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Two limit theorems

Let X_1, X_2, \dots be i.i.d. We say X_1, \dots, X_n is an independent sample of size n .

$T = T_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$ is called sample sum (total)

$\bar{X}_n = \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} = \frac{T_n}{n}$ is called sample mean

Example 1. A coin with $P(H) = p$ is tossed repeatedly, $X_k = \#$ of H in k th toss, $k=1, \dots, n$, are i.i.d. Bernoulli(p),

$T = X_1 + \dots + X_n = \#$ of H in n tosses \sim binomial(n, p)

$\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot T$ is sample proportion (relative frequency) of H in n tosses.

Claim 1. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. with $E(X) = \mu$, $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$.

Then a) $E(T) = n\mu$, $\text{Var}(T) = n\sigma^2$

b) $E(\bar{X}) = \frac{1}{n} \cdot n\mu = \mu$, $\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{1}{n^2} n\sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$, because $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n}T$.

c) $\phi_T(t) = \phi_X(t)^n$,

$$\phi_{\bar{X}}(t) = \phi_{\frac{1}{n}T}(t) = \phi_X\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)^n$$

1. LLN.

Thm 1. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. with $E(X) = \mu$, $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$.
Then $\bar{X}_n = \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu$ in probability: for each $\varepsilon > 0$,
 $P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Comment. It can be proved that $X_n \rightarrow \mu$ with prob. 1:

$\bar{X}_n \approx \mu$ for large n .

Proof. Since $E(|X|) < \infty$,

$$\phi_X(t) = 1 + it\mu + r(t), \text{ with } \frac{r(t)}{t} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0$$

Hence

$$\phi_{\bar{X}_n}(t) = \phi_X\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)^n = \left(1 + \frac{it\mu}{n} + \frac{nr\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^{it\mu} \text{ for all } t$$

Calculus: If $c_n \rightarrow c$, then $\left(1 + \frac{c_n}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^c$

Thus $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{D} \mu \Leftrightarrow \bar{X}_n \rightarrow \mu$ in probability.

Example ① If $Y = Y_n$ is binomial (n, p) , then

$\frac{Y_n}{n} \rightarrow p$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, because $Y_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$, where

X_i are indep. Bernoulli(p), $\frac{Y_n}{n}$ is relative frequency of successes.

② Let X_i be indep. uniform in (a, b) , let h be a bounded function on $[a, b]$. Then

$$\frac{h(X_1) + \dots + h(X_n)}{n} \approx E[h(X)] = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b h(x) dx$$

for large n .

2. Central limit Theorem (CLT)

Question 1. How well \bar{X}_n approximates μ ?

Question 2. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. What is the distribution of

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Answers are given by

Thm 2 (CLT) Let X_k be i.i.d., $E(X) = \mu$, $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2$

Then for large n ,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{a) } T_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n \text{ is approximately } N(n\mu, n\sigma^2) \\ \text{b) } \bar{X}_n = \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \text{ " } N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) \\ \text{c) } \frac{T_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \text{ " } Z \sim N(0,1) \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{a), b), c)} \\ \text{are} \\ \text{equivalent} \end{array}$$

Ex 3. Estimate the error of μ approximation by \bar{X}_n .

Answer. By c), for large n ,

$$P\left(\frac{|\bar{X}_n - \mu|}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq 3\right) \approx P(|Z| \leq 3) = P(-3 \leq Z \leq 3) = 0.9973$$

Hence $|\bar{X}_n - \mu| \leq \frac{3\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ with certainty of $> 99\%$

Proof of c) in the case $\mu=0, \sigma=1$: $\frac{T}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} T \xrightarrow{D} Z \sim N(0,1)$.

$$\boxed{\text{Fact: If } E(V^2) < \infty, \text{ then } \phi_V(t) = 1 + it E(V) - \frac{t^2}{2} E(V^2) + r(t), \text{ and } \frac{r(t)}{t^2} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow 0} 0.}$$

Since $\mu=0, \sigma=1$, we have $E(X^2) = \text{Var}(X^2) = 1$,

$$\phi_X(t) = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2} + r(t) \text{ and } \frac{r(t)}{t^2} \rightarrow 0. \text{ Then}$$

$$\phi_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}T}(t) = \phi_X\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n =$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{t^2}{2n} + \frac{r\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \cdot n}{n}\right)^n \longrightarrow e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} = \phi_Z(t)$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a) Y_n \sim N(np, np(1-p)) \\ b) \hat{p}_n = \frac{Y_n}{n} \sim N(p, \frac{p(1-p)}{n}) \end{array} \right\} \quad c) \frac{Y_n - np}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}} = \frac{\hat{p}_n - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}} \sim N(0, 1).$$

why? $Y_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$, $X_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ independent.

CLT for Poisson. Let $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$. Then

$$Y = \frac{X - \lambda}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \xrightarrow{D} Z \sim N(0, 1) \quad \text{as } \lambda \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_Y(t) &= e^{-i\sqrt{\lambda}t} \exp\left\{ \lambda(e^{i\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda}}} - 1) \right\} = \exp\left\{ \lambda \left[e^{i\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda}}} - 1 - \frac{i\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda}}}{\left(\frac{i\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda}}}{\sqrt{\lambda}}\right)^2} \right] \right\} \\ &\approx e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} = \Phi_Z(t) \quad \text{for large } \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Joint cf, mgf, pf

Def. a) Joint cf of X, Y is

$$\Phi(s, t) = E\left[e^{i(sX + tY)}\right], \quad s, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

b) Joint mgf of X, Y is

$$M(s, t) = E(e^{sX + tY}), \quad -\varepsilon < s, Y < \varepsilon \quad \text{for some } \varepsilon > 0$$

c) Joint pf of X, Y is

$$G(s, t) = E(s^X t^Y)$$

Note $\Phi_X(s) = \Phi(s, 0)$, $\Phi_Y(t) = \Phi(0, t)$,
 $M_X(s) = M(s, 0)$, $M_Y(t) = M(0, t)$,