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6. Preparation for the Chi-Squared Test

A Vector Inner Product

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Let \mathbf{p}^0 be the discrete pmf that we wish to test the goodness of fit for an observed sequence of iid samples. Let $\hat{\mathbf{p}}$ be the MLE upon observing the iid samples.

What is $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{p}} - \mathbf{p}^0)^T \mathbf{1}$?

Note: This is a vector dot product where $(\hat{\mathbf{p}} - \mathbf{p}^0)^T$ is a row vector and $\mathbf{1}$ is the all-ones column vector of appropriate size.

✓ Answer: 0

STANDARD NOTATION

Solution:

Both $\hat{\mathbf{p}}$ and \mathbf{p}^0 are pmfs. Let K be the number of modalities.

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\mathbf{p}} - \mathbf{p}^0)^T \mathbf{1} &= \\ \sum_{i=1}^K (\hat{p}_i - p_i^0) &= \sum_{i=1}^K \hat{p}_i - \sum_{i=1}^K p_i^0 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

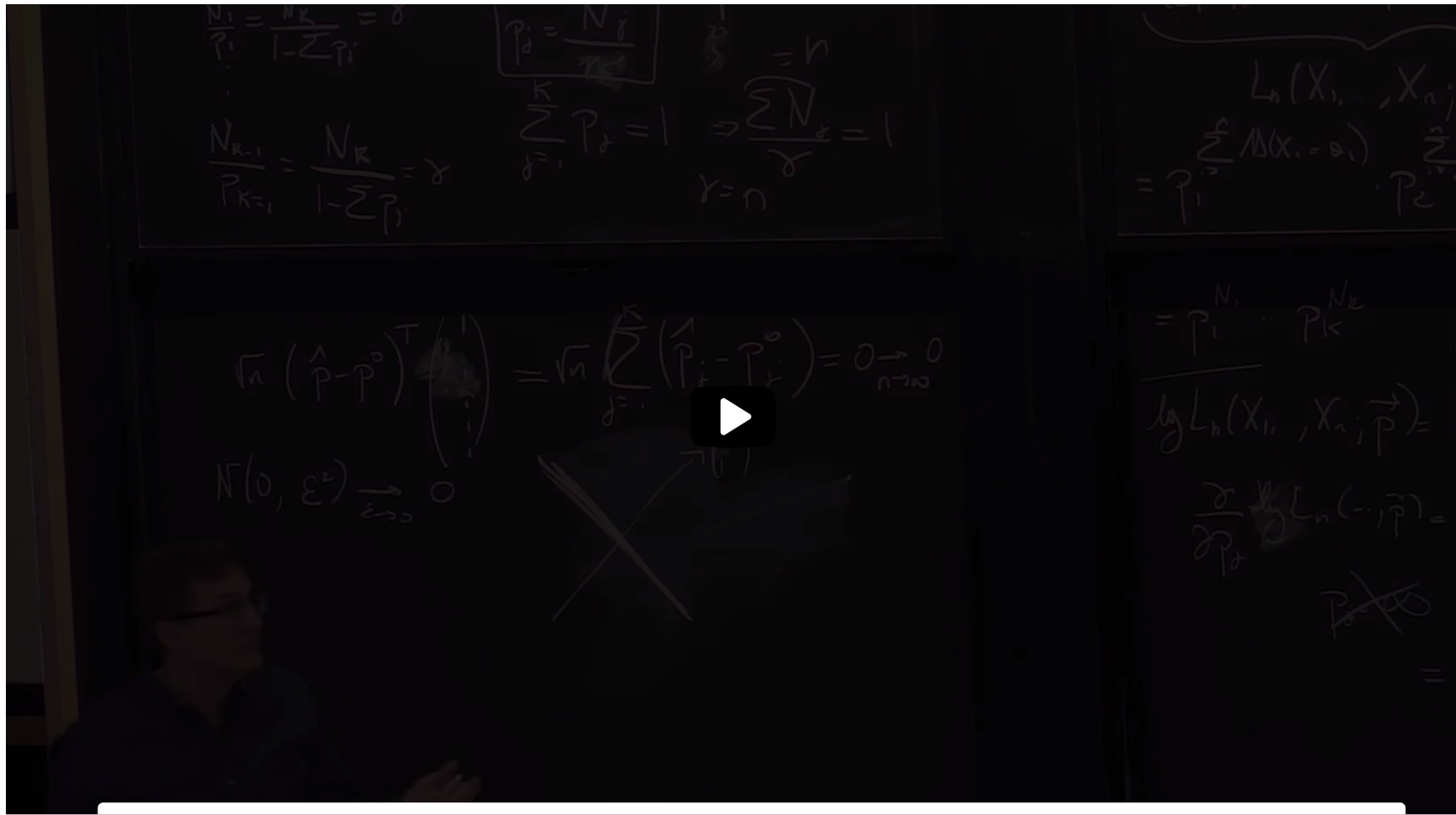
Hence also $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{p}} - \mathbf{p}^0)^T \mathbf{1} = 0$.

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A Degenerate Gaussian Random Variable



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Degrees of Freedom of a Known Test

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Let us consider a statistical model with parameter $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Let θ^* be the parameter that generates the n iid samples $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$. Let $I(\theta)$ be the Fisher information and assume that the MLE $\hat{\theta}_n^{\text{MLE}}$ is asymptotically normal. Assume that $I(\theta^0)$ is a diagonal matrix with positive entries $1/t_1, \dots, 1/t_d$. We wish to perform a test for the hypotheses $H_0 : \theta^* = \theta^0$ and $H_1 : \theta^* \neq \theta^0$.

Let the test statistic T_n be

$$T_n = n \sum_{i=1}^d \frac{(\theta_i^0 - \hat{\theta}_i)^2}{t_i},$$

where $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\theta}_1 & \hat{\theta}_2 & \dots & \hat{\theta}_d \end{bmatrix}^T = \hat{\theta}_n^{\text{MLE}}$.

What distribution does the test statistic T_n converge to under H_0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

Type **chi** for chi-squared distribution, **T** for Student's T distribution, **G** for standard Gaussian distribution.

$T_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{(d)}$ ✔ Answer: chi + 0*G + 0*T

What is the number of degrees of freedom of the asymptotic distribution of T_n ? If the answer is a standard normal, enter **1**.

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✓ Answer: d

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STANDARD NOTATION

Solution:

The test statistic T_n can be seen to be equivalent to

$$n \left(\hat{\theta}_n^{\text{MLE}} - \theta^0 \right)^T I(\theta^0) \left(\hat{\theta}_n^{\text{MLE}} - \theta^0 \right),$$

which is the test statistic for Wald's test. Therefore,

$$T_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{(d)} \chi_d^2.$$

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[It seems a straightforward question by plugging appropriate value into K - 1 as mentioned in lecture note. Why is the answer incorrect?](#)

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