

Distribution	pdf/pmf	cdf	μ, σ^2	cf $\varphi(t)$	MLE	
$\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ on \mathbb{R}	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$	$\Phi\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$	μ, σ^2	$e^{i\mu t - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2}$	$\hat{\mu} = \bar{X}_n$ $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$	CLT, test stats
$\text{Unif}(a,b)$ on $[a,b]$	$\frac{1}{b-a}$	$\frac{x-a}{b-a}$ if $a \leq x \leq b$ 0 if $x < a$ 1 if $x > b$	$\frac{a+b}{2}, \frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$	$\frac{e^{ibt} - e^{ita}}{it(b-a)}$	$\hat{\theta} = \max(x_i)$ (Unif(0,1))	Equal probs in interval
$\text{Exp}(\lambda)$ on $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$	$\lambda e^{-\lambda x}$	$1 - e^{-\lambda x}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$	$\frac{\lambda}{\lambda - it}$	$\hat{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\bar{X}_n}$	Waiting time $P(X > s+t X > s) = P(X > t)$
$\text{Bin}(n,p)$ on $\{0, \dots, n\}$	$\binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$	$\sum_{i=0}^k \binom{n}{i} p^i (1-p)^{n-i}$	$np, np(1-p)$	$(1-p + pe^{it})^n$	$\hat{p} = \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i = \bar{X}_n$	# of successes in n independent Bernoulli trials
$\text{Poi}(\lambda)$ on \mathbb{N}_0	$\frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$	$\sum_{i=0}^k \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^i}{i!}$	λ, λ	$e^{\lambda(e^{it}-1)}$	$\hat{\lambda} = \bar{X}_n$	Rare events in fixed interval with known avg. rate λ
$\text{Ber}(p)$ on $\{0,1\}$	$p^x (1-p)^{1-x}$	$\frac{x-a}{b-a}$ if $0 \leq x \leq 1$	$p, p(1-p)$	$(1-p) + pe^{it}$	$\hat{p} = \bar{X}_n$	$\text{Bin}(n=1)$
$\text{Geo}(p)$ on $\mathbb{N}_{>0}$	$(1-p)^{k-1} p$	$1 - (1-p)^k$	$\frac{1}{p}, \frac{1-p}{p^2}$	$\frac{pe^{it}}{1 - (1-p)e^{it}}$	$\hat{p} = \frac{1}{\bar{X}_n}$	Trials until success
$\Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$ on $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$	$\frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x}$	-	$\frac{\alpha}{\beta}, \frac{\alpha}{\beta^2}$	$(1 - it/\beta)^{-\alpha}$	-	Sum of exponentials $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \Rightarrow S_n \sim \Gamma(n, \lambda)$

De Morgan
 $(\bigcup_{i \in I} A_i)^c = \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i^c$
 $(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i)^c = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i^c$

σ -algebras
 \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra if:
 1. $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$
 2. If $A \in \mathcal{A}$, then $A^c \in \mathcal{A}$
 3. If $(A_i)_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{A}$, then $\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$
 \Rightarrow if \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra over Ω , then $\bigcap_{\alpha} \mathcal{A}_\alpha$ is also a σ -algebra over Ω

Bayes' theorem
 $P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) \cdot P(A)}{P(B)}$

Probability space (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P)
 Ω sample space
 \mathcal{A} σ -algebra over Ω (events) (usually $P(\Omega) = 1$)
 $P: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0,1]$ with $1. P(\Omega) = 1$ 2. $P(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} P(A_i)$

measurable space
 (Ω, \mathcal{A}) is a measurable space if \mathcal{A} is a σ -algebra over Ω .
 $\mu: \mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is a measure if:
 1. $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
 2. $\mu(A) \geq 0 \forall A \in \mathcal{A}$
 3. $\mu(\bigcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_i)$ (countable additivity)

Inclusion-Exclusion formula
 $P(A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} P(A_i \cap A_j) + \dots + (-1)^{n+1} P(A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n)$

Expectation
 $E[X] = \sum_{x \in \mathbb{R}} x p_X(x)$
 $E[aX+b] = aE[X] + bE[1] = aE[X] + b$
 $E[c] = c$
 $E[X] \geq 0$ if $X(\omega) \geq 0 \forall \omega \in \Omega$
 $E[X] \geq E[Y]$ if $X(\omega) \geq Y(\omega) \forall \omega \in \Omega$
 $E[XY] = \sum_{x,y} xy \cdot P(X=x, Y=y)$ or $E[XY] = E[X]E[Y]$ if $X \perp Y$
 $E[X] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X \geq n)$
 $E[g(X)] = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} g(k) P(X=k)$
 $E[g(X)] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(x) p_X(x) dx$

Variance
 $\text{var}[X] \geq 0$
 $\text{var}[X] = E[X^2] - (E[X])^2$
 $\text{var}[aX+b] = a^2 \text{var}[X]$
 $\text{var}[X+Y] = \text{var}[X] + \text{var}[Y] + 2\text{Cov}(X,Y)$
 $\text{var}[X] = 0 \Leftrightarrow P(X = E[X]) = 1$

Covariance
 $\text{Cov}(X,Y) = E[XY] - E[X]E[Y]$
 $\text{Cov}(X,X) = \text{var}[X]$
 $\text{Cov}(aX+b, Y) = a \cdot \text{Cov}(X,Y)$
 $\text{Cov}(X,Y) = 0$ if $X \perp Y$
 X, Y uncorrelated if $\text{Cov}(X,Y) = 0$
 $X \perp Y$ if: $p_{X,Y}(x,y) = p_X(x) p_Y(y) \forall (x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Correlation coefficient
 $\rho(X,Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X,Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$
 $\rho = 1$: perfect positive linear relationship
 $\rho = 0$: uncorrelated
 $\rho = -1$: perfect negative linear relationship

Chebyshev's inequality
 $P(|X - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\epsilon^2}$

Markov's inequality
 $P(X \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{E[X]}{\epsilon}$

Jensen's inequality
 $E[g(X)] \geq g(E[X])$ if g is strictly convex (e.g. $x^2, e^x, \ln(x)$)
 $E[g(X)] \leq g(E[X])$ if g is strictly concave (e.g. $\ln(x), \sqrt{x}$)

Law of total probability
 Let B_1, \dots, B_n be a measurable partition of the sample space, and let A be any event. Then:
 $P(A) = \sum P(A|B_i) \cdot P(B_i)$

$X \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) \Leftrightarrow X \sim \Gamma(1, \lambda)$

σ -algebra 2
 $\sigma(\mathcal{S})$ smallest σ -algebra containing \mathcal{S}
 $f^{-1}(\mathcal{A})$ is σ -algebra if \mathcal{A} is (inverse image under function)
 $\mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_2$ need NOT be σ -algebra

modes of convergence

- almost surely: $(X_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to another RVRV on (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) , if $P(\{\omega \in \Omega \mid \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n(\omega) = X(\omega)\}) = 1$
- in probability: $(X_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to another RVRV on (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) , if $\forall \varepsilon > 0: P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$
- in distribution: $(X_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to another RVRV, if $F_{X_n} \rightarrow F_X(x)$ for all continuity points of F_X

CLT If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are i.i.d. RVRVs with mean μ and variance $\sigma^2 < \infty$, then the normalized sample mean converges in distribution to the standard normal distribution. $Z_n = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$
 $P(X \leq a) \approx P(Z \leq \frac{a - \mu}{\sigma}) = \Phi(\frac{a - \mu}{\sigma})$ (with $Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0,1)$) $1 - \Phi(x) = \Phi(-x)$

WLLN If " with finite mean $\mu = E[X_i]$, then the sample mean converges in probability to the true mean. $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{P} \mu$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

SLCN If " , then the sample mean almost surely converges to the true mean. $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{a.s.} \mu$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

interpretation: WLLN guarantees that \bar{X}_n gets closer to μ in probability as n increases.

SLCN guarantees that \bar{X}_n will actually converge to the true mean μ for almost every outcome.

characteristic functions $\varphi_X(t) = E[e^{itX}]$

$\varphi_X(t) = \varphi_Y(t) \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow X \stackrel{d}{=} Y$ (uniqueness)

$|\varphi_X(t)| \leq 1, \varphi_X(0) = 1, X \stackrel{d}{=} -X \Leftrightarrow \varphi_X(t) \in \mathbb{R}$

if $X \perp Y$, then $\varphi_{X+Y}(t) = \varphi_X(t) \varphi_Y(t)$

if X_i i.i.d. RVs, $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, then $\varphi_{S_n}(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi_{X_i}(t)$

Lévy's continuity theorem

if $\varphi_{X_n}(t) \rightarrow \varphi_X(t)$ pointwise and φ_X continuous at $t=0$, then $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$

statistical model $(\Omega, P(\Omega), P_\theta)$

likelihood function $L(\theta | x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i | \theta)$ (just pdf)

log likelihood function $\ell(\theta | x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(p(x_i | \theta))$ (unknown parameter)

maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) \rightarrow value of θ that maximizes

$\Theta_{MLE} = \arg \max_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta | x_1, \dots, x_n) / \theta \in \Theta \ell(\theta | x_1, \dots, x_n)$

\Rightarrow compute $\frac{d\ell}{d\theta}$ and set to zero, confirm $\frac{d^2\ell}{d\theta^2} < 0$

• biased estimator if $E[\hat{\theta}] \neq \theta$

• unbiased estimator if $E[\hat{\theta}] = \theta \forall \theta \in \Theta$

$\text{Bias}[\hat{\theta}] = E[\hat{\theta}] - \theta$

$z_\alpha = P(Z \leq z_\alpha) - \alpha \hat{=} P(Z \leq z_\alpha) = 1 - \alpha$

$z_{0.05} \approx 1.645, z_{0.015} \approx 1.96$

H_0 is true: fail to reject H_0 (correct decision) or reject H_0 (type I error)

H_1 is true: type II error or correct decision

$\Phi(z_\alpha) = \alpha$

mean squared error (mse)

$\text{mse}[\hat{\theta}] = E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] = \text{Var}[\hat{\theta}] + \text{Bias}[\hat{\theta}]^2$

$Z = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ (Z -test, known σ^2)

$T = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{S_n/\sqrt{n}}$ (t -test, unknown σ^2) with $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$

$C = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma_0^2}$ (χ^2 -test for variance)

Test type	H_0	H_1	Reject if
One-sided Z	$\mu \leq \mu_0$	$\mu > \mu_0$	$Z > z_\alpha$
Two-sided Z	$\mu = \mu_0$	$\mu \neq \mu_0$	$ Z > z_{\alpha/2}$
One-sided t	$\mu \leq \mu_0$	$\mu > \mu_0$	$T > t_{n-1, \alpha}$
Two-sided t	$\mu = \mu_0$	$\mu \neq \mu_0$	$ T > t_{n-1, \alpha/2}$
One-sided χ^2	$\sigma^2 \leq \sigma_0^2$	$\sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2$	$C > \chi_{n-1, \alpha}^2$
Two-sided χ^2	$\sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$	$\sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2$	$C < \chi_{n-1, 1-\alpha/2}^2$ or $C > \chi_{n-1, \alpha/2}^2$

variance of sample mean

if population variance σ^2 known: $\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

if σ^2 unknown, estimate $\sigma(\bar{X}_n) = \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}$

quantile

α -quantile for $\alpha \in (0,1)$ of a RV X with

cdf F_X is: $q_\alpha := F_X^{-1}(\alpha)$, that is $F_X(q_\alpha) = \alpha$

change of variable technique

if $Y = g(X)$, then
 $F_Y(y) = P(g(X) \leq y)$
 $f_Y(y) = f_X(y) \frac{dy}{dx}$

Neyman-Pearson lemma

Let $H_0: \theta = \theta_0, H_1: \theta = \theta_1$. Then the most powerful test at α rejects H_0 if $\frac{L(\theta_1|x)}{L(\theta_0|x)} > k$ for some constant k .

1 likelihood ratio $\Delta(\frac{L(\theta_1|x)}{L(\theta_0|x)})$

2 decision rule $\Delta(k) > k' \Leftrightarrow x < c$, reject if $x < c$

3 type I error probability $P_0(x < c) = \alpha \rightarrow$ integral \rightarrow solve for c

4 power ($P(\text{correctly rejecting})$) Power = $P_{\theta_1}(x < c)$

confidence intervals

• for mean: known σ^2 : $\bar{X}_n \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ margin of error (ME)

unknown σ^2 : $\bar{X}_n \pm t_{n-1, \alpha/2} \cdot \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}$ $n = \left(\frac{z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma}{ME}\right)^2$ $n = \left(\frac{t_{n-1, \alpha/2} \cdot S_n}{ME}\right)^2$

• for proportion: $\hat{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$ solving for sample size $n = \left(\frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{ME}\right)^2 \cdot \hat{p}(1-\hat{p})$

• for variance: $\left[\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha/2, n-1}^2}, \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi_{\alpha/2, n-1}^2}\right]$ use \hat{p} instead of \bar{X}_n

standard deviation: interval above

use $\hat{p} = 0.5$ for worst case (if unknown)