

# MA1521 Cheat Sheet

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## 1 Basics of Probability

### 1-34 Operation of Events

Refer to CS1231S page 2 column 2 "Set Properties".

### 1-107 Binomial Coefficient

1.  $\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n}{n-r}$  for  $r = 0, 1, \dots, n$
2.  $\binom{n}{r} = \binom{n-1}{r} + \binom{n-1}{r-1}$  for  $1 \leq r \leq n$
3.  $\binom{n}{r} = 0$  for  $r < 0$  or  $r > n$

### 1-128 Axioms of Probability

For each event  $A$  of the sample space  $S$  we assume that a number  $Pr(A)$ , which is called the **probability** of the event  $A$ , is defined and satisfies the following three axioms:

1.  $0 \leq Pr(A) \leq 1$
2.  $Pr(S) = 1$
3. if  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  are **mutually exclusive** events (that is,  $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$  when  $i \neq j$ ), then

$$Pr\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} Pr(A_i)$$

### 1-141 Probability Properties

For any two events  $A$  and  $B$ ,

$$Pr(A \cup B) = Pr(A) + Pr(B) - Pr(A \cap B)$$

### 1-144 The Inclusion-Exclusion Principle

$$\begin{aligned} Pr\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) &= \sum_{i=1}^n Pr(A_i) - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n Pr(A_i \cap A_j) + \\ &\sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^n Pr(A_i \cap A_j \cap A_k) - \dots + \\ &(-1)^{n+1} Pr\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \end{aligned}$$

### 1-194 Conditional Probability

The conditional probability of  $B$  given  $A$ , is defined as

$$Pr(B|A) = \frac{Pr(A \cap B)}{Pr(A)}, \text{ if } Pr(A) \neq 0$$

If events  $B_1, B_2$  are **mutually exclusive** events, we have

$$Pr(B_1 \cup B_2|A) = Pr(B_1|A) + Pr(B_2|A)$$

### 1-216 Multiplication Rule

If we have 3 events  $A, B$  and  $C$ , we have

$$Pr(A \cap B \cap C) = Pr(A)Pr(B|A)Pr(C|A \cap B)$$

providing that  $Pr(A \cap B) > 0$

### 1-243 Bayes's Theorem

$$Pr(A|B) = \frac{Pr(A)Pr(B|A)}{Pr(B)}$$

### 1-271 Independent Events

Two events  $A$  and  $B$  are independent iff.

$$Pr(A \cap B) = Pr(A)Pr(B)$$

### 1-273 Properties of Independent Events

1.  $Pr(A|B) = Pr(A)$  and  $Pr(B|A) = Pr(B)$
2. When two events (each with probability greater than 0) are **independent**, they cannot be **mutually exclusive**. Vice versa.
3. The sample space  $S$  and the empty set  $\emptyset$  are independent of any events.
4. If  $A \subset B$ , then  $A$  and  $B$  are dependent unless  $B = S$ .
5. Properties of independence cannot be shown on a Venn diagram.
6. If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent, so are  $A$  and  $B'$ ,  $A'$  and  $B$ ,  $A'$  and  $B'$ .

### 1-288 Pairwise and Mutually Independence

Mutually independence implies pairwise independence.

However, the **reverse** does not hold - pairwise independence does not imply mutually independence.

## 2 Concepts of Random Variables

### 2-12 Equivalent Events

Two events  $A$  and  $B$  are equivalent iff.  $A$  **consists of all sample points,  $s$ , in  $S$  for which  $X(s) \in B$ .**

### 2-22 Probability Function

The probability of  $X = x_i$  denoted by  $f(x_i)$  must satisfy the following two conditions

1.  $f(x_i) \geq 0$  for all  $x_i$ .
2.  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} f(x_i) = 1$ .

### 2-44 Probability Density Function

For any  $c$  and  $d$  s.t.  $c < d$ ,

$$Pr(c \leq X \leq d) = \int_c^d f(x)dx$$

Note: for any specified value of  $X$ , say  $x_0$ , we have  $Pr(X = x_0) = Pr(x_0 \leq X \leq x_0) = \int_{x_0}^{x_0} f(x)dx = 0$

### 2-60 Cumulative Distribution Function

For c.d.f, we have definition  $F(x) = Pr(X \leq x)$ .

If it is discrete random variable, then

$$F(x) = \sum_{t \leq x} f(t) = \sum_{t \leq x} Pr(X = t)$$

If it is continuous random variable, then

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t)dt$$

Remark:  $F(x)$  is non-decreasing.

### 2-64 Derive p.f and p.d.f from c.d.f

For a continuous random variable,

$$f(x) = \frac{dF(x)}{dx}$$

if the derivative exists.

Also, we have

$$Pr(a \neq X \neq b) = Pr(a < X \neq b) = F(b) - F(a) \text{ for CRV.}$$

### 2-87 Expected Values (Mean)

For DRV, we define the **mean or expected value** of  $X$ , denoted by  $E(X)$  or  $\mu_X$  as:

$$\mu_X = E(X) = \sum_x x f_X(x)$$

Remark:  $E(X)$  does not necessary to be a value of  $X$ .

For CRV, it is defined as:

$$\mu_X = E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x)dx$$

Remark: Expectation of a RV exists provided the sum or integral exists.

## 2-103 Expectation of a Function of a RV

For DRV and CRV respectively,

1.  $E[g(X)] = \sum_x g(x)f_X(x)$
2.  $E[g(X)] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x)f_X(x)dx$

Special Case:  $V(X)$  below and **k-th moment of X** which is  $E(X^k)$

## 2-104 Variance

When  $g(x) = (X - \mu_X)^2$ ,  $E(g(x))$  is called the **variance** of X.

$$\sigma_X^2 = V(X) = E[(X - \mu_X)^2]$$

**Remarks:**

1.  $V(X) \geq 0$
2.  $V(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$
3. Its principle square root is called **standard deviation**.

## 2-122 Properties of Expectation

When  $a$  and  $b$  are constants,

1.  $E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$
2.  $V(aX + b) = a^2V(X)$

## 2-137 Chebyshev's Inequality

Let  $X$  be a random variable (DRV or CRV) with  $E(X) = \mu$  and  $V(X) = \sigma^2$ , for any positive number  $k$ , we have:

$$Pr(|X - \mu| \geq k\sigma) \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$$

Alternatively,

$$Pr(|X - \mu| \leq k\sigma) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{k^2}$$

Remarks: This applies for **all** distribution with finite mean and variance. Only a boundary is given and there is no guarantee that actual value is close to this boundary.

## 3 2D RV

### 3-10 Joint p.f./p.d.f for DRVs

1.  $f_{X,Y}(x_i, y_i) \geq 0$
2.  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x_i, y_j) = 1$

### 3-21 Joint p.f./p.d.f for CRVs

1.  $f_{X,Y}(x, y) \geq 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in R_{X,Y}$
2.  $\int \int_{(x,y) \in R_{X,Y}} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy = 1$

### 3-30 Marginal Probability

For DRV:

$$f_X(x) = \sum_y f_{X,Y}(x, y) \text{ and } f_Y(y) = \sum_x f_{X,Y}(x, y)$$

For CRV:

$$f_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dy \text{ and } f_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx$$

### 3-41 Conditional Distribution of 2D RV

Conditional distribution of Y **given that**  $X = x$  is given by:

$$f_{Y|X}(y|x) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x, y)}{f_X(x)}, \text{ if } f_X(x) > 0$$

Remarks: All requirements for 1D p.f./p.d.f still applies (see [2-22 Probability Function](#) and [2-44 Probability Density Function](#) above).

### 3-72 Uniformly Distributed

When we say  $X$  and  $Y$  are uniformly distributed over some area, it means that  $f_{X,Y}$  is a constant within this boundary. We can let it be  $k$ , and use summation/integration in 3-10 or 3-21 to find this value.

### 3-84 Independent 2D RVs

Two RVs are said to be independent iff.

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y), \text{ for all } x, y$$

### 3-108 Expectation for 2D RVs

The expectation of  $g(X, Y)$  is defined as

$$E[g(X, Y)] = \begin{cases} \sum_x \sum_y g(x, y) f_{X,Y}(x, y), & \text{for DRVs} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx dy, & \text{for CRVs} \end{cases}$$

### 3-109 Covariance

When  $g(X, Y) = (X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)$ , it becomes the definition of **covariance** between two RVs.

$$Cov(X, Y) = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)]$$

Remarks ( $a, b, c, d$  are constants):

1.  $Cov(X, Y) = E(XY) - \mu_X \mu_Y$
2. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are **independent**, then  $Cov(X, Y) = 0$ . However, the reverse is not true.
3.  $Cov(aX + b, cX + d) = acCov(X, Y)$
4.  $V(aX + bY) = a^2V(X) + b^2V(Y) + 2abCov(X, Y)$

### 3-112 Correlation Coefficient

The **Correlation Coefficient** of  $X$  and  $Y$ , denoted by  $Cor(X, Y)$ ,  $\rho_{X,Y}$  or  $\rho$ , is defined by:

$$\rho_{X,Y} = \frac{Cov(X, Y)}{\sqrt{V(X)}\sqrt{V(Y)}}$$

Remarks:

1.  $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$
2.  $\rho$  is a measure of the **degree if linear relationship** between  $X$  and  $Y$ .
3. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, then  $\rho = 0$ . However, the reverse is not true.

## 4 Special Probability Distributions

### 4-4 Discrete Uniform Distribution

All  $k$  random variables all have the same probability. Hence, we have the p.f.:

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{k} \text{ for } x = x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$$

and 0 otherwise.

**Mean and variance:**

- $\mu = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k x_i$
- $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k (x_i - \mu)^2$  or  $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{k} (\sum_{i=1}^k x_i^2) - \mu^2$

## 4-10 Bernoulli Distribution

There are only two outcomes, 0 and 1. We have p.f.:

$$f_X(x) = p^x(1-p)^{1-x}, x = 0, 1$$

where  $p$  is a parameters and  $0 < p < 1$ ; 0 otherwise.

**Mean and variance:**

- $\mu = p$
- $\sigma^2 = p(1-p) = pq$

## 4-20 Binomial Distribution

For an RV  $X$  having a **binomial distribution**, it can be seen as the sum of  $n$  **independent Bernoulli trials**:

$$X = Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots + Y_n, \text{ where } Y_i \text{ has Bern. Dist. with } p$$

Then we have its p.f.:

$$f_X(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} = \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{n-x}$$

**Mean and variance:**

- $\mu = np$
- $\sigma^2 = p(1-p) = npq$

## 4-39 Negative Binomial Distribution

NBD interests in the  $k$ -th success occurs on the  $x$ -th trial.

We have p.f.:

$$Pr(X = x) = f_X(x) = \binom{x-1}{k-1} p^k q^{x-k}$$

For  $x = k, k+1, k+2, \dots$

**Mean and variance:**

- $\mu = \frac{k}{p}$
- $\sigma^2 = \frac{(1-p)k}{p^2}$

## 4-51 Poisson Distribution

This describes the number of success  $X$  occurring **during a given time interval or in a specified region**.

**Properties:**

1.  $X$  in one time interval or region is **independent** of those in other **disjoint** time interval or region of space.

2.  $f_X(x)$  during a **very short time or in a very small region** is proportional to the length of the time interval or the size of the region.
3.  $f_X(x)$  for  $x > 1$  is negligible in the condition of (2) above.

**P.F.:**

$$f_X(x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \text{ for } x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

where  $\lambda$  is the average number of successes occurring in the given time interval or specified region.

**Mean and variance:**

- $\mu = \lambda$
- $\sigma^2 = \lambda$

## 4-73 Poisson Approximation to Binomial D.

If  $X \sim B(n, p)$ , when  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $p \rightarrow 0$  in such a way that  $\lambda = np$  remains constant as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $X$  will have a approximate Poisson distribution:

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow \infty} Pr(X = x) = \frac{e^{-np} (np)^x}{x!}$$

Remark: If  $p$  is close to 1, we interchange what we defined as success and failure to get a  $p$  close to 0.

## 4-81 Continuous Uniform Distribution

When  $X \sim Uniform(a, b)$ , its p.d.f. graph will be a rectangle with base  $a$  to  $b$  inclusive and height  $1/(b-a)$ .

**Mean and variance:**

- $\mu = \frac{a+b}{2}$
- $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{12}(b-a)^2$

## 4-90 Exponential Distribution

P.D.F of  $X$  having this distribution:

$$f_X(x) = \alpha e^{-\alpha x} \text{ for } x > 0$$

Note:  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$

**Mean and variance:**

- $\mu = \frac{1}{\alpha}$
- $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\alpha^2}$

**No Memory Property:**

$$Pr(X > s+t | X > s) = Pr(X > t)$$

Example: Probability a bulb lasts for **next** 1 month after using it for 12 months is the same as that for it to last for the 1st 1 month as brand new.

## 4-105 Normal Distribution

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right), -\infty < x < \infty$$

**Properties:**

1. Its graph is bell-shaped and symmetrical about  $x = \mu$
2. Maximum point occurs at  $x = \mu$  with  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma}$
3. The curve approaches the  $x$  axis asymptotically when going to either direction
4. Total area under the curve is 1
5. Two curves with same  $\sigma$  will have same shape (with different center if  $\mu$  is different)
6. When  $\sigma$  increases, the curve flattens (reverse: the curve sharpens)

**Mean and variance:**

- $E(X) = \mu$
- $V(X) = \sigma^2$

where  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$  are the parameters of the distribution.

## 4-110 Std. Normal Distribution

If  $X$  has a normal distribution,

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

has a **standardized normal distribution**, where  $E(Z) = 0$  and  $V(Z) = 1$ .

## 4-132 Normal Approx. to Binomial D.

If  $X \sim B(n, p)$ , we have  $\mu = np$  and  $\sigma^2 = np(1-p)$ . Then as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$Z = \frac{X - np}{\sqrt{npq}} \text{ is approx. } \sim N(0, 1)$$

## 4-136 Continuity Correction

This applies to normal approx. to  $B(n, p)$ . Known,  $0 \leq X \leq n$ :

1.  $Pr(X = k) \approx Pr(k - \frac{1}{2} < X < k + \frac{1}{2})$
2.
  - $Pr(a \leq X \leq b) \approx Pr(a - \frac{1}{2} < X < b + \frac{1}{2})$
  - $Pr(a < X \leq b) \approx Pr(a + \frac{1}{2} < X < b + \frac{1}{2})$
  - $Pr(a \leq X < b) \approx Pr(a - \frac{1}{2} < X < b - \frac{1}{2})$
  - $Pr(a < X < b) \approx Pr(a + \frac{1}{2} < X < b - \frac{1}{2})$
3.  $Pr(X \leq c) = Pr(0 \leq X \leq c) \approx Pr(-\frac{1}{2} < X < c + \frac{1}{2})$
4.  $Pr(X > c) = Pr(c < X \leq n) \approx Pr(c + \frac{1}{2} < X < n + \frac{1}{2})$

## 5 Sampling and Sampling Distributions

### 5-12 Sampling from a Finite Population

From a population of size  $N$ , drawing  $n$  samples. If no replacement, each sample has probability off  $\frac{1}{N C_n}$  being chosen. If there is replacement,  $\frac{1}{N^n}$ .

### 5-31 Sampling Distribution of $\bar{X}$

For random samples of size  $n$  from infinite population or finite one with replacement having population mean  $\mu$  and population standard deviation  $\sigma$ , sampling distribution of  $\bar{X}$ :

$$\mu_{\bar{X}} = \mu_X \text{ and } \sigma_{\bar{X}^2} = \frac{\sigma_X^2}{n}$$

That is,

$$E(\bar{X}) = E(X) \text{ and } V(\bar{X}) = \frac{V(X)}{n}$$

**Law of Large Number:** When population have a finite  $\sigma^2$ , as the sample size increases, probability that sample mean differs from population mean goes to 0.

### 5-37 Central Limit Theorem

The **sample distribution** of  $\bar{X}$  is approximately normal with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2/n$  if  $n$  is sufficiently large (say,  $\geq 30$ ).

If  $X$  is originally normally distributed,  $\bar{X}$  is normally distributed regardless the size of  $n$ .

### 5-52 Sampling Distribution of $\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2$

If independent samples of sizes  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  (each  $\geq 30$ ) are drawn from two populations, with means  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  and variances  $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2$ ,

$$\bar{X}_i - \bar{X}_2 \text{ approx. } \sim N(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2})$$

### 5-59 Chi-square Distribution

If  $Y$  is an RV and it has p.d.f.:

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{2^{n/2}\Gamma(n/2)} y^{n/2-1} e^{-y/2}, \text{ for } y > 0$$

and 0 otherwise,  $Y$  is defined to have a **Chi-square distribution with  $n$  degrees of freedom**, denoted by  $Y \sim \chi^2(n)$ .  $n$  is a positive integer.

**Mean and variance:**

- $\mu = n$

- $\sigma^2 = 2n$

**Summation:** For independent  $Y_1 \sim \chi^2(n_1), Y_2 \sim \chi^2(n_2), \dots, \sum_{i=1}^k Y_i \sim \chi^2(\sum_{i=1}^k n_i)$ .

### 5-62 Conversion to Chi-Square D.

- If  $X \sim N(0, 1)$ , then  $X^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$ .
- If  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then  $[(X - \mu)/\sigma]^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$ .
- When there are  $n$  random samples from a normal population, define

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}$$

then  $Y \sim \chi^2(n)$ .

### 5-67 Sample Variance

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

### 5-68 Sample Variance and Chi-sq.

If  $S^2$  is from samples from a **normal** population having variance  $\sigma^2$ , then

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

### 5-69 The T-distribution

Suppose **independent** RVs  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$  and  $U \sim \chi^2(n)$ , and let

$$T = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{U/n}}$$

then the RV  $T$  follows **the t-distribution with  $n$  degrees of freedom**. That is,

$$T \sim t(n)$$

**Properties:**

- The graph of t-distribution is symmetrical about  $y$ -axis, and is very close to that of the standard normal distribution.
- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_T(t) = f_Z(t)$

**Mean and variance:**

- $E(T) = 0$
- $V(T) = n/(n-2)$  for  $n > 2$

## 5-80 The F-distribution

Let  $U \sim \chi^2(n_1)$  and  $V \sim \chi^2(n_2)$ , then

$$F = \frac{U/n_1}{V/n_2}$$

is called a  $F$  distribution with  $(n_1, n_2)$  degrees of freedom.

**Mean and variance:**

- $E(X) = n_2/(n_2 - 2)$  with  $n_2 > 2$
- $V(X) = \frac{2n_2^2(n_1+n_2-2)}{n_1(n_2-2)^2(n_2-4)}$  for  $n_2 > 4$

Remark: If  $F \sim F(n, m)$ , then  $1/F \sim F(m, n)$ .

## 6 Estimation Based on Normal Distribution

### 6-11 Interval Estimation of $\mu$

Suppose  $\sigma^2$  is known. Let

$$\hat{\Theta}_L = \bar{X} - 2\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ and } \hat{\Theta}_U = \bar{X} + 2\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

then we have an interval estimator of  $\mu$ :

$$(\bar{X} - 2\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + 2\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}})$$

### 6-12 Unbiased Estimator

A statistic  $\hat{\Theta}$  is said to be an **unbiased estimator** of the parameter  $\theta$  if:

$$E(\hat{\Theta}) = \theta$$

**Examples:**  $\bar{X}$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\mu$  and  $S^2$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$ .

### 6-17 Interval Estimation

We seek a random interval  $(\hat{\Theta}_L, \hat{\Theta}_U)$  containing  $\theta$  with a given probability  $1 - \alpha$ . That is,

$$Pr(\hat{\Theta}_L < \theta < \hat{\Theta}_U) = 1 - \alpha$$

and this is called a  $(1 - \alpha)100\%$  **confidence interval** for  $\theta$ .

## 6-22 Known Variance Case

When population

1. has known variance and,
2. is normal or  $n$  is sufficiently large (CLT)

, we can have the interval given by

$$(\bar{X} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu < \bar{X} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}})$$

and the size of error can be given by

$$Pr(|\bar{X} - \mu| < z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}) = 1 - \alpha$$

## 6-27 Margin of Error

Let  $e$  denote the **margin of error**. We want:

$$Pr(|\bar{X} - \mu| \leq e) \geq 1 - \alpha$$

For a given margin of error  $e$ , the sample size is given by

$$n \geq (z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{e})^2$$

## 6-32 Unknown Variance Case

It needs to satisfy:

1. unknown population variance
2. the population is **normal or very closed to normal**
3. the sample size is **small**

, then we let

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

Hence,

$$Pr(-t_{n-1;\alpha/2} < T < t_{n-1;\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha$$

Or:

$$Pr(\bar{X} - t_{n-1;\alpha/2} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu < \bar{X} + t_{n-1;\alpha/2} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}) = 1 - \alpha$$

## 6-36 Unknown Variance with Large $n$

When  $n$  is large, we simply replace *sigma* with  $S$  in the section [6-22 Known Variance Case](#) above.

## 6-43 CI for independent $\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2$

$X_1$  and  $X_2$  have to be independent. We simply replace:

- $\bar{X}$  with  $\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2$
- $\mu$  with  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$
- $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$  with  $\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$

in the section [6-22 Known Variance Case](#) and [6-27 Margin of Error](#) above.

## 6-56 Unknown but Equal Variance

Conditions are the same as [6-32 Unknown Variance Case](#) above. Let  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma$ . Then,  $\sigma^2$  can be estimated by the pooled variance:

$$S_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

Then, substituting  $S_p^2$  for  $\sigma^2$ , we get this statistic:

$$T = \frac{(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{S_p^2(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2})}} \sim t_{n_1+n_2-2}$$

Hence, let

$$d = t_{n_1+n_2-2;\alpha/2} S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

We have the confidence interval be:

$$(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) - d < \mu_1 - \mu_2 < (\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) + d$$

## 6-64 Unknown but Equal Variance with Large $n$

Replace  $t_{n_1+n_2-2;\alpha/2}$  by  $z_{\alpha/2}$  in the above formula.

## 6-70 CI for paired data

Observations in two samples made from the **same individual** are related and hence form a pair. Consider  $d_i = x_i - y_i$  of paired observations. We assume  $d$  is normal and we then have:

$$\bar{d} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_i$$

and point estimate of  $\sigma_D^2$ :

$$S_D^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (d_i - \bar{d})^2$$

Hence we have the CI for  $d$ :

$$\bar{d} - t_{n-1;\alpha/2} \left( \frac{S_D}{\sqrt{n}} \right) < \mu_D < \bar{d} + t_{n-1;\alpha/2} \left( \frac{S_D}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

## 6-73 CI for paired data with large $n$

For **sufficiently large** sample, we can replace  $t_{n-1;\alpha/2}$  by  $z_{\alpha/2}$  above.

## 6-78 CI for variances

Consider  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  from (approximate)  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  distribution. Then a point estimator of  $\sigma^2$ :

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

We have CI when  $\mu$  is known:

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}{\chi_{n;\alpha/2}^2} < \sigma^2 < \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}{\chi_{n;1-\alpha/2}^2}$$

When  $\mu$  is unknown:

$$\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi_{n-1;\alpha/2}^2} < \sigma^2 < \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi_{n-1;1-\alpha/2}^2}$$

Remark: When we want to find CI for  $\sigma$ , we just square root both sides in the above inequalities.

## 6-90 CI for Ratio of Two Variances

Consider samples  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n_1}$  from a  $N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$  population, and samples  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{n_2}$  from a  $N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$  population, and  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  are **unknown**. Then we have the CI:

$$\frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} \frac{1}{F_{n_1-1, n_2-1; \alpha/2}} < \frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2} < \frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} F_{n_2-1, n_1-1; \alpha/2}$$