

1 Probability Theory

Theorem 1.3: A_1, \dots, A_2 partition of S and $B \subset S$, then $P(B) = \sum i = 1^\infty P(B|A_i)P(A_i)$.

2 Asymptotic Theory

2.1 Inequalities

Thm 5.1 (Markov's Inequality): X r.v., $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, then $\forall \epsilon > 0, P(g(X) > \epsilon) \leq \frac{E(g(X))}{\epsilon}$.

Cor 5.1 (Chebyshev's Inequality): X r.v., then $\forall \epsilon > 0, P(|X - E(X)| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{Var(X)}{\epsilon^2}$.

2.2 Modes of Convergence

Def 5.2: $\text{plim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = X \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| < \epsilon) = 1$. **Def 5.3:** $\hat{\theta}_n$ consistent for $\theta \Leftrightarrow \text{plim} \hat{\theta}_n = \theta$.

Def 5.4: $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ converges in distribution to $X \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x)$ for every continuity point of x of $F_X(\cdot)$.

Def 5.5: $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ converges in mean square to $X \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[(X_n - X)^2] = 0$.

Thm 5.2: $X_n \xrightarrow{m.s.} X \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{p} X$. Proof by Chebyshev's inequality. The reverse is not true, consider $X_n \in 0, \sqrt{n}$ with probabilities $1 - 1/n, 1/n$.

Thm 5.3: $X_n \xrightarrow{p} X \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$. Proof uses definition of \xrightarrow{p} and continuity. The reverse is generally *not true*, consider $X_n = Z \sim N(0, 1)$ and $X, Z \sim N(0, 1)$, have $F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x)$ but $P(|Z - X| \geq \epsilon) > 0$.

Exception: $X_n \xrightarrow{d} c \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{p} c$.

2.3 Law of Large Numbers

Thm 5.4 (LLN): $X_{i=1}^\infty$ seq. of uncorrelated rvs from F_X with $\mu = E(X)$, $Var(X)$ existing and finite. Then $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{p} \mu$. Proof: Chebyshev's inequality.

Thm 5.5 (WLLN): $X_{i=1}^\infty$ seq. of uncorrelated rvs. Suppose $\mu_i = E(X_i)$ and $\sigma_i^2 = Var(X_i)$ exist and finite. If $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 = 0$ then $\bar{X}_n - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \xrightarrow{p} 0$.

Thm 5.6 (LLN i.i.d): $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$ seq. of iid rvs from F_X with $\mu = E(X)$ exist and finite. Then $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{p} \mu$.

Convergence Criteria: Need a combination of three assumptions: (1) finite mean and/or variance (no LLN for Cauchy), (2) bounds on asymptotic variance (e.g. not growing too fast with i), (3) restricted dependence.

2.4 Central Limit Theorem

Thm 5.7 (Lindeberg-Levy CLT): $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$ seq. of iid rvs from F_X , μ and σ^2 finite.

Then $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$.

Thm 5.9 (Berry-Esseen): $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$ seq. of iid rvs from F_X , μ and σ^2 finite and $\lambda = E(|X - E(X)|^3)$ exist and finite. Let $Z \sim N(0, 1)$. Then $|P\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \leq x\right) - P(Z \leq x)| \leq \frac{C\lambda}{\sigma^3\sqrt{n}}$.

2.5 Convergence of Random Vectors

Def 5.7: $X_n \xrightarrow{p} X \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\|X_n - X\| < \epsilon) = 1$.

Def 5.8: $X_n \xrightarrow{ms} X \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(\|X_n - X\|^2) = 0$.

Def 5.9: $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X \Leftrightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x)$ for every continuity point x of $F_X(\cdot)$.

Thm 5.10 (Cramér-Wold): $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ seq. of K-dimensional random vectors. Then, $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^K$ we have $\lambda'X_n \xrightarrow{d} \lambda'X \Leftrightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$.

2.6 CMT and Slutsky's

Thm 5.11 (CMT): Let $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be a sequence of K-dim. rvecs X K-dim rvec, and $g: \mathbb{R}^K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with discontinuity points D such that $P(X \in D) = 0$.

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

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

Implication: Sums and products of convergent sequences converge. Does *not* hold for *mean square* convergence.

Thm 5.12 (Slutsky's): X_n, Y_n seq of rvs with $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{p} c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X + c$ and $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{d} cX$, and if $c \neq 0, X_n/Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X/c$.

Extension to rvecs: $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{p} C \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times K}$, C invertible, then $Y_n^{-1}X_n \xrightarrow{d} C^{-1}X$.

Example CMT: $\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma}\right)^2 \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)^2 = \xi_1^2$.

Thm 5.13 (Delta-Method): X_n seq of rvs with LL-CLT applying. $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuously diff. at μ with $g'(\mu) \neq 0$.

Then $\sqrt{n}(g(X_n) - g(\mu)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, g'(\mu)^2 \sigma^2)$. Proof: CMT and Slutsky's applied to Taylor's/intermediate value theorem.

2.7 Interval Estimation

Suppose $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is a seq of iid random variables with μ, σ^2 finite. Then an asymptotically valid CI for μ is given by

$$CI = \left[\bar{X}_n \pm \frac{z_{1-\alpha/2}}{\sqrt{n}} S_n \right]$$

where S_n is a consistent estimator of σ and $P(\mu \in CI) \rightarrow 1 - \alpha$. Proof: CLT, CMT, Slutsky.

2.8 Moment-Based Estimation

Parameter of interest: $\theta = h(E(g(X)))$ (simple case: X, θ scalars and $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ cont. diff.).

Moment-based estimator: $\hat{\theta}_n = h\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n g(X_i)\right)$. Consistency follows from LLN and CMT.

Large-sample distribution: If $Var(g(X)) < \infty$ CLT applies so $\sqrt{n}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n g(X_i) - E(g(X))\right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, Var(g(X)))$. By the *delta-method* if $h'(g(E(X))) \neq 0$ we have

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) = \sqrt{n}\left(h\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n g(X_i)\right) - h(E(g(X)))\right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, h'(E(g(X)))^2 Var(g(X)))$$

3 Hypothesis Testing

3.1 Basics

Def 7.1: A *hypothesis* is a statement about the population distribution.

Def 7.2: H_0 (null hypothesis) and H_1 (alternative hypothesis) are the complementary hypothesis. We write $H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$ and $H_1: \theta \in \Theta_1$ with Θ_k mutually exclusive and exhaustive.

Simple hypothesis: Θ_0 is singleton. *Composite hypothesis:* Θ_1 more than one value.

Def 7.3: A *hypothesis test* is a rule when to reject H_0 (in favor of H_1) given the data. (*Accepting* H_0 is weird, e.g. what about $\theta_0 + \epsilon$.)

4 Size and Power

Type-I error: Reject H_0 although in fact true.

Type-II error: Not reject H_0 although in fact false.

Error rates: Probabilities of making these errors (errors are random because they depend on the sample).

I-II-trade-off: We want to minimize $P_\theta(\text{reject } H_0) \forall \theta \in \Theta_0$ and maximize $P_\theta(\text{reject } H_0) \forall \theta \in \Theta_1$ (P_θ denotes probabilities assuming θ is the true parameter).

Def 7.4 (Power function): $\beta(\theta) = P_\theta(\text{reject } H_0)$.

Type-I error: $\beta(\theta)$ for any $\theta \in \Theta_0$.

Type-II error: $\beta(\theta)$ for any $\theta \in \Theta_1$.

Def 7.5/7.6: For $\alpha \in [0, 1]$, a test is *level α* if $\sum_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) \leq \alpha$ (size: equality).

Test choice: One approach: fix α , take the one with the best power over all $\theta \in \Theta_1$ (might not exist).

4.1 Test statistics and critical values

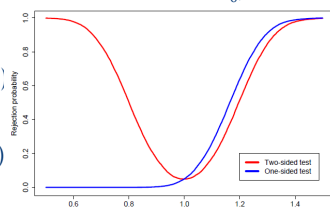
Goal: Derive statistic T and reject iff $T > c_\alpha$ controlling $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} P_\theta(T > c_\alpha) \Rightarrow \text{need } F_T(t)$.

Ex 7.2 (Two-sided T): $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ so $\theta = (\mu, \sigma^2)$. Test $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ against $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$ use $T = \frac{\sqrt{n}|\bar{X}_n - \mu_0|}{S_n} |t_{n-1}|$ and reject for $T > c_\alpha = t_{n-1, 1-\alpha/2}$. By construction $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} P_\theta(T > c_\alpha) = \alpha$. Note this holds for all $\sigma^2 \in \Gamma$ thus a test of level and size α .

Ex (One-sided T): $T = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)}{S_n}$ with $c_\alpha = t_{n-1, 1-\alpha}$ or $Z = -T$ and c_α unchanged (symmetry). Intuition: want to reject for large $\mu > \mu_0$ (right-sided).

Deriving $\beta(\theta)$: (1) add and subtract (true) μ , (2) look at behavior as μ changes.

The one-sided test is also a test for $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$ against $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$ with size α , because $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0, \sigma \in \Gamma} \beta^{1\text{-sided}}(\theta) \leq \alpha$.



Def (p-value): For any realization T^* , $p^* = \inf\{p \in [0, 1] : T^* > c_p\}$. Intuition: smallest α for which we would still reject.

Under $H_0, p \sim \text{Unif}[0, 1]$ (require $P(p^* < \alpha) = \alpha$, i.e. want $Pr_\theta(\text{reject } H_0) < \alpha$), but holds $\forall \alpha$. **p-value with simple H_0 :** If F_0 is strictly increasing, $p^* = 1 - F_0(T^*)$ (again: $p \sim \text{Unif}[0, 1]$). With parametric distributions with multiple parameters (e.g. $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$) usually fix one parameter (e.g. σ^2) resulting in simple test but technically *composite* H_0 .

4.2 Hypothesis Testing and CIs

Test-inversion: Assume test $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ and have test s.t. $P_{\theta_0}(\text{reject } H_0) = \alpha$ (size α). Assume can perform for any $\theta_0 \in \Theta$. Then we have $CS = \{\theta_0 \in \Theta : \text{not reject } H_0 : \theta = \theta_0\}$ with $P_\theta(\theta \in CS) = 1 - \alpha$.

We can also do the reverse: From any CS with coverage rate $1 - \alpha$ can construct size α test as $\text{reject} \Leftrightarrow \theta_0 \notin CS$.

Ex. one-sided CI: Testing $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ against $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$ (or $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$) for normal case we have $CS = \{\mu_0 \in [\bar{X}_n - \frac{t_{1-\alpha, n-1}}{\sqrt{n}} S_n, \infty)\}$.

4.3 Asymptotic Approximations

Asymptotic argument: No parametric model $f(x; \theta)$, but, e.g., moments: $H_0: E(X) = \mu$.

$T \xrightarrow{d} [N(0, 1)]$ and we can use $\Phi^{-1}(x)$ to control α asymptotically. In particular, $P(T >$

$z_{1-\alpha/2}) \rightarrow \alpha$ under H_0 .

Hypotheses: Set of distributions \mathbb{P} with $\mathbb{P}_0 \subset \mathbb{P}$ set of distributions consistent with H_0 . **Def 7.7 (Asymptotic power function):** $\beta^\alpha(P) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{beta}_n(P)$.

Def 7.8/7.9: test with $\beta^\alpha(P)$ is *asymptotic level α* if $\sup_{P \in \mathbb{P}_0} \beta^\alpha(P) \leq \alpha$ (size: equality).

Def 7.10 (consistency): Test *consistent* against alternative $P \in \mathbb{P}_1$ if $\beta^\alpha(P) = 1$.