

**cdf**  $F_X(x) = P_X((-\infty, x]) = P(c \in C : X(x) \leq x)$  Given  $F_X(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(t) dt$ ,  $f_X$  is called the **pdf**. **CDF Transformation Technique** given  $X$  and some transformation of  $X$ , say  $Y=g(X)$ , we can often obtain the CDF of  $Y$  from the CDF of  $X$ , and then differentiate to get pdf of  $Y$ . **CDF Tech. for One-to-one Correspondences**  $Y = g(X) \Rightarrow f_Y(y) = f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{dx}{dy} \right|$ , for  $y \in S_y$  **mean**  $\mu = E(X)$ , **variance**  $\sigma^2 = E[(X-\mu)^2] = E[X^2] - E[X]^2$ . **standard deviation**  $= \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sigma$ .  **$n$ th raw moment**  $E(X^n)$  **central moment** moment around the mean (to better describe shape of distribution). First moment = mean, second central moment = variance, third central scaled moment = skewness, fourth central scaled moment = kurtosis. **moment generating function/mgf**  $M(t) = E(e^{tX})$  (defined over  $-h < t < h$ , assuming that  $E(e^{tX})$  exists for  $-h < t < h$ ).  $M_X(t) = E(e^{tX}) = 1 + tE(X) + \frac{t^2 E(X^2)}{2!} + \frac{t^3 E(X^3)}{3!} + \dots$ , therefore to obtain the  $i$ 'th raw moment we must merely differentiate  $i$  times  $dt$  and set  $t = 0$ . **Inequalities:** Theorem 1.10.1: given  $X, m \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \mathbb{N} \wedge k < m$ , If  $E[X^m]$  exists, then  $E[X^k]$  exists. **Markov's Inequality:** Let  $u(X)$  be a nonnegative function. If  $E[u(X)]$  exists, then for every  $c > 0$ ,  $P[u(X) \geq c] \leq \frac{E[u(X)]}{c}$ . **Chebyshev's Inequality:** Assume  $\sigma^2$  exists. Then, for every  $k > 0$ ,  $P(|X-\mu| \geq k\sigma) \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$ . **Convex** concave-up (like  $y = x^2$ ), strictly convex excludes function like  $y = x$  **Jensen's Inequality:**  $\phi$  convex on open interval  $I$ ,  $X$ 's support is contained in  $I$ ,  $E[X]$  exists  $\Rightarrow \phi(E[X]) \leq E[\phi(X)]$  three techniques - change-of-variable, cdf, mgf transformation. **Theorem 2.3.1** Let  $(X_1, X_2)$  be a random vector with finite  $\sigma^2$  for  $X_2$ . Then (a)  $E[E(X_2|X_1)] = E(X_2)$ , and (b)  $Var[E(X_2|X_1)] \leq Var(X_2)$ . **Covariance**  $cov(X, Y) = E[(X - \mu_1)(Y - \mu_2)] = E(XY) - \mu_1\mu_2$ . **Correlation Coeff.**  $\rho = \frac{cov(X,Y)}{\sigma_1\sigma_2}$   $E(XY) = \mu_1\mu_2 + cov(X, Y)$ .  $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$   $X_1, X_2$  independent  $\Leftrightarrow f(x_1, x_2) = f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2) \Leftrightarrow f(x_1, x_2) = g(x_1)h(x_2)$  (where  $h, g$  are nonnegative functions)  $\Leftrightarrow F(x_1, x_2) = F_1(x_1)F_2(x_2) \forall (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ . Independence  $\Rightarrow E[u(X_1)v(X_2)] = E[u(X_1)]E[v(X_2)]$ . Variance-covariance matrix.

**Linear Combinations of R.V.:** Let  $T = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i$ . **Thm 2.8.1**  $E[|X_i|] < \infty \Rightarrow E(T) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E(X_i)$ . **Thm 2.8.2** Let  $W = \sum_{i=1}^m b_i Y_i$ .  $E[|X_i^2|] < \infty, E[|Y_i^2|] < \infty \forall i \Rightarrow Cov(T, W) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m a_i b_j Cov(X_i, Y_j)$ . **Cor 2.8.1** Provided  $E[X_i^2] < \infty, \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $Var(T) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 Var(X_i) + 2 \sum_{i < j} a_i a_j Cov(X_i, X_j)$ . **Cor 2.8.2**  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  iid, with finite  $\sigma^2 \Rightarrow Var(T) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 Var(X_i)$ .  $\bar{X} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \Rightarrow E(\bar{X}) = \mu$  and  $Var(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$ . **Sample Variance**  $S^2 = (n-1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \Rightarrow E(S^2) = \sigma^2$ .

**Cauchy-Schwartz Inequality** If  $X, Y$  have finite variances  $E|XY| \leq \sqrt{(E(X^2)E(Y^2))}$

**Simple Linear Regression**  $y = u_y + \rho \frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma_x}(x - \mu_x)$ . **Conditional Normal** variance  $= \sigma_y^2(1 - \rho^2)$  random sample, point estimator, estimate Let  $T = T(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  be a statistic.  $T$  is an **unbiased estimator** of  $\theta$  if  $E(T) = \theta$ . **likelihood function**  $L(\theta) = L(\theta; x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i; \theta)$  **mle**  $\hat{\theta} = \text{Argmax} L(\theta)$ . **Confidence Interval** Given random sample,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , two statistics  $L$  and  $U$ . We say that the interval  $(L, U)$  is a  $(1 - \alpha)$ 100% confidence interval for  $\theta$  if  $1 - \alpha = P_\theta[\theta \in (L, U)]$ . confidence coefficient.  **$p$ th quantile** of  $X$  is  $\xi_p = F^{-1}(p)$ . **order statistic** With  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  as random sample,  $Y_1 < Y_2 < \dots < Y_n$  are the corresponding order statistics. **sample quantile**  $Y_k$ , where  $k$  is greatest integer  $\leq [p(n+1)]$ . **Distribu-**

**tion free c.i. for  $\xi_p$**  Consider order stats  $Y_i < Y_j$  and event  $Y_i < \xi_p < Y_j$ . Then  $P(Y_i < \xi_p < Y_j) = \sum_{w=i}^{j-1} \binom{n}{w} p^w (1-p)^{n-w}$ . **Critical region (C)** a **test** of  $H_0$  vs  $H_1$  is based on a subset  $C$  of  $D$ . Within  $C$ , we reject  $H_0$ . **Type 1 error** false rejection of  $H_0$ , **Type 2** false acceptance of  $H_0$ . **size = significance level**  $\alpha = \max_{\theta \in w_0} P_\theta[(X_1, \dots, X_n) \in C]$  **Power function** we want to maximize  $P_\theta[(X_1, \dots, X_n) \in C]$  **p-value** observed "tail" prob. of a statistic being at least as extreme as the particular observed value when  $H_0$  is true **Bootstrap Convergence in Probability** Let  $X_n$  be a sequence of r.v.s. We say that  $X_n$  c.i.p. to  $X$  if, for all  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P[|X_n - X| \geq \epsilon] = 0$  **Convergence in Distribution** Let  $C(F_X)$  denote set of all points where  $F_X$  is continuous. We say that  $X_n$  c.i.d. to  $X$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x)$ , for all  $x \in C(F_X)$ . ( $X$  can be called asymptotic dist or limiting dist). **Central Limit Theorem**  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  from dist with  $\mu$  and positive  $\sigma^2$ . Then  $Y_n = (\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - n\mu)/\sqrt{n}\sigma = \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)/\sigma$  converges in distribution to  $N(0, 1)$ . **Regularity Conditions** (R0) pdfs distinct, (R1) pdfs have common support for all  $\theta$ , (R2)  $\theta_0 \in \Omega$ , (R3)  $f(x; \theta)$  is twice differentiable fn of  $\theta$ , (R4)  $\frac{d}{d\theta^2} \int f(x; \theta)$  exists **Fisher Info**  $I(\theta) = E \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \log f(X; \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 \right] = \text{Var} \left( \frac{\partial \log f(X; \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)$  **Score fn**  $\frac{\partial \log f(x; \theta)}{\partial \theta}$  (mle  $\hat{\theta}$  solves score=0).  $E(\text{score})=0$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial \log f(X_i; \theta)}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial \log L(\theta; \mathbf{X})}{\partial \theta}$ . Variance of prev fn is  $nI(\theta)$  **Rao-Cramer Lower Bound**  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  iid with pdf  $f(x; \theta)$  for  $\theta \in \Omega$ . Assume (R0)-(R4) hold. Let  $Y = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  be a statistic with  $E(Y) = k(\theta)$ . Then  $\text{Var}(Y) \geq \frac{[k'(\theta)]^2}{nI(\theta)}$ . (Corollary) if  $k(\theta) = \theta$ , then we have  $\text{Var}(Y) \geq \frac{1}{nI(\theta)}$ . **Efficient estimator** unbiased estimator  $Y$  which obtains Rao-Cramer lower bound. **Efficiency**  $\frac{\text{rao-cramer bound}}{\text{actual variance}}$  **Likelihood-Ratio Test**  $\Lambda = \frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\hat{\theta})}$   $\Lambda \leq 1$ , but if  $H_0$  is true,  $\Lambda$  should be close to 1. For a significance level  $\alpha$ , we have the intuitive test "Reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_1$  if  $\Lambda \leq c$ ". **MVUE**  $Y = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is MVUE of  $\theta$  if  $E(Y) = \theta$  and  $\text{Var}(Y) \leq \text{Var}(\text{any other unbiased estimator of } \theta)$ . **decision rule**  $\delta(y)$  estimator from observed value of  $Y$  to point estimate of  $\theta$ . A numerically determined point estimate of a parameter  $\theta$  is a **decision**. **Loss Fn  $\mathcal{L}$ :** reflects diff between true value  $\theta$  and point estimate  $\delta(y)$ . with each pair  $[\theta, \delta(y)], \theta \in \Omega$ , we associate a nonnegative  $\mathcal{L}[\theta, \delta(y)]$ . Expected val of Loss Fn is called **Risk Fn** **Minimax Criterion** Minimize the maximum of the risk function. **min mse estimator** minimizes  $E\{[\theta - \delta(Y)]^2\}$   $Y_1 = u_1(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is a **sufficient statistic** IFF  $\frac{f(x_1; \theta) \dots f(x_n; \theta)}{f_{Y_1}[u_1(x_1, \dots, x_n); \theta]} = H(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , where  $H$  does not depend on  $\theta \in \Omega$  (partitions the sample space such that the conditional sample vec given  $Y_1$  does not depend on  $\theta$ ). **Neyman Factorization**  $Y_1$  is a sufficient statistic IFF  $\exists$  two nonnegative fns  $k_1, k_2$  s.t.  $f(x_1; \theta) \dots f(x_n; \theta) = k_1[u_1(x_1, \dots, x_n); \theta] k_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ , where  $k_2$  does not depend on  $\theta$ . **Rao-Blackwell** Let  $Y_1$  suff statistic,  $Y_2 = u_2(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ , not a fn of  $Y_1$  alone, be an unbiased estimator of  $\theta$ . Then  $E(Y_2|y_1) = \varphi(y_1)$  defines a statistic  $\varphi(Y_1)$ .  $\varphi$  is a fn of the suff stat for  $\theta$ ; it is an unbiased estimator of  $\theta$ ; and its variance  $\leq \text{Var}(Y_2)$ . **7.3.2** If  $Y_1$  suff statistic for  $\theta$  exists and if  $\hat{\theta}$  also exists uniquely, then  $\hat{\theta}$  is a fn of  $Y_1$ . **Complete Family** Let r.v.  $Z$  have pdf/pmf  $\in \{h(z; \theta) : \theta \in \Omega\}$ . If  $E[u(Z)] = 0$ , for every  $\theta \in \Omega$ , requires that  $u(z)$  be zero except on a set of points that has prob. 0 f.e.  $h$ , then the fam. above is called a complete family of pdfs/pmfs. **7.4.1** Given  $Y_1$  suff.,  $f_{Y_1}$  complete. If there is a fn of  $Y_1$  that is an unbiased estimator of  $\theta$ , then this fn of  $Y_1$  is the unique MVUE of  $\theta$ . (also  $Y_1$  is a **complete sufficient statistic** **Ancillary Statistic** contains no info about parameter

**Exponential Class** Consider

$$f(x; \theta) = \begin{cases} \exp[p(\theta)K(x) + H(x) + q(\theta)] & x \in S \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$f$  is  $\in$  regular exponential class if 1.  $S$  does not depend on  $\theta$ , 2.  $p(\theta)$  is a nontrivial continuous fn of  $\theta \in \Omega$ , 3. (a) if  $X$  is a continuous r.v., then each of  $K'(x) \neq 0$  and  $H(x)$  is a continuous fn of  $x \in S$ . (b) if  $X$  is a discrete r.v., then  $K(x)$  is a nontrivial fn of  $x \in S$ . **7.5.1** exponential random sample. Consider  $Y_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n K(X_i)$ . Then 1. pdf of  $Y_1$  has form  $R(y_1)\exp(p(\theta)y_1 + nq(\theta))$ . 2.  $E(Y_1) = -n \frac{q'(\theta)}{p'(\theta)}$  3.  $\text{Var}(Y_1) = \frac{n}{p'(\theta)^2} \{p''(\theta)q'(\theta) - q''(\theta)p'(\theta)\}$ . **7.5.2**  $f(x; \theta)$  pdf for exponential class. then given random sample  $Y_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n K(X_i)$  is a suff stat for  $\theta$  and the fam  $\{f_{Y_1}(y_1; \theta) : a < \delta\}$  is complete. That is  $Y_1$  is a complete suff stat for  $\theta$ .

**Uniform** Any continuous or discrete random variable  $X$  whose pdf or pmf is constant on the support of  $X$ . **Binomial** “How many successes out  $n$  random trials” **Negative Binomial** “How many trials before  $n$  successes” **Geometric** “How many trials before 1 success. e.g. ‘waiting time’ between successes”. **Multi-nomial** Generalization of the Binomial distribution, where each experiment can have more than two possible outcomes. **Hyper-geometric** distribution arises when sampling from two classes without replacement. **Poisson** “number of events in a given amount of time while running a poisson process” (analogous to binomial distribution but based on poisson instead of bernoulli). **Gamma**  $\Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$  Waiting time between  $n$  occurrences in a poisson process. Poisson analogue of Negative Binomial distribution. **Exponential** Waiting time between a single occurrence in a poisson process. Poisson analogue of Geometric distribution. **Chi-Square**  $\chi^2(r)$  Gamma distribution with  $\alpha = r/2$ , where  $r \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\beta = 2$ .  $r$  is “number of degrees of freedom”. Sampling from multinomial distributions is related to  $\chi^2$  **Beta** Various uses.

**Normal** Arises extremely frequently in nature, due to the Central Limit Theorem.

**Common Terms** Prior probabilities, posterior probabilities, space/range of r.v.  $X$ , support of r.v.  $X$ ., discrete r.v., continuous r.v.,

**Symbols**

	Name	Note
$C$	sample space	
$C^c$	Complement	“Complement of $C$ ”
$D$	sample space	space $\{(X_1, \dots, X_n)\}$
$E(X)$	expectation	expectation of $X$
$M(X)$	mgf	moment generating function $E(e^{tX})$ .
$P(X)$	pdf	probability density function of $X$
$S$	support	$S$ often used to denote support of r.v.
$S^2$		sample variance
$\sigma^2$		population variance
$X, Y$	r.v.	common letters to denote random variables.
$\mu$	mean	is same as expectation
$\theta_0$	true value	true value of parameter $\theta_0$
$\xi_p$		100pth distribution percentile

**Miscellaneous**

**Geometric series:** You can derive these by setting up a formula like  $c^0 + c^1 + c^2 + \dots = S$ , multiply both sides by  $c$ , subtract equations and solve for  $S$ .  $\sum_{i=0}^n c^i = \frac{c^{n+1}-1}{c-1}$ ,  $c \neq 1$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} c^i = \frac{1}{1-c}$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c^i = \frac{c}{1-c}$ ,  $|c| < 1$ .

**Gamma function**  $\Gamma(n) = (n-1)!$   $\int x e^x dx$  do it by parts,  $u = e^x, v = x$ . **binom. coeff.**  $(a+b)^n = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} a^k b^{n-k}$ . **condit.**

**prob.**  $P(C_2|C_1) = \frac{P(C_1 \cap C_2)}{P(C_1)}$ .  $P(C_1 \cap C_2) = P(C_1)P(C_2|C_1)$

**bayes**  $P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$   $\bar{X}$  of  $N(\theta, \sigma^2) \propto N(\theta, \sigma^2/n)$

name	note	pdf	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$	mgf
Discrete					
Bernoulli( $p$ )	$0 < p < 1$	$p^x(1-p)^{1-x}, x = 0, 1$	$p$	$p(1-p)$	$[(1-p) + pe^t], -\infty < t < \infty$
Binomial( $p$ )	$0 < p < 1, n = 1, 2, \dots$	$\binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$	$np$	$np(1-p)$	$[(1-p) + pe^t]^n, -\infty < t < \infty$
Geometric( $p$ )	$0 < p < 1$	$p(1-p)^x, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$	$\frac{1-p}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$	$p[1-(1-p)e^t]^{-1}, t < -\log(1-p)$
Hypergeom ( $N, D, n$ )	$n = 1, 2, \dots, \min\{N, D\}$	$\frac{\binom{N-D}{n-x} \binom{D}{x}}{\binom{N}{n}}, x = 0, 1, \dots, n$	$n \frac{D}{N}$	$n \frac{D}{N} \frac{N-D}{N} \frac{N-n}{N-1}$	complicated...
Neg. Binom( $p, r$ )	$0 < p < 1, r = 1, 2, \dots$	$\binom{x+r-1}{r-1} p^r (1-p)^x, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$	$\frac{pr}{r(1-p)}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$	$p^r [1-(1-p)e^t]^{-r}, t < -\log(1-p)$
Poisson( $\lambda$ )	$\lambda > 0$	$e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!}$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$	$\exp \lambda (e^t - 1)$
Continuous					
Beta( $\alpha, \beta$ )	$\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$	$\frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}, 0 < x < 1$	$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$	$\frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha+\beta+1)(\alpha+\beta)^2}$	$1 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left( \prod_{j=0}^{i-1} \frac{\alpha+j}{\alpha+\beta+j} \right) \frac{t^i}{i!}, -\infty < t < \infty$
Cauchy( $x$ )		$\frac{1}{\pi} \frac{1}{x^2+1}, -\infty < x < \infty$	n/a	n/a	n/a
$\chi^2(r)$	$= \Gamma(r/2, 2), r > 0,$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(r/2)2^{r/2}} x^{(r/2)-1} e^{-x/2}, x > 0$	$r$	$2r$	$(1-2t)^{-r/2}, t < 1/2$
Expontl.( $\lambda$ )	$= \Gamma(1, 1/\lambda), \lambda > 0,$	$\lambda e^{-\lambda x}, x > 0$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda^2}$	$[1-(t/\lambda)]^{-1}, t < \lambda$
$\Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$	$\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\beta}, x > 0$	$\alpha\beta$	$\alpha\beta^2$	$(1-\beta t)^{-\alpha}, t < 1/\beta$
Laplace( $\theta$ )	$-\infty < \theta < \infty$	$\frac{1}{2} e^{- x-\theta }, -\infty < x < \infty$	$\theta$	2	$e^{t\theta} \frac{1}{1-t^2}, -1 < t < 1$
Logistic( $\theta$ )	$-\infty < \theta < \infty$	$\frac{\exp\{-(x-\theta)\}}{(1+\exp\{-(x-\theta)\})^2}, -\infty < x < \infty$	$\theta$	$\frac{\pi^2}{3}$	$e^{t\theta} \Gamma(1-t) \Gamma(1+t), -1 < t < 1$
$N(\mu, \sigma^2)$	$-\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma > 0$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(x-\mu)^2}{\sigma^2}\right), -\infty < x < \infty$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$	$\exp(\mu t + (1/2)\sigma^2 t^2), -\infty < t < \infty$
$t(r)$	$r > 0$	$\frac{\Gamma((r+1)/2)}{\sqrt{\pi r} \Gamma(r/2)} \frac{1}{(1+x^2/r)^{(r+1)/2}}, -\infty < x < \infty$	0 if $r > 1$	$\frac{r}{r-2}$ if $r > 2$	n/a
Unif( $a, b$ )	$-\infty < a < b < \infty$	$\frac{1}{b-a}, a < x < b$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$	$\frac{e^{bt}-e^{at}}{(b-a)^t}, -\infty < t < \infty$