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Part I Calculus

Limit Theory

1.1 Function

Definition 1.1.1 (Mapping)

Let $X: \Omega_1 \to \Omega_2$ be a mapping.

1. For every subset $B \in \Omega_2$, the inverse image of B is

$$X^{-1}(B) = \{ \omega : \omega \in \Omega_1, X(\omega) \in B \} := \{ X \in B \}.$$

2. For every class

Definition 1.1.2 (Closed Function)

A function $f: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ is said to be closed, if for each $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, the sublevel set

$$\{\mathbf{x} \in \mathrm{dom}\, f \mid f(\mathbf{x}) \le \alpha\} \tag{1.1}$$

is closed.

Differential Calculus

Integral Calculus

Part II Real Analysis

Measure Theory

4.1 Semi-algebras, Algebras and Sigma-algebras

Definition 4.1.1 (Semi-algebra)

A nonempty class of S of subsets of Ω is an **semi-algebra** on Ω that satisfy

- 1. if $A, B \in \mathcal{S}$, then $A \cap B \in \mathcal{S}$.
- 2. if $A \in \mathcal{S}$, then A^C is a finite disjoint union of sets in \mathcal{S} , i.e.,

$$A^C = \sum_{i=1}^n A_i$$
, where $A_i \in \mathcal{S}, A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, i \neq j$.

Definition 4.1.2 (Algebra)

A nonempty class \mathcal{A} of subsets of Ω is an **algebra** on Ω that satisfy

- 1. if $A \in \mathcal{A}$, then $A^C \in \mathcal{A}$.
- 2. if $A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{A}$, then $A_1 \cup A_2 \in \mathcal{A}$.

Definition 4.1.3 (σ -algebra)

A nonempty class \mathcal{F} of subsets of Ω is a σ -algebra on Ω that satisfy

- 1. if $A \in \mathcal{F}$, then $A^C \in \mathcal{F}$.
- 2. if $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ is a countable sequence of sets, then $\bigcup_i A_i \in \mathcal{F}$.

Example (Special σ -algebra). 1. **Trival** σ -algebra := $\{\emptyset, \Omega\}$. This is smallest σ -algebra.

- 2. Power Set := all subsets of σ , denoted by $\mathcal{P}(\Omega)$. This is the largest σ -algebra.
- 3. The smallest σ -algebra containing $A \in \Omega := \{\emptyset, A, A^C, \Omega\}$.

It is easy to define (Lesbegue) measure on the semi-algebra \mathcal{S} , and then easily to extend it to the algebra $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$, finally, we can extend it further to some σ -algebra (mostly consider the smallest one containing \mathcal{S}).

If S is a semi-algebra, then

 $\overline{S} = \{ \text{finite disjoint unions of sets in } S \}$

is an algebra, denoted by $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S})$, called the algebra generated by \mathcal{S} .

Proof. Let $A, B \in \overline{S}$, then $A = \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i, B = \sum_{j=1}^{m} B_j$ with $A_i, B_i \in S$.

Intersection: For $A_i \cap B_j \in S$ by the definition of semi-algebra S, thus

$$A \cap B = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} A_i \cap B_j \in \overline{\mathcal{S}}.$$

So \overline{S} is closed under (finite) intersection.

Complement: For DeMorgan's Law, $A_i^C \in \mathcal{S}$ by the definition of semi-algebra \mathcal{S} and $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$ closed under (finite) intersection that we just shown, thus

$$A^{C} = (\sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i)^{C} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{n} A_i^{C} \in \overline{\mathcal{S}}.$$

So $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$ is closed under complement.

Union: For DeMorgan's Law and $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$ closed under (finite) intersection and complement that we just shown, thus

$$A \cup B = (A^C \cap B^C)^C \in \overline{\mathcal{S}}.$$

So \overline{S} is closed under (finite) union.

Hence, $\overline{\mathcal{S}}$ is an algebra.

Theorem 4.1.1

For any class \mathcal{A} , there exists a unique minimal σ -algebra containing \mathcal{A} , denoted by $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$, called the σ -algebra generated by A. In other words,

- 2. For any σ -algebra \mathcal{B} with $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}$, $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subset \mathcal{B}$. and $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ is unique.

Proof. Existence:

Uniqueness:

Example (Borel σ -algebras generated from semi-algebras).

4.2 Measure

Definition 4.2.1 (Measure)

Measure is a nonnegative countably additive set function, that is, a function $\mu : \mathcal{A} \to \mathbf{R}$ with

- 1. $\mu(A) \ge \mu(\emptyset) = 0$ for all $A \in \mathcal{A}$.
- 2. if $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ is a countable sequence of disjoint sets, then

$$\mu(\cup_i A_i) = \sum_i \mu(A_i).$$

Definition 4.2.2 (Measure Space)

If μ is a measure on a σ -algebra \mathcal{A} of subsets of Ω , the triplet $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ is a **measure space**.

Remark. A measure space $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ is a **probability space**, if $P(\Omega) = 1$.

Property. Let μ be a measure on a σ -algebra \mathcal{A}

- 1. **monotonieity** if $A \subset B$, then $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$.
- 2. subadditivity if $A \subset \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} A_m$, then $\mu(A) \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} u(A_m)$.
- 3. **continuity from below** if $A_i \uparrow A$ (i.e. $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset \ldots$ and $\cup_i A_i = A$), then $\mu(A_i) \uparrow \mu(A)$.
- 4. **continuity from above** if $A_i \downarrow A$ (i.e. $A_1 \supset A_2 \supset \ldots$ and $\cap_i A_i = A$), then $\mu(A_i) \downarrow \mu(A)$.

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Lebesgue Integration

5.1 Properties of the Integral

Theorem 5.1.1 (Jensen's Inequality)

Let (Ω, A, μ) be a probability space. If f is a real-valued function that is μ -integrable, and if φ is a convex function on the real line, then:

$$\varphi\left(\int_{\Omega} f d\mu\right) \le \int_{\Omega} \varphi(f) d\mu.$$
 (5.1)

Proof. Let $x_0 = \int_{\Omega} f d\mu$. Since the existence of subderivatives for convex functions, $\exists a, b \in R$, such that,

$$\forall x \in R, \varphi(x) \ge ax + b \text{ and } ax_0 + b = \varphi(x_0).$$

Then, we got

$$\int_{\Omega} \varphi(f) \mathrm{d}\mu \geq \int_{\Omega} af + b \, \mathrm{d}\mu = a \int_{\Omega} f \mathrm{d}\mu + b = ax_0 + b = \varphi\left(\int_{\Omega} f \mathrm{d}\mu\right).$$

Theorem 5.1.2 (Hölder's Inequality)

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ be a measure space and let $p, q \in [1, \infty]$ with 1/p + 1/q = 1. Then, for all measurable functions f and g on Ω ,

$$\int_{\Omega} |f \cdot g| \, \mathrm{d}\mu \le \|f\|_p \|g\|_q. \tag{5.2}$$

Proof.

Theorem 5.1.3 (Minkowski's Inequality)

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ be a measure space and let $p \in [1, \infty]$. Then, for all measurable functions f and g on Ω ,

$$||f + g||_p \le ||f||_p + ||g||_p. \tag{5.3}$$

Proof. Since $\varphi(x) = x^p$ is a convex function for $p \in [1, \infty)$. By it's definition,

$$|f+g|^p = \left|2 \cdot \frac{f}{2} + 2 \cdot \frac{g}{2}\right|^p \le \frac{1}{2}|2f|^p + \frac{1}{2}|2g|^p = 2^{p-1}\left(|f|^p + |g|^p\right).$$

Therefore,

$$|f+g|^p < 2^{p-1} (|f|^p + |g|^p) < \infty.$$

By Hölder's Inequality (5.1.2),

$$\begin{split} \|f+g\|_p^p &= \int |f+g|^p \mathrm{d}\mu \\ &= \int |f+g| \cdot |f+g|^{p-1} \mathrm{d}\mu \\ &\leq \int (|f|+|g|)|f+g|^{p-1} \mathrm{d}\mu \\ &= \int |f||f+g|^{p-1} \mathrm{d}\mu + \int |g||f+g|^{p-1} \mathrm{d}\mu \\ &\leq \left(\left(\int |f|^p \mathrm{d}\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left(\int |g|^p \mathrm{d}\mu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) \left(\int |f+g|^{(p-1)\left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)} \mathrm{d}\mu \right)^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= (\|f\|_p + \|g\|_p) \, \frac{\|f+g\|_p^p}{\|f+g\|_p} \end{split}$$

which means, as $p \in [1, \infty)$,

$$||f + g||_p \le ||f||_p + ||g||_p.$$

When $p = \infty$,

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Theorem 5.1.4 (Bounded Convergence Theorem)

Theorem 5.1.5 (Fatou's Lemma)

Theorem 5.1.6 (Monotone Convergence Theorem)

5.2 Product Measures

Theorem 5.2.1 (Fubini's Theorem)

Part III Functional Analysis

Part IV Matrix Theory

Matrix Norms

6.1 Matrix Norms Induced by Vector Norms

Matrix Decompositions

7.1 Spectral Decomposition

Definition 7.1.1 (Eigenvectors and Eigenvalues)

A (non-zero) vector \mathbf{v} of dimension n is an **eigenvector** of a square $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} , if

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v} \tag{7.1}$$

where λ is a scalar, termed the **eigenvalue** corresponding to \mathbf{v} .

Definition 7.1.2 (Spectral Decomposition)

For any $n \times n$ matrix with n linearly independent eigenvectors $q_i, i = 1, \ldots, n$. Then **A** can be factorized as

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{Q}^{-1}$$

where **Q** is the square $n \times n$ matrix whose *i*-th column is the eigenvector \mathbf{q}_i of **A**, and $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ is the diagonal matrix whose diagonal elements are the corresponding eigenvalues, $\mathbf{\Lambda} = \lambda_i$. This factorization is called eigendecomposition or sometimes spectral decomposition.

Example (Real Symmetric Matrices). As a special case, for every $n \times n$ real symmetric matrix, the eigenvalues are real and the eigenvectors can be chosen real and orthonormal. Thus a real symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} can be decomposed as

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}\Lambda\mathbf{Q}'\tag{7.2}$$

where \mathbf{Q} is an orthogonal matrix whose columns are eigenvectors of \mathbf{A} , and $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}$ is a diagonal matrix whose entries are the eigenvalues of \mathbf{A} .

7.2 Singular Value Decomposition

Definition 7.2.1 (Singular Value Decomposition)

For any matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, we have

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}' \tag{7.3}$$

where

- $\mathbf{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ is an orthogonal matrix whose columns are the eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}'$
- $\mathbf{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is an orthogonal matrix whose columns are the eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}$
- $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is an all zero matrix except for the first r diagonal elements

$$\sigma_i = \Sigma_{ii}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, r$$

which is called singular values, that are the square roots of the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A'A}$ and of $\mathbf{AA'}$ (these two matrices have the same eigenvalues)

Remark. We assume above that the singular values are sorted in descending order and the eigenvectors are sorted according to descending order of their eigenvalues.

Proof. Without loss of generality, we assume $m \geq n$. Since for the case n > m, can then be established by transposing the SVD of \mathbf{A}' ,

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{A}')' = (\mathbf{U}'\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V})' = \mathbf{V}'(\mathbf{U}'\mathbf{\Sigma})' = \mathbf{V}'\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{U}$$

For $m \ge n$, suppose rank(A) = r, and then rank $(\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}) = r$ and the spectral decomposition of $\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}$ be

$$\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{V}\operatorname{diag}\left(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_r^2, 0, \dots, 0\right)$$

where σ_i^2 are the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}$ and the columns of \mathbf{V} , denoted $\mathbf{v}^{(i)}$, are the corresponding orthonormal eigenvectors.

Let

$$oldsymbol{u}^{(i)} = rac{\mathbf{A} oldsymbol{v}^{(i)}}{\sigma_i}$$

then

$$\mathbf{A'} oldsymbol{u}^{(i)} = rac{\mathbf{A'A} oldsymbol{v}^{(i)}}{\sigma_i} = \sigma_i oldsymbol{v}^{(i)} \Rightarrow \\ \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A'} oldsymbol{u}^{(i)} = \sigma_i \mathbf{A} oldsymbol{v}^{(i)} = \sigma_i^2 oldsymbol{u}^{(i)}$$

implying that $u^{(i)}$ are eigenvectors of AA' corresponding to eigenvalues σ_i^2 . Since the eigenvectors $v^{(i)}$ are orthonormal, then so are the eigenvectors $u^{(i)}$

$$\left(\boldsymbol{u}^{(i)}\right)'\boldsymbol{u}^{(j)} = \frac{\left(\boldsymbol{v}^{(i)}\right)'\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{v}^{(j)}}{\sigma_i^2} = \left(\boldsymbol{v}^{(i)}\right)'\boldsymbol{v}^{(j)} = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j\\ 0 & i\neq j \end{cases}$$

We have thus far a matrix **V** whose columns are eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}$ with eigenvalues σ_i^2 , and a matrix **U** whose columns are r eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}'$ corresponding to eigenvalues σ_i^2 .

We augment the eigenvectors $\boldsymbol{u}^{(i)}, i=1,\ldots,r$ with orthonormal vectors $\boldsymbol{u}^{(i)}, i=r+1,\ldots,m$ that span null $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}')$, and together $\boldsymbol{u}^{(i)}, i=1,\ldots,n$ are a full orthonormal set of eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}'$ with eigenvalues σ_i^2 (with $\sigma_i=0$ for i>r).

Since

$$\left[\mathbf{U}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}\right]_{ij} = \left(\mathbf{u}^{(i)}\right)'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v}^{(j)} = \begin{cases} \sigma_j \left(\mathbf{u}^{(i)}\right)'\mathbf{u}^{(j)} & i \leq r \\ 0 & i > r \end{cases}$$

we get

$$\mathbf{U}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}=\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$$

where

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n) \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_i = 0 \text{ for } r < i \le n$$

Consequentially, we get the desired decompositions

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{V}'$$

7.2.1 Relationship to Matrix Norm

Theorem 7.2.1

For any matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$,

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 = \sigma_{\text{max}}(\mathbf{A}) \tag{7.4}$$

Proof. For any matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, the SVD implies that,

$$\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2} = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\|\mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}'\mathbf{x}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2}$$

Since **U** is unitary, that is,

$$\|\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}\|_{2}^{2} = \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{U}'\mathbf{U}\mathbf{x}^{T}\mathbf{x} = \|\mathbf{x}\|_{2}^{2}, \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{m}$$

thus,

$$= \sup_{\mathbf{x} \neq 0} \frac{\|\mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{V}' \mathbf{x}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2}$$

Let $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{V}'\mathbf{x}$, and since \mathbf{V} is unitary, we have

$$\|\mathbf{y}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{V}'\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = 1$$

thus,

$$= \sup_{\mathbf{y} \neq 0} \frac{\|\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{y}\|_{2}}{\|\mathbf{V}\mathbf{y}\|_{2}} = \sup_{\mathbf{y} \neq 0} \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{r} \sigma_{i}^{2} |y_{i}|^{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{r} |y_{i}|^{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \leq \sigma_{\max}(\mathbf{A})$$

which takes "=", if y = (1, 0, ..., 0)'.

Theorem 7.2.2

For any matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, suppose rank(A) = n, then

$$\min_{\|\mathbf{x}\|_2=1} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2 = \sigma_n(\mathbf{A}) \tag{7.5}$$

Proof. The proof process is analogous to the above theorem.

Remark. If rank(\mathbf{A}) < n, then there is an \mathbf{x} such that the minimum is zero.

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Convex Sets

8.1 Affine and Convex Sets

8.1.1 Affine Sets

Definition 8.1.1 (Affine Set)

A nonempty set C is said to be **affine set**, if

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in C, \theta \in \mathbf{R}, \theta x_1 + (1 - \theta)x_2 \in C.$$

8.1.2 Convex Sets

Definition 8.1.2 (Convex Set)

A nonempty set C is said to be **convex set**, if

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in C, \theta \in [0, 1], \theta x_1 + (1 - \theta)x_2 \in C.$$

Definition 8.1.3 (Convex Hull)

The **convex hull** of said to be set C, denoted by conv C is a set of all convex combinations of points in C,

conv
$$C = \{\theta_1 x_1 + \ldots + \theta_k x_k | x_i \in C; \theta_i \ge 0, i = 1, \ldots, k; \theta_1 + \ldots + \theta_k = 1\}.$$

Remark. The convex hull conv C is always convex, which is the minimal convex set that contains C.

8.1.3 Cones

Definition 8.1.4 (Cone)

A nonempty set C is said to be **cone**, if

$$\forall x \in C, \theta \geq 0, \theta x \in C.$$

Definition 8.1.5 (Convex Cone)

A nonempty set C is said to be **convex cone**, if

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in C, \theta_1, \theta_2 \ge 0, \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 \in C.$$

8.2 Some Important Examples

Definition 8.2.1 (Hyperplane)

A hyperplane is defined to be

$$\{x|a^Tx=b\},\$$

where $a \in \mathbf{R}^n, a \neq 0, b \in \mathbf{R}$.

Definition 8.2.2 (Halfspace)

A hyperplane is defined to be

$$\{x|a^Tx \leq b\},$$

where $a \in \mathbf{R}^n, a \neq 0, b \in \mathbf{R}$.

Definition 8.2.3 ((Euclidean) Ball)

A (Euclidean) ball in \mathbf{R}^n with center x_c and radius r is defined to be

$$B(x_c, r) = \{x | \|x - x_c\|_2 \le r\} = \{x_c + ru | \|u\|_2 \le 1\},$$

where r > 0.

Definition 8.2.4 (Ellipsoid)

A Ellipsoid in \mathbb{R}^n with center x_c is defined to be

$$\mathcal{E} = \{x | (x - x_c)^T P^{-1} (x - x_c) \le 1\} = \{x_c + Au | ||u_2|| \le 1\},\$$

where $P \in \mathbf{S}_{++}^n$ (symmetric positive definite).

8.3 Generalized Inequalities

8.3.1 Definition of Generalized Inequalities

Definition 8.3.1 (Proper Cone)

A cone $K \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ is said to be proper cone, if

- \bullet K is convex.
- K is closed.
- K is solid (nonempty interior).
- *K* is pointed (contains no line).

Definition 8.3.2 (Generalized Inequalities)

The partial ordering on \mathbb{R}^n defined by proper cone K, if

$$y - x \in K, \tag{8.1}$$

which can be denoted by

$$x \leq_K y \text{ or } y \succeq_K x.$$
 (8.2)

The strict partial ordering on \mathbb{R}^n defined by proper cone K, if

$$y - x \in \text{ int } K, \tag{8.3}$$

which can be denoted by

$$x \prec_K y \text{ or } y \succ_K x.$$
 (8.4)

Remark. When $K = \mathbf{R}_+$, the partial ordering \leq_K is the usual ordering \leq on \mathbf{R} , and the strict partial ordering \prec_K is the usual strict ordering < on \mathbf{R} .

8.3.2 Properties of Generalized Inequalities

Theorem 8.3.1 (Properties of Generalized Inequalities)

A generalized inequality \leq_K has the following properties:

- Preserved under addition:
- Transitive:
- Preserved under nonnegative scaling:
- Reflexive:
- Antisymmetric:
- Preserved under limits:

A strict generalized inequality \prec_K has the following properties:

Convex Optimization Problems

9.1 Generalized Inequality Constraints

Definition 9.1.1 (With Generalized Inequality Constraints)

A convex optimization problem with generalized inequality constraints is defined to be

$$\min_{x} f_0(x)
\text{s.t.} f_i(x) \leq K_i 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m
Ax = b$$
(9.1)

where $f_0: \mathbf{R}^n \to \mathbf{R}$, $K_i \in \mathbf{R}^{k_i}$ are proper conves, and $f_i: \mathbf{R}^n \to \mathbf{R}^{k_i}$ are K_i -convex.

9.1.1 Conic Form Problems

Definition 9.1.2 (Conic Form Problem)

A conic form problem is defined to be

min
$$c^T x$$

s.t. $Fx + g \leq_K 0$
 $Ax = b$ (9.2)

9.1.2 Semidefinite Programming

9.2 Vector Optimization

Unconstrained Minimization

10.1 Definition of Unconstrained Minimization

Definition 10.1.1 (Unconstrained Minimization Problem)

The unconstrained minimization problem is defined to be

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) \tag{10.1}$$

where $f: \mathbf{R}^n \to \mathbf{R}$ is convex and twice continuously differentiable.

Assume the problem is solvable, i.e., there exists an optimal point \mathbf{x}^* , such that,

$$f(\mathbf{x}^*) = \inf_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x})$$

and denote it by p^* . Since f is differentiable and convex, the point \mathbf{x}^* be the optimal. if and only if

$$\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0 \tag{10.2}$$

Solving (10.1) is equal to finding the solution of (10.2), thus (10.1) can be solved by analytic solution of (10.2) in a few cases, but usually can be solved by an iterative algorithm, i.e.,

$$\exists \mathbf{x}^{(0)}, \mathbf{x}^{(1)}, \dots \in \text{dom } f, \quad \text{s.t. } f(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \to p^*, \quad \text{as} \quad k \to \infty$$

This algorithm is terminated when $f(x^{(k)}) - p^* \le \epsilon$, where $\epsilon > 0$ is some specified tolerance. Remark. The initial point $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$ must lie in dom f, and the sublevel set

$$S = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \text{dom} \, f \mid f(\mathbf{x}) \le f(\mathbf{x}^{(0)}) \right\}$$

must be closed. Any closed function (Definition 1.1.2)

Example (Quadratic Minimization). The general convex quadratic minimization problem has the form

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}' \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{q}' \mathbf{x} + r \tag{10.3}$$

where $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{S}_{+}^{n}$, $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$, and $r \in \mathbb{R}$. The optimality condition is

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{0} \tag{10.4}$$

which is a set of linear equations.

- 1. If $\mathbf{P} \succ 0$, exists a unique solution $\mathbf{x}^* = -\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{q}$.
- 2. If **P** is not positive definite, any solution of (10.4) is optimal for (10.3).
- 3. If (10.4) does not have a solution, then (10.3) is unbounded.

Proof.

- 1. Obviously.
- 2. Since $\mathbf{P} \not\succeq 0$, i.e.,

$$\exists \mathbf{v}, \quad \text{s.t. } \mathbf{v}' \mathbf{P} \mathbf{v} < 0$$

Let $\mathbf{x} = t\mathbf{v}$, we have

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = t^2 (\mathbf{v}' \mathbf{P} \mathbf{v}/2) + t (\mathbf{q}' \mathbf{v}) + r$$

which converges to $-\infty$ as $t \to \infty$.

3. Since (10.4) does not have a solution, i.e.,

$$\mathbf{q} \notin \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{P})$$

Let

$$\mathbf{q} = \tilde{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{v}$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{q}}$ is the Euclidean projection of \mathbf{q} onto $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{P})$, and $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{q} - \tilde{\mathbf{q}}$. And \mathbf{v} is nonzero and orthogonal to $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{P})$, i.e., $\mathbf{v}'\mathbf{P}\mathbf{v} = 0$. If we take $\mathbf{x} = t\mathbf{v}$, we have

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = t\mathbf{q}'\mathbf{v} + r = t(\tilde{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{v})'\mathbf{v} + r = t(\mathbf{v}'\mathbf{v}) + r$$

which is unbounded below.

Remark. The least-squares problem is a special case of quadratic minimization, that,

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_{2}^{2} = \mathbf{x}' (\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}) \mathbf{x} - 2 (\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{b})' \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}'\mathbf{b}$$

The optimality condition is

$$\mathbf{A}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{b}$$

are called the normal equations of the least-squares problem.

Example (Unconstrained Geometric Programming). The unconstrained geometric program in convex form

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \log \left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} \exp \left(\mathbf{a}_{i}' \mathbf{x} + b_{i} \right) \right)$$

The optimality condition is

$$\nabla f\left(x^{*}\right) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{m} \exp\left(\mathbf{a}_{i}'\mathbf{x}^{*} + b_{i}\right)\mathbf{a}_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{m} \exp\left(\mathbf{a}_{i}'\mathbf{x}^{*} + b_{i}\right)} = \mathbf{0}$$

which has no analytical solution, so we must resort to an iterative algorithm. For this problem, dom $f = \mathbb{R}^n$, so any point can be chosen as the initial point $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$.

Example (Analytic Center of Linear Inequalities). Consider the optimization problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} f(x) = -\sum_{i=1}^{m} \log \left(\mathbf{b}_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \right)$$

where the domain of f is the open set

$$dom f = \{\mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{x} < \mathbf{b}_i, i = 1, \dots, m\}$$

Definition 10.1.2 (Strong Convexity)

- 10.2 General Descent Method
- 10.3 Gradient Descent Method
- 10.4 Steepest Descent Method
- 10.5 Newton's Method

Exercises for Convex Optimization

11.1 Convex Sets

Exercise. Solution set of a quadratic inequality Let $C \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$ be the solution set of a quadratic inequality,

$$C = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^n | x^T A x + b^T x + c \le 0\}$$

with $A \in \mathbf{S}^n$, $b \in \mathbf{R}^n$, and $c \in \mathbf{R}$.

1. Show that C is convex if $A \succeq 0$.

Proof. 1. We have to show that $\theta x + (1 - \theta)y \in C$ for all $\theta \in [0, 1]$ and $x, y \in C$.

$$\begin{split} &(\theta x + (1 - \theta)y)^T A(\theta x + (1 - \theta)y) + b^T (\theta x + (1 - \theta)y) + c \\ &= \theta^2 x^T A x + \theta (1 - \theta) (y^T A x + x^T A y) + (1 - \theta)^2 y^T A y + \theta b^T x + (1 - \theta) b^T y + c \\ &= \theta^2 (x^T A x + b^T x + c) + (1 - \theta)^2 (y^T A y + b^T y + c) - \theta^2 (b^T x + c) \\ &- (1 - \theta)^2 (b^T y + c) + \theta (1 - \theta) (y^T A x + x^T A y) + \theta b^T x + (1 - \theta) b^T y + c \\ &\leq - \theta^2 (b^T x + c) - (1 - \theta)^2 (b^T y + c) + \theta (1 - \theta) (y^T A x + x^T A y) \\ &+ \theta b^T x + (1 - \theta) b^T y + c \\ &= \theta (1 - \theta) [(b^T x + c) + (b^T y + c) + x^T A x + y^T A y] \\ &\leq \theta (1 - \theta) (-x^T A x - y^T A y + x^T A x + y^T A y) \leq 0 \end{split}$$

Therefore, $\theta x + (1 - \theta)y \in C$, which shows that C is convex if $A \succeq 0$.

Part VI Probability Theory

Random Variables

12.1 Probability Space

Definition 12.1.1 (Probability Space)

A probability space is a triple (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) consisting of:

- 1. the sample space Ω : an arbitrary non-empty set.
- 2. the σ -algebra $\mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^{\Omega}$: a set of subsets of Ω , called events.
- 3. the probability measure $P: \mathcal{F} \to [0,1]$: a function on \mathcal{F} which is a measure function.

12.2 Random Variables

Definition 12.2.1 (Random Variable)

A random variable is a measurable function $X:\Omega\to S$ from a set of possible outcomes (Ω,\mathcal{F}) to a measurable space (S,\mathcal{S}) , that is,

$$X^{-1}(B) \equiv \{\omega : X(\omega) \in B\} \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{S}. \tag{12.1}$$

Typically, $(S, S) = (R^d, \mathcal{R}^d)$ (d > 1).

How to prove that functions are measurable?

Theorem 12.2.1

If $\{\omega : X(\omega) \in A\} \in \mathcal{F}$ for all $A \in \mathcal{A}$ and \mathcal{A} generates \mathcal{S} , then X is measurable.

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12.3 Distributions

12.3.1 Definition of Distributions

Definition 12.3.1 (Distribution)

A distribution of random variable X is a probability function $P: \mathcal{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ by setting

$$\mu(A) = P(X \in A) = P(X^{-1}(A)), \quad \text{for } A \in \mathcal{R}.$$
(12.2)

Definition 12.3.2 (Distribution Function)

The distribution of a random variable X is usually described by giving its **distribution** function,

$$F(x) = P(X \le x). \tag{12.3}$$

Definition 12.3.3 (Density Function)

If the distribution function $F(x) = P(X \le x)$ has the form

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{x} f(y) \mathrm{d}y,$$

that X has density function f.

12.3.2 Properties of Distributions

Theorem 12.3.1 (Properties of Distribution Function)

Any distribution function F has the following properties,

- 1. F is nondecreasing.
- 2. $\lim_{x \to \infty} F(x) = 1, \lim_{x \to -\infty} F(x) = 0.$
- 3. F is right continuous, i.e., $\lim_{y \downarrow x} F(y) = F(x)$.
- 4. If $F(x-) = \lim_{y \uparrow x} F(y)$, then F(x-) = P(X < x).
- 5. P(X = x) = F(x) F(x-).

Proof.

Theorem 12.3.2

If F satisfies (1), (2), and (3) in Theorem 12.3.1, then it is the distribution function of some random variable.

Proof.

Theorem 12.3.3

A distribution function has at most countably many discontinuities

Proof.

12.3.3 Families of Distributions

12.4 Expected Value

Definition 12.4.1 (Expectation)

Theorem 12.4.1 (Bounded Convergence theorem)

Theorem 12.4.2 (Fatou's Lemma)

If $X_n \geq 0$, then

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} EX_n \ge E\left(\liminf_{n \to \infty} X_n\right).$$
(12.4)

Theorem 12.4.3 (Monotone Convergence theorem)

If $0 \leq X_n \uparrow X$, then

$$EX_n \uparrow EX.$$
 (12.5)

Theorem 12.4.4 (Dominated Convergence theorem)

If $X_n \to X$ a.s., $|X_n| \le Y$ for all n, and $EY < \infty$, then

$$EX_n \to EX.$$
 (12.6)

12.5 Independence

12.5.1 Definition of Independence

Definition 12.5.1 (Independence)

- 1. Two events A and B are independent if $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$.
- 2. Two random variables X and Y are independent if for all $C, D \in \mathcal{R}$

$$P(X \in C, Y \in D) = P(X \in C)P(Y \in D).$$
 (12.7)

3. Two σ -fields \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} are independent if for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$ and $B \in \mathcal{G}$ the events A and B are independent.

The second definition is a special case of the third.

Theorem 12.5.1

- 1. If X and Y are independent then $\sigma(X)$ and $\sigma(Y)$ are independent.
- 2. Conversely, if \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{G} are independent, $X \in \mathcal{F}$ and $Y \in \mathcal{G}$, then X and Y are independent.

The first definition is, in turn, a special case of the second.

Theorem 12.5.2

- 1. If A and B are independent, then so are A^c and B, A and B^c , and A^c and B^c .
- 2. Conversely, events A and B are independent if and only if their indicator random variables 1_A and 1_B are independent.

The definition of independence can be extended to the infinite collection.

Definition 12.5.2

An infinite collection of objects (σ -fields, random variables, or sets) is said to be independent if every finite subcollection is,

1. σ -fields $\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2, \dots, \mathcal{F}_n$ are independent if whenever $A_i \in \mathcal{F}_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$, we have

$$P(\cap_{i=1}^{n} A_i) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} P(A_i).$$
 (12.8)

2. Random variables X_1, \ldots, X_n are independent if whenever $B_i \in \mathcal{R}$ for $i = 1, \ldots, n$ we have

$$P\left(\cap_{i=1}^{n} \{X_i \in B_i\}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} P\left(X_i \in B_i\right).$$
 (12.9)

3. Sets A_1, \ldots, A_n are independent if whenever $I \subset \{1, \ldots, n\}$ we have

$$P\left(\bigcap_{i\in I}A_{i}\right)=\prod_{i\in I}P\left(A_{i}\right).$$
(12.10)

12.5.2 Sufficient Conditions for Independence

12.5.3 Independence, Distribution, and Expectation

Theorem 12.5.3

Suppose X_1, \ldots, X_n are independent random variables and X_i has distribution μ_i , then (X_1, \ldots, X_n) has distribution $\mu_1 \times \cdots \times \mu_n$.

Theorem 12.5.4

If X_1, \ldots, X_n are independent and have

- 1. $X_i \geq 0$ for all i, or
- 2. $E|X_i| < \infty$ for all i.

then

$$E\left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} X_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} EX_i \tag{12.11}$$

12.5.4 Sums of Independent Random Variables

Theorem 12.5.5 (Convolution for Random Variables)

1. If X and Y are independent, $F(x) = P(X \le x)$, and $G(y) = P(Y \le y)$, then

$$P(X+Y \le z) = \int F(z-y) dG(y). \tag{12.12}$$

2. If X and Y are independent, X with density f and Y with distribution function G, then X+Y has density

$$h(x) = \int f(x - y) dG(y). \tag{12.13}$$

Suppose Y has density g, the last formula can be written as

$$h(x) = \int f(x - y)g(y)dy. \tag{12.14}$$

3. If X and Y are independent, integral-valued random variables, then

$$P(X + Y = n) = \sum_{m} P(X = m)P(Y = n - m).$$
 (12.15)

12.6 Moments

Lemma 12.6.1

If Y > 0 and p > 0, then

$$E(Y^p) = \int_0^\infty p y^{p-1} P(Y > y) dy.$$
 (12.16)

12.7 Characteristic Functions

12.7.1 Definition of Characteristic Functions

Definition 12.7.1 (Characteristic Function)

If X is a random variable, we define its characteristic function (ch.f) by

$$\varphi(t) = E\left(e^{itX}\right) = E\left(\cos tX\right) + iE\left(\sin tX\right). \tag{12.17}$$

Remark. Eular Equation.

12.7.2 Properties of Characteristic Functions

Theorem 12.7.1 (Properties of Characteristic Function)

Any characteristic function has the following properties:

- 1. $\varphi(0) = 1$,_
- $2. \ \varphi(-t) = \overline{\varphi(t)},$
- 3. $|\varphi(t)| = |Ee^{itX}| \le E|e^{itX}| = 1$,
- 4. $\varphi(t)$ is uniformly continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$,
- 5. $Ee^{it(aX+b)} = e^{itb}\varphi(at),$
- 6. If X_1 and X_2 are independent and have ch.f.'s φ_1 and φ_2 , then $X_1 + X_2$ has ch.f. $\varphi_1(t)\varphi_2(t)$.

Proof.

12.7.3 The Inversion Formula

The characteristic function uniquely determines the distribution. This and more is provided by:

Theorem 12.7.2 (The Inversion Formula)

Let $\varphi(t) = \int e^{itx} \mu(\mathrm{d}x)$ where μ is a probability measure. If a < b, then

$$\lim_{T \to \infty} (2\pi)^{-1} \int_{-T}^{T} \frac{e^{-ita} - e^{-itb}}{it} \varphi(t) dt = \mu(a, b) + \frac{1}{2} \mu(\{a, b\})$$
 (12.18)

Proof.

Theorem 12.7.3

If $\int |\varphi(t)| dt < \infty$, then μ has bounded continuous density

$$f(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{-ity} \varphi(t) dt.$$
 (12.19)

Proof.

12.7.4 Convergence in Distribution

Theorem 12.7.4 (Lèvy's Continuity Theorem)

Let $\mu_n, 1 \leq n \leq \infty$ be probability measures with ch.f. φ_n .

- 1. If $\mu_n \stackrel{d}{\to} \mu_{\infty}$, then $\varphi_n(t) \to \varphi_{\infty}(t)$ for all t.
- 2. If $\varphi_n(t)$ converges pointwise to a limit $\varphi(t)$ that is continuous at 0, then the associated sequence of distributions μ_n is tight and converges weakly to the measure μ with characteristic function φ .

Proof.

12.7.5 Moments and Derivatives

Theorem 12.7.5

If $\int |x|^n \mu(dx) < \infty$, then its characteristic function φ has a continuous derivative of order n given by

$$\varphi^{(n)}(t) = \int (ix)^n e^{itx} \mu(\mathrm{d}x). \tag{12.20}$$

Theorem 12.7.6

If $E|X|^2 < \infty$ then

$$\varphi(t) = 1 + itEX - t^{2}E\left(X^{2}\right)/2 + o\left(t^{2}\right). \tag{12.21}$$

Theorem 12.7.7

If $\limsup_{h\downarrow 0} \{\varphi(h) - 2\varphi(0) + \varphi(-h)\}/h^2 > -\infty$, then

$$E|X|^2 < \infty. \tag{12.22}$$

Convergence of Random Variables

13.1 Convergence in Mean

Definition 13.1.1 (Convergence in Mean)

A sequence $\{X_n\}$ of real-valued random variables **converges in the r-th mean** $(r \ge 1)$ towards the random variable X, if

- 1. The r-th absolute moments $E(|X_n|^r)$ and $E(|X|^r)$ of $\{X_n\}$ and X exist,
- 2. $\lim_{n\to\infty} E(|X_n X|^r) = 0$.

Convergence in the r-th mean is denoted by

$$X_n \xrightarrow{L^r} X.$$
 (13.1)

13.2 Convergence in Probability

Definition 13.2.1 (Convergence in Probability)

A sequence $\{X_n\}$ of real-valued random variables **converges in probability** towards the random variable X, if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) = 0.$$
 (13.2)

Convergence in probability is denoted by

$$X_n \stackrel{p}{\to} X.$$
 (13.3)

13.3 Convergence in Uninform

Definition 13.3.1 (Convergence in Uninform)

13.4 Convergence in Distribution

Definition 13.4.1 (Convergence in Distribution)

A sequence $\{X_n\}$ of real-valued random variables is said to **converge in distribution**, or converge weakly, or converge in law to a random variable X, if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} F_n(x) = F(x),\tag{13.4}$$

for every number at $x \in \mathbb{R}$ which F is continuous. Here F_n and F are the cumulative distribution functions of random variables X_n and X, respectively.

Convergence in distribution is denoted as

$$X_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X$$
, or $X_n \Rightarrow X$. (13.5)

Remark. • Convergence in Distribution is the weakest form of convergence typically discussed, since it is implied by all other types of convergence mentioned in this chapter.

• Convergence in Distribution does not imply that the sequence of corresponding probability density functions will also converge. However, according to Scheffé's theorem, convergence of the probability density functions implies convergence in distribution.

Lemma 13.4.1

If $F_n \stackrel{d}{\to} F_{\infty}$, then there are random variables $Y_n, 1 \le n \le \infty$, with distribution F_n so that

$$Y_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} Y_{\infty}.$$
 (13.6)

Theorem 13.4.1 (Portmanteau Lemma)

 $\{X_n\}$ converges in distribution to X, if and only if any of the following statements are true,

- $P(X_n \le x) \to P(X \le x)$, for all continuity points of the distribution of X.
- $Ef(X_n) \to Ef(X)$, for all bounded, continuous (Lipschitz) functions f.
- $\liminf_{n\to\infty} P(X_n \in G) \ge P(X_\infty \in G)$, for all open sets G.
- $\limsup_{n\to\infty} P\left(X_n\in K\right) \leq P\left(X_\infty\in K\right)$, for all closed sets K. $\lim_{n\to\infty} P\left(X_n\in A\right) = P\left(X_\infty\in A\right)$, for all Borel sets A with $P\left(X_\infty\in\partial A\right) = 0$.

Proof.

Theorem 13.4.2 (Continuous Mapping Theorem)

Let g be a measurable function and $D_g = \{x : g \text{ is discontinuous at } x\}$ with $P(X \in D_g) = 0$, then,

$$X_n \xrightarrow{d} X \Rightarrow g(X_n) \xrightarrow{d} g(X),$$

$$X_n \xrightarrow{p} X \Rightarrow g(X_n) \xrightarrow{p} g(X),$$

$$X_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} X \Rightarrow g(X_n) \xrightarrow{a.s.} g(X).$$
(13.7)

If in addition g is bounded, then

$$Eg(X_n) \to Eg(X).$$
 (13.8)

Proof.

Theorem 13.4.3

If $X_n \stackrel{p}{\to} X$, then

$$X_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X,$$
 (13.9)

and that, conversely, if $X_n \stackrel{d}{\to} c$, where c is a constant, then

$$X_n \stackrel{p}{\to} c.$$
 (13.10)

Proof. 1. $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, at fixed point x, since if $X_n \leq x$ and $|X_n - X| \leq \varepsilon$, then $X \leq x + \varepsilon$, then

$${X \le x + \varepsilon} \subset {X_n \le x} \cup {|X_n - X| > \varepsilon},$$

similarly, if $X \leq x - \varepsilon$ and $|X_n - X| \leq \varepsilon$, then $X_n \leq x$, then

$$\{X_n \le x\} \subset \{X \le x - \varepsilon\} \cup \{|X_n - X| > \varepsilon\},\$$

then, by the union bound,

$$P(X \le x + \varepsilon) \le P(X_n \le x) + P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon),$$

 $P(X_n \le x) \le P(X \le x - \varepsilon) + P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon).$

So, we got

$$P(X \le x + \varepsilon) - P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) \le P(X_n \le x)$$

$$< P(X < x - \varepsilon) + P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon)$$

As $n \to \infty$, $P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) \to 0$, then

$$P(X \le x - \varepsilon) \le \lim_{n \to \infty} P(X_n \le x) \le P(X \le x + \varepsilon)$$

 $\Rightarrow F(x - \varepsilon) \le \lim_{n \to \infty} F_n(x) \le F(x + \varepsilon)$.

By the property of distribution (Theorem 12.3.1), as $\varepsilon \to 0$, then

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

which means,

$$X_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X$$
.

2. Since $X_n \stackrel{d}{\to} c$, where c is a constant, then $\forall \varepsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P(X_n \le c + \varepsilon) = 1 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \to \infty} P(X_n > c + \varepsilon) = 0$$
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P(X_n \le c - \varepsilon) = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$P\left(|X_n - c| < \varepsilon\right) = 0,$$

which means

$$X_n \stackrel{p}{\to} c$$
.

Theorem 13.4.4 (Slutsky's Theorem)

Let X_n, Y_n be sequences of random variables. If $X_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X$ and $Y_n \stackrel{p}{\to} c$, then

- 1. $X_n + Y_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X + c$. 2. $X_n Y_n \stackrel{d}{\to} cX$.
- 3. $X_n/Y_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X/c$, provided that c is invertible.

Proof.

Remark. However that convergence in distribution of $X_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X$ and $Y_n \stackrel{d}{\to} Y$ does in general not imply convergence in distribution of $X_n + Y_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X + Y$ or of $X_n Y_n \stackrel{d}{\to} XY$.

Theorem 13.4.5 (Cramér-Wold Theorem)

Theorem 13.4.6 (Helly's Selection Theorem)

For every sequence F_n of distribution functions, there is a subsequence $F_n(k)$ and a right continuous nondecreasing function F so that $\lim_{k\to\infty} F_{n(k)}(y) = F(y)$ at all continuity points y of F.

Theorem 13.4.7

Every subsequential limit is the distribution function of a probability measure if and only if the sequence F_n is tight, i.e., for all $\epsilon > 0$ there is an M_{ϵ} so that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup 1 - F_n(M_{\epsilon}) + F_n(-M_{\epsilon}) \le \epsilon.$$
(13.11)

13.5 Almost Sure Convergence

Definition 13.5.1 (Almost Sure Convergence)

A sequence $\{X_n\}$ of real-valued random variables converges almost sure or almost everywhere or with probability 1 or strongly towards the random variable X, if

$$P\left(\lim_{n\to\infty} X_n = X\right) = 1. \tag{13.12}$$

Almost sure convergence is denoted by

$$X_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} X.$$
 (13.13)

Remark.

Theorem 13.5.

If $X_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} X$, then

$$X_n \stackrel{p}{\to} X. \tag{13.14}$$

Proof.

Theorem 13.5.2

 $X_n \stackrel{p}{\to} X$ if and only if for all subsequence $X_{n(m)}$ exists a further subsequence $X_{n(m_k)}$, such that

$$X_{n(m_k)} \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} X. \tag{13.15}$$

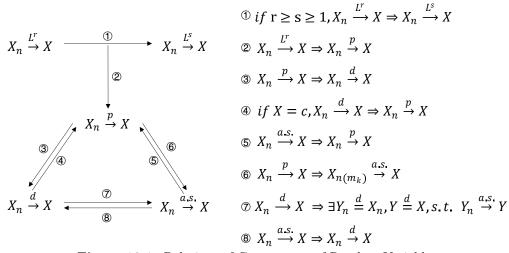


Figure 13.1: Relations of Convergence of Random Variables

13.6 Asymptotic Notation for Random Variables

Definition 13.6.1

A sequence $\{A_n\}$ of real-valued random variables is of smaller order in probability than a sequence $\{B_n\}$, if

$$\frac{A_n}{B_n} \stackrel{p}{\to} 0. \tag{13.16}$$

Smaller order in probability is denoted by

$$A_n = o_p(B_n). (13.17)$$

Particularly,

$$A_n = o_p(1) \iff A_n \stackrel{p}{\to} 0. \tag{13.18}$$

Definition 13.6.2

A sequence $\{A_n\}$ of real-valued random variables is of smaller order than or equal to a sequence $\{B_n\}$ in probability, if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \ \exists M_{\varepsilon}, \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} P(|A_n| \le M_{\varepsilon}|B_n|) \ge 1 - \varepsilon.$$
 (13.19)

Smaller order than or equal to in probability is denoted by

$$A_n = O_p(B_n). (13.20)$$

Definition 13.6.3

A sequence $\{A_n\}$ of real-valued random variables is of the same order as a sequence $\{B_n\}$ in probability, if

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \; \exists m_{\varepsilon} < M_{\varepsilon}, \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} P\left(m_{\varepsilon} < \frac{|A_n|}{|B_n|} < M_{\varepsilon}\right) \geq 1 - \varepsilon. \tag{13.21}$$

Same order in probability is denoted by

$$A_n \simeq_n B_n. \tag{13.22}$$

Law of Large Numbers

14.1 Weak Law of Large Numbers

Lemma 14.1.1

If p > 0 and $E |Z_n|^p \to 0$, then

$$Z_n \stackrel{p}{\to} 0. \tag{14.1}$$

Proof.

Theorem 14.1.1 (Weak Law of Large Numbers with Finite Variances)

Let X_1, X_2, \ldots be i.i.d. random variables with $EX_i = \mu$ and $Var(X_i) \leq C < \infty$. Suppose $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \ldots + X_n$, then

$$S_n/n \xrightarrow{L^2} \mu, \quad S_n/n \xrightarrow{p} \mu.$$
 (14.2)

Proof.

Theorem 14.1.2 (Weak Law of Large Numbers without i.i.d.)

Let $X_1, X_2, ...$ be random variables, Suppose $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + ... + X_n$, $\mu_n = ES_n$, $\sigma_n^2 = \text{Var}(S_n)$, if $\sigma_n^2/b_n^2 \to 0$, then

$$\frac{S_n - \mu_n}{b_n} \stackrel{p}{\to} 0. \tag{14.3}$$

Proof.

Theorem 14.1.3 (Weak Law of Large Numbers for Triangular Arrays)

For each n, let $X_{n,m}$, $1 \le m \le n$, be independent random variables. Suppose $b_n > 0$ with $b_{n} \to \infty, X_{n,m} = X_{n,m} I_{(X_{n,m} \le b_{n})}, \text{ if } \\ 1. \sum_{m=1}^{n} P(|X_{n,m}| > b_{n}) \to 0, \text{ and } \\ 2. b_{n}^{-2} \sum_{m=1}^{n} E \bar{X}_{n,m}^{2} \to 0.$ Suppose $S_{n} = X_{n,1} + \dots + X_{n,n}$ and $a_{n} = \sum_{m=1}^{n} E \bar{X}_{n,m}$, then

1.
$$\sum_{m=1}^{n} P(|X_{n,m}| > b_n) \to 0$$
, and

2.
$$\overline{b_n^{-2}} \sum_{m=1}^n E \bar{X}_{n,m}^2 \to 0$$
.

$$\frac{S_n - a_n}{b_n} \stackrel{p}{\to} 0. \tag{14.4}$$

Proof.

Let X_1, X_2, \ldots be i.i.d. random variables with

$$\lim_{x \to 0} x P(|X_i| > x) = 0. \tag{14.5}$$

Suppose $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + ... + X_n$, $\mu_n = E(X_1 I_{(|X_1| \le n)})$, then

$$S_n/n - \mu_n \stackrel{p}{\to} 0. \tag{14.6}$$

Proof.

Theorem 14.1.5 (Weak Law of Large Numbers)

Let X_1, X_2, \ldots be i.i.d. random variables with $E|X_i| < \infty$. Suppose $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \ldots + X_n +$ $X_n, \mu = EX_i$, then

$$S_n/n \xrightarrow{p} \mu.$$
 (14.7)

Proof.

Remark. $E|X_i| = \infty$

14.2 Strong Law of Large Numbers

14.2.1Borel-Cantelli Lemmas

If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty$, then

$$P(A_n \text{ i.o. }) = 0.$$
 (14.8)

Lemma 14.2.2 (The Second Borel-Cantelli Lemma)

If $\{A_n\}$ are independent with $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) = \infty$, then,

$$P(A_n \text{ i.o. }) = 1.$$
 (14.9)

Corollary 14.2.1

Suppose $\{A_n\}$ are independent with $P(A_n) < 1, \forall n$. If $P(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = 1$ then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) = \infty, \tag{14.10}$$

and hence $P(A_n \text{ i.o. }) = 1$

Proof.

14.2.2 Strong Law of Large Numbers

Theorem 14.2.1 (Strong Law of Large Numbers)

Let X_1, X_2, \ldots be i.i.d. random variables with $E|X_i| < \infty$. Suppose $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \ldots + X_n$, $\mu = EX_i$, then

$$S_n/n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} \mu.$$
 (14.11)

14.3 Uniform Law of Large Numbers

Theorem 14.3.1 (Uniform Law of Large Numbers)

Suppose

- 1. Θ is compact.
- 2. $g(X_i, \theta)$ is continuous at each $\theta \in \Theta$ almost sure.
- 3. $g(X_i, \theta)$ is dominated by a function $G(X_i)$, i.e. $|g(X_i, \theta)| \leq G(X_i)$.
- 4. $EG(X_i) < \infty$.

Then

$$\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \left| n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} g\left(X_{i}, \theta \right) - Eg\left(X_{i}, \theta \right) \right| \stackrel{p}{\to} 0. \tag{14.12}$$

Proof. Suppose

$$\Delta_{\delta}\left(X_{i},\theta_{0}\right) = \sup_{\theta \in B\left(\theta_{0},\delta\right)} g\left(X_{i},\theta\right) - \inf_{\theta \in B\left(\theta_{0},\delta\right)} g\left(X_{i},\theta\right).$$

Since (i) $\Delta_{\delta}(X_i, \theta_0) \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} 0$ by condition (2), (ii) $\Delta_{\delta}(X_i, \theta_0) \leq 2 \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |g(X_i, \theta)| \leq 2G(X_i)$ by condition (3) and (4). Then

$$E\Delta_{\delta}(X_i, \theta_0) \to 0$$
, as $\delta \to 0$.

So, for all $\theta \in \Theta$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta_{\varepsilon}(\theta)$ such that

$$E\left[\Delta_{\delta_{\varepsilon}(\theta)}\left(X_{i},\theta\right)\right]<\varepsilon.$$

Since Θ is compact, we can find a finite subcover, such that Θ is covered by

$$\cup_{k=1}^{K} B\left(\theta_{k}, \delta_{\varepsilon}\left(\theta_{k}\right)\right).$$

$$\begin{split} &\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \left[n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} g\left(X_{i}, \theta\right) - Eg\left(X_{i}, \theta\right) \right] \\ &= \max_{k} \sup_{\theta \in B\left(\theta_{k}, \delta_{\varepsilon}\left(\theta_{k}\right)\right)} \left[n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} g\left(X_{i}, \theta\right) - Eg\left(X_{i}, \theta\right) \right] \\ &\leq \max_{k} \left[n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sup_{\theta \in B\left(\theta_{k}, \delta_{\varepsilon}\left(\theta_{k}\right)\right)} g\left(X_{i}, \theta\right) - E\inf_{\theta \in B\left(\theta_{k}, \delta_{\varepsilon}\left(\theta_{k}\right)\right)} g\left(X_{i}, \theta\right) \right] \end{split}$$

Since

$$E\left|\sup_{\theta\in B\left(\theta_{k},\delta_{c}\left(\theta_{k}\right)\right)}g\left(X_{i},\theta\right)\right|\leq EG\left(X_{i}\right)<\infty,$$

by the Weak Law of Large Numbers (Theorem 14.1.5),

$$\begin{split} &= o_{p}(1) + \max_{k} \left[E \sup_{\theta \in B(\theta_{k}, \delta_{\varepsilon}(\theta_{k}))} g\left(X_{i}, \theta\right) - E \inf_{\theta \in B(\theta_{k}, \delta_{\varepsilon}(\theta_{k}))} g\left(X_{i}, \theta\right) \right] \\ &= o_{p}(1) + \max_{k} E\Delta_{\delta_{\varepsilon}(\theta_{k})}\left(X_{i}, \theta_{k}\right) \\ &\leq o_{p}(1) + \varepsilon \end{split}$$

By analogous argument,

$$\inf_{\theta \in \Theta} \left[n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} g(X_i, \theta) - Eg(X_i, \theta) \right] \ge o_p(1) - \varepsilon.$$

The desired result follows from the above equation by the fact that ε is chosen arbitrarily. \square

Central Limit Theorems

15.1 Classic Central Limit Theorem

15.1.1 The De Moivre-Laplace Theorem

Lemma 15.1.1 (Stirling's Formula)

$$n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi} n^{n+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-n} \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
 (15.1)

Proof.

Lemma 15.1.2

If $c_j \to 0$, $a_j \to \infty$ and $a_j c_j \to \lambda$, then

$$(1+c_j)^{a_j} \to e^{\lambda}. \tag{15.2}$$

Proof.

Theorem 15.1.1 (The De Moivre-Laplace Theorem)

Let X_1, X_2, \ldots be i.i.d. with $P(X_1 = 1) = P(X_1 = -1) = 1/2$ and let $S_n = X_1 + \cdots + X_n$. If a < b, then as $m \to \infty$

$$P(a \le S_m/\sqrt{m} \le b) \to \int_a^b (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-x^2/2} dx.$$
 (15.3)

Proof. If n and k and integers

$$P\left(S_{2n} = 2k\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} 2n\\ n+k \end{array}\right) 2^{-2n}$$

By lemma 15.1.1, we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2n \\ n+k \end{pmatrix} = \frac{(2n)!}{(n+k)!(n-k)!}$$

$$\sim \frac{(2n)^{2n}}{(n+k)^{n+k}(n-k)^{n-k}} \cdot \frac{(2\pi(2n))^{1/2}}{(2\pi(n+k))^{1/2}(2\pi(n-k))^{1/2}}$$

Hence,

$$P(S_{2n} = 2k) = {2n \choose n+k} 2^{-2n}$$

$$\sim \left(1 + \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-n-k} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-n+k}$$

$$\cdot (\pi n)^{-1/2} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-1/2} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{k^2}{n^2}\right)^{-n} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-k} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right)^{k}$$

$$\cdot (\pi n)^{-1/2} \cdot \left(1 + \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-1/2} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-1/2}$$

Let $2k = x\sqrt{2n}$, i.e., $k = x\sqrt{\frac{n}{2}}$. By lemma 15.1.2, we have

$$\left(1 - \frac{k^2}{n^2}\right)^{-n} = \left(1 - x^2/2n\right)^{-n} \to e^{x^2/2}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-k} = \left(1 + x/\sqrt{2n}\right)^{-x}\sqrt{n/2} \to e^{-x^2/2}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right)^k = \left(1 - x/\sqrt{2n}\right)^{x}\sqrt{n/2} \to e^{-x^2/2}$$

For this choice of $k, k/n \to 0$, so

$$\left(1 + \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-1/2} \cdot \left(1 - \frac{k}{n}\right)^{-1/2} \to 1.$$

Putting things together, we have

$$P(S_{2n} = 2k) \sim (\pi n)^{-1/2} e^{-x^2/2}$$
, as $\frac{2k}{\sqrt{2n}} \to x$.

Therefore,

$$P\left(a\sqrt{2n} \le S_{2n} \le b\sqrt{2n}\right) = \sum_{m \in \left[a\sqrt{2n}, b\sqrt{2n}\right] \cap 2\mathbb{Z}} P\left(S_{2n} = m\right)$$

Let $m = x\sqrt{2n}$, we have that this is

$$\approx \sum_{x \in [a,b] \cap \left(2\mathbb{Z}/\sqrt{2n}\right)} (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-x^2/2} \cdot (2/n)^{1/2}$$

where $2\mathbb{Z}/\sqrt{2n} = \{2z/\sqrt{2n} : z \in \mathbb{Z}\}$. As $n \to \infty$, the sum just shown is

$$\approx \int_a^b (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-x^2/2} dx.$$

To remove the restriction to even integers, observe $S_{2n+1} = S_{2n} \pm 1$. Let m = 2n, as $m \to \infty$,

$$P(a \le S_m/\sqrt{m} \le b) \to \int_a^b (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-x^2/2} dx.$$

Classic Central Limit Theorem 15.1.2

Theorem 15.1.2 (Classic Central Limit Theorem (i.i.d.))

Let X_1, X_2, \ldots be i.i.d. with $EX_i = \mu$, $Var(X_i) = \sigma^2 < \infty$. Let $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \ldots + X_n$,

$$\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma n^{\frac{1}{2}}} \xrightarrow{d} \chi,\tag{15.4}$$

where χ has the standard normal distribution.

Proof.

Theorem 15.1.3 (The Linderberg-Feller Central Limit Theorem)

For each n, let $X_{n,m}$, $1 \le m \le n$, be independent random variables with $EX_{n,m} = 0$. If 1. $\sum_{m=1}^{n} EX_{n,m}^2 \to \sigma^2 > 0$.

1.
$$\sum_{m=1}^{n} EX_{n,m}^2 \to \sigma^2 > 0$$
.

2.
$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{m=1}^{n} E(|X_{n,m}|^2; |X_{n,m}| > \epsilon) = 0$$

Then $S_n = X_{n,1} + \cdots + X_{n,n} \stackrel{d}{\to} \sigma \chi$ as $n \to \infty$.

Theorem 15.1.4 (Berry-Esseen Theorem)

Let X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n be i.i.d. with distribution F , which has a mean μ and a finite third moment σ^3 , then there exists a constant C (independent of F),

$$|G_n(x) - \Phi(x)| \le \frac{C}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{E |X_1 - \mu|^3}{\sigma^3}, \quad \forall x.$$
 (15.5)

Corollary 15.1.1

Under the assumptions of Theorem 51,

$$G_n(x) \to \Phi(x)$$
 as $n \to \infty$

for any sequence F_n with mean ξ_n and variance σ_n^2 for which

$$\frac{E_n \left| X_1 - \xi_n \right|^3}{\sigma_n^3} = o(\sqrt{n})$$

and thus in particular if (72) is bounded. Here E_n denotes the expectation under F_n .

15.2 Central Limit Theorem for independent non-identical Random Variables

Theorem 15.2.1 (The Liapounov Central Limit Theorem)

15.3 Central Limit Theorem for dependent Random Variables

The Delta Methods

16.1 The Delta Methods

Theorem 16.1.1 (Delta Method)

Let $\{X_n\}$ be a sequence of random variables with

$$\sqrt{n}(X_n - \theta) \stackrel{d}{\to} N(0, \sigma^2)$$
 (16.1)

where θ and σ are finite, then for any function g with the property that $g'(\theta)$ exists and is non-zero valued,

$$\sqrt{n}\left[g\left(X_{n}\right)-g(\theta)\right] \stackrel{d}{\to} N\left(0,\sigma^{2}\cdot\left[g'(\theta)\right]^{2}\right)$$
 (16.2)

Proof. 1. Under the assumption that $g'(\theta)$ is continuous. Since, $g'(\theta)$ exists, with the first-order Taylor Approximation, that

$$g(X_n) = g(\theta) + g'(\tilde{\theta})(X_n - \theta)$$

where $\tilde{\theta}$ lies between X_n and θ . Since $X_n \stackrel{p}{\to} \theta$, and $|\tilde{\theta} - \theta| < |X_n - \theta|$, then

$$\tilde{\theta} \stackrel{p}{\to} \theta$$

Since $g'(\theta)$ is continuous, by Continuous Mapping Theorem (13.4.2),

$$q'(\tilde{\theta}) \stackrel{p}{\to} q'(\theta)$$

and,

$$\sqrt{n} (g(X_n) - g(\theta)) = \sqrt{n} g'(\tilde{\theta})(X_n - \theta)$$
$$\sqrt{n} (X_n - \theta) \stackrel{d}{\to} N(0, \sigma^2)$$

by Slutsky's Theorem (13.4.4),

$$\sqrt{n}\left[g\left(X_{n}\right)-g(\theta)\right] \stackrel{d}{\to} N\left(0,\sigma^{2}\cdot\left[g'(\theta)\right]^{2}\right)$$

Theorem 16.1.2 (Second-order Delta Method)

Remark. We can approximate the moments of a function $f(\cdot)$ of a random variable X using Taylor expansions, provided that $f(\cdot)$ is sufficiently differentiable and that the moments of X are finite. Suppose $\mu = \mathrm{E}(X)$, and $\sigma^2 = \mathrm{Var}(X)$, with the Taylor expansions for the functions of random variables,

$$f(X) = f[\mu + (X - \mu)] \approx f(\mu) + f'(\mu)(X - \mu)$$
 (16.3)

Thus,

$$E[f(X)] \approx E[f(\mu)], \quad Var[f(X)] \approx [f'(\mu)]^2 \cdot \sigma^2$$
 (16.4)

Exercises for Probability Theory and Examples

17.1 Measure Theory

Exercise. 1. Show that if $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{F}_2 \subset \ldots$ are σ -algebras, then $\cup_i \mathcal{F}_i$ is an algebra. 2. Give an example to show that $\cup_i \mathcal{F}_i$ need not be a σ -algebra.

Proof. 1. Complement: Suppose $A \in \cup_i \mathcal{F}_i$, since $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{F}_2 \subset \ldots$, assume $A \in \mathcal{F}_i$. And each \mathcal{F}_i is σ -algebra,

$$A^c \in \mathcal{F}_i \subset \cup_i \mathcal{F}_i$$
.

Finite Union: Suppose $A_1, A_2 \in \cup_i \mathcal{F}_i$, since $\mathcal{F}_1 \subset \mathcal{F}_2 \subset \ldots$, assume $A_1 \in \mathcal{F}_i, A_2 \in \mathcal{F}_j$, such that,

$$A_1, A_2 \in \mathcal{F}_{\max(i,j)}$$
.

Since each \mathcal{F}_i is σ -algebra,

$$A_1 \cup A_2 \in \mathcal{F}_i \subset \cup_i \mathcal{F}_i$$
.

2. Let \mathcal{F}_i be a Borel Set of $[1, 2 - \frac{1}{i}]$. Suppose $A_i = [1, 2 - \frac{1}{i}] \in \mathcal{F}_i$,

$$\bigcup_i A_i = [1, 2) \notin \bigcup_i \mathcal{F}_i$$
.

17.2 Laws of Large Numbers

17.3 Central Limit Theorems

Exercise. Let $g \geq 0$ be continuous. If $X_n \stackrel{d}{\to} X_{\infty}$, then

$$\liminf_{n\to\infty} Eg\left(X_n\right) \ge Eg\left(X_\infty\right).$$

Proof. Let $Y_n \stackrel{d}{=} X_n, 1 \le n \le \infty$ with $Y_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} Y_\infty$ (Lemma 13.4.1). Since $g \ge 0$ be continuous, $g(Y_n) \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} g(Y_\infty)$ and $g(Y_n) \ge 0$ (Theorem 13.4.2), and the Fatou's Lemma (12.4.2) implies,

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} Eg(X_n) = \liminf_{n \to \infty} Eg(Y_n) \ge E\left(\liminf_{n \to \infty} g(Y_n)\right)$$
$$= Eg(Y_\infty) = Eg(X_\infty).$$

Exercise. Suppose g, h are continuous with g(x) > 0, and $|h(x)|/g(x) \to 0$ as $|x| \to \infty$. If $F_n \stackrel{d}{\to} F$ and $\int g(x) dF_n(x) \le C < \infty$, then

$$\int h(x)dF_n(x) \to \int h(x)dF(x).$$

Proof.

$$\left| \int h(x) dF_n(x) - \int h(x) dF(x) \right| = \left| \int_{x \in [-M,M]} h(x) dF_n(x) + \int_{x \notin [-M,M]} h(x) dF_n(x) - \int_{x \in [-M,M]} h(x) dF(x) - \int_{x \in [-M,M]} h(x) dF(x) \right|$$

$$\leq \left| \int_{x \in [-M,M]} h(x) dF_n(x) - \int_{x \in [-M,M]} h(x) dF(x) \right|$$

$$+ \left| \int_{x \notin [-M,M]} h(x) dF_n(x) - \int_{x \notin [-M,M]} h(x) dF(x) \right|$$

Let $X_n, 1 \leq n < \infty$, with distribution F_n , so that $X_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} X$ (Lemma 13.4.1).

$$\left| \int_{x \in [-M,M]} h(x) dF_n(x) - \int_{x \in [-M,M]} h(x) dF(x) \right| = \left| E(h(X_n) - h(X)) I_{x \in [-M,M]} \right|.$$

By Continuity Mapping Theorem (13.4.2), $\lim_{n\to\infty} |E(h(X_n) - h(X)) I_{x\in[-M,M]}| = 0$. Since

$$h(x)I_{x\notin [-M,M]} \le g(x) \sup_{x\notin [-M,M]} \frac{h(x)}{g(x)},$$

and by Exercise 17.3

$$\begin{split} Eg(X) & \leq \liminf_{n \to \infty} Eg(X_n) = \liminf_{n \to \infty} \int g(x) \mathrm{d}F_n(x) \leq C < \infty, \\ \left| \int_{x \notin [-M,M]} h(x) \mathrm{d}F_n(x) - \int_{x \notin [-M,M]} h(x) \mathrm{d}F(x) \right| & = \left| E\left(h(X_n) - h(X)\right) I_{x \notin [-M,M]} \right| \\ & \leq 2E \max(h(Xn), h(X)) I_{x \notin [-M,M]} \leq 2C \sup_{x \notin [-M,M]} \frac{h(x)}{g(x)}. \end{split}$$

Hence, let $M \to \infty$,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \left| \int h(x) \mathrm{d} F_n(x) - \int h(x) \mathrm{d} F(x) \right| \le 2C \sup_{x\notin [-M,M]} \frac{h(x)}{g(x)} \to 0,$$

which means,

$$\int h(x) dF_n(x) \to \int h(x) dF(x).$$

Exercise. Let X_1, X_2, \ldots be i.i.d. with $EX_i = 0$ and $EX_i^2 = \sigma^2 \in (0, \infty)$. Then

$$\sum_{m=1}^{n} X_m / \left(\sum_{m=1}^{n} X_m^2\right)^{1/2} \stackrel{d}{\to} \chi.$$

Exercise. Show that if $|X_i| \leq M$ and $\sum_n \text{Var}(X_n) = \infty$, then

$$(S_n - ES_n) / \sqrt{\operatorname{Var}(S_n)} \stackrel{d}{\to} \chi.$$

Exercise. Suppose $EX_i = 0$, $EX_i^2 = 1$ and $E|X_i|^{2+\delta} \leq C$ for some $0 < \delta, C < \infty$. Show that

$$S_n/\sqrt{n} \stackrel{d}{\to} \chi$$
.

Part VII Stochastic Process

Martingales

18.1 Conditional Expectation

Definition 18.1.1 (Conditional Expectation)

Example. 1. If $X \in \mathcal{F}$, then

$$E(X \mid \mathcal{F}) = X.$$

2. If X is independent of \mathcal{F} , then

$$E(X \mid \mathcal{F}) = E(X).$$

3. If $\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \ldots$ is a finite or infinite partition of Ω into disjoint sets, each of which has positive probability, and let $\mathcal{F} = \sigma(\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \ldots)$, then

$$E(X \mid \mathcal{F}) = \frac{E(X; \Omega_i)}{P(\Omega_i)}$$
 on Ω_i .

Property.

18.2 Martingales

Let \mathcal{F}_n be a filtration, i.e., an increasing sequence of σ -fields.

Definition 18.2.1 (Martingale)

A sequence $\{X_n\}$ of real-valued random variables is said to be a martingale with respect to \mathcal{F}_n , if

- 1. X_n is integrable, i.e., $E|X_n| < \infty$
- 2. X_n is adapted to \mathcal{F}_n , i.e., $\forall n, X_n \in \mathcal{F}_n$
- 3. X_n satisfies the martingale condition, i.e.,

$$E(X_{n+1} \mid \mathcal{F}_n) = X_n, \quad \forall n$$
 (18.1)

Remark. If in the last definition = is replaced by \leq or \geq , then X is said to be a supermartingale or submartingale, respectively.

Example (Linear Martingale).

Example (Quadratic Martingale).

Example (Exponential Martingale).

Example (Random Walk). Suppose $X_n = X_0 + \xi_1 + \cdots + \xi_n$, where X_0 is constant, ξ_m are independent and have $E\xi_m = 0, \sigma_m^2 = E\xi_m^2 < \infty$. Let $\mathcal{F}_n = \sigma(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$ for $n \geq 1$ and take $\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$. Show X_n is a martingale, and X_n^2 is a submartingale.

Proof. It is obvious that,

$$E|X_n| < \infty, \quad X_n \in \mathcal{F}_n$$

Since ξ_{n+1} is independent of \mathcal{F}_n , so using the linearity of conditional expectation, (4.1.1), and Example 4.1.4,

$$E(X_{n+1} | \mathcal{F}_n) = E(X_n | \mathcal{F}_n) + E(\xi_{n+1} | \mathcal{F}_n) = X_n + E\xi_{n+1} = X_n$$

So X_n is a martingale, and Theorem 4.2.6 implies X_n^2 is a submartingale.

Remark. If we let $\lambda=x^2$ and apply Theorem 4.4.2 to X_n^2 , we get Kolmogorov's maximal inequality, Theorem 2.5.5:

$$P\left(\max_{1 \le m \le n} |X_m| \ge x\right) \le x^{-2} \operatorname{var}(X_n) \tag{18.2}$$

Theorem 18.2.1 (Orthogonality of Martingale Increments)

Theorem 18.2.2 (Conditional Variance Formula)

Definition 18.2.2 (Predictable Sequence)

Definition 18.2.3 (Stopping Time)

Theorem 18.2.3 (Martingale Convergence Theorem)

18.3 Doob's Inequality

Theorem 18.3.1 (Doob's Decomposition)

Theorem 18.3.2 (Doob's Inequality)

Theorem 18.3.3 (L^p Maximum Inequality)

- 18.4 Uniform Integrability
- 18.5 Optional Stopping Theorems

Markov Chains

19.1 Markov Chain

Definition 19.1.1 (Markov Chain, Simple)

A sequence $\{X_n\}$ of real-valued random variables is said to be a Markov chain, if for any states $i_0, \ldots i_{n-1}, i$, and j

$$P(X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i, X_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots X_0 = i_0) = P(X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i)$$
 (19.1)

and the transition probability is

$$p(i,j) = P(X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i)$$
(19.2)

Example (Random Walk). Suppose $X_n = X_0 + \xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n$, where X_0 is constant, $\xi_m \in \mathbb{Z}^d$ are independent with distribution μ . Show X_n is a Markov chain with transition probability,

$$p(i,j) = \mu(\{j-i\})$$

Proof. Since ξ_m are independent with distribution μ ,

$$P(X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i, X_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots X_0 = i_0)$$

= $P(X_n + \xi_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i) = P(\xi_{n+1} = j - i) = \mu(\{j - i\})$

Definition 19.1.2 (Branching Processes)

Let $\xi_i^n, i, n \ge 1$, be i.i.d. nonnegative integer-valued random variables. Define a sequence $Z_n, n \ge 0$ by $Z_0 = 1$ and

$$Z_{n+1} = \begin{cases} \xi_1^{n+1} + \dots + \xi_{Z_n}^{n+1} & Z_n > 0\\ 0 & Z_n = 0 \end{cases}$$
 (19.3)

 Z_n is called a Branching process.

Remark. The idea behind the definitions is that Z_n is the number of individuals in the *n*-th generation, and each member of the *n*-th generation gives birth independently to an identically distributed number of children.

Example (Branching Processes). Show branching process is a Markov chain with transition probability,

$$p(i,j) = P\left(\sum_{k=1}^{i} \xi_k = j\right)$$

Proof. Since ξ_k^n are independent with identically distribution,

$$P(Z_{n+1} = j \mid Z_n = i, Z_{n-1} = i_{n-1}, \dots Z_0 = i_0)$$

$$= P\left(\sum_{k=1}^{Z_n} \xi_k^{n+1} = j \mid Z_n = i\right) = P\left(\sum_{k=1}^{i} \xi_k = j\right)$$

Suppose (S, \mathcal{S}) be a measurable space, which will be the state space for our Markov chain.

Definition 19.1.3 (Transition Probability)

A function $p: S \times S \to \mathbf{R}$ is said to be a transition probability, if

- 1. For each $x \in S$, $A \to p(x, A)$ is a probability measure on (S, \mathcal{S})
- 2. For each $A \in \mathcal{S}$, $x \to p(x, A)$ is a measurable function

Definition 19.1.4 (Markov Chain)

A sequence $\{X_n\}$ of real-valued random variables with transition probability p is said to be a Markov chain with respect to \mathcal{F}_n , if

$$P(X_{n+1} \in B \mid \mathcal{F}_n) = p(X_n, B)$$
(19.4)

Remark. Given a transition probability p and an initial distribution μ on (S, \mathcal{S}) , the consistent set of finite dimensional distributions is

$$P(X_{j} \in B_{j}, 0 \le j \le n) = \int_{B_{0}} \mu(dx_{0}) \int_{B_{1}} p(x_{0}, dx_{1}) \cdots \int_{B_{n}} p(x_{n-1}, dx_{n}) F$$
 (19.5)

19.2 Markov Properties

Definition 19.2.1 (Shift Operator)

Theorem 19.2.1 (Markov Property)

Corollary 19.2.1 (Chapman-Kolmogorov Equation)

Theorem 19.2.2 (Strong Markov Property)

19.3 Recurrence and Transience

Let $T_y^0 = 0$, and for $k \ge 1$, and

$$T_y^k = \inf \left\{ n > T_y^{k-1} : X_n = y \right\}$$
 (19.6)

then T_y^k is the time of the k-th return to y, where $T_y^1 > 0$, so any visit at time 0 does not count. Let

$$\rho_{xy} = P_x \left(T_y < \infty \right) \tag{19.7}$$

and we have

$$P_x\left(T_y^k < \infty\right) = \rho_{xy}\rho_{yy}^{k-1} \tag{19.8}$$

Proof.

Let

$$N(y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1_{(X_n = y)}$$
(19.9)

be the number of visits to y at positive times.

Definition 19.3.1 (Recurrent)

A state y is said to be recurrent if $\rho_{yy} = 1$.

Property. The recurrent state y has the following properties

1. y is recurrent if and only if

$$E_y N(y) = \infty.$$

2. If x is recurrent and $\rho_{xy} > 0$, then y is recurrent and $\rho_{yx} = 1$.

Definition 19.3.2

A state y is said to be transient if $\rho_{yy} < 1$.

Property. The transient state y has the following properties

1. If y is transient, then

$$E_x N(y) < \infty, \quad \forall x.$$

Proof.

$$E_x N(y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_x(N(y) \ge k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_x \left(T_y^k < \infty \right)$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho_{xy} \rho_{yy}^{k-1} = \frac{\rho_{xy}}{1 - \rho_{yy}} < \infty$$

Definition 19.3.3 (Closed State Set)

A set C of states is said to be closed, if

$$x \in C, \rho_{xy} > 0 \Rightarrow y \in C. \tag{19.10}$$

Definition 19.3.4 (Irreducible State Set)

A set D of states is said to be irreducible, if

$$x, y \in D \Rightarrow \rho_{xy} > 0. \tag{19.11}$$

Theorem 19.3.1

Let C be a finite closed set, then

- $1.\ C$ contains a recurrent state.
- 2. If C is irreducible, then all states in C are recurrent.

Theorem 19.3.2

Suppose $C_x = \{y : \rho_{xy} > 0\}$, then C_x is an irreducible closed set.

Proof. If $y, z \in C_x$, then $\rho_{yz} \ge \rho_{yx}\rho_{xz} > 0$. If $\rho_{yw} > 0$, then $\rho_{xw} \ge \rho_{xy}\rho_{yw} > 0$, so $w \in C_x$.

Example (A Seven-state Chain). Consider the transition probability,

try to identify the states that are recurrent and those that are transient.

Proof. $\{2,3\}$ are transition states, and $\{1,4,5,6,7\}$ are recurrent states.

Remark. Suppose S is finite, for $x \in S$,

1. x is transient, if

$$\exists y, \rho_{xy} > 0, \text{ s.t.} \quad \rho_{yx} = 0$$

2. x is recurrent, if

$$\forall y, \rho_{xy} > 0, \text{ s.t. } \rho_{yx} > 0$$

19.4 Stationary Measures

19.5 Asymptotic Behavior

19.6 Ergodic Theorems

Definition 19.6.1 (Stationary Sequence)

Theorem 19.6.1 (Ergodic Theorem)

Example.

Brownian Motion

Definition 20.0.1 (Brownian Motion (1))

A real-valued stochastic process $B(t), t \geq 0$ is said to be Brownian motion, if

1. for any $0 = t_0 \le t_1 \le \ldots \le t_n$ the increments

$$B(t_1) - B(t_0), \dots, B(t_n) - B(t_{n-1})$$

are independent

2. for any $s, t \geq 0$ and Borel sets $A \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$P(B(s+t) - B(s) \in A) = \int_A (2\pi t)^{-1/2} \exp(-x^2/2t) dx$$
 (20.1)

3. the sample paths $t \to B(t)$ are a.s. continuous

Property. For a one-dimensional Brownian motion, if B(0) = 0, then we have the following properties

- 1. $EB_t = 0$, $Var(B_t) = t$, $t \ge 0$.
- 2. Cov $(B_s, B_t) = s$, Corr $(B_s, B_t) = \sqrt{\frac{s}{t}}$, $\forall 0 \le s \le t$.

Proof. 1. Since $B_t = B_t - B_0 \sim N(0, t)$, then we have

$$EB_t = 0, Var(B_t) = t$$

2. Suppose $0 \le s \le t$,

$$Cov(B_s, B_t) = E[(B_s - EB_s)(B_t - EB_t)] = EB_sB_t$$

Let $B_t = (B_t - B_s) + B_s$, we have

$$EB_sB_t = E[B_s \cdot ((B_t - B_s) + B_s)]$$

= $E[B_s \cdot (B_t - B_s)] + EB_s^2$

Since $B_s = B_s - B_0$ and $B_t - B_s$ are independent,

$$E\left[B_s \cdot (B_t - B_s)\right] = EB_s \cdot E\left[B_t - B_s\right] = 0$$

Thus

$$Cov(B_s, B_t) = EB_s^2 = s$$

And

$$\operatorname{Corr}(B_s, B_t) = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(B_s, B_t)}{\sigma_{B_s} \sigma_{B_t}} = \frac{s}{\sqrt{st}} = \sqrt{\frac{s}{t}}$$

A second equivalent definition of Brownian motion are as followed,

Definition 20.0.2 (Brownian Motion (2))

A real-valued stochastic process $B(t), t \geq 0$, starting from 0, is said to be Brownian motion, if

- 1. B(t) is a Gaussian process^a
- 2. $\forall s, t \geq 0, EB_s = 0 \text{ and } EB_sB_t = s \wedge t$
- 3. the sample paths $t \to B(t)$ are a.s. continuous

20.1 Markov Properties

20.2 Martingales

Example (Quadratic Martingale). Suppose B_t is a Brownian motion, then

$$B_t^2 - t$$

is a martingale.

Proof. Let $B_t^2 = (B_s + B_t - B_s)^2$, we have

$$E_{x} (B_{t}^{2} | \mathcal{F}_{s}) = E_{x} (B_{s}^{2} + 2B_{s} (B_{t} - B_{s}) + (B_{t} - B_{s})^{2} | \mathcal{F}_{s})$$

$$= B_{s}^{2} + 2B_{s} E_{x} (B_{t} - B_{s} | \mathcal{F}_{s}) + E_{x} ((B_{t} - B_{s})^{2} | \mathcal{F}_{s})$$

$$= B_{s}^{2} + 0 + (t - s)$$

since $B_t - B_s$ is independent of \mathcal{F}_s and has mean 0 and variance t - s.

Example (Exponential Martingale). Suppose B_t is a Brownian motion, then

$$\exp\left(\theta B_t - \left(\theta^2 t/2\right)\right)$$

is a martingale.

Proof. Let $B_t = B_t - B_s + B_s$, then

$$E_x \left(\exp \left(\theta B_t \right) \mid \mathcal{F}_s \right) = \exp \left(\theta B_s \right) E \left(\exp \left(\theta \left(B_t - B_s \right) \right) \mid \mathcal{F}_s \right)$$
$$= \exp \left(\theta B_s \right) \exp \left(\theta^2 (t - s) / 2 \right)$$

since $B_t - B_s$ is independent of \mathcal{F}_s and has mean 0 and variance t - s. Thus

$$E_x \left(\exp \left(\theta B_t - \left(\theta^2 t/2 \right) \right) \mid \mathcal{F}_s \right) = E_x \left(\exp \left(\theta B_t \right) \mid \mathcal{F}_s \right) \cdot \exp \left(- \left(\theta^2 t/2 \right) \right)$$
$$= \exp \left(\theta B_s - \left(\theta^2 s/2 \right) \right)$$

^aGaussian process, i.e., all its finite dimensional distributions are multivariate normal.

Theorem 20.2.1 (Lévy's Martingale Characterization)

Let $B(t), t \geq 0$, be a real-valued stochastic process and let $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma(B_s, s \leq t)$ be the filtration generated by it. Then B(t) is a Brownian motion if and only if

- 1. B(0) = 0 a.s.
- 2. the sample paths $t \to B(t)$ are continuous a.s.
- 3. B(t) is a martingale with respect to \mathcal{F}_t
- 4. $|B(t)|^2 t$ is a martingale with respect to \mathcal{F}_t

20.3 Sample Paths

Let $0 = t_0^n < t_1^n < \dots < t_n^n = T$, where $t_i^n = \frac{iT}{n}$ be a partition of the interval [0, T] into n equal parts, and

$$\Delta_i^n B = B\left(t_{i+1}^n\right) - B\left(t_i^n\right) \tag{20.2}$$

be the corresponding increments of the Brownian motion B(t).

Theorem 20.3.1

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\Delta_i^n B)^2 = T \quad \text{in} \quad L^2$$
 (20.3)

Proof. Since the increments $\Delta_i^n B$ are independent and

$$E\left(\Delta_{i}^{n}B\right) = 0, \quad E\left(\left(\Delta_{i}^{n}B\right)^{2}\right) = \frac{T}{n}, \quad E\left(\left(\Delta_{i}^{n}B\right)^{4}\right) = \frac{3T^{2}}{n^{2}}$$

it follows that

$$E\left(\left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (\Delta_i^n B)^2 - T\right]^2\right) = E\left(\left[\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left((\Delta_i^n B)^2 - \frac{T}{n}\right)\right]^2\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} E\left[\left((\Delta_i^n B)^2 - \frac{T}{n}\right)^2\right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[E\left((\Delta_i^n B)^4\right) - \frac{2T}{n}E\left((\Delta_i^n B)^2\right) + \frac{T^2}{n^2}\right]$$

$$= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left[\frac{3T^2}{n^2} - \frac{2T^2}{n^2} + \frac{T^2}{n^2}\right]$$

$$= \frac{2T^2}{n} \to 0, \quad n \to \infty$$

Definition 20.3.1 (Variation)

The variation of a function $f:[0,T]\to\mathbb{R}$ is defined to be

$$\lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \sup_{i=0}^{n-1} |f(t_{i+1}) - f(t_i)|$$
 (20.4)

where $t = (t_0, t_1, \dots, t_n)$ is a partition of [0, T], i.e. $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T$, and where

$$\Delta t = \max_{i=0,\dots,n-1} |t_{i+1} - t_i| \tag{20.5}$$

Theorem 20.3.2

The variation of the paths of B(t) is infinite a.s..

Proof. Consider the sequence of partitions $t^n = (t_0^n, t_1^n, \dots, t_n^n)$ of [0, T] into n equal parts. Then

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_i^n B|^2 \leq \left(\max_{i=0,\dots,n-1} |\Delta_i^n B| \right) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} |\Delta_i^n B|$$

Since the paths of B(t) are a.s. continuous on [0, T],

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\left(\max_{i=0,\dots,n-1}|\Delta_i^nB|\right)=0\quad \text{ a.s.}$$

By Theorem 20.3.1, we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\Delta_i^n B \right)^2 = T \quad \text{ in } \quad L^2$$

Since every sequence of random variables convergent in L^2 has a subsequence convergent a.s. There is a subsequence $t^{n_k} = (t_0^{n_k}, t_1^{n_k}, \dots, t_{n_k}^{n_k})$ of partitions such that

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n_k - 1} |\Delta_i^{n_k} B|^2 = T \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Since

$$\sum_{i=0}^{n_k-1} |\Delta_i^{n_k} B| \geq \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n_k-1} |\Delta_i^{n_k} B|^2}{\max_{i=0,...,n_k-1} |\Delta_i^{n_k} B|}$$

hence,

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n_k - 1} |\Delta_i^{n_k} B| = \infty \quad \text{ a.s.}$$

while

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \Delta t^{n_k} = \lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{T}{n_k} = 0$$

20.4 Itô Stochastic Calculus

Definition 20.4.1 (Itô Stochastic Integral)

For any T>0 we shall denote by M_T^2 the space of all stochastic processes $f(t), t\geq 0$ such that

$$1_{[0,T)}f \in M^2$$

The Itô stochastic integral (from 0 to T) of $f \in M_T^2$ is defined by

$$I_T(f) = I\left(1_{[0,T)}f\right) \tag{20.6}$$

which can be denoted by

$$\int_0^T f(t) \, \mathrm{d}B(t) \tag{20.7}$$

Property. The Itô Stochastic Integral has the following properties:

1. Linearity: For $\forall f, g \in M_t^2, \forall \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\int_0^t (\alpha f(r) + \beta g(r)) dB(r) = \alpha \int_0^t f(r) dB(r) + \beta \int_0^t g(r) dB(r)$$
 (20.8)

2. Isometry: For $\forall f \in M_t^2$,

$$E\left(\left|\int_0^t f(r) \, \mathrm{d}B(r)\right|^2\right) = E\left(\int_0^t |f(r)|^2 \, \mathrm{d}r\right) \tag{20.9}$$

3. Martingale Property: For $\forall f \in M_t^2$ and $\forall 0 \leq s < t$,

$$E\left(\int_0^t f(r) \, \mathrm{d}B(r) \mid \mathcal{F}_s\right) = \int_0^s f(r) \, \mathrm{d}B(r) \tag{20.10}$$

Proof.

Definition 20.4.2 (Itô Process)

A stochastic process $\xi(t), t \ge 0$ is said to be an Itô process if it has a.s. continuous paths and can be represented as

$$\xi(T) = \xi(0) + \int_0^T a(t) dt + \int_0^T b(t) dB(t) \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (20.11)

where b(t) is a process belonging to M_T^2 for all T > 0 and a(t) is a process adapted to the filtration \mathcal{F}_t such that

$$\int_0^T |a(t)| \, \mathrm{d}t < \infty \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (20.12)

for all $T \geq 0$. The Itô process is denoted by

$$d\xi(t) = a(t) dt + b(t) dB(t)$$
(20.13)

Remark. The class of all adapted processes a(t) satisfying 20.12 for some T > 0 will be denoted by \mathcal{L}_T^1 .

Theorem 20.4.1 (Itô Formula)

Suppose F(t,x) is a real-valued function with continuous partial derivatives $F'_t(t,x)$, $F'_x(t,x)$ and $F''_{xx}(t,x)$ for all $t \geq 0$ and $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

1. If $\xi(t)$ be an Itô process

$$\xi(t) = \xi(0) + \int_0^t a(s) ds + \int_0^t b(s) dB(s)$$

and the process $b(t)F'_x(t,\xi(t))$ belongs to M_T^2 for all $T\geq 0$. Then $F(t,\xi(t))$ is an Itô process such that

$$dF(t,\xi(t)) = \left(F'_t(t,\xi(t)) + F'_x(t,\xi(t))a(t) + \frac{1}{2}F''_{xx}(t,\xi(t))b(t)^2\right) dt + F'_x(t,\xi(t))b(t) dB(t)$$
(20.14)

2. If $\xi(t)$ be an Brownian Motion, such that $\xi(t) = B(t)$, and the process $F'_x(t, B(t))$ belongs to M_T^2 for all $T \ge 0$. Then F(t, B(t)) is an Itô process such that

$$dF(t, B(t)) = \left(F'_t(t, B(t)) + \frac{1}{2}F''_{xx}(t, B(t))\right) dt + F'_x(t, B(t)) dB(t)$$
 (20.15)

Example (Exponential Martingale). Show that the exponential martingale

$$X(t) = e^{B(t)}e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$$

is an Itô process, and satisfies the equation

$$dX(t) = X(t) dB(t)$$

Proof. Let $F(t,x) = e^x e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$, then we have

$$F'_t(t,x) = -\frac{1}{2}F(t,x), \quad F'_x(t,x) = F(t,x), \quad F''_{xx}(t,x) = F(t,x)$$

thus, by Itô Formula, we have

$$dX(t) = dF(t, B(t)) = \left(F'_t(t, B(t)) + \frac{1}{2}F''_{xx}(t, B(t))\right) dt + F'_x(t, B(t)) dB(t)$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{2}F(t, B(t)) + \frac{1}{2}F(t, B(t))\right) dt + F(t, B(t)) dB(t)$$

$$= X(t) dB(t)$$

Example.

Example.

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Part VIII Random Matrix Theory

Sample Covariance Matrices

Suppose $\{X\}$ be a sequence of random vectors defined in \mathbb{R}^n , and $(x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ be the components of the random vector X, such that

$$E(\mathbf{X}) = 0, \quad E(\mathbf{X} \otimes \mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{I}_n$$

where \mathbf{X} is also called **isotropic** random vector.

Suppose $\{m_n\}$ be a sequence defined in \mathbb{N} such that

$$0<\underline{\rho}:=\liminf_{n\to\infty}\frac{n}{m_n}\leq \limsup_{n\to\infty}\frac{n}{m_n}=:\bar{\rho}<\infty$$

Let $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{m_n}$ be i.i.d. copies of \mathbf{X} , and \mathbb{X} be the $m_n \times n$ random matrix with i.i.d. rows $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{m_n}$, and their empirical covariance matrix is

$$\widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}} := \frac{1}{m_n} \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbf{X}_i \otimes \mathbf{X}_i = \frac{1}{m_n} \mathbb{X}' \mathbb{X}$$

which is a $n \times n$ symmetric positive semidefinite random matrix, and

$$E\left(\widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}}\right) = \mathbb{E}\left(\mathbf{X} \otimes \mathbf{X}\right) = \mathbf{I}_n$$

For convenience, we define the random matrix

$$\mathbf{A} := m_n \widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}} = \mathbb{X}' \mathbb{X} = \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbf{X}_i \otimes \mathbf{X}_i$$

22.1 Eigenvalues and Singular Values

Theorem 22.1.1

The eigenvalues of A are squares of the singular values of X, in particularly

$$\lambda_{\max}\left(\mathbf{A}\right) = s_{\max}\left(\mathbb{X}\right)^2 = \max_{\|\mathbf{x}\|=1} \|\mathbb{X}\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \|\mathbb{X}\|_2^2$$

if $m_n \geq n$, then

$$\lambda_{\min}\left(\mathbf{A}\right) = s_{\min}\left(\mathbb{X}\right)^{2} = \min_{\|\mathbf{x}\|=1} \left\|\mathbb{X}\mathbf{x}\right\|^{2} = \left\|\mathbb{X}^{-1}\right\|_{2}^{-2}$$

Proof.

22.2 Laguerre Orthogonal Ensemble

Definition 22.2.1 (Wishart Distribution)

Suppose X be a $p \times n$ matrix, each column of which is independently drawn from a p-variate normal distribution with zero mean:

$$\mathbf{X}_i = \left(x_i^1, \dots, x_i^p\right)' \sim N_p(0, \mathbf{\Sigma})$$

Then the Wishart distribution is the probability distribution of the $p \times p$ random matrix,

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbb{X}'\mathbb{X} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{X}_{i} \mathbf{X}'_{i}$$
 (22.1)

and which can be denoted by

$$\mathbf{M} \sim W_p\left(\mathbf{\Sigma}, n\right)$$

If $p = \Sigma = 1$, then this distribution is a chi-squared distribution with n degrees of freedom.

Theorem 22.2.1

If $n \geq p$, the probability density function of **M** is

$$f(\mathbf{M}) = \frac{1}{2^{np/2} \left[\det\left(\mathbf{\Sigma}\right) \right]^{n/2} \Gamma_p\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)} \det\left(\mathbf{M}\right)^{(n-p-1)/2} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\mathbf{M}\right) \right]$$
(22.2)

with respect to Lebesque measure on the cone of symmetric positive definite matrices. Here, Γ_p is the multivariate gamma function defined as

$$\Gamma_p\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = \pi^{p(p-1)/4} \prod_{j=1}^p \Gamma\left(\frac{n}{2} - \frac{j-1}{2}\right)$$

Remark. Specially, if the random variables $(x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ are i.i.d. standard Gaussians, then the distribution of the random matrix $\widehat{\Sigma}$ can be derived from the Wishart distribution. The probability denisty function of $\widehat{\Sigma}$ can be derived from (22.2), since

$$\mathbf{A} \sim W_n(\mathbf{I}_n, m_n), \quad \det(\widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}}) = m_n^{-n} \det(\mathbf{A}), \quad \operatorname{tr}(\widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}}) = m_n^{-1} \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A})$$

thus,

$$f\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right) = \frac{m_n^{-n(m_n - n - 1)/2 + 1}}{2^{m_n n/2} \Gamma_n\left(\frac{m_n}{2}\right)} \det\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right)^{(m_n - n - 1)/2} \exp\left[-\frac{m_n}{2} \operatorname{tr}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right)\right]$$
(22.3)

Theorem 22.2.2

If the random variables $(x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ are i.i.d. standard Gaussians, the joint probability density function of eigenvalues of $\widehat{\Sigma}$ is

$$p(\lambda) = \widetilde{Q}_{m_n,n}^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{m_n}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k\right) \prod_{k=1}^n \lambda_k^{(m_n - n - 1)/2} \prod_{i < j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|$$
 (22.4)

where

$$0 < \lambda_1 < \ldots < \lambda_n < \infty$$

and $\widetilde{Q}_{m_n,n}$ is the normalization constant.

Proof. First, we will give the characteristic function of $\widehat{\Sigma}$, i.e.,

$$\varphi_{\widehat{\Sigma}}(\mathbf{P}) = E\left[\exp\left(\imath \sum_{1 \le i \le j \le n} P_{ij}\widehat{\Sigma}_{ji}\right)\right] = E\left[\exp\left(\imath \operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{P}\widehat{\Sigma}\right)\right)\right]$$

where $\{P_{ij}\}_{1 \le i \le j \le n} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n+1)n/2}$ and **P** is a real symmetric matrix, that

$$\mathbf{P} = \left\{ \widehat{P}_{ij}, \widehat{P}_{ij} = \widehat{P}_{ji} \right\}_{i,j=1}^{n}, \quad \widehat{P}_{ij} = \begin{cases} P_{ii}, & i = j \\ P_{ij}/2, & i < j \end{cases}$$

Thus, we have

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{m_n \times n}} \exp\left(i \operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{P}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right)\right) \cdot (2\pi)^{-m_n n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{m_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(x_i^{(k)}\right)^2\right) \prod_{k=1}^{m_n} \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i^{(k)}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{m_n \times n}} (2\pi)^{-m_n n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{m_n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{Q}_{ij} x_i^{(k)} x_j^{(k)}\right) \prod_{k=1}^{m_n} \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i^{(k)}$$

where

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I}_n - \frac{2\imath}{m_n} \mathbf{P}$$

Since $\left(x_i^{(k)}\right)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ are i.i.d. standard Gaussians,

$$= \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (2\pi)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{Q}_{ij} x_i x_j\right) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i \right]^{m_n}$$

$$= \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (2\pi)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{X}\right) d\mathbf{X} \right]^{m_n}$$

$$= \left[\det(\mathbf{Q})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (2\pi)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{Q}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X}\right)' \left(\mathbf{Q}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X}\right)\right) d\mathbf{Q}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{X} \right]^{m_n}$$

$$= \left[\det(\mathbf{Q}) \right]^{-m_n/2}$$

thus,

$$[\det(\mathbf{Q})]^{-m_n/2} = \left[\det\left(\mathbf{I}_n - \frac{2i}{m_n}\mathbf{P}\right)\right]^{-m_n/2} = \prod_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{2i}{m_n}p_k\right)^{-m_n/2}$$
(22.5)

where $\{p_k\}_{k=1}^n$ are the eigenvalues of **P**.

Then, we will show that the characteristic function of (22.4) conincides with the above function. By the Wishart distribution, the probability denisty of the real symmetric and positive definite random matrix $\hat{\Sigma}$ is

$$\widetilde{Q}_{m_n,n}^{-1} \exp\left[-\frac{m_n}{2}\operatorname{tr}\left(\widehat{\Sigma}\right)\right] \left[\det\left(\widehat{\Sigma}\right)\right]^{(m_n-n-1)/2} d\widehat{\Sigma}$$
 (22.6)

where $\widetilde{Q}_{m_n,n}$ is the normalization constant. Then, the characteristic function of (22.6), i.e.,

$$\widetilde{Q}_{m_n,n}^{-1} \int_{\mathcal{S}_n^+} \exp\left[\imath \operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{P}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right) - \frac{m_n}{2} \operatorname{tr}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right)\right] \left[\det\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right)\right]^{(m_n - n - 1)/2} d\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}$$

where the integration is over the set \mathcal{S}_n^+ of $n \times n$ real symmetric and positive definite matrices. Since

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \lambda_k = \operatorname{tr}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right), \quad \prod_{k=1}^{n} \lambda_k^{(m_n - n - 1)/2} = \left[\operatorname{det}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right)\right]^{(m_n - n - 1)/2}$$

and

$$d\widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}} = \prod_{i < j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j| \ d\mathbf{\lambda} H_1 (dO)$$

where H_1 is the normalized Haar measure of O(n), and the integration over λ and $O \in O(n)$ are independent. Since the orthogonal invariance of the density of (22.6), and the characteristic function is

$$Q_{m_n,n}^{-1} \int_{(\mathbb{R}_+)^n} \exp\left[\sum_{k=1}^n \left(ip_k - \frac{m_n}{2}\right) \lambda_k\right] \prod_{k=1}^n \lambda_k^{(m_n - n - 1)/2} \prod_{i < j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j| \, d\lambda$$
 (22.7)

where $Q_{m_n,n} = m_n! \widetilde{Q}_{m_n,n}$.

If we viewed (22.5) and (22.7) as the function of $\{p_k\}_{k=1}^n \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then they can be **analytic** continuation to the domain

$$\{p_k + \imath p_k', p_k' \ge 0\}_{k=1}^n$$

If we replace $\{p_k\}_{k=1}^n$ by $\{ip'_k, p'_k \ge 0\}_{k=1}^n$ on (22.5), since this is a set of uniqueness of both (22.5) and (22.7) analytic functions, we have

$$Q_{m_n,n}^{-1} \int_{(\mathbb{R}_+)^n} \exp\left[-\frac{m_n}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \lambda_k\right] \prod_{k=1}^n \lambda_k^{(m_n-n-1)/2} \prod_{i < j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j| d\lambda$$

where $q_k = 1 + \frac{2p'_k}{m_n} \ge 1, k = 1, ..., n$, and since

$$\forall i, j \quad \frac{q_i}{q_j} = \frac{1 + \frac{2p'_i}{m_n}}{1 + \frac{2p'_j}{m_n}} \to 1, \quad \text{as} \quad m_n \to \infty$$

we have

$$\prod_{i < j} |q_i \lambda_i - q_j \lambda_j| = \prod_{i < j} q_i \left| \lambda_i - \frac{q_j}{q_i} \lambda_j \right| \to \prod_{k=1}^n q_k^{(n-1)/2} \prod_{i < j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|, \quad \text{as} \quad m_n \to \infty$$

thus,

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n} q_{k}^{-m_{n}/2} \cdot Q_{m_{n},n}^{-1} \int_{(\mathbb{R}_{+})^{n}} \exp\left[-\frac{m_{n}}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} q_{k} \lambda_{k}\right] \prod_{k=1}^{n} (q_{k} \lambda_{k})^{(m_{n}-n-1)/2} \cdot \prod_{i < j} |q_{i} \lambda_{i} - q_{j} \lambda_{j}| \, d\mathbf{q} \boldsymbol{\lambda}$$

Since

$$\forall k \quad q_k \lambda_k \to \lambda_k, \quad \text{as} \quad m_n \to \infty$$

we can "lifting" from $\{\lambda_k\}_{k=1}^n$ to \mathcal{S}_n^+ bring the integral to

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n} \left(1 + \frac{2p'_k}{m_n} \right)^{-m_n/2} \widetilde{Q}_n^{-1} \int_{\mathcal{S}_n^+} \exp\left[-\frac{m_n}{2} \operatorname{tr}\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right) \right] \left[\det\left(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}\right) \right]^{(m_n - n - 1)/2} d\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}$$

The integral here is equal to \widetilde{Q}_n , the normalization constant of the probability measure (22.6). If we replace $\{ip_k'\}_{k=1}^n$ back by $\{p_k\}_{k=1}^n$, then the above expression is

$$\prod_{k=1}^{n} \left(1 - \frac{2i}{m_n} p_k\right)^{-m_n/2}$$

which coincides with (22.5). Thus the probability law of the Wishart matrices of Σ given by (22.6) implies that the corresponding joint probability density of eigenvalues is given by (22.4) for Σ .

Definition 22.2.2 (Laguerre Orthogonal Ensemble)

For the $n \times n$ Laguerre orthogonal ensembles of statistics, the joint probability density function of eigenvalues is for arbitrary parameter $\beta > 0$ and $\alpha > -\frac{2}{\beta}$, is

$$p(\lambda) = K_{\alpha,\beta} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \lambda_k\right) \prod_{k=1}^{n} \lambda_k^{\frac{\alpha\beta}{2}} \prod_{i < j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|^{\beta}$$
(22.8)

where

$$0 \le \lambda_1 \le \ldots \le \lambda_n < \infty$$

and $K_{n,m}$ are normalization constant.

And Equation (22.8) can be written in the standard Boltzmann-Gibbs form, that,

$$p(\lambda) \propto \exp[-\beta E(\lambda)]$$

where

$$E(\lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} (\lambda_k - \alpha \log \lambda_k) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|$$
 (22.9)

Remark. For the (22.4), which can be written as (22.8) form, that,

$$p(\lambda) \propto \exp\left[-\beta m_n E(\lambda)\right]$$

where $\beta = 1$ and

$$E(\lambda) = \frac{m_n}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \left[\lambda_k - \left(\frac{m_n - n - 1}{m_n} \right) \log \lambda_k \right] - \frac{1}{2m_n} \sum_{i \neq j} |\lambda_i - \lambda_j|$$

22.3 Marčenko-Pastur Theorem

In this section, we will invastiage the empirical spectral measure of $\widehat{\Sigma}$, which converges to a nonrandom distribution — Marčenko-Pastur distribution. Before further proof, we will introduce some basic concepts and tools.

22.3.1 Preliminary

Empirical Spectral Measure

Definition 22.3.1 (Empirical Spectral Measure)

For a symmetric matrix $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, the spectral measure or empirical spectral measure or empirical spectral distribution (ESD) $\mu_{\mathbf{M}}$ of \mathbf{M} is defined as the normalized counting measure of the eigenvalues $\lambda_1(\mathbf{M}), \ldots, \lambda_n(\mathbf{M})$ of \mathbf{M} , i.e.,

$$\mu_{\mathbf{M}} := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \delta_{\lambda_i(\mathbf{M})} \tag{22.10}$$

where δ_x is a Dirac measure for any (measurable) set, that

$$\delta_x(A) := \mathbf{1}_A(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \notin A \\ 1, & x \in A \end{cases}$$

Since $\int \mu_{\mathbf{M}}(dx) = 1$, the spectral measure $\mu_{\mathbf{M}}$ of a matrix $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ (random or not) is a probability measure.

Remark. Many important statistics in multivariate analysis can be expressed as functionals of the ESD, such as, for \mathbf{M} be an $n \times n$ positive definite matrix, then

$$\det(\mathbf{M}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i = \exp\left(n \int_0^\infty \log x \mu_{\mathbf{M}}(\mathrm{d}x)\right)$$
 (22.11)

Stieltjes Transform

Definition 22.3.2 (Resolvent)

For a symmetric matrix $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, the resolvent $\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{M}}(z)$ of \mathbf{M} is defined as

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{M}}(z) := \left(\mathbf{M} - z\mathbf{I}_n\right)^{-1} \tag{22.12}$$

where $z \in \mathbb{C}$ not eigenvalue of **M**.

Definition 22.3.3 (Stieltjes Transform)

For a real probability measure μ with support supp (μ) , the Stieltjes transform $m_{\mu}(z)$ is defined as

$$m_{\mu}(z) := \int \frac{1}{t-z} \mu(\mathrm{d}t)$$
 (22.13)

where $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \text{supp}(\mu)$.

Property. The Stieltjes transform m_{μ} has numerous interesting properties:

- 1. it is complex analytic on its domain of definition $\mathbb{C}\setminus \text{supp}(\mu)$.
- 2. it is bounded $|m_{\mu}(z)| \leq 1/\operatorname{dist}(z, \operatorname{supp}(\mu))$.
- 3. it satisfies $\Im[z] > 0 \Rightarrow \Im[m(z)] > 0$.
- 4. it is an increasing function on all connected components of its restriction to $\mathbb{R} \setminus \text{supp}(\mu)$.
- 5. if supp(μ) is bounded, $\lim_{x\to\pm\infty} m_{\mu}(x) = 0$.

Remark. Most of the results involve Stieltjes transforms $m_{\mu}(z)$ of a real probability measure with support supp $(\mu) \subset \mathbb{R}$. Since Stieltjes transforms are such that

$$m_{\mu}(z) > 0, \forall z < \inf \operatorname{supp}(\mu), \quad m_{\mu}(z) < 0, \forall z > \sup \operatorname{supp}(\mu), \quad \Im[z]\Im[m_{\mu}(z)] > 0, \text{ if } z \in \mathbb{C}\backslash\mathbb{R}$$

it will be convenient in the following to consider the set of scalar pairs

$$\mathcal{Z}(\mathcal{A}) = \{(z, m) \in \mathcal{A} \times \mathbb{C}, (\Im[z]\Im[m] > 0 \text{ if } \Im[z] \neq 0) \text{ or } (m > 0 \text{ if } z < \inf \mathcal{A}^c \cap \mathbb{R}) \}$$
 or $(m < 0 \text{ if } z > \sup \mathcal{A}^c \cap \mathbb{R}) \}$

As a transform, m_{μ} has an inverse formula to recover μ , as per the following result.

Theorem 22.3.1 (Inverse Stieltjes Transform)

For a, b continuity points of the probability measure μ , we have

$$\mu([a,b]) = \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{y \downarrow 0} \int_{a}^{b} \Im[m_{\mu}(x+iy)] dx$$
 (22.14)

Specially, if μ has a density f at x, then

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{u \downarrow 0} \Im \left[m_{\mu}(x + iy) \right]$$
 (22.15)

And, if μ has an isolated mass at x, then

$$\mu(\{x\}) = \lim_{y \downarrow 0} -iy m_{\mu}(x + iy) \tag{22.16}$$

Proof.

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{a}^{b} \Im\left[m_{\mu}(x+iy)\right] dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{a}^{b} \left\{ \int \Im\left[\frac{1}{(t-x)-iy}\right] \mu(dt) \right\} dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{a}^{b} \left[\int \frac{y}{(t-x)^{2}+y^{2}} \mu(dt) \right] dx$$

By Fubini's theorem,

$$\begin{split} &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int \left[\int_a^b \frac{y}{(t-x)^2 + y^2} \, \mathrm{d}x \right] \mu(\mathrm{d}t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int \left[\arctan\left(\frac{b-t}{y}\right) - \arctan\left(\frac{a-t}{y}\right) \right] \mu(\mathrm{d}t) \end{split}$$

Since

$$\left| \frac{y}{(t-x)^2 + y^2} \right| \le \frac{1}{y}, \quad \forall y > 0$$

by the dominated convergence theorem,

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{y \downarrow 0} \int_{a}^{b} \Im\left[m_{\mu}(x + iy)\right] dx = \frac{1}{\pi} \int \lim_{y \downarrow 0} \left[\arctan\left(\frac{b - t}{y}\right) - \arctan\left(\frac{a - t}{y}\right)\right] \mu(dt)$$

as $y \downarrow 0$, the difference in brackets converges either to $\pm \pi$ or 0 depending on the relative position of a, b and t, thus

$$= \int 1_{[a,b]} \mu(\mathrm{d}t) = \mu\left([a,b]\right)$$

Thus, if μ has a density f at x, then

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{y \downarrow 0} \Im \left[m_{\mu}(x + iy) \right]$$

When μ has an isolated mass at x, i.e., $\mu(dt) = a\delta_x(t)$, similarly, since

$$|y(t-x)| \le \frac{1}{2} (y^2 + (t-x)^2)$$

by dominated convergence theorem,

$$\lim_{y \downarrow 0} -iy m_{\mu}(x + iy) = -\lim_{y \downarrow 0} \int \frac{iy(t - x)\mu(\mathrm{d}t)}{(t - x)^2 + y^2} + \lim_{y \downarrow 0} \int \frac{y^2 \mu(\mathrm{d}t)}{(t - x)^2 + y^2} = a$$

Remark. The important relation between the empirical spectral measure $\mu_{\mathbf{M}}$ of $\mathbf{M} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, the Stieltjes transform $m_{\mu_{\mathbf{M}}}(z)$ and the resolvent $\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{M}}(z)$ lies in the fact that

$$m_{\mu_{\mathbf{M}}}(z) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \int \frac{\delta_{\lambda_i(\mathbf{M})}(t)}{t - z} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_i(\mathbf{M}) - z} = \frac{1}{n} \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{M}}(z)$$
 (22.17)

The resolvent $\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{M}}$ provides access to scalar observations of the eigenspectrum of \mathbf{M} through its linear functionals. Cauchy's integral formula provides a connection between the linear functionals of the eigenvalues of \mathbf{M} and the Stieltjes transform $m_{\mu_{\mathbf{M}}}(z)$ through

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} f\left(\lambda_{i}(\mathbf{M})\right) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i n} \oint_{\Gamma} f(z) \operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{M}}(z)\right) dz = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Gamma} f(z) m_{\mu_{\mathbf{M}}}(z) dz$$
(22.18)

for all f complex analytic in a compact neighborhood of supp $(\mu_{\mathbf{M}})$, by choosing the contour Γ to enclose supp $(\mu_{\mathbf{M}})$ (i.e., all the eigenvalues $\lambda_i(\mathbf{M})$).

Matrix Equivalents

Definition 22.3.4 (Deterministic Equivalent)

 $\overline{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is said to be deterministic equivalent for the symmetric random matrix $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, if for a (sequences of) deterministic matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ of unit norms (operator and Euclidean, respectively),

$$\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q} - \overline{\mathbf{Q}}) \to 0, \quad \mathbf{a}'(\mathbf{Q} - \overline{\mathbf{Q}})\mathbf{b} \to 0, \quad \text{as } n \to \infty$$
 (22.19)

where the convergence is either in probability or almost sure.

Remark. A practical use of deterministic equivalents is to establish that, for a random matrix M of interest, suppose

$$\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{Q}_{\mathbf{M}}(z) - \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\right) \to 0$$
, a.s., $\forall z \in \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{C} \subset \mathbb{C}$

this convergence implies that the Stieltjes transform of $\mu_{\rm M}$ "converges" in the sense that

$$m_{\mu_{\rm M}}(z) - \bar{m}_n(z) \to 0$$

where $\bar{m}_n(z) = \frac{1}{n} \operatorname{tr} \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)$.

Definition 22.3.5 (Matrix Equivalents)

For $\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ two random or deterministic matrices, we write

$$X \leftrightarrow Y$$
 (22.20)

if, for all $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ of unit norms (respectively, operator and Euclidean), we have the simultaneous results

$$\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}) \to 0, \quad \mathbf{a}'(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y})\mathbf{b} \to 0, \quad \|\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}]\| \to 0$$

where, for random quantities, the convergence is either in probability or almost sure.

Resolvent and Perturbation Identities

Lemma 22.3.1 (Resolvent Identity)

For invertible matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} , we have

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} (\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{B}^{-1}$$
 (22.21)

Lemma 22.3.2 (Sherman-Morrison)

For $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ invertible and $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}'$ is invertible if and only if $1 + \mathbf{v}'\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{u} \neq 0$ and

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}')^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} - \frac{\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}'\mathbf{A}^{-1}}{1 + \mathbf{v}'\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{u}}$$
 (22.22)

or,

$$\left(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}'\right)^{-1}\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{u}}{1 + \mathbf{v}'\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{u}}$$
(22.23)

Lemma 22.3.3 (Quadratic-form-close-to-the-trace)

Let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ have i.i.d. entries of zero mean, unit variance and $\mathbb{E}\left[\left|x_i\right|^K\right] \leq \nu_K$ for some $K \geq 1$. Then for $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ and $k \geq 1$

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left|\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \operatorname{tr}\mathbf{A}\right|^{k}\right] \leq C_{k}\left[\left(\nu_{4}\operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}'\right)\right)^{k/2} + \nu_{2k}\operatorname{tr}\left(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}'\right)^{k/2}\right]$$

for some constant $C_k > 0$ independent of p. In particular, if $\|\mathbf{A}\| \leq 1$ and the entries of x have bounded eighth-order moment,

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \operatorname{tr}\mathbf{A}\right)^4\right] \le Cp^2$$

for some C > 0 independent of p, and consequently, as $p \to \infty$,

$$\frac{1}{p}\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{p}\operatorname{tr}\mathbf{A} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$$

22.3.2 Marčenko-Pastur Theorem

With the above tools, we can prove the Marčenko-Pastur Theorem. Here, we only suppose X having some smooth tail condition.

Theorem 22.3.2 (Marčenko-Pastur Theorem)

Consider the resolvent

$$\mathbf{Q}(z) = \left(\widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}} - z\mathbf{I}_n\right)^{-1}$$

Then, if

$$\frac{n}{m_n} \to \rho \text{ with } \rho \in (0, \infty), \quad \text{ as } n \to \infty$$

we have

$$\mathbf{Q}(z) \leftrightarrow \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z), \quad \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z) = m(z)\mathbf{I}_n$$

with (z, m(z)) the unique solution in $\mathcal{Z}\left(\mathbb{C}\setminus\left[(1-\sqrt{\rho})^2, (1+\sqrt{\rho})^2\right]\right)$ be

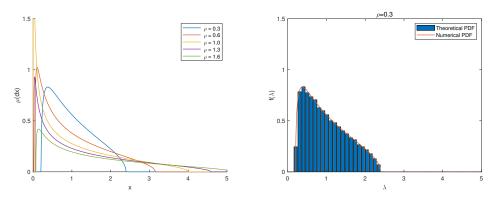
$$zcm^{2}(z) - (1 - c - z)m(z) + 1 = 0$$

where the function m(z) is the Stieltjes transform of the probability measure μ given explicitly by

$$\mu(dx) = (1 - \rho^{-1})^{+} \delta_{0}(x) + \frac{\sqrt{(x - a_{-})^{+} (a_{+} - x)^{+}}}{2\pi \rho x} dx$$

where $a_{\pm} = (1 \pm \sqrt{\rho})^2$ and $(x)^+ = \max(0, x)$, and is known as the Marčenko-Pastur distribution. In particular, with probability one, the empirical spectral measure $\mu_{\widehat{\Sigma}}$ converges weakly to μ .

Proof. (Intuitive Proof) Suppose $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z) = \mathbf{F}(z)^{-1}$ for some matrix $\mathbf{F}(z)$. To prove $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)$ to be a



(a) The Marčenko-Pastur Distribution for $\rho=$ (b) Simulation Results of the Marčenko-Pastur 0.3, 0.6, 1, 1.3, 1.6 Theorem When $\rho=0.3$

Figure 22.1: Illustrations of the Marčenko-Pastur Theorem

deterministic equivalent for $\mathbf{Q}(z)$, particularly,

$$\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{Q}(z) - \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)) \to 0$$
 a.s.

where **A** is arbitrary, deterministic, and such that $\|\mathbf{A}\| = 1$. By Lemma 22.3.1, we have

$$\mathbf{Q}(z) - \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z) = \mathbf{Q}(z) \left(\mathbf{F}(z) + z \mathbf{I}_n - \widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} \right) \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)$$
$$= \mathbf{Q}(z) \left(\mathbf{F}(z) + z \mathbf{I}_n - \frac{1}{m_n} \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbf{X}_i \mathbf{X}_i' \right) \overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)$$

Thus, we turn to prove that,

$$\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr}\left[\left(\mathbf{F}(z)+z\mathbf{I}_{n}\right)\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}(z)\right]-\frac{1}{n}\cdot\frac{1}{m_{n}}\sum_{i=1}^{m_{n}}\mathbf{X}_{i}'\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}(z)\mathbf{X}_{i}\rightarrow0\quad\text{a.s.}$$

By Lemma 22.3.2, we have

$$\mathbf{Q}(z)\mathbf{X}_i = \frac{\mathbf{Q}_{-i}(z)\mathbf{X}_i}{1 + \frac{1}{m_n}\mathbf{X}_i'\mathbf{Q}_{-i}(z)\mathbf{X}_i}$$

where

$$\mathbf{Q}_{-i}(z) = \left(\frac{1}{m_n} \sum_{j \neq i} \mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{X}'_j - z \mathbf{I}_n\right)^{-1}$$

is independent of X_i . By Lemma 22.3.3, we have

$$\frac{1}{n}\mathbf{X}_{i}'\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}(z)\mathbf{X}_{i} = \frac{\frac{1}{n}\mathbf{X}_{i}'\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}_{-i}(z)\mathbf{X}_{i}}{1 + \frac{1}{m_{-}}\mathbf{X}_{i}'\mathbf{Q}_{-i}(z)\mathbf{X}_{i}} \simeq \frac{\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr}\left[\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}_{-i}(z)\right]}{1 + \frac{1}{m_{-}}\operatorname{tr}\left[\mathbf{Q}_{-i}(z)\right]}$$

Hence, we need to prove the approximation that

$$\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr}\left[\left(\mathbf{F}(z)+z\mathbf{I}_{n}\right)\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}(z)\right] \simeq \frac{\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr}\left[\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}(z)\right]}{1+\frac{1}{m_{n}}\operatorname{tr}\left[\mathbf{Q}(z)\right]}$$

If $\mathbf{F}(z)$ exist, for the approximation above to hold, $\mathbf{F}(z)$ must be of the type

$$\mathbf{F}(z) \simeq \left(-z + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1}{m_n} \operatorname{tr} \mathbf{Q}(z)}\right) \mathbf{I}_n$$

By Equation 22.17, we have,

$$m(z) \equiv \frac{1}{n} \operatorname{tr} \left[\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z) \right] = \frac{1}{n} \operatorname{tr} \left[\mathbf{F}(z)^{-1} \right]$$

taking $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}_n$, we have

$$\frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr}\left[\mathbf{Q}(z)\right] \simeq \frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr}\left[\overline{\mathbf{Q}}(z)\right] = m(z) = \frac{1}{-z + \frac{1}{1 + \frac{n}{m} - \frac{1}{n}\operatorname{tr}\left[\mathbf{Q}(z)\right]}} \simeq \frac{1}{-z + \frac{1}{1 + \rho m(z)}}$$

As $n, m_n \to \infty$, m(z) is solution to

$$m(z) = \frac{1}{-z + \frac{1}{1 + \rho m(z)}}$$

or equivalently

$$z\rho m^{2}(z) - (1 - \rho - z)m(z) + 1 = 0$$

This equation has two solutions defined via the two values of the complex square root function. Let

$$z = r \mathrm{e}^{\imath \theta} \text{ where } r \geq 0, \theta \in [0, 2\pi) \Rightarrow \sqrt{z} \in \left\{ \pm \sqrt{r} \mathrm{e}^{\imath \theta/2} \right\}$$

and we can conclude that

$$m(z) = \frac{1 - \rho - z}{2\rho z} + \frac{\sqrt{\left((1 + \sqrt{\rho})^2 - z\right)\left((1 - \sqrt{\rho})^2 - z\right)}}{2\rho z}$$

only one of which is such that $\Im[z]\Im[m(z)] > 0$ as imposed by the definition of Stieltjes transforms. By the inverse Stieltjes transform theorem, Theorem 22.3.1, we find that m(z) is the Stieltjes transform of the measure μ with

$$\mu([a,b]) = \frac{1}{\pi} \lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \int_{a}^{b} \Im[m(x + i\epsilon)] dx$$

for all continuity points $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ of μ . This term under the square root in m(z) being negative only in the set

$$[(1-\sqrt{\rho})^2, (1+\sqrt{\rho})^2]$$

(and thus of non-real square root), the latter defines the support of the continuous part of the measure μ with density

$$\frac{\sqrt{\left((1+\sqrt{\rho})^2-x\right)\left(x-(1-\sqrt{\rho})^2\right)}}{2\rho\pi x}$$

at point x in the set. The case x = 0 brings a discontinuity in μ with weight equal to

$$\mu(\{0\}) = -\lim_{y \downarrow 0} iym(iy) = \frac{\rho - 1}{2\rho} \pm \frac{\rho - 1}{2\rho}$$

where the sign is established by a second order development of zm(z) in the neighborhood of zero: that is, "+" for c > 1 inducing a mass $1 - 1/\rho$ for p > n, or "-" for c < 1 in which case $\mu(\{0\}) = 0$ and μ has no mass at zero.

Remark. The asymptotic phenomenon holds not only in the Gaussian case, which also holds

- 1. if $(x_i)_{1 \le i \le n}$ are i.i.d. with finite second moment.
- 2. if \mathbf{X} is isotropic and log-concave¹ random vector.

22.4 Limits of Extreme Eigenvalues

The weak convergence in Theorem 22.3.2 does not provide much information at the edge on the behavior of the extremal atoms, and what one can actually extract is that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \lambda_{\min} \left(\widehat{\Sigma} \right) \le (1 - \sqrt{\rho})^2 \le (1 + \sqrt{\rho})^2 \le \liminf_{n \to \infty} \lambda_{\max} \left(\widehat{\Sigma} \right) \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (22.24)

where the first inequality is considered only in the case where $m_n \geq n$.

The weak convergence above does not provide much information at the edge on the behavior of the extremal atoms. Now, we have more exact result, that if $(X_{n,k})_{n\geq 1,1\leq k\leq n}$ are i.i.d. with finite fourth moment then,

$$(1 - \sqrt{\rho})^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} \lambda_{\min} \left(\widehat{\Sigma} \right) \le \lim_{n \to \infty} \lambda_{\max} \left(\widehat{\Sigma} \right) = (1 + \sqrt{\rho})^2 \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (22.25)

where the first inequality is considered only in the case where $m_n \geq n$.

Remark. The convergence of the smallest eigenvalue in the left hand side of (22.25) holds if $(x_i)_{1 \le i \le n}$ are i.i.d. with finite second moment.

Theorem 22.4.1

If $\bar{\rho} < 1$ (in particular $m_n > n$ for $n \gg 1$) and if the centered isotropic random vector **X** is log-concave or if $(x_i)_{1 < i < n}$ are i.i.d. then

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} \frac{E\left(\lambda_{\min}\left(\mathbf{A}_n\right)\right)}{\left(\sqrt{m_n} - \sqrt{n}\right)^2} \ge 1$$
(22.26)

If additionally $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{n}{m_n} = \rho$ with $\rho \in (0,1)$, in other words $\rho = \bar{\rho} \in (0,1)$, then

$$\lambda_{\min}\left(\widehat{\Sigma}_n\right) \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} (1 - \sqrt{\rho})^2 \quad \text{as } n \to \infty$$
 (22.27)

Proof.

Theorem 22.4.2

If the centered isotropic random vector **X** is log-concave or if $(x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n}$ are i.i.d. with finite 4-th moment then

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{E\left(\lambda_{\max}\left(\mathbf{A}_n\right)\right)}{\left(\sqrt{m_n} + \sqrt{n}\right)^2} \le 1$$
(22.28)

If additionally $\lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{n}{m_n} = \rho$ with $\rho \in (0,1)$, in other words $\underline{\rho} = \overline{\rho} \in (0,1)$, then

$$\lambda_{\max}\left(\widehat{\Sigma}_n\right) \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} (1+\sqrt{\rho})^2 \quad \text{as } n \to \infty$$
 (22.29)

Proof.

¹A probability measure μ on \mathbb{R}^n with density φ is log-concave when $\varphi=e^{-V}$ with V convex.

Part IX Statistics Inference

Statistical Theory

23.1 Populations and Samples

23.2 Statistics

23.2.1 Sufficient Statistics

Definition 23.2.1 (Sufficient Statistics)

A statistic T is said to be sufficient for X, or for the family $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta}, \theta \in \Omega\}$ of possible distributions of X, or for θ , if the conditional distribution of X given T = t is independent of θ for all t.

Theorem 23.2.1 (Fisher–Neyman Factorization Theorem)

If the probability density function is $p_{\theta}(x)$, then T is sufficient for θ if and only if nonnegative functions g and h can be found such that

$$p_{\theta}(x) = h(x)g_{\theta}[T(x)].$$

Proof.

23.2.2 Complete Statistics

Definition 23.2.2 (Complete Statistics)

A statistic T is said to be complete, if Eg(T)=0 for all θ and some function g implies that $P(g(T)=0\mid\theta)=1$ for all θ .

23.3 Estimators

Definition 23.3.1 (Estimator)

An estimator is a real-valued function defined over the sample space, that is

$$\delta: \mathbf{X} \to \mathbb{R}. \tag{23.1}$$

It is used to estimate an estimand, θ , a real-valued function of the parameter.

Unbiasedness

Definition 23.3.2 (Unbiasedness)

An estimator $\hat{\theta}$ of θ is unbiased if

$$E\hat{\theta} = \theta, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$
 (23.2)

Remark. • Unbiased estimators of θ may not exist.

Example (Nonexistence of Unbiased Estimator).

Consistency

Definition 23.3.3 (Consistency)

An estimator $\hat{\theta}_n$ of θ is consistent if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P\left(\left| \hat{\theta}_n - \theta \right| > \varepsilon \right) = 0, \quad \forall \varepsilon > 0, \tag{23.3}$$

that is,

$$\hat{\theta}_n \stackrel{p}{\to} \theta.$$
 (23.4)

Example (Consistency of Sample Moments).

Remark. 1. Unbiased But Consistent

2. Biased But Not Consistent

Asymptotic Normality

Definition 23.3.4 (Asymptotic Normality)

An estimator $\hat{\theta}_n$ of θ is asymptotic normality if

$$\sqrt{n}\left(\hat{\theta} - \theta\right) \stackrel{d}{\to} N\left(0, \sigma_{\theta}^{2}\right).$$
(23.5)

Efficiency

Definition 23.3.5 (Efficiency)

Robustness

Definition 23.3.6 (Robustness)

Frequentist Inference

24.1 Point Estimation

24.1.1 Minimum-Variance Unbiased Estimator

Definition 24.1.1 (UMVU Estimators)

An unbiased estimator $\delta(\mathbf{X})$ of $g(\theta)$ is the uniform minimum variance unbiased (UMVU) estimator of $g(\theta)$ if

$$\operatorname{Var}_{\theta} \delta(\mathbf{X}) \le \operatorname{Var}_{\theta} \delta'(\mathbf{X}), \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta,$$
 (24.1)

where $\delta'(\mathbf{X})$ is any other unbiased estimator of $g(\theta)$.

Remark. If there exists an unbiased estimator of g, the estimand g will be called U-estimable.

1. If $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a complete sufficient statistic, estimator $\delta(\mathbf{X})$ that only depends on $T(\mathbf{X})$, then for any U-estimable function $g(\theta)$ with

$$E_{\theta}\delta(T(\mathbf{X})) = g(\theta), \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta,$$
 (24.2)

hence, $\delta(T(\mathbf{X}))$ is the unique UMVU estimator of $g(\theta)$.

2. If $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a complete sufficient statistic and $\delta(\mathbf{X})$ is any unbiased estimator of $g(\theta)$, then the UMVU estimator of $g(\theta)$ can be obtained by

$$E\left[\delta(\mathbf{X}) \mid T(\mathbf{X})\right]. \tag{24.3}$$

Example (Estimating Polynomials of a Normal Variance). Let X_1, \ldots, X_n be distributed with joint density

$$\frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma)^n} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i} (x_i - \xi)^2\right]. \tag{24.4}$$

Discussing the UMVU estimators of ξ^r , σ^r , ξ/σ .

Proof. 1. σ is known:

Since $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$ is the complete sufficient statistic of X_i , and

$$E(\bar{X}) = \xi$$
,

then the UMVU estimator of ξ is \bar{X} .

Therefore, the UMVU estimator of ξ^r is \bar{X}^r and the UMVU estimator of ξ/σ is \bar{X}/σ .

2. ξ is known:

Since $s^r = \sum_{i=1}^r (x_i - \xi)^r$ is the complete sufficient statistic of X_i .

$$E\left[\frac{s^r}{\sigma^r}\right] = \frac{1}{K_{n,r}},$$

where $K_{n,r}$ is a constant depends on n, r. Since $s^2/\sigma^2 \sim \text{Ga}(n/2, 1/2) = \chi^2(n)$, then

$$E\left[\frac{s^r}{\sigma^r}\right] = E\left[\left(\frac{s^2}{\sigma^2}\right)^{\frac{r}{2}}\right] = \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{r}{2}} \frac{1}{2^{\frac{n}{2}}\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{x}{2}} \mathrm{d}x = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n+r}{2}\right)}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})} \cdot 2^{\frac{r}{2}}.$$

therefore,

$$K_{n,r} = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})}{2^{\frac{r}{2}} \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{n+r}{2}\right)}.$$

Hence,

$$E[s^r K_{n,r}] = \sigma^r \text{ and } E[\xi s^{-1} K_{n,-1}] = \xi/\sigma,$$

which means the UMVU estimator of σ^r is $s^r K_{n,r}$ and the UMVU estimator of ξ/σ is $\xi s^{-1} K_{n,-1}$.

3. Both ξ and σ is unknown:

Since (\bar{X}, s_x^r) are the complete sufficient statistic of X_i , where $s_x^2 = \sum (x_i - \bar{X})^r$. Since $s_x^2/\sigma^2 \sim \chi^2(n-1)$, then

$$E\left[\frac{s_x^r}{\sigma^r}\right] = \frac{1}{K_{n-1,r}}.$$

Hence,

$$E\left[s_x^r K_{n-1,r}\right] = \sigma^r,$$

which means the UMVU estimator of σ^r is $s_x^r K_{n-1,r}$, and

$$E(\bar{X}^r) = \xi^r,$$

which means the UMVU estimator of ξ^r is \bar{X}^r .

Since \bar{X} and s_x^r are independent, then

$$E[\bar{X}s_x^{-1}K_{n-1,-1}] = \xi/\sigma$$

which means the UMVU estimator of ξ/σ is $\bar{X}s_x^{-1}K_{n-1,-1}$.

Example. Let $X_1, ..., X_n$ be i.i.d sample from $U(\theta_1 - \theta_2, \theta_1 + \theta_2)$, where $\theta_1 \in \mathbb{R}, \theta_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Discussing the UMVU estimators of θ_1, θ_2 .

Proof. Let $X_{(i)}$ be the i-th order statistic of X_i , then $(X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$ is the complete and sufficient statistic for (θ_1, θ_2) . Thus it suffices to find a function $(X_{(1)}, X_{(n)})$, which is unbiased of (θ_1, θ_2) .

Let

$$Y_i = \frac{X_i - (\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{2\theta_2} \sim U(0, 1),$$

and

$$Y_{(i)} = \frac{X_{(i)} - (\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{2\theta_2},$$

be the i-th order statistic of Y_i , then we got

$$\begin{split} E[X_{(1)}] &= 2\theta_2 E[Y_{(1)}] + (\theta_1 - \theta_2) \\ &= 2\theta_2 \int_0^1 ny (1 - y)^{n - 1} \mathrm{d}y + (\theta_1 - \theta_2) \\ &= \theta_1 - \frac{3n + 1}{n + 1} \theta_2 \\ E[X_{(n)}] &= 2\theta_2 E[Y_{(n)}] + (\theta_1 - \theta_2) \\ &= 2\theta_2 \int_0^1 ny^n \mathrm{d}y + (\theta_1 - \theta_2) \\ &= \theta_1 + \frac{n - 1}{n + 1} \theta_2 \end{split}$$

Thus,

$$\theta_1 = E\left[\frac{n-1}{4n}X_{(1)} + \frac{3n+1}{4n}X_{(n)}\right],$$

$$\theta_2 = E\left[-\frac{n+1}{4n}X_{(1)} + \frac{n+1}{4n}X_{(n)}\right],$$

which means the UMVU estimator is

$$\hat{\theta}_1 = \frac{n-1}{4n} X_{(1)} + \frac{3n+1}{4n} X_{(n)}, \quad \hat{\theta}_2 = -\frac{n+1}{4n} X_{(1)} + \frac{n+1}{4n} X_{(n)}.$$

24.1.2 Maximum Likelihood Estimator

Suppose that $\mathbf{X}_n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, where the X_i are i.i.d. with common density $p(x; \theta_0) \in \mathcal{P} = \{p(x; \theta) : \theta \in \Theta\}$.

We assume that

 θ_0 is identified in the sense that if $\theta \neq \theta_0$ and $\theta \in \Theta$, then $p(x;\theta) \neq p(x;\theta_0)$ with respect to the dominating measure μ .

For fixed $\theta \in \Theta$, the joint density of \mathbf{X}_n is equal to the product of the individual densities, i.e.,

$$p\left(\mathbf{X}_{n};\theta\right) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p\left(x_{i};\theta\right). \tag{24.5}$$

The maximum likelihood estimate for observed \mathbf{X}_n is the value $\theta \in \Theta$ which maximizes $L(\theta; X_n) := p(\mathbf{X}_n; \theta)$, i.e.,

$$\hat{\theta}\left(\mathbf{X}_{n}\right) = \max_{\theta \in \Theta} L\left(\theta; X_{n}\right). \tag{24.6}$$

Equivalently, the MLE can be taken to be the maximum of the standardized log-likelihood,

$$\frac{l\left(\theta; \mathbf{X}_{n}\right)}{n} = \frac{\log L\left(\theta; \mathbf{X}_{n}\right)}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log p\left(X_{i}; \theta\right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} l\left(\theta; X_{i}\right). \tag{24.7}$$

Define

$$Q(\theta; \mathbf{X}_n) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n l(\theta; X_i),$$

$$\hat{\theta}(\mathbf{X}_n) := \max_{\theta \in \Theta} Q(\theta; \mathbf{X}_n).$$
(24.8)

Consistency of MLE

By the Weak Law of Large Numbers (Theorem 14.1.5), we can get,

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} l(\theta; X_i) \xrightarrow{p} E[l(\theta; X)]. \tag{24.9}$$

Suppose $Q_0(\theta) = E[l(\theta; X)]$, then we will show that $Q_0(\theta)$ is maximized at θ_0 (i.e., the truth).

Lemma 24.1.1

If θ_0 is identified and $E_{\theta_0}[|\log p(X;\theta)|] < \infty, \forall \theta \in \Theta$, then $Q_0(\theta)$ is uniquely maximized at $\theta = \theta_0$.

Proof.

Theorem 24.1.1 (Consistency of MLE)

Suppose that $Q(\theta; \mathbf{X}_n)$ is continuous in θ and there exists a function $Q_0(\theta)$ such that

- 1. $Q_0(\theta)$ is uniquely maximized at θ_0 .
- 2. Θ is compact.
- 3. $Q_0(\theta)$ is continuous in θ .
- 4. $Q(\theta; \mathbf{X}_n)$ converges uniformly in probability to $Q_0(\theta)$.

then

$$\hat{\theta}\left(\mathbf{X}_{n}\right) \stackrel{p}{\to} \theta_{0}.$$
 (24.10)

Proof. $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, let

$$\Theta(\epsilon) = \{\theta : \|\theta - \theta_0\| < \epsilon\}.$$

Since $\Theta(\epsilon)$ is an open set, then $\Theta \cap \Theta(\epsilon)^C$ is a compact set (Assumption 2). Since $Q_0(\theta)$ is a continuous function (Assumption 3), then

$$\theta^* := \sup_{\theta \in \Theta \cap \Theta(\epsilon)^C} \{Q_0(\theta)\}$$

is a achieved for a θ in the compact set.

Since θ_0 is the unique maximized, let

$$Q_0(\theta_0) - Q_0(\theta^*) = \delta > 0.$$

1. For $\theta \in \Theta \cap \Theta(\epsilon)^C$. Let $A_n = \left\{ \sup_{\theta \in \Theta \cap \Theta(\epsilon)^C} |Q(\theta; \mathbf{X}_n) - Q_0(\theta)| < \frac{\delta}{2} \right\}$, then

$$A_n \Rightarrow Q(\theta; \mathbf{X}_n) < Q_0(\theta) + \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$$\leq Q_0(\theta^*) + \frac{\delta}{2}$$

$$= Q_0(\theta_0) - \frac{\delta}{2}$$

2. For
$$\theta \in \Theta(\epsilon)$$
. Let $B_n = \left\{ \sup_{\theta \in \Theta(\epsilon)} |Q(\theta; \boldsymbol{X}_n) - Q_0(\theta)| < \frac{\delta}{2} \right\}$, then

$$B_n \Rightarrow Q(\theta; \boldsymbol{X}_n) > Q_0(\theta) - \frac{\delta}{2}, \forall \theta \in \Theta(\epsilon)$$

By Assumption 1,

$$Q\left(\theta_{0}; \boldsymbol{X}_{n}\right) > Q_{0}\left(\theta_{0}\right) - \frac{\delta}{2}$$

If both A_n and B_n hold, then

$$\hat{\theta} \in \Theta(\epsilon)$$
.

By Assumption 4, we can concluded that $P(A_n \cap B_n) \to 1$, so

$$P(\hat{\theta} \in \Theta(\epsilon)) \to 1,$$

which means,

$$\hat{\theta}\left(\mathbf{X}_{n}\right) \stackrel{p}{\to} \theta_{0}.$$

Asymptotic Normality of MLE

Efficiency of MLE

Specific Tests

- 25.1 Goodness of Fit
- 25.1.1 Likelihood-Ratio Test

Bayesian Inference

26.1 Bayes Estimator

We shall look for some estimators that make the risk function $R(\theta, \delta)$ small in some overall sense. There are two way to solve it: minimize the average risk, minimize the maximum risk.

This chapter will discuss the first method, also known as, Bayes Estimator.

Definition 26.1.1 (Bayes Estimator)

The Bayes Estimator δ with respect to Λ is minimizing the Bayes Risk of δ

$$r(\Lambda, \delta) = \int R(\theta, \delta) d\Lambda(\theta)$$
 (26.1)

where Λ is the probability distribution.

In Bayesian arguments, it is important to keep track of which variables are being conditioned on. Hence, the notations are as followed:

- The density of X will be denoted by $X \sim f(x \mid \theta)$.
- The prior distribution will be denoted by $\Pi \sim \pi(\theta \mid \lambda)$ or $\Lambda \sim \gamma(\lambda)$, where λ is another parameter (sometimes called a hyperparameter).
- The posterior distribution, which calculate the conditional distributions as that of θ given x and λ , or λ given x, which is denoted by $\Pi \sim \pi (\theta \mid x, \lambda)$ or $\Lambda \sim \gamma (\lambda \mid x)$, that is

$$\pi (\theta \mid x, \lambda) = \frac{f(x \mid \theta) \pi(\theta \mid \lambda)}{m(x \mid \lambda)}, \tag{26.2}$$

where marginal distributions $m(x \mid \lambda) = \int f(x \mid \theta) \pi(\theta \mid \lambda) d\theta$.

Theorem 26.1.1

Let Θ have distribution Λ , and given $\Theta = \theta$, let X have distribution P_{θ} . Suppose, the following assumptions hold for the problem of estimating $g(\Theta)$ with non-negative loss function $L(\theta, d)$,

- There exists an estimator δ_0 with finite risk.
- For almost all x, there exists a value $\delta_{\Lambda}(x)$ minimizing

$$E\{L[\Theta, \delta(x)] \mid X = x\}. \tag{26.3}$$

Then, $\delta_{\Lambda}(x)$ is a Bayes Estimator.

Remark. Improper prior

Corollary 26.1.1

Suppose the assumptions of Theorem 26.1.1 hold.

1. If $L(\theta, d) = [d - g(\theta)]^2$, then

$$\delta_{\Lambda}(x) = E[g(\Theta) \mid x]. \tag{26.4}$$

2. If $L(\theta, d) = w(\theta) [d - g(\theta)]^2$, then

$$\delta_{\Lambda}(x) = \frac{E[w(\theta) g(\Theta) \mid x]}{E[w(\theta) \mid x]}.$$
(26.5)

- 3. If $L(\theta, d) = |d g(\theta)|$, then $\delta_{\Lambda}(x)$ is any median of the conditional distribution of Θ given x.
- 4. If

$$L(\theta,d) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \text{ when } |d-\theta| \leq c \\ 1 \text{ when } |d-\theta| > c \end{array} \right.,$$

then $\delta_{\Lambda}(x)$ is the midpoint of the interval I of length 2c which maxmizes $P(\Theta \in I \mid x)$.

Proof.

Theorem 26.1.2

Necessiary condition for Bayes Estimator

Methodologies have been developed to deal with the difficulty which sometimes incorporate frequentist measures to assess the choic of Λ .

- Empirical Bayes.
- Hierarchical Bayes.
- Robust Bayes.
- · Objective Bayes.

26.1.1 Single-Prior Bayes

The Single-Prior Bayes model in a general form as

$$X \mid \theta \sim f(x \mid \theta), \Theta \mid \gamma \sim \pi(\theta \mid \lambda),$$
(26.6)

where we assume that the functional form of the prior and the value of λ is known (we will write it as $\gamma = \gamma_0$).

Given a loss function $L(\theta, d)$, we would then determine the estimator that minimizes

$$\int L(\theta, d(x)) \pi(\theta \mid x) d\theta, \qquad (26.7)$$

where $\pi(\theta \mid x)$ is posterior distribution given by

$$\pi (\theta \mid x) = \frac{f(x \mid \theta) \pi (\theta \mid \gamma_0)}{\int f(x \mid \theta) \pi (\theta \mid \gamma_0) d\theta}.$$

In general, this Bayes estimator under squared error loss is given by

$$E(\Theta \mid x) = \frac{\int \theta f(x \mid \theta) \pi(\theta \mid \gamma_0) d\theta}{\int f(x \mid \theta) \pi(\theta \mid \gamma_0) d\theta}.$$
 (26.8)

Example. Consider

$$X_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d}}{\sim} N(\mu, \Gamma^{-1}), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

 $\mu \sim N(0, 1),$
 $\Gamma \sim \text{Gamma}(2, 1),$

calculate the Single-Prior Bayes estimator under squared error loss.

Proof.

$$p\left(\mathbf{X} \mid \mu, \Gamma\right) = \Gamma^{n} (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left[-2\Gamma^{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \mu)^{2}\right],$$
$$p(\mu) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{\mu^{2}}{2}\right),$$
$$p(\Gamma) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2)} \Gamma \exp\left(-\Gamma\right).$$

Therefore,

$$h\left(\mathbf{X}, \mu, \Gamma\right) = C\Gamma^{n} \exp\left[-2\Gamma^{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \mu)^{2}\right] \exp\left(-\frac{\mu^{2}}{2}\right) \Gamma \exp\left(-\Gamma\right),$$

where $C = \frac{(2\pi)^{-\frac{n+1}{2}}}{\Gamma(2)}$. For μ , we have

$$\pi\left(\mu \mid \mathbf{X}, \Gamma\right) = \frac{h\left(\mathbf{X}, \mu, \Gamma\right)}{p(\mu \mid \mathbf{X})}$$

For exponential families

Theorem 26.1.3

26.1.2 Hierarchical Bayes

In a Hierarchical Bayes model, rather than specifying the prior distribution as a single function, we specify it in a **hierarchy**. Thus, the Hierarchical Bayes model in a general form as

$$X \mid \theta \sim f(x \mid \theta),$$

$$\Theta \mid \gamma \sim \pi(\theta \mid \lambda),$$

$$\Gamma \sim \psi(\gamma),$$
(26.9)

where we assume that $\psi(\cdot)$ is known and not dependent on any other unknown hyperparameters. Remark. We can continue this hierarchical modeling and add more stages to the model, but this is not of then done in practice.

Given a loss function $L(\theta, d)$, we would then determine the estimator that minimizes

$$\int L(\theta, d(x)) \pi(\theta \mid x) d\theta, \qquad (26.10)$$

where $\pi(\theta \mid x)$ is posterior distribution given by

$$\pi\left(\theta\mid x\right) = \frac{\int f\left(x\mid\theta\right)\pi\left(\theta\mid\gamma\right)\psi\left(\gamma\right)\mathrm{d}\gamma}{\int \int f\left(x\mid\theta\right)\pi\left(\theta\mid\gamma\right)\psi\left(\gamma\right)\mathrm{d}\theta\mathrm{d}\gamma}.$$

Remark. The posterior distribution can also be writed as

$$\pi (\theta \mid x) = \int \pi (\theta \mid x, \gamma) \pi (\gamma \mid x) d\gamma,$$

where $\pi(\gamma \mid x)$ is the posterior distribution of Γ , unconditional on θ . The equation 26.10 can be writed as

$$\int L\left(\theta,d\left(x\right)\right)\pi\left(\theta\mid x\right)\mathrm{d}\theta = \int \left[\int L\left(\theta,d\left(x\right)\right)\pi\left(\theta\mid x,\gamma\right)\mathrm{d}\theta\right]\pi\left(\gamma\mid x\right)\mathrm{d}\gamma.$$

which shows that the Hierarchical Bayes estimator can be thought of as a mixture of Single-Prior estimators.

Example (Poisson Hierarchy). Consider

$$X_i \mid \lambda \stackrel{\text{i.i.d}}{\sim} \text{Poisson}(\lambda), \quad i = 1, 2 \dots, n$$

 $\lambda \mid b \sim \text{Gamma}(a, b), \text{ a known},$
 $\frac{1}{b} \sim \text{Gamma}(k, \tau),$
(26.11)

calculate the Hierarchical Bayes estimator under squared error loss.

Theorem 26.1.4

For the Hierarchical Bayes model (26.9),

$$K\left[\pi\left(\lambda\mid x\right),\psi\left(\lambda\right)\right] < K\left[\pi\left(\theta\mid x\right),\pi\left(\theta\right)\right],\tag{26.12}$$

where K is the Kullback-Leibler information for discrimination between two densities.

Remark.

- 26.1.3 Empirical Bayes
- 26.1.4 Bayes Prediction

Nonparametric Statistics

27.1 Empirical Distribution Function

Let $X_1, \ldots, X_n \sim F$ where $F(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$ is a distribution function on the real line.

Definition 27.1.1 (Empirical Distribution Function)

The empirical distribution function \widehat{F}_n is the CDF that puts mass 1/n at each data point X_i , that,

$$\widehat{F}_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i \le x)$$
(27.1)

$\begin{array}{c} {\rm Part} \ {\rm X} \\ \\ {\rm Regression} \ {\rm Analysis} \end{array}$

Modified Likelihood

Seek a modified likelihood function that depends on as few of the nuisance parameters as possible while sacrificing as little information as possible.

28.1 Marginal Likelihood

28.2 Conditional Likelihood

Let $\theta = (\varphi, \lambda)$, where φ is the parameter vector of interest and λ is a vector of nuisance parameters. The conditional likelihood can be obtained as follows:

- 1. Find the complete sufficient statistic S_{λ} , respectively for λ .
- 2. Construct the conditional log-likelihood

$$\ell_c = \log\left(f_{Y|S_{\lambda}}\right) \tag{28.1}$$

where $f_{Y|S_{\lambda}}$ is the conditional distribution of the response Y given S_{λ} .

Remark. Two cases might occur, that, for fixed φ_0 , $S_{\lambda}(\varphi_0)$ depends on φ_0 ; or $S_{\lambda}(\varphi_0) = S_{\lambda}$ is independent of φ_0 .

- 1. Independent:
- 2. Dependent:

Example.

Conditional Likelihood for Exponential Family Suppose that the log-likelihood for $\theta = (\varphi, \lambda)$ can be written in the exponential family form

$$\ell\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{y}\right) = \boldsymbol{\theta}' \mathbf{s} - b\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}\right) \tag{28.2}$$

Also, suppose $\ell(\theta, \mathbf{y})$ has a decomposition of the form

$$\ell(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{y}) = \boldsymbol{\varphi}' \mathbf{s}_1 + \boldsymbol{\lambda}' \mathbf{s}_2 - b(\boldsymbol{\varphi}, \boldsymbol{\lambda})$$
(28.3)

Remark. The above decomposition can be achieved only if φ is a linear function of θ . The choice of nuisance parameter λ is arbitrary and the inferences regarding φ should be unaffected by the parameterization chosen for λ .

The conditional likelihood of the data \mathbf{Y} given \mathbf{s}_2 is

$$\ell(\varphi \mid \mathbf{s}_2) = \varphi' \mathbf{s}_1 - b^*(\varphi, \lambda) \tag{28.4}$$

which is independent of the nuisance parameter and may be used for inferences regarding φ .

Example. $Y_1 \sim P(\mu_1), Y_2 \sim P(\mu_2)$ are independent. Suppose $\varphi = \log\left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right) = \log(\mu_2) - \log(\mu_1)$ is the parameter of interest and the nuisance parameter is

1. $\lambda_1 = \log(\mu_1)$.

Then, give the conditional log-likelihood for different nuisance parameter.

Proof. 1. The log-likelihood function in the form of (φ, λ) is

$$\begin{split} \ell\left(\phi,\lambda_{1}\right) &\propto \log\left[e^{-(\mu_{1}+\mu_{2})}\mu_{1}^{y_{1}}\mu_{2}^{y_{2}}\right] \\ &= -\left(\mu_{1}+\mu_{2}\right) + y_{1}\log\left(\mu_{1}\right) + y_{2}\log\left(\mu_{2}\right) \\ &= -\mu_{1}\left(1+\frac{\mu_{2}}{\mu_{1}}\right) + y_{1}\log\left(\mu_{1}\right) + y_{2}\log\left(\mu_{1}\right) \\ &- y_{2}\left[\log\left(\mu_{1}\right) - \log\left(\mu_{2}\right)\right] \\ &= -\operatorname{e}^{\lambda_{1}}\left(1+\operatorname{e}^{\varphi}\right) + \left(y_{1}+y_{2}\right)\lambda_{1} - y_{2}\varphi \\ &= s_{1}\varphi + s_{2}\lambda_{1} - b\left(\varphi,\lambda_{1}\right) \end{split}$$

where $s_1 = -y_2, s_2 = y_1 + y_2, b(\varphi, \lambda_1) = e^{\lambda_1} (1 + e^{\varphi}).$

Then, the conditional distribution of Y_1, Y_2 given $S_2 = Y_1 + Y_2$ is $b\left(S_2, \frac{\mu_1}{\mu_1 + \mu_2}\right)$, thus,

$$\ell\left(\varphi \mid S_2 = s_2\right) \propto y_1 \log\left(\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_1 + \mu_2}\right) + y_2 \log\left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1 + \mu_2}\right)$$

$$= y_1 \log\left(\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_1 + \mu_2}\right) + y_2 \log\left(\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_1 + \mu_2}\right)$$

$$- y_2 \left[\log\left(\frac{\mu_1}{\mu_1 + \mu_2}\right) - \log\left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1 + \mu_2}\right)\right]$$

$$= (y_1 + y_2) \log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\varphi}}\right) - y_2 \varphi$$

$$= s_1 \varphi - b^* (\varphi, s_2)$$

where $b^*(\varphi, s_2) = -s_2 \log \left(\frac{1}{1+\varphi^{-1}}\right)$.

28.3 Profile Likelihood

28.4 Quasi Likelihood

Generalized Linear Model

29.1 Introduction

Definition 29.1.1 (Exponential Family)

An exponential family of probability distributions as those distributions whose density is defined to be

$$f(y \mid \theta, \phi) = \exp\left[\frac{y\theta - b(\theta)}{a(\phi)} + c(y, \phi)\right]$$
 (29.1)

Property. The exponential family have the following properties,

$$E(Y) = b'(\theta) \quad Var(Y) = b''(\theta)a(\phi).$$

Proof.

Table 29.1: Common Distributions of Exponential Family

Distribution	$\operatorname{Parameter}(\mathbf{s})$	θ	φ	$p(\theta)$	$a(\phi)$	$c(y,\phi)$	E(Y)	$V_{a_{1}}$
Normal	$N(\mu, \sigma^2)$	п	σ^2	$\frac{\theta^2}{2}$	φ	$-\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{y^2}{\phi} + \log(2\pi\phi) \right]$	θ	
Bernoulli	$\mathrm{Bern}(p)$	$\log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$	П	$\log\left(1+e^{\theta}\right)$	\vdash	0	$\frac{e^{\theta}}{1+e^{\theta}}$	
Poisson	$P(\mu)$	$\log(\mu)$	Π	$_{ heta}$	\vdash	$-\log(y!)$	$^{\theta}$	

Suppose the response Y has a distribution in the exponential family

$$f(y \mid \theta, \phi) = \exp\left[\frac{y\theta - b(\theta)}{a(\phi)} + c(y, \phi)\right]$$

with link function g, such that,

$$E(Y \mid \mathbf{X}) = \mu = g^{-1}(\eta), \quad \eta = \mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\beta}$$
(29.2)

where the link function provides the relationship between the linear predictor and the mean of the distribution function. If $\eta = \theta$, the link function is called **canonical link function**.

Remark. A generalized linear model (GLM) is a flexible generalization of ordinary linear regression that allows for the response variable to have an error distribution other than the normal distribution.

Table 29.2: Commonly Used Link Functions

Distribution	Support of Distribution	Link Function $g(\mu)$	Mean Function $g^{-1}(\eta)$
Normal	$real:(-\infty,+\infty)$	μ	η
Bernoulli	integer: $\{0,1\}$	$\log\left(\frac{\mu}{1-\mu}\right)$	$\frac{1}{1+\exp(-\eta)}$
Poisson	integer: $0, 1, 2, \dots$	$\log(\mu)$	$\exp\left(\eta\right)$

Maximum Likelihood Suppose the log-likelihood function be

$$\ell(\beta \mid \mathbf{X}, y) = \log[f(y \mid \theta, \phi)] = \log[f(y \mid g^{-1}(\eta), \phi)]$$
(29.3)

where g is the canonical link function and $\eta = \mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\beta}$.

Let

$$U\left(\boldsymbol{\beta}\right) = \frac{\partial \ell\left(\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}}, \quad A\left(\boldsymbol{\beta}\right) = -\frac{\partial^{2} \ell\left(\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}' \partial \boldsymbol{\beta}}$$

be the score function and observed information matrix.

If $\hat{\beta}$ is the maximum likelihood estimate, then

$$U\left(\hat{\pmb{\beta}}\right) = \mathbf{0}$$

By mean value theorem,

$$U\left(\hat{\beta}\right) - U\left(\beta_{0}\right) = \frac{\partial U\left(\beta^{*}\right)}{\partial \beta} \left(\hat{\beta} - \beta_{0}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow -U\left(\beta_{0}\right) = -A\left(\beta^{*}\right) \left(\hat{\beta} - \beta_{0}\right)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\beta}^* \in \left[\boldsymbol{\beta}_0, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\right]$. Thus,

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \boldsymbol{\beta}_0 + A^{-1} \left(\boldsymbol{\beta}^* \right) U \left(\boldsymbol{\beta}_0 \right)$$

Suppose $\hat{\beta}_t$, $\hat{\beta}_{t+1}$ be the maximum likelihood estimate at the t-th and (t+1)-th iterations, respectively. Two algorithms can be used to obtain the maximum likelihood estimate $\hat{\beta}$.

1. Newton-Raphson Method:

$$\hat{\beta}_{t+1} = \hat{\beta}_t + A^{-1} \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right) U \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right) \Leftrightarrow A \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right) \hat{\beta}_{t+1} = A \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right) \hat{\beta}_t + U \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right)$$
(29.4)

where

$$U(\beta) = \frac{\partial \ell(\beta)}{\partial \beta} \tag{29.5}$$

is the score function and

$$A(\beta) = -\frac{\partial^2 \ell(\beta)}{\partial \beta' \partial \beta}$$
 (29.6)

is the observed information matrix.

2. Fisher's Scoring Method:

$$\hat{\beta}_{t+1} = \hat{\beta}_t + I^{-1} \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right) U \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right) \Leftrightarrow I \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right) \hat{\beta}_{t+1} = I \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right) \hat{\beta}_t + U \left(\hat{\beta}_t \right)$$
(29.7)

where $U(\beta)$ is the score function and

$$I(\beta) = E[A(\beta)] = -E\left[\frac{\partial^{2}\ell(\beta)}{\partial \beta' \partial \beta}\right]$$
(29.8)

is the Fisher information matrix.

Bayesian Methods

29.2 Binary Data

Suppose

$$Y \sim b(m, \pi), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$
 (29.9)

with link function

$$\eta = g(\pi) = \log\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right) = \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta}$$
(29.10)

Remark.

The likelihood function is

$$f\left(\boldsymbol{\pi} \mid \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} {m_i \choose y_i} \pi_i^{y_i} \left(1 - \pi_i\right)^{m_i - y_i}$$
(29.11)

and the log-likelihood function is

$$\ell(\beta) = \log \left[f\left(\boldsymbol{\pi} \mid \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{y}\right) \right] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ell_{i}(\beta)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ \log \left[{m_{i} \choose y_{i}} \right] + y_{i} \log (\pi_{i}) + (m_{i} - y_{i}) \log (1 - \pi_{i}) \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[y_{i} \log \left(\frac{\pi_{i}}{1 - \pi_{i}} \right) + m_{i} \log (1 - \pi_{i}) \right] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \left[{m_{i} \choose y_{i}} \right]$$
(29.12)

where

$$\pi_i = \frac{\exp\left(\mathbf{x}_i'\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}{1 + \exp\left(\mathbf{x}_i'\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)} \tag{29.13}$$

Thus,

$$U_r(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - m_i \pi_i) x_{ir}$$
$$I_{sr}(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} m_i \pi_i (1 - \pi_i) x_{is} x_{ir}$$

29.3 Polytomous Data

Definition 29.3.1 (Polytomous Data)

A response is polytomous, if the response of an individual or item in a study is **restricted** to one of a fixed set of possible values.

Remark. There are two types of scales, pure scales and compound scales ¹. For pure scales, there are several types:

- 1. **Nominal Scale**: a scale used for labeling variables into distinct classifications and does not involve a quantitative value or order.
- 2. **Ordinal Scale**: a variable measurement scale used to simply depict the order of variables and not the difference between each of the variables.
- 3. **Interval Scale**: a numerical scale where the order of the variables is known as well as the difference between these variables.

Let the category probabilities given \mathbf{x}_i be

$$\pi_i\left(\mathbf{x}_i\right) = P\left(Y = y_i \mid \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}_i\right) \tag{29.14}$$

and the cumulative probabilities given \mathbf{x}_i be

$$r_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right) = P\left(Y \leq \sum_{r \leq j} y_{r} \mid \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}_{i}\right)$$
 (29.15)

where i = 1, 2, ..., n, j = 1, 2, ..., k.

Here, multinomial distribution is in many ways the most natural distribution to consider in the context of a polytomous response variable. The denisty function of the multinomial distribution is,

$$P(Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_k = y_k) = \begin{cases} \frac{m!}{y_1! \dots y_k!} \pi_1^{y_1} \dots \pi_k^{y_k}, & \sum_{i=1}^k y_i = m \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for non-negative integers y_1, \ldots, y_k .

As for the link function, we have

 $^{^{1}\}mathrm{A}$ bivariate responses with one response ordinal and the other continuous is an example of compound scales.

Nominal Scale

$$\pi_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right) = \frac{\exp\left[\eta_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right)\right]}{\sum_{j=1}^{k} \exp\left[\eta_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right)\right]}$$
(29.16)

where $\eta_j(\mathbf{x}_i) = \eta_j(\mathbf{x}_0) + (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_0)' \boldsymbol{\beta}_j + \alpha_i$.

Ordinal Scale

1. Logistic Scale:

$$\log \left[\frac{r_j(\mathbf{x}_i)}{1 - r_j(\mathbf{x}_i)} \right] = \theta_j - \mathbf{x}_i' \boldsymbol{\beta}$$
 (29.17)

2. Complementary Log-Log Scale:

$$\log\left\{-\log\left[1 - r_j\left(\mathbf{x}_i\right)\right]\right\} = \theta_j - \mathbf{x}_i'\boldsymbol{\beta} \tag{29.18}$$

Interval Scale Suppose the j-th category exits a cardinal number or score, s_j , where the difference between scores is a measure of distance between or separation of categories.

1.

$$\log\left[\frac{r_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right)}{1-r_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right)}\right] = \varsigma_{0} + \varsigma_{1}\left(\frac{s_{j}+s_{j+1}}{2}\right) - \mathbf{x}_{i}'\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{x}_{i}'\boldsymbol{\xi}\left(c_{j}-\bar{c}\right)$$
(29.19)

where $c_j = \frac{s_j + s_{j+1}}{2}$ or $c_j = \text{logit}\left(\frac{s_j + s_{j+1}}{2}\right)$.

2.

$$\pi_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right) = \frac{\exp\left[\eta_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right)\right]}{\sum_{j=1}^{k} \exp\left[\eta_{j}\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right)\right]}$$
(29.20)

where $\eta_j(\mathbf{x}_i) = \eta_j + (\mathbf{x}_i'\boldsymbol{\beta}) s_j + \alpha_i$.

3.

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k} \pi_j(\mathbf{x}_i) s_j = \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}$$
 (29.21)

29.4 Count Data

Departures from the idealized Poisson model are to be expected. Therefore, we avoid the assumption of Poisson variation and assume only that

$$Var(Y) = \sigma^2 E(Y) \tag{29.22}$$

with link function

$$\log\left(\mu\right) = \eta = \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta} \tag{29.23}$$

where $\mu = E(Y \mid \mathbf{X})$.

For the response in the Poisson distribution, i.e.

$$P(Y = y \mid \mu) = \frac{e^{-\mu}\mu^y}{y!}$$

and the log-likelihood function is

$$\ell(\beta) \propto \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i \log(\mu_i) - \mu_i)$$
(29.24)

where $\mu_i = E(Y \mid \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}_i)$.

Survival Analysis

30.1 General Formulation

Definition 30.1.1 (Survival Function)

The survival function a is defined to be

$$S(t) = P(T > t) = \int_{t}^{\infty} f(u) du = 1 - F(t).$$
 (30.1)

where t is some specified time, T is a random variable denoting the time of death.

^aThe survival function is the probability that the time of death is later than some specified time t.

Definition 30.1.2 (Lifetime Distribution Function)

The lifetime distribution function is defined to be

$$F(t) = P(T \le t) \tag{30.2}$$

If F is differentiable then the derivative, which is the density function of the lifetime distribution^a, is defined to be

$$f(t) = F'(t) = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}F(t) \tag{30.3}$$

 a The function f is sometimes called the event density; it is the rate of death or failure events per unit time.

Definition 30.1.3 (Hazard Function)

The Hazard function a is defined to be

$$\lambda(t) = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0^+} \left[\frac{P(t \le T < t + \varepsilon \mid T \ge t)}{\varepsilon} \right] = \frac{f(t)}{S(t)}$$
 (30.4)

^aThe Hazard function is the event rate at time t conditional on survival until time t or later (that is, $T \ge t$).

Property. The relationship among $\lambda(t), f(t), S(t),$

1.

$$\lambda(t) = -\frac{\mathrm{d}\log[S(t)]}{\mathrm{d}t} \tag{30.5}$$

2.

$$S(t) = \exp\left[-\int_0^t \lambda(x) \, \mathrm{d}x\right] \tag{30.6}$$

3.

$$f(t) = \lambda(t) \exp\left[-\int_0^t \lambda(x) \, \mathrm{d}x\right] \tag{30.7}$$

Proof.

Example (Constant Hazards). Suppose

$$\lambda(t) = \lambda \tag{30.8}$$

then

$$S(t) = \exp\left[-\int_0^t \lambda(x) \, \mathrm{d}x\right] = \exp\left[-\int_0^t \lambda \, \mathrm{d}x\right] = \exp(-\lambda t)$$
$$f(t) = \lambda(t) \exp\left[-\int_0^t \lambda(x) \, \mathrm{d}x\right] = \lambda \exp\left[-\int_0^t \lambda \, \mathrm{d}x\right] = \lambda \exp(-\lambda t)$$

which is the exponential distribution.

Example (Bathtub Hazards).

$$\lambda(t) = \alpha t + \frac{\beta}{1 + \gamma t} \tag{30.9}$$

30.2 Estimation of Survival Function

Parametric Approach Suppose $t_1, t_2, ..., t_n$ are failure times corresponding to censor indicators $\delta_1, \delta_2, ..., \delta_n$. The likelihood function is

$$f(\boldsymbol{\theta} \mid \mathbf{t}, \boldsymbol{\delta}) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left[f(t_i) \right]^{\delta_i} \left[S(t_i) \right]^{1-\delta_i}$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{f(t_i)}{S(t_i)} \right)^{\delta_i} S(t_i)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^{n} \left[\lambda(t_i) \right]^{\delta_i} S(t_i)$$
(30.10)

where $\lambda(t), S(t)$ depends on some parameter θ .

Example. Suppose T have exponential density, that,

$$f(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t}, \quad S(t) = e^{-\lambda t}$$

Thus,

$$\ell(\lambda) = \log[\ell(\theta)] = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [\delta_i \log(\lambda) - \lambda t_i]$$
$$= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \delta_i\right) \log(\lambda) - \lambda \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} t_i\right)$$

Hence,

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i}{\lambda} - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \delta_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n t_i}$$

Nonparametric Approach Then, for $t_{(k)} \le t < t_{(k+1)}$,

$$\hat{S}(t) = \prod_{j=1}^{k} \left(\frac{n_j - d_j}{n_j} \right)
= \left(1 - \frac{d_1}{n_1} \right) \left(1 - \frac{d_2}{n_2} \right) \cdots \left(1 - \frac{d_k}{n_k} \right)
\approx \left[1 - \hat{\lambda}(t_1) \right] \left[1 - \hat{\lambda}(t_2) \right] \cdots \left[1 - \hat{\lambda}(t_k) \right]$$
(30.11)

where $\hat{S}(t)$ is referred to as Kaplan-Meier estimate.

30.3 Proportional Hazards Model

Let t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n be the failure times associated with censor indicator $\delta_1, \delta_2, \ldots, \delta_n$ and the covariate vectors \mathbf{x}_i .

Further, let $t_{(1)} \leq t_{(2)} \leq \ldots \leq t_{(m)}$ be the ordered uncensored failure times corresponding to $\delta_{(j)} = 1, j = 1, 2, \ldots, m$, and $x_{(1)}, x_{(2)}, \ldots, x_{(m)}$ are the associated covariate vectors. Note (j) represents the label for the individual who dies at $t_{(j)}$.

The proportional hazards model specifying the hazard at time t for an individual whose covariate vector is \mathbf{x} is given by

$$\lambda(t) = \lambda_0(t) e^{\mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta}} \tag{30.12}$$

where $\lambda_0(t)$ is referred to as the baseline hazard function.

The exact likelihood function is

$$\ell\left[\beta, \lambda_0(t)\right] = \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\lambda_i\left(t_i\right)\right]^{\delta_i} S\left(t_i\right)$$
(30.13)

depends on both the nonparametric function $\lambda_0(t)$ and the parameter β . Thus, it might be difficult to estimate $\lambda_0(t)$ and β simultaneously.

The partial likelihood function is

$$\ell_p(\beta) = \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{e^{\mathbf{x}'_{(i)}\beta}}{\sum_{l \in R(t_{(i)})} e^{\mathbf{x}'_{l}\beta}} = \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{e^{\mathbf{x}'_{i}\beta}}{\sum_{l \in R(t_{i)}} e^{\mathbf{x}'_{l}\beta}} \right]^{\delta_i}$$
(30.14)

where R(t) is the set of individuals who are alive and uncensored at a time just prior to t_i , which is called the rik set.

Nonparametric Regression

31.1 Kernel Methods

31.1.1 Positive Definite Kernels

Definition 31.1.1 (Positive Definite Kernel)

Let \mathcal{X} be a set, a function $K: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}$ is called a positive definite kernel on \mathcal{X} iff it is

1. symmetric, that is,

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = K(\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{x}), \quad \forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}' \in \mathcal{X}$$
 (31.1)

2. positive definite, that is,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_i c_j K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \ge 0, \tag{31.2}$$

holds for any $x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \mathcal{X}$, given $n \in \mathbb{N}, c_1, \ldots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$.

Construction of the Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space

Theorem 31.1.1 (Morse-Aronszajn's Theorem)

For any set \mathcal{X} , suppose $K: \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X} \to \mathbb{R}$ is positive definite, then there is a unique RKHS $\mathcal{H} \subset \mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{X}}$ with reproducing kernel K.

Proof. 1. How to build a valid pre-RKHS \mathcal{H}_0 ?

Consider the vector space $\mathcal{H}_0 \subset \mathcal{R}^{\mathcal{X}}$ spanned by the functions $\{K(\cdot, \mathbf{x})\}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}}$. For any $f, g \in \mathcal{H}_0$, suppose

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_i K(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_i), \quad g = \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_j K(\cdot, \mathbf{y}_j)$$

and let the inner product of \mathcal{H}_0 be

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_i b_j K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_j)$$
(31.3)

Let $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$,

$$\langle f, K(\cdot, \mathbf{x}) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_i K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_i) = f(\mathbf{x})$$

And, we also have

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i g(\mathbf{x}_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n b_j f(\mathbf{y}_j)$$

Suppose

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^{m} a_i K(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_i), \quad g = \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_j K(\cdot, \mathbf{y}_j), \quad h = \sum_{k=1}^{p} c_k K(\cdot, \mathbf{z}_k)$$

(a) Linearity: For any $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\langle \alpha f + \beta g, h \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \alpha \langle f, h \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} + \beta \langle g, h \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0}$.

$$\langle \alpha f + \beta g, h \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \left[\alpha \sum_{i=1}^m a_i K(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_i) + \beta \sum_{j=1}^n b_j K(\cdot, \mathbf{y}_j) \right] \cdot \sum_{k=1}^p c_k K(\cdot, \mathbf{z}_k)$$

$$= \alpha \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^p a_i c_k K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{z}_k) + \beta \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^p b_j c_k K(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{z}_k)$$

$$= \alpha \langle f, h \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} + \beta \langle g, h \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0}$$

(b) Conjugate Symmetry: $\langle f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \langle g, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0}$.

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n a_i b_j K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_j) = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m b_j a_i K(\mathbf{y}_j, \mathbf{x}_i)$$
$$= \langle g, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0}$$

(c) Positive Definiteness: $\langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} \geq 0$ and $\langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = 0$ if and only if f = 0. By positive definiteness of K, we have:

$$\langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}_0}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m a_i a_j K(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j) \ge 0$$

As for, $\langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = 0$ if and only if f = 0, we have, " \Rightarrow " If f = 0, that is $f = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i K\left(\cdot, \mathbf{x}_i\right) = 0$, we have

$$\langle f, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i f = 0$$

" \Leftarrow " For $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$, by Cauchy-Schwarwz Inequality, we have,

$$|f(\mathbf{x})| = |\langle f, K(\cdot, \mathbf{x}) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}_0}| \le ||f||_{\mathcal{H}_0} \cdot K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

therefore, if $||f||_{\mathcal{H}_0} = 0$, then f = 0

Hence, definition in equation 31.3 is a valid inner product, which is a valid pre-RKHS \mathcal{H}_0 .

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Examples of Kernels

Example (Gaussian Kernel).

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), \quad \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$
 (31.4)

Proof. 1. It is obvious that $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is symmetric, we only need to show $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is positive definite.

$$\begin{split} K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}\|\mathbf{x}\|^2\right) \cdot \exp\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \right\rangle\right) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}\|\mathbf{y}\|^2\right) \end{split}$$

By the Taylor expansion of the exponential function, that

$$\exp\left(\frac{x}{\sigma^2}\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \left\{ \frac{x^n}{\sigma^{2n} \cdot n!} \right\}$$

Hence,

$$\exp\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2}\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle\right) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \left\{ \frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle^n}{\sigma^{2n} \cdot n!} \right\}$$

By the Multinomial Theorem, we have

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle^{n} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{d} x_{i} y_{i} \right)^{n} = \sum_{k_{1} + k_{2} + \dots + k_{d} = n} \left[\binom{n}{k_{1}, k_{2}, \dots, k_{d}} \prod_{i=1}^{d} (x_{i} y_{i})^{k_{i}} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{k_{1} + k_{2} + \dots + k_{d} = n} \left[\binom{n}{k_{1}, k_{2}, \dots, k_{d}} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^{d} x_{i}^{k_{i}} \cdot \binom{n}{k_{1}, k_{2}, \dots, k_{d}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^{d} y_{i}^{k_{i}} \right]$$

Therefore,

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) = \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \cdot \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \left\{\frac{\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle^n}{\sigma^{2n} \cdot n!}\right\}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}{\sigma^n \cdot \sqrt{n!}} \cdot \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)}{\sigma^n \cdot \sqrt{n!}} \cdot \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle^n$$

Let

$$c_{\sigma,n}\left(\mathbf{x}\right) = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}\|^{2}}{2\sigma^{2}}\right)}{\sigma^{n} \cdot \sqrt{n!}}, \quad f_{n,\mathbf{k}}\left(\mathbf{x}\right) = \binom{n}{k_{1}, k_{2}, \dots, k_{d}}^{\frac{1}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^{d} x_{i}^{k_{i}}$$

then,

$$K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \sum_{k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_d = n} c_{\sigma, n}(\mathbf{x}) f_{n, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}) \cdot c_{\sigma, n}(\mathbf{y}) f_{n, \mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{y})$$
$$= \langle \Phi(\mathbf{x}), \Phi(\mathbf{y}) \rangle$$

where $\Phi(\mathbf{x})_{\sigma,n,\mathbf{k}} = c_{\sigma,n}(\mathbf{x}) f_{n,\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{x}).$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{i} c_{j} K\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}, \mathbf{x}_{j}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{i} c_{j} \left\langle \Phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right), \Phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{j}\right) \right\rangle$$
$$= \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{i} \Phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right), \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{i} \Phi\left(\mathbf{x}_{i}\right) \right\rangle \geq 0$$

for any $x_1, \ldots, x_n \in \mathcal{X}$, given $n \in \mathbb{N}, c_1, \ldots, c_n \in \mathbb{R}$, i.e., $K(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is positive definite.

Part XI Computational Statistics

Resampling

32.1 Jackknife

Suppose the independent and identically distributed (i.i.d) sample $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)'$ from an unknown probability distribution F on some probability space \mathcal{X}

$$x_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} F, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$
 (32.1)

and a real-valued statistic $\hat{\theta}$ can be computed by applying some algorithm $s(\cdot)$ to \mathbf{x} , that,

$$\hat{\theta}_n = s(\mathbf{x}) \tag{32.2}$$

Let $\mathbf{x}_{(i)}$ be the sample with x_i removed,

$$\mathbf{x}_{(i)} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)'$$
(32.3)

and denote the corresponding value of the statistic of interest as

$$\hat{\theta}_{(i)} = s\left(\mathbf{x}_{(i)}\right) \tag{32.4}$$

Bias of $\hat{\theta}$ For almost all reasonable and practical estimates, we have

$$\operatorname{Bias}(\hat{\theta}_n) = \operatorname{E}(\hat{\theta}_n) - \theta \to 0, \quad \text{as } n \to \infty$$
 (32.5)

Then, it is reasonable to assume a power series of the type

$$E(\hat{\theta}_n) = \theta + \frac{a_1}{n} + \frac{a_2}{n^2} + \frac{a_3}{n^3} + \dots$$
 (32.6)

with some coefficients $\{a_k\}$. And we have

$$E(\hat{\theta}_{(i)}) = E(\hat{\theta}_{n-1}) = \theta + \frac{a_1}{n-1} + \frac{a_2}{(n-1)^2} + \frac{a_3}{(n-1)^3} + \dots$$
 (32.7)

For the sake of a smaller variance, we average all such estimates and let

$$\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{\theta}_{(i)}$$
 (32.8)

thus,

$$E(\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)}) = \theta + \frac{a_1}{n-1} + \frac{a_2}{(n-1)^2} + \frac{a_3}{(n-1)^3} + \dots$$
 (32.9)

By equation and, we have

$$(n-1) \operatorname{E}\left[\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} - \hat{\theta}_n\right] = \frac{a_1}{n} + \frac{a_2}{n^2} + \frac{a_3}{n^3} + \dots = \operatorname{Bias}(\hat{\theta})$$
 (32.10)

Hence, we can get the jackknife estimate bias for $\hat{\theta}$ be

$$\widehat{\text{Bias}}_{\text{jack}} = (n-1)\left(\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} - \hat{\theta}_n\right)$$
(32.11)

Remark. It is easy to combine the averaged Jackknife estimator $\hat{\theta}_{(i)}$ with the original $\hat{\theta}$, to kill the main term in the bias of $\hat{\theta}$, thus,

$$\mathbf{E}\left[n\hat{\theta}_{n} - (n-1)\hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)}\right] = \left[n\theta - (n-1)\theta\right] + \left[a_{1} - a_{1}\right] + \left[\frac{a_{2}}{n} - \frac{a_{2}}{n-1}\right] + \dots$$

$$= \theta + \frac{a_{2}}{n(n-1)} + \dots = \theta + \frac{a_{2}}{n^{2}} + O\left(n^{-3}\right)$$
(32.12)

This removes the bias in the special case that the bias is $O\left(n^{-1}\right)$ and removes it to $O\left(n^{-2}\right)$ in other cases.

Variance of $\hat{\theta}$ The jackknife estimate of variance for $\hat{\theta}$ is

$$\widehat{\text{Var}}_{\text{jack}} = \frac{n-1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{\theta}_{(i)} - \hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)})^{2}, \quad \text{where } \hat{\theta}_{(\cdot)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{\theta}_{(i)}$$
 (32.13)

The jackknife method of estimation can fail if the statistic $\hat{\theta}_{jack}$ is not smooth. Smoothness implies that relatively small changes to data values will cause only a small change in the statistic.

Example (Sample Mean).

Example (Sample Correlation Coefficient).

32.2 Bootstrap

32.2.1 Type of Bootstrap Scheme

Nonparametric Bootstrap

Bayesiam Bootstrap

Smooth Bootstrap

Parametric Bootstrap

Block Bootstrap

Part XII Machine Learning

Support Vector Machine

Theorem **33.0.1**

The minimizer of

$$\arg\min_{g} E\left\{ \left[1 - Yg(X)\right]_{+} \mid X = x \right\}$$

is the sign of $f(x) = \log \frac{p(x)}{1-p(x)}$, i.e.,

$$\operatorname{sgn}\left[p(x) - \frac{1}{2}\right]$$

where $\operatorname{sgn}(\cdot)$ is the sign function.

Proof. For the hinge loss function, that,

$$\begin{split} &E\left\{ \left[1-Yg(X)\right]_{+} \mid X=x \right\} \\ &= \left[1-g(x)\right]_{+} P\left(Y=1 \mid X=x\right) + \left[1+g(x)\right]_{+} P\left(Y=-1 \mid X=x\right) \\ &= \left[1-g(x)\right]_{+} p(x) + \left[1+g(x)\right]_{+} \left[1-p(x)\right] \\ &= \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \left[1-g(x)\right] p(x), & g(x) < -1 \\ 1+\left[1-2p(x)\right] g(x), & -1 \leq g(x) \leq 1 \\ \left[1+g(x)\right] \left[1-p(x)\right], & g(x) > 1 \end{array} \right. \end{split}$$

When g(x) < -1,

$$\arg\min_{g} E\left\{\left[1-Yg(X)\right]_{+} \mid X=x\right\} = \arg\min_{g} \left[1-g(x)\right] p(x) = -1$$

When g(x) > 1,

$$\arg\min_{g} E\left\{\left[1-Yg(X)\right]_{+} \mid X=x\right\} = \arg\min_{g} \left[1+g(x)\right] \left[1-p(x)\right] = 1$$

When $-1 \le g(x) \le 1$,

$$\arg\min_{g} E\left\{ [1 - Yg(X)]_{+} \mid X = x \right\}$$

$$= \arg\min_{g} \left\{ 1 + [1 - 2p(x)]g(x) \right\}$$

$$= \begin{cases} -1, & p(x) < \frac{1}{2} \\ 0, & p(x) = \frac{1}{2} \\ 1, & p(x) > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

Thus, for the $g(x) \in [-1,1]$ the minimizer of $\arg\min_g E\left\{[1-Yg(X)]_+ \mid X=x\right\}$ is the sign of $p(x)-\frac{1}{2}$, that is the sign of $f(x)=\log\frac{p(x)}{1-p(x)}$

Linear Discriminant Analysis

K-Nearest Neighbor

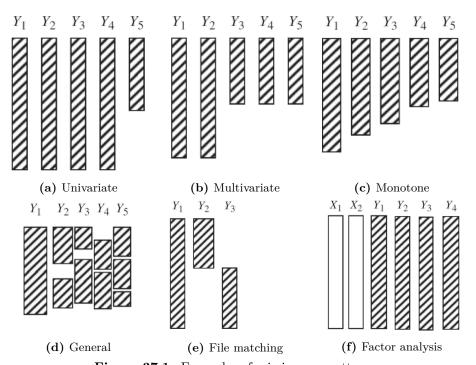
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Part XIII Statistics Applications

Missingness Data

37.1 The Problem of Missing Data

We concern the problem the analysis of such a data matrix when some of the entries in the matrix are not observed (Figure 37.1).



 ${\bf Figure~37.1:}~{\bf Examples~of~missingness~patterns}$

Notations for missing data are as follows

- $Y = (y_{ij})$ denote the $(n \times p)$ rectangular data matrix, where only a portion of Y are observed and $y_{ij} = \star$ indicates this entry is missing;
- $M=(m_{ij})$ denote the missingness indicator matrix for y_{ij} , taking $m_{ij}=0$ for y_{ij} is observed, and $m_{ij}=1$ for y_{ij} is missing.

• In order to simplify, let $y_i = (y_{i1}, y_{i2}, \dots, y_{ip})$, $m_i = (m_{i1}, m_{i2}, \dots, m_{ip})$ and $y_{(0)i}$ be the components of y_i that are observed for unit i, $y_{(1)i}$ be the components of y_i that are missing for unit i.

37.1.1 Missingness Mechanisms

The missingness mechanism is characterized by the conditional distribution of m_i given y_i , say

$$f_{M|Y}\left(m_{i}\mid y_{i},\phi\right),\tag{37.1}$$

where ϕ denotes unknown parameters.

Definition 37.1.1 (Missing Completely at Random, MCAR)

If missingness does not depend on the value of the data, missing or observed, i.e., if for all y_i and any distinct values y^* in the sample space of Y,

$$f_{M|Y}(m_i \mid y_i, \phi) = f_{M|Y}(m_i \mid y^*, \phi),$$
 (37.2)

then the data are called missing completely at random, MCAR.

Definition 37.1.2 (Missing at Random, MAR)

If missingness depends on y_i only through the observed components $y_{(0)}$, i.e., if for all y_i and any distinct values $y_{(1)}^*$ in the sample space of $y_{(1)}$,

$$f_{M|Y}\left(m_i \mid y_{(0)i}, y_{(1)i}, \phi\right) = f_{M|Y}\left(m_i \mid y_{(0)i}, y_{(1)}^*, \phi\right),\tag{37.3}$$

then the data are called missing at random, MAR.

Definition 37.1.3 (Missing Not at Random, MNAR)

If missingness depends on y_i the missing components $y_{(1)}$, i.e., if some y_i and some values $y_{(1)}^*$ in the sample space of $y_{(1)}$,

$$f_{M|Y}\left(m_i \mid y_{(0)i}, y_{(1)i}, \phi\right) \neq f_{M|Y}\left(m_i \mid y_{(0)i}, y_{(1)}^*, \phi\right),$$
 (37.4)

then the data are called missing not at random, MNAR.

37.1.2 Commonly Used Methods for Missing Data

- 1. Complete-case Analysis: discard incompletely recorde units, only use the units with the complete data.
- 2. Weighting Procedures: randomization inferences from sample survey data without nonresponse commonly weight sampled units by their design weights.
- 3. Imputation Methods: impute the missing values, and the resultant completed data are analyzed by standard methods.
- 4. **Model-based Methods**: A broad class of procedures is generated by defining a model for the complete data and basing inferences on the likelihood or posterior distribution under that model, with parameters estimated by procedures such as maximum likelihood.

5. Hybrid Approaches: approaches based on estimating equations have been proposed that combine the aspects of modeling and weighting.

37.2 Likelihood-Based Inference with Missing Data

We can model the density of the joint distribution of Y and M using the "selection model" factorization

$$p(Y = y, M = m \mid \theta, \psi) = f_Y(y \mid \theta) f_{M|Y}(m \mid y, \psi),$$

where θ is the parameter vector governing the data model, and ψ is the parameter vector governing the model for the missingness mechanism.

The full likelihood based on the observed values $(y_{(0)}, m)$ and the assumed joint distribution model above is defined to be

$$L_{\text{full}} \left(\theta, \psi \mid y_{(0)}, m \right) = \int f_Y \left(y_{(0)}, y_{(1)} \mid \theta \right) f_{M|Y} \left(m \mid y_{(0)}, y_{(1)}, \psi \right) dy_{(1)}$$
 (37.5)

The likelihood of θ ignoring the missingness mechanism is defined to be

$$L_{\text{ign}}(\theta \mid y_{(0)}) = \int f_Y(y_{(0)}, y_{(1)} \mid \theta) \, dy_{(1)}$$
(37.6)

37.2.1 Ignorable Missingness Mechanism

Definition 37.2.1 (Ignorable missingness mechanism)

The missingness mechanism is called ignorable if for any given \tilde{m} and $\tilde{y}_{(0)}$ the inferences for θ based on the ignorable likelihood equation evaluated at $m = \tilde{m}$ and \tilde{y}_0 are the same as the full likelihood equation.

Remark (Another definition of ignorable missingness mechanism).

$$\frac{L_{\text{full}}\left(\theta, \psi \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}, \tilde{m}\right)}{L_{\text{full}}\left(\theta^*, \psi \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}, \tilde{m}\right)} = \frac{L_{\text{ign}}\left(\theta \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}\right)}{L_{\text{ign}}\left(\theta^* \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}\right)} \quad \forall \theta, \theta^*, \psi. \tag{37.7}$$

Theorem 37.2.1

The missingness mechanism is ignorable for direct likelihood inference on $(\tilde{m}, \tilde{y}_{(0)})$ if

- 1. Parameter distinctness: The parameters θ and ψ are distinct, that is, $\Omega_{\theta,\psi} = \Omega_{\theta} \times \Omega_{\phi}$
- 2. Factorization of the full likelihood: The full likelihood, with $(y_0, m) = (\tilde{y}_0, \tilde{m})$ factors as

$$L_{\text{full}}\left(\theta, \psi \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}, \tilde{m}\right) = L_{\text{ign}}\left(\theta \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}\right) \times L_{\text{rest}}\left(\psi \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}, \tilde{m}\right) \quad \forall \theta, \psi \in \Omega_{\theta, \psi} \quad (37.8)$$

Corollary 37.2.1

If the missing data are MAR at $(\tilde{m}, \tilde{y}_{(0)})$, and θ and ψ are distinct, the missingness mechanism is ignorable for likelihood inference.

Proof. Since,

$$f_{M|Y}\left(\tilde{m} \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}, y_{(1)}, \psi\right) = f_{M|Y}\left(\tilde{m} \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}, y_{(1)}^*, \psi\right) \quad \forall y_{(1)}, y_{(1)}^*, \psi$$
 (37.9)

therefore,

$$f\left(\tilde{y}_{(0)}, \tilde{m} \mid \theta, \psi\right) = f_{M|Y}\left(\tilde{m} \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}, \psi\right) \times \int f_{Y}\left(\tilde{y}_{(0)}, y_{(1)} \mid \theta\right) dy_{(1)}$$

$$= f_{M|Y}\left(\tilde{m} \mid \tilde{y}_{(0)}, \psi\right) \times f_{Y}\left(\tilde{y}_{(0)} \mid \theta\right)$$
(37.10)

yields the factored likelihood equation 37.8.

Ignorable Missingness Mechanism v.s. Nonignorable Missingness Mechanism

Example (Exponential Sample). The joint density of n independent and identically distributed scalar units from the exponential distribution with mean $\theta > 0$ is

$$f_Y(y \mid \theta) = \theta^{-n} \exp\left\{-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i}{\theta}\right\}. \tag{37.11}$$

The loglikelihood fuction is

$$\ell_Y(\theta \mid y) = \ln \left\{ \theta^{-n} \exp \left(-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i}{\theta} \right) \right\} = -n \ln \theta - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i}{\theta}.$$
 (37.12)

Differentiating with respect to θ gives the likelihood equation

$$-\frac{n}{\theta} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{y_i}{\theta^2} = 0. {37.13}$$

Thus, we obtain the ML estimates

$$\hat{\theta} = \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i. \tag{37.14}$$

Example (Incomplete Exponential Sample). Suppose we have an incomplete univariate exponential sample with $y_{(0)} = (y_1, \dots, y_r)^{\mathrm{T}}$ observed and $y_{(1)} = (y_{r+1}, \dots, y_n)^{\mathrm{T}}$ missing. Thus, $m = (m_1, \dots, m_n)^{\mathrm{T}}$, where $m_i = 0, i = 1, \dots, r$ and $m_i = 1, i = r+1, \dots, n$.

The likelihood ignoring the missingness mechanism is

$$L_{\text{ign}}\left(\theta \mid y_{(0)}\right) = \theta^{-r} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^{r} \frac{y_i}{\theta}\right). \tag{37.15}$$

If each unit is observed with probability ψ that does not depend on Y, that is,

$$f_{M|Y}(m \mid y, \psi) = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} \psi^r (1-\psi)^{n-r}$$
(37.16)

then,

$$f(y_{(0)}, m \mid \theta, \psi) = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} \psi^r (1-\psi)^{n-r} \theta^{-r} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^r \frac{y_i}{\theta}\right)$$
(37.17)

Because the missing data are MAR, if ψ and θ are distinct, then likelihood-based inferences about θ can be based on the ignorable likelihood, the ML estimate of θ is

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^{r} y_i. \tag{37.18}$$

If each unit is observed only if values less than c, that is

$$f_{M|Y}(m \mid y, \psi) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} f(m_i \mid y_i, \psi),$$
 (37.19)

where

$$f(m_i \mid y_i, \psi) = \begin{cases} 1, & y_i \ge c \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
 (37.20)

Hence,

$$L_{\text{full}} \left(\theta \mid y_{(0)}, m\right) = \prod_{i=1}^{r} f_{Y} \left(y_{i} \mid \theta\right) \Pr\left(y_{i} < c \mid y_{i}, \theta\right) \times \prod_{i=r+1}^{n} \Pr\left(y_{i} \geq c \mid \theta\right)$$

$$= \theta^{-r} \exp\left(-\sum_{1}^{r} \frac{y_{i}}{\theta}\right) \times \exp\left(-\frac{(n-r)c}{\theta}\right)$$
(37.21)

Maximizing above equation with respect to θ gives the ML estimate

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{r} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{r} y_i + (n-r)c \right]. \tag{37.22}$$

The inflation of the sample mean in this expression reflects the censoring of the missing values.

37.2.2 Expectation-Maximization Algorithm

Let $\theta^{(i)}$ be the current estimate of the parameter θ . The E step of EM finds the expected complete-data loglikelihood if θ were $\theta^{(t)}$:

$$Q\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) = \int \ell\left(\theta \mid Y_{(0)}, Y_{(1)}\right) f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}.$$
 (37.23)

The M step of EM determines $\theta^{(t+1)}$ by maximizing this expected complete data loglikelihood:

$$Q\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) \ge Q\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right), \quad \forall \theta. \tag{37.24}$$

Hence, EM algorithm for likelihood-based inference with missing data is

- 1. replace missing values by estimated values
- 2. estimate parameters
- 3. re-estimate the missing values assuming the new parameter estimates are correct
- 4. re-estimate parameters, and so forth, iterating until apparent convergence

Convergence Properties of EM Algorithm with Missing Data

Theorem 37.2.2

Every GEM algorithm increases $\ell(\theta \mid Y_{(0)})$ at each iteration, that is,

$$\ell\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid Y_{(0)}\right) \ge \ell\left(\theta^{(t)} \mid Y_{(0)}\right) \tag{37.25}$$

, with equality if and only if

$$Q\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) = Q\left(\theta^{(t)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) \tag{37.26}$$

Proof. The distribution of the complete data Y can be factored as follows:

$$f(Y \mid \theta) = f(Y_{(0)}, Y_{(1)} \mid \theta) = f(Y_{(0)} \mid \theta) f(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta)$$
(37.27)

The corresponding decomposition of the loglikelihood is

$$\ell(\theta \mid Y) = \ell(\theta \mid Y_{(0)}, Y_{(1)}) = \ell(\theta \mid Y_{(0)}) + \ln f(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta)$$
(37.28)

Let,

$$\ell(\theta \mid Y_{(0)}) = \ell(\theta \mid Y) - \ln f(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta)$$
(37.29)

The expectation of both sides of above equation over the distribution of the missing data $Y_{(1)}$, given the observed data $Y_{(0)}$ and a current estimate of θ , say $\theta_{(t)}$, is

$$\ell\left(\theta \mid Y_{(0)}\right) = Q\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) - H\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) \tag{37.30}$$

, where

$$Q\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) = \int \ell\left(\theta \mid Y_{(0)}, Y_{(1)}\right) f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}$$

$$H\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) = \int \ln f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta\right) f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}$$
(37.31)

Since,

$$H\left(\theta^{(t)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) - H\left(\theta, \theta^{(t)}\right)$$

$$= \int \ln f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}$$

$$- \int \ln f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta\right) f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}$$

$$= \int \ln \left[\frac{f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right)}{f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta\right)}\right] f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}$$

$$= \int -\ln \left[\frac{f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta\right)}{f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right)}\right] f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}$$

$$\geq -\ln \int \frac{f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta\right)}{f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right)} f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)} = 0$$

Therefore,

$$H\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) \le H\left(\theta^{(t)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) \tag{37.33}$$

Hence, the difference in values of $\ell(\theta \mid Y_{(0)})$ at successive iterates is given by

$$\ell\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid Y_{(0)}\right) - \ell\left(\theta^{(t)} \mid Y_{(0)}\right) = \left[Q\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) - Q\left(\theta^{(t)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right)\right] - \left[H\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) - H\left(\theta^{(t)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right)\right] > 0$$

$$(37.34)$$

Theorem 37.2.3

Suppose a sequence of EM iterates is such that

1. $D^{10}Q\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) = 0$, where "D" here denotes derivative, and D^{10} means the derivative with respect to the first argument, that is, define

$$D^{10}Q\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) = \left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} Q\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) \right|_{\theta = \theta^{(t+1)}} = 0. \tag{37.35}$$

2. $\theta^{(t)}$ converges to θ^* .

3. $f(Y_{(1)} | Y_{(0)}, \theta)$ is smooth in θ , where smooth is defined in the proof.

Then

$$D\ell\left(\theta^* \mid Y_{(0)}\right) \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \ell\left(\theta \mid Y_{(0)}\right) \bigg|_{\theta=\theta^*} = 0, \tag{37.36}$$

so that if the $\theta^{(t)}$ converge, they converge to a stationary point.

Proof.

$$D\ell\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid Y_{(0)}\right) = D^{10}Q\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) - D^{10}H\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right)$$

$$= -D^{10}H\left(\theta^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}\right)$$

$$= -\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int \left[\ln f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta\right)\right] f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}\Big|_{\theta = \theta^{(t+1)}}$$
(37.37)

which assuming sufficient smoothness to interchange the order of differentiation and integration,

$$= -\int \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta\right) dY_{(1)} \Big|_{\theta=\theta^{(t+1)}}$$

$$= -\int \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta\right) dY_{(1)} \Big|_{\theta=\theta^{(t+1)}} = 0$$
(37.38)

Examples of EM Algorithm with Missing Data

Example (Multivariate Normal Sample). Let $y = (y_{ij})$, where i = 1, ..., n, j = 1, ..., p, be a matrix representing an independent and identically distributed sample of n units from the multivariate normal distribution with mean vector $\mu = (\mu_1, ..., \mu_p)$ and covariance matrix $\Sigma = (\sigma_{jk}), j = 1, ..., p$; k = 1, ..., p. Thus, y_{ij} represents the value of the jth variable for the ith unit in the sample. The density of y is

$$f_Y(y \mid \mu, \Sigma) = (2\pi)^{-np/2} |\Sigma|^{-n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu) \Sigma^{-1} (y_i - \mu)^{\mathrm{T}}\right\}.$$
 (37.39)

The loglikelihood of $\theta = (\mu, \Sigma)$ is then

$$\ell_Y(\mu, \Sigma \mid y) = -\frac{n}{2} \ln |\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu) \Sigma^{-1} (y_i - \mu)^{\mathrm{T}}$$
(37.40)

Maximizing above equation with respect to θ and Σ gives the ML estimate

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{y}, \quad \hat{\Sigma} = \frac{n-1}{n}S, \tag{37.41}$$

where $\bar{y} = (\bar{y}_1, \dots, \bar{y}_p)$ is the row vector of sample means, and $S = (s_{jk})$ is the $(p \times p)$ sample covariance matrix with (j, k) th element $s_{jk} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_i) (y_{ik} - \bar{y}_k)$

Example (Incomplete Multivariate Normal Sample). Suppose $Y = (Y_{(0)}, Y_{(1)})$, where Y represents a random sample of size n on $(Y_1, \ldots, Y_p), Y_{(0)}$ the set of observed values, and $Y_{(1)}$ the missing data. Also, let $y_{(0),i}$ represent the set of variables with values observed for unit $i, i = 1, \ldots, n$.

The loglikelihood based on the observed data is then

$$\ell\left(\mu, \Sigma \mid Y_{(0)}\right) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \ln\left|\Sigma_{(0),i}\right| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(y_{(0),i} - \mu_{(0),i}\right)^{\mathrm{T}} \Sigma_{(0),i}^{-1} \left(y_{(0),i} - \mu_{(0),i}\right)$$
(37.42)

, where $\mu_{(0),i}$ and $\Sigma_{(0),i}$ are the mean and covariance matrix of the observed components of Y for unit i.

The exponential family form of multivariate normal distribution with (μ, Σ) is

$$f_Y(y \mid \mu, \Sigma) = (2\pi)^{-np/2} |\Lambda|^{n/2} \exp\left[\eta^T \sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \operatorname{tr}\left(\Lambda y_i y_i^T\right) - \frac{n}{2} \eta^T \Lambda \eta\right]$$
(37.43)

, where $\Lambda = \Sigma^{-1}$ and $\eta = \Sigma^{-1}\mu$. And

$$\ln f_Y(y \mid \mu, \Sigma) = -\frac{np}{2} \ln(2\pi) + \frac{n}{2} \ln|\Lambda| - \frac{n}{2} \eta^T \Lambda \eta + \eta^T \sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{tr} \left(\Lambda y_i y_i^T\right)$$
(37.44)

Hence,

$$Q\left(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}\right) = E_{Y_{(0)},\theta^{(t)}}\left[\ell\left(\theta \mid Y_{(0)}, Y_{(1)}\right)\right]$$

$$= -\frac{np}{2}\ln(2\pi) + \frac{n}{2}\ln|\Lambda| - \frac{n}{2}\eta^{T}\Lambda\eta$$

$$+ \eta^{T}E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{i}\right) - \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\operatorname{tr}\left(\Lambda E\left(y_{i}y_{i}^{T}\right)\right)$$
(37.45)

Therefore, the EM algorithm for incomplete multivariate normal sample is,

• E-step:

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{ij} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{ij}^{(t+1)}, \quad j = 1, \dots, p$$

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{ij} y_{ik} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(y_{ij}^{(t+1)} y_{ik}^{(t+1)} + c_{jki}^{(t+1)}\right), \quad j, k = 1, \dots, p$$
(37.46)

where

$$y_{ij}^{(t+1)} = \begin{cases} y_{ij}, & \text{if } y_{ij} \text{ is observed} \\ E\left(y_{ij} \mid y_{(0),i}, \theta^{(t)}\right), & \text{if } y_{ij} \text{ is missing} \end{cases}$$

$$c_{jki}^{(t+1)} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } y_{ij} \text{ or } y_{ik} \text{ is observed} \\ \text{Cov}\left(y_{ij}, y_{ik} \mid y_{(0),i}, \theta^{(t)}\right), & \text{if } y_{ij} \text{ and } y_{ik} \text{ are missing} \end{cases}$$

$$(37.47)$$

• M-step:

$$\mu_{j}^{(t+1)} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{ij}^{(t+1)}, \quad j = 1, \dots, p$$

$$\sigma_{jk}^{(t+1)} = n^{-1} E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{ij} y_{ik} \mid Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) - \mu_{j}^{(t+1)} \mu_{k}^{(t+1)}$$

$$= n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[\left(y_{ij}^{(t+1)} - \mu_{j}^{(t+1)} \right) \left(y_{ik}^{(t+1)} - \mu_{k}^{(t+1)} \right) + c_{jki}^{(t+1)} \right], \quad j, k = 1, \dots, p$$

$$(37.48)$$

Example (Missing Outcomes in Multiple Linear Regression). Suppose a scalar outcome variable Y is regressed on p predictor variables $X_1, \ldots, X_p, y_i, i = 1, \ldots, m$ are missing, where

$$E(Y \mid X_1, ..., X_p) = \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j X_j$$

$$Var(Y \mid X_1, ..., X_p) = \sigma^2$$
(37.49)

We assume the joint distribution of the data (including outcomes and predictors) is multivariate normal with

$$\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_p, \mu_y)$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{xx} & \Sigma_{xy} \\ \Sigma_{yx} & \sigma_{yy} \end{pmatrix}$$
(37.50)

, and that the missing data mechanism is ignorable

Standard regression theory gives

$$\beta = \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_{xx}^{-1}; \quad \beta_0 = \mu_y - \sum_{j=1}^p \beta_j \mu_j;$$

$$\sigma^2 = \sigma_{yy} - \Sigma_{yx} \Sigma_{xx}^{-1} \Sigma_{xy}$$
(37.51)

The loglikelihood based on the observed data of $\theta = (\beta, \sigma^2)$, where $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p)$, given observed data $\{(x_i, y_i), i = 1, \dots, n\}$ is

$$\ell(\beta, \sigma^2 \mid X, Y_{(0)}) = -\frac{n-m}{2} \ln \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=m+1}^n \left(y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^p x_{ij} \beta_j \right)^2$$
 (37.52)

, where only using the observed data.

EM algorithms can be applied to all observations and will obtain iteratively the same ML estimates as would have been obtained noniteratively using only the complete observations.

• E-step:

$$E\left(y_{i} \mid X, Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) = \begin{cases} y_{i}, & \text{if } y_{i} \text{ is observed} \\ \beta^{(t)} \tilde{x}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} & \text{if } y_{i} \text{ is missing} \end{cases}$$

$$E\left(y_{i}^{2} \mid X, Y_{(0)}, \theta^{(t)}\right) = \begin{cases} y_{i}^{2}, & \text{if } y_{i} \text{ is observed} \\ \left(\beta^{(t)} \tilde{x}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\right)^{2} + \sigma^{(t)^{2}}, & \text{if } y_{i} \text{ is missing} \end{cases}$$

$$(37.53)$$

, where $\tilde{x}_i = (1, x_i)$.

• M-step:

$$\beta^{(t+1)} = (X^{\mathrm{T}}X)^{-1} X^{\mathrm{T}}Y^{(t+1)}$$

$$\sigma^{(t+1)^{2}} = n^{-1} \left[\sum_{i=m+1}^{n} (y_{i} - \beta^{(t)}x_{i})^{2} + m\sigma^{(t)^{2}} \right]$$
(37.54)

, where $X = (1, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$

37.3 Missing Not At Random Models

Here, we based on

$$L_{\text{full}} \left(\theta, \psi \mid Y_{(0)}, X, M \right) \propto f\left(Y_{(0)}, M \mid X, \theta, \psi \right) \tag{37.55}$$

regarded as a function of the parameters θ, ψ for fixed observed data $Y_{(0)}$ and missingness pattern M; here $f\left(Y_{(0)}, M \mid X, \theta, \psi\right)$ is obtained by integrating $Y_{(1)}$ out of the joint density $f(Y, M \mid X, \theta, \psi)$ based on a joint model for Y and M given X.

The EM algorithm has the following form for MNAR selection models are as followed,

• E-step:

$$Q\left(\theta, \psi \mid \theta^{(t)}, \psi^{(t)}\right) = \int \ell\left(\theta, \psi \mid X, Y_{(0)}, Y_{(1)}, M\right) \cdot f\left(Y_{(1)} \mid X, Y_{(0)}, M, \theta = \theta^{(t)}, \psi = \psi^{(t)}\right) dY_{(1)}$$
(37.56)

• M-step:

$$Q\left(\theta^{(t+1)}, \psi^{(t+1)} \mid \theta^{(t)}, \psi^{(t)}\right) \ge Q\left(\theta, \psi \mid \theta^{(t)}, \psi^{(t)}\right) \quad \text{for all } \theta, \psi$$
 (37.57)

37.3.1 Normal Models for MNAR Missing Data

- 1. Follow up a sample of nonrespondents, and incorporate this information into the main analysis.
- 2. Adopt a Bayesian approach, assigning the parameters prior distributions. Bayesian inference does not generally require that the data provide information for all the parameters, although inferences tend to be sensitive to the choice of prior distribution.
- 3. Impose additional restrictions onmodel parameters.
- 4. Conduct analysis to assess sensitivity of inferences for quantities of interest to different choices of the values of parameters poorly estimated from the data.
- 5. Selectively discard data to avoid modeling the missingness mechanism.

Treatment-effects Analysis

38.1 Evaluations

38.1.1 Average Treatment Effect

38.1.2 Mann-Whitney Statistic

Definition 38.1.2 (Mann-Whitney Statistic) $\Pr\left(Y_1 < Y_2\right) \tag{38.2}$

38.1.3 Distribution-type Index

Definition 38.1.3 (Distribution-type Index) $F(x) := \Pr(Y_1 - Y_2 = x) \tag{38.3}$

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