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Convergence in distribution and Central Limit Theorem

Definition: Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of random variables with c.d.f. F_1, F_2, \dots and let X be a random variable with c.d.f. F .

We say X_n converges in distribution

to X if

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

at every continuous point at which F is

at every continuous.

NOTATION:

$$X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$$

Theorem: Let F_n be a sequence of c.d.f.s with corresponding moment generating function M_n (i.e., X_n has m.g.f. M_n)

Let F be the c.d.f. with m.g.f. M . If $M_n(t) \rightarrow M(t)$ for t in an open interval.

containing zero,

THEN $F_n(x) \rightarrow F(x)$ at all points of continuity of F .
Hence $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$.

Aside: If X has mgf $M_X(t)$

and

$$Y = a + bX$$

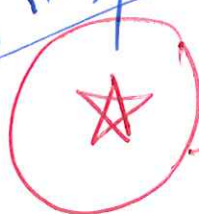
$$M_Y(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E(e^{tY}) = E(e^{t(a+bX)})$$

$$= E(e^{ta} e^{tbX})$$

$$= e^{ta} E(e^{(tb)X})$$

$$M_Y(t) = e^{ta} M_X(bt)$$

1,	2,	1.5,	6,	3,
λ_1	λ_2	λ_3	λ_4	λ_5
1,	1.5,	2,	3,	6,



Example: let $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots$ be an increasing sequence with $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
Let $\{X_n\}$ be a sequence of Poisson random variables with mean (expectation) λ_n .

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \bullet \text{ So, } E(X_n) &= \lambda_n \\ \text{Var}(X_n) &= \lambda_n \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\bullet \quad Z_n = \frac{X_n - E(X_n)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_n)}} = \frac{X_n - \lambda_n}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}$$

NOT
really
a std.
normal
distribution.

$n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Goal: $Z_n \xrightarrow{d} \text{Std. Normal}$
as $n \rightarrow \infty$

To show: Plan We will find the m.g.f. of Z_n : call them $M_{Z_n}(t)$
and then we show that $M_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow M(t)$ ← m.g.f. of std. normal distribution.

$$M_{X_n}(t) = e^{\lambda_n(e^t - 1)}$$

$X_n \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_n)$

Using the previous result (4)

$$M_{Z_n}(t) = e^{-\sqrt{\lambda_n} t} \cdot M_{X_n}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}\right)$$

$$M_{Z_n}(t) = e^{-t\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \exp\left(\lambda_n \left(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}} - 1\right)\right)$$

If $Z \sim N(0, 1)$
(std. normal
dbr)

$$M_Z(t) = e^{t^2/2}$$

$$\log M_{Z_n}(t)$$

$$= -t\sqrt{\lambda_n} + \lambda_n \left(e^{\frac{t^2}{2\lambda_n}} - 1 \right)$$

$$= -t\sqrt{\lambda_n} + \lambda_n \left(1 + \frac{t^2}{2\lambda_n} + \frac{t^3}{6\sqrt{\lambda_n}} + \frac{t^4}{24\lambda_n} + \dots - 1 \right)$$

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^3}{6\sqrt{\lambda_n}} + \frac{t^4}{24\lambda_n} + \dots$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \log M_{Z_n}(t) = \frac{t^2}{2} \quad \left(\text{as } \lambda_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ when } n \rightarrow \infty \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_{Z_n}(t) \right) = \frac{t^2}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_{Z_n}(t)} = e^{t^2/2} = \boxed{M_Z(t)}$$

m.g.f. of
std. normal
distribution

By the previous theorem,
 $Z_n \xrightarrow{d} Z$
as $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^3}{6} \cdot O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}\right)$$

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* • X_1, X_2, \dots is a sequence of independent random variables with mean: μ (expectation) and variance: σ^2

• Construct

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$E(S_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu = n \cdot \mu$$

$$\text{Var}(S_n) \hat{=} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma^2 = n \sigma^2$$

($\because X_i$'s are independent)

• Construct: $Z_n = \frac{S_n - E(S_n)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(S_n)}}$

i.e.,

$$Z_n = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n} \cdot \sigma}$$

Central Limit Theorem

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Theorem: Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of independent random variables having mean 0 and variance σ^2 .
 (All the X_i 's are from same distribution)
 Let $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\frac{S_n - 0}{\sqrt{n} \sigma} \leq x\right) = \Phi(x)$

(c.d.f of $\frac{S_n - 0}{\sqrt{n} \sigma}$)

↑
c.d.f of std. normal d.b.n

(for, $-\infty < x < \infty$)

Proof:

$$Z_n = \frac{S_n - 0}{\sqrt{n} \sigma} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{\sqrt{n} \sigma}$$

$$M_{S_n}(t) = E(e^{t S_n}) = E\left(e^{t \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}\right)$$

$$\stackrel{(\because X_i \text{'s are independent})}{=} \prod_{i=1}^n E(e^{t X_i})$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n M(t)$$

$$= (M(t))^n$$

$\because X_i$'s are from same distribution
 $M(t) = E(e^{t X_i})$ for every i .

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$$M_{Z_n}(t) = \left[M\left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right) \right]^n \quad \left(\text{by } (*) \text{ on page } -2 \right)$$

$$M\left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right) \approx M(0) + \frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} M'(0) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^2 M''(0) + \frac{1}{3!} \left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^3 M'''(0) + \dots$$

Taylor expansion around 0

~~$$M'(0) = E(X_i)$$~~

$$M(0) = 1$$

$$M'(0) = E(X_i) \stackrel{\text{given}}{=} 0$$

$$M''(0) = E(X_i^2) = E((X_i - 0)^2) = \text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$$

for every i

$$M\left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 + 0 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^2 \cdot \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^3 M'''(0) + \dots$$

$$\text{So, } M_{Z_n}(t) = \left(M\left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right) \right)^n \\ = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^2 \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^3 m'''(0) + \dots \right)^n$$

As ~~$n \rightarrow \infty$~~ $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_{Z_n}(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^2 \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{3!} \left(\frac{t}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^3 m'''(0) + \dots \right)^n$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{t^2/2}{n} \right)^n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a_n}{n} \right)^n = e^a$$

$$= e^{t^2/2}$$

||
m.g.f for
Std. normal
distribution

Hence $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_{Z_n}(t) = e^{t^2/2}$

Central limit theorem proved!

16] Suppose that X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{20} are independent random variables with density function $f(x) = 2x$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$.

Let $S = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{20}$.

Use the Central limit theorem to approximate $P(S \leq 10)$.

Solution:

$$E(S) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{20} X_i\right) = 20 E(X)$$

(where $E(X)$ is the expectation of any X_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, 20$)

$$\text{Var}(S) = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{20} X_i\right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{20} \text{Var}(X_i) = 20 \text{Var}(X)$$

(X_i 's are independent)

$$E(X) = \int_0^1 x \cdot f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x \cdot 2x dx = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$E(X^2) = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot f(x) dx = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot 2x dx = \frac{2}{4}$$

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$$S_0, \quad \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = E(\bar{X}^2) - (E(\bar{X}))^2$$

$$= \frac{2}{4} - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{18}$$

S_0 , by CLT

$$\frac{S - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)_{20}}{\sqrt{20} \sqrt{\frac{1}{18}}} = \frac{S - 13.33}{\sqrt{1.11}}$$

$\sim N(0, 1)$

$$S_0, \quad P(S \leq 10)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{S - 13.33}{\sqrt{1.11}} \leq \frac{10 - 13.33}{\sqrt{1.11}}\right)$$

$$\approx P(Z \leq -3.16) = \Phi(-3.16)$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.0008}}$$

~~Suppose that a measurement~~

18] Suppose that a company ships packages that are variable in weight. With an average weight of 15 lb and standard deviation of 10.

Assuming that the packages come from a large number of different customers (so that it is reasonable to model their weights as independent random variables),

find the probability that 100 packages will have a total weight exceeding 1700 lbs.

Solution: $X_i =$; the package weight (in lbs)

(Total weight) $\rightarrow S = \sum_{i=1}^{100} X_i$

We want to find

$$P(S > 1700)$$

$$E(S) = \sum_{i=1}^{100} E(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{100} 15 = 15 * 100 = 1500$$

X_i 's are independent.

$$Var(S) = \sum_{i=1}^{100} Var(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{100} 10^2 = 10^2 * 100 = 10000$$

Std. deviation = 10
So, variance = 10^2

By CLT:

$$\frac{S - E(S)}{\sqrt{Var(S)}} = \frac{S - 1500}{\sqrt{10000}} \sim N(0,1)$$

$$P(S > 1700) = 1 - P(S \leq 1700)$$

$$= 1 - P\left(\frac{S - 1500}{\sqrt{10000}} \leq \frac{1700 - 1500}{\sqrt{10000}}\right)$$

$\sim N(0,1)$

$$= 1 - P(Z \leq 2)$$

$$= 1 - 0.9772$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.0228}}$$