha/2} \left( \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$  . Hence, for a given margin of error e,the sample size is given by  $n \geq (z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\epsilon})^2$ 

#### Confidence Interval

Suppose  $(\widehat{\Theta}_L, \widehat{\Theta}_U)$  and  $Pr(\widehat{\Theta}_L < \theta < \widehat{\Theta}_U) = 1 - \alpha$ . Then this interval is called a  $(1 - \alpha)100\%$ **confidence interval** for  $\theta$ .  $(1-\alpha)$  is called confidence coefficient or degree of confidence. 3 conditions: A. normal distributions; B. other parameters known; C. large sample sizes

# One sample; CI for pop. mean $\mu$

(1) B(known  $\sigma^2$ ) AND (A OR C): Test statistic:  $Z = \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$ 

 $(1-\alpha)100\%$  (same below) CI:  $\bar{X} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ 

(2)  $\neg B(\text{unknown }\sigma^2)$  AND A: Test statistic:  $T = \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t(n-1)$ CI: $\bar{X} \pm t_{n-1;\alpha/2} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$ 

(3)  $\neg B(\mathbf{unknown} \ \sigma^2) \ \mathbf{AND} \ \mathbf{C}$ : Test statistic:  $T = \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)}{S/\sqrt{n}} \ \mathrm{approx} \sim N(0, 1)$ CI:  $\bar{X} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$ 

# Two indep. samples; CI for diff. b/w

(1) B(known and unequal  $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2$ ) AND (A OR

Test statistic:  $T = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2 - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\sigma_1^2/n_1 + \sigma_2^2/n_2}} \sim N(0, 1)$ 

CI: 
$$\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2 \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$$

(2)  $\neg B(\text{unknown } \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2) \text{ AND } \mathbf{C}$ Same as (1), just replace  $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2$  with  $S_1^2, S_2^2$ 

(3)  $\neg B(\text{unknown but } \mathbf{EQUAL} \ \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2) \ \mathbf{\tilde{A}ND} \ \mathbf{A}$ : Test statistic:  $T = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2 - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{S_p^2 (1/n_1 + 1/n_2)}} \sim t(n_1 + n_2 - 2)$ 

where  $\sigma_2$  can be estimated by the pooled sample variance:  $S_p^2 = \frac{(n_1-1)S_1^2 + (n_2-1)S_2^2}{n_1+n_2-2}$ 

CI:  $\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2 \pm t_{n_1 + n_2 - 2; \alpha/2} \sqrt{S_p^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)}$  (note: for large sample sizes, replace  $t_{n_1+n_2-2;\alpha/2}$  by  $z_{\alpha/2}$ .

#### Two paired /dep. samples; CI for diff. b/w 2 means

[Just treat the differences as a sample itself] (1) ¬B AND A:

Test statistic:  $T = \frac{\bar{X}_D - \mu_D}{S_D / \sqrt{n}} \sim t(n-1)$ CI:  $\bar{X}_D \pm t_{n-1;\alpha/2} \frac{S_D}{\sqrt{n}}$ 

(2) ¬B AND C:

Test statistic:  $T = \frac{\bar{X}_D - \mu_D}{S_D / \sqrt{n}}$  approx  $\sim N(0, 1)$ CI:  $\bar{X}_D \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{S_D}{\sqrt{n}}$ 

# One sample; CI for pop. variance $\sigma^2$

[note: for  $\sigma$ , just take square roots on both ends of

(1) B(known  $\mu$ ) AND A:

Test statistic:  $T = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i - \mu)^2}{2} \sim \chi^2(n)$ 

CI: 
$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i - \mu)^2}{\chi_{n;\alpha/2}^2} < \sigma^2 < \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_i - \mu)^2}{\chi_{n;1-\alpha/2}^2}$$
(2)  $\neg B(\text{unknown } \mu) \text{ AND } A$ :

Test statistic: 
$$T = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$$
  
CI:  $\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{n-1;\alpha/2}} < \sigma^2 < \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{n-1;1-\alpha/2}}$ 

#### Two indep. samples; CI for ratio of 2 variances

[note: for  $\sigma_1/\sigma_2$ , just take square roots on both ends

(1)  $\neg B$  (unknown means) AND A:

Test statistic:  $T = \frac{S_1^2/\sigma_1^2}{S_2^2/\sigma_2^2} \sim F(n_1 - 1, n_2 - 1)$ CI:  $\frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} \frac{1}{F_{n_1-1,n_2-1;\alpha/2}} < \frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2} < \frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} F_{n_2-1,n_1-1;\alpha/2}$ 

# Hypothesis Testing

#### Errors

**Type I Error**: Pr(reject  $H_0$  given  $H_0$  is true) =  $\alpha$ . i.e.  $Pr(Type\ I\ error) = level\ of\ significance$ **Type II Error**:  $Pr(\mathbf{do} \ \mathbf{not} \ reject \ H_0 \ given \ H_0 \ is$ false) =  $Pr(Accept H_0 \text{ given } H_1) = \beta$ . [Note: Pr(reject  $H_0$  given  $H_0$  is false) =  $1 - \beta$  is called the **power** of the test].

# Steps of Hypo-testing

**Step 1**: Let  $\mu$  be the mean of ... Test  $H_0: \mu = x$  against  $H_1: \mu \neq x$ .

Step 2: Set  $\alpha = 0.05$ 

Step 3: State the test statistic used e.g.

$$Z = \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu_0)}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$$

 $z_{\alpha/2} = z_{0.025} = 1.96$  (Refer to previous sections to choose appropriate test statistic)

State the critical region(s). (Remember to halve  $\alpha$ for two-tailed tests)

Step 4: Substitute in values and calculate the value of the test statistic. z = ... = y.

[OR:  $H_0$  is accepted if confidence interval covers  $\mu_0$ OR: p-value approach:  $H_0$  is rejected if p-value  $\langle \alpha \rangle$ Step 5: Conclusion: : observed z value = y falls inside critical region,  $H_0$  is rejected at 5% level of sig.

#### p-value

Probability of obtaining a test statistic more extreme than the observed sample value given  $H_0$  is true. Also called observed level of significance. (Remember to multiply probability by 2 for two-tailed tests)

### F-test for variance ratio/equality

Under  $H_0: \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$ ,  $F = \frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} \sim F(n_1 - 1, n_2 - 1)$ ,

hence the **test statistic** is  $F = \frac{S_1^2}{c^2}$ .

 $H_0: \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$  is rejected if:  $H_1: \sigma_1^2/\sigma_2^2 \neq 1$ ,

$$\begin{split} &F < F_{n_1-1,n_2-1;1-\alpha/2} \text{ or } F > F_{n_1-1,n_2-1;\alpha/2} \\ &\mathbf{H}_1: \sigma_1^2/\sigma_2^2 > 1, \, F > F_{n_1-1,n_2-1;\alpha} \end{split}$$

 $\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{H}_1: \sigma_1^2/\sigma_2^2 < 1, \\ F < F_{n_1-1,n_2-1;1-\alpha} \left( = 1/F_{n_2-1,n_1-1;\alpha} \right) \end{array}$ 

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