

SC 617

Quiz-Week1

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1. For any random variables X_1, X_2, X_3 defined on the same sample space, show that $\text{Cov}(X_1 + X_2, X_3) = \text{Cov}(X_1, X_3) + \text{Cov}(X_2, X_3)$

Solution: We know that $E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$ and $E(aX + b) = aE(X) + b$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(X_1 + X_2, X_3) &= E((X_1 + X_2)X_3) - E(X_1 + X_2)E(X_3) \\&= E(X_1X_3 + X_2X_3) - (E(X_1) + E(X_2))E(X_3) \\&= E(X_1X_3) + E(X_2X_3) - E(X_1)E(X_3) - E(X_2)E(X_3) \\&= E(X_1X_3) - E(X_1)E(X_3) + E(X_2X_3) - E(X_2)E(X_3) \\&= \text{Cov}(X_1, X_3) + \text{Cov}(X_2, X_3)\end{aligned}$$

Hence proved

2. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are i.i.d. such that $\mu = E(X_i)$ and $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X_i)$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$. Define

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

Show that $E(Y) = 0$ and $\text{Var}(Y) = 1$.

Solution: We use $\text{Var}(aX + b) = a^2\text{Var}(X)$

$$\begin{aligned}E(Y) &= E\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)}{\sqrt{n\sigma^2}}\right) \\&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (E(X_i) - E(\mu))}{\sqrt{n\sigma^2}} \\&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\mu - \mu)}{\sqrt{n\sigma^2}} \\&= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(Y) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)}{\sqrt{n\sigma^2}}\right) \\&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\text{Var}(X_i) - \text{Var}(\mu))}{n\sigma^2} \\&= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\sigma^2 - 0)}{n\sigma^2} \\&= 1\end{aligned}$$

3. . A random sample of a population of size 2000 yields the following values 25 values:

104 109 111 109 87
 86 80 119 88 122
 91 103 99 108 96
 104 98 98 83 107
 79 87 94 92 97

- Calculate sample mean, sample variance, and sample standard deviations
- Calculate sample range, median, lower and upper quartiles.
- Give approximate 95% confidence intervals for the population mean.

Solution: i. Sample mean $= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{n} = \sum_{i=1}^{25} \frac{x_i}{25} = 98.04$
 Sample variance $s^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1} = 133.707$
 Sample standard deviation $s = \sqrt{133.707} = 11.563$

ii. Sample range $= 122 - 79 = 43$
 Median $= 98$
 Lower Quartile $= 88$
 Upper Quartile $= 107$

iii. Take μ to be the actual mean

$$P(|\mu - \hat{\mu}| \leq \epsilon) \geq 0.95$$

We know that $P(|\mu - \hat{\mu}| > \epsilon) \leq \delta$, where $\delta = 2e^{-n\epsilon^2}$
 Consider the marginal case,

$$\begin{aligned} P(|\mu - \hat{\mu}| > \epsilon) &= \delta \\ P(|\mu - \hat{\mu}| \leq \epsilon) &= 1 - \delta \\ \implies 1 - \delta &\geq 0.95 \\ \implies 0.05 &\geq 2e^{-25\epsilon^2} \\ \implies \epsilon &\geq \sqrt{\frac{-\ln(0.025)}{25}} \\ \implies \epsilon &\geq 0.3841 \end{aligned}$$

So confidence interval (CI) $= [98.04 - 0.3841, 98.04 + 0.3841] = [97.6559, 98.4241]$

4. Two populations are surveyed with random samples. A sample of size n_1 is used for population I, which has a population standard deviation σ_1 ; a sample of size $n_2 = 2n_1$ is used for population II, which has a population standard deviation $\sigma_2 = 2\sigma_1$. Ignoring finite population corrections, in which of the two samples would you expect the estimate of the population mean to be more accurate? Justify your answer

Solution: We know that standard deviation of sample mean = σ/\sqrt{n}

So for case I, its $\sigma'_1 = \sigma_1/\sqrt{n_1}$

So for case II, its $\sigma'_2 = \sigma_2/\sqrt{n_2} = \sqrt{2}\sigma$

It means that we would get better accuracy in estimating sample mean for case I compared to case II

5. Let (X_1, X_2) denote random samples drawn from population distribution $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$. Find mean of the first order statistics, i.e., $E(X_{(1)})$.

Solution: The CDF of gaussian distribution for $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$

$$F_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^x \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) dx$$

• Take $Z = \min(X_1, X_2) = X_{(1)}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\min(X_1, X_2) > m) &= P(X_1 > m, X_2 > m) \\ &= P(X_1 > m)P(X_2 > m) \\ &= (1 - F_X(m))^2 \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^m \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) dx\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow P(\min(X, Y) \leq m) &= 1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^m \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) dx\right)^2 \\ \Rightarrow F_Z(z) &= 1 - \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^z \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) dx\right)^2 \\ \Rightarrow f_Z(z) &= dF/dz = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \int_{-\infty}^z \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) dx\right) * \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp(-z^2/2\sigma^2) \end{aligned}$$

Now for expectation

$$\begin{aligned} E(Z) &= E(X_{(1)}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z f_Z(z) dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp(-z^2/2\sigma^2) dz \\ &\quad - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} z \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp(-z^2/2\sigma^2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^z \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) dx\right) dz \\ \text{Using fubini theorem and integral of odd fn from } -\infty \text{ to } \infty \text{ is } 0 \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^x 2z \exp(-z^2/2\sigma^2) dz\right) dx \\ &= - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp(-x^2/2\sigma^2) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} * 2\sigma^2 * e^{-x^2/2\sigma^2} dx \\ &= -\sigma/\sqrt{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

6. Suppose \bar{X} and S^2 are sample mean and sample variance calculated from a random sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n drawn from a population with finite mean μ and variance σ^2 . We know that \bar{X} and S^2 are unbiased estimator of mean and variance, respectively. Is the sample standard deviation (S) is an unbiased estimator of σ ? Justify your claim

Solution: We already know that $E(S^2) = \sigma^2$

$$\text{Var}(S) = E(S^2) - E(S)^2 > 0$$

$$E(S) < \sqrt{E(S^2)} = \sigma$$

So we got that $E(S)$ is strictly less than σ so standard deviation (S) is not an unbiased estimator of σ

7. Let X be a discrete random variable with the following pmf

$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} 3\theta/5 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ 2\theta/5 & \text{if } x = 1 \\ 3(1 - \theta)/5 & \text{if } x = 2 \\ 2(1 - \theta)/5 & \text{if } x = 3 \end{cases}$$

where $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ is a parameter. The following 10 independent observation of X are made: (2, 3, 2, 1, 0, 0, 3, 2, 1, 1)

- Find the likelihood function for θ
- Find maximum likelihood estimate of θ

Solution: i.

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta|x) &= P(X = 2)P(X = 3)P(X = 2)P(X = 1)P(X = 0) \\ &\quad P(X = 0)P(X = 3)P(X = 2)P(X = 1)P(X = 1) \\ &= (3(1 - \theta)/5)^3 * (3\theta/5)^2 * (2\theta/5)^3 * (2(1 - \theta)/5)^2 \end{aligned}$$

ii. Let's find log likelihood function

$$\begin{aligned} l(\theta|x) &= \log(L(\theta|x)) \\ &= 3(\log(3/5) + \log(1 - \theta)) + 2(\log(3/5) + \log(\theta)) + \\ &\quad 3(\log(2/5) + \log(\theta)) + 2(\log(2/5) + \log(1 - \theta)) \\ &= C + 5\log(\theta) + 5\log(1 - \theta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dl}{d\theta} = 0 = 5/\theta - 5/(1 - \theta) \implies \hat{\theta} = 0.5$$

For $\theta < \hat{\theta}$, $\log(L(\theta|x))$ is increasing and for $\theta > \hat{\theta}$, $\log(L(\theta|x))$ is decreasing. so its a global maximum thus the MLE.

8. Let X is continuous random variable with the following pdf

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{\theta}{(1+x)^{(1+\theta)}} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $\theta > 0$ is a parameter.

- Find the likelihood function for θ
- Find maximum likelihood estimate of θ

Solution:

$$L(\theta|x) = f(x|\theta) = \frac{\theta}{(1+x)^{(1+\theta)}}$$

Now calculate log likelihood

$$\begin{aligned} l(\theta|x) &= \log(L(\theta|x)) \\ &= \log(\theta) + (\theta + 1)(\log(1+x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dl}{d\theta} = 0 = 1/\theta + \log(1+x) \implies \hat{\theta} = -1/\log(1+x)$$

For $\theta < \hat{\theta}$, $\log(L(\theta|x))$ is increasing and for $\theta > \hat{\theta}$, $\log(L(\theta|x))$ is decreasing. so its a global maximum thus the MLE.

9. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be iid with pdf

$$f(x|\theta) = \theta x^{(\theta-1)}, 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 < \theta < \infty.$$

Find the MLE of θ , and show that its variance $\rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta|x) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \theta X_i^{(\theta-1)} \\ &= \theta^n \left(\prod_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^{(\theta-1)} \end{aligned}$$

Now calculate log likelihood

$$\begin{aligned} l(\theta|x) &= \log(L(\theta|x)) \\ &= n\log(\theta) + (\theta - 1)(\log(\prod_{i=1}^n X_i)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dl}{d\theta} = 0 = n/\theta + \log(\prod_{i=1}^n X_i) \implies \hat{\theta} = -n/\log(\prod_{i=1}^n X_i)$$

For $\theta < \hat{\theta}$, $\log(L(\theta|x))$ is increasing and for $\theta > \hat{\theta}$, $\log(L(\theta|x))$ is decreasing. so its a global maximum thus the MLE.

$$Variance = \frac{-1}{\frac{d^2}{d\theta^2} (l(\theta|x))} = \frac{\theta^2}{n}$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$ variance $\rightarrow 0$

10. **Solution:** $Y \sim \text{Ber}(\theta)$

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta|y) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{y_i} (1 - \theta)^{1-y_i} \\ &= \theta^{\sum y_i} (1 - \theta)^{n - \sum y_i} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} l(\theta|x) &= \log(L(\theta|x)) \\ &= \sum y_i \log(\theta) + (n - \sum y_i) \log(1 - \theta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{dl}{d\theta} = 0 = \sum y_i / \theta - (n - \sum y_i) / (1 - \theta) \implies \hat{\theta} = \sum y_i / n$$

For $\theta < \hat{\theta}$, $\log(L(\theta|x))$ is increasing and for $\theta > \hat{\theta}$, $\log(L(\theta|x))$ is decreasing. so its a global maximum thus the MLE.

Now take the LRT and take $y = \sum y_i$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(y) &= \frac{\sup_{\theta < \theta_0} L(\theta|y_1, \dots, y_n)}{\sup_{\Theta} L(\theta|y_1, \dots, y_n)} \\ \lambda(y) &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \theta_0 \geq \hat{\theta} \\ \frac{\theta_0^y (1 - \theta_0)^{n-y}}{\hat{\theta}^y (1 - \hat{\theta})^{n-y}} & \text{if otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Now consider $\log(\lambda(y))$ otherwise part

$$\log(\lambda(y)) = y \log(\theta_0) + (n - y) \log((1 - \theta_0)) - y \log(\hat{\theta}) - (n - y) \log((1 - \hat{\theta}))$$

$$d(\log \lambda(y)) / d\lambda = \log(\theta_0) - \log((1 - \theta_0)) - \log(\hat{\theta}) + 1 + \log((1 - \hat{\theta})) + 1$$

$$d(\log \lambda(y)) / d\lambda = \log(\theta_0 * (1 - \hat{\theta}) / (\hat{\theta} * (1 - \theta_0)))$$

If we have above expression as negative it means that its decreasing fn. and so its always going to be less than 1 and so we can always find a $c \in (0, 1)$

$$\theta_0 * (1 - \hat{\theta}) / (\hat{\theta} * (1 - \theta_0)) < 1$$

$$\text{We get } \hat{\theta} > \theta_0 \implies \sum y_i > n\theta = b$$