



§ 5.5 Convergence Concepts



Definition 5.5.1 A sequence of random variables, X_1, X_2, \dots , converges in probability to a random variable X if, for every $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| \geq \epsilon) = 0 \quad \text{or, equivalently,} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| < \epsilon) = 1.$$

probability
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WLLN

$$\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} E[X]$$

Theorem 5.5.2 (Weak Law of Large Numbers) Let X_1, X_2, \dots be iid random variables with $E[X_i] = \mu$ and $\text{Var } X_i = \sigma^2 < \infty$. Define $\bar{X}_n = (1/n) \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Then, for every $\epsilon > 0$,

proof by Cheby's

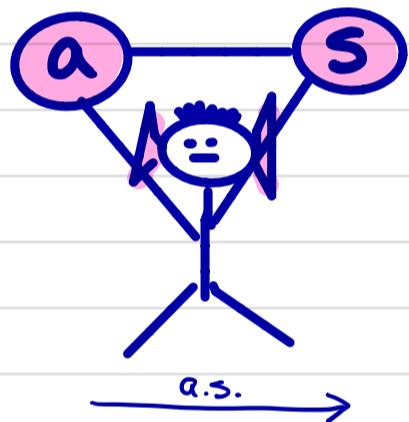
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| < \epsilon) = 1;$$

that is, \bar{X}_n converges in probability to μ .

If $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$
then $h(X_n) \xrightarrow{P} h(X)$

Theorem 5.5.4 Suppose that X_1, X_2, \dots converges in probability to a random variable X and that h is a continuous function. Then $h(X_1), h(X_2), \dots$ converges in probability to $h(X)$.

$$\text{If } S_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2 \text{ then } S_n \xrightarrow{P} \sigma$$



Definition 5.5.6 A sequence of random variables, X_1, X_2, \dots , converges almost surely to a random variable X if, for every $\epsilon > 0$,

$$P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |X_n - X| < \epsilon) = 1.$$

pointwise convergence
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SLLN
 $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} E[X]$

Theorem 5.5.9 (Strong Law of Large Numbers) Let X_1, X_2, \dots be iid random variables with $E[X_i] = \mu$ and $\text{Var } X_i = \sigma^2 < \infty$, and define $\bar{X}_n = (1/n) \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Then, for every $\epsilon > 0$,

$$P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\bar{X}_n - \mu| < \epsilon) = 1;$$

that is, \bar{X}_n converges almost surely to μ .



Definition 5.5.10 A sequence of random variables, X_1, X_2, \dots , converges in distribution to a random variable X if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x)$$

at all points x where $F_X(x)$ is continuous.
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(or mgf).



CLT

$$f_X \xrightarrow{d} N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$$

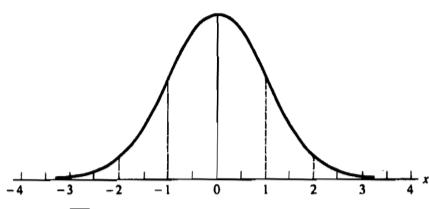


Figure 3.3.1. Standard normal density

Theorem 5.5.14 (Central Limit Theorem) Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of iid random variables whose mgfs exist in a neighborhood of 0 (that is, $M_{X_i}(t)$ exists for $|t| < h$, for some positive h). Let $EX_i = \mu$ and $\text{Var } X_i = \sigma^2 > 0$. (Both μ and σ^2 are finite since the mgf exists.) Define $\bar{X}_n = (1/n) \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Let $G_n(x)$ denote the cdf of $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)/\sigma$. Then, for any x , $-\infty < x < \infty$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G_n(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y^2/2} dy;$$

that is, $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)/\sigma$ has a limiting standard normal distribution.

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$$

Proof: homework - 2

Theorem 5.5.15 (Stronger form of the Central Limit Theorem) Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of iid random variables with $EX_i = \mu$ and $0 < \text{Var } X_i = \sigma^2 < \infty$. Define $\bar{X}_n = (1/n) \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Let $G_n(x)$ denote the cdf of $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)/\sigma$. Then, for any x , $-\infty < x < \infty$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} G_n(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-y^2/2} dy;$$

that is, $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)/\sigma$ has a limiting standard normal distribution.

proof uses characteristic ft'n $E[e^{itX}]$ ($i^2 = -1$)

Stronger form of CLT.

- Note no requirement for mgf to exist for $|t| < \sigma h$

- Proof similar to previous proof

+ uses characteristic ft'n $E[e^{itX}]$, which always exists $i^2 = -1$
Fourier transform vs. Laplace transform

+ Characteristic ft'n always exists.

+ CLT summary

X_1, X_2, \dots iid with $EX_i = \mu$
 $\text{Var } X_i = \sigma^2 < \infty$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$$

Example (Normal approximation to negative binomial)

X_1, \dots, X_n iid neg bin (r, p). [# failures to r^{th} success.]

Negative binomial(r, p)

$$\text{pmf} \quad P(X = x|r, p) = \binom{r+x-1}{x} p^r (1-p)^x; \quad x = 0, 1, \dots; \quad 0 \leq p \leq 1$$

$$\text{mean and variance} \quad EX = \frac{r(1-p)}{p}, \quad \text{Var } X = \frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}$$

$$\text{mgf} \quad M_X(t) = \left(\frac{p}{1-(1-p)e^t} \right)^r, \quad t < -\log(1-p)$$

notes An alternate form of the pmf is given by $P(Y = y|r, p) = \binom{y-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^{y-r}$, $y = r, r+1, \dots$. The random variable $Y = X + r$. The negative binomial can be derived as a gamma mixture of Poissons. (See Exercise 4.34.)

$$E[X] = r(1-p)/p \quad \text{Var}[X] = r(1-p)/p^2$$

by CLT
as $n \rightarrow \infty$

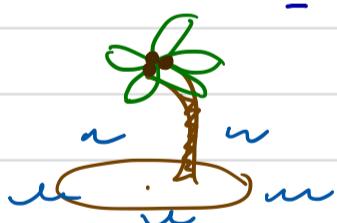
$$\bar{X} \sim N \left[\frac{r(1-p)}{p}, \frac{r(1-p)}{p^2} \right]$$

$$\frac{\bar{X} - r(1-p)/p}{\sqrt{\frac{r(1-p)}{p^2}/n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - r(1-p)/p)}{\sqrt{r(1-p)/p^2}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

- Assume $n=30$ trials with $r=10$, $p=1/2$

$$\begin{aligned} - \text{Find } \Pr(\bar{X} < 11) &= \Pr\left(\sum_{i=1}^{30} X_i \leq 330\right) \\ &= \sum_{x=0}^{330} \binom{300+x-1}{x} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{300} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x \end{aligned}$$



by hand (assuming live on small deserted island with no computer or internet) difficult calculation.

use mgf to show
 $\sum X_i \sim \text{neg bin}(nr, p)$
 $M_{\sum X_i}(t) = [M_X(t)]^n$

with R - not so tough...

$$\sum_{x=0}^{330} \binom{300+x-1}{x} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{300} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$$

$$=.8916$$

R code: sum(dnbinom(size=300, p=.5, x=c(0:330)))



$$\text{by CLT} \quad \Pr(\bar{X} \leq 11) = \Pr\left(\frac{\sqrt{30}(\bar{X}-10)}{\sqrt{20}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{30}(11-10)}{\sqrt{20}}\right)$$

$$= \Pr(Z \leq 1.2247) = .8888$$

Theorem 5.5.12 If the sequence of random variables, X_1, X_2, \dots , converges in probability to a random variable X , the sequence also converges in distribution to X .

$$\xrightarrow{P} \xrightarrow{\text{implies}} \xrightarrow{d}$$

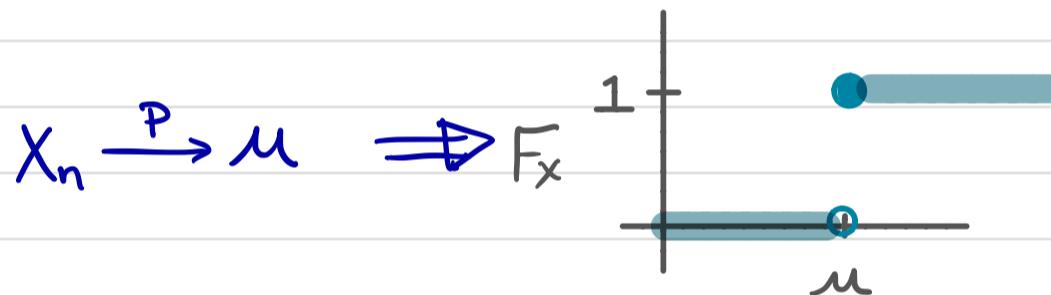
$$\text{Recall} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \xrightarrow{\cancel{\text{implies}}} \xrightarrow{P}$$

Theorem 5.5.13 The sequence of random variables, X_1, X_2, \dots , converges in probability to a constant μ if and only if the sequence also converges in distribution to μ . That is, the statement

$$P(|X_n - \mu| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \text{ for every } \varepsilon > 0$$

is equivalent to

$$P(X_n \leq x) \rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < \mu \\ 1 & \text{if } x > \mu. \end{cases}$$



Theorem 5.5.17 (Slutsky's Theorem) If $X_n \rightarrow X$ in distribution and $Y_n \rightarrow a$, a constant, in probability, then

- a. $Y_n X_n \rightarrow aX$ in distribution.
- b. $X_n + Y_n \rightarrow X + a$ in distribution.

Example: (Normal approx with estimated variance)

$$\text{Suppose } \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$$

But σ is unknown. Last lecture showed $S_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$ (using Cheby's)
 $\Rightarrow S_n \rightarrow \sigma$
 $\Rightarrow \sigma/S_n \rightarrow 1$

$$\text{By Slutsky's Thm: } \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{S_n} = \left(\frac{\sigma}{S_n}\right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma}\right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$$

\xrightarrow{d} $\xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$

§ 5.5.4 Delta Method

Interested in ft'n of RV

Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n iid Bernoulli(p), we may be interested in estimating p .
may also be interested in estimating odds: $(\frac{p}{1-p})$

or biostatisticians (or epidemiologists) may be interested in estimating
odds ratio for two treatments: $((p/(1-p))/(r/(1-r)))$

- assume estimate p by $\frac{\sum x_i}{n} = \frac{\# \text{ success}}{\# \text{ trials}} = \hat{p}$

- then could estimate $\frac{p}{1-p}$ by $\frac{\hat{p}}{1-\hat{p}} = \frac{\sum x_i/n}{1-\sum x_i/n}$

- How estimate $\text{Var}(\frac{\hat{p}}{1-\hat{p}})$ or its sampling dist'n?

"Intuition abandons us, and exact calculation is relatively hopeless, so we have to rely on an approximation!"

→ Use Taylor's Expansion & Slutsky's \Rightarrow Delta Method

Recall: Taylor's method to approximate (mathematically) a ft'n.

Definition 5.5.20 If a function $g(x)$ has derivatives of order r , that is, $g^{(r)}(x) = \frac{d^r}{dx^r} g(x)$ exists, then for any constant a , the *Taylor polynomial of order r about a* is

$$T_r(x) = \sum_{i=0}^r \frac{g^{(i)}(a)}{i!} (x-a)^i. \quad \begin{aligned} T_1(x) &= g(a) + g'(a)(x-a) \\ T_2(x) &= g(a) + g'(a)(x-a) \\ &\quad + g''(a)(x-a)^2/2! \end{aligned}$$

Taylor's major theorem, which we will not prove here, is that the *remainder* from the approximation, $g(x) - T_r(x)$, always tends to 0 faster than the highest-order explicit term.

Theorem 5.5.21 (Taylor) If $g^{(r)}(a) = \frac{d^r}{dx^r} g(x)|_{x=a}$ exists, then

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{g(x) - T_r(x)}{(x-a)^r} = 0.$$

In general, we will not be concerned with the explicit form of the remainder. Since we are interested in approximations, we are just going to ignore the remainder. There are, however, many explicit forms, one useful one being

$$g(x) - T_r(x) = \int_a^x \frac{g^{(r+1)}(t)}{r!} (x-t)^r dt.$$

Use 1st order Taylor's Thm ($r=1$)

Here assume $\underline{\Theta}$ is vector of length k . (Multivariate version of Taylor's).

Let $\underline{T}_1, \dots, \underline{T}_k$ be RVs with means $\underbrace{\Theta_1, \dots, \Theta_k}_{\underline{\Theta}}$ $[E[\underline{T}_i] = \Theta_i \ i=1, \dots, k]$

- Assume $g(\underline{T})$ is differentiable ft'n (an estimator of some parameter) & we need to estimate (approximate) the variance.

- Define $g'_i(\underline{\Theta}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i} g(\underline{t}) \Big|_{t_i=\Theta_i, \dots, t_k=\Theta_k}$ **

- First order Taylor's expansion of g about $\underline{\Theta}$:

$$g(\underline{t}) = g(\underline{\Theta}) + \sum_{i=1}^k g'_i(\underline{\Theta})(t_i - \Theta_i) + \text{Remainder}$$

Ignore ≈ 0

Expectation

$$g(\underline{t}) \approx g(\underline{\Theta}) + \sum_{i=1}^k g'_i(\underline{\Theta})(t_i - \Theta_i)$$

$$\approx g(\underline{\Theta})$$

$$\text{and } E[g(\underline{T})] \approx g(\underline{\Theta}) + \sum_{i=1}^k g'_i(\underline{\Theta}) E[t_i - \Theta_i] = g(\underline{\Theta}) + \underbrace{\left[\sum_{i=1}^k g'_i(\underline{\Theta}) [E[t_i] - \Theta_i] \right]}_{=0}$$

$$\therefore E[g(\underline{T})] \approx g(\underline{\Theta})$$

approximation since $g(\underline{\Theta}) \approx E[g(\underline{T})]$.

Variance
Approx.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[g(\underline{T})] &\approx E[(g(\underline{T}) - g(\underline{\Theta}))^2] \\ &\approx E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^k g'_i(\underline{\Theta})(T_i - \Theta_i)\right)^2\right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k (g'_i(\underline{\Theta}))^2 \text{Var}_{\Theta}(T_i) \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{i>j} g'_i(\underline{\Theta}) g'_j(\underline{\Theta}) \text{Cor}(T_i, T_j) \end{aligned}$$

Simpler example...

$$\begin{aligned} E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 (x_i - \mu_i)\right)^2\right] &= \\ E[(x_1 - \mu_1) + (x_2 - \mu_2) + (x_3 - \mu_3)]^2 &= \\ = E[(x_1 - \mu_1)^2 + (x_2 - \mu_2)^2 + (x_3 - \mu_3)^2] &> \text{Variances} \\ + 2(x_1 - \mu_1)(x_2 - \mu_2) & \\ + 2(x_1 - \mu_1)(x_3 - \mu_3) & \\ + 2(x_2 - \mu_2)(x_3 - \mu_3) &> \text{Covariances} \end{aligned}$$

Example: Recall odds $(\frac{P}{1-P})$ + our estimator $\hat{P} = \frac{\bar{x}}{1-\bar{x}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}\left[\frac{\hat{P}}{1-\hat{P}}\right] &\approx (g'(P))^2 \text{Var}(\hat{P}) \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{(1-P)^2}\right]^2 \frac{P(1-P)}{n} = \frac{P}{n(1-P)^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}\left[\frac{\hat{P}}{1-\hat{P}}\right] \approx \frac{P}{n(1-P)^3} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{hmm. This is a} \\ \text{ft'n of } P, \text{ which} \\ \text{we are estimating} \\ \text{by } \bar{x}! \dots \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g'(P) &= \text{(** above)} \\ \left(\frac{P}{1-P}\right)' &= \frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{\bar{x}}{1-\bar{x}}\right) \Big|_{\bar{x}=P} \\ &= \frac{1}{(1-P)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Example (Approximate mean + variance)

- assume X is R.V. $E[X] = \mu \neq 0$ [here $n=1$]

- wish to estimate $g(\mu)$

- First order Taylor's:

$$g(x) = g(\mu) + g'(\mu)(x-\mu)$$

$$E[g(x)] \approx g(\mu)$$

$$\text{Var}[g(x)] \approx (g'(\mu))^2 \text{Var}[x]$$

Suppose: $g(\mu) = 1/\mu$

estimate $1/\mu$ by $1/x$ since $E[1/x] \approx 1/\mu$

$$\text{Var}[1/x] \approx (1/\mu)^4 \text{Var}(x)$$

hmm...
again f'th of
unknown μ .
- also what if
don't know
 $\text{Var}(x)$?

Theorem 5.5.24 (Delta Method) Let Y_n be a sequence of random variables that satisfies $\sqrt{n}(Y_n - \theta) \rightarrow N(0, \sigma^2)$ in distribution. For a given function g and a specific value of θ , suppose that $g'(\theta)$ exists and is not 0. Then

$$(5.5.10) \quad \sqrt{n}[g(Y_n) - g(\theta)] \rightarrow N(0, \sigma^2[g'(\theta)]^2) \text{ in distribution.}$$

Proof (Taylor's + Slutsky's).

Continuing above example (now have random sample, rather than $n=1$).

$$E[\bar{x}] = \mu \text{ assuming finite } \text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 \quad (\text{Var}(\bar{x}) = \sigma^2/n)$$

$$\text{by CLT: } \sqrt{n}(\bar{x} - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\text{by Delta: } \sqrt{n}\left(\frac{1}{\bar{x}} - \frac{1}{\mu}\right) \xrightarrow{d} N\left(0, \left(\frac{1}{\mu}\right)^2 \sigma^2\right)$$

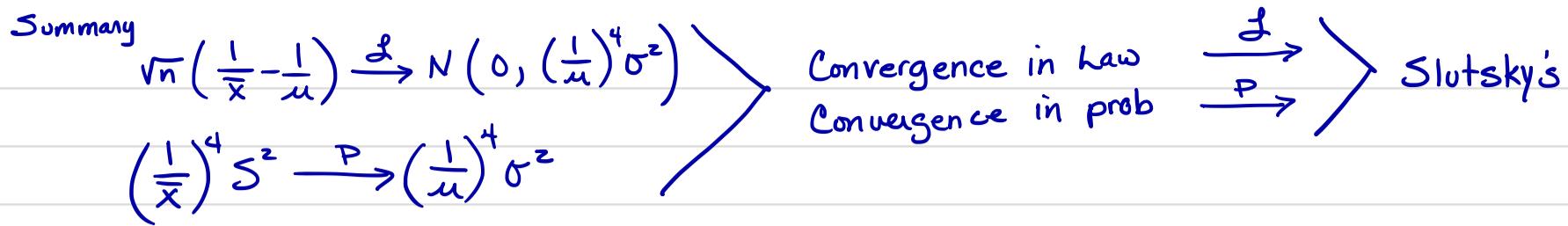
$$\text{or } \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{\bar{x}}\right) \approx \left(\frac{1}{\mu}\right)^4 \sigma^2$$

know $\bar{x} \xrightarrow{P} \mu$ WLLN
 $S^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$ Chebys

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{\bar{x}}\right) \xrightarrow{P} \left(\frac{1}{\mu}\right)^4$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{\bar{x}}\right)^4 S^2 \xrightarrow{P} \left(\frac{1}{\mu}\right)^4 \sigma^2$$

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$$\frac{\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{\bar{x}} - \frac{1}{\mu} \right)}{\left(\frac{1}{\bar{x}}\right)^2 \sigma} = \underbrace{\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{\bar{x}} - \mu \right)}_{\xrightarrow{\text{P}} N(0, 1)} * \underbrace{\frac{\left(\frac{1}{\mu}\right)^2 \sigma}{\left(\frac{1}{\bar{x}}\right)^2 \sigma}}_{\xrightarrow{\text{d}} 1}$$

Extensions of Delta Method

If $g'(\theta) = 0$

Theorem 5.5.26 (Second-order Delta Method) Let Y_n be a sequence of random variables that satisfies $\sqrt{n}(Y_n - \theta) \rightarrow n(0, \sigma^2)$ in distribution. For a given function g and a specific value of θ , suppose that $g'(\theta) = 0$ and $g''(\theta)$ exists and is not 0. Then

$$(5.5.13) \quad n[g(Y_n) - g(\theta)] \rightarrow \sigma^2 \frac{g''(\theta)}{2} \chi_1^2 \text{ in distribution.}$$

If θ is vector

vector length P
 n patients, each with P observations.

Theorem 5.5.28 (Multivariate Delta Method) Let $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$ be a random sample with $E(X_{ij}) = \mu_i$ and $\text{Cov}(X_{ik}, X_{jk}) = \sigma_{ij}$. For a given function g with continuous first partial derivatives and a specific value of $\mu = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_p)$ for which $\tau^2 = \sum \sum \sigma_{ij} \frac{\partial g(\mu)}{\partial \mu_i} \cdot \frac{\partial g(\mu)}{\partial \mu_j} > 0$,

$$\sqrt{n}[g(\bar{X}_1, \dots, \bar{X}_s) - g(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_p)] \rightarrow n(0, \tau^2) \text{ in distribution.}$$

Vari/Cov matrix
symmetric $\sigma_{ij} = \sigma_{ji}$

If $\sigma_{ij} = \text{Cor}(X_i, X_j)$
 $\sigma_i^2 = \text{Var}(X_i) = \text{Cor}(X_i, X_i)$

→ Define symmetric
Variance / Covariance
matrix

$$\tau^2 = g'(\theta_1) \dots g'(\theta_p) \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} & \dots & \sigma_{1p} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_2^2 & \dots & \sigma_{2p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{1p} & \sigma_{2p} & \dots & \sigma_p^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g'_1(\theta) \\ \vdots \\ g'_p(\theta) \end{bmatrix}$$

$(1 \times p)$ $(p \times p)$ $(p \times 1)$
 1×1

Note: This version of multivariate delta is f'tns of $\bar{X}_1, \dots, \bar{X}_s$.
 n is sample size p is # parameters (# θ s).

assumes $(\bar{X}_1, \dots, \bar{X}_p) \rightarrow \text{MVN} \left[\begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_p \end{pmatrix}, \sum \right]$ by CLT...
 var/cov matrix

Example (Moments of a Ratio Estimator)

$$\text{Assume } \bar{X}, \bar{Y} \text{ with } E[\bar{X}] = \mu_x \quad E[\bar{Y}] = \mu_y \quad \text{Cov}(X, Y) = \sigma_{xy}$$

$$\text{Var}[\bar{X}] = \frac{\sigma_x^2}{n} \quad \text{Var}[\bar{Y}] = \frac{\sigma_y^2}{n}$$

$$\text{Var}[X] = \sigma_x^2 \quad \text{Var}[Y] = \sigma_y^2$$

$$\text{Further assume } g(\mu_x, \mu_y) = \frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_x} \left[\frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y} \right] = \frac{1}{\mu_y}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \mu_y} \left[\frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y} \right] = -\frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y^2}$$

By Taylor's $E[X/Y] \approx \frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}\left[\frac{X}{Y}\right] &\approx \frac{1}{\mu_y^2} \sigma_x^2 + \frac{\mu_x^2}{\mu_y^4} \sigma_y^2 - 2 \frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y^3} \sigma_{xy} \\ &= \left(\frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y}\right)^2 \left[\frac{\sigma_x^2}{\mu_x^2} + \frac{\sigma_y^2}{\mu_y^2} - 2 \frac{\sigma_{xy}}{\mu_x \mu_y} \right] \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{for } n=1 \\ \text{ } \end{array} \right\}$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{\mu_x}, -\frac{\mu_x}{\mu_y^2} \right] \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{xy} & \sigma_y^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\mu_x \\ -\mu_x/\mu_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

§ 5.6 Generating a Random Sample - Focus on Probability Integral Transform.

Recall Last semester (Lecture-5)

One of most useful transformations:

Theorem 2.1.10 (Probability integral transformation) Let X have continuous cdf $F_X(x)$ and define the random variable Y as $Y = F_X(X)$. Then Y is uniformly distributed on $(0, 1)$, that is, $P(Y \leq y) = y, 0 < y < 1$.

X continuous w/ cdf $F_X(x)$

$$Y = F_X(x)$$

$$Y \sim U(0,1) \quad P(Y \leq y) = y, 0 < y < 1.$$

Example: Assume $X \sim \text{exponential}$

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-x/\lambda} I_{(0, \infty)}^{(x)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x) &= \int_0^x \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-t/\lambda} dt \\ &= 1 - e^{-x/\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{let } u = -t/\lambda \\ \frac{du}{dt} = -1/\lambda \quad du = -1/\lambda dt \\ \int_0^x \frac{1}{\lambda} e^{-t/\lambda} dt = \int e^u du = -e^u \Big| \\ = -e^{-t/\lambda} \Big|_0^x = -e^{-x/\lambda} + 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{Let } Y = 1 - e^{-x/\lambda}$$

Find dist'n of $Y = F_X(x)$

- Show monotonic ft'n:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(1 - e^{-x/\lambda}) = \frac{e^{-x/\lambda}}{\lambda} > 0 \Rightarrow \text{monotonic}$$

$$\left[\frac{d}{dx}(-e^{-x/\lambda}) = (-)(-\frac{1}{\lambda}) e^{-x/\lambda} \right]$$

- Find $g^{-1}(y)$: Solve for x in terms of y

$$x = -\lambda \log(1-y) = g^{-1}(y)$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} e^{-x/\lambda} = 1-y \\ -\frac{x}{\lambda} = \log(1-y) \\ x = -\lambda \log(1-y) \end{array} \right]$$

- Determine sample Space, Y

$$0 \leq y \leq 1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{If } x=0 \quad y=0 \\ x \rightarrow \infty \quad y \rightarrow 1 \end{array} \right]$$

- Calculate $\frac{d}{dy}(g^{-1}(y))$ (derivate old wrt new)

$$\frac{d(g^{-1}(y))}{dy} = \frac{d}{dy}(-\lambda \log(1-y))$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dy}(-\lambda \log(1-y)) \\ = \frac{-\lambda}{(1-y)}(-1) = \frac{\lambda}{1-y} \end{array} \right]$$

- In $f_X(x)$ replace x by $g^{-1}(y)$ multiply by $\left| \frac{d}{dy} g^{-1}(y) \right|$ and identify y

$$\text{pdf of } Y \Rightarrow f_Y(y) = 1 I_{(0,1)}^{(y)}$$

$$Y \sim U(0,1)$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} f_Y(y) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \exp \left\{ -\lambda \log(1-y)/\lambda \right\} \times \left| \frac{\lambda}{1-y} \right| \\ = \frac{1}{\lambda} (1-y) \left| \frac{\lambda}{1-y} \right| = 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Go Backwards: Find dist'n $X = \lambda \log(1-y) = F_x^{-1}(y)$

If $y \sim U(0,1)$, Find dist'n of $X = -\lambda \log(1-y)$

new old
switch $X = -\lambda \log(1-y)$

- Show monotonic fn:

$$\frac{d}{dy}(-\lambda \log(1-y)) = \frac{\lambda}{1-y} > 0 \text{ for } 0 < y < 1$$

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 $\frac{d}{dy}(-\lambda \log(1-y)) = \frac{d}{dy}g^{-1}(y)$

- Find $g^{-1}(x)$: Solve for y in terms of x

$$y = 1 - e^{-x/\lambda}$$

$y = F_x(x)$ previous page

- Determine sample Space, X

$$0 \leq X < \infty$$

As expected if $y=0 \quad x=0$
 $y \rightarrow 1 \quad x \rightarrow \infty$

- Calculate $\frac{d}{dx}(g^{-1}(x))$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(1 - e^{-x/\lambda}) = \frac{e^{-x/\lambda}}{\lambda}$$

previous page $\frac{d}{dx}g(x)$

- In $f_y(y)$ replace y by $g^{-1}(x)$ multiply by $\left| \frac{d}{dx}g^{-1}(x) \right|$ and identify X

$$f_x(x) = 1 * \left| \frac{e^{-x/\lambda}}{\lambda} \right| * I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$$

$X \sim \text{exponential}(\lambda)$

Why so important? If you can generate a $U(0,1)$, you can generate random variables from any continuous dist'n.

To generate $\exp(\lambda)$ ($n=10,000$)

generate 10,000 values of $y \sim U(0,1)$

calculate $X = -\lambda \log(1-y)$

$\Rightarrow 10,000 \exp(\lambda)$.

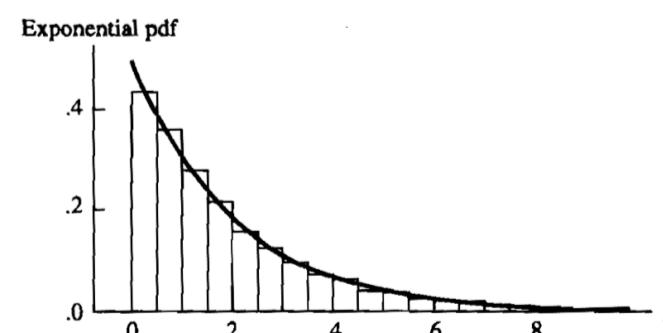


Figure 5.6.1. Histogram of 10,000 observations from an exponential pdf with $\lambda = 2$, together with the pdf

The relationship between the exponential and other distributions allows the quick generation of many random variables. For example, if U_j are iid uniform(0, 1) random variables, then $Y_j = -\lambda \log(u_j)$ are iid exponential (λ) random variables and

$$(5.6.5) \quad Y = -2 \sum_{j=1}^{\nu} \log(U_j) \sim \chi^2_{2\nu}, \quad \text{— Note } df = 2\nu; \text{ only generate even } df$$

$$Y = -\beta \sum_{j=1}^a \log(U_j) \sim \text{gamma}(a, \beta), \quad \leftarrow \text{Note } a = \text{integer}$$

$$Y = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^a \log(U_j)}{\sum_{j=1}^{a+b} \log(U_j)} \sim \text{beta}(a, b). \quad \leftarrow \text{Note } a, b \text{ integer.}$$

Other methods covered in C&B.

Not in C&B:

Hmm... If software will generate $N(0, 1)$ how can you use this to generate a $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$?