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field: Definition of Convergence

field: A sequence $\{a_n\}_{n>1}$ of real numbers is said to **converge** to a point $a \in \mathbb{R}$ if for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for all $m > N$ we have $|a_m - a| < \epsilon$

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field: Example of convergence: $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$

field: For any $\epsilon > 0$, choose N such that $\frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$. Then for any $m > N$ we have that

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{N} < \epsilon$$

and therefore $|a_m - 0| = \frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$

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field: Given two convergent sequences $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_m\}$ such that $a_m \rightarrow a$ and $b_m \rightarrow b$
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 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n)(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n) = ab$

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field: Definition: Convergence in probability

field: A sequence of random variables $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ **converges in probability** to a random variable X , if for every $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| \geq \epsilon) = 0$$

We write $X_n \xrightarrow{p} X$

Equivalently, $x_n \xrightarrow{p} x$ if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|x_n - x| < \epsilon) = 1$

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field: Convergence in probability example: Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence of random variables such that $x_n \sim N(0, 1/m^2)$

Show that $x_n \xrightarrow{p} 0$:

field: Let $\epsilon > 0$. We obtain $P(|x_n - 0|) = P(x_n > \epsilon) + P(x_n < -\epsilon)$. ie we are looking at the tail probabilities.

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_n < -\epsilon) + P(x_n > \epsilon) &= P(nx_n < n\epsilon) + P(nx_n > n\epsilon) \\ &= \Phi(n\epsilon) + 1 - \Phi(n\epsilon) \\ &= 2\Phi(-n\epsilon) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $x_n \xrightarrow{p} 0$

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field: Example convergence in probability Let $W \sim N(0, 1)$ and $U \sim Unif(0, 1)$, and define the sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ as $x_n = W$ with prob $1 - 1/n$, U with prob $1/n$

Show that $x_n \xrightarrow{p} W$

field: Let $\epsilon > 0$ Then.

$$\begin{aligned} P(|X_n - W| > \epsilon) &= P(|X_n - W| > \epsilon | X_n = W)P(X_n = W) \\ &\quad + P(|X_n - W| > \epsilon | X_n = U)P(X_n = U) \\ &= 0 \cdot (1 - 1/n) + p_n(1/n) \end{aligned}$$

Where p_n is a probability, and therefore $0 \leq p_n \leq 1$

It follows that $p_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$, and therefore $P(|X_n - W| > \epsilon) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$, for all $\epsilon > 0$, so that $X_n \xrightarrow{p} W$.

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field: Does $X_n \xrightarrow{p} c$ imply $E(X_n) \rightarrow c$?

field: Let $X_n = 0$ with probability $1 - 1/n$, n^2 with probability $1/n$ Then $P(|X_n - 0| > \epsilon) \leq P(X_n = n^2) = 1/n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$ On the other hand, $E(X_n) = 0 \cdot P(X_n = 0) + n^2 P(X_n = n^2) = 0 + n^2 \frac{1}{n} = n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \infty$. Therefore $X_n \xrightarrow{p} c$ does not imply $E(X_n) \rightarrow c$

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field: Does $E(X_n) \rightarrow c$ imply $X_n \xrightarrow{p} c$?

field: Let $X_n = 0$, with prob $1 - 1/n$, n with prob $1/n$. Then $E(X_n) = 0 \cdot P(X_n = 0) + nP(X_n = n) = 0 + n1/n = 1$ for all n . But $P(|X_n - 0| > \epsilon) \leq P(X_n = n) = \frac{1}{n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ It follows, $X_n \xrightarrow{p} 0$, and therefore we have $E(X_n) \rightarrow c$ does not imply $X_n \xrightarrow{p} c$

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field: Suppose $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ and $\{Y_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be two sequences of random variables such that $X_n \xrightarrow{p} x_0$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{p} y_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where $x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}$

What properties do we have?

field:

- $X_n \pm Y_n \xrightarrow{p} x_0 \pm y_0$ as n increases to ∞
- $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{p} x_0 y_0$ as n increases to ∞
- $X_n / Y_n \xrightarrow{p} x_0 / y_0$ as n increases to infinity, provided that $P(Y_n = 0) = 0$ for all n and $y_0 \neq 0$

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field: Let $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of random variables such that $x_n \xrightarrow{p} x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and let $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function . Then

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field: Proof of: Let $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of random variables such that $x_n \xrightarrow{p} x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and let $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function. Then

$$g(X_n) \xrightarrow{p} g(x_0) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

field: Since g is continuous at $X = x_0$, we have that for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $|g(x) - g(x_0)| > \epsilon$ implies $|x - x_0| > \delta$

We obtain

$$0 \leq P(|g(X_n) - g(x_0)| > \epsilon) \leq P(|X_n - x_0| > \delta) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

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field: Weak Law of Large numbers

field: Let $X_1, X_2, X_3 \dots$ Be a sequence of iid random variables with $E(X_1) = \mu$ (finite) and $V(X_1) = \sigma^2 < \infty$, and define $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ (the sample mean).

Then

$$\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{p} \mu \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

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field: Proof of Weak Law of Large Numbers

field:

$$\begin{aligned} P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| > \epsilon) &= P((\bar{X}_n - \mu)^2 > \epsilon^2) \\ &\leq \frac{E((\bar{X}_n - \mu)^2)}{\epsilon^2} \text{ by Chebyshev's Inequality} \\ &= \frac{V(\bar{X}_n)}{\epsilon^2} \text{ by def of variance} \\ &= \frac{\sigma^2}{n\epsilon^2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{p} \mu$

NOTE:

field: ₂₃₃

field: Consistency

field: If our estimate converges in probability to the value of the parameter of interest as the sample size n increases

NOTE:

field: ₂₃₄

field: Consistency of S^2

field: Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots is a sequence of iid random variables with $E(X_1) = \mu$ finite and $V(X_1) = \sigma^2 < \infty$
and define

$$S_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2 \quad \text{The sample variance}$$

Can we show that S_n^2 is a consistent estimate of σ^2 ? In other words, can we show that $S_n^2 \xrightarrow{p} \sigma^2$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Using Chebyshev's inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} P(|S_n^2 - \sigma^2| > \epsilon) &\leq \frac{E[(S_n^2 - \sigma^2)^2]}{\epsilon^2} \\ &= \frac{V(S_n^2)}{\epsilon^2} \end{aligned}$$

There fore, a sufficient condition that S_n^2 converges in probability to σ^2 is that the variance of S_n^2 $V(S_n^2) \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$

NOTE:

field: ²³⁵

field: $V(S_n^2) \rightarrow 0$ as long as

field: $V(S_n^2) \rightarrow 0$ as long as the fourth central moment $\mu_4 = E[(X_1 - \mu)^4]$ is finite.

NOTE:

field: ²³⁶

field: Khinchin's WLLN

field: Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of iid random variables with $E(X_1) = \mu$ (finite). Then, $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{p} \mu$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

NOTE:

field: ²³⁷

field: Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of random variables, such that for some $r > 0$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $E[|X_n - c|^r] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$. Then $X_n \xrightarrow{p} c$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$

field: (A general result to establish convergence in probability)

Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of random variables, such that for some $r > 0$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$, $E[|X_n - c|^r] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$. Then $X_n \xrightarrow{P} c$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$

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field: Consistent estimator for $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim \text{iid Univorm}(0, \theta)$, $\theta > 0$. (and sketch of proof)

field: $X_{(n)} = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ (the largest order statistic)

Proof

First recall that the pdf of $X_{(n)}$ is given by

$$f(x) = nx^{n-1}\theta^{-n}, 0 < x < \theta, 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_{(n)}) &= \int_0^\theta xf(x)dx \\ &= n\theta^{-n} \int_0^\theta x^n dx \\ &= \frac{n}{n-1}\theta \\ E(X_{(n)}^2) &= \int_0^\theta x^2f(x)dx \\ &= n\theta^{-n} \int_0^\theta x^{n+1} dx \\ &= \frac{n}{n+2}\theta^2 \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
E[(X_{(n)} - \theta)^2] &= E(X_{(n)}^2) - 2\theta E(X_{(n)}) + \theta^2 \\
&= \frac{n}{n+2}\theta^2 - 2\theta \frac{n}{n+1}\theta + \theta^2 \\
&\dots \\
&= \frac{2\theta^2}{(n+1)(n+2)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, taking $c = 0$ and $r = 2$, from the previous theorem, we obtain $X_{(n)} \xrightarrow{p} \theta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

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field: Definition Almost Sure Convergence

field: A sequence $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ of random variables is said to converge **Almost Surely** to a random variable X if for every $\epsilon > 0$,

$$P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |X_n - X| > \epsilon) = 0$$

We write $X_n \xrightarrow{a.s} X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

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field: Strong Law of Large Numbers

field: Let X_1, X_2, \dots be an iid sequence of random variables, with $E(X_1) = \mu$ (finite) and $V(X_1) = \sigma^2 < \infty$. Then,

$$\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{a.s} \mu \quad \text{as } \mu \rightarrow \infty$$

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field: Does convergence in probability imply convergence almost surely?

field: No. Let $\Omega = [0,1]$, with uniform probability distribution. Define the sequence $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ as:

$$\begin{aligned}X_1(\omega) &= \omega + \mathbb{I}_{[0,1]}(\omega) \\X_2(\omega) &= \omega + \mathbb{I}_{[0,1/2]}(\omega) \\X_3(\omega) &= \omega + \mathbb{I}_{[1/2,1]}(\omega) \\X_4(\omega) &= \omega + \mathbb{I}_{[0,1/3]}(\omega) \\X_5(\omega) &= \omega + \mathbb{I}_{[1/3,2/3]}(\omega) \\&\vdots\end{aligned}$$

$$X_5(\omega) = \omega + 1$$

Let $X(\omega) = \omega$, then it is easy to show that $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ because $P(|X_n - X| \geq \epsilon) = P([a_n, b_n])$, where $l_n = \text{length}([a_n, b_n]) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

However X_n does not converge to X almost surely, because for every $\omega \in [0, 1]$, alternates between ω and $\omega + 1$, infinitely often as $n \rightarrow \infty$

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field: Convergence in Distribution

field: A sequence $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ of random variables converges in distribution to a random variable X if,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x)$$

at all points x where $F_X(x)$ is continuous

We write $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$

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field: Example of convergence in distribution

Let $X_n \sim N(0, \frac{n+1}{n})$, and $X \sim N(0, 1)$. We want to show that $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$.

field:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_n \leq x) &= P\left(\sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}}X_n \leq \sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}}x\right) \\ &= \Phi\left(\sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1}}x\right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(x) \end{aligned}$$

And we obtain that $F_{X_n} \rightarrow \Phi(x) = F_X(x), \forall x$, and therefore $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$

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field: Does Convergence in probability imply convergence in distribution?

field: Yes

NOTE:

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field: Does Convergence in distribution imply convergence in probability?

field: No - unless converges in distribution to a constant

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field: A sequence $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ of random variables converges in probability to a constant $c \in \mathbb{R}$ if and only if

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NOTE:

field: ²⁴⁷

field: If $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{d} Y$ we have that

1. $X_n \pm Y_n$
2. $X_n Y_n$

field: In general it is not true that if $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{d} Y$ we have that

1. $X_n \pm Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X + Y$
2. $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{d} XY$

NOTE:

field: ²⁴⁸

field: Let $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of random variables such that $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$, for some random variable X (possibly a constant). Then for any continuous function $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we have $g(X_n) \xrightarrow{d}$

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NOTE:

field: ²⁴⁹

field: Let $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ and $\{Y_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be two sequences of random variables such that $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ for some random variable X (possibly a constant) and $Y_n \xrightarrow{p} c \in \mathbb{R}$

Then, as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

1. $X_n \pm Y_n \xrightarrow{d}$
2. $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{d}$
3. $X_n / Y_n \xrightarrow{d}$ provided $P(Y_n = 0) = 0 \forall n$ and $c \neq 0$

field: Slutsky's Theorem Let $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ and $\{Y_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be two sequences of random variables such that $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ for some random variable X (possibly a constant) and $Y_n \xrightarrow{p} c \in \mathbb{R}$

Then, as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

1. $X_n \pm Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X \pm c$
2. $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{d} cX$
3. $X_n / Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X/c$ provided $P(Y_n = 0) = 0 \forall n$ and $c \neq 0$

NOTE:

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field: Central Limit Theorem

field: Let X_1, X_2, \dots be an iid sequence of random variables, with $E(X_1) = \mu$ (finite) and $V(X_1) = \sigma^2 < \infty$

Then, for $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ (the sample mean), we have that

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

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field: Equivalent results of CLT

field:

- $\frac{(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$
- $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$
- $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$
- $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{d} N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$

NOTE:

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field: Let $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of random variables such that the mgf $M_{X_n}(t)$ of X_n exists in a neighborhood of 0, for all n , and suppose that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_{X_n}(t) = M_X(t) \quad \text{for all } t \text{ in a neighborhood of } 0$$

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where $M_X(t)$ is the mgf for some random variable X . Then, there exists a unique cdf $F_X(x)$ whose moments are determined by $M_X(t)$ and for all x , where $F_X(x)$ is continuous we have $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x)$

NOTE:

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field: $\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}-\mu)}{S_n} \xrightarrow{d}$

field: Using the CLT, and Slutsky's theorem, we have

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}-\mu)}{S_n} = \frac{\sigma}{S_n} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}-\mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$$

NOTE:

field: ₂₅₄

field: $g(X) \approx$
 $E(g(X)) \approx, V(g(X)) \approx$

field:

$$g(X) \approx g(\mu) + g'(\mu)(X - \mu)$$

Using a first order Taylor approximation $E(g(X)) \approx g(\mu)$, $V(g(X)) \approx [g'(\mu)]^2 V(X)$

NOTE:

field: ₂₅₅

field: Delta Method

field: Let $\{Y_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of random variables such that $\sqrt{n}(Y_n - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Suppose that for a given function g and a specific value of θ , $g'(\theta)$ exists and is not equal to zero. Then

$$\sqrt{n}(g(Y_n) - g(\theta)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2 [g'(\theta)]^2)$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$

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field: Second Order delta method

field: Let $\{Y_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of random variables such that $\sqrt{n}(Y_n - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. And that for a given function g as specific value of θ , we have $g'(\theta) = 0$, but $g''(\theta)$ exists and is not equal to 0. Then

$$\sqrt{n}(g(Y_n) - g(\theta)) \xrightarrow{d} \sigma^2 \frac{g''(\theta)}{2} \chi_1^2 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

NOTE:

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field: $\chi_n^2 \sim$ for sufficiently large n

field: $\chi_n^2 \sim N(n, 2n)$

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field: Definition Statistic

field: Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a given population. Then, any observable real-valued (or vector-valued) function $T(\mathbf{X}) = T(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ of the random variables X_1, \dots, X_n is called a **Statistic**

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field: Sampling Distribution

field: The probability distribution of the statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$ is called the **Sampling Distribution** of $T(\mathbf{X})$

NOTE:

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field: Sufficient Statistic

field: A statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a **Sufficient Statistic** for θ , if the conditional distribution of the sample \mathbf{X} given the value of $T(\mathbf{X})$ does not depend on θ

NOTE:

field: ₂₆₁

field: Determine if $T(\mathbf{X}) = \sum X_i$ where $X_i \sim \text{Bern}(p)$ is sufficient for p using definition of sufficiency

field:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x} | T = t) &= \frac{P(\cap_{i=1}^n X_i = x_i)}{P(T = t)} \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{P(X_i = x_i)}{P(T = t)} \quad \text{by independence} \\
 &= \frac{p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{\binom{n}{t} p^t (1-p)^{n-t}} \quad \text{Because } T \sim \text{Binom}(n, p) \\
 &= \frac{p^t (1-p)^{n-t}}{\binom{n}{t} p^t (1-p)^{n-t}} \quad \text{because } t = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\
 &= \frac{1}{\binom{n}{t}} \quad \text{which is free of } p
 \end{aligned}$$

NOTE:

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field: How to show sufficiency (not using factorization)

field: Let $p(\mathbf{X}|\theta)$ be the joint PDF or PMF of \mathbf{X} and $q(t|\theta)$ the PDF or PMF of the statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$. Then $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a sufficient statistic for θ if for every \mathbf{X} in the sample space, the ratio

$$\frac{p(\mathbf{x}|\theta)}{q(T(\mathbf{x})|\theta)}$$

is constant as a function of θ

NOTE:

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field: Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ where σ^2 is known. If the statistic $T(\mathbf{X}) = \bar{X}_n$ sufficient for μ ?

field:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(\mathbf{x}|\mu)}{q(T(\mathbf{X})|\mu)} &= \frac{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + n(\bar{x} - \mu)^2]}}{(2\pi\sigma/n)^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\bar{x} - \mu)^2}} \\ &= n^{-1/2} (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-(n-1)/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \end{aligned}$$

Which does not depend on μ , and therefore \bar{X}_n is sufficient for μ as long as σ^2 is known

NOTE:

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field: The joint pdf of the sample $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ is Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ where σ^2 is known.

field:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}|\mu) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{\frac{-1}{2\sigma^2}(x_i-\mu)^2} \\ &= (2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2} e^{-1/2\sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\mu)^2} \\ &= (2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2} e^{-1/2\sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\bar{x}+\bar{x}-\mu)^2} \\ &= (2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2} e^{-1/2\sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\bar{x})^2 + 2(\bar{x}-\mu) \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\bar{x}) + n(\bar{x}-\mu)^2} \\ &= (2\pi\sigma^2)^{n/2} e^{-1/2\sigma^2 (\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\bar{x})^2 + n(\bar{x}-\mu)^2)} \end{aligned}$$

NOTE:

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field: Show a statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$ is sufficient

field: Neyman factorization theorem Let $f(\mathbf{x}|\theta)$ denote the joint pdf or pmf of the sample \mathbf{X} , A statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a sufficient statistic for θ if and only if there exists functions $g(t|\theta)$ and $h(\mathbf{x})$ such that for all sample points \mathbf{x} and all values of θ we can write

$$f(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = g(T(\mathbf{x})|\theta)h(\mathbf{x})$$

Note, in the theorem

- The function $g(T(\mathbf{X})|\theta)$ depends on $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ only through the statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$.
- The function $h(\mathbf{X})$ does not depend on θ

NOTE:

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field: Exponential Family

field:

$$f(\mathbf{X}|\theta) = \mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{c}(\theta)e^{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{w}_i((\theta))\mathbf{t}_i(\mathbf{x})}$$

NOTE:

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field: Sufficiency in the exponential family

field: Let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid observations from a PDF or PMF, $f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta})$ that belongs to an exponential family of the form

$$f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = h(x)c(\boldsymbol{\theta})e^{\sum_{i=1}^k w_i(\boldsymbol{\theta})t_i(x)}$$

Where $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d)$, $d \leq k$. Then

$$T(\mathbf{X}) = \left(\sum_{j=1}^k t_i(x_j), \dots, \sum_{j=1}^k t_k(x_j) \right)$$

NOTE:

field: 268

field: Minimal Sufficient Statistic

field: A sufficient statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$ is called a **Minimal Sufficient Statistic** if for any other sufficient statistic $T'(\mathbf{X})$, $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a function of $T'(\mathbf{X})$

NOTE:

field: 269

field: Determining if a statistic is minimal sufficient

field: Let $f(x|\theta)$ be the PDF or PMF of a sample \mathbf{X} . Suppose there exists a function $T(x)$ such that, for every two sample points, \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} , the ratio $\frac{f(\mathbf{x}|\theta)}{f(\mathbf{y}|\theta)}$ is constant as a function of θ iff and only if $T(\mathbf{x}) = T(\mathbf{y})$. Then $T(\mathbf{x})$ is a minimal sufficient statistic for θ .

NOTE:

field: 270

field: Example of finding a minimal sufficient statistic: Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid Bernoulli(p). What is a minimal sufficient statistic for p ?

field:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}|p) &= \prod_{i=1}^n p^{x_i} (1-p)^{1-x_i} \\ &= p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \end{aligned}$$

And therefore for any two sample points \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{f(\mathbf{x}|p)}{f(\mathbf{y}|p)} &= \frac{p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{p^{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}} \\ &= p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i} (1-p)^{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \end{aligned}$$

Which is constant as a function of p iff $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$

Hence it follows from Lehman-Sheffe that $T(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is minimal sufficient for p

NOTE:

field: 271

field: Minimal sufficient statistic for μ, σ^2 , where the X s are $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

field: $T(\mathbf{x}) = (\bar{x}, S_x^2)$ by Lehmann-Schaffe is minimal sufficient.

NOTE:

field: 272

field: Facts about sufficiency

field:

- The entire sample \mathbf{X} is always sufficient.
- Any one-to-one function of a minimal sufficient statistic is also a minimal sufficient statistic

NOTE:

field: 273

field: Ancillary Statistic

field: A statistic $S(\mathbf{X})$ whose distribution does not depend on the parameter θ is called an ancillary statistic for θ

NOTE:

field: 274

field: Complete statistic

field: Let $f(t|\theta)$ be the family of pdf's or pmfs for a statistic $T = T(\mathbf{x})$.

The family of probability distributions is called **complete** (with respect to θ) if $E_{\theta}(g(t)) = 0$ for all θ , implies $P_{\theta}(g(T) = 0) = 1$ for all θ

Equivalently, we say that $T = T(\mathbf{X})$ is a complete statistic.

In short, a statistic $T = T(\mathbf{x})$ is complete, if $E_{\theta}(g(T)) = 0$ for all θ implies $g(t) = 0$ with probability 1

NOTE:

field: 275

field: (Binomial complete sufficient statistic)

field: Suppose the statistic $T \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$, $0 < p < 1$, and let g be a function such that $E_p(g(T)) = 0$ for all p .

Then, with $r = (\frac{p}{1-p})^t$

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= E_p(g(T)) \\
 &= \sum_{t=0}^n g(t) \binom{n}{t} p^t (1-p)^{n-t} \\
 &= (1-p)^n \sum_{t=0}^n g(t) \binom{n}{t} \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^t \\
 &= (1-p)^n \sum_{t=0}^n g(t) \binom{n}{t} r^t \\
 &\neq 0 \cdot \text{This is a polynomial of degree } n \text{ in } r \text{ with coefficients } g(t) \binom{n}{t}
 \end{aligned}$$

For the polynomial to be 0 for all r (and consequently for all p) each coefficient must be zero and therefore it must be the case that $g(t) = 0$ for $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$. Since $T \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$, we have that T takes on the values $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ with probability 1 and therefore, we obtain $P_p(g(T) = 0) = 1$. Hence T is a complete statistic.

NOTE:

field: 276

field: Uniform complete sufficient statistic

field: Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid $\text{Uniform}(0, \theta)$, $\theta > 0$. We know that $T(\mathbf{X}) = X_{(n)}$ (the max order statistic) is sufficient for θ . Furthermore ,

$$f(t|\theta) = nt^{n-1}\theta^{-n} \quad 0 < t < \theta$$

Now suppose that $g(t)$ is a function satisfying $E_\theta(g(T)) = 0, \forall \theta$ Differentiating on both sides with respect to θ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \frac{d}{d\theta} E_\theta(g(t)) \\
&= \frac{d}{d\theta} \int_0^\theta g(t) n t^{n-1} \theta^{-n} dt \\
&= \theta^{-n} \frac{d}{d\theta} \int_0^\theta g(t) n t^{n-1} dt + \left(\frac{d}{d\theta} \theta^{-n} \right) \int_0^\theta g(t) n t^{n-1} dt \\
&= \theta^{-n} g(\theta) n \theta^{n-1} + 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since $n\theta^{-1} \neq 0$, we must have that $g(\theta) = 0 \quad \forall \theta > 0$. And therefore T is complete.

NOTE:

field: 277

field: Does minimal sufficient imply complete?

field: No

Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid $N(\theta, \theta^2)$ where $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ is the unknown parameter of interest.

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{f(\mathbf{x}|\theta)}{f(\mathbf{y}|\theta)} &= \frac{(2\phi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2}}{(2\phi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \theta)^2}} \\
&= \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i]}}{e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - 2\theta \sum_{i=1}^n y_i]}}
\end{aligned}$$

Which is free of θ if $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$

It follows that $T(\mathbf{X}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)$ is minimal sufficient for θ

Now observe that $T_1(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sim N(n\theta, n\theta^2)$ and therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
E(T_1^2) &= V(T_1) + [E(T_1)]^2 \\
&= n\theta^2 + n^2\theta^2 \\
&= n\theta^2(1 + n)
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, for $T_2 = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$,

$$\begin{aligned}
E(T_2) &= nE(X_1)^2 \\
&= n[V(X_1) + [E(X_1)]^2] \\
&= n\theta^2 + n\theta^2 \\
&= 2n\theta^2
\end{aligned}$$

Then, taking $h(t_1, t_2) = 2t_1^2 - (n + 1)t_2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
E_\theta[h(T_1, T_2)] &= E_\theta[2T_1^2 - (n + 1)T_2] \\
&= 2E_\theta(T_1^2) - (n + 1)E(T_2) \\
&= 2n(n + 1)\theta^2 - 2n(n + 1)\theta^2 \\
&= 0 \quad \forall \theta
\end{aligned}$$

But because $h(\mathbf{t}) \neq 0 \quad \forall \theta$, we have that $T(\mathbf{X})$ is not complete.

NOTE:

field: ₂₇₈

field: Complete statistics in the exponential family

field: Let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid observations from an exponential family. with PDF or PMF of the form

$$f(x|\theta) = h(x)c(\theta)e^{\sum_{j=1}^k \omega_j(\theta_j)t_j(x)}$$

Where $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$

Then, the statistic $T(\mathbf{X}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n t_1(x_i), \sum_{i=1}^n t_2(x_i), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^n t_k(x_i))$ is complete, as long as the parameter space Θ contains an open set in \mathbb{R}^k

NOTE:

field: ₂₇₉

field: Suppose that a statistic T is complete and let g be a one-to-one function. Is the statistic $U = g(T)$ also complete?

field: Yes

NOTE:

field: ₂₈₀

field: Does complete statistic imply minimal sufficient statistic?

field: If a minimal sufficient statistic exists, then any complete statistic is also a minimal sufficient statistic

NOTE:

field: ₂₈₁

field: Basu's Theorem

field: If $T(\mathbf{x})$ is a complete and minimal sufficient statistic, then $T(\mathbf{x})$ is an independent of every ancillary statistic.

NOTE:

field: ₂₈₂

field: Likelihood function

field: Let $f(\mathbf{x}|\theta)$ denote the joint pdf or pmf of the sample $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, then given that $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}$ is observed, the function of θ defined as

$$L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}|\theta)$$

is called the Likelihood Function

NOTE:

field: 283

field: Idea of likelihood function

field: Suppose that \mathbf{X} is a discrete random vector (so we can interpret probabilities easier)

Then $L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = P_\theta(\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x})$. Now if we compare the likelihood function at two parameter values θ_1, θ_2 and we observe that

$$P_{\theta_1}(\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}) = L(\theta_1|\mathbf{x}) > L(\theta_2|\mathbf{x}) = P_{\theta_2}(\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x})$$

Then, the sample point \mathbf{x} that we actually observed is more likely to have occurred if $\theta = \theta_1$, than if $\theta = \theta_2$, which can be interpreted as that θ_1 , is a more plausible value for the true value of θ than θ_2 is.

NOTE:

field: 284

field: Fisher information - one parameter case

field: Let X be a random variable with pdf or pmf $f(x|\theta)$ where $\theta \in \Theta \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ (Fisher) information about θ contained in X is

$$I_X(\theta) = E_\theta\left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\theta} \log f(x|\theta)\right)^2\right]$$

NOTE:

field: 285

field: Example of one parameter case Fisher information Suppose that $X \sim \text{Bern}(p)$ What is the information that X contains about the parameter p ?

field: We have that $f(x|p) = p^x(1-p)^{1-x}$. Then

$$\log f(x|p) = x \log p + (1-x) \log(1-p)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \log f(x|p) = \frac{x}{p} - \frac{1-x}{1-p}$$

We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \log f(x|p) \right)^2 &= \left(\frac{x}{p} - \frac{1-x}{1-p} \right)^2 \\ &= \frac{x^2}{p^2} - \frac{2x(1-x)}{p(1-p)} + \frac{(1-x)^2}{(1-p)^2} \\ &= \frac{x^2}{p^2} - \frac{2(x-x^2)}{p(1-p)} + \frac{(1-2x+x^2)}{(1-p)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} I_x(p) &= E_p \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \log f(x|p) \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{p}{p^2} - \frac{2(p-p)}{p(1-p)} + \frac{1-2p+p}{(1-p)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{1-p} \\ &= \frac{1}{p(1-p)} \end{aligned}$$

NOTE:

field: 286

field:

$$I_x(\theta) = E_\theta \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(x|\theta) \right)^2 \right] =$$

field: If $f(x|\theta)$ satisfies

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} E_\theta \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(x|\theta) \right) = \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(x|\theta) \right] f(x|\theta) dx$$

$$I_x(\theta) = E_\theta \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(x|\theta) \right)^2 \right] = -E_\theta \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log f(x|\theta) \right)$$

NOTE:

field: 287

field: Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid observations with common pdf or pmf $f(x|\theta)$. Then, the information about θ contained in the sample $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is

field:

$$I_{\mathbf{X}}(\theta) = nI_{X_1}(\theta)$$

NOTE:

field: 288

field: Fisher Information - multiparameter case

field: Let X be a random variable with pdf or pmf $f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta})$, where $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2) \in \Theta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$. Denote by

$$I_{ij}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = E_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \log f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \log f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right) \right] = -E_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j} \log f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right]$$

For $i, j = 1, 2$. Then the (fisher) information matrix about $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is

$$I_x(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{pmatrix} I_{11}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & I_{12}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ I_{21}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & I_{22}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \end{pmatrix}$$

NOTE:

field: 289

field: Find Fisher information for Normal RVs

field: We have that $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\mu, \sigma^2)$ and $f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-\mu)^2}$
Then,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \log f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-\mu)^2 \right] = \frac{(x-\mu)}{\sigma^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2} - 1 \right]$$

$$\text{Therefore } I_{11} = E_{\theta} \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \log f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right)^2 \right] = E_{\theta} \left[\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^4} \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\sigma^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_{22}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= E_{\theta} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} \log f(x|\boldsymbol{\theta})^2 \right] \\ &= E_{\theta} \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2} - 1 \right) \right]^2 \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{4\sigma^4} E_{\theta} \left[\left(\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2} - 1 \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4\sigma^4 \cdot 2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \quad \text{Since } = V(\chi_1^2) \end{aligned}$$

Now for the off diagonal elements,

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{12}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= I_{22}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = E_{\theta} \left[\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \log f(x|\theta) \right) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} \log f(x|\theta) \right) \right] \\
&= E_{\theta} \left[\frac{(x - \mu)}{\sigma^2} \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma^2} \cdot 1 \right] \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} E_{\theta} \left[\frac{(x - \mu)^3}{\sigma^3} - (x - \mu) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

But $E_{\theta}[(x - \mu)^3] = E_{\theta}[(x - \mu)] = 0$, because X is symmetric around μ , and we obtain $I_{12}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = I_{21}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = 0$

We obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{x_1}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) &= \begin{pmatrix} I_{11}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & I_{12}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ I_{21}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & I_{22}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \end{pmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

And hence

$$I_{\mathbf{x}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = nI_{X_1}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{n}{\sigma^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{n}{2\sigma^4} \end{pmatrix}$$

NOTE:

field: ₂₉₀

field: $I_T(\theta) \leq$

field: $I_T(\theta) \leq I_{\mathbf{X}}(\theta)$ (The information of the statistic is less than or equal to the information of the sample)

NOTE:

field: ₂₉₁

field: Let $\mathbf{X} = X_1, \dots, X_n$ denote the entire data, and let $T = T(\mathbf{X})$ be some statistic. Then, for all $\theta \in \Theta \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, $I_{\mathbf{X}}(\theta) \geq I_t(\theta)$ Where the equality is attained...

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NOTE:

field: 292

field: Let $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, denote a sample of iid observations and suppose the statistic $T(\mathbf{X}) = (T_1(\mathbf{X}), T_2(\mathbf{X}))$ is such that T_1 and T_2 are independent. Then

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$$I_T(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = I_{T_1}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + I_{T_2}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

NOTE:

field: 293

field: Point estimator

field: Any statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$ that is used to estimate the value of a parameter is called a point estimator of θ . We write $\hat{\theta} = T(\mathbf{X})$

NOTE:

field: 294

field: Method of moments

field:

$$\begin{aligned}m_1 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^1, & \mu_1 &= E(X^1) \\m_2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2, & \mu_2 &= E(X^2) \\& \vdots \\m_k &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k & \mu_k &= E(X^k)\end{aligned}$$

Equating and solving for θ gives the MoM estimators

NOTE:

field: 295

field: Example Method of Moments Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid Binomial(k, p), where both k and p are unknown.

field: We have that

$$P(X_i = x|k, p) = \binom{k}{x} p^x (1-p)^{k-x}, x = 0, 1, \dots, k$$

and we obtain $E(X_1) = kp$, $E(X_1^2) = kp(1-p) + k^2p^2$

Solving the sytem of equations we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}m_1 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = kp \\m_2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 = kp(1-p) + k^2p^2\end{aligned}$$

Solving the system of equations:

$$\tilde{p} = \frac{\bar{x}}{\tilde{k}}$$

$$\tilde{k} = \frac{\bar{x}^2}{\bar{x} - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

Possible problems: k has to be an integer, and not negative. (Estimates of parameters that are outside of the parameter space.)

NOTE:

field: 296

field: Maximum Likelihood Estimator

field: In this context, we define the **Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE)** of θ as the parameter value $\hat{\theta}_{ML} = \hat{\theta}(\mathbf{x})$ that satisfies

$$L(\hat{\theta}_{ML}|\mathbf{x}) = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta|\mathbf{x})$$

Note this often proceeds as taking the derivative of the log likelihood function and setting to zero to solve for parameters - not always

NOTE:

field: 297

field: Example of MLE Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid Exponential(λ). Find the MLE $\hat{\lambda}_{ML}$ of λ

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We have that $f(x|\lambda) = \frac{1}{\lambda}e^{-x/\lambda}$, $x > 0$, and therefore

$$L(\lambda|x) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-x_i/\lambda} = \lambda^{-n} e^{-\frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

Since $\log(\cdot)$ is a strictly monotone (one-to-one) and increasing, we consider instead the maximization of the log-likelihood

$$l(\lambda|\mathbf{x}) = \log L(\lambda|\mathbf{x}) = -n \log \lambda - \frac{1}{\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} l(\lambda|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{-n}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

Solving $\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} l(\lambda|\mathbf{x}) = 0$, we obtain

$$\frac{-n}{\lambda} + \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 0$$

$$-n\lambda + n\bar{x} = 0$$

$$\lambda = \bar{x}$$

NOTE:

field: 298

field: Example of MLE when can't differentiate

Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid Uniform($0, \theta$), $\theta > 0$. Find the MLE of θ

field: We have that $f(x|\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}I(0 < x < \theta)$

And therefore

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} I(0 < x_i < \theta) \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta^n} I(X_{(1)} > 0) I(X_{(n)} < \theta) \end{aligned}$$

In this case, the support of X depends on θ and the maximization problem only makes sense whenever $L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) > 0$. We cannot simply approach the problem by taking partial derivatives, but assuming the likelihood is positive, we notice that $L(\theta|\mathbf{x})$ is decreasing as a function of θ , for $\theta > X_{(n)}$

Picture with $L(\theta)$ as zero until $X_{(n)}$ on x axis, goes up to $1/X_{(n)}$ there and decreases with $\frac{1}{\theta^n}$

It follows the MLE of θ is $\hat{\theta}_{ML} = X_{(n)}$

NOTE:

field: 299

field: If $\hat{\theta}_{ML}$ is the MLE of θ , then for any function $\tau(\theta)$, the MLE of $\eta = \tau(\theta)$ is $\hat{\eta}_{ML} =$

field: If $\hat{\theta}_{ML}$ is the MLE of θ , then for any function $\tau(\theta)$, the MLE of $\eta = \tau(\theta)$ is $\hat{\eta}_{ML} = \tau(\hat{\theta}_{ML})$

NOTE:

field: 300

field: Bias

field: Let $\hat{\theta} = T(\mathbf{X})$ be an estimator of θ . Then the Bias of $\hat{\theta}$ as an estimator of θ is defined as

$$B_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}) = E_{\theta}(\hat{\theta} - \theta) = E_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}) - \theta$$

That is the difference between the expected value of $\hat{\theta}$ and θ .

An estimator $\hat{\theta}$ of θ is said to be unbiased if $B_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}) = 0 \quad \forall \theta$

NOTE:

field: 301

field: Mean Squared Error

field: Let $\hat{\theta} = T(\mathbf{X})$ be an estimate of θ . Then, the **Mean Squared Error** (MSE) of $\hat{\theta}$ as an estimator of θ is defined as:

$$MSE(\hat{\theta}) = E_{\theta}[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] = V_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}) + [B_{\theta}(\hat{\theta})]^2$$

NOTE:

field: 302

field: Do unbiased estimators always exist?

field: No, Suppose that $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$ and let $\theta = 1/p$ be the parameter of interest. Can we find an unbiased estimator for θ ?- No

NOTE:

field: 303

field: UMVUE

field: An estimator W^* is called a best unbiased estimator of $\tau(\theta)$ if it satisfies $E_{\theta}(W^*) = \tau(\theta)$, for all θ , and for any other estimator W with $E_{\theta}(W) = \tau(\theta)$, we have $V_{\theta}(W^*) \leq V_{\theta}(W), \forall \theta$. Equivalently W^* is also called a **Uniform Minimal Variance Unbiased Estimator** (UMVUE) of $\tau(\theta)$

NOTE:

field: 304

field: Finding a UMVUE

field: Start with a complete statistic, (find min suff statistic, prove completeness), Find bias (ie $E(T(\mathbf{X}))$). Then adjust $T(\mathbf{X})$ to be unbiased. (ie center or scale)

NOTE:

field: 305

field: Cramer-Rao Inequality

field: Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sample with joint pdf or pmf $f(\mathbf{x}|\theta)$ and let $W(\mathbf{X}) = W(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be any estimator satisfying

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} E_\theta(W(\mathbf{X})) = \int \frac{d}{d\theta} [W(\mathbf{X}) f(\mathbf{x}|\theta)] d\mathbf{x}$$

and $V_\theta(W(\mathbf{X})) < \infty$

Then,

$$V_\theta(W(\mathbf{X})) \geq \frac{(\frac{d}{d\theta} E_\theta(W(\mathbf{X})))^2}{E_\theta[(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(\mathbf{x}|\theta))^2]}$$

Observe that if the sample X_1, \dots, X_n is iid with common pdf or pmf $f(x|\theta)$, we obtain

$$V_\theta(W(\mathbf{X})) \geq \frac{[\frac{d}{d\theta} E_\theta(W(\mathbf{X}))]^2}{n E_\theta[(\log f(\mathbf{x}|\theta))^2]}$$

The denominator is the information in the sample about θ

We have that as the information number gets bigger we have a smaller bound for the variance. of the best unbiased estimator and therefore more information is available.

NOTE:

field: 306

field: Cramer-Rao and UMVUE example UMVUE of λ for Poisson

field: Poisson example, we have $\tau(\lambda) = \lambda$, so $\frac{d}{d\lambda} \tau(\lambda) = 1$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
nE_\lambda\left[\left(\frac{d}{d\lambda}\log f(x|\lambda)\right)^2\right] &= -nE_\lambda\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial\lambda^2}\log f(x|\lambda)\right) \\
&= -nE_\lambda\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial\lambda^2}\log\left(\frac{e^{-\lambda}\lambda^x}{x!}\right)\right) \\
&= -nE_\lambda\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial\lambda^2}(-\lambda + x\log\lambda - \log(x!))\right] \\
&= -nE_\lambda\left(\frac{-x}{\lambda^2}\right) \\
&= \frac{n}{\lambda}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for any unbiased estimator W of λ , we must have $V_\lambda(W) \geq \lambda/n$. Since $V_\lambda(\bar{X}) = \frac{\lambda}{n}$, we have that \bar{X} is an UMVUE of λ

NOTE:

field: 307

field: Does S^t for Normal attain cramer rao?

field: No - Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ and consider the estimation of σ^2 when μ is unknown.

We have that

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial(\sigma^2)^2} \log\left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x-\mu)^2}\right] = \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^6}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
-E\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial(\sigma^2)^2} \log f(x|\mu, \sigma^2)\right] &= -E\left(\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^6}\right) \\
&= -\frac{1}{2\sigma^4} + \frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma^6} \\
&= \frac{1}{2\sigma^4}
\end{aligned}$$

and therefore, any unbiased estimator W of σ^2 must satisfy $V(W) \geq \frac{2\sigma^4}{n}$. Recall that for S^2 we have

$$V(S^2) = \frac{2\sigma^4}{n-1} > \frac{2\sigma^4}{n}$$

and therefore S^2 does not attain the cramer-rao lower bound.

NOTE:

field: 308

field: Rao-Blackwell

field: Let W be any unbiased estimator $\tau(\theta)$ and let T be a sufficient statistic for θ . Define $\phi(T) = E(W|T)$. Then $E_\theta(\phi(T)) = \tau(\theta)$ and $V_\theta(\phi(T)) \leq V_\theta(W)$, for all θ . That is, $\phi(T)$ is a uniformly better unbiased estimator of $\tau(\theta)$

NOTE:

field: 309

field: Use of Rao-Blackwell

field: Estimators can be improved (their MSE) using sufficiency (already sufficient statistics, or functions of sufficient statistics cannot be improved)

NOTE:

field: 310

field: Are unbiased estimators based on complete sufficient statistics unique.

field: Unbiased estimators based on complete sufficient statistics are unique.