

Econ 205 - Cheat Sheet

Statistics for Business and Economics

Descriptive statistics:

Mean: $\bar{x} = \text{average}(\text{DATA})$, Median = $\text{median}(\text{DATA})$, Mode = $\text{mode}(\text{DATA})$

Variance: $\sigma^2 = \text{var.p}(\text{DATA})$, $s^2 = \text{var.s}(\text{DATA})$, $s^2 = \sigma^2 \left(\frac{N}{n-1} \right)$ or $\sigma^2 = s^2 \left(\frac{n-1}{N} \right)$

Standard deviation: $s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}} = \text{stdev.s}(\text{DATA}) = \sigma \sqrt{\frac{N}{n-1}}$

$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^2}{N}} = \text{stdev.p}(\text{DATA}) = s \sqrt{\frac{n-1}{N}}$

Coefficient of variation: $CV = \frac{s}{\bar{x}}$ or $CV = \frac{\sigma}{\mu}$

Percentile location: $L_P = (n+1) \frac{P}{100}$

Covariance: σ_{XY} = Covariance in Data Analysis Toolpak, $s_{XY} = \sigma_{XY} \frac{N}{n-1}$,

Correlation coefficient: ρ_{XY} = correlation in Data Analysis Toolpak

Regression model: $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \varepsilon$

Regression line: $\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1 x$ in Data Analysis Toolpak -i add trendline

Probability:

Rule of complements: $P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$

Multiplication formulat: $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A|B) \times P(B)$

Addition formulat: $P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$

Conditional probability: $P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \text{ and } B)}{P(B)} = \frac{P(A|B) \times P(B)}{P(B)}$

Independence: A and B are independent if $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \times P(B)$ or when $P(A|B) = P(A)$

Mean (aka expected value) of a discrete distribution: $\mu = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i P(x_i)$

$E[c] = c$, $\text{Var}[c] = 0$;

$E[X + c] = E[X] + c$, $\text{Var}[X + c] = \text{Var}[X]$;

$E[cX] = cE[X]$, $\text{Var}[cX] = c^2 \text{Var}[X]$

Distributions:

Binomial distribution: $P(X = x) = \text{binom.dist}(x, n, \pi, 0)$ and $P(X \leq x) = \text{binom.dist}(x, n, \pi, 1)$

Mean of binomial distribution: $\mu = E[X] = n \times \pi$ and $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}[X] = n \times \pi \times (1 - \pi)$

Uniform distribution: $X \sim U[a, b]$, then density is $f = \frac{1}{b-a}$ and $E[X] = \frac{a+b}{2}$ and $V[X] = \frac{1}{12} (b-a)^2$

Normal distribution and t-distribution:

$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$: $P(X < x) = P\left(\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma} < \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$

$Z = \frac{X-\mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$: $P(Z < z) = \text{norm.s.dist}(z)$ or the π^{th} percentile $P_\pi = \text{norm.s.inv}(\pi)$

-if σ unknown then: $T = \frac{X-\mu}{s} \sim T(n-1)$: $P(T \leq t) = \text{t.dist}(t, n-1, 1)$ and the π^{th} percentile $P_\pi = \text{t.inv}(\pi, n-1)$

Central limit theorem:

If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$ then $\bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$ and $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

If $X \sim ?(\mu, \sigma)$ then $\bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$ and $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ if $n \geq 30$

If proportion $\pi \sim ?$, then sample proportion $\hat{p} \sim N\left(\pi, \sqrt{\frac{\pi(1-\pi)}{n}}\right)$ if $n\pi \geq 5$ and $n(1-\pi) \geq 5$

Confidence intervals:

$$CI_{\alpha}(z): \left[\bar{x} \pm \overbrace{z_{\alpha/2} \times \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}^W \right] \text{ and conf. int. (t): } \left[\bar{x} \pm \overbrace{t_{\alpha/2} \times \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}^W \right]$$

$$\text{Sample size formula: } n = \left(z \times \frac{\sigma}{W} \right)^2$$

Hypothesis testing:

$$z_{obs} \text{ formula: } z_{obs} = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \text{ or } z_{obs} = \frac{\hat{p} - \pi}{\sqrt{\frac{\pi(1-\pi)}{n}}}$$

$$t_{obs} \text{ formula: } t_{obs} = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s / \sqrt{n}}.$$

Two sample tests:

$$\text{Case 1: equal variances } \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2: t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{s_P^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}}, \text{ where } s_P^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2} \text{ and}$$

$$v = n_1 + n_2 - 2$$

$$\text{Case 2: unequal variances } \sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2: t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2} \right)}}, \text{ where } v = \frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2} \right)^2}{\frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} \right)^2}{n_1 - 1} + \frac{\left(\frac{s_2^2}{n_2} \right)^2}{n_2 - 1}}$$

Regression Analysis:

$$\text{Coefficient of determination: } R^2 = \frac{SSR}{SST}$$