

CALCULUS AND PROBABILITY BASED STATISTICS

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1. FINITE STATISTICS

The purpose of this text is to have statistics built on a solid foundation of probability and calculus.

Definition 1.1. A is a repeatable event.

Definition 1.2. p is the probability that A will happen when A is given a chance to happen. For simplicity, we assume that p is the same every time A is given a chance to happen.

Definition 1.3. $n \in \mathbb{W}$ is the number of times A had a chance to happen.

Definition 1.4. $k \in \mathbb{W}$ is the number of times A actually happened.

Remark 1.5. $k \leq n$.

Definition 1.6. f_p is the probability is the probability distribution for p .

Remark 1.7. $1 = \int_0^1 f_p dp$

Definition 1.8. (a, b) is the prediction interval of p such that $b - a$ is minimized.

Definition 1.9. c is the desired certainty for the prediction interval of p .

Remark 1.10. $0 \leq c = \int_a^b f_p dp \leq 1$

Remark 1.11. $0 \leq a \leq b \leq 1$

Now that we have the definitions, here is the problem: n, k, c are known, and we must solve for a, b .

Remark 1.12. The probability of k events given n chances is $\binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$, but we must scale it to satisfy 1.7:

$$(1.1) \quad f_p = \frac{\binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}}{\int_0^1 \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} dp} = \frac{p^k (1-p)^{n-k}}{\int_0^1 p^k (1-p)^{n-k} dp} = (n+1) \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$$

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