# Sampling Distributions Merlise Clyde

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### Outline

### **Topics**

- Normal Theory
- Chi-squared Distributions
- Student t Distributions

Readings: Christensen Apendix C, Chapter 1-2

# Prostate Example

```
> library(lasso2); data(Prostate) # n = 97, 9 variables
> summary(lm(lpsa ~ ., data=Prostate))
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
           0.669399
                     1.296381 0.516 0.60690
lcavol 0.587023 0.087920 6.677 2.11e-09 ***
lweight 0.454461 0.170012 2.673 0.00896 **
age -0.019637 0.011173 -1.758 0.08229 .
         0.107054 0.058449 1.832 0.07040 .
lbph
svi
         0.766156  0.244309  3.136  0.00233 **
         -0.105474 0.091013 -1.159 0.24964
lcp
gleason
         0.045136  0.157464  0.287  0.77506
pgg45
           0.004525 0.004421 1.024 0.30885
Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
```

Residual standard error: 0.7084 on 88 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.6548, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6234

# Summary of Distributions

Models: Full  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ 

Assume  ${\bf X}$  is full rank with the first column of ones  ${\bf 1}_n$  and p additional predictors  $r({\bf X})=p+1$ 

$$\begin{split} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \mid \sigma^2 \sim \mathsf{N}(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}) \\ \frac{\mathsf{SSE}}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{n-r(\mathbf{X})} \\ \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\mathsf{SE}(\hat{\beta}_i)} \sim t_{n-r(\mathbf{X})} \end{split}$$

where  $SE(\hat{\beta})$  is the square root of the *j*th diagonal element of  $\hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  is the unbiased estimate of  $\sigma^2$ 

### General Case

$$\mathbf{W} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{AZ}$$
 with  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  is  $n imes d$ 

- $\bullet \ \mathsf{E}[\mathbf{W}] = \mu$
- $Cov(\mathbf{W}) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T \geq 0$
- ullet  $W \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$  where  $\Sigma = AA^T$

If  $\Sigma$  is singular then there is no density (on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ), but claim that W still has a multivariate normal distribution!

#### Definition

 $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  has a multivariate normal distribution  $N(\mu, \mathbf{\Sigma})$  if for any  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$   $\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{Y}$  has a normal distribution with mean  $\mathbf{v}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}$  and variance  $\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{v}$ 

see Lessons in Normal Theory in Sakai for videos using Characteristic functions

### Linear Transformations are Normal

If 
$$\mathbf{Y} \sim N_n(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$
 then for  $\mathbf{A} \ m \times n$ 

$$\mathbf{AY} \sim \mathsf{N}_m(\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{A}^T)$$

 $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{A}^T$  does not have to be positive definite!

# **Equal** in Distribution

Multiple ways to define the same normal:

- $\mathbf{Z}_1 \sim \mathsf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_n)$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and take  $\mathbf{A} \ d \times n$
- $\mathbf{Z}_2 \sim \mathsf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_p)$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^p$  and take  $\mathbf{B} \ d imes p$
- ullet Define  $\mathbf{Y} = oldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Z}_1$
- ullet Define  $\mathbf{W} = oldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{Z}_2$

#### Theorem

If 
$$\mathbf{Y} = \mu + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Z}_1$$
 and  $\mathbf{W} = \mu + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{Z}_2$  then  $\mathbf{Y} \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{=} \mathbf{W}$  if and only if  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^T = \mathbf{\Sigma}$ 



# Zero Correlation and Independence

#### Theorem

For a random vector  $\mathbf{Y} \sim \mathit{N}(\mu, \mathbf{\Sigma})$  partitioned as

$$\mathbf{Y} = \left[ egin{array}{c} \mathbf{Y}_1 \\ \mathbf{Y}_2 \end{array} 
ight] \sim \mathcal{N} \left( \left[ egin{array}{c} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{array} 
ight], \left[ egin{array}{c} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{11} & \mathbf{\Sigma}_{12} \\ \mathbf{\Sigma}_{21} & \mathbf{\Sigma}_{22} \end{array} 
ight] 
ight)$$

then  $Cov(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2) = \mathbf{\Sigma}_{12} = \mathbf{\Sigma}_{21}^T = \mathbf{0}$  if and only if  $\mathbf{Y}_1$  and  $\mathbf{Y}_2$  are independent.

# Independence Implies Zero Covariance

#### Proof.

$$\mathsf{Cov}(\mathbf{Y}_1, \mathbf{Y}_2) = \mathsf{E}[(\mathbf{Y}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)(\mathbf{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^T]$$

If  $\mathbf{Y}_1$  and  $\mathbf{Y}_2$  are independent

$$\mathsf{E}[(\mathbf{Y}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)(\mathbf{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^T] = \mathsf{E}[(\mathbf{Y}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)\mathsf{E}(\mathbf{Y}_2 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^T] = \mathbf{00}^T = \mathbf{0}$$

therefore  $\Sigma_{12} = \mathbf{0}$ 



# Zero Covariance Implies Independence

Assume 
$$\Sigma_{12} = 0$$

#### Proof

Choose an

$$\mathbf{A} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} \mathbf{A}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{A}_2 \end{array} \right]$$

such that 
$$\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{A}_1^T=\mathbf{\Sigma}_{11}$$
,  $\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{A}_2^T=\mathbf{\Sigma}_{22}$ 

Partition

$$\mathbf{Z} = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{Z}_1 \\ \mathbf{Z}_2 \end{array} \right] \sim \mathsf{N} \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cc} \mathbf{0}_1 \\ \mathbf{0}_2 \end{array} \right], \left[ \begin{array}{cc} \mathbf{I}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_2 \end{array} \right] \right) \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\mu} = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{array} \right]$$

ullet then  $\mathbf{Y} \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{=} \mathbf{AZ} + oldsymbol{\mu} \sim \mathsf{N}(oldsymbol{\mu}, oldsymbol{\Sigma})$ 

### Continued

#### Proof.

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$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{Y}_1 \\ \mathbf{Y}_2 \end{array}\right] \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{=} \left[\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{Z}_1 + \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 \\ \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{Z}_2 + \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 \end{array}\right]$$

- But **Z**<sub>1</sub> and **Z**<sub>2</sub> are independent
- Functions of Z<sub>1</sub> and Z<sub>2</sub> are independent
- Therefore  $\mathbf{Y}_1$  and  $\mathbf{Y}_2$  are independent



### Another Useful Result

### Corollary

If  $\mathbf{Y} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$  and  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}^T = \mathbf{0}$  then  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y}$  and  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}$  are independent.

#### Proof.

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$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \textbf{W}_1 \\ \textbf{W}_2 \end{array}\right] = \left[\begin{array}{c} \textbf{A} \\ \textbf{B} \end{array}\right] \textbf{Y} = \left[\begin{array}{c} \textbf{AY} \\ \textbf{BY} \end{array}\right]$$

- $Cov(\mathbf{W}_1, \mathbf{W}_2) = Cov(\mathbf{AY}, \mathbf{BY}) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{AB}^T$
- AY and BY are independent if  $AB^T = 0$



# Sampling Distribution of $\beta$

If 
$$\mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$$
  
Then  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1})$ 

### Unknown $\sigma^2$

$$\hat{\beta}_j \mid \beta_j, \sigma^2 \sim \mathsf{N}(\beta, \sigma^2[(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{jj})$$

What happens if we substitute  $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \mathbf{e}^t \mathbf{e}/(n-r(\mathbf{X}))$  in the above?

$$\frac{(\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j)/\sigma\sqrt{[(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{jj}}}{\sqrt{\mathbf{e}^T\mathbf{e}/(\sigma^2(n-r(\mathbf{X}))}} \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{=} \frac{N(0,1)}{\sqrt{\chi^2_{n-r(\mathbf{X})}/(n-r(\mathbf{X})}} \sim t(n-r(\mathbf{X}),0,1)$$

Need to show that  $\mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e}/\sigma^2$  has a  $\chi^2$  distribution and is independent of the numerator!

### Central Student t Distribution

#### Definition

Let  $Z \sim N(0,1)$  and  $S \sim \chi_p^2$  with Z and S independent, then

$$W = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{S/p}}$$

has a (central) Student t distribution with p degrees of freedom

See Casella & Berger or DeGroot & Schervish for derivation - nice change of variables and marginalization problem!

# Chi-Squared Distribution

#### **Definition**

If  $Z \sim N(0,1)$  then  $Z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$  (A Chi-squared distribution with one degree of freedom)

Density

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1/2)} (1/2)^{-1/2} x^{1/2-1} e^{-x/2} \qquad x > 0$$

Characteristic Function

$$E[e^{itZ^2}] = \varphi(t) = (1 - 2it)^{-1/2}$$

# Chi-Squared Distribution with p Degrees of Freedom

If 
$$Z_j \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \mathsf{N}(0,1) \ j=1,\dots p$$
 then  $X \equiv \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{Z} = \sum_j^p Z_j^2 \sim \chi_p^2$ 

### Characteristic Function

$$\varphi_X(t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{it \sum_{j=1}^{p} Z_j^2}]$$

$$= \prod_{j=1}^{p} \mathbb{E}[e^{it Z_j^2}]$$

$$= \prod_{j=1}^{p} (1 - 2it)^{-1/2}$$

$$= (1 - 2it)^{-p/2}$$

A Gamma distribution with shape p/2 and rate 1/2, G(p/2, 1/2)

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(p/2)} (1/2)^{-p/2} x^{p/2-1} e^{-x/2}$$
  $x > 0$ 

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# Quadratic Forms

#### $\mathsf{Theorem}$

Let  $\mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$  with  $\mu \in C(\mathbf{X})$  then if  $\mathbf{Q}$  is a rank k orthogonal projection on to  $C(\mathbf{X})^{\perp}$ ,  $(\mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{Y})/\sigma^2 \sim \chi_k^2$ 

#### Proof.

For an orthogonal projection  $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{U} \boldsymbol{\Lambda} \mathbf{U}^T = \mathbf{U}_k \mathbf{U}_k^T$  where  $C(\mathbf{Q}) = C(\mathbf{U}_k)$  and  $\mathbf{U}_k^T \mathbf{U}_k = \mathbf{I}_k$  (Spectral Theorem)

$$\mathbf{Y}^{T}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{Y}^{T}\mathbf{U}_{k}\mathbf{U}_{k}^{T}\mathbf{Y}$$

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{U}_{k}^{T}\mathbf{Y}/\sigma \sim N(\mathbf{U}_{k}^{T}\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{U}_{k}^{T}\mathbf{U}_{k})$$

$$\mathbf{Z} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}_{k})$$

$$\mathbf{Z}^{T}\mathbf{Z} \sim \chi_{k}^{2}$$

Since 
$$U^T \mathbf{Y} / \sigma \stackrel{\mathrm{D}}{=} \mathbf{Z}$$
,  $\frac{\mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{Y}}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_k^2$ 

# Residual Sum of Squares Example

### Sum of Squares Error (SSE)

Let  $\mathbf{Y} \sim \mathsf{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$  with  $\boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})$ .

Because  $\mu \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})$ ,  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{X}}$  is a projection on  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})^{\perp}$ 

$$\frac{\mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e}}{\sigma^2} = \mathbf{Y}^T \frac{(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{X}})^2}{\sigma} \mathbf{Y} \sim \chi^2_{n-r(\mathbf{X})}$$

# Estimated Coefficients and Residuals are Independent

If 
$$\mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$$
  
Then  $Cov(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}, \mathbf{e}) = \mathbf{0}$  which implies independence

Functions of independent random variables are independent (show characteristic functions or densities factor)

# Putting it all together

$$\hat{oldsymbol{eta}} \sim \mathsf{N}(oldsymbol{eta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1})$$

- $(\hat{\beta}_i \beta_i)/\sigma[(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{ii} \sim \mathsf{N}(0,1)$
- $\mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e} / \sigma^2 \sim \chi^2_{n-r(\mathbf{X})}$
- $\hat{\beta}$  and **e** are independent

$$\frac{(\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j)/\sigma[(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{jj}}{\sqrt{\mathbf{e}^T\mathbf{e}/(\sigma^2(n - r(\mathbf{X})))}} \sim t(n - r(\mathbf{X}), 0, 1)$$

### Inference

- 95% Confidence interval:  $\hat{\beta}_j \pm t_{\alpha/2} SE(\hat{\beta}_j)$  use qt(a, df) for  $t_a$  quantile
- derive from pivotal quantity  $t=(\hat{\beta}_j-\beta_j)/\mathsf{SE}(\hat{\beta}_j)$  where  $P(t\in(t_{\alpha/2},t_{1-\alpha/2}))=1-\alpha$

# Prostate Example

 $\label{eq:mass} \mbox{\tt xtable(confint(prostate.lm))} \ \, \mbox{from library(MASS)} \ \, \mbox{and} \\ \mbox{\tt library(xtable)}$ 

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-1.91	3.25
lcavol	0.41	0.76
lweight	0.12	0.79
age	-0.04	0.00
lbph	-0.01	0.22
svi	0.28	1.25
lcp	-0.29	0.08
gleason	-0.27	0.36
pgg45	-0.00	0.01

### interpretation

- For a "1" unit increase in  $\mathbf{X}_j$ , expect  $\mathbf{Y}$  to increase by  $\hat{\beta}_j \pm t_{\alpha/2} \mathrm{SE}(\hat{\beta}_j)$
- for log transforms

$$\mathbf{Y} = \exp(\mathbf{X}eta + \epsilon) = \prod \exp(\mathbf{X}_jeta_j)\exp(\epsilon)$$

- if  $\mathbf{X} = \log(\mathbf{W}_j)$  then look at 2-fold or % increases in  $\mathbf{W}$  to look at multiplicative increase in median of  $\mathbf{Y}$
- ifcavol increases by 10% then we expect PSA to increase by  $1.10^{(Cl)} = (1.0398\%, 1.0751\%)$  or by 3.98 to 7.51 percent

For a 10% increase in cancer volume, we are 95% confident that the PSA levels will increase by approximately 4 to 7.5 percent.

# Derivation