

ATMS Chapter3 : Transformations of Given Statistics

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Theorem (3.1A)

Suppose that X_n is $AN(\mu, \sigma_n^2)$, with $\sigma_n \rightarrow 0$. Let g be a real-valued function differentiable at $x = \mu$, with $g'(\mu) \neq 0$. Then

$$g(X_n) \text{ is } AN(g(\mu), [g'(\mu)]^2 \sigma_n^2).$$

Theorem (3.1B)

Suppose that X_n is $AN(\mu, \sigma_n^2)$, with $\sigma_n \rightarrow 0$. Let g be a real-valued function differentiable $m(\geq 1)$ times at $x = \mu$, with $g^{(m)}(\mu) \neq 0$ but $g^{(j)}(\mu) = 0$ for $j < m$. Then

$$\frac{g(X_n) - g(\mu)}{\frac{1}{m!}g^{(m)}(\mu)\sigma_n^m} \xrightarrow{d} [N(0, 1)]^m.$$

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Variance-Stabilizing Transformations

In the case that $\sigma_n^2(\theta)$ is the form $\sigma_n^2(\theta) = h^2(\theta)v_n$, where $v_n \rightarrow 0$, the appropriate choice of g may be found via Theorem 3.1A. For, if $Y_n = g(X_n)$ and $g'(\theta) \neq 0$, we have

$$Y_n \text{ is } AN(g(\theta), [g'(\theta)]^2 h^2(\theta) v_n).$$

Thus, in order to obtain that Y_n is $AN(g(\theta), c^2 v_n)$, where c is a constant independent of θ , we choose g to be the solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dg}{d\theta} = \frac{c}{h(\theta)}.$$

Hanging Rootogram

Typically, $f_n(x)$ is asymptotically normal. For example, in the case of the simple $f_0(\cdot)$ considered in 2.1.8 and in Problems 2.P.3–5, we have that

$$f_n(x) \text{ is } AN(f(x), f(x)/2nh_n),$$

where $nh_n \rightarrow \infty$.

Take $g(x) = x^{1/2}$, then

$$f_n^{1/2}(x) \text{ is } AN(f^{1/2}(x), 1/8nb_n).$$

And $f_n^{1/2}(x) - f_0^{1/2}(x)$ are $AN(0, 4nb_n)$, each x .

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Theorem (3.2A)

Suppose that $X_n = (X_{n1}, \dots, X_{nk})$ is $AN(\mu, b_n^2 \Sigma)$, with Σ a covariance matrix and $b_n \rightarrow 0$. Let $g(x) = (g_1(x), \dots, g_m(x))$, $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, be a vector-valued function for which each component function $g_i(x)$ is real-valued and has a nonzero differential $g_i(\mu; t)$, $t = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$, at $x = \mu$. Put

$$D = \left[\frac{\partial g_i}{\partial x_j} \Big|_{x=\mu} \right]_{m \times k}$$

Then

$$g(X_n) \text{ is } AN(g(\mu), b_n^2 D \Sigma D').$$

Theorem

Suppose that $X_n = (X_{n1}, \dots, X_{nk})$ is $AN(\mu, n^{-1}\Sigma)$. Let $g(x)$ be a real-valued function possessing continuous partials of order $m(> 1)$ in a neighborhood of $x = \mu$, with all the partials of order j , $1 \leq j \leq m-1$, vanishing at $x = \mu$, but with the m th order partials not all vanishing at $x = \mu$. Then

$$n^{m/2}[g(X_n) - g(\mu)] \xrightarrow{d} \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{i_1=1}^k \cdots \sum_{i_m=1}^k \left. \frac{\partial^m g}{\partial x_{i_1} \cdots \partial x_{i_m}} \right|_{x=\mu} \cdot Z_{ij},$$

where $Z = (Z_{ij}) = N(0, \Sigma)$.

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Sample Correlation Coefficient

$$\rho = \sigma_{xy} / \sigma_x \sigma_y$$

$$\sigma_{xy} = E\{(X_1 - \mu_x)(Y_1 - \mu_y)\}$$

$$\mu_x = E\{X_1\}$$

$$\mu_y = E\{Y_1\}$$

$$\sigma_x^2 = \text{Var}\{X_1\}$$

$$\sigma_y^2 = \text{Var}\{Y_1\}$$

$$\hat{\rho} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \right]^{1/2} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 \right]^{1/2}}$$

$$\text{Let } \hat{\rho} = g(V)$$

$$V = (X, \bar{X}, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i)$$

$$g(z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4, z_5) = \frac{z_5 - z_1 z_2}{(z_3 - z_1^2)^{1/2} (z_4 - z_2^2)^{1/2}}$$

V is $AN(E(V), n^{-1}\Sigma)$,

where $\Sigma_{5 \times 5}$ is the covariance matrix of $(X_1, Y_1, X_1^2, Y_1^2, X_1 Y_1)$

Then $\hat{\rho}$ is $AN(\rho, n^{-1}d\Sigma d')$,

where $d = \left(\left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial z_1} \right|_{x=E(V)}, \dots, \left. \frac{\partial g}{\partial z_5} \right|_{x=E(V)} \right)$

Optimal Linear Combinations

$$\hat{\theta}_{n1}, \dots, \hat{\theta}_{nk}$$

$$X_n = (\hat{\theta}_{n1}, \dots, \hat{\theta}_{nk}) \text{ is } AN((\theta, \dots, \theta), n^{-1}\Sigma)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_n = \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i \hat{\theta}_{ni}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_n \text{ is } AN(\theta, n^{-1}\beta\Sigma\beta')$$

The solution may be obtained as a special case of useful results given by Rao (1973), Section 1.f, $\inf_{\sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i = 1} \beta\Sigma\beta' = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_{ij}^*}$, where

$$\Sigma^* = \Sigma^{-1} = (\sigma_{ij}^*).$$

So,

$$\beta_0 = (\beta_{01}, \dots, \beta_{0k}) = \left(\frac{\sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_{1j}^*}{\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_{ij}^*}, \dots, \frac{\sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_{kj}^*}{\sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_{ij}^*} \right)$$

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A lemma proved in Rao (1973), Section 3.8.4

Lemma

Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_k)$ be $N(\mu, I_k)$, I_k the identity matrix, and let $C_{k \times k}$ be a symmetric matrix. Then the quadratic form $X'CX$ has a (possibly noncentral) chi-squared distribution if and only if C is idempotent, that is, $C^2 = C$, in which case the degrees of freedom is $\text{rank}(C) = \text{trace}(C)$ and the noncentrality parameter is $\mu' C \mu$.

Theorem

Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_k)$ be $N(\mu, \Sigma)$, and let $C_{k \times k}$ be a symmetric matrix. Assume that, for $\eta = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_k)$,

$$\eta \Sigma = 0 \Rightarrow \eta \mu' = 0.$$

Then XCX' has a (possibly noncentral) chi-squared distribution if and only if

$$\Sigma C \Sigma C \Sigma = \Sigma C \Sigma,$$

in which case the degrees of freedom is $\text{trace}(C\Sigma)$ and the noncentrality parameter is $\mu C \mu'$.