

Review of Probability Theory- Part B

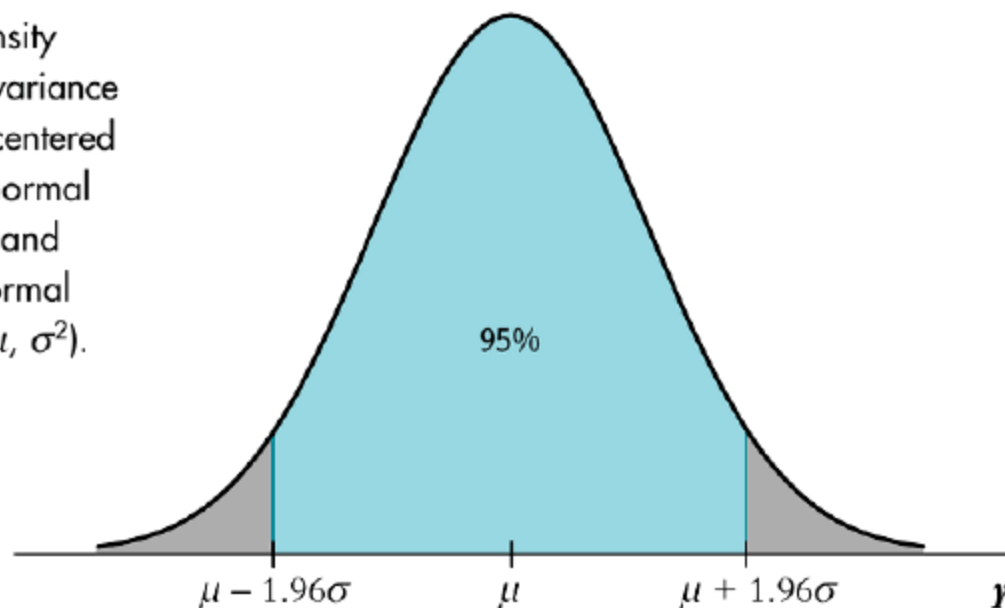
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➤ Normal Distribution $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

FIGURE 2.3 The Normal Probability Density

The normal probability density function with mean μ and variance σ^2 is a bell-shaped curve, centered at μ . The area under the normal p.d.f. between $\mu - 1.96\sigma$ and $\mu + 1.96\sigma$ is 0.95. The normal distribution is denoted $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.



➤ $\Pr(\mu - 1.96\sigma < X < \mu + 1.96\sigma) = 0.95$

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- In general, we standardize the Normal R.V. by subtracting μ and dividing by σ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr(c < X < d) \\ &= \Pr\left(\frac{c - \mu}{\sigma} < \underbrace{\frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}}_Z < \frac{d - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = \Pr\left(\frac{c - \mu}{\sigma} < Z < \frac{d - \mu}{\sigma}\right) \end{aligned}$$

where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$

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- Example: Income in the US is the normally distributed with $\mu=50,000$ and $\sigma=20,000$. What is the probability a person in the US has income over 75,000.

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(X > 75,000) &= \Pr\left(\frac{X - 50,000}{20,000} > \frac{75,000 - 50,000}{20,000}\right) \\ &= \Pr(Z > 1.25) = 10.56\%\end{aligned}$$

- What is the probability that a person at random has income between 35,000 and 65,000?

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(35,000 < X < 65,000) &= \Pr\left(\frac{35,000 - 50,000}{20,000} < \frac{X - 50,000}{20,000} < \frac{65,000 - 50,000}{20,000}\right) \\ &= \Pr(-0.75 < Z < 0.75) = 1 - \Pr(Z < -0.75) - \Pr(Z > 0.75) \\ &= 1 - 2 \cdot \Pr(Z < -0.75) = 1 - 2 \cdot 0.2266 = 0.5468 = 54.68\%\end{aligned}$$

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- Bi-variate Normal: this describes the probability distribution of X and Y are jointly as Normal

- The linear combination $aX+bY$ is distributed as:

$$N(a\mu_X + b\mu_Y, a^2 \cdot \sigma_X^2 + b^2 \cdot \sigma_Y^2 + 2ab \cdot \sigma_{XY})$$

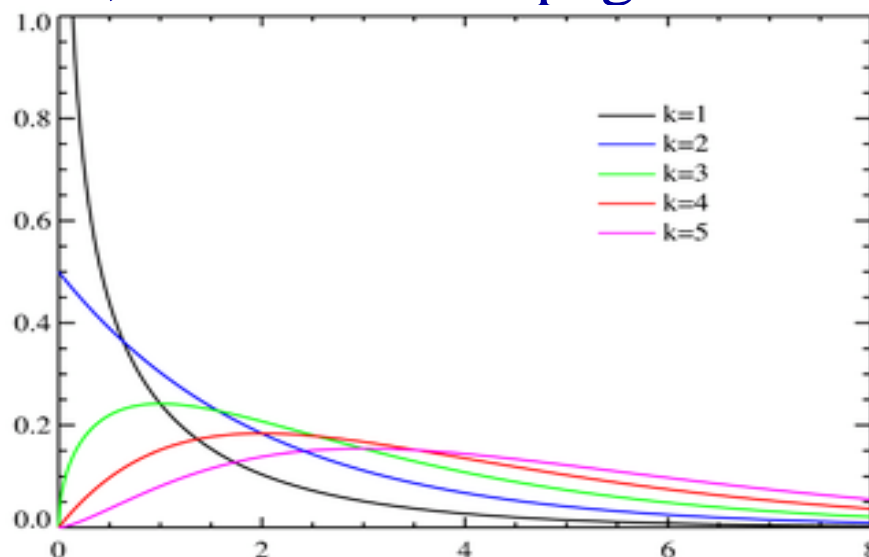
- If X and Y are independent, then $aX+bY$ is distributed as:

$$N(a\mu_X + b\mu_Y, a^2 \cdot \sigma_X^2 + b^2 \cdot \sigma_Y^2)$$

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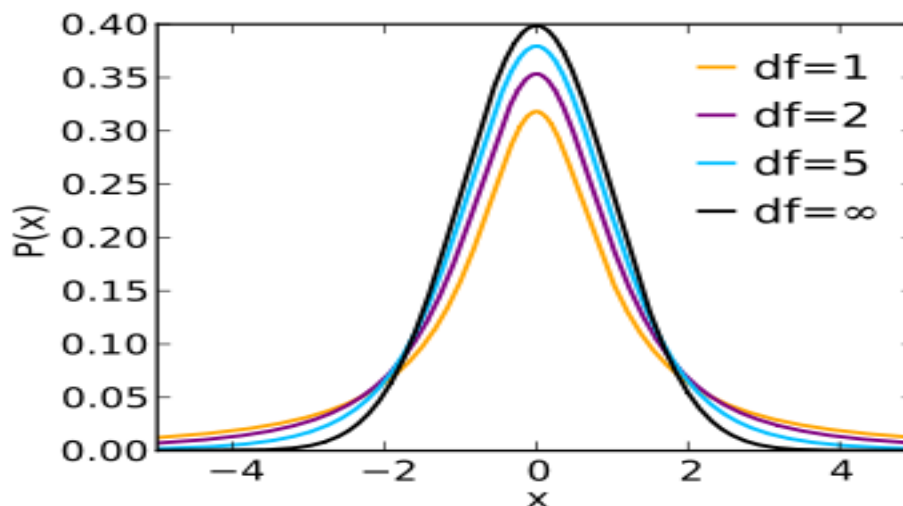
- Chi-squared distribution χ^2
- The distribution of the sum of k squared independent standard normal RV is called χ_k^2 distribution, and k is called the degree of freedom.
- Suppose that we have 4 (i.e., $k=4$) standard normal variable that are independent: Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4 . Let $W = Z_1^2 + Z_2^2 + Z_3^2 + Z_4^2$. Then the distribution of W is χ_4^2
- $\Pr(W > 9.49) = 0.05$, see table 3 on page 758
- PDF:



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- Student t distribution
- Let Z be a standard normal RV and W_m a Chi-squared RV with degree of freedom m . Suppose Z and W_m are independent.
- Then $R_m = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{\frac{W_m}{m}}} \sim t$ distribution with m degree of freedom



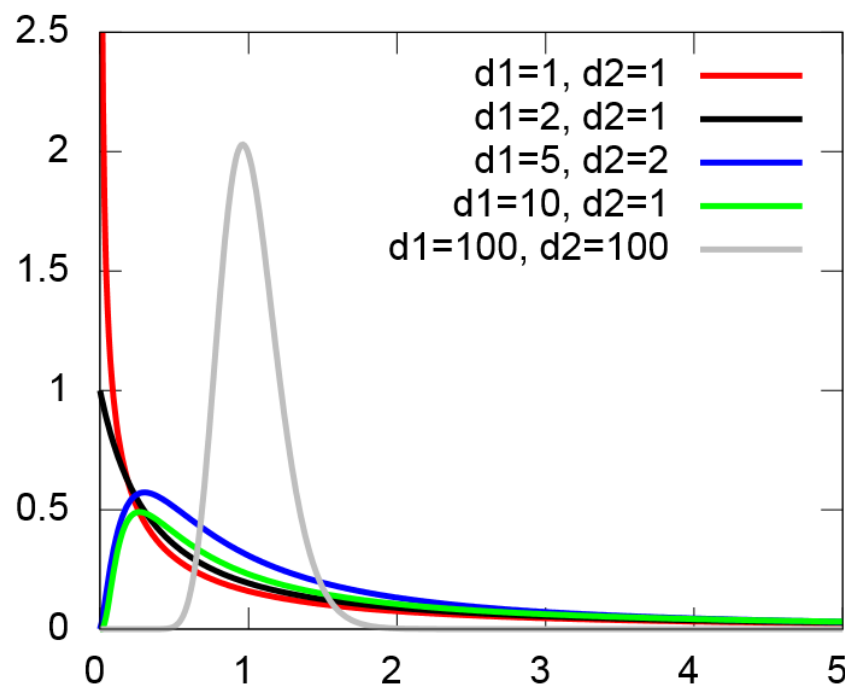
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- F distribution
- Let W be a chi-squared random variable with m degree of freedom.
- Let V be a chi-squared random variable with n degree of freedom.

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$$\frac{W/m}{V/n} \sim F_{m,n} \text{ (F distribution with } m \text{ and } n \text{ degree)}$$

➤
$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, W/m \sim F_{m,\infty}$$



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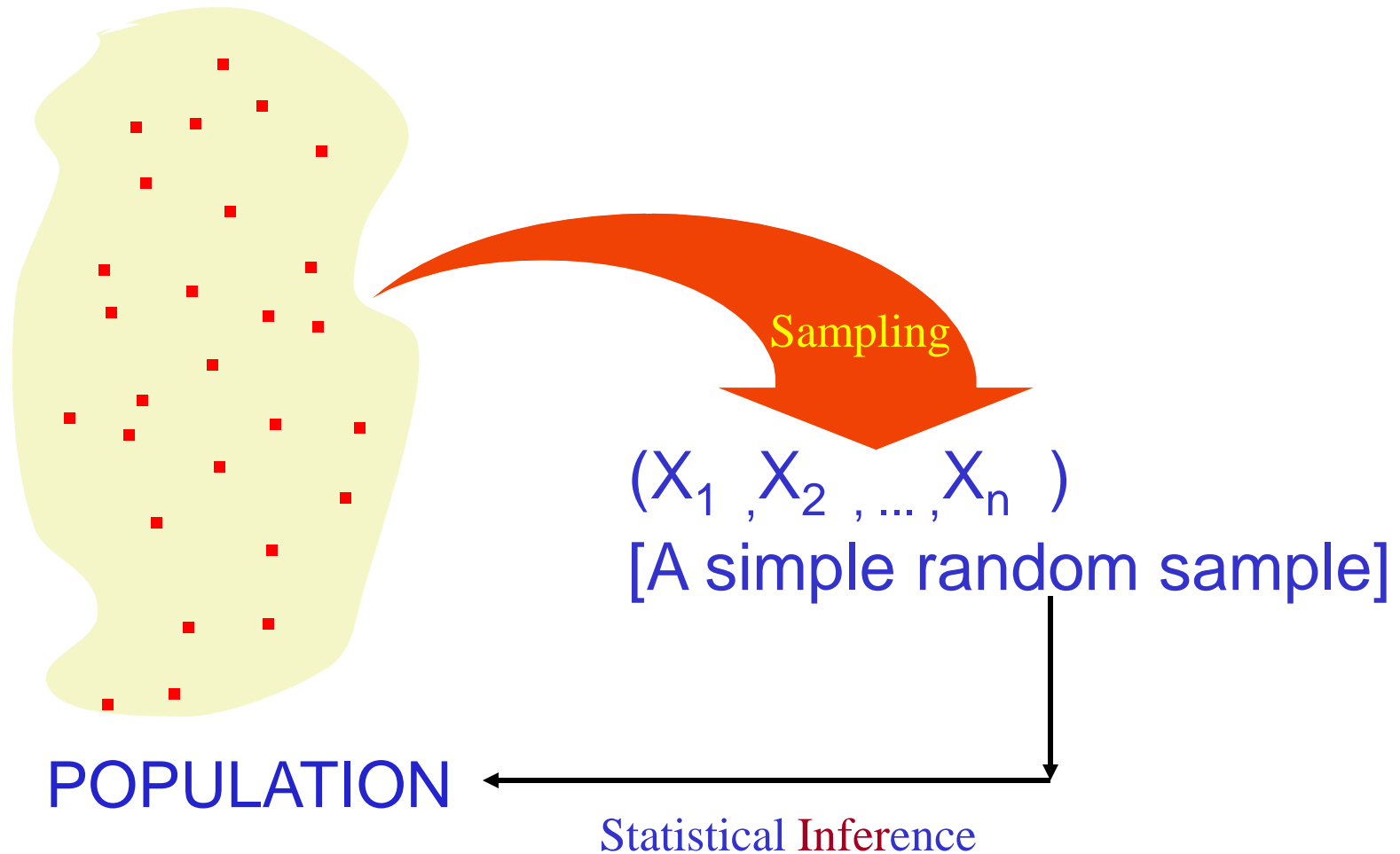
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Sampling is the process of taking a smaller group of subjects from a larger population.

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- The random sample or the data $\{X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n\}$ are random variables.
- We don't know the exact outcome beforehand.
- The statistic calculated from a randomly chosen sample is an example of a random variable.
- A statistic from different random samples will take different values.

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- Populations Have Parameters, Samples Have Estimators

Population	Sample
Parameters	Estimators
<i>e.g. Pop. mean</i> <i>Pop. Variance</i>	<i>Sample mean</i> <i>Sample variance</i>

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- Suppose $Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2), i = 1, \dots, n$
- What is the distribution of $\bar{Y} = \frac{\sum Y_i}{n}$?
- Here we focus on the case where a sample is draw at random (random sampling) from a population
- For a sample size $n=20$, draw at random Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{20} each Y_i is independent from the other since random sampling
- If they are draw from the same underling distribution (e.g., Normal), then they are identically distributed
- iid: independently and identically distributed.

$$Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

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- Average $\bar{Y} = \frac{\sum Y_i}{n}$
- For different random sample drawn from the population implies that \bar{Y} is a random variable
- \bar{Y} changes from sample to sample
- So we are interested in that variability called the sampling distribution

➤ Suppose $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

➤ Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{\bar{Y}} &= E(\bar{Y}) = E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum Y_i\right) = \frac{1}{n} E[Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots + Y_n] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} [E(Y_1) + E(Y_2) + \dots + E(Y_n)] = \frac{1}{n} [\mu + \mu + \dots + \mu] = \mu\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\bar{Y}}^2 &= \text{var}(\bar{Y}) = \text{var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum Y_i\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{var}[Y_1 + Y_2 + \dots + Y_n] \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} [\text{var}(Y_1) + \text{var}(Y_2) + \dots + \text{var}(Y_n)] = \frac{1}{n^2} [\sigma^2 + \sigma^2 + \dots + \sigma^2] = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\end{aligned}$$

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- Example: Incomes normally distributed $\mu=50,000$ and $\sigma=20,000$. 100 people sampled at random from the distribution: $\bar{Y} \sim N\left(50,000, \frac{20,000^2}{100}\right)$

- What is the probability the average income is greater than 55,000?

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(\bar{Y} > 55,000) &= \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - 50,000}{\frac{20,000}{\sqrt{100}}} > \frac{55,000 - 50,000}{\frac{20,000}{\sqrt{100}}}\right) \\ &= \Pr(Z > 2.5) = 0.0062 = 0.62\%\end{aligned}$$

- What is the probability the average income is between 45,000 and 52,000.

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(45,000 < \bar{Y} < 52,000) &= \Pr\left(\frac{45,000 - 50,000}{\frac{20,000}{\sqrt{100}}} < \frac{\bar{Y} - 50,000}{\frac{20,000}{\sqrt{100}}} < \frac{52,000 - 50,000}{\frac{20,000}{\sqrt{100}}}\right) \\ &= \Pr(-2.5 < Z < 1) = 1 - [\Pr(Z < -2.5) + \Pr(Z > 1)] = 0.8351\end{aligned}$$

6) Large sample distribution

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- We know that $Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, then $\bar{Y} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$.
- But if $Y_i \sim$ some complicated distribution, $i = 1, \dots, n$ then $\bar{Y} \sim ?$ Potentially complicated!

➤ But

$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

- This is called central limit theorem (CLT).

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- Law of large number
- $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_n$ drawn iid from distribution with mean μ .
- As n goes to infinite, \bar{Y} gets closer and closer to μ .
- Convergence in probability or “consistency”

For any $c > 0$, $\Pr(\mu - c < \bar{Y} < \mu + c) \rightarrow 1$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$

- Stated as $\bar{Y} \xrightarrow{p} \mu$. This is saying

$$\Pr(\bar{Y} \approx \mu) = 1, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Pr(|\bar{Y} - \mu| < c) = 1, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Pr(|\bar{Y} - \mu| > c) = 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

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➤ Law of large number

➤ Example, $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu = 12, \sigma^2 = 25)$

$$n = 2, \bar{Y} = 7.80$$

$$n = 10, \bar{Y} = 11.67$$

$$n = 100, \bar{Y} = 11.84$$

$$n = 1000, \bar{Y} = 11.97$$

$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, \bar{Y} \rightarrow \mu$$

➤ An interactive example:

➤ http://digitalfirst.bfwpub.com/stats_applet/generic_stats_applet_11_largenums.html

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➤ Central limit theorem

➤ $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_n$: iid, then

$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \stackrel{A}{\sim} N(0, 1) \text{ or}$$

$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, \bar{Y} \stackrel{A}{\sim} N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

➤ Very powerful results. It says that even if we don't know the distribution of $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots, Y_n$, we know \bar{Y} will be normally distributed if n is sufficiently large.

➤ The bigger n becomes, the closer \bar{Y} 's distribution become normal.

➤ An interactive example:

<http://www.mathsisfun.com/data/quincunx.html>