



# Theory of Statistics I

Take Two

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# Part One

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# 1. Real Analysis Review

## 1.1 The Real Number System

### 1.1.1 Rationals

Start with integers as given.

**Definition 1.1.1 — Rational Numbers.** Rationals are numbers of the form  $\frac{m}{n}$ , for  $m, n$  integers,  $n \neq 0$  such that:

PR 1: The sum, difference, product, and ratio (division by 0 excluded) of any two rationals is a rational.

PR 2:  $p + q = q + p, pq = qp$  (Commutative Property)

PR 3:  $(p + q) + r = p + (q + r), (pq)r = p(qr)$ , (Associative Property)

PR 4:  $(p + q)r = pr + qr$  (Distributive Property)

PR 5:  $\forall$  two rationals  $p$  and  $q$  we have either  $p=q$ ,  $p < q$ , or  $q < p$  (Ordering Property)

PR 6: If  $p < q$  and  $q < r$ , then  $p < r$  (Transitivity of  $<$ )

PR 7: If  $p > 0$  and  $q > 0$ , then  $p + q > 0$  and  $pq > 0$

PR 8: If  $p < q$ , then  $p + r < q + r \forall r$

The rational number system is inadequate.

■ **Example 1.1** There is no rational number  $p$  that satisfies  $p^2 = 2$  ■

*Proof.* Suppose such a  $p$  existed, and so  $p = \frac{m}{n}$ . Note that  $m, n$  can be chosen so not both are even. Then we have,

$$m^2 = 2n^2$$

Thus,  $m^2$  is even, and hence  $m$  is even. (The square of an odd number is odd). Hence,  $m^2$  is divided by 4. So,  $2n^2$  is divisible by 4, or  $n^2$  is even which implies that  $n$  is even - **contradiction**. ■

This example can be used to show that we can have a set of rational numbers bounded from above but has no supremum.

■ **Example 1.2** Let  $A$  be the set of  $< 0$  rationals  $p$ , such that  $p^2 < 2$ . Let  $B$  be the set of  $> 0$  rationals  $p$ , such that  $p^2 > 2$ . Then  $A$  contains no largest number and  $B$  contains no smallest number.

■

*Proof.* If  $p \in A$ , choose a rational  $h$  such that,  $0 < h < 1$  and  $h < \frac{2-p^2}{2p+1}$  and set  $q = p + h$ . Then  $q$  is rational and

$$\begin{aligned} q^2 &= p^2 + (2p+h)h \\ &< p^2 + (2p+1)h \\ &< p^2 + (2-p^2) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

If  $p \in B$ , set

$$q = p - \frac{p^2 - 2}{2p} = \frac{p}{2} + \frac{1}{p}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} q^2 &= p^2 - (p^2 - 2) + \left(\frac{p^2 - 2}{2p}\right)^2 \\ &> p^2 - (p^2 - 2) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

■



An axiomatic treatment of the real number system uses PR1 - PR8 as axioms together with the "completeness axiom". The non-axiomatics treatment is due to Dedekind.

### 1.1.2 Sets and Subsets

If  $A$  is any set,  $x \in A$  means that  $x$  is a member of  $A$ , and  $x \notin A$  means  $x$  is not a member of  $A$ . A set  $B$  is a **subset** of  $A$  if for every  $x \in B$  we have  $x \in A$ , and we write  $A \subseteq B$ .  $B$  is a **proper subset** of  $A$ ,  $B \subset A$ , if there  $\exists x \in A$  with  $x \notin B$ . The **empty set** is denoted by  $\emptyset$ , and  $\emptyset \in A$ ,  $\forall$  other set  $A$ .

$A \cup B = B \cup A$  - union with commutative property

$A \cap B = B \cap A$  - intersection with commutative property

$$(A \cup B) \cup C = A \cup (B \cup C)$$

$(A \cap B) \cap C = A \cap (B \cap C)$  - associative property

$(A \cup B) \cap C = (A \cap C) \cup (B \cap C)$  - distributive property

$$(\cup A_i)^c = \cap A_i^c$$

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**Definition 1.1.2 — Dedekind Cuts.** A set  $\alpha$  of rational numbers is said to be a **cut** if

1.  $\alpha$  is a proper, but non-empty, subset of the rational numbers.
2. If  $p \in \alpha$  ( $p$  is rational), and  $q < p$  ( $q$  is rational) then  $q \in \alpha$
3. It contains no largest rational.

A cut of the form  $\alpha = \{p: p \text{ is rational and } p < r\}$  where  $r$  is rational are called **rational cuts** and are denoted by  $r^*$ .

The development of the real number system proceeds as follows:

First, the set of cuts is equipped with an order relation, and the operation of addition and multiplication and it will show that the resulting arithmetic satisfies PR 1 - PR 8.

If  $\alpha, \beta$  are cuts then,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha < \beta & \text{ if } \alpha \subset \beta \text{ and} \\ \alpha & \leq \beta \text{ if } \alpha \subseteq \beta \\ \alpha + \beta & = \{r : r = p + q \text{ for some } p \in \alpha, q \in \beta\} \\ (\alpha + 0^*) & = \alpha \end{aligned}$$

If  $\alpha + \beta = 0^*$ , write  $\beta = -\alpha$ . (It can be shown that  $\forall \alpha$  there is one and only one  $\beta$  such that  $\alpha + \beta = 0^*$ .)

$$|\alpha| = \begin{cases} \alpha, & \text{if } \alpha \geq 0^*, \\ -\alpha, & \text{if } \alpha < 0^*. \end{cases}$$

For  $\alpha \geq 0^*$  and  $\beta \geq 0^*$ ,

$$\alpha\beta = \{p: p \text{ rational such that either } p < 0 \text{ or } p = pq, \text{ for } q \in \alpha, r \in \beta \text{ with } q \geq 0 \text{ and } r \geq 0.\}$$

For general  $\alpha, \beta$ ,

$$\alpha\beta = \begin{cases} -(|\alpha||\beta|), & \text{if } \alpha < 0^*, \text{ and } \beta \geq 0^* \\ & \text{or if } \alpha \geq 0^* \text{ and } \beta < 0^* \\ |\alpha||\beta|, & \text{if } \alpha < 0^*, \text{ and } \beta < 0^* \end{cases}$$

If  $\alpha \neq 0^*$ , then  $\forall \beta$  there is one and only one  $\gamma$  such that  $\alpha\gamma = \beta$ , and this  $\gamma$  is denoted by  $\frac{\beta}{\alpha}$ . (In technical terms, we made the set of cuts an **ordered field**.)

Second, it is shown that replacing the set of rational numbers by the corresponding cuts preserves sums, products and order, ie,

1.  $p^* + q^* = (p + q)^*$
2.  $p^* q^* = (pq)^*$
3.  $p^* < q^*$  iff  $p < q$

In technical terms, the ordered field of rational numbers is **isomorphic** to that of rational events.

**Theorem 1.1.1 — Dedekind.** Let  $A, B$  be  $\subset \mathbb{R}$  such that,

- (a)  $A \cap B = \emptyset$
- (b)  $A \cup B = \mathbb{R}$
- (c) neither  $A$  nor  $B$  is empty
- (d) if  $\alpha \in A, \beta \in B$ , then  $\alpha < \beta$

Then there  $\exists \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha \leq \gamma, \forall \alpha \in A$  and  $\gamma \leq \beta, \forall \beta \in B$ .

*Proof.* First, suppose there are 2  $\gamma$ , say  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2$ . Take  $\gamma_3$  such that  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_3 < \gamma_2$ .

$$\gamma_3 < \gamma_2 \text{ implies that } \gamma_3 \in A$$

$\gamma_1 < \gamma_3$  implies that  $\gamma_3 \in B$

However, these implications contradict the disjointness (part (a)). Define  $\gamma = \{p: p \text{ rational such that } p \in A \text{ for some } \alpha \in A\}$ . The proof proceeds by showing that  $\gamma$  is a cut, and hence a real number that satisfies  $\alpha \leq \gamma$  for  $\alpha \in A$  and  $\gamma \leq \beta \forall \beta \in B$ . ■

**Corollary 1.1.2** If  $A, B$  are as in the theorem, then either  $A$  contains a largest number or  $B$  contains a smallest number.

**Corollary 1.1.3** Let  $E \neq \emptyset$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}$ . Then, if  $E$  is bounded above a supremum (least upper bound) exists.

*Proof.* Define

$$A = \{\alpha : \alpha < x \text{ for some } x \in E\}$$

$$B = A^c$$

Clearly, all members of  $B$  are upper bounds of  $E$ . It is sufficient to prove that  $B$  contains a smallest number, or, by Corollary 1, that  $A$  does not contain a largest number (and thus prove by contradiction). Indeed if  $\alpha \in A \exists$  an  $x \in E$  such that  $\alpha < x$ . But, by Property 1 (???) there  $\exists$  an  $\alpha'$  such that  $\alpha < \alpha' < x$  where  $\alpha' \in A$  (i.e. we can always find a larger  $\alpha$  so, since there is no largest  $\alpha$ , there MUST be a smallest  $\beta$ ). ■

**Theorem 1.1.4** Any real number admits a decimal expansion.

*Proof.* Let  $x > 0, x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Let  $n_0 = [x]$  ( $n$  largest integer  $< x$ ). Let  $n_1$  be the largest integer such that  $n_0 + \frac{n_1}{10} < x$ . Having defined  $n_0 \dots n_{k-1}$ , define  $n_k$  as the largest integer such that  $n_0 + \frac{n_1}{10} + \frac{n_2}{10^2} + \dots + \frac{n_k}{10^k} \leq x$ . Let  $E$  be the set of resulting numbers for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $x$  is the supremum of  $E$  and  $n_0, n_1, \dots$  is its **decimal expansion**. Conversely, any set of integers  $n_0, n_1, \dots$  defines a set of numbers,  $E$ , bounded above by  $n_0 + 1$ . ■

**Definition 1.1.3 — Extended Real Number System.**

$$\bar{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$$

### 1.1.3 Euclidean Space

**Definition 1.1.4 — Vector Space.** For any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ . Let  $\mathbb{R}^k$  be the set of ordered  $k$ -tuples.

$$\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_k) \text{ with } x_i \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\underline{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_k) \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\underline{x} + \underline{y} = (x_1 + y_1, \dots, x_k + y_k)$$

$$\alpha \underline{x} = (\alpha x_1, \dots, \alpha x_k)$$

Which makes  $\mathbb{R}^k$  a **vector space** over the **real field**.

**Definition 1.1.5 — Inner/Scalar/Dot Product.**

$$\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i y_i$$

**Definition 1.1.6 — Norm/Length.**

$$|\underline{x}| = (\underline{x}\underline{x})^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^k x_i^2}$$

**Definition 1.1.7 — Euclidean K-space.** The vector space  $\mathbb{R}^k$  with the inner product and norm is called **Euclidean k-space**.

**Theorem 1.1.5** For  $\underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^k, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

- a)  $|\underline{x}| \geq 0, |\underline{x}| = 0$  iff  $\underline{x} = \underline{0}$   
 $|\alpha \underline{x}| = |\alpha| |\underline{x}|$
- b) **Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality**  $|\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}| \leq |\underline{x}| |\underline{y}|$
- c) **Triangle Inequality**  $|\underline{x} + \underline{y}| \leq |\underline{x}| + |\underline{y}|$

## 1.2 Elements of Set Theory

**Definition 1.2.1** Let A, B be sets and suppose that to each  $x \in A$  there corresponds an elements of B denoted by  $f(x)$ . Then  $f$  is a **function** (or in more general space, mapping) from A (in)to B.

A is called the **domain** of  $f$ .  $f(x)$  is the **value** of  $f$  at  $x$ ,  $R(f) = \{f(x) : x \in A\}$  is the **range** of  $f$ .

**Definition 1.2.2 — Image.** If  $f$  is a function from A to B ( $A \rightarrow B$ ) and  $E \subseteq A$  we write  $f(E) = \{f(x) : x \in E\}$  and call it the **image** of E under  $f$ . If  $f(A) = B$ , then we say  $f$  maps A **onto** B.

**Definition 1.2.3 — Inverse Image.** Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  and  $E \subseteq B$ . We write  $f^{-1}(E) = \{x \in A : f(x) \in E\}$  and call it the **inverse image** of E **under**  $f$ . NB: If  $E = \{y\}, y \in B$  we also write  $f^{-1}(y)$  (versus  $f^{-1}(\{y\})$ ). If  $\forall y \in B$   $f^{-1}(y)$  consists of at most one element, then  $f$  is one to one mapping of A **into** B.

**Theorem 1.2.1** a)  $f^{-1}(A \cup B) = f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B)$

b)  $f(A \cup B) = f(A) \cup f(B)$

c)  $f^{-1}(A \cap B) = f^{-1}(A) \cap f^{-1}(B)$

Actually, these may be extended to arbitrary unions and intersections.

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}\right) = \bigcup_{\alpha} f^{-1}(A_{\alpha})$$

$$f^{-1}\left(\bigcap_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}\right) = \bigcap_{\alpha} f^{-1}(A_{\alpha})$$

$$f\left(\bigcup_{\alpha} A_{\alpha}\right) = \bigcup_{\alpha} f(A_{\alpha})$$

Note:  $f(A \cap B)$  is not necessarily equal to  $f(A) \cap f(B)$  (see notes for example and sketch)

**Definition 1.2.4 — Cardinal Number.** If  $\exists$  a one-to-one mapping of A onto B, we say that A and B have the same **cardinal number**, or that they are **equivalent**  $A \sim B$ .

- a)  $A \sim A$  (reflective)
- b) If  $A \sim B$ , then  $B \sim A$  (symmetric)
- c) If  $A \sim B$  and  $B \sim C$ , then  $A \sim C$ . (transitive)

**Definition 1.2.5 — (In)finite/(Un)Countable.** Let  $\mathbb{Z}^+ = \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_n^+ = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and let  $A$  be a set.

- a) We say  $A$  is **finite** if  $A \sim \mathbb{Z}_n^+$  for some  $n$  or if  $A = \emptyset$
- b)  $A$  is **infinite** if it is not finite
- c)  $A$  is **countable** if  $A \sim \mathbb{Z}^+$
- d)  $A$  is **uncountable** if  $A$  is not finite and countable.

Note: If  $A$  and  $B$  are finite, then  $A \sim B$  if and only if they have the same number of elements. This is not true if they are infinite.

■ **Example 1.3 Equivalent Infinite Sets**

1. The set  $\mathbb{Z}^+$  of all integers is countable. Then take

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ -(\frac{n-1}{2}), & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

1	→	0
2	→	1
3	→	-1
4	→	2
5	→	-2
6	→	3
7	→	-3

Table 1.1: Corresponding Integers

The set of positive, even integers is countable. Take

$$f(x) = 2n$$

■

**Theorem 1.2.2** The countable union of countable sets is countable.

*Proof.* Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  be countable and assume that they are disjoint (for if not, you can consider the sequences of countable sets that are disjoint -  $A_1, A_2 - A_1, \dots$ ), which are countable and have the same union. Let  $A_k = \{a_{k1}, a_{k2}, \dots\}$  and consider the arrangement of  $\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k$ .

$a_{11}$	$a_{12}$	$a_{13}$	$a_{14}$	...	1	2	6	7	...
$a_{21}$	$a_{22}$	$a_{23}$	$a_{24}$	...	3	5	8	...	...
$a_{31}$	$a_{32}$	$a_{33}$	$a_{34}$	...	4	9	13	...	...
$a_{41}$	$a_{42}$	$a_{43}$	$a_{44}$	...	10	12	...	...	...

Table 1.2: Reassigning new values to counting integers.

■

**Theorem 1.2.3** Every infinite set has a countable subset.

*Proof.* Let  $a_1$  be any element of  $A$ . Since  $A$  is infinite, it contains an  $a_2 \neq a_1$ . So it contains a countable subset. ■

**Theorem 1.2.4** Every infinite set,  $A$ , is equivalent to at least one of its proper subsets.

*Proof.* Let  $E = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$  be a countable subset of  $A$  (which exists by previous Theorem). Write,

$$E = E_1 \cup E_2$$

$$E_1 = \{a_{odd}\}$$

$$E_2 = \{a_{even}\}$$

Then,  $E \sim E_2$

Define,

$$g : E \rightarrow E_2$$

$$g(a_i) = a_{2i}$$

$$f(a) = \begin{cases} a, & \text{if } a \notin E, \\ g(a), & \text{if } a \in E. \end{cases}$$

So, we can also say that  $A - E_1 \subset A$  and thus,  $A \sim (A - E_1)$  ■

**Theorem 1.2.5** The set of real numbers in  $[0,1]$  is uncountable.

*Proof.* Suppose all numbers in  $[0,1]$  are countable,  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$ .

Write them in decimal expansion form. So, we can say

$$a_1 = 0.a_{11}a_{12} \dots a_{1n} \dots$$

$$a_2 = 0.a_{21}a_{22} \dots a_{2n} \dots$$

Recall,

$$0 = 0.000000000 \dots$$

$$1 = 0.999999999 \dots$$

Now, consider the number,  $\beta$  with decimal expansion  $\beta = 0.b_1b_2 \dots$  where

$$b_n = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } a_{nn} = 1, \\ 2, & \text{if } a_{nn} \neq 1. \end{cases}$$

There will always be 1 element difference. ALWAYS. ■

**Theorem 1.2.6** If  $A$  is countable, then so is  $A^n$ , where

$$A^n = \{(a_1, \dots, a_n); a_i \in A\}$$

*Proof.* Statement is true for any  $n=1$  since  $A^1 = A$ . Assume true for  $n=k$ . To show  $A^{k+1}$  is countable, write an element  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k, a_{k+1}) = (\underline{a}, a_{k+1}), \underline{a} \in A^k$ . Thus,  $A^{k+1} = \bigcup_{\underline{a} \in A^k} \{\underline{a}, a_{k+1}\}; a_{k+1} \in A\}$  (see previous Theorem). ■





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