

Random variables

- Generally, when $f(x)$ is the
 - pmf for (discrete) r.v. X : $E(X^j) = \sum_x x^j f(x)$
 - pdf for (continuous) r.v. X : $E(X^j) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^j f(x) dx$
- The variance is $\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$

Distributions

family	mean	variance
$X \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$	np	$np(1-p)$
$X \sim \text{Geom}(p)$	$(1-p)/p$	$(1-p)/p^2$
$X \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda)$	λ	λ
$X \sim \text{Unif}(a, b)$	$\frac{1}{2}(a+b)$	$\frac{1}{12}(b-a)^2$
$X \sim \text{Norm}(\mu, \sigma)$	μ	σ^2
$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$	$1/\lambda$	$1/\lambda^2$

Sample statistics

For iid sample X_1, \dots, X_n from population with mean μ , sd σ ,

$$Y = \sum_i X_i : E(Y) = n\mu, \quad \text{SD}(Y) = \sigma \sqrt{n} \quad (\text{multiply})$$

$$\bar{X} = Y/n : E(\bar{X}) = \mu, \quad \text{SD}(\bar{X}) = \sigma / \sqrt{n} \quad (\text{divide})$$

- When the population is normal, or n large, then

$$Y \sim \text{Norm}(n\mu, \sigma \sqrt{n}) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{X} \sim \text{Norm}(\mu, \sigma / \sqrt{n}).$$

- When the X_i are Bernoulli (i.e., $\text{Binom}(1, p)$), then $Y \sim \text{Binom}(n, p)$. Moreover, when $np \geq 10$ and $n(1-p) \geq 10$, then Y is approx. normal:

$$Y \sim \text{Norm}(np, \sqrt{np(1-p)}) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{Y}{n} \sim \text{Norm}(p, \sqrt{p(1-p)/n})$$

Inference Procedures

- Level C Confidence Intervals (general):

$$(\text{estimate}) \pm (\text{critical value})(\text{approx. std. error})$$

- 1-sample proportion:

$$\text{-- CI for } p, \quad \text{SE} = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

$$\text{-- z-test (when } \hat{p} \text{ approx. normal)}$$

$$\text{test stat. (H}_0: p = p_0): z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}}}$$

- 1-sample t : test statistic when $\text{H}_0: \mu = \mu_0$

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\text{SE}}, \quad \text{SE} = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \quad df = n - 1$$

- 2-sample t : test statistic when $\text{H}_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$

$$t = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\text{SE}}, \quad \text{SE} = \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

$$\text{Use } t\text{-distribution with Welch } df = \frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}\right)^2}{\frac{(s_1^2/n_1)^2}{n_1-1} + \frac{(s_2^2/n_2)^2}{n_2-1}}.$$

- Chi-square test statistic:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{[(\text{observed count}) - (\text{expected count})]^2}{\text{expected count}}$$

contingency table: $df = (\# \text{rows} - 1)(\# \text{columns} - 1)$

goodness-of-fit: $df = (\# \text{groups}) - 1 - (\# \text{est. params})$

- Model utility test:

$$t = r \sqrt{\frac{n-2}{1-r^2}} = \frac{b_1}{\text{SE}_{b_1}}, \quad \text{with } df = n - 2$$

- F -test in ANOVA: $F = \frac{\text{MSG}}{\text{MSE}}$, where

$$df_{\text{numer}} = (\# \text{ of groups}) - 1, \quad \text{and}$$

$$df_{\text{denom}} = (\text{sample size}) - (\# \text{ of groups})$$

Miscellaneous

- Sample standard deviation $s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$

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

- Bayes' rule: $P(B | A) = \frac{P(A | B) P(B)}{P(A)}$

- Total probability: $P(A) = P(A | B) P(B) + P(A | \bar{B}) P(\bar{B})$

Combinations of Random Variables

If X, Y are random variables, a, b are numbers, then

$$E(aX) = a E(X)$$

$$E(X \pm Y) = E(X) \pm E(Y)$$

$$\text{Var}(aX) = a^2 \cdot \text{Var}(X), \quad \text{or} \quad \text{SD}(aX) = |a| \cdot \text{SD}(X)$$

- Moreover, if X, Y are independent,

$$\sigma_{X \pm Y}^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2, \quad \text{or} \quad \sigma_{X \pm Y} = \sqrt{\sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2}.$$

Least Squares Regression

The coefficients (from data) are given by

$$b_1 = r \frac{s_y}{s_x}, \quad b_0 = \bar{y} - b_1 \bar{x}$$