# AMS 553.430 - Introduction to Statistics

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## Introduction

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## Lecture 0 (2018-08-30)

## Introduction to Probability (553.420) Review

## Part 1 - Counting

- (1) Multiplication rule (Basic Counting Principle)
- (2) Combinations/Permutations
  - ullet Sampling with or without replacement.  $\Rightarrow$  Inclusion-Exclusion Principle

$$\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$
  ${}^{n}P_{k} = \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}$ 

- (3) Birthday Problem
- 4 Matching Problem (inclusion-exclusion principle)

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

$$-P(A \cup B \cup C) = P(A) + P(B) + P(C) - P(A \cap B) - P(A \cap C) - P(B \cap C) + P(A \cap B \cap C)$$

- etc...
- (5) n balls going into m boxes (all are distinguishable)

**Example.** n balls numbered  $1, 2, \dots, n$ . n boxes labelled  $1, 2, \dots, n$ . Distribute the balls into the boxes, one in each box.  $M_i = \text{ball } i$  is in box i

 $\bigcirc$  Multinomial Coefficients e.g. assign A, B, C, D, to different students  $\rightarrow$  anagram problem -n distinct objects into r distinct groups

$$\frac{n!}{n_1!n_2!n_3!\dots n_r!} = \binom{n}{n_1,n_2,n_3,\dots,n_r}$$

(7) Pairing Problem

$$2n \text{ people, paired up} \begin{cases} \text{ordered: } \binom{2n}{2,2,\cdots,2} \quad \text{e.g. different courts for players} \\ \text{unordered: } \frac{\binom{2n}{2,2,\cdots,2}}{n!} \end{cases}$$

(8) Partition of integers  $\longrightarrow n$ : sum of integer, r: number of partitions

$$\binom{n+r-1}{r-1} = \binom{n+r-1}{n}$$

### **Basics of Probability**

Axioms

- $\bigcirc 1$   $0 \le P(A) \le 1, \forall A$
- (2)  $P(\Omega) = 1 \rightarrow$  where  $\Omega$  is the sample space
- (3) Countable additivity
  - if  $A_1, \dots, A_n$  are mutually exclusive, then

$$P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i\right) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(A_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A) = 1 - P(A^c)$$
$$P(A) = \frac{|A|}{|\Omega|}$$

#### Conditional Probability

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

Law of Total Probability

$$P(A) = \sum_{j} P(A|B_{j})P(B_{j}) = \sum_{j} P(A \cap B_{j}) \qquad \bigcup_{j \text{ partition of } \Omega} B_{j} = \Omega$$

**Bayes Rule** 

$$P(B_i|A) = \frac{P(A|B_i)P(B_i)}{\sum_{j} P(A|B_j)P(B_j)} \qquad \bigcup_{\substack{j \text{ partition of } \Omega}} B_j = \Omega$$

#### Independent events

If we have events  $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n$ , then

$$P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3 \cdots A_n) = P(A_1) \cdot P(A_2) \cdot P(A_3) \cdot \cdots \cdot P(A_n)$$

#### Introduction to Discrete and Continuous Random Variables

**Random Variable** - a real valued function defined on the sample space of an experiment  $X : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\forall \omega \in \Omega, X(\omega) \in \mathbb{R}$ 

Function	Discrete	Continuous
Probability Function	PMF: $P(X = x)$	PDF: $f_x(x)$
Probability Distribution	$\sum_{x} P(X = x) = 1$	$\int_{x} f_{x}(x)dx = 1$
Expectation	$E[X] = \sum_{x} xP(X=x)$	$\mathbf{E}[\mathbf{X}] = \int_{x} x f(x) dx$
Variance	$Var[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$	$Var[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$

### Law of the Unconscious Statistician (LOTUS)

1-dim 
$$E[g(x)] = \sum_{x} g(x)P(X=x) \bigg/ E[g(x)] = \int_{x} g(x)f(x)dx$$
 2-dim 
$$E[g(X,Y)] = \sum_{y} \sum_{x} g(x,y)P(X=x,Y=y) \bigg/ E[g(X,Y)] = \int_{y} \int_{x} g(x,y)f(x,y)dxdy$$

#### Discrete Distributions

- 1. Bernoulli(p)
- 2. Binomial(n, p)
- 3. Poisson  $(\lambda)$

- 4. Geometric(p)
- 5. Negative Binomial(n, p)
- 6. Hypergeometric (N, M, n)

#### Bernoulli Distribution

X is a random variable with Bernoulli(p) distribution

$$X \sim Bernoulli(p)$$
 
$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} p & x = 1\\ 1 - p & x = 0 \end{cases}$$

#### **Binomial Distribution**

A sum of i.i.d. (identical, independent distribution) Bernoulli(p) R.V.

$$X \sim Binomial(n, p)$$
 Support :  $x \in \{0, 1, \dots n\}$   
 $n$  : sample size  $p$  : probability of success 
$$P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{(n-k)}$$
 
$$E[X] = np \qquad Var(X) = np(1 - p)$$

• Approximation methods  $\Rightarrow$ 

- if n is large, p very small and np < 10.  $\Rightarrow$  use Normal (np, np(1-p))
- $p \approx \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \text{Use Poisson } (\lambda = np)$
- Mode:
  - if (n+1)p integer, mode = (n+1)p or (n+1)p 1.
  - if  $(n+1)p \notin \mathbb{Z}$  mode is  $\lfloor (n+1)p \rfloor$
  - **Proof:** consider  $\frac{P(X=x)}{P(X=x-1)}$  going below 1.

#### Poisson Distribution

$$X \sim Poisson(\lambda)$$
 
$$x \in \{0, 1, \cdots\}$$
 
$$\lambda : \text{parameter}$$
 
$$P(X = x) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!}$$
 
$$E[X] = \lambda$$
 
$$Var(X) = \lambda$$

- Approximations
  - if n is large  $\Longrightarrow$  Normal $(\lambda, \lambda)$
- Sums of Poisson Let  $X \sim Po(\lambda)$   $Y \sim Po(\mu)$   $\Longrightarrow$   $X + Y \sim Po(\mu + \lambda)$

#### **Negative Binomial**

$$X \sim NB(r, p)$$
Support :  $x = \{r, r + 1, ...\}$ 

$$r = \text{the rth success}$$

$$p = \text{probability of success}$$

$$P(X = k) = \binom{k + r - 1}{k} \cdot (1 - p)^r \cdot p^k$$

A sum of i.i.d Geometric(p) R.V.

 $\blacksquare a^{th}$  head before  $b^{th}$  tail

**Example.** A coin has probability p to land on a head, q = 1 - p to land on a tail.

 $P[5^{th}$ tail occurs before the  $10^{th}$  head]?

$$\begin{cases} = P[5\text{th tail occurs before or on the 14th flip}] \\ = P[\text{Neg Binomial}(5, q) = 5, 6, 7, \cdots, 14] \\ = \sum_{x=5}^{14} {x-1 \choose 4} q^5 p^{x-5} \end{cases}$$
 (or) 
$$\begin{cases} = P[\text{at least 5 tails in 14 flips}] \\ = P[binom(14, q) = 5, 6, 7, \cdots, 14] \\ = \sum_{x=5}^{14} {14 \choose x} q^x p^{14-x} \end{cases}$$

#### Geometric Distribution

$$X \sim Geometric(p)$$
 Support :  $x \in \{1, 2, \cdots\}$  
$$p : \text{probability of success}$$
 
$$P(X = r) = (1 - p)^{(r - 1)} \cdot p$$
 
$$\text{prob for 1st success on } r\text{th trial}$$
 
$$E[X] = \frac{1}{p} \qquad \qquad Var(X) = \frac{1 - p}{p^2}$$

**Example.** ■ Coupon Question

<u>Variation A</u>: N different types of coupons  $\rightarrow P(\text{ get a specific type}) = \frac{1}{N}$ <u>Question:</u> E[draws to get 10 different coupons]?<u>Answer:</u>

$$X = X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_{10}$$
  $X_i = \#$  draws to get the ith distinct coupon type

 $X_i \sim Geo(p_i)$   $p_i$ : prob to get a new coupon  $\leftarrow$  success, given that we have i-1 types of coupons

Hence, 
$$E[X_1] = 1$$
  
 $E[X_2] = \frac{1}{p_2} = \frac{1}{\frac{N-1}{N}} = \frac{N}{N-1}$   
 $E[X_3] = \frac{1}{p_3} = \frac{1}{\frac{N-2}{N}} = \frac{N}{N-2}$   
 $\vdots$ 

$$E[X_{10}] = \frac{1}{p_{10}} = \frac{1}{\frac{N-9}{N}} = \frac{N}{N-9}$$

So, 
$$E[X] = E[X_1] + E[X_2] + \dots + E[X_{10}] = E[\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i] = 1 + \frac{N}{N-1} + \frac{N}{N-2} + \dots + \frac{N}{N-9}$$

Variation B: Same setting, now you draw 10 times.

Question: E[# different types of coupons]?

Answer:

$$X = I_1 + I_2 + \dots + I_N$$
 
$$I_i \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if we have this type of coupon} \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

$$E[I_i] = P(\text{we draw coupon i in 10 draws})$$

$$= 1 - P(\text{we don't have coupon i}) \qquad \text{we use binomial distribution where } 1 - P(N = 0)$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{N-1}{N}\right)^{10}$$

$$E[X] = E[\sum_{i=1}^{N} I_i] = NE[I_i] = NE[I_i] = NE[I_i]$$

#### Hypergeometric Distribution

$$X \sim Hyp(N, M, n)$$
 
$$N \in \{0, 1, 2, ...\} \quad M \in \{0, 1, ..., N\} \quad n \in \{0, 1, ..., N\}$$
 Support :  $k \in \{\max(0, n + M - N), \min(n, M)\}$ 

N is the population size K is the no. of success states in the population

n is the no. of draws (i.e. quantity drawn in each trial)

k is the no. of observed successes

$$P(X = k) = \frac{\binom{M}{k} \binom{N-M}{M-k-1}}{\binom{N}{n}}$$

#### Continuous Distributions

#### **Uniform Distribution**

$$X \sim Unif(a,b)$$

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & a \le x \le b \\ 0 & o/w \end{cases}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

$$Var(X) = \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$$

#### Normal Distribution

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \Rightarrow Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1) \text{ with CDF } P(Z \le z) = \Phi(z)$$

$$\Phi(-x) = 1 - \Phi(x)$$
Support:  $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$ 

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{\frac{-(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$E[X] = \mu \qquad Var(X) = \sigma^2$$

• Sums and differences of Normal R.V.

$$X_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2) \qquad X_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$Y_1 = X_1 + X_2 \qquad Y_2 = X_1 - X_2$$

$$Y_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(2\mu, 2\sigma^2) \qquad \underbrace{Y_2 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 2\sigma^2)}_{\text{doesn't have } \mu}$$

- The sum and difference of Normal R.V. are Normal R.V.
- Any Linear Combination of Independent Normal R.V. is a Normal R.V.
- Dependence
  - $Y_2 = X_1 X_2$  density does not depend on  $\mu$ . But density of  $X_1 + X_2$  does.
  - Key idea is used in Data Reduction

#### Exponential distribution

$$X \sim Exp(\lambda)$$
 Support:  $x \in [0, \infty)$  
$$f_X(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$
 
$$E[X] = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$
 
$$Var(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$$

Lack of memory property:  $P(X \ge s + t | X \ge t) = P(X \ge s)$ 

- $M = \min \text{ of } exp(\lambda) \text{ and } exp(\mu) \Rightarrow M \backsim exp(\lambda + \mu)$
- $M = \min \text{ of } X_1, X_2, \cdots, X_n, \text{ where } X_i \backsim_{\text{i.i.d.}} exp(\lambda) \Rightarrow exp(n\lambda)$

#### Gamma Distribution

$$X \sim Gamma(\alpha,\beta)$$
 Support:  $x \in [0,\infty)$  
$$F_X(x) = \frac{\beta^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x}$$
 
$$E[X] = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \qquad \qquad Var(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\beta^2}$$
 Gamma Function:  $\Gamma(z) = (z-1)! = \int_0^{\infty} x^{z-1} e^{-x} dx$  
$$\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$$
 
$$\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \sqrt{\pi}$$

#### • Sums of Gamma

$$- Gamma(s, \lambda) + Gamma(s, \lambda) = Gamma(s + t, \lambda)$$

#### **Beta Distribution**

$$X \sim Beta(\alpha, \beta)$$
Support:  $x \in [0, 1]$ 

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha - 1} (1 - x)^{\beta - 1}$$

$$E[X] = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$$

$$Var(X) = \frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2 (\alpha + \beta + 1)}$$

#### • Gamma to Beta

$$X \sim Gamma(\alpha_1,\beta) \qquad Y \sim Gamma(\alpha_2,\beta)$$
 Then transformation 
$$U = \frac{X}{X+Y} \sim Beta(\alpha_1,\alpha_2) \qquad \text{(Use } X = UV, Y = V - UV)$$

#### Chi-Square

Chi-Square: 
$$\chi_n^2$$
 is Chi-square with degrees of Freedom  $n$ 

$$\chi_n^2 = Z_1^2 + Z_2^2 + \dots + Z_n^2 \quad \text{where } Z_i \backsim \text{standard normal.} Z_i \backsim Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \chi_n^2 = n \text{ i.i.d. } Z_i \backsim Gamma\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$=Gamma\bigg(\frac{n}{2},\frac{1}{2}\bigg)$$

#### CDF in General

• 
$$F_x(t) = P(X \le t)$$
 
$$= \sum_{x \le t} P(X = x) \quad \text{discrete}$$
 
$$= \int_0^t f(x) dx \quad \text{continuous}$$

• **Discrete:** "Left open, right closed"  $\Rightarrow$  if you flip the sign (from < to  $\le$ ) in the left, you flip the sign of a (from a to  $a^-$ )

$$- P(a < x \le b) = F(b) - F(a)$$

$$- P(a \le x \le b) = F(b) - F(a^{-})$$

$$-P(a < x < b) = F(b^{-}) - F(a)$$

$$-P(a \le x < b) = F(b^{-}) - F(a^{-})$$

• Continuous: (because a point doesn't have a mass)

$$P(a \le x \le B) = \int_a^b f(x)dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

#### Integration by Recognition

$$1 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} dx \qquad \sigma\sqrt{2\pi} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$
 (normal dist.)

### Joint Distribution

Discrete Continuous 
$$P_{X,Y}(x,y) = P(X = x, Y = y)$$
 Indep  $\Rightarrow P_X(x)P_Y(y)$  
$$= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial y} F_{X,Y}(x,y)$$

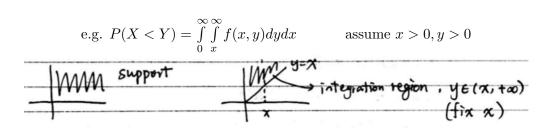
• Marginal Density/PMF:

Continuous: 
$$f_X(x) = \int_x f_{X,Y}(x,y) dy$$
 and  $f_Y(y) = \int_y f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx$ 

 $^*$  the bounds for y in the integration can depend on x, and vice versa

**Discrete:** 
$$P_X(x) = \sum_y P(X = x, Y = y)$$
 and  $P_Y(y) = \sum_x P(X = x, Y = y)$ 

• Use joint pdf to compute probability



• Independence: If X, Y are independent, then

Continuous: 
$$f(x,y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y)$$
  
Discrete:  $P(X=x,Y=y) = P(X=x)P(Y=y)$ 

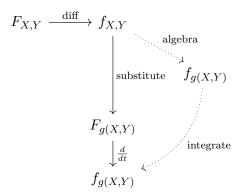
• Convolution: assume X, Y are independent

Discrete: 
$$P_{X+Y}(a) = \sum_{y} P_X(a-y)P_Y(y) = \sum_{x} P_X(x)P_Y(a-x)$$

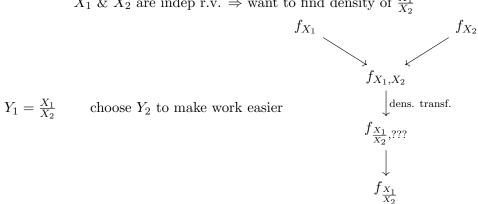
Continuous: 
$$f_{X+Y}(a) = \int_y f_X(a-y) f_Y(y) dy = \int_y f_X(x) f_Y(a-x) dx$$

MGF: we can use this  $M_{X+Y}(t) = M_X(t)M_Y(t) \longrightarrow \text{then identify dist of X+Y from mgf}$ 

• Density Transformation:



 $X_1 \& X_2$  are indep r.v.  $\Rightarrow$  want to find density of  $\frac{X_1}{X_2}$ 



### **Density Transformation**

For density transformation e.g. finding pdf of U = X + Y

- Convolution - Jacobian

- MGF - CDF Transformation

• Use CDF: Computer  $P(Y \le y) = P(g(x) = y)$ 

• 1-dim: If Y is monotonically increasing or decreasing: Y = g(x)  $f_Y(y) = f_X(x(y)) \cdot |(x^{-1})'(y)|$ 

• **2-dim:** Joint Density:

$$(X,Y) \to (U,V) \qquad U = h_1(X,Y) \qquad V = h_2(X,Y)$$

$$f_{U,V}(u,v) = f_{X,Y}(x(u,v),y(u,v)) \cdot |J|$$
where 
$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} \end{vmatrix}$$
 determinant

• if Z = X + Y (2-dim  $\to$  1-dim) use CDF. Compute  $P(Z \le z) = P(X + Y \le z)$ . Integrate f(x,y) over this region.

#### Sterling's Formula

$$n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi n} \cdot \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$$

This is only really useful when n is large, when factorials are represented as ratios.

### Conditional distribution

$$\begin{aligned} \textbf{Discrete} & P_{X|Y=y}(x|y) = \frac{P_{X,Y}(x,y)}{P_Y(y)} = \frac{P(X=x,Y=y)}{P(Y=y)} \\ & \Rightarrow \sum_y P_{X,Y}(x,y) = \sum_y P_{X|Y=y}(x|y) \cdot P_Y(y) \end{aligned} \\ \textbf{Continuous} & f_{X|Y=y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)} \\ & \Rightarrow f_X(x) = \int_y f(x,y) dy = \int_y f_{X|Y=y}(x|y) \cdot f_Y(y) dy \\ & F_{X|Y}(x|y) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_{X|Y}(x|y) dx \end{aligned} \\ f_{X,Y} & f_Y & \text{divide} \\ & f_{X,Y} & \text{divide} \\ & f_X & \text{divide} \\ & f_X & \text{divide} \\ & f_{X|Y} & \text{integrate} \\ & f_X & \text{divide} \\ & f_{X|Y} & \text{d$$

#### Conditional Expectation

$$\begin{split} E[X|Y=y] &= \sum_x x P(X=x|Y=y) \\ E[X|Y=y] &= \int_x x f(x|y) dx \\ E[X|Y] &: \text{compute } E[X|Y=y] \text{ first, replace } y \text{ with } Y \end{split}$$

#### • Properties:

$$- E[aU + bV|Y = y] = aE[U|Y = y] + bE[V|Y = y]$$
 LOTUS

- If 
$$g(Y) = X$$
 then  $E[X|Y = y] = X$ 

– If X and Y are independent, then E[X|Y=y]=E[X]

#### Conditional Variance

$$\boxed{Var(X|Y) = E[(X - E[X|Y])^2]}$$
 (conditional variance) 
$$\boxed{Var(X|Y) = E[X^2|Y] - (E[X|Y])^2}$$
 (unconditional variance)

#### **Ordered Statistics**

Consider  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$   $X_{(j)} = j$ -th smallest

$$F_{\max(X_i)}(t) = P(\max X_i \le t) = P(X_1 \le t) \cdot P(X_2 \le t) \cdots P(X_n \le t)$$

$$= [F_X(t)]^n \qquad f_{\max X_i}(t) = nF(t)^{n-1} f_X(t)$$

$$F_{\min(X_i)}(t) = 1 - P(\min x_i \ge t) = 1 - P(X_1 \ge t) \cdot P(X_2 \ge t) \cdots P(X_n \ge t)$$

$$= 1 - [1 - F_X(t)]^n \qquad f_{\min X_i}(t) = n[1 - F(t)]^{n-1} f_X(t)$$

**General:** j-th order statistic

$$f_{x(j)}(t) = \binom{n}{j-1, 1, n-j} F_X(t)^{j-1} \cdot f_X(t) \cdot [1 - F_X(t)]^{n-j}$$

As Beta distribution: Let  $U_1, U_2, \ldots, U_N \sim i.i.d$ . Uniform(0,1) and let  $1 \leq j \leq N$   $U_{(j)} = \text{jth smallest in } U_{(1)}, U_{(2)}, \ldots, U_{(N)}$  (ordered statistics). Then,

$$U_{(j)} \sim Beta(j, N - j + 1)$$
$$E[U_{(j)}] = \frac{j}{N+1}$$

### **Expectation and Variance**

### Law of Total Expectation:

$$E[X] = E[E[X|Y]]$$

### Law of Total Variance:

$$Var(X) = E[Var(X|Y)] + Var[E(X|Y)]$$

### Expectation

- (1) linearity of expectation
- (2) How to compute
  - (a) LOTUS or definition (use density to integrate)
  - (b) MGF:  $M^{(n)}(0) = E[X^n]$  or by recognition
  - (c)  $E[X^2] = Var[X] + E[X]^2$
  - (d) Tail probability X is non-neg R.V. (x > 0) then  $E[X] = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} P(X \ge t)$  or  $= \int_{0}^{\infty} P(X \ge t) dt$

#### Variance

① 
$$Var(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n Var(X_i) + \sum_{i \neq j} Cov(X_i, X_j)$$
  
if  $X_i, X_j$  identical (not independent) =  $nVar(X_i) + n(n-1)Cov(X_i, X_j)$   $i \neq j$   

$$\boxed{Var(X+Y) = Var(X) + Var(Y) + 2Cov(X,Y)}$$

(2) Covariance:

$$\begin{split} Cov(X,Y) &= E[XY] - E[X]E[Y] \\ Cov(X,c) &= 0 \qquad c \ is \ a \ constant \\ Cov(X+Y,Z) &= Cov(X,Z) + Cov(Y,Z) \\ Cov(cX,dZ) &= cd \cdot Cov(X,Z) \\ Cov(aX+b,cY+d) &= ac \cdot Cov(X,Y) \qquad a,b,c,d \ \text{are constants} \\ Cov(X,Y) &= 0 \qquad \text{If} \ X \perp Y \ \text{(independent)} \end{split}$$

(3) Correlation Coefficient:

$$\rho(X,Y) = \frac{Cov(X,Y)}{\sqrt{Var(X)Var(Y)}} = \frac{Cov(X,Y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

#### **MGFs**

Let X be a random variable. Then

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}]$$

it can also be written as:

$$= E\left[\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tX)^j}{j!}\right]$$
$$= E\left[\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{X^j}{j!} \cdot t^j\right)\right]$$
$$M_X^{(n)}(0) = E[X^n]$$

If X and Y are independent, then

$$M_{X+Y}(t) = E[E^{(X+Y)t}]$$

$$= E[e^{tX}]E[e^{tY}]$$

$$= M_X(t)M_Y(t)$$

#### Limit Theorems

#### Markov's Inequality

For any non-negative random variable X

$$P(X \ge a) \le \frac{E(X)}{a}$$
 (for any  $a > 0$ )

*Proof.* Let  $X \geq 0$  a random variable and let a > 0. Define new random variable from X as  $Y_a$ 

$$Y_a = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } X < a \\ a & \text{if } X \ge a \end{cases}$$

$$0 \le Y_a \le X \Longrightarrow \underbrace{E[Y_a]}_{a \cdot P(X \ge a)} \le E[X]$$

$$E[Y_a] = 0 \cdot P(Y_a < a) + a \cdot P(X \ge a)$$

$$E[Y_a] = a \cdot P(X \ge a) \le E[X] \Longrightarrow \boxed{P(X \ge a) \le \frac{E(X)}{a}}$$

#### Chebyshev's Inequality

For any random variable Y with mean  $\mu_y$  and variance  $\sigma_y^2$ 

$$P(|Y - \mu)y| \ge c) \le \frac{\sigma_y^2}{c^2}$$
 (for any  $c > 0$ )

Proof.

$$P(|Y - \mu_y)| \ge c) = P(\underbrace{|Y - \mu_y||^2}_{=X} \ge c^2)$$
$$P(|Y - \mu_y|^2 \ge c^2) \le \frac{E[|Y - \mu_y|^2]}{c^2} = \frac{\sigma_y^2}{c^2}$$

This is the same as

$$-P(|Y - \mu_y| \ge k\sigma_y) \le \frac{1}{k^2}$$

$$-P(|Y - \mu_y| \le k\sigma_y) \ge \underbrace{1 - \frac{1}{k^2}}_{\text{very conservative}}$$

#### Central Limit Theorem

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(n\mu_n, n\sigma_x^2)$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_n, \frac{\sigma_x^2}{n}\right)$$

#### Weak Law of Large Numbers

If  $X_1, X_2, \cdots$  are *i.i.d.* with a mean  $\mu$ 

then 
$$\lim_{n\to\infty} P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| \ge \epsilon) = 0$$

#### Strong Law of Large Numbers

$$X \xrightarrow{p} \mu_X$$
 as  $n \to \infty$   
 $Pr(\lim_{n \to \infty} \bar{X}_n = \mu) = 1$ 

#### Jensen's Inequality

If  $p_1, \ldots, p_n$  are positive numbers and  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ , and f is a real continuous function that is <u>convex</u>, then

$$f\bigg(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i x_i\bigg) \le \sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i f(x_i)$$

Conversely, if f is a <u>concave</u> function

$$f\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i x_i\right) \ge \sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i f(x_i)$$

## Lecture 1 (2018-08-30)

## Survey Sampling

We have a <u>population of objects</u> under study (people, animals, places, etc.). We will consider a single numerical measurement associated to object  $i: x_i$ 

**Example.**  $N = 5000, x_i = \text{height of person } i$ , Population size = N. We denote population measurements  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N\}$ 

Compute population quantities:

• population total 
$$\tau = \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i$$
 • population mean  $\mu = \frac{\tau}{N} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i}{N}$ 

**Note:**  $\tau$  and  $\mu$  are population parameters, their computation depends on all the population data.

Question. How to estimate  $\tau$  and  $\mu$  based on a sample of observation from this population?

Classical Answer: Choose a "random" sample of objects and associated measurements denoted  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ . Note: capital  $X_i$  denote random variables. Whiter "Random"? Two types of ways to sample:

with replacement

Claim 1. If  $X_i$  are drawn without replacement, then the distribution of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are identical. Is this true? In fact, it is  $\Rightarrow$  They are NOT independent but they are identically distributed.

$$P(Ace in Pos 1) = P(Ace in Pos 2) = \frac{4}{52}$$

#### Combinatorial Approach

"well-shuffled deck"  $\leftrightarrow$  all 52! rearrangements of the card are equally likely. How many rearrangements have ace at pos 1?  $4 \cdot 51!$ 

$$P(A_1) = \frac{4 \cdot 51!}{52!} = \frac{4}{52} = P(A_2) = P(A_{19}) = P(A_{36})$$

**Question.** If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are identically distributed, then how do they differ between corresponding draws with replacement?

**Answer.** Independence. We can have Random Variables that are identically distributed and not independent. Note if independent,  $P(A_2|A_1) = P(A_2)$ .

with replacement without replacement 
$$P(A_1) = \frac{4}{52}, \quad P(A_2) = \frac{4}{52}$$
  $P(A_1) = \frac{4}{52}, \quad P(A_2) = \frac{4}{52}$   $P(A_2|A_1) = \frac{3}{51}$ 

We can see from this that depending on sampling method, we gain or lose independence. In the finite population sampling method, we have  $1, \ldots, N$  objects we care about.

**Loss of Independence** when choosing sampling method is important.

## Lecture 2 (2018-09-05)

Finite Population sampling – without i without replacement. Mean/expected value and variance of  $\bar{X}$ 

Suppose our population is given by  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_N\} = \{1, 2, 2, 7, 8, 9\}$  where

$$N = 6$$
,  $x_1 = 1$   $x_2 = 2$   $x_3 = 2$   $x_4 = 7$   $x_5 = 8$   $x_6 = 9$ 

Could also describe it by counting.

Distinct Value	frequency
$\varphi_1 = 1$	$n_1 = 1$
$\varphi_2 = 2$	$n_2 = 2$
$\varphi_3 = 7$	$n_3 = 1$
$\varphi_4 = 8$	$n_4 = 1$
$\varphi_5 = 9$	$n_5 = 1$

Possible sample of size n = 6, where we sample without replacement

$$X_1 = 7$$
  $X_2 = 2$   $X_3 = 8$   $X_4 = 9$   $X_5 = 1$   $X_6 = 2$ 

Sample here is the same as population as (n=N)

Same thing with replacement

$$X_1 = 9$$
  $X_2 = 9$   $X_3 = 9$   $X_4 = 9$   $X_5 = 9$   $X_6 = 9$ 

Typically N is large and  $n \ll N$ Recall population parameters

$$\mu = \frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{N} X_i}{N} \qquad \qquad \tau = N\mu = \sum\limits_{i=1}^{N} X_i$$

Next,  $\sigma^2$  (population variance)

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu)^2$$
 (\sigma^2 is pop. variance)

Alternatively, we can also express  $\sigma^2$  as

$$\sigma^{2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_{i} - \mu)^{2}}{N} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_{i}^{2} - 2\mu x_{i} + \mu^{2})}{N}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{i}^{2}}{N} - \frac{2\mu}{N} \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{i}}_{\mu} + \underbrace{\frac{\mathcal{N}\mu^{2}}{\mathcal{N}}}_{\mu}$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} x_{i}^{2}}{N}}_{N} - 2\mu^{2} + \mu^{2}$$

$$= \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{N}\sum_{i=1}^{N}x_{i}^{2}\right)}_{\text{2nd moment}} -\mu^{2} = \mu^{(2)} - \mu^{2}$$

**Define:**  $\mu^{(k)} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i^k$ 

## Sample Mean $\bar{X}$ as an estimator

A function of the sample data for the population  $\mu$ .

*Note:* If the sample is random  $(X_1, \ldots, X_n \text{ are R.Vs})$ , then  $\bar{X}$  is **random!** Questions:

- ① How is  $\bar{X}$  distributed? in theory, if we know ①, then we know the answers ② & ③ too.
- (2) What is  $E[\bar{X}]$ ?
- (3) What is  $Var(\bar{X})$ ?

Let's address (2)

Consider  $E[\underbrace{X_1}_{\text{first draw}}]$ 

possible values for  $X_1 = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ 

$$P(X_1 = x_k) = \frac{1}{\binom{N}{1}} = \frac{1}{N}$$

 $\mathbf{e.x.} \ \{\underbrace{1}_{x_1}, \underbrace{2}_{x_2}, \underbrace{2}_{x_3}, \underbrace{7}_{x_4}, \underbrace{7}_{x_5}, \underbrace{9}_{x_6}\}$ 

gives every separate entry a unique ticket even if they are the same

$$E[X_1] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} x_k = \mu = E[X_2]$$
 (b/c  $X_1$  &  $X_2$  are identically dist.)

In sampling without replacement  $X_i \& X_j$  are still identically distributed, but they are not independent. In sampling with replacement,  $X_i \& X_j$  are i.i.d.

Note that whether or not  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent,

$$E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i\right] = \sum_{i=1}^{N} E[X_i]$$

*Note:* The sample mean is equal to expected population mean regardless of sampling with or without replacement.

$$E[\bar{X}] = E\left[\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}X_i\right] = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{N}E[X_i]$$
$$= \frac{n\mu}{n} = \mu$$

Since  $E[\bar{X}] = \mu$ , we say  $\bar{X}$  is an <u>unbiased</u> estimator for  $\mu$ .

BUT  $\bar{X}_{\text{BV}} \neq \hat{\mu}$ 

Let's address (3)

### Sampling with replacement.

**Theorem.** Sampling from finite population with replacement

$$Var(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

*Proof.* Here  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are i.i.d.. In general,  $X_i$ 's are R.V. and  $a_i$ 's are constants

$$Var\left(\sum_{i} a_{i} X_{i}\right) = \sum_{i} \sum_{j} a_{i} a_{j} cov(X_{i}, X_{j})$$

If  $X_1, \dots, X_N$  are independent,  $Cov(X_i, X_j) = 0$ ! Hence  $i \neq j$ 

$$Var(\bar{X}) = Var\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i\right) = \frac{1}{n^2}Var\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i\right) = \frac{1}{n^2}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\underbrace{Var(X_i)}_{\text{a constant}}$$
$$Var(\bar{X}) = \frac{Var(X_i)}{n} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

We need to compute  $Var(X_i)$ . Observe that  $Var(X_i)$  are same for all: Why? because they are

Also notice  $\frac{Var(X_i)}{n}$  decreases with n. Observe that for all finite n,  $Var(\bar{X})$  is not 0 unless  $Var(X_i) = 0$ !

Note:  $Var(X_i) = E[(X_i - E(X_i))^2] = E[(X_i - \mu^2)] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i - \mu^2)^2 = \sigma^2$ 

So  $Var(X_i) = 0$  iff all  $X_i \equiv \mu$ 

**Lemma.** bX is <u>consistent</u> for  $\mu$ , i.e.  $\forall \delta > 0$ , the  $P(|\bar{X} - \mu| > \delta) \longrightarrow 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ 

For this Lemma, we need to Prove Chebyshev's Inequality, which is

$$P(|Z - E(Z)| > \delta) \le \frac{Var(Z)}{\delta^2}$$

Use this identity!

$$E[\bar{X}] = \mu, \qquad Var(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

$$P(|\bar{X} - E(\bar{X})| > \delta) \le \frac{Var(\bar{X})}{\delta^2} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n\delta^2} \to 0 \quad \text{as } n \to \infty$$

## Lecture 3 (2018-09-10)

### Sampling without replacement

 $Var(\bar{X})$  = when sampling without replacement

**Theorem.** Sampling from finite population without replacement

$$Var(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left[ \underbrace{\frac{N-n}{n-1}}_{FPN} \right]$$
 (finite population correction)

Points to Note - In sample without replacement,

- If n = N,  $Var(\bar{X}) = 0$
- If  $n=1, \, Var(\bar{X})=\frac{\sigma^2}{n}=\sigma^2,$  same as with replacement
- Check: for n > 1, how does  $\frac{N-n}{N-1}$  relate to 1? The  $Var(\bar{X})$  is always less without replacement *Proof.* Start

(1)

$$Var(\bar{X}) = Var\bigg(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}X_i\bigg) = \frac{1}{n^2}\sum_{i}\sum_{j}Cov(X_i,X_j)$$
 (When sampling with replacement,  $Cov(X_i,X_j) = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ )

In sampling without replacement, we cannot assert that  $Cov(X_i, X_j) = 0$  and we'll compute it explicitly.

$$\operatorname{Recall} \quad \operatorname{Cov}(X_i,X_j) = E[X_iX_j] - \underbrace{E[X_i]E[X_j]}_{\mu^2}$$
 
$$\mu^2 \leftarrow \text{as identical but not independent} \quad = E[X_iX_j] - \mu^2$$

(2) To calculate  $E[X_iX_j]$ , let us list distinct values in population

**Example.**  $\{\underbrace{5}_{x_1},\underbrace{5}_{x_2},\underbrace{8}_{x_3},\underbrace{11}_{x_4},\underbrace{8}_{x_5},\underbrace{17}_{x_6},\underbrace{9}_{x_7}\}$  Let  $n_l=\#$  of times  $\zeta_l$  appears in population.

Distinct Value	frequency
$\zeta_1 = 5$	$n_1 = 2$
$\zeta_2 = 8$	$n_2 = 2$
$\zeta_3 = 11$	$n_3 = 1$
$\zeta_4 = 17$	$n_4 = 1$
$\zeta_5 = 9$	$n_5 = 1$

$$P[X_{i} = 5] = \frac{2}{7} = \frac{n_{1}}{N}$$
 (i draws identical)
$$\Rightarrow P[X_{i} = \zeta_{l}] = \frac{n_{l}}{N}$$

$$n_{1} + n_{2} + \ldots + n_{m} = \sum_{j=1}^{m} n_{j} = N$$

$$E[X_{i}X_{j}] = \sum_{k=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{m} \zeta_{k}\zeta_{l} \underbrace{P[X_{i} = \zeta_{k}, X_{j} = \zeta_{l}]}_{?}$$

$$P[X_{i} = \zeta_{k}, X_{j} = \zeta_{l}] = \underbrace{P[X_{j} = \zeta_{l}|X_{i} = \zeta_{k}]}_{3} \cdot \underbrace{P[X_{i} = \zeta_{k}]}_{=\frac{n_{k}}{N}}$$

(3) Cases for Conditional probability

$$P[X_j = \zeta_l | X_i = \zeta_k] \stackrel{cases}{=} \begin{cases} \frac{n_l}{N_1} & l \neq k \to \text{numbers are diff.} \\ \frac{n_l - 1}{N - 1} & l = k \to \text{numbers are same} \end{cases}$$

(4) So we have

$$E[X_{i}X_{j}] = \sum_{k=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{m} \zeta_{k} \zeta_{l} P[X_{i} = \zeta_{k}, X_{j} = \zeta_{l}]$$

$$E[X_{i}X_{j}] = \sum_{k=1}^{m} \sum_{l=1}^{m} \zeta_{k} \zeta_{l} P[X_{j} = \zeta_{l} | X_{i} = \zeta_{k}] \cdot P[X_{i} = \zeta_{k}]$$

$$= \sum_{k} \zeta_{k} P[X_{i} = \zeta_{k}] \zeta_{k} \left( \sum_{l} \zeta_{l} P[X_{j} = \zeta_{l} | X_{i} = \zeta_{k}] \right)$$

$$= \sum_{k} \zeta_{k} P[X_{i} = \zeta_{k}] \zeta_{k} \left( \sum_{l \neq k} \zeta_{l} P[X_{j} = \zeta_{l} | X_{i} = \zeta_{k}] + \zeta_{k} P[X_{j} = \zeta_{k} | X_{i} = \zeta_{k}] \right)$$

$$= \sum_{k} \zeta_{k} P[X_{i} = \zeta_{k}] \zeta_{k} \left( \sum_{l \neq k} \zeta_{l} \frac{n_{l}}{N-1} + \zeta_{k} \frac{n_{k}-1}{N-1} \right)$$

$$(5)$$

(5) When  $l \neq k$  and we want to remove all l terms

$$\sum_{l \neq k} \zeta_l \frac{n_l}{N-1} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{l \neq k} \zeta_l n_l$$

$$\left(\sum_l \zeta_l n_l = \tau = n\mu\right) \text{ population total}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N-1} (\tau - \zeta_k n_k)$$

(6) Now Back

$$\begin{split} E[X_i X_j] &= \sum_k \zeta_k \frac{n_k}{N} \bigg( \frac{1}{N-1} (\tau - \zeta_k n_k) + \zeta_k \frac{n_k - 1}{N-1} \bigg) \\ &= \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \sum_k \zeta_k n_k \big[ (\tau - \zeta_k n_k) + \zeta_k n_k - \zeta_k \big] \\ &= \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \sum_k \zeta_k n_k \big[ \tau - \zeta_k \big] \\ &= \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \bigg( \sum_k \zeta_k n_k \tau - \sum_k \zeta_k^2 n_k \bigg) \\ &= \frac{1}{N(N-1)} \bigg[ \tau^2 - \sum_k \zeta_k^2 n_k \bigg] \end{split}$$

7 What is  $\sum_{k} (\zeta_k)^2 \frac{n_k}{N}$ ? Second moment  $E[X_i^2]$   $E[X_i^2] = \sigma^2 + \mu^2$ 

$$E[X_i^2] = \sigma^2 + \mu^2 \qquad \frac{\tau^2}{N} = N\mu^2 a s \mu = \frac{\tau}{N}$$

$$E[X_i X_j] \Longrightarrow \frac{1}{N-1} \left[ N\mu^2 - (\sigma^2 + \mu^2) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{N-1} [(N-1)\mu^2 - \sigma^2] = \mu^2 - \frac{\sigma^2}{N-1}$$
So  $Cov(X_i, X_j) = \mu^2 - \frac{\sigma^2}{N-1} - \mu^2$ 

$$= -\frac{\sigma^2}{N-1}$$
So  $Cov(X_i, X_j) = Var(X_i) = \sigma^2$ 
(Cov < 0)

(8) Putting it all together

$$Var(\bar{X}) = \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \sum_{i \neq j} Cov(X_i, X_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n Var(X_i) \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \sum_{i \neq j} -\frac{\sigma^2}{N-1} + n\sigma^2 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \frac{-n(n-1)\sigma^2}{N-1} + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left( 1 - \frac{n-1}{N-1} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left( \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right)$$

## Lecture 4 (2018-09-12)

- Binary data- special case.
- Approximate distance of  $\bar{X}$  when n is large but n << N
- Estimating population Variance
- Bivariate data

Recall that population is <u>dichotomous</u> or <u>binary</u> then  $x_i = \begin{cases} 1 \\ 0 \end{cases}$ 

Moreover if we consider  $x_i = 1$  as a "success" and  $x_i = 0$  as a "failure", then

$$\mu = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i}{N} = \frac{\text{\# of successess in population}}{\text{population size}} = p \qquad (pop^n \text{ proportion of success})$$

Now, 
$$\sigma^2 = \underbrace{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i}{N}}_{\mu} - \mu^2 = p - p^2 = p(1-p) = pq$$

$$\mu \text{ as } 1 \Rightarrow 1^2 = 1 \qquad 0 \Rightarrow 0^2 = 0$$

Recall that if  $Y \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p), Y_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{w/ prob } p \\ 0 & \text{w/ prob } 1-p \end{cases}$ 

$$E[Y] = p$$
$$Var(Y) = p(1 - p)$$

Last few weeks involved an analysis of  $\bar{X}$ ,  $E(\bar{X})$ ,  $Var(\bar{X})$ . Could also ask: How is  $\bar{X}$  distributed if n is large.

### Confidence Intervals - Sampling W.R.

If sampling with replacement, where  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  denotes sample, we know  $X_i$ 's are *i.i.d.* Hence when n is large, by CLT  $\bar{X}$  has an approximately normal distribution.

$$P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \le x\right) \longrightarrow \Phi(x)$$
 as  $n \to \infty$ 

When sampling with replacement, we can use this to obtain confidence intervals for  $\mu$ : Let  $\alpha \in (0,1)$  be given.

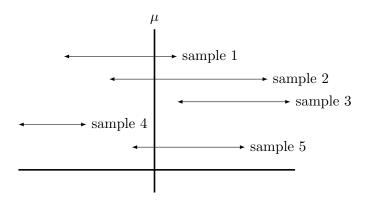
Let 
$$Z_{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}$$
 such that  $P(Z > Z_{\alpha}) = \alpha$  where  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ 

By the Central Limit Theorem, for n large (sampling w/replacement)

$$= P\bigg(-Z_{\alpha/2} \le \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \le Z_{\alpha/2}\bigg)$$

$$= P\bigg(\underbrace{\bar{X} - Z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}_{\text{Random}} \le \mu \le \underbrace{\bar{X} + Z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}_{\text{Random}}\bigg)$$

$$Var(\bar{X}) = 0 \qquad \text{Never happens}$$



In repeated sampling, approx  $(1 - \alpha)$  of intervals contain  $\mu$ , and  $(\alpha)$  frac will not.

We say 
$$\left| \bar{X} - Z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right|$$
 is  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  2-sided confidence interval for  $\mu$ 

**Problem:** This interval involved  $\sigma$  which is unknown. Observe that if n is large, then  $\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$  is still approx N(0,1) in distribution where (no population parameters)

$$s^{2} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i} (X_{i} - \bar{X})^{2}$$
 (sample variance)

So we obtain

$$\bar{X} \pm Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$
 as a  $100(1-\alpha)$  CI for  $\mu$ 

In the dichotomous case,

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\text{\# of the succession sample}}{\text{sample size}} = \hat{p}$$

$$100(1-\alpha)\% \text{ CI for } p: \hat{p} \pm Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

#### Confidence Intervals - Sampling W.o.R.

Recall now what happens when sampling without replacement

Here,  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  remain identically distributed, but not independent

We surmised, that if  $n \ll N$ ,  $X_i \& X_j$  have an "approximate independence"

**Example 1.** Let population consist of 1000 elements. In this case:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{blue } - \fbox{\Large 1} - 200, \qquad \text{red } - \fbox{\Large 2} - 300, \qquad \text{green } - \fbox{\Large 1} - 500 \\ P(X_1 = \fbox{\Large 3}) = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(X_2 = \fbox{\Large 3} | X_1 = \fbox{\Large 3}) = \frac{499}{999} \end{array} \right\} \text{not independent, but have approximate independence.}$$

In short,  $n \ll N$ , each successive draw does not alter probabilities that much, precisely b/c removal is only of a sample # of population elements.

So if n << N, then even in sampling W.O.R,  $X_i$ 's retain an approximate independence. Further if n is "large" and small relative to N, (note delicate point!) then  $\bar{X}$  will still have an approx Normal distribution.

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right)}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

Observe  $\sigma^2$  us still unknown. We'd like to consider estimators for  $\sigma^2$ 

#### Estimator for variance W.o.R

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

Try to understand  $E[\hat{\sigma}^2]$ 

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_1^2 - 2X_i \bar{X} + \bar{X}^2)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\bar{X}\bar{X} + \bar{X}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \bar{X}^2$$

$$E[\hat{\sigma}^2] = \underbrace{E\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2\right]}_{(1)} - \underbrace{E[\bar{X}^2]}_{(2)} \quad \text{can get } E[\bar{X}^2] \text{ from } Var(\bar{X})$$

Combining, we get:

$$\begin{split} E[\hat{\sigma}^2] &= \sigma^2 + \mu^2 - (Var(\bar{X}) + \mu^2) \\ E[\hat{\sigma}^2] &= \sigma^2 - \left\lceil \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left( \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right) \right\rceil \end{split}$$

The estimator is biased, but

$$E[\hat{\sigma}^2] = \sigma^2 \left( \underbrace{1 - \frac{N - n}{(n)(N - 1)}}_{\text{constant, } c} \right)$$
$$E[\hat{\sigma}^2] = C\sigma^2$$

and thus  $\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{C}$  is an unbiased estimator.

## Lecture 5 (2018-09-17)

- Approximation methods / Delta-methods
- Bivariate populations
- Ratio estimations

We calculated  $E[\hat{\sigma}^2]$  where  $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$  and you can use our computations to generate

an unbiased estimator for population variance  $\sigma^2$ . Can also use his to calculate  $E[s^2]$ , where  $s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ 

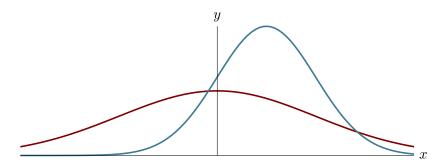
#### **Bias-Variance Tradeoff**

- (1) Unbiased estimators are useful: if T is an unbiased estimator for  $\theta$  then  $E[T] = \theta$ .
- (2) However, if we wish to evaluate two estimatorsL- one biased and other unbiased, we may not universally want to choose the unbiased one always, we need to consider variance.

Why? Suppose that T is an estimator for  $\theta$ .

The Mean Squared Error (MSE):

$$MSE = E[(T - \theta)^2] \xrightarrow{\text{exercised}} \underbrace{Var(T)}_{\text{Variance}} + \underbrace{(E(T) - \theta)^2}_{\text{Bias}}$$



We can see from the above plots that the red graph has an estimator  $\theta$  closer to  $\mu$ , but has a higher variance. However, estimator B has an unbiased estimator, but has a smaller variance. Depends on sampling analysis.

### Bivariate population sampling

Suppose we have a population of N objects. On each object we have a pair of measurements:  $(x_i, y_i)$ 

Note: When sampling from this population if object i is in sample, then both measurements in pair  $(x_i, y_i)$  are retained. In particular  $(x_i, y_i)$  appears exactly once in the population, and sample w/o repl, then you cannot retrieve measurement i later.

#### Parameters

$$\mu_{X} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} X_{i} \qquad \tau_{X} = N \mu_{X}$$

$$\tau_{Y} = N \mu_{Y}$$

$$\sigma_{Y}^{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_{i} - \mu_{Y})^{2} \qquad \mu_{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} Y_{i} \qquad \sigma_{X}^{2} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_{i} - \mu_{X})^{2}$$

#### Covariance

$$\sigma_{XY}^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu_X)(y_i - \mu_Y)$$

Suppose  $\mu_X \neq 0$ Could consider  $R = \frac{\bar{X}}{\bar{Y}}$  Define  $r = \frac{\mu_X}{\mu_Y}$ 

What is a reasonable estimator r?

Now Suppose that  $\mu_X$ , were known. Consider  $\mu_X \cdot R = \frac{\mu_X}{X} \bar{Y}$ . Plausible estimator for  $\mu_Y$ . But why? we already have  $\bar{Y}$ , an unbiased estimator for  $\mu_Y$ . We will see that  $\mu_X \cdot R$ , the so called **ratio estimate**, is

- (1) a biased estimate
- (2) can contribute in reduction in variance relative to  $\bar{Y}$

So we will need to understand E[R], Var(R) & approximations of E[R] & Var(R)

## Approximation Methods

Let X be a random variable with mean  $= \mu_X$  and variance  $= \sigma_X^2$ . Let Z = g(X), where  $g : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ , g a deterministic function of x.

**Question:** How to compute E[Z]?

Answer: If density of X is known, (call this  $f_X$ ), then

$$E(Z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(X) f_X(x) dx$$
 involves an integral

Cumbersome even if  $f_X$  is known; closed form solution to integral exists; not possible to get exact value even if  $f_X$  known, but no closed form solution; not even possible to write integral if  $f_X$  unknown. If g is linear, then it is OK e.g.  $E[g(X)] = E[aX + b] = a\mu_X + b$ 

#### **Taylor Expansions**

Taylor expansion of g about  $\mu_X$  (Why? Think Chebyshev!)

$$g(x) \approx g(\mu_X) + g'(\mu_X)(x - \mu_X) + \frac{g''(x)(x - \mu_X)^2}{2!} + \dots + \text{higher order terms}$$
$$g(X) \approx g(\mu_X) + g'(\mu_X)(X - \mu_X) + \frac{g''(X)(X - \mu_X)^2}{2!}$$

$$E[Z] \approx E[g(\mu_X)] + E[g'(\mu_X)(X - \mu_X)] + E\left[\frac{g''(\mu_X)}{2!}(X - \mu_X)^2\right]$$

$$\approx g(\mu_X) + g'(\mu_X)E[(X - \mu_X)] + \frac{g''(\mu_X)}{2!}E[(X - \mu_X)^2]$$

$$E[Z] \approx g(\mu_X) + \frac{g''(\mu_X)}{2!}\sigma_X^2$$

But  $R = \frac{\bar{Y}}{\bar{X}}$ , a function of <u>two variables!</u>

Consider 
$$g(x,y): \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$$
  
Taylor expand  $g$  about  $(\mu_x, \mu_y)$ 

1 Linear Approximation

$$g(x,y) \approx g(\mu_x, \mu_y) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (x - \mu_x) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (y - \mu_y)$$

(2) Second order approximation

$$g(x,y) \approx g(\mu_x, \mu_y) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (x - \mu_x) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (y - \mu_y)$$
$$+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x^2}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (x - \mu_x)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial y^2}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (y - \mu_y)^2 + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x \partial y}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y)$$

Evaluating E[g(X,Y)]

$$\begin{split} E[g(X,Y)] &\approx g(\mu_x,\mu_y) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(\mu_x,\mu_y) \cdot \underbrace{E[(x-\mu_x)]}^{0} + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(\mu_x,\mu_y) \cdot \underbrace{E[(y-\mu_y)]}^{0} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x^2}(\mu_x,\mu_y) \cdot E[(x-\mu_x)^2] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial y^2}(\mu_x,\mu_y) \cdot E[(y-\mu_y)^2] + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x \partial y}(\mu_x,\mu_y) \cdot E[(x-\mu_x)(y-\mu_y)] \end{split}$$

When the dust settles,

$$E[g(X,Y)] \approx g(\mu_x,\mu_y) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x^2}(\mu_x,\mu_y) \cdot \sigma_X^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial y^2}(\mu_x,\mu_y) \cdot \sigma_Y^2 + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x \partial y}(\mu_x,\mu_y) \cdot Cov(X,Y)$$

## Lecture 6 (2018-09-19)

- Approximation methods,  $\Delta$ -methods
- Ratio estimations
- Parametric Estimation

Let X be a r.v. mean  $\mu_X$  and variance  $\sigma_X^2$ . Let g be a deterministic function  $g : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ . Let Z = g(X) How to approximate E[g(X)] = g(Z)? We could do

$$E[Z] \approx g(\mu_X) + \frac{1}{2}g''(\mu_X) \cdot Var(X)$$

Whether or not this approximation is accurate depends on contribution to higher order terms. If Z = g(X, Y), then E[Z] is

$$E[Z] \approx g(\mu_x, \mu_y) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x^2}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot \sigma_X^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial y^2}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot \sigma_Y^2 + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x \partial y}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot \sigma_{XY}^2$$

**Goal:** Understand E[R], Var(R) where  $R = \frac{\bar{Y}}{\bar{X}}$  and we are sampling W.o.R from a finite bivariate population

Let's consider what happens when  $g(X,Y) = \frac{Y}{X}$ 

$$\frac{\partial g}{\partial x} = \frac{-y}{x^2} \to \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x^2} = \frac{2y}{x^3} \qquad \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{x} \to \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial y^2} = 0 \qquad \frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial x \partial y} = -\frac{1}{x^2}$$

Here we will look at  $g(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}) = \frac{\bar{X}}{\bar{Y}}$   $E[\bar{X}] = \mu_x$  and  $E[\bar{Y}] = \mu_y$ 

$$E[g(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})] = E\left[\frac{\bar{X}}{\bar{Y}}\right] \approx \frac{\mu_y}{\mu_x} + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2\mu_y}{(\mu_x)^3}\right) \sigma_{\bar{X}}^2 + 0 - \frac{1}{\mu_x^2} \sigma_{\bar{X}\bar{Y}}$$

Do we think  $\mu_x R$  is unbiased for  $\mu_y$  Answer: No, it is not unbiased b/c look at approximation

### What about variance?

Let's return for a minute on general setting for approximations of moments of functions of random variables. Again g(X,Y) = Z

Let's write 1st order Taylor expansion for Z

$$Z \approx g(\mu_x, \mu_y) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (x - \mu_x) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(\mu_x, \mu_y) \cdot (y - \mu_y)$$

So we find

$$\begin{split} Z &\approx a + b(X - \mu_X) + c(Y - \mu_Y) \\ Var(Z) &\approx b^2 Var(X) + c^2 Var(Y) + 2bcCov(X, Y) \\ &\approx \left[\underbrace{\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}}_{\mathbf{h}}\right]^2 \sigma_X^2 + \left[\underbrace{\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}}_{\mathbf{h}}\right]^2 \sigma_Y^2 + 2 \left[\underbrace{\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}}_{\mathbf{h}}\right] \left[\underbrace{\frac{\partial g}{\partial y}}_{\mathbf{h}}\right] \sigma_{XY} \end{split}$$

We don't go further than linear as higher variance requires higher order moments e.g.  $E[x^4] \leftarrow$  they don't matter.

$$Var(R) \approx \left[\frac{-\mu_y}{\mu_x^2}\right]^2 \sigma_{\bar{X}}^2 + \left[\frac{1}{\mu_x}\right]^2 \sigma_{\bar{Y}}^2 + 2\left[\frac{-\mu_y}{\mu_x^2}\right] \left[\frac{1}{\mu_x}\right] \sigma_{\bar{X}\bar{Y}} \tag{\star}$$

Recall

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}}^2 = \frac{\sigma_x}{n} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \qquad \sigma_{\bar{Y}}^2 = \frac{\sigma_y}{n} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right]$$
$$\sigma_{\bar{X}\bar{Y}} = ? \qquad \frac{\sigma_{xy}}{n} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right]$$

Recall

$$\sigma_{XY} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu_x)(y_i - \mu_y)$$

$$\rho = \frac{\sigma_{xy}}{\sigma_x \sigma_y} \Longrightarrow \left[ \sigma_{xy} = \rho \sigma_x \sigma_y \right]$$

Now  $\star$  implies

$$Var(R) \approx \frac{1}{n} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \left\{ \frac{\mu_y^2}{\mu_x^4} \sigma_x^2 + \frac{1}{\mu_x^2} \sigma_y^2 - \frac{2\mu_y}{\mu_x^3} \sigma_{xy} \right\}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{n\mu_x^2} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \left\{ \underbrace{\frac{\mu_y^2}{\mu_x^2}}_{r^2} \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 - 2 \underbrace{\frac{\mu_y}{\mu_x^3}}_{r} \underbrace{\sigma_{xy}}_{\rho\sigma_x\sigma_y} \right\}$$

$$Var(R) \approx \frac{1}{n\mu_x^2} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \left( r^2 \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 - 2r\rho\sigma_x\sigma_y \right)$$

#### **Ratio Estimations**

Ratio estimate for  $\mu_Y$  is  $\mu_X R \leftarrow$  useful if  $\mu_X$  is known. We know from before that  $E[\mu_X R] \neq \mu_Y$ .

$$Var(\bar{Y}) = \frac{\sigma_y^2}{n} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right]$$
  $E[\bar{Y}] = \mu$ 

Ratio is useful if bias is small and variance reduction is significant (relative to  $Var(\bar{Y})$ ).

Recall

$$\begin{split} E(R) &= \frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{2\mu_y}{\mu_x^3} \cdot \frac{\sigma_y^2}{n} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] - \frac{1}{\mu_X^2} \frac{\sigma_{xy}}{n} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \\ &\approx r + \frac{1}{n\mu_x^2} \left[ \frac{N-n}{N-1} \right] \left( r\sigma_x^2 - \rho \sigma_x \sigma_y \right) \end{split}$$

Finally,

$$E[\mu_x R] \approx \mu_y + \frac{1}{\mu_y} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right) (r\sigma_x^2 - \rho\sigma_x\sigma_y)$$

So is non-zero, but decaying in n.

**Fact:** For n large but small relative to N ( $n \ll N$ ), R can be approx. using normal distribution.

# Lecture 7 (2018-09-24)

- Properties of estimation
- Method of moments
- Maximum Likelihood
- Properties of estimators

Lecture 8 (2018-09-26)

**Maximum Likelihood Estimation** 

## Lecture 9 (2018-10-01)

- MLEs normal, gamma, uniform
- Modes of convergence
- Slutsky's Theorem
- Asymptotic properties of MLEs

#### MLEs - Normal Distribution

Let  $X_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$  be i.i.d.  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  The <u>likelihood</u>

$$f(x_1, \leq, x_n | \mu, \sigma^2) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i | \mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(\frac{-(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n \exp\left(\frac{-1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2\right)$$
The log-likelihood:
$$= -n \log(\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2$$

Maximize this w.r.t.  $\mu, \sigma$ . Here log-likelihood depends smoothly on parameters  $\rightarrow$  can consider critical points as 1st step in maximization.

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \mu} = \frac{2}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu) = 0 \Longrightarrow n\mu = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \Longrightarrow \left[ \hat{\mu}_{\text{MLE}} = \bar{X} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \sigma} = \frac{-n\sqrt{2\pi}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} - \frac{-1}{\sigma^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2 = 0 \Longrightarrow \frac{n}{\sigma} = \frac{1}{\sigma^3} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2 \Longrightarrow \left[ \hat{\sigma}_{\text{MLE}}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2 \right]$$

Need to make sure two partial derivatives vanish simultaneously

$$\mu = \bar{X}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2 \Longrightarrow \boxed{\hat{\sigma}_{\text{MLE}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}}$$

Capital  $X_i$ 's because want a function of the random variables in our sample.  $E[\bar{X}] = \mu$ . So  $\hat{\mu}$  MLE is <u>unbiased</u>.  $Var(\hat{\mu}_{MLE}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$ 

Question: Is  $E[\hat{\sigma}_{\text{MLE}}] = \sigma$ ?

Next, 
$$\hat{\mu}_{\text{MLE}} = \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

### Support

Given a density function  $f(x|\theta)$ , we define the support of f to be

$$\operatorname{supp} f = \{x : f(x|\theta) > 0\}$$

Suppose  $\Theta$  is the space (in  $\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^d$ ) to which  $\theta$  belongs:

If 
$$X_i$$
's are i.i.d.. Bernoulli $(p)$ , then  $\Theta = (0,1)$ , supp  $f = \{0,1\}$   
If  $X_i$ 's are i.i.d..  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then  $\Theta = \{(a,b) : a \in \mathbb{R}, b > 0\}$ , supp  $f = \mathbb{R}$ 

We say that the supp f is independent of  $\theta$  if

$$\{x: f(x|\theta) > 0\}$$
 is the same set for all  $\theta \in \Theta$ 

#### MLEs - Uniform Distribution

Now let  $X_i$  be i.i.d. Unif $[0, \theta]$   $\theta > 0$  Here supp f is not independent of  $\theta$ .

$$\operatorname{supp} f = \{x : f(x|\theta) > 0\} \qquad f(x|\theta) \begin{cases} 0 & x < 0 \\ \frac{1}{\theta} & 0 \le x \le \theta \\ 0 & x >> \theta \end{cases}$$

Joint Likelihood

$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} \cdots \frac{1}{\theta}}_{\text{n times}} = \left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)^n$$
with indicator 
$$f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | \theta) = \left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)^n \left(I_{[0,\theta]}(x_1) \cdot I_{[0,\theta]}(x_2) \cdots I_{[0,\theta]}(x_n)\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)^n I_{\min(x_i) \ge 0, \max(x_i) \le \theta}$$

**Note:**  $\left(\frac{1}{\theta}\right)^n$  is decreasing in  $\theta$ 

- So want to choose  $\theta$  as small as possible
- So note lower bound on  $\theta$  in terms of  $x_i$ 's if likelihood is to remain positive.

$$\hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} = \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} (x_i)$$

#### Modes of Convergence

Let X be 
$$unif[0,1]$$
. Let  $g_n(x) = nI_{[0,1/n]}(x)$   
Let  $Y_n = g_n(X)$ 

If 
$$X = 0$$
,  $g_n(0) = n$  (grows unboundedly)  
If  $X = x \in (0, 1]$ ,  $g_n(x)$  is eventually 0.

If X > 0,  $g_n(X) \to 0$ . X = a > 0. if n large enough so  $\frac{1}{n} < a$ , then  $g_n(a) = 0$ For all  $\omega$  except  $\omega = 0$ ,  $Y_n(\omega) \to 0$ :  $P(\{\omega = 0\}) = 0$ So we have set A.  $A = \{\omega : \omega > 0\}$  with P(A) = 1, such that  $\forall \omega \in A$ ,  $Y_n(\omega) \to 0$ . So  $Y_n \to 0$  with probability 1.

# Lecture 10 (2018-10-03)

• Asymptotic properties of MLEs

## Lecture 11 (2018-10-10)

- MLEs consistency
- Asymptotic normality

Question: Are MLEs always unbiased?

Answer: No,

Consider 
$$X_i \sim \text{ i.i.d. } \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$
  
MLE for  $\sigma^2$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2$   
 $E[S^2] = \sigma^2$  where  $s^2 = \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})}{n-1}$   
 $s^2 > \hat{\sigma}^2$   
 $E[\hat{\sigma}^2] < \hat{\sigma}^2$   
 $E[\hat{\sigma}^2] = \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2$  **But**  $\mathbb{E}[\hat{\sigma}^2] \xrightarrow{n \to \infty} \sigma^2$ 

So this estimator is asymptotically unbiased

Bias
$$[\hat{\sigma}^2] = \left| \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 - \sigma^2 \right| \to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty$$

We will see arguments for why

- 1. MLEs are consistent
- 2. Asymptotically normal & asymptotically unbiased
- 3. Have a variance related to Fisher Information

## Lecture 12 (2018-10-15)

#### NEED TO FINISH ATLEAST 8 LECTURES FROM BEFORE

• Modes of convergence; Slutsky's Theorem

• Sufficiency

• Asymptotic normality of MLEs

Efficiency

### 4 Typical Modes of Convergence

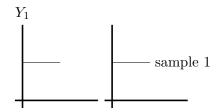
- 1. Convergence with probability 1
- 2. Convergence in probability

- 3. Convergence in  $L^P$  (expectation)
- 4. Convergence in distribution

$$Y_n=g_n(X)=n\mathbbm{1}_{[0,\frac{1}{n})}$$
  $X\sim unif[0,1]$   $Y_n\to y$  w.p. 1 (away from zero) where  $Y\equiv 0$  
$$g_n(X)=n^2\mathbbm{1}_{[0,\frac{1}{n})}$$

- 1. Here  $Y_n \to 0$  w.p. 1
- 2.  $Y_n \to 0$  in probability
- 3.  $E[|Y_n|] = n$  so  $Y_n \to Y$  in Expectation or  $L^P$  for  $p \ge 1$

Exercise: How can we construct a sequence  $Y_n$  s.t.  $Y_n \to 0$  in probability but  $Y_n \not\to 0$  w.p. 1?



For each  $\omega \in (0,1)$  the  $Y_n$ 's oscillate between 0 and 1, but the set of points at which  $Y_n$  is non-zero shrinks in probability.

**Note:** If  $Y_n \to Y$  with probability 1, then  $Y_n \to Y$  in probability, but converse is not necessarily true.

**Theorem.** Slutsky's Theorem:

- 1 Suppose  $X_n \to X$  in distribution  $(X_n \xrightarrow{d} X)$ ,  $Y_n \to Y$  in probability. Then  $X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X + Y_n \xrightarrow{d} X$
- (2) If  $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$  and  $Y_n \to c$  in probability:  $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{d} cX$

Why all this fuss? Short answers: modes of convergence can be quire different!

Let's look at what happens to functions of random variables in particular:

Let  $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be smooth; and suppose  $X_i \sim i.i.d.$   $f(x|\theta);$   $\mu = \mathbb{E}[X_i];$   $Var(X_i) = \sigma^2 < \infty$ 

So  $\bar{X}$  is consistent for  $\mu$ . Further, by CLT  $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \underset{\text{approx}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$
$$\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} (\bar{X} - \mu) \to \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

How to understand approximatet/asymptotic behavior of  $g(\bar{X})$ ? Taylor expand g about  $\mu$ 

$$g(x) \approx g(\mu) + g'(\mu)(x - \mu) + \frac{1}{2}g''(\mu)(x - \mu)^2$$

Taylor's theorem with remainder:

$$g(x) \approx g(\mu) + g'(\mu)(x - \mu) + \frac{g''(Z)}{2!}(x - \mu)^2$$

where Z is some point between  $x \& \mu$ 

$$\Rightarrow g(\bar{X}) - g(\mu) = g'(\mu)(\bar{X} - \mu) + \frac{g''(Z)(\bar{X} - \mu)^2}{2!}$$

$$\sqrt{n}(g(\bar{X}) - g(\mu)) = \underbrace{\sqrt{n}g'(\mu)(\bar{X} - \mu)}_{\rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \text{some variance})} + \underbrace{\frac{\sqrt{n}g''(Z)(\bar{X} - \mu)^2}{2!}}_{?}$$

$$\underbrace{?} = \sqrt{n} \underbrace{\frac{g''(Z)}{2!}}_{\text{suppose we can bound this piece}} (\bar{X} - \mu)^2$$

$$\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)^2 = \underbrace{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}_{\text{converging in distr to normal}} \underbrace{(\bar{X} - \mu)}_{0 \text{ in prob.}}$$

So Slutsky's Theorem  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \left( g(\bar{X}) - g(\mu) \right) \to \mathcal{N}(0, \text{some variance})$ 

Recall our properties of MLE's from last week:

- (1) Consistency
- (2) Fisher information as a variance
- (3) Asymptotic normality:  $\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)} \left( \hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} \theta_0 \right) \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

Let's look at  $\ell(\theta) = \text{log-likelihood}$ 

MLE: 
$$0 = \ell'(\hat{\theta})$$
  
 $\ell'(\theta) - \ell'(\theta_0) \approx \ell''(\theta_0)(\theta - \theta_0)$ 

We conclude that for  $\theta = \hat{\theta}$ 

$$\ell'(\hat{\theta}) \approx \ell'(\theta_0) + \ell''(\theta_0)(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0)$$
  
 
$$\Rightarrow 0 = \ell'(\theta_0) + \ell''(\theta_0)(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0)$$

So if  $\ell''(\theta_0) \neq 0$ , we find

$$(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \approx \frac{-\ell'(\theta_0)}{\ell''(\theta_0)}$$

Now we can also write

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \approx -\frac{n^{-1/2}\ell'(\theta_0)}{n^{-1}\ell''(\theta_0)}$$

$$\ell'(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(X_i | \theta_0)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log \left( f(X_i | \theta_0) \right) \Big|_{\theta = \theta_0}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[n^{-1/2} \ell'(\theta_0)] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log \left( f(X_i | \theta_0) \right) \Big|_{\theta = \theta_0} \right] = 0 \qquad \text{(by earlier result)}$$

$$Var(n^{-1/2} \ell'(\theta_0)) = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log \left( f(X_i | \theta_0) \right) \Big|_{\theta = \theta_0} \right)^2 \right]$$

By independence of  $X_i$ 's and Zero 1st moment of  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(X_i|\theta) \Big|_{\theta=\theta_0}$ 

$$=I(\theta_0)$$

The denominator:

$$\frac{1}{n}\ell''(\theta_0) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\partial^2}{(\partial \theta)^2} \log f(X_i | \theta) \right]}_{Z_i} \Big|_{\theta = \theta_0}$$

## Lecture 13 (2018-10-17)

- Asymptotic normality of MLEs (8.5)
- Efficiency & Sufficiency (8.7)
- Bayesian Estimation (8.6)

Suppose  $X_i$  are i.i.d.  $f(x|\theta)$  where f satisfies regularity conditions 1) smoothness 2) supp f is independent of  $\theta$ )

Let  $\hat{\theta}$  be MLE for  $\theta$  suppose true value of  $\theta$  is  $\theta = \theta_0$ . Then

$$\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \xrightarrow[d]{n \to \infty} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

Note  $Var(\hat{\theta})$  is asymptotically given by  $\frac{1}{nI(\theta_0)}$ 

$$\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta_0}{1/nI(\theta_0)}$$

**Recall:** (where  $\ell(\theta)$  is log likelihood)

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \approx \frac{n^{-1/2}\ell'(\theta_0)}{n^{-1}\ell''(\theta_0)}$$

Recall: last time we showed

$$Var(n^{1/2}\ell'(\theta_0)) = I(\theta_0)$$

Also the denominator is

$$\frac{1}{n}\ell''(\theta_0) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[ \frac{\partial^2}{(\partial \theta)^2} \log f(X_i | \theta) \right] \Big|_{\theta = \theta_0}$$

By LLN, this converges to

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{\partial^2}{(\partial\theta)^2}\log f(X_i|\theta)\bigg|_{\theta=\theta_0}\right] = +I(\theta_0)$$

So we've written

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \approx \frac{W^{(n)}}{U^{(n)}}$$

We know that  $U^{(n)} \to I(\theta_0)$  in probability But what is the numerator?

$$W^{(n)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f(X_i | \theta) \right] \Big|_{\theta = \theta_0}$$

Observe that  $Y_i$ 's are ii,  $E[Y_i] = 0$ ;  $Var(Y_i) = I(\theta_0)$  So by CLT applied to  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_i$ , we find that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}} \sum Y_i \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0,1)$$

So Slutsky's theorem  $\Rightarrow \sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0,?)$  What is ?

So we've written

$$\begin{split} [\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}-\theta_0)]\sqrt{I(\theta_0)} &\approx \frac{W^{(n)}}{U^{(n)}} \quad (\sqrt{I(\theta_0)}) \end{split}$$
 Notice that 
$$\frac{\sqrt{I(\theta_0)}}{U^{(n)}} \to \frac{1}{\sqrt{I(\theta_0)}} \quad \text{in probability} \\ \text{Note that} \qquad \frac{W^n}{\sqrt{I(\theta_0)}} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{I(\theta_0)}} \sum Y_i \longrightarrow \mathcal{N}(0,1) \end{split}$$

#### So what did we do?

- 1. First, we did a Taylor expansion (1st order) of log likelihood
- 2. We used that to write

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \approx -\frac{n^{-1/2}\ell'(\theta_0)}{n^{-1}\ell''(\theta_0)}$$
Note: 
$$\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \approx \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}}\ell'(\theta_0)}{\boxed{\frac{-1}{I(\theta_0)} \cdot \frac{1}{n}\ell''(\theta_0)}}$$

3. We used Central Limit Theorem to conclude that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\ell'(\theta_0) \to \mathcal{N}(0, I(\theta_0))$$

- 4. By LLN, boxed piece converges in probability to  $1/\sqrt{I(\theta_0)}$
- 5. By Slutsky's Theorem,  $\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}(\hat{\theta}-\theta_0) \xrightarrow[d]{n\to\infty} \mathcal{N}(0,1)$

#### **Next: Surprising!**

Suppose that  $X_i \sim f(X_i|\theta)$  satisfying regularity conditions and let  $T = r(X_1, ..., X_n)$  an estimator for  $\theta$  Suppose that T is unbiased for  $\theta$ . (T is not necessarily MLE or MOM...) Then

$$Var(T) \ge \frac{1}{nI(\theta)}$$

This is a remarkable <u>lower bound</u> on the variance of an unbiased estimator! An unbiased estimator T  $(T = T_n = r(X_1, ..., X_n))$  Such that  $Var(T_n) = \frac{1}{nI(\theta)}$  is said to be efficient

if 
$$\frac{Var(T_n)}{1/nI(\theta_0)} \xrightarrow{n\to\infty} 1$$
, then  $T_n$  is asymptotically efficient

Relative Efficiency: If we have two unbiased estimators  $\hat{\theta_1}$  and  $\hat{\theta_2}$ , their relative efficiency is the ratio  $\frac{Var(\hat{\theta_1})}{Var(\hat{\theta_2})}$ 

The asymptotic relative efficiency is the limit of this ratio as  $n \to \infty$ :

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{Var(\hat{\theta_1})}{Var(\hat{\theta_2})}$$

So far we've shown

- 1. MLEs are consistent
- 2. MLEs are asymptotically unbiased
- 3. MLEs are asymptotically normal
- 4. MLEs are asymptotically efficient

### Sufficiency

Let  $X_i \sim f(x|\theta)$ . Suppose  $T = r(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is a statistic (i.e. a function of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ ) We say T is sufficient for  $\theta$  if the conditional distribution of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  given T is independent of  $\theta$ 

**Theorem.** (Factorization)

A statistic T is sufficient for a parameter  $\theta$  iff  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta) = g(T, \theta) \cdot h(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ 

## Lecture 14 (2018-10-22)

Sufficiency: We say that a statistic T is sufficient for the parameter  $\theta$  if the conditional distribution of the data  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  given T does not depend on  $\theta$ .

<u>Factorization Theorem:</u> A statistic T is sufficient for a parameter  $\theta$  iff the joint density can be factorized

$$f(x_1,\ldots,x_n|\theta) = g(T,\theta) \cdot h(X_1,\ldots,X_n)$$

**Remark.** Sufficient statistic need not be unique and many cases  $h(x_1, \ldots, x_n) = 1$ 

**Example 1.** Let  $X_i$  be i.i.d. Bernoulli(p). Suppose n = 3. Let  $T = X_1 + X_2 + X_3$ . Claim: T is sufficient for p. Let's look at an example

$$P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 0, X_3 = 1 | T = t) \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t \neq 2 \\ \frac{1}{\binom{3}{2}} & \text{if } t = 2 \end{cases} \quad \{t = 2\} = \frac{P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 0, X_3 = 1 | T = 2)}{P(T = 2)} = \frac{p^2 q}{\binom{3}{2} p^2 q}$$

Can also invoke Factorization:

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta) = \theta^{\sum x_i} \cdot (1 - \theta)^{\sum x_i}$$
$$= \underbrace{\Theta^T (1 - \Theta)^{n-T}}_{g(T, \theta)} \cdot \underbrace{1}_{h(x_1, \dots, x_n)}$$

#### Two Paradigms for Statistical Inference

- (1) **Frequentist:** parameters are unknown <u>non-random variables</u>. Goal: obtain estimate  $T(X_1, ..., X_n)$  for this parameter and try to extract useful properties — consistency, asymptitic distributions, unbiasedness, minimum variance, ... Might want CIs for  $\theta$  based on asymptotic distribution of T.
- 2 **Bayesian**: parameters are themselves random variables and these parameters have some probability distribution,  $f_{\lambda}(\theta)$ , this distribution might involve other parameters, called hyperparameters (often known).

This distribution models uncertainty in your belief about  $\theta$ . It is called a *prior*.

Next we have  $X_i$  i.i.d.  $f(x|\theta)$ . This is our data, and  $f(x_1, \ldots, x_n|\theta)$  is our joined likelihood (common thread in both paradigms).

Goal: Use the observed data to recalculate conditional probabilities for  $\theta$  given observed data i.e. to calculate a posterior distribution  $f(\theta|x_1,\ldots,x_n)$ 

Then we use posterior distribution to extract information about  $\theta$  include estimates (for  $\theta$ ):

- 1. posterior mean
- 2. posterior median
- 3. posterior mode

**Example 2.** Suppose  $X_i$  i.i.d. Bernoulli(p).

Suppose p satisfies a discrete prior:

$$p = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} & \text{w.p. } \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{w.p. } \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{3}{4} & \text{w.p. } \frac{1}{3} \end{cases}$$

An example of continuous, "non-informative" prior:

$$p \sim \text{Unif}(0, 1)$$

Given 
$$p$$
, let  $X_i \sim \text{i.i.d Bernoulli}(p)$   $X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_3 = 1, X_4 = 1$ 

Let's calculate posterior distribution of p:

$$\begin{split} P(p = p_0 | X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_3 = 1, X_4 = 1) &= \underbrace{\frac{P(p = p_0, X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_3 = 1, X_4 = 1)}{P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_3 = 1, X_4 = 1)}}_{\text{function of the data} \rightarrow C(X_1, \dots, X_n)} \\ &= \underbrace{\frac{P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_3 = 1, X_4 = 1 | p = p_0) \cdot P(p = p_0)}{\sum_{\text{all } a} P(X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_3 = 1, X_4 = 1 | p = a) \cdot P(p = at)}}_{\text{all } a} \end{split}$$

Now continue with the example

$$Pr(p = \frac{1}{4}|1, 1, 1, 1) = \frac{Pr(1, 1, 1, 1|p = \frac{1}{4}) \cdot Pr(p = \frac{1}{4})}{Pr(1, 1, 1, 1)}$$
$$= \frac{(1/4)^4 \cdot (1/3)}{(1/4)^4 \cdot (1/3) + (1/2)^4 \cdot (1/3) + (3/4)^4 \cdot (1/3)} = u_1$$

$$Pr(p = \frac{1}{2}|1, 1, 1, 1) = \frac{Pr(1, 1, 1, 1|p = \frac{1}{2}) \cdot Pr(p = \frac{1}{2})}{Pr(1, 1, 1, 1)}$$
$$= \frac{(1/2)^4 \cdot (1/3)}{(1/4)^4 \cdot (1/3) + (1/2)^4 \cdot (1/3) + (3/4)^4 \cdot (1/3)} = u_2$$

$$Pr(p = \frac{3}{4}|1, 1, 1, 1) = \frac{Pr(1, 1, 1, 1|p = \frac{3}{4}) \cdot Pr(p = \frac{3}{4})}{Pr(1, 1, 1, 1)}$$
$$= \frac{(3/4)^4 \cdot (1/3)}{(1/4)^4 \cdot (1/3) + (1/2)^4 \cdot (1/3) + (3/4)^4 \cdot (1/3)} = u_3$$

$$p_{\text{post}} \begin{cases} 1/4 & u_1 \\ 1/2 & u_2 \\ 3/4 & u_3 \end{cases} \qquad \hat{p}_{\text{post}} = \frac{1}{4}u_1 + \frac{1}{2}u_2 + \frac{3}{4}u_3$$

Sometimes, we will find priors and posteriors and likelihoods such that prior and posterior belong to some family  $\mathcal{F}$  and the likelihood belongs to  $\mathcal{G}$ . Here, we say  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}$  are conjugate families of priors

Case when we have continuous distributions and want to obtain posterior densities:

$$f(\theta) = \text{prior density}$$
  
 $f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta) = \text{likelihood}$ 

$$f(\theta|x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n|\theta) \cdot f(\theta)}{\underbrace{\int f(x_1, \dots, x_n|\theta) \cdot f(\theta) d\theta}}$$
function of observed data  $\to C(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ 

The denominator is a function of observed data i.e. it is a normalizing constant in the posterior density. Often we don't have to calculate it explicitly! **Note** that the posterior density depends on the data. It is however a density for  $\theta$ . So often, we will want to manipulate the posterior density into a recognizable form as a function of  $\theta$  with moments that might depend on the data.