

STAT 231

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Video Review. for TQ 2 →

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(Weekly materials - Lectures)

Tutorial from last

week → Tutorial Section

# Interval Estimation

- $t$ -pivot
- $\chi^2$ -pivot
- Relationship between the Likelihood Interval and the Confidence Interval.

# Interval Estimation

Case I

Gaussian estimation of  $\mu$  when  $\sigma$  is known.

Case II : Binomial model. Estimation of  $\theta$ ,  $n$  is large.

Case III

Gaussian estimation of  $\mu$  when  $\sigma$  is unknown.

Case IV : Gaussian estimation of  $\sigma$ .

## Case 5: Other Non-Gaussian models with large sample sizes

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For each of these cases

- (1) Pivotal Quantity ✓
- (2) Pivotal Distribution ✓
- (3) Coverage Interval ✓
- (4) Confidence " ✓

Case I: Gaussian problem with known  $\sigma$ .

P.Q: a function of  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  and  $\theta$  whose prob. can be calculated without knowing  $\theta$

PIVOTAL QUANTITY

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} = \text{PIVOTAL QUANTITY}$$

Z = PIVOTAL DISTRIBUTION

## COVERAGE INTERVAL

$$\bar{Y} \pm Z^* \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

where  $Z^*$  is calculated  
using the confidence level.

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{e.g. } 95\% \text{ C.I.} \Rightarrow Z^* = 1.96 \\ 99\% \text{ C.I.} \Rightarrow Z^* = 2.58 \end{array} \quad \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} 95\% \text{ C.I.} \\ 99\% \text{ C.I.} \end{array}} \right\}$$

## Confidence Interval

$$\bar{y} \pm Z^* \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$\bar{y}$  = sample  
mean.



## Case III: Gaussian probt

### Clicker Question

Suppose we are constructing a ~~95~~ Confidence Interval for  $\mu$  when  $\sigma$  is known. (GAUSSIAN).

a. Are the following statements T/F

- (a) The width of the C.I.  $\uparrow$  as  $n \downarrow$
- (b) The - - -  $\uparrow$  as  $\sigma \uparrow$
- (c) - - -  $\uparrow$  as level of Conf.  $\uparrow$
- (d) All of them are correct.



Case II : Binomial problem

$$Y \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$$

$n$  large.

PIVOTAL QUANTITY

$$\checkmark \quad \frac{\tilde{\theta} - \theta}{\sqrt{\tilde{\theta}(1-\tilde{\theta})/n}}$$

$$\boxed{\tilde{\theta} = Y/n}$$

PIVOTAL DISTRIBUTION =  $\checkmark \quad Z$ .

Coverage Interval:  $\left( \tilde{\theta} \pm z^{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{\theta}(1-\tilde{\theta})}{n}} \right)$

Confidence "  $\left( \hat{\theta} \pm z^{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta})}{n}} \right)$

$\hat{\theta} = Y/n$  = sample proportion

$$\bar{y} \pm \textcircled{2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

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Q2: The <sup>95%</sup> Confidence Interval  
for  $\theta$  in a Binomial problem.  
with  $n = 200$  is given by

$$[0.135, 0.279]$$

The probability that  $\theta$  lies between  
0.135 and 0.279 is 0.95

(a) True

(b) False ✓

Case III Gaussian problem with  
unknown  $\sigma$ .

Model:  $Y_i \sim \mathcal{G}(\mu, \sigma)$   
 $i = 1, \dots, n.$

$Y_i$ 's independent.

Sample  $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$   $\overline{y} = \text{sample mean}$

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (y_i - \overline{y})^2$$

Objective: To find a 95% <sup>C.I.</sup> for  $\mu$ .

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PIVOTAL QUANTITY

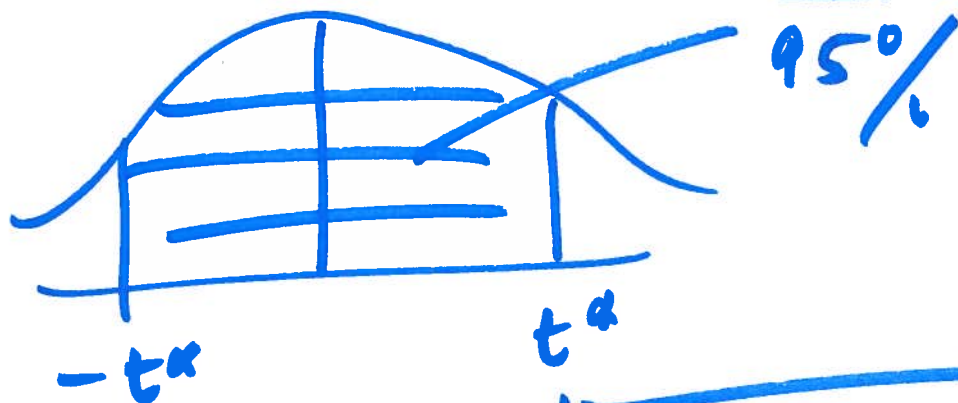
$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

where  $S = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}$   
= random variable.

# PIVOTAL DISTRIBUTION

A student's  $t$ -distribution with  $n-1$  degrees of freedom.

Go to the  $t$ -table  $\rightarrow t^{\alpha}$   $df = n-1$



Coverage Interval:

$$\bar{Y} \pm t^{\alpha} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Confidence Interval

$$\bar{y} \pm t^{\alpha} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$



This follows from the theorem

$$\frac{\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{s}}{\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

If  $n$  is really large, the  $t$ -values coincide with the  $z$ -values.

Case IV: How to find the Confidence Interval for  $\sigma^2$ ?

Example: A sample of 10 observations are drawn from a Gaussian population with mean  $\mu$  and s.d  $\sigma$ .

$$\bar{y} = 80 \quad s^2 = 49$$

Find the 95% C.I for  $\sigma^2$ .



From the theorem,

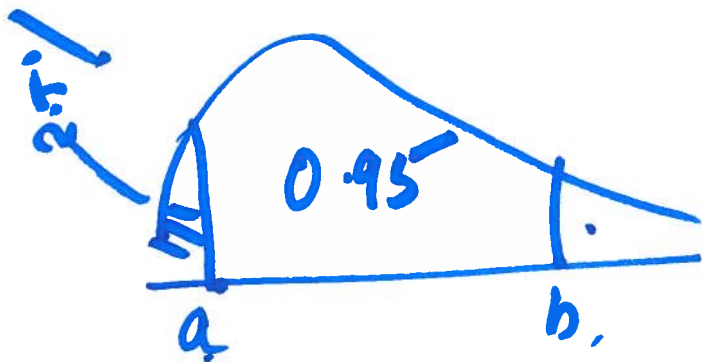
$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{n-1}$$

PIVOTAL QUANTITY

PIVOTAL DISTRIBUTION

PIVOTAL QTY =  $\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}$        $a =$

PIVOTAL DIST.<sup>N</sup>  $\rightarrow \chi^2_{n-1}$




Equal tailed  
C.I.  $a = 2.7$

$$\text{Row} = n - 1$$

$$\text{Columns} = 0.025, \quad 0.975$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a = 2.7 \\ b = 19.023 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$P(2.7 < \chi^2_9 < 19.023) = 0.95$$

$$P\left(2.7 < \frac{95^2}{\sigma^2} < 19.023\right) = 0.95$$


$$\sigma^2 > \frac{9s^2}{19.023} \quad \text{--- RH inequality}$$

$$\sigma^2 < \frac{9s^2}{2.7} \quad \text{LH inequality}$$

Coverage Interval ::

$$\left[ \frac{9s^2}{19.023}, \frac{9s^2}{2.7} \right]$$

Confidence Interval:  $\left[ \frac{9s^2}{19.023}, \frac{9s^2}{2.7} \right]$

Given our sample, we are 95% C.I  
that  $\sigma^2$  will lie between

$$\left[ \frac{9s^2}{19.023}, \frac{9s^2}{2.7} \right]$$

General formula:

$$\left[ \frac{(n-1)s^2}{b}, \frac{(n-1)s^2}{a} \right]$$

from the  $\chi^2$  table  
with  $n-1$  df.

## Case II    Non-Gaussian problem

(a) Poisson. ( $n$  is large)

$Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  indep Poi ( $\mu$ )

$\mu$  = unknown

Sample  $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$      $\bar{y}$  = sample mean.

Construct a 95% C.I for  $\mu$ .

# The CLT for Poisson

If  $n$  is large,

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\sqrt{\bar{Y}/n}} \stackrel{\text{app.}}{=} Z \sim N(0,1)$$

PIVOTAL QUANTITY

PIVOTAL  
DISTRIBUTION

$$P(-1.96 < Z < 1.96) = 0.95$$

$$P(-1.96 < \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\sqrt{\bar{Y}/n}} < 1.96) = 0.95$$



Coverage Interval:

$$\bar{Y} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\bar{Y}/n}$$

Confidence Interval

$$\bar{y} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\bar{y}/n}$$

$\bar{y}$  = sample mean.



(b) Exponential problem:

$$Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim \text{Exp}(\mu)$$

~~to~~ To find a 95% C.I for

$\mu$ .

Sample:  $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$

Theorem  $Y \sim \text{Exp}(\mu) \Rightarrow \frac{2Y}{\mu} \sim \chi^2(2)$

$$\boxed{2 \sum \frac{Y_i}{\mu} \sim \chi^2_{2n}}$$