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PROBABILITY SPACES

THE IDEA We begin prob with the vague notion of a random experiment. A repeatable process that does not have a determinate outcome.

We begin to abstract this by formalising the:

Sample Space: Ω set of all outcomes

Outcome: An element $w \in \Omega$

Events: Subsets $A \subset \Omega$ such that we can define probability on it.

But note that in the general case we cannot use ARBITRARY subsets as events.

SETS

We denote the union of disjoint sets $D \cup E = D + E$

The symmetric difference of a set is: $A \Delta B = A \setminus (B + B) \setminus A$

$$= (A \cup B) \setminus (A \cap B)$$

INDICATORS: For an arbitrary set A the indicator function

$$\mathbb{1}_A(w) = \begin{cases} 1, & w \in A \\ 0, & w \notin A \end{cases}$$

For two sets $A + B$: $\mathbb{1}_{A+B} = 1 - \mathbb{1}_A$, $\mathbb{1}_{A \cap B} = \max\{\mathbb{1}_A, \mathbb{1}_B\}$

$$\mathbb{1}_{A \cap B} = \mathbb{1}_A \mathbb{1}_B, \quad \mathbb{1}_{A \Delta B} = |\mathbb{1}_A - \mathbb{1}_B|$$

EVENTS & ALGEBRAS

We need that our events are closed under certain operations so that when we manipulate events we still have events.

A family \mathcal{F} of subsets of Ω : A.1) $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$ is a σ -Algebra if it satisfies A.2) $A \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{F}$ A.3) $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n \in \mathcal{F}$

Note that from DeMorgan's

Laws this also implies

closed under countable intersections.

Thus we will now call the elements of an appropriate σ -Algebra generated on subsets of Ω Events

T: For two σ -Algebras \mathcal{F}_1 & \mathcal{F}_2 on a common sample space Ω then $\mathcal{F}_1 \cap \mathcal{F}_2$ is also a σ -Algebra.

T: $\mathcal{F}_n, n \in \mathbb{N}, \sigma$ -Algebras on a common sample space $\Rightarrow \bigcap_{n \geq 1} \mathcal{F}_n$ is a σ -Algebra.

Given some Ω how do we create a σ -Algebra?

σ -ALGEBRA GENERATED:

① For a single $A \subset \Omega$: $\sigma(A) = \{\emptyset, A, A^c, \Omega\}$

② For $G = \{A_1, \dots, A_m\}$ a finite partition of Ω

$$\sigma(G) = \left\{ \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i : I \subset \{1, \dots, m\} \right\}$$

For an arbitrary collection of sets, consider that we can form a partition by taking all possible intersections.

T: For any family of subsets of Ω , G , \exists a unique σ -Algebra $\sigma(S)$ s.t. $G \subset \sigma(S)$

$$\{H \text{ a } \sigma\text{-Algebra on } \Omega \mid G \subset H \Rightarrow \sigma(G) \subset H\}$$

BOREL SET: This is the canonical σ -Alg generated used on \mathbb{R} .

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) = \sigma \{ (a, b] \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a < b \}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^m) = \sigma \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^m (a_i, b_i] \mid a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{R}, a_i < b_i \right\}$$

A_n occur i.o. slide 11.

PROBABILITY SPACE

A set, Ω , paired with a σ -Alg generated on its subsets, \mathcal{F} , is called a measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{F})

A probability on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) is a function $P: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying

$$P.1) P(A) \geq 0, \quad A \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$P.2) P(\Omega) = 1$$

$$P.3) \text{ For any pairwise disjoint } A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F} \quad P\left(\bigcup_{j \geq 1} A_j\right) = \sum_{j \geq 1} P(A_j)$$

The triple (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is called a prob space.

Ex. Degenerate dist at a fixed $w \in \Omega$

$$E_w(A) = \mathbb{1}_A(w)$$

E. Counting measure on \mathbb{N}

$$m(B) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{1}_B(n), \quad B \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$$

From these axioms we can further deduce these properties of the probability measure:

$$T: P(\emptyset) = 0, \quad T: P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^m A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^m P(A_n)$$

$$T: P(A^c) = 1 - P(A) \text{ for pairwise disjoint } A_1, \dots, A_m$$

$$T: A \subset B \Rightarrow P(B \setminus A) = P(B) - P(A) \Rightarrow P(A) \leq P(B)$$

$$T: P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

$$T: \text{Boole's Ineq: } P\left(\bigcup_{j \geq 1} A_j\right) \leq \sum_{j \geq 1} P(A_j)$$

$$T: \text{Borel-Cantelli: } \sum_{n \geq 1} P(A_n) < \infty \Rightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$$

CONTINUITY PROPERTIES:

The infinite case of the countable additivity property of our probability is responsible for important continuity properties of the P .

$$A_n \uparrow A \Leftrightarrow A_n \subset A_{n+1} \subset \dots \quad \bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n = A$$

$$A_n \downarrow A \Leftrightarrow A_n \supset A_{n+1} \supset \dots \quad \bigcap_{n \geq 1} A_n = A$$

T: A function $P: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies P.1, P.2 & has finite additivity. THEN (the following are \Leftrightarrow)

$$P \text{ has property P.3} \Leftrightarrow [A_n \uparrow A \Rightarrow P(A_n) \uparrow P(A)] \Leftrightarrow [A_n \downarrow A \Rightarrow P(A_n) \downarrow P(A)]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [A_n \uparrow A \Rightarrow P(A_n) \uparrow P(A)] \Leftrightarrow [A_n \downarrow A \Rightarrow P(A_n) \downarrow P(A)]$$

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PROBABILITIES
ON \mathbb{R} .

Probabilities on \mathbb{R} are defined on the measurable space $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$.

BUT $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ is HUGE! How do we specify the probability on all events in $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ for a P ?

DISTRIBUTION FUNCTION:

It turns out we can entirely specify a P by its distribution function.

Distribution Function (D.F.) of a probability P on \mathbb{R} is the function $F_p: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $t \mapsto P(-\infty, t]$

T: For any probability P on \mathbb{R} its D.F. F satisfies all of...

D.1) Non Decreasing: $s < t \Rightarrow F(s) \leq F(t)$

D.2) Right continuous: $F(t) = F(t+)$

D.3) $\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} F(t) = 0$ & $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} F(t) = 1$

T: $F_p = F_{p'}$ $\Leftrightarrow P = P'$ (The probability & its distribution function entirely determine one another.)

T: For any $F: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying D.1-3 there corresponds EXACTLY ONE Probability P on $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$.

CLASSIFYING P on \mathbb{R}

P is Discrete on \mathbb{R}

$\Leftrightarrow (\exists C \subset \mathbb{R})(C \text{ countable } \& P(C) = 1)$

T: $\Leftrightarrow \exists \{t_i\}_{i \geq 1} \subset \mathbb{R} \& \exists \{p_i\}_{i \geq 1} > 0 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} p_i = 1$ such that

$$\sum_i p_i = 1 \& P = \sum_i p_i \delta_{t_i}$$

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$$\sum_i p_i = 1 \& F_p(t) = \sum_i p_i \mathbb{I}(t_i \leq t)$$

P is absolutely continuous (A.C.) on \mathbb{R} if

$\exists f_p: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $F_p(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t f_p(x) dx$.

so A.C. distributions are the ones with densities. Note that $f_p = F_p'$ almost everywhere. We must be careful about points of discontinuity.

T: Any function $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is

- ① $f \geq 0$
 - ② Integrable
 - ③ $\int f_p dx = 1$
- specifies a probability on \mathbb{R} .

A mixed distribution P is one such that for some $p \in (0, 1)$ $P = pP_d + (1-p)P_a$ where P_d is discrete & P_a is A.C.

A singular distributions are continuous but not A.C., they don't have a density however no single point has a positive probability.

T: Any probability on \mathbb{R} has a unique representation of the form

$$P = \alpha_d P_d + \alpha_a P_a + \alpha_s P_s, \alpha_i \geq 0, \sum_i \alpha_i = 1$$

\hookrightarrow Discrete \hookrightarrow A.C. \hookrightarrow Singular.

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RANDOM VARIABLES

We naively think of a R.V. as a function of an outcome of a random experiment that captures some information about the experiment. We also however want to be able to calculate the probability of our R.V. mapping to a certain value (or set of values).

Thus we define a Random Variable (R.V.) as a function $X: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \quad X^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F}$.

$$X^{-1}(B) = \{w \in \Omega \mid X(w) \in B\}$$

T: For an arbitrary family of subsets of \mathbb{R} $\{B_\alpha \mid \alpha \in I\}$

- $B_\alpha \subset B_\beta \Rightarrow X^{-1}(B_\alpha) \subset X^{-1}(B_\beta)$
- $\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} X^{-1}(B_\alpha) = X^{-1}(\bigcup_{\alpha \in I} B_\alpha)$ (similarly for \cap)
- $B_\alpha \cap B_\beta = \emptyset \Rightarrow X^{-1}(B_\alpha) \cap X^{-1}(B_\beta) = \emptyset$
- $X^{-1}(B_\alpha^c) = [X^{-1}(B_\alpha)]^c$

Ex. Random indicators: For any event A , $\mathbb{1}_A$ is a R.V.

Simple R.V.: $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mathbb{1}_{A_i}$, $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$, $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$, $i \leq n < \infty$

T: For a R.V. X , $\sigma(X) = \{X^{-1}(B) \mid B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})\}$ is a σ -Alg.

DISTRIBUTIONS OF R.V.

The distribution of a R.V. X on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is defined as $P_X(B) = P(X \in B)$, $P_X: \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. This P_X is in fact a probability on \mathbb{R} .

Thus the distribution function of X is

$$F_X(t) = P_X((-∞, t]) = P(X \leq t)$$

X is discrete/A.C./singular if F_X is D/A.C./S. same for R.V.

The survival function of X is $S_X(t) = 1 - F_X(t)$

Two R.V. $X \neq Y$ are identically distributed $\Leftrightarrow P_X = P_Y$

FUNCTIONS OF R.V.:

T: X a R.V., g increasing ($g'' \geq 0$) & continuous on \mathbb{R} $\Rightarrow Y = g(X)$ is a R.V. with D.F. $F_Y(t) = F_X(g^{-1}(t))$

T: X an A.C. R.V., g continuously diff. on open set U such that $P(X \in U) = 1$.

$\Rightarrow Y = g(X)$ is A.C. R.V. $f_Y(t) = |\frac{d}{dt} g^{-1}(t)| f_X(g^{-1}(t))$

Note that we must also have that g is invertible & that inverse is differentiable.

For a D.F. F the quantile function is

$$Q(x) = \inf\{t \mid F(t) \geq x\}, x \in [0, 1]$$

T: $U \sim U[0, 1] \Rightarrow X = Q(U) \sim F$

RANDOM VECTORS

A Random Vector (R.Vec) $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n): \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a function such that $X_i(B) \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

T: $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ R.Vec $\Leftrightarrow (\forall i) X_i$ is a R.V.

T: $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ a R.Vec & g measurable $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ $\Rightarrow g(X)$ is a R.Vec $\stackrel{g \text{ measurable}}{\Leftrightarrow} \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \quad g^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

We have the D.F. in the multivariate case as $F_X(t_1, \dots, t_n) = P(X_1 \leq t_1, \dots, X_n \leq t_n), (t_1, \dots, t_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

T: An A.C. dist has a density f_X satisfying

$$F_X(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \int_{-\infty}^{t_1} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{t_n} f_X(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \dots dx_n$$

T: (X_1, \dots, X_n) is discrete $\Leftrightarrow (\forall i) (X_i \text{ is discrete})$

T: (X_1, \dots, X_n) is A.C. $\Rightarrow (\forall i) (X_i \text{ is A.C.})$

Integrate out all but the desired variable:

$$f_{X_i}(x_i) = \int \dots \int f_X(s_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, s_n) ds_1 \dots ds_n$$

T: X a R.Vec, $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has a smooth inverse

X A.C. $\Rightarrow h = g(X)$ is A.C. R.V. such that

$$f_h(t) = |\det[g'(t)]| f_X(g^{-1}(t))$$

$$\det[h(t)] = J(h(t)) = \det\left[\frac{dh_i}{dt_j}\right] \text{ is the Jacobian.}$$

INDEPENDENCE

A collection of R.V. X_1, \dots, X_n are independent if $(\forall B_1, \dots, B_n \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})) \quad P(X_1 \in B_1, \dots, X_n \in B_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \in B_i)$

This is a very general definition of independence however it is not convenient as a test.

For showing some R.V.s are independent we will often use the following.

T: X_1, \dots, X_n R.V. independent $\Leftrightarrow \forall t_1, \dots, t_n \in \mathbb{R} \quad F_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n F_{X_i}(t_i)$

T: Discrete X_1, \dots, X_n R.V. independent $\Leftrightarrow P(X_1=t_1, \dots, X_n=t_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i=t_i)$

T: AC R.V. X_1, \dots, X_n independent $\Leftrightarrow f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i}(t_i)$

T: g_i measurable functions, X_1, \dots, X_n independent $\Rightarrow Y_i = g_i(X_i)$ are also independent.

Events A_1, \dots, A_n are independent

$\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{1}_{A_1}, \dots, \mathbb{1}_{A_n}$ are independent as R.V.

T: $\Leftrightarrow (\forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\})(P(\bigcap_{j \in i} A_j) = \prod_{j \in i} P(A_j))$

T: $\Leftrightarrow A_1, \dots, A_n^c$ are independent

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DEFINING EXPECTATIONS

In second year we talked about $E(X)$ for A.C & discrete as simply $\int p(x) f(x) dx$. This however is just a computational tool, not an informative definition. It is also not general enough, what about singular or mixed distributions? We also want our def to align with frequentist intuition.

For $1_A, A \in \mathcal{F}$ we define $E(1_A) = P(A)$

For $X = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i 1_{A_i}$ we define $E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i P(A_i)$

Indicator

simple R.V.

Now note that any non-negative R.V can be approximated by an increasing sequence of simple R.V.s $\sum_{m=1}^M X_m \nearrow X$, in the following way

$$\forall t \in \mathbb{R} \quad X_n(w) \uparrow X(w).$$

We will use our current definition & this approximation to define

$X \geq 0$ arbitrary, $E(X) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(X_n)$ where $\sum_{m=1}^M X_m$ is a sequence of simple R.V.s as $m \rightarrow \infty$

T: This definition is consistent.

Different sequences will give the same expectation.

Let $X^+ = \max\{X, 0\}$ & $X^- = -\min\{X, 0\}$

& Note that for an arbitrary $X = X^+ - X^-$

A R.V. is integrable if $E(|X|) < \infty \iff X \in L^1$

If X is integrable $E(X) = E(X^+) - E(X^-)$

The expectation of a R.V. X over an event A is

$$E(X; A) = E(X 1_A).$$

UNDERSTANDING EXPECTATION

T: Expectation as a function is

• Monotone: $X \leq Y \iff E(X) \leq E(Y)$

• Linear: $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, X, Y \in L^1 \Rightarrow E(aX + bY) = aE(X) + bE(Y)$

We can denote E using Lebesgue integrals

$$E(X) = \int_X X(w) P(dw) = \int_{\Omega} X(w) dP(w) = \int_{\Omega} X dP$$

Moving probability spaces from (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) (general) to $(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d), P_x)$ allows us to shift

$$T: E(X) = \int_{\Omega} X(w) dP(w) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} x dP_x(x) \quad \text{when } E(X) \text{ is defined.}$$

distribution function of P_x .

Notation: $\int g(\omega) dP(\omega)$ often denoted $\int g(\omega) dF_x(\omega)$

T: If F is A.C with density $f = F'(a.e)$ and both f & g are piecewise continuous then

$$\int g(x) dF(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) f(x) dx$$

Lebesgue Riemann

USING EXPECTATIONS

$$T: Y = g(X) \sim P_y, X \sim P_x \Rightarrow E(Y) = \int g(x) dP_x(x)$$

$$T: X \geq 0, E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} (1 - F_x(x)) dx$$

$$T: Y = g(X) \text{ for nice } g \Rightarrow E(Y) = \int g(x) dF_x(x)$$

$$\text{commonly } E(g(X)) = \sum_{t_i \in C_n} g(t_i) P(X=t_i) \text{ for A.C.}$$

$$T: X_1, X_2 \text{ independent } \& g_1(X_1) = l$$

$$\Rightarrow E(g_1(X_1) g_2(X_2)) = E(g_1(X_1)) E(g_2(X_2))$$

INEQUALITIES:

$$T: \text{Jensen's: } X \in L^1, g \text{ convex} \Rightarrow g[E(X)] \leq E[g(X)]$$

$$T: \text{Lyapunov: For } 0 < r \leq s \quad (E[|X|^r])^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq (E[|X|^s])^{\frac{1}{s}}$$

$$T: \text{Chebyshev: } g \text{ positive nondecreasing on } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \text{For any } X \quad P(X \geq a) \leq \frac{E(g(X))}{g(a)}$$

$$T: \text{Cauchy: } E|XY| \leq \sqrt{E(X^2)E(Y^2)}$$

MOMENTS:

The k^{th} moment of X is $E(X^k)$

The k^{th} central moment of X is $E[(X - E(X))^k]$

The 2nd central moment is $V(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$

The mixed moments of X & Y are $E(X^m Y^n)$.

$$\text{For } X, Y \in L^2 \quad \text{Cov}(X, Y) = E[(X - E(X))(Y - E(Y))] = E[XY] - E(X)E(Y)$$

$$\text{Corr}(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{V(X)V(Y)}}$$

$$T: V(X+Y) = V(X) + V(Y) + 2\text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

$$T: |\text{Corr}(X, Y)| = 1 \iff P(Y = aX + b) = 1 \text{ for } a \neq 0, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

MULTI-DIMENSION:

When considering R -vectors $X = (X_1, \dots, X_d)$ $d \geq 3$
Covariance becomes a matrix C_X - A row vector

$$C_X^2 = [\text{Cov}(X_i, X_j)] = E[(X - E(X))^T (X - E(X))]$$

$C_X^2(i, i) = V(X_i)$, C_X^2 is symmetric, C_X^2 is semi-positive definite.

$$C_X^2(i, j) = C_X^2(j, i) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad x^T x \geq 0$$

T: If $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ has iid components $X_i \sim N(0, 1)$ & $Y = M + XA$, $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^m$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$\Rightarrow Y \sim MVN(\mu, A^T A)$, For $Y \sim MVN(\mu, C_Y^2)$ will have density...

$$f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^m \det(C_Y^2)}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} (y - \mu)^T [C_Y^2]^{-1} (y - \mu) \right]$$

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CONDITIONAL EXPECTATIONS

DEFINING CE

When we don't know anything about a R.V. X our best guess is $E(X)$. What about if we do know something about X but not its value, say the outcome of a related R.V.

Suppose what we knew about the outcome of a random experiment is that an event A occurred. We define CE in this context as...
The Conditional Expectation (CE) of R.V. X given event A is

$$E(X|A) = \frac{E(X|A)}{P(A)}$$

Next consider if we have a partition of $\Omega = A_1, \dots, A_n$ of the sample space Ω . If all we know is which of these events occurred then we have simply the value of a simple R.V. $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \mathbb{1}_{A_i}$. Say Y takes value y_i .

Our best guess for X is now $E(X|A_i)$.

Since $A_i = \{\omega \in \Omega : \omega \in A_i\}$ & $\hat{X} = E(X|A_i) = h(y_i)$

let $E(X|A) = h(Y)$. ← SIMPLE R.V.

T: Let $X \in L'$ & Y be R.V on common prob space
 $\Rightarrow \exists \hat{X}$ a R.V satisfying

CE.1) \hat{X} flat on atoms of $\sigma(Y)$

CE.2) $E(\hat{X}|A) = E(X|A) \quad \forall A \in \sigma(Y)$

That is unique up to values on sets of zero probability.

We call this unique R.V $E(X|Y)$.

Note if $\mathcal{F} \subset \sigma(Y)$ * we replace CE.1) with the same condition on \mathcal{F} the theorem is still true, we call this CE of X given $\sigma(Y) \cap \mathcal{F}$ $E(X|\mathcal{F})$.

PROPERTIES OF CE

T: Ψ is 1-1 function (injective) $\Rightarrow E(X|Y) = E(\Psi(X)|\Psi(Y))$

T: Linearity: $(\forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}) E(aX + bZ|Y) = aE(X|Y) + bE(Z|Y)$

T: Monotone: $X \leq Z$ a.s. $\Rightarrow E(X|Y) \leq E(Z|Y)$ a.s.

T: $Z = g(Y) \Rightarrow E(Z|X|Y) = Z E(X|Y)$

T: X & Y independent $\Rightarrow E(X|Y) = E(X)$

T: Double E: $E[E(X|Y_1, Y_2)|Y_1] = E(X|Y_1)$

In particular $E[E(X|Y)] = E(X)$.

OTHER CONDITIONALS

Conditional probabilities are defined for an event $A \in \mathcal{F}$ $P(A|Y) = P(A \cap Y) / P(Y)$.

Conditional distributions are non-trivial however it can be proved that conditional distributions $P_{X|Y}(B|y) = P(X \in B|Y=y) = E(\mathbb{1}_{X \in B}|Y=y)$ always exist.

When (X,Y) is A.C we can use conditional densities $f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x,y)}{f_Y(y)}$

where $f_Y(y) = \int f_{X,Y}(x,y) dx$.

Thus $E(X|Y) = \int x f_{X|Y}(x|Y) dx$.

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SUFFICIENT STATISTICS

THE MODEL

For observed data we make the assumption that the underlying RE is given by $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P_\theta)$. P_θ is a probability depending on parameter $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ whose value we don't know. We observe a random vector $X(\omega) = X \in \mathbb{R}^n$. P_θ is the distribution on $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$ induced by $X \notin P_\theta$.

STATISTICS

A measurable function $S(X)$ is a statistic. Statistics are also thus R.vac.

Estimators of a parameter θ are statistics with codomain Θ .

SUFFICIENCY

A statistic S is sufficient (ss) for a parameter θ if the conditional distribution $P_\theta(x \in B | S), B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ doesn't depend on θ .

T: For ψ 1-1 function (Injection) & S a ss for θ
 $\Rightarrow \psi(S)$ is also ss for θ .

How can we find & show statistics are sufficient?

It is most convenient to use densities.

Importantly only A.C. distributions have densities, however A.C. is relative to some measure!
 So discrete distributions are A.C. relative to the counting measure.

T: Suppose all P_θ are A.C. with respect to some measure μ , with densities $f_\theta(x) = \frac{dP_\theta}{d\mu}(x)$.

S is a ss for $\theta \Leftrightarrow \exists \psi(S, \theta) \exists h(x)$

$f_\theta(x) = \psi(S(x), \theta)h(x)$
 Note that $S(x)$ may be a R.vac

NOTE: For $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ iid $\Rightarrow f_\theta(x) = \prod f_\theta(x_i)$

T: If T is a statistic and $S = \psi(T)$ for some ψ is a ss for $\theta \Rightarrow T$ is ss for θ .

$\hat{\theta}^*(X) = \hat{\theta}^* = \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} f_\theta(x)$ is the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) of θ from X .

T: S a ss for $\theta \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}^*$ is a function of S only.

BIAS

How can we compare estimators?

We know that there is not a perfect estimator for anything other than the degenerate distribution i.e. $\hat{\theta}^*$ such that $E(\hat{\theta}^* - \theta)^2$ is minimised $\forall \theta$.

We need to ask for less, so we compare estimators within certain classes of estimators.

$\theta^* \in K$, a class of estimators for θ , is efficient in $K \iff E_\theta(\theta^*) = \theta, E_\theta(\theta^* - \theta)^2 \leq E_\theta(\theta - \theta)^2, \forall \theta \in \Theta$.

A common class is the class of estimators with bias $b(\theta)$. $K_b = \{ \theta^* \mid E_\theta(\theta^*) = \theta + b(\theta), \forall \theta \in \Theta \}$.

K_0 is the class of unbiased estimators.

T: An estimator efficient in K_b is unique up to values on a set of θ probability.

T: Rao-Blackwell: $\theta^* \in K_b$, S a ss for θ
 $\Rightarrow \theta_S^* = E_\theta(\theta^* | S)$ has properties

- θ_S^* is a function of S only
- $\theta_S^* \in K_b$
- $E_\theta(\theta_S^* - \theta)^2 \leq E_\theta(\theta^* - \theta)^2, \forall \theta \in \Theta$.

For $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$ we can measure the performance of an estimator using $E_\theta(\theta^* - \theta, a)$ for $a \in \mathbb{R}^d$ where (\cdot, \cdot) is the scalar product. Dispersion. We prefer an estimator if its dispersion is lower $\forall a$.

T: MV R-B: Same except the last condition now...
 $E_\theta(\theta_S^* - \theta, a)^2 \leq E_\theta(\theta^* - \theta, a)^2, \forall \theta \in \Theta$

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CONVERGENCE OF RANDOM VAR.

We know what it formally means for a sequence of numbers to converge to a point.
What might it mean for a sequence of functions, specifically R.V.s to converge to a single function.
We have several interesting & useful notions.

$$X_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} X \iff (\exists A \subset \Omega) P(A) = 1 \text{ & } \forall w \in A, X_n(w) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} X(w)$$

Pointwise convergence on set of prob 1.

$$X_n \xrightarrow{P} X \iff (\forall \epsilon > 0)(P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0)$$

$$X_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} X \iff (X_n, X \in L^2)(E(X_n - X)^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0)$$

$$X_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} X \iff (X_n, X \in L^1)(E|X_n - X| \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0)$$

$$X_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} X \iff \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(t) = F_X(t) \text{ at all continuity points of } F_X.$$

T: \iff If continuous & bounded $E[f(X_n)] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} E[f(X)]$

CONVERGENCE THMS:

T: Monotone Convergence: $X_n \geq 0$ R.V.s on a common probability space, $X_n \uparrow X \Rightarrow E(X_n) \uparrow E(X)$

T: Fatous Lemma: $X_n \geq 0 \Rightarrow E(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(X_n)$

T: Dominated Convergence: (f_n) ($|f_n| \leq Y$ a.s. & $E(Y) < \infty$)

$$X_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} X \implies \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(X_n) = E(X)$$

$\{X_n\}$ is iid sequence of $B(p)$ R.V.s
 $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

T: Weak LLN: $\frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} p$

T: Strong LLN: $\frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} p$.

RELATIONS BETWEEN CONVERGENCE

$$\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{P} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{P}} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{d} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \end{array}$$

T: $\begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \\ \xrightarrow{\text{L}} \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{P} \\ \xrightarrow{P} \end{array}; (X_n, X \in L^2)(\xrightarrow{P} \Rightarrow \xrightarrow{\text{L}})$

TRANSFORMATIONS

T: $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ continuous

- $X_n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X \Rightarrow g(X_n) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} g(X)$
- $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X \Rightarrow g(X_n) \xrightarrow{P} g(X)$
- $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X \Rightarrow g(X_n) \xrightarrow{d} g(X)$



For any R.V. X its characteristic function (chF) is $\psi_X: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$, $\psi_X(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{itX})$

Because of this definition the chF always exists, and is finite.

Characteristic Functions

$$T: |\psi_X(t)| \leq 1 \quad T: \psi_X(0) = 1$$

$$T: Y = aX + b, a, b \in \mathbb{R} \Rightarrow \psi_Y(t) = e^{ibt} \psi_X(at).$$

$$T: \overline{\psi_X(t)} = \psi_X(-t) = \psi_{-X}(t)$$

T: ChF is real valued $\Leftrightarrow X$ is symmetric $\Leftrightarrow X \stackrel{d}{=} -X$.

T: Any chF is uniformly continuous.

$$T: X \neq Y \text{ independent} \Rightarrow \psi_{XY}(t) = \psi_X(t)\psi_Y(t)$$

$$T: k \in \mathbb{N}, \mathbb{E}|X|^k < \infty \Rightarrow \psi_X(t) \text{ is } k \text{ times cont' differentiable}$$

$$\notin \mathbb{E}(X^k) = i^{-k} \frac{d^k}{dt^k} \psi_X(t) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$T: \text{Inversion: } \int |\psi_X(t)| dt < \infty \Rightarrow X \text{ has continuous density}$$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{-itx} \psi_X(t) dt.$$

T: ChF uniquely specify the distribution.

T: $\int t^k |\psi_X(t)| dt < \infty \Rightarrow X$ has k times diff' continuous density

$$T: X_n \xrightarrow{d} X \Leftrightarrow (\forall t \in \mathbb{R})(\psi_{X_n}(t) \rightarrow \psi_X(t))$$

T: $(t \in \mathbb{R})(\psi_{X_n}(t) \rightarrow \psi_X(t))$ where ψ_{X_n} are chF &

$\psi_X(t)$ is continuous at 0 $\Rightarrow \psi_X$ is chF of some R.V. X

$$\notin X_n \xrightarrow{d} X.$$

Clearly then the chF contains a lot of information about the distribution. This is why we use them because they are compact & have plentiful info.

FOR R. VECTORS

$x = (x_1, \dots, x_d), t = (t_1, \dots, t_d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ then

$$T: \psi_X: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}, \psi_X(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{it^T X}) = \mathbb{E}(\exp[i \sum_j \frac{t_j}{2} x_j])$$

All key results carry over.

$$T: Y = XA + b, A \text{ a } d \times m \text{ matrix, } b \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi_Y(s) = e^{is^T (s^T A + b)} \psi_X(sA^T)$$

$$T: \frac{\partial^{k_1+k_2}}{\partial t_1^{k_1} \partial t_2^{k_2}} \psi_X(t) = i^{k_1+k_2} \mathbb{E}[X_1^{k_1} X_2^{k_2} e^{i(t_1 x_1 + t_2 x_2)}]$$

$$T: (Yb \in \mathbb{R}^d) \Leftrightarrow (\psi_{(Yb)}(t) = \psi_X(t+b))$$

T: WLLN & SLLN

$$T: \text{CLT: } X_1, X_2, \dots \text{ iid R.vect, } \mathbb{E}\|X_i\|^2 < \infty$$

$$\text{covariance matrix } C_X \text{ exists.} \Rightarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \mu n}{\sqrt{n}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} N(0, C_X)$$

χ^2 testing...?

T: $Z \sim N(0, I_d)$, b_1, \dots, b_d orthonormal system

$$\Rightarrow Y = ((b_1, Z), \dots, (b_d, Z)) \sim N(0, I_d)$$

APPLICATIONS TO STATS

Because of the property that the chF of a sum is ten product of chF, they are convenient for proofs in statistics about sums.

$$T: \text{WLLN: } X_1, X_2, \dots \text{ iid} \Rightarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}(X_1)$$

$$\mathbb{E}|X_1| < \infty$$

$$T: \text{CLT: Further } \mathbb{E}(X_i^2) < \infty \Rightarrow \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - n\mathbb{E}(X_1)}{\sigma \sqrt{n}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} N(0, 1)$$

$$\text{if } \mathbb{V}(X_1) = \sigma^2 > 0$$

We can relax the condition of iid in the above to a more general condition. One example is for $\mathbb{E}(X_i) = 0$ (unless necessary).

Lyapunov Condition: $B_n^2 = \mathbb{V}(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i)$, need $B_n \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|X_i|^3 \rightarrow 0$

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T: Poisson LT: $X_{n,1}, \dots, X_{n,m}$ independent R.V.

$$\mathbb{P}(X_{n,j} = 1) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(X_{n,j} = 0) = p_n = j = 1, \dots, n \notin np_n \rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, \infty)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_{n,i} \xrightarrow{d} P(1)$$



Distribution Free
tests & MLE's

EMPIRICAL DF

For X_1, \dots, X_n an iid sample we know that
 $S = (X_{(1)}, \dots, X_{(n)})$ is a ss for F , then DF of X_i .
 The same info is captured in the empirical distribution function

$$F_n^*(t) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{I}(X_j \leq t) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{I}(X_{(j)} \leq t)$$

The order stats are all the points of discontinuity of F_n^* but we can also find other statistics
 $\bar{X} = t + dF_n^*(t)$, $s^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - \bar{X})^2 = \int t^2 dF_n^*(t) - (\int t dF_n^*(t))^2$

If there is a parameter $\theta = G(F)$ then we can have a good estimator given by $\hat{\theta}^* = G(F_n^*)$

T: Cilivenco-Cantelli: X_1, X_2, \dots iid, DF F .

$$\Rightarrow D_n = \sup_t |F_n^*(t) - F(t)| \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$$

T: For X_1, X_2, \dots iid DF F & $U_1, U_2, \dots \sim U[0,1]$

$$\not\exists R_n^*(u) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{I}(U_j \leq u) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{uniform} \\ \text{EDF} \end{matrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow D_n = \sup_t |F_n^*(t) - F(t)| = \sup_{t \in [0,1]} |R_n^*(u) - u| \quad \begin{matrix} \text{independent} \\ \text{of } F \end{matrix}$$

Further $\sqrt{n} (R_n^*(u_1) - u_1, \dots, R_n^*(u_d) - u_d) \xrightarrow{\text{D}} N(0, C^2(u))$

$$C^2(u) = [\min_{j,k} \mathbb{E} u_j u_k \mathbb{E} (1 - \max_{j,k} \mathbb{E} u_j u_k)]_{j,k=1,\dots,d}$$

We can use this for

$$\text{Kolmogorov Test: } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\sqrt{n} D_n \leq x) = 1 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k e^{-2k^2 x^2}$$

$$\text{Mises-Smirnov } \omega^2 \text{-Test: } \omega_n^2 = \int_0^1 [\sqrt{n} (R_n^*(u) - u)]^2 du$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\omega_n^2 \leq x) = P\left(\int_0^1 V^2(u) du \leq x\right)$$

$$\text{with } V(u) \sim N(0, u(1-u))$$

MLE's

$X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ X_j have density $f_\theta(x)$ then the MLE of θ is

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \max_{\theta} f_\theta(X) = \arg \max_{\theta} \log(f_\theta(X))$$

T: Gibbs Inequality: f, g densities with respect to μ , on common

$$\text{space } \int f(x) \log(g(x)) \mu(dx) \geq \int f(x) \log(g(x)) \mu(dx)$$

When both integrals are finite.

$$T: \hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow{\text{P}} \vartheta \quad \& \quad \sqrt{n} (\hat{\theta}_n - \vartheta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{1}{I(\vartheta)})$$

$$\text{Where } I(\vartheta) = \int \left[\frac{f'_\vartheta(x)}{f_\vartheta(x)} \right]^2 \mu(dx)$$

$$T: E_\vartheta (\hat{\theta}_n^* - \vartheta)^2 \geq \frac{1}{n I(\vartheta)}$$