

PHP2500 Midterm Formula Sheet

Probability

For any events A and B:

1. $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$
2. $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$
3. $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \text{ and } B)}{P(B)}$
4. $P(B) = P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|A^c)P(A^c)$
5. For disjoint A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n then $P(B) = \sum_i P(B|A_i)P(A_i)$
6. $P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B|A)P(A) + P(B|A^c)P(A^c)}$
7. For disjoint A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n then $P(A_1|B) = P(B|A_1)P(A_1) / \sum_i P(B|A_i)P(A_i)$
8. A and B are independent if $P(A|B) = P(A)$ or $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A)P(B)$
9. A and B are mutually exclusive if $P(A \text{ and } B) = 0$

Models

1. $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$ where $P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} \theta^k (1 - \theta)^{n-k}$
 $E[X] = n\theta$ and $\text{Var}[X] = n\theta(1 - \theta)$
2. $X \sim \text{Hyper}(N, n, C)$ where $P(X = k) = \binom{C}{k} \binom{N-C}{n-k} / \binom{N}{n}$
 $E[X] = Cn/N$ and $\text{Var}[X] = Cn(N-n)(N-c)/(N^2(N-1))$
3. Note: $\binom{n}{k} = n!/k!(n-k)!$
4. $X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda)$ where $P(X = k) = e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k / k!$
 $E[X] = \lambda$ and $\text{Var}[X] = \lambda$
5. $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ where $P(Z > k)$ is given by the table
 $E[X] = \mu$ and $\text{Var}[X] = \sigma^2$

Standardize

$$Z = \frac{X - E[X]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[X]}} \text{ or } Z = \frac{\bar{X}_n - E[\bar{X}_n]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}[\bar{X}_n]}}$$

Expected Values and Variances

For random variables X, Y and constants a, c :

1. $E[aX + c] = aE[X] + c$
2. $Var[aX + c] = a^2Var[X]$
3. $Corr[X, Y] = Cov[X, Y] / \sqrt{Var[X]Var[Y]}$
4. $E[X + Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$
5. $Var[X + Y] = Var[X] + Var[Y] + 2Cov[X, Y]$
6. $Var[X - Y] = Var[X] + Var[Y] - 2Cov[X, Y]$

Sample means

For independent random variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n :

1. $E[\bar{X}_n] = E[X]$
2. $Var[\bar{X}_n] = Var[X]/n$

Boxplots

1. median = 50th percentile – middle observation or average of two middle obsn's
2. upper hinge = 75th percentile – $(3(n+1)/4)^{th}$ observation (round down)
3. lower hinge = 25th percentile – $((n+1)/4)^{th}$ observation (round up)
4. IQR = 75th% observation - 25th% observation
5. upper fence = upper hinge + 1.5*IQR
6. lower fence = lower hinge - 1.5*IQR

Rates

Crude rate = number of events/total population

If the statum specific rate is r_i and the relative frequency of the population is w_i , then for k strata the Crude rate is a weighted average,

$$cr = \sum_{i=1}^k r_i w_i$$

1. Direct adjustment uses the standard population relative frequencies (w_i).
2. Indirect adjustment uses the standard population rates (r_i).