

# 1 Probability Review

## Multinomial Distribution

$$\Pr(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_r = x_r) = \binom{n}{x_1, \dots, x_r} \prod_{i=1}^r p_i^{x_i}$$

## Mean Square Error (MSE)

$$E\{(Y - c)^2\} = \text{var}(Y) + \{E(Y) - c\}^2$$

$$E\{(Y - c)^2|x\} = \text{var}[Y|x] + \{E[Y|x] - c\}^2$$

which are special cases of  $E(Y^2) = \text{var}(Y) + [E(Y)]^2$ . MSE is minimized if and only if  $c = E(Y)$  or  $E[Y|x]$ .

Usually the formula for  $E[Y|x] = f(x)$  is determined from observations/data and  $x$  can be a vector of realisations from covariates.

$$\text{MSE}_{\text{empirical}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \{E[Y|x_i] - y_i\}^2$$

In the real world, we have different realisations  $x_i$  of the random variable  $X$ , hence the mean MSE is

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{var}[Y|x_i] \approx E(\text{var}[Y|X]) \leq \text{var}(Y)$$

## Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)

involves breaking of variance into components

$$\text{var}(Y) = E(\text{var}[Y|X]) + \text{var}(E[Y|X])$$

### 1.1 Distributions

#### $\chi_1^2$ distribution

Let  $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ .  $V = Z^2$  has a  $\chi^2$  distribution with 1 degree of freedom

$$f(v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} v^{-1/2} e^{-v/2}$$

#### Gamma distribution

$$f(t) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} t^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda t}, t \geq 0$$

$$\Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^\infty x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x} dx$$

#### $\chi_n^2$ distribution

Let  $V_1, \dots, V_n$  be IID  $\chi_1^2$

$$V = \sum_{i=1}^n V_i$$

has a  $\chi_n^2$  distribution with  $n$  degrees of freedom

#### $t$ distribution

Let  $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  and  $V \sim \chi_n^2$  be independent

$$t_n = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{V/n}}$$

has a  $t$  distribution with  $n$  degrees of freedom

#### $F$ distribution

Let  $V \sim \chi_m^2$  and  $W \sim \chi_n^2$  be independent

$$F_{m,n} = \frac{V/m}{W/n}$$

has an  $F$  distribution with  $(m, n)$  degrees of freedom

\*Note:  $t_n^2 = F_{1,n}$

### 1.2 Sample Variance

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$$

$\bar{X}$  and  $S^2$  are independent

$$\bar{X} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$$