

### SM-4331 Exercise 3

1. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . Prove that the sample mean  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is distributed according to  $\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$ . *Hint: Find the expectation and variance of  $\bar{X}$ , and use the linearity property of normal distributions.*

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} E(\bar{X}) &= E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu = \mu \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\bar{X}) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma^2 = \sigma^2/n \end{aligned}$$

By the linearity property of normal distributions,  $\bar{X}$  is normal.

2. Suppose that we plan to take a random sample of size  $n$  from a normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma = 2$ .

(a) Suppose  $\mu = 4$  and  $n = 20$ .

- i. What is the probability that the mean  $\bar{X}$  of the sample is greater than 5?

**Solution:**  $\bar{X} \sim N(4, 2^2/20)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P(\bar{X} > 5) &= P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - 4}{2/\sqrt{20}} > \frac{5 - 4}{2/\sqrt{20}}\right) \\ &= P(Z > 2.236) \\ &= 1 - 0.98732 \\ &= 0.01268 \end{aligned}$$

- ii. What is the probability that  $\bar{X}$  is smaller than 3?

**Solution:**  $\bar{X} \sim N(4, 2^2/20)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P(\bar{X} < 3) &= P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - 4}{2/\sqrt{20}} < \frac{3 - 4}{2/\sqrt{20}}\right) \\ &= P(Z < -2.236) \\ &= P(Z > 2.236) \\ &= 0.01268 \end{aligned}$$

iii. What  $P(|\bar{X} - \mu| \leq 1)$  in this case?

**Solution:**  $\bar{X} - \mu \sim N(0, 2^2/20)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P(|\bar{X} - \mu| < 1) &= P(-1 < \bar{X} - \mu < 1) \\ &= P\left(\frac{-1}{2/\sqrt{20}} < \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{2/\sqrt{20}} < \frac{1}{2/\sqrt{20}}\right) \\ &= P(-2.236 < Z < 2.236) \\ &= 1 - 2P(Z < -2.236) \\ &= 0.97464 \end{aligned}$$

(b) How large should  $n$  be in order that  $P(|\bar{X} - \mu| \leq 0.5) \geq 0.95$  for every possibly value of  $\mu$ ?

**Solution:**  $\bar{X} - \mu \sim N(0, 2^2/n)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P(|\bar{X} - \mu| < 0.5) &= P\left(|Z| < \frac{0.5}{2/\sqrt{n}}\right) \geq 0.95 \\ \Rightarrow 2\Phi\left(\frac{0.5}{2/\sqrt{n}}\right) - 1 &\geq 0.95 \\ \frac{0.5}{2/\sqrt{n}} &\geq \Phi^{-1}(0.975) = 1.96 \\ n &\geq (4 \times 1.96)^2 = 61.46 \end{aligned}$$

So  $n$  should be 62 or more.

(c) It is claimed that the true value of  $\mu$  is 5 in a population. A random sample of size  $n = 100$  is collected from this population, and the mean for this sample is  $\bar{X} = 5.8$ . Based on the result in (b), what would you conclude from this value of  $\bar{X}$ ?

**Solution:** Here,  $\bar{X} - \mu \sim N(0, 2^2/100)$ , and a 95% confidence interval based

on the observed  $\bar{X} = 5.8$  is

$$5.8 \pm 1.96 \cdot 2/10 = (5.408, 6.192),$$

which does not include  $\mu = 5$ . However from (b), we know that  $P(|\bar{X} - \mu| \leq 0.5)$  is 95% or more if  $n \geq 62$ . Since we collected a sample of  $n = 100$ , then it stands to reason that this particular sample is an anomaly (one of the 5% of the times that it is not within an error range of 0.5).

3. (a) If  $Z$  is a random variable with a standard normal distribution, what is  $P(Z^2 < 3.841)$ ?

**Solution:** Using standard normal distribution,

$$\begin{aligned} P(Z^2 < 3.841) &= P(|Z| < \sqrt{3.841} = 1.9598) \\ &= 2\Phi(1.9598) - 1 = 0.95. \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we know that  $Z^2 \equiv \chi_1^2$ , so

$$P(Z^2 < 3.841) = P(\chi_1^2 < 3.841) = 0.95.$$

- (b) Suppose that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent  $N(0, 4)$  random variables. Compute  $P(X_1^2 < 36.84 - X_2^2)$ .

**Solution:** Since  $X_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, 4)$ , then  $X_i^2/4 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \chi_1^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1^2 < 36.84 - X_2^2) &= P\left(\frac{X_1^2}{4} + \frac{X_2^2}{4} < 36.84/4 = 9.21\right) \\ &= P(\chi_2^2 < 9.21) = 0.99. \end{aligned}$$

- (c) Suppose that  $X_1, X_2, X_3 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ , while  $Y$  independently follows a  $\chi_5^2$  distribution. Compute  $P(X_1^2 + X_2^2 < 7.236Y - X_3^2)$ .

**Solution:** Since  $X_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ , then  $X_i^2 \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \chi_1^2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1^2 + X_2^2 < 7.236Y - X_3^2) &= P\left(\frac{X_1^2 + X_2^2 + X_3^2}{Y} < 7.236\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\chi_3^2/3}{\chi_5^2/5} < 7.236 \times 5/3 = 12.060\right) \\ &= P(F_{3,5} < 12.060) = 0.99. \end{aligned}$$

4. Let  $X_i, i = 1, 2, 3$  be independent with  $N(i, i^2)$  distributions. For each of the following situations, use the  $X_i$ s to construct a statistic with the indicated distribution:

- (a)  $\chi^2$ -distribution with 3 degrees of freedom;

**Solution:**  $(X_i - i)/i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ , thus  $Y = \sum_{i=1}^3 (X_i - i)^2/i^2 \sim \chi_3^2$ .

- (b)  $t$ -distribution with 2 degrees of freedom; and

**Solution:** Let  $Z = (X_1 - 1) \sim N(0, 1)$ , and  $Y = \sum_{i=2}^3 (X_i - i)^2/i^2 \sim \chi_2^2$ . Then  $Z/\sqrt{Y/2} \sim t_2$ .

- (c)  $F$ -distribution with 1 and 2 degrees of freedom.

**Solution:** Let  $W = (X_1 - 1)^2 \sim \chi_1^2$ , and  $Y = \sum_{i=2}^3 (X_i - i)^2/i^2 \sim \chi_2^2$ . Then  $W/(Y/2) \sim F_{1,2}$ .

5. Imagine rolling an  $r$ -sided die  $n$  number of times independently. Define the indicator function

$$\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if roll } k \text{ is equal to } i \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Suppose further that  $P(\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) = 1) = p_i$ .

- (a) What is  $E[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k)]$  and  $\text{Var}[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k)]$ ?

**Solution:** Since this is a Bernoulli random variable,  $E[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k)] = p_i$  and  $\text{Var}[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k)] = p_i(1 - p_i)$ .

- (b) Calculate  $E[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l)]$  when  $k \neq l$ .

**Solution:** We note that  $\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l)$  takes value 1 if and only if roll  $k$  is equal to  $i$  and roll  $l$  is equal to  $j$ . This happens with probability  $p_i p_j$  due to independence of the rolls. Otherwise,  $\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l) = 0$  with probability  $1 - p_i p_j$ . Thus,

$$E[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l)] = p_i p_j.$$

- (c) Argue that  $E[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l)] = 0$  when  $k = l$ .

**Solution:** It is impossible that for the same roll that the  $r$ -sided die to show faces  $i$  and  $j$  at the same time. Since this is an impossible event, its expectation is zero.

- (d) Let  $X_i$  be the number of rolls that result in side  $i$  facing up. Write down the equation relating  $X_i$  and the indicator functions above. What possible values can  $X_i$  take?

**Solution:** As we are counting the number of occurrences that the rolls result in side  $i$  (in other words,  $\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) = 1$ ),

$$X_i = \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k).$$

$X_i$  can take values from 0 to  $n$ . As a remark, the vector  $(X_1, \dots, X_r)^\top$  for which  $\sum_{i=1}^r X_i = n$  follows a multinomial distribution. Thus, we should expect  $X_i$  and  $X_j$  to be correlated (not independent).

- (e) Determine  $E(X_i)$ .

**Solution:** A sum of Bernoulli random variables is binomial, so  $X_i \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_i)$ . Thus,  $E(X_i) = np_i$ .

- (f) Consider two random variables  $X_i$  and  $X_j$  defined as per (d). From your answers to (a), (b) and (c), calculate  $E(X_i X_j)$ .

**Solution:** Let

$$\begin{aligned} X_i X_j &= \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \right) \left( \sum_{l=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l) \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq l}}^n \sum_{l=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l) + \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l) \\ \Rightarrow E(X_i X_j) &= \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq l}}^n \sum_{l=1}^n E[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l)] + \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k=l}}^n \sum_{l=1}^n E[\mathbb{1}_{[k=i]}(k) \mathbb{1}_{[l=j]}(l)] \xrightarrow{0} \\ &= \sum_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq l}}^n \sum_{l=1}^n p_i p_j \\ &= (n^2 - n) p_i p_j \end{aligned}$$

Since there are  $n$  sums each in  $X_i$  and  $X_j$ , multiplying out there are  $n^2$  terms in  $X_i X_j$ . Think of a square  $n \times n$  matrix. The diagonal entries are when  $k = l$ , and the off-diagonals are  $k \neq l$ . There are exactly  $n$  diagonal entries, so therefore there are  $n^2 - n$  off-diagonal entries.

- (g) Now calculate the covariance between  $X_i$  and  $X_j$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) &= E(X_i X_j) - E(X_i) E(X_j) \\ &= (n^2 - n)p_i p_j - np_i \cdot np_j \\ &= -np_i p_j\end{aligned}$$

6. Let  $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  be a random sample from a  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  population.

- (a) Let  $M = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ , where  $\bar{X}$  is the sample mean. Work out the distribution of  $M/\sigma^2$ .

**Solution:** We know that  $\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$ , and  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)/\sigma \sim N(0, 1)$ , and therefore

$$\frac{n(\bar{X} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_1^2.$$

Also,  $(X_i - \mu)/\sigma \sim N(0, 1)$ , and thus

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

Furthermore,

$$\overbrace{\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}^{\chi_n^2} = \overbrace{\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}^{M/\sigma^2} + \overbrace{\frac{n}{\sigma^2} (\bar{X} - \mu)^2}^{\chi_1^2}$$

so we have that  $M/\sigma^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$ .

- (b) Let  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Using the  $\chi^2$  probability tables, determine the values of  $\chi_{14}^2(\alpha/2)$  and  $\chi_{14}^2(1 - \alpha/2)$ , i.e. the top and bottom  $\alpha/2$  point of the  $\chi_{14}^2$  distribution where  $P(Y < \chi_k^2(a)) = a$  when  $Y \sim \chi_k^2$ .

**Solution:**  $\chi_{14}^2(0.025) = 26.12$  and  $\chi_{14}^2(0.975) = 5.63$ .

- (c) Suppose  $n = 15$  and the sample variance is  $s^2 = 24.5$ . What is a 95% confidence interval for  $\sigma^2$ ?

**Solution:** Note that  $s^2 = M/(n - 1) = 24.5$ , so  $M = 24.5 \times 14 = 343$ . We also know that  $P(5.63 < M/\sigma^2 < 26.12) = 0.95$ , therefore

$$\begin{aligned}\{5.63 < M/\sigma^2 < 26.12\} &= \{M/26.12 < \sigma^2 < M/5.63\} \\ &= \{13.13 < \sigma^2 < 60.92\}\end{aligned}$$

is a 95% confidence interval for  $\sigma^2$ .

7. Let  $\{Y_{ij}\}$  be sample from  $N(\mu_j, \sigma^2)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n_j$  and  $j = 1, \dots, m$ . In total there are  $n = \sum_{j=1}^m n_j$  samples. Further, let  $S = \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y})^2$ , where  $\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m Y_{ij}$ .

- (a) Define the sample group means to be  $\bar{Y}_j = \frac{1}{n_j} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} Y_{ij}$ . Add and subtract the sample group mean  $\bar{Y}_j$  into the squared sum in  $S$  to show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j)^2 + \sum_{j=1}^m n_j (\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i,j} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y})^2 &= \sum_{i,j} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j + \bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2 \\ &= \sum_{i,j} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j)^2 + \sum_{i,j} (\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2 \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{i,j} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j)(\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y}) \end{aligned}$$

The third component of the RHS is

$$2 \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j)(\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y}) = 2 \sum_{j=1}^m (\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y}) \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j)$$

but  $\sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j) = \frac{n_j}{n_j} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} Y_{ij} - n_j \bar{Y}_j = 0$ , so the entire sum is zero. Also, the second component of the RHS is

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2 = \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2 = \sum_{j=1}^m n_j (\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2$$

- (b) What is the distribution of  $\bar{Y}$  and  $\bar{Y}_j$ ?

**Solution:**  $\bar{Y} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$  and  $\bar{Y}_j \sim N(\mu_j, \sigma^2/n_j)$ .

- (c) Assuming that  $\mu_j = \mu$ , for all  $j = 1, \dots, m$  and using your answer to (b), determine then the following distributions

- i.  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \mu)^2$

**Solution:** Since  $Y_{ij} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ,  $(Y_{ij} - \mu)/\sigma \sim N(0, 1)$ , so

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \mu)^2 \sim \chi_n^2$$

ii.  $\frac{n}{\sigma^2}(\bar{Y} - \mu)^2$

**Solution:** Since  $\bar{Y} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$ ,  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{Y} - \mu)/\sigma \sim N(0, 1)$ , so

$$\frac{n}{\sigma^2}(\bar{Y} - \mu)^2 \sim \chi_1^2$$

.

iii.  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y})^2$

**Solution:** We can show that

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \mu)^2 = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y})^2 + \frac{n}{\sigma^2}(\bar{Y} - \mu)^2$$

and therefore  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y})^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$ .

iv.  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^m n_j (\bar{Y}_j - \mu)^2$

**Solution:** Since  $\bar{Y}_j \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n_j)$ ,  $\sqrt{n_j}(\bar{Y}_j - \mu)/\sigma \sim N(0, 1)$ , so

$$\frac{n_j}{\sigma^2}(\bar{Y}_j - \mu)^2 \sim \chi_1^2,$$

and thus  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^m n_j (\bar{Y}_j - \mu)^2 \sim \chi_m^2$ .

v.  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j)^2$

**Solution:** We can also show that

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \mu)^2 = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j)^2 + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^m n_j (\bar{Y}_j - \mu)^2$$

and therefore  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_j)^2 \sim \chi_{n-m}^2$ .

*Hint: Use the sum of squares decomposition with  $\bar{Y}$  and  $\bar{Y}_j$ , and then use the properties of  $\chi^2$ -distributions.*

- (d) Finally using the properties of  $\chi^2$  distributions, argue that  $\sum_{j=1}^m n_j (\bar{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2$  must follow a  $\chi_{n-m}^2$  distribution.