

Mathematical Statisticals

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Chapter 4. Distribution of Function of Random variables

Sample space S : set of possible outcome in an experiment.

Probability set function P :

$$(1) P(A) \geq 0, \forall A \subset S.$$

$$(2) P(S) = 1.$$

$$(3) P\left(\bigcup_1^{\infty} A_i\right) = \sum_1^{\infty} P(A_i), \text{ if } A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset, \forall i \neq j.$$

Random variable X :

$$X : S \rightarrow R$$

Given $B \subset R, P(X \in B) = P(\{s \in S : X(s) \in B\}) = P(X^{-1}(B))$ where $X^{-1}(B) \subset S$.

X is a discrete random variable if its range

$$X(s) = \{x \in R : \exists s \in S, X(s) = x\}$$

is countable. The probability density/mass function (p.d.f) of X is defined as

$$f(x) = P(X = x), x \in R.$$

Distribution function F :

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x), x \in R.$$

A r.v. is called a continuous r.v. if there exists $f(x) \geq 0$ such that

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt, x \in R.$$

where f is the p.d.f of continuous r.v. X .

Let X be a r.v. with p.d.f $f(x)$. Let $g : R \rightarrow R$

Q: What is the p.d.f. of $g(x)$? and is $g(x)$ a r.v.?(Yes)

Answer:

(a) distribution method :

Suppose that X is a continuous r.v.. Let $Y = g(X)$

The d.f(distribution function) of Y is

$$G(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(g(X) \leq y)$$

If G is differentiable then the p.d.f. of $Y = g(X)$ is $g(y) = G'(y)$.

(b) mgf method :(moment generating function)

$$E[e^{tx}] = \begin{cases} \sum e^{tx} f(x) & \text{(discrete)} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{tx} f(x) dx & \text{(continuous)} \end{cases}$$

Thm. *m.g.f. $M_x(t)$ and its distribution (p.d.f. or d.f.) forms a 1 - 1 functions.*

ex:

$$M_Y(t) = e^{\frac{1}{2}t} = M_{N(0,1)}(t) \Rightarrow Y \sim N(0, 1)$$

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be random variables.

If they are discrete, the joint p.d.f. of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = P(X_1 = x_1, X_2 = x_2, \dots, X_n = x_n), \forall \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in R^n$$

If X_1, \dots, X_n are continuous r.v.'s, there exists f such that

$$F(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_n} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} f(t_1, \dots, t_n) dt_1 \dots dt_n, \text{ for } \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in R^n$$

We call f the joint p.d.f. of X_1, \dots, X_n .

If X is continuous, then

$$F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt \text{ and } P(X = x) = \int_x^x f(t) dt = 0, \forall x \in R.$$

Marginal p.d.f.'s:

Discrete:

$$f_{X_i}(x) = P(X_i = x) = \sum_{x_n} \dots \sum_{x_{i+1}} \sum_{x_{i-1}} \dots \sum_{x_1} f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$$

Continuous:

$$f_{X_i}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \dots dx_{i-1} dx_{i+1} \dots dx_n$$

Events A and B are independent if $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$.

Q: If $A \cap B = \emptyset$, are A and B independent?

A: In general, they are not.

Let X and Y be r.v.'s with joint p.d.f. $f(x, y)$ and marginal p.d.f. $f_X(x)$ and $f_Y(y)$. We say that X and Y are independent if

$$f(x, y) = f_X(x)f_Y(y), \forall \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \in R^2$$

Random variables X and Y are identically distributed (i.d.) if marginal p.d.f.'s f and g satisfy $f = g$ or d.f.'s F and G satisfy $F = G$.

We say that X and Y are **iid** random variables if they are independent and identically distributed.

Transformation of r.v.'s (discrete case)

Univariate: $Y = g(X)$, p.d.f. of Y is

$$g(y) = P(Y = y) = P(g(x) = y) = P(\{x \in \text{Range of } X : g(x) = y\}) = \sum_{\{x:g(x)=y\}} f(x)$$

For random variables X_1, \dots, X_n with joint p.d.f. $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, define transformations

$$Y_1 = g_1(X_1, \dots, X_n), \dots, Y_m = g_m(X_1, \dots, X_n).$$

The joint p.d.f. of Y_1, \dots, Y_m is

$$\begin{aligned}
g(y_1, \dots, y_m) &= P(Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_m = y_m) \\
&= P\left(\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} : g_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y_1, \dots, g_m(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y_m \right\}\right) \\
&= \sum_{\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} : g_1(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y_1, \dots, g_m(x_1, \dots, x_n) = y_m \right\}} f(x_1, \dots, x_n)
\end{aligned}$$

Example: joint p.d.f. of X_1, X_2, X_3 is

(x_1, x_2, x_3)	$(0, 0, 0)$	$(0, 0, 1)$	$(0, 1, 1)$	$(1, 0, 1)$	$(1, 1, 0)$	$(1, 1, 1)$
$f(x_1, x_2, x_3)$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$

$$Y_1 = X_1 + X_2 + X_3, Y_2 = |X_3 - X_2|$$

Space of (Y_1, Y_2) is $\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (2, 0), (2, 1), (3, 0)\}$.

Joint p.d.f. of Y_1 and Y_2 is

(y_1, y_2)	$(0, 0)$	$(1, 1)$	$(2, 0)$	$(2, 1)$	$(3, 0)$
$g(y_1, y_2)$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{2}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$

Continuous one-to-one transformations:

Let X be a continuous r.v. with joint p.d.f. $f(x)$ and range $A = X(s)$.

Consider $Y = g(x)$, a differentiable function. We want p.d.f. of Y .

Thm. If g is 1-1 transformation, then the p.d.f. of Y is

$$f_Y(y) = \begin{cases} f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{dg^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right| & y \in g(A) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Proof. The d.f. of Y is

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \leq y) = P(g(X) \leq y)$$

(a) If g is \nearrow , g^{-1} is also \nearrow . ($\frac{dg^{-1}}{dy} > 0$)

$$F_Y(y) = P(X \leq g^{-1}(y)) = \int_{-\infty}^{g^{-1}(y)} f_X(x) dx$$

⇒ p.d.f. of Y is

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= D_y \int_{-\infty}^{g^{-1}(y)} f_X(x) dx \\ &= f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \frac{dg^{-1}(y)}{dy} \\ &= f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{dg^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right| \end{aligned}$$

(b) If g is \searrow , g^{-1} is also \searrow . ($\frac{dg^{-1}}{dy} < 0$)

$$F_Y(y) = P(X \geq g^{-1}(y)) = \int_{g^{-1}(y)}^{\infty} f_X(x) dx = 1 - \int_{-\infty}^{g^{-1}(y)} f_X(x) dx$$

⇒ p.d.f. of Y is

$$\begin{aligned} f_Y(y) &= D_y \left(1 - \int_{-\infty}^{g^{-1}(y)} f_X(x) dx \right) \\ &= -f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \frac{dg^{-1}(y)}{dy} \\ &= f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{dg^{-1}(y)}{dy} \right| \end{aligned}$$

□

Example : $X \sim U(0, 1)$, $Y = -2 \ln(x) = g(x)$

sol: p.d.f. of X is

$$f_X(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{if } 0 < x < 1 \\ 0 & , \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

$A = (0, 1)$, $g(A) = (0, \infty)$,

$$x = e^{-\frac{y}{2}} = g^{-1}(y), \quad \frac{dx}{dy} = -\frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{y}{2}}$$

p.d.f. of Y is

$$f_Y(y) = f_X(g^{-1}(y)) \left| \frac{dy}{dx} \right| = \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{y}{2}}, y > 0$$

$$(X \sim U(a, b) \text{ if } f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{if } a < x < b \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases})$$

$$\Rightarrow Y \sim \chi^2(2)$$

$$(X \sim \chi^2(r) \text{ if } f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{r}{2})2^{\frac{r}{2}}} x^{\frac{r}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{x}{2}}, x > 0)$$

Continuous n-r.v.-to-m-r.v., $n > m$, case :

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{cases} Y_1 = g_1(X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ \vdots \\ Y_m = g_m(X_1, \dots, X_n) \end{cases} \quad R^n \xrightarrow{\begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ \vdots \\ g_m \end{pmatrix}} R^m$$

Q : What are the marginal p.d.f. of Y_1, \dots, Y_m

A : We need to define $Y_{m+1} = g_{m+1}(X_1, \dots, X_n), \dots, Y_n = g_n(X_1, \dots, X_n)$

such that $\begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ \vdots \\ g_n \end{pmatrix}$ is 1-1 from R^n to R^n .

Theory for change variables :

$$P\left(\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in A\right) = \int \cdots \int f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \cdots dx_n$$

Let $y_1 = g_1(x_1, \dots, x_n), \dots, y_n = g_n(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be a 1 - 1 function with inverse $x_1 = w_1(y_1, \dots, y_n), \dots, x_n = w_n(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ and Jacobian

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_1} & \cdots & \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_n} \end{vmatrix}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \cdots \int f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \cdots dx_n \\ &= \int \cdots \int f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(w_1(y_1, \dots, y_n), \dots, w_n(y_1, \dots, y_n)) |J| dy_1 \cdots dy_n \end{aligned}$$

Hence, joint p.d.f. of Y_1, \dots, Y_n is

$$f_{Y_1, \dots, Y_n}(y_1, \dots, y_n) = f_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(w_1, \dots, w_n) |J|$$

Thm. Suppose that X_1 and X_2 are two r.v.'s with continuous joint p.d.f. f_{X_1, X_2} and sample space A .

If $Y_1 = g_1(X_1, X_2)$, $Y_2 = g_2(X_1, X_2)$ forms a 1 - 1 transformation inverse function

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1(Y_1, Y_2) \\ w_2(Y_1, Y_2) \end{pmatrix} \text{ and Jacobian } J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} \end{vmatrix}$$

the joint p.d.f. of Y_1, Y_2 is

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2) = f_{X_1, X_2}(w_1(y_1, y_2), w_2(y_1, y_2)) |J|, \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ g_2 \end{pmatrix}(A).$$

Steps :

(a) joint p.d.f. of X_1, X_2 , space A .

(b) check if it is 1 - 1 transformation.

Inverse function $X_1 = w_1(Y_1, Y_2), X_2 = w_2(Y_1, Y_2)$

(c) Range of $\begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ g_2 \end{pmatrix}(A)$

Example : For $X_1, X_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U(0, 1)$, let $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2, Y_2 = X_1 - X_2$.

Want marginal p.d.f. of Y_1, Y_2

Sol : joint p.d.f. of X_1, X_2 is

$$f_{X_1, X_2}(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0 < x_1 < 1, 0 < x_2 < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

$$A = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} : 0 < x_1 < 1, 0 < x_2 < 1 \right\}$$

Given y_1, y_2 , solve $y_1 = x_1 + x_2, y_2 = x_1 - x_2$.

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} = w_1(y_1, y_2), x_2 = \frac{y_1 - y_2}{2} = w_2(y_1, y_2)$$

(1 - 1 transformation)

Jacobian is

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_2} \\ \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_1} & \frac{\partial x_2}{\partial y_2} \end{vmatrix} = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{vmatrix} = -\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

The joint p.d.f. of Y_1, Y_2 is

$$f_{Y_1, Y_2}(y_1, y_2) = f_{X_1, X_2}(w_1, w_2) |J|, \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \in B$$

Marginal p.d.f. of Y_1, Y_2 are

$$f_{Y_1}(y_1) = \begin{cases} \int_{-y_1}^{y_1} \frac{1}{2} dy_2 = y_1 & , 0 < y_1 < 1 \\ \int_{y_1-2}^{2-y_1} \frac{1}{2} dy_2 = 1 - y_1 & , 1 < y_1 < 2 \\ 0 & , \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

$$f_{Y_2}(y_2) = \begin{cases} \int_{-y_2}^{2+y_2} \frac{1}{2} dy_1 = y_2 + 1 & , -1 < y_2 < 0 \\ \int_{y_2}^{2-y_2} \frac{1}{2} dy_1 = 1 - y_2 & , 0 < y_2 < 1 \\ 0 & , \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Def. If a sequence of r.v.'s X_1, \dots, X_n are independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.), then they are called a **random sample**.

If X_1, \dots, X_n is a random sample from a distribution with p.d.f. f_0 , then the joint p.d.f. of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_0(x_i), \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} \in R^n$$

Def. Any function $g(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ of a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n which is not dependent on a parameter θ is called a **statistic**.

Note : If X is a random sample with p.d.f. $f(x, \theta)$, where θ is an unknown constant, then θ is called **parameter**.

For example, $N(\mu, \sigma^2) : \mu, \sigma^2$ are parameters.

Poisson(λ) : λ is a parameter.

Example of statistics :

X_1, \dots, X_n are iid r.v.'s $\Rightarrow \bar{X}$ and S^2 are statistics.

Note : If X_1, \dots, X_n are r.v.'s, the m.g.f of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$M_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(t_1, \dots, t_n) = E(e^{t_1 X_1 + \dots + t_n X_n})$$

m.g.f

$$M_x(t) = E(e^{tx}) = \int e^{tx} f(x) dx$$

$$\longrightarrow D_t M_x(t) = D_t E(e^{tx}) = D_t \int e^{tx} f(x) dx = \int D_t e^{tx} f(x) dx$$

Lemma. X_1 and X_2 are independent if and only if

$$M_{X_1, X_2}(t_1, t_2) = M_{X_1}(t_1)M_{X_2}(t_2), \forall t_1, t_2.$$

Proof. \Rightarrow) If X_1, X_2 are independent,

$$\begin{aligned} M_{X_1, X_2}(t_1, t_2) &= \mathbb{E}(e^{t_1 X_1 + t_2 X_2}) \\ &= \int \int e^{t_1 x_1 + t_2 x_2} f(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{t_1 x_1} f_{X_1}(x_1) dx_1 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{t_2 x_2} f_{X_2}(x_2) dx_2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}(e^{t_1 X_1}) \mathbb{E}(e^{t_2 X_2}) \\ &= M_{X_1}(t_1) M_{X_2}(t_2) \end{aligned}$$

\Leftarrow)

$$M_{X_1, X_2}(t_1, t_2) = \mathbb{E}(e^{t_1 X_1 + t_2 X_2}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{t_1 x_1 + t_2 x_2} f(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{X_1}(t_1) M_{X_2}(t_2) &= \mathbb{E}(e^{t_1 X_1}) \mathbb{E}(e^{t_2 X_2}) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{t_1 x_1} f_{X_1}(x_1) dx_1 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{t_2 x_2} f_{X_2}(x_2) dx_2 \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{t_1 x_1 + t_2 x_2} f(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \end{aligned}$$

With 1 – 1 correspondence between m.g.f and p.d.f,

then $f(x_1, x_2) = f_1(x_1) f_2(x_2), \forall x_1, x_2$

$\Rightarrow X_1, X_2$ are independent. □

X and Y are independent, denote by $X \amalg Y$.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) & , M_x(t) = e^{\mu t + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} t^2}, \forall t \in R \\ X \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) & , M_x(t) = (1 - \beta t)^{-\alpha}, t < \frac{1}{\beta} \\ X \sim b(n, p) & , M_x(t) = (1 - p + p e^t)^n, \forall t \in R \\ X \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda) & , M_x(t) = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}, \forall t \in R \end{array} \right.$$

Note :

(a) If (X_1, \dots, X_n) and (Y_1, \dots, Y_m) are independent, then $g(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ and $h(Y_1, \dots, Y_m)$ are also independent.

(b) If X, Y are independent, then

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X)h(Y)] = \mathbb{E}[g(X)]\mathbb{E}[h(Y)].$$

Thm. If (X_1, \dots, X_n) is a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then

$$(a) \bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

(b) \bar{X} and S^2 are independent.

$$(c) \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$$

Proof. (a) m.g.f. of \bar{X} is

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\bar{X}}(t) &= \mathbb{E}(e^{t\bar{X}}) = \mathbb{E}(e^{t\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(e^{\frac{t}{n}X_1} e^{\frac{t}{n}X_2} \dots e^{\frac{t}{n}X_n}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(e^{\frac{t}{n}X_1})\mathbb{E}(e^{\frac{t}{n}X_2})\mathbb{E}(e^{\frac{t}{n}X_n}) \\ &= M_{X_1}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)M_{X_2}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)\dots M_{X_n}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right) \\ &= \left(e^{\mu\frac{t}{n} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)^2}\right)^n \\ &= e^{\mu t + \frac{\sigma^2}{2n}t^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{X} \sim \left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

(b) First we want to show that \bar{X} and $(X_1 - \bar{X}, X_2 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X})$ are

independent. Joint m.g.f. of \bar{X} and $(X_1 - \bar{X}, X_2 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X})$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
& M_{\bar{X}, X_1 - \bar{X}, X_2 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X}}(t, t_1, \dots, t_n) \\
&= \mathbb{E}[e^{t\bar{X} + t_1(X_1 - \bar{X}) + \dots + t_n(X_n - \bar{X})}] \\
&= \mathbb{E}[e^{\frac{t}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + \sum_{i=1}^n t_i X_i - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n X_j}{n}}] \\
&= \mathbb{E}[e^{\sum_{i=1}^n (\frac{t}{n} + t_i - \bar{t}) X_i}], \bar{t} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \\
&= \mathbb{E}[e^{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{n(t_i - \bar{t}) + t}{n} X_i}] \\
&= \mathbb{E}[\prod_{i=1}^n e^{\frac{n(t_i - \bar{t}) + t}{n} X_i}] \\
&= \prod_{i=1}^n e^{\mu \frac{n(t_i - \bar{t}) + t}{n} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{(n(t_i - \bar{t}) + t)^2}{n^2}} \\
&= e^{\frac{\mu}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (n(t_i - \bar{t}) + t) + \frac{\sigma^2}{2n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (n(t_i - \bar{t}) + t)^2} \\
&= e^{\mu t + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} t^2 + \mu \sum (t_i - \bar{t}) + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \sum (t_i - \bar{t})^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{n^2} n t \sum (t_i - \bar{t})} \\
&= e^{\mu t + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} t^2} e^{\frac{\sigma^2}{2} \sum (t_i - \bar{t})^2} \\
&= M_{\bar{X}}(t) M_{(X_1 - \bar{X}, X_2 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X})}(t_1, \dots, t_n)
\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{X}$ and $(X_1 - \bar{X}, X_2 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X})$ are independent.

$\Rightarrow \bar{X}$ and $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ are independent.

(c)

(1) $Z \sim N(0, 1), \Rightarrow Z^2 \sim \chi^2(1)$

(2)

$X \sim \chi^2(r_1)$ and $Y \sim \chi^2(r_2)$ are independent. $\Rightarrow X + Y \sim \chi^2(r_1 + r_2)$

Proof. m.g.f. of $X + Y$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{X+Y}(t) &= \mathbb{E}(e^{t(X+Y)}) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX+tY}) = \mathbb{E}(e^{tX})\mathbb{E}(e^{tY}) = M_X(t)M_Y(t) \\
&= (1 - 2t)^{-\frac{r_1}{2}} (1 - 2t)^{-\frac{r_2}{2}} = (1 - 2t)^{-\frac{r_1+r_2}{2}}
\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow X + Y \sim \chi^2(r_1 + r_2)$

(3)

$$\begin{aligned}
& (X_1, \dots, X_n) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma) \\
& \frac{X_1 - \mu}{\sigma}, \frac{X_2 - \mu}{\sigma}, \dots, \frac{X_n - \mu}{\sigma} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{(X_1 - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}, \frac{(X_2 - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}, \dots, \frac{(X_n - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \chi^2(1)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n)$$

$$\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1-2t)^{-\frac{n}{2}} &= M_{\frac{\sum (X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{t \frac{\sum (X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(e^{t \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X} + \bar{X} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}) = \mathbb{E}(e^{t \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + n(\bar{X} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(e^{t \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2}} e^{t \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2/n}}) \\ &= \mathbb{E}(e^{t \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2}}) \mathbb{E}(e^{t \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2/n}}) \\ &= M_{\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2}}(t) M_{\frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2/n}}(t) \\ &= M_{\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2}}(t) (1-2t)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow M_{\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2}}(t) = (1-2t)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$$

□

Chapter 3. Statistical Inference – Point Estimation

Problem in statistics:

A random variables X with p.d.f. of the form $f(x, \theta)$ where function f is known but parameter θ is unknown. We want to gain knowledge about θ .

What we have for inference:

There is a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n from $f(x, \theta)$.

$$\text{Statistical inferences} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Estimation} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Point estimation: } \hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ \text{Interval estimation:} \\ \text{Find statistics } T_1 = t_1(X_1, \dots, X_n), T_2 = t_2(X_1, \dots, X_n) \\ \text{such that } 1 - \alpha = P(T_1 \leq \theta \leq T_2) \end{array} \right. \\ \text{Hypothesis testing: } H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \text{ or } H_0 : \theta \geq \theta_0. \\ \text{Want to find a rule to decide if we accept or reject } H_0. \end{array} \right.$$

Def. We call a statistic $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ an estimator of parameter θ if it is used to estimate θ . If $X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n$ are observed, then $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is called an **estimate** of θ .

Two problems are concerned in estimation of θ :

- (a) How can we evaluate an estimator $\hat{\theta}$ for its use in estimation of θ ?
Need criterion for this estimation.
- (b) Are there general rules in deriving estimators ? We will introduce two methods for deriving estimator of θ .

Def. We call an estimator θ **unbiased** for θ if it satisfies

$$E_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n)) = \theta, \forall \theta.$$

$$E_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n)) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n) f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) dx_1 \dots dx_n \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \theta^* f_{\hat{\theta}}(\theta^*) d\theta^* \text{ where } \hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n) \text{ is a r.v. with pdf } f_{\hat{\theta}}(\theta^*) \end{cases}$$

Def. If $E_{\theta}(\hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n)) \neq \theta$ for some θ , we said that $\hat{\theta}$ is a **biased** estimator.

Example : $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, Suppose that our interest is μ , X_1 ,

$E_\mu(X_1) = \mu$, is unbiased for μ ,

$\frac{1}{2}(X_1 + X_2)$, $E(\frac{X_1+X_2}{2}) = \mu$, is unbiased for μ ,

\bar{X} , $E_\mu(\bar{X}) = \mu$, is unbiased for μ ,

► $a_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} a$, if , for $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $N > 0$ such that $|a_n - a| < \epsilon$ if $n \geq N$.

$\{X_n\}$ is a sequence of r.v.'s. How can we define $X_n \rightarrow X$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$?

Def. We say that X_n **converges** to X , a r.v. or a constant, in probability if for $\epsilon > 0$,

$$P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

In this case, we denote $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$.

Thm.

If $E(X_n) = a$ or $E(X_n) \rightarrow a$ and $\text{Var}(X_n) \rightarrow 0$, then $X_n \xrightarrow{P} a$.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} E[(X_n - a)^2] &= E[(X_n - E(X_n) + E(X_n) - a)^2] \\ &= E[(X_n - E(X_n))^2] + E[(E(X_n) - a)^2] + 2E[(X_n - E(X_n))(E(X_n) - a)] \\ &= \text{Var}(X_n) + E((X_n) - a)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Chebyshev's Inequality :

$$P(|X_n - X| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{E(X_n - X)^2}{\epsilon^2} \text{ or } P(|X_n - \mu| \geq k\sigma) \leq \frac{1}{k^2}$$

For $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq P(|X_n - a| > \epsilon) &= P((X_n - a)^2 > \epsilon^2) \\ &\leq \frac{E(X_n - a)^2}{\epsilon^2} = \frac{\text{Var}(X_n) + (E(X_n) - a)^2}{\epsilon^2} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(|X_n - a| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{P} a.$$

□

Thm. Weak Law of Large Numbers(WLLN)

If X_1, \dots, X_n is a random sample with mean μ and finite variance σ^2 , then $\bar{X} \xrightarrow{P} \mu$.

Proof.

$$E(\bar{X}) = \mu, \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \Rightarrow \bar{X} \xrightarrow{P} \mu.$$

□

Def. We say that $\hat{\theta}$ is a **consistent** estimator of θ if $\hat{\theta} \xrightarrow{P} \theta$.

Example : X_1, \dots, X_n is a random sample with mean μ and finite variance σ^2 . Is X_1 a consistent estimator of μ ?

$E(X_1) = \mu$, X_1 is unbiased for μ .

Let $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(|X_1 - \mu| > \epsilon) &= 1 - P(|X_1 - \mu| \leq \epsilon) = 1 - P(\mu - \epsilon \leq X_1 \leq \mu + \epsilon) \\ &= 1 - \int_{\mu - \epsilon}^{\mu + \epsilon} f_X(x) dx > 0, \not\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow X$ is not a consistent estimator of μ

$$\begin{aligned} E(\bar{X}) &= \mu, \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \\ \Rightarrow \bar{X} &\xrightarrow{P} \mu. \\ \Rightarrow \bar{X} &\text{ is a consistent estimator of } \mu. \end{aligned}$$

► Unbiasedness and consistency are two basic conditions for good estimator.

Moments :

Let X be a random variable having a p.d.f. $f(x, \theta)$, the population k_{th} moment is defined by

$$E_{\theta}(X^k) = \begin{cases} \sum_{\text{all } x} x^k f(x, \theta) & , \text{ discrete} \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^k f(x, \theta) dx & , \text{ continuous} \end{cases}$$

The sample k_{th} moment is defined by $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k$.

Note :

$$E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k\right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i^k) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E_{\theta}(X^k) = E_{\theta}(X^k)$$

\Rightarrow Sample k_{th} moment is unbiased for population k_{th} moment.

$$\text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(X_i^k) = \frac{1}{n} \text{Var}(X^k) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k \xrightarrow{P} E_\theta(X^k).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^k \text{ is a consistent estimator of } E_\theta(X^k).$$

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample with mean μ and variance σ^2 . The sample variance is defined by $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$. Want to show that S^2 is unbiased for σ^2 .

$$\text{Var}(X) = E[(X - \mu)^2] = E[X^2 - 2\mu X + \mu^2] = E(X^2) - \mu^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E(X^2) = \text{Var}(X) + \mu^2 = \text{Var}(X) + (E(X))^2$$

$$E(\bar{X}) = \mu, \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(S^2) &= E\left(\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2\right) = \frac{1}{n-1} E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - 2\bar{X} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + n\bar{X}^2\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - n\bar{X}^2\right) = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i^2) - nE(\bar{X}^2)\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} [n\sigma^2 + n\mu^2 - n\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \mu^2\right)] = \frac{1}{n-1} (n-1)\sigma^2 = \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \text{ is unbiased for } \sigma^2.$$

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - n\bar{X}^2\right] = \frac{n}{n-1} \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \bar{X}^2\right] \xrightarrow{P} E(X^2) - \mu^2 = \sigma^2 + \mu^2 - \mu^2 = \sigma^2$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} X_1, \dots, X_n \text{ are iid with mean } \mu \text{ and variance } \sigma^2 \\ X_1^2, \dots, X_n^2 \text{ are iid r.v.'s with mean } E(X^2) = \mu^2 + \sigma^2 \\ \text{By WLLN, } \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \xrightarrow{P} E(X^2) = \mu^2 + \sigma^2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow s^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$$

Def. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a distribution with p.d.f. $f(x, \theta)$

(a) If θ is univariate, the method of moment estimator $\hat{\theta}$ solve θ for $\bar{X} = E_{\theta}(X)$

(b) If $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$ is bivariate, the method of moment estimator $(\hat{\theta}_1, \hat{\theta}_2)$ solves (θ_1, θ_2) for

$$\bar{X} = E_{\theta_1, \theta_2}(X), \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 = E_{\theta_1, \theta_2}(X^2)$$

(c) If $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$ is k -variate, the method of moment estimator $(\hat{\theta}_1, \dots, \hat{\theta}_k)$ solves $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k$ for

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^j = E_{\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k}(X^j), j = 1, \dots, k$$

Example :

(a) $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

Let $\bar{X} = E_p(X) = p$

\Rightarrow The method of moment estimator of p is $\hat{p} = \bar{X}$

By WLLN, $\hat{p} = \bar{X} \xrightarrow{P} E_p(X) = p \Rightarrow \hat{p}$ is consistent for p .

$E(\hat{p}) = E(\bar{X}) = E(X) = p \Rightarrow \hat{p}$ is unbiased for p .

(b) Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $\text{Poisson}(\lambda)$

Let $\bar{X} = E_{\lambda}(X) = \lambda$

\Rightarrow The method of moment estimator of λ is $\hat{\lambda} = \bar{X}$

$E(\hat{\lambda}) = E(\bar{X}) = \lambda \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda}$ is unbiased for λ .

$\hat{\lambda} = \bar{X} \xrightarrow{P} E(X) = \lambda \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda}$ is consistent for λ .

(c) Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample with mean μ and variance σ^2 .

$\theta = (\mu, \sigma^2)$

Let $\bar{X} = E_{\mu, \sigma^2}(X) = \mu$

$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 = E_{\mu, \sigma^2}(X^2) = \sigma^2 + \mu^2$

\Rightarrow Method of moment estimator are $\hat{\mu} = \bar{X}$,

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \bar{X}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 .$$

\bar{X} is unbiased and consistent estimator for μ .

$$E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2\right) = \frac{n-1}{n} E\left(\frac{1}{n-1} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2\right) = \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 \neq \sigma^2$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2$ is not unbiased for σ^2

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \bar{X}^2 \xrightarrow{p} E(X^2) - \mu^2 = \sigma^2$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2$ is consistent for σ^2 .

Maximum Likelihood Estimator :

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample with p.d.f. $f(x, \theta)$.

The joint p.d.f. of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta), x_i \in R, i = 1, \dots, n$$

Let Θ be the space of possible values of θ . We call Θ the **parameter space**.

Def. The likelihood function of a random sample is defined as its joint p.d.f. as

$$L(\theta) = L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n) = f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta), \theta \in \Theta.$$

which is considered as a function of θ .

For (x_1, \dots, x_n) fixed, the value $L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is called the likelihood at θ .

Given observation x_1, \dots, x_n , the likelihood $L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is considered as the probability that $X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n$ occurs when θ is true.

Def. Let $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be any value of θ that maximizes $L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n)$. Then we call $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ the **maximum likelihood estimator (m.l.e)** of θ . When $X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n$ is observed, we call $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ the **maximum likelihood estimate** of θ .

Note :

(a) Why m.l.e ?

When $L(\theta_1, x_1, \dots, x_n) \geq L(\theta_2, x_1, \dots, x_n)$,

we are more confident to believe $\theta = \theta_1$ than to believe $\theta = \theta_2$

(b) How to derive m.l.e ?

$$\frac{\partial \ln x}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{x} > 0 \Rightarrow \ln x \text{ is } \nearrow \text{ in } x$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If } L(\theta_1) \geq L(\theta_2), \text{ then } \ln L(\theta_1) \geq \ln L(\theta_2)$$

$$\text{If } \hat{\theta} \text{ is the m.l.e., then } L(\hat{\theta}, x_1, \dots, x_n) = \max_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n) \text{ and}$$

$$\ln L(\hat{\theta}, x_1, \dots, x_n) = \max_{\theta \in \Theta} \ln L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

Two cases to solve m.l.e. :

$$(b.1) \frac{\partial \ln L(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

(b.2) $L(\theta)$ is monotone. Solve $\max_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ from monotone property.

Order statistics:

Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be a random sample with d.f. F and p.d.f. f .

Let (Y_1, \dots, Y_n) be a permutation (X_1, \dots, X_n) such that $Y_1 \leq Y_2 \leq \dots \leq Y_n$.

Then we call (Y_1, \dots, Y_n) the **order statistic** of (X_1, \dots, X_n) where Y_1 is the first (smallest) order statistic, Y_2 is the second order statistic, ..., Y_n is the largest order statistic.

If (X_1, \dots, X_n) are independent, then

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_1 \in A_1, X_2 \in A_2, \dots, X_n \in A_n) &= \int_{A_n} \dots \int_{A_1} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \dots dx_n \\ &= \int_{A_n} f_n(x_n) dx_n \dots \int_{A_1} f_1(x_1) dx_1 \\ &= P(X_n \in A_n) \dots P(X_1 \in A_1) \end{aligned}$$

Thm. Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be a random sample from a "continuous distribution" with p.d.f. $f(x)$ and d.f. $F(x)$. Then the p.d.f. of $Y_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is

$$g_n(y) = n(F(y))^{n-1}f(y)$$

and the p.d.f. of $Y_1 = \min\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is

$$g_1(y) = n(1 - F(y))^{n-1}f(y)$$

Proof. This is a $R^n \rightarrow R$ transformation. Distribution function of Y_n is

$$\begin{aligned} G_n(y) &= P(Y_n \leq y) = P(\max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\} \leq y) = P(X_1 \leq y, \dots, X_n \leq y) \\ &= P(X_1 \leq y)P(X_2 \leq y) \dots P(X_n \leq y) = (F(y))^n \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow p.d.f. of Y_n is $g_n(y) = D_y(F(y))^n = n(F(y))^{n-1}f(y)$

Distribution function of Y_1 is

$$\begin{aligned} G_1(y) &= P(Y_1 \leq y) = P(\min\{X_1, \dots, X_n\} \leq y) = 1 - P(\min\{X_1, \dots, X_n\} > y) \\ &= 1 - P(X_1 > y, X_2 > y, \dots, X_n > y) = 1 - P(X_1 > y)P(X_2 > y) \cdots P(X_n > y) \\ &= 1 - (1 - F(y))^n \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow p.d.f. of Y_1 is $g_1(y) = D_y(1 - (1 - F(y))^n) = n(1 - F(y))^{n-1}f(y)$

□

Example : Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be a random sample from $U(0, \theta)$.

Find m.l.e. of θ . Is it unbiased and consistent ?

sol: The p.d.f. of X is

$$f(x, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta} & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq \theta \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Consider the indicator function

$$I_{(a,b)}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

Then $f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} I_{[0,\theta]}(x)$.

The likelihood function is

$$L(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} I_{[0,\theta]}(x_i) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} \prod_{i=1}^n I_{[0,\theta]}(x_i)$$

Let $Y_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$

Then $\prod_{i=1}^n I_{[0,\theta]}(x_i) = 1 \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq x_i \leq \theta$, for all $i = 1, \dots, n \Leftrightarrow 0 \leq y_n \leq \theta$

We then have

$$L(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} I_{[0,\theta]}(y_n) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} I_{[y_n, \infty)}(\theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta^n} & \text{if } \theta \geq y_n \\ 0 & \text{if } \theta < y_n \end{cases}$$

$L(\theta)$ is maximized when $\theta = y_n$. Then m.l.e. of θ is $\hat{\theta} = Y_n$

The d.f. of x is

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{\theta} dt = \frac{x}{\theta}, 0 \leq x \leq \theta$$

The p.d.f. of Y is

$$g_n(y) = n\left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{n-1}\frac{1}{\theta} = n\frac{y^{n-1}}{\theta^n}, 0 \leq y \leq \theta$$

$$E(Y_n) = \int_0^\theta yn\frac{y^{n-1}}{\theta^n}dy = \frac{n}{n+1}\theta \neq \theta \Rightarrow \text{m.l.e. } \hat{\theta} = Y_n \text{ is not unbiased.}$$

However, $E(Y_n) = \frac{n}{n+1}\theta \rightarrow \theta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, m.l.e. $\hat{\theta}$ is asymptotically unbiased.

$$E(Y_n^2) = \int_0^\theta y^2n\frac{y^{n-1}}{\theta^n}dy = \frac{n}{n+2}\theta^2$$

$$\text{Var}(Y_n) = E(Y_n^2) - (EY_n)^2 = \frac{n}{n+2}\theta^2 - \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right)^2\theta^2 \rightarrow \theta^2 - \theta^2 = 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

$\Rightarrow Y_n \xrightarrow{P} \theta \Rightarrow \text{m.l.e. } \hat{\theta} = Y_n$ is consistent for θ .

Is there unbiased estimator for θ ?

$$E\left(\frac{n+1}{n}Y_n\right) = \frac{n+1}{n}E(Y_n) = \frac{n+1}{n}\frac{n}{n+1}\theta = \theta$$

$\Rightarrow \frac{n+1}{n}Y_n$ is unbiased for θ .

Example :

(a) $Y \sim b(n, p)$

The likelihood function is

$$L(p) = f_Y(y, p) = \binom{n}{y}p^y(1-p)^{n-y}$$

$$\ln L(p) = \ln \binom{n}{y} + y \ln p + (n-y) \ln(1-p)$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L(p)}{\partial p} = \frac{y}{p} - \frac{n-y}{1-p} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{y}{p} = \frac{n-y}{1-p} \Leftrightarrow y(1-p) = p(n-y) \Leftrightarrow y = np$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{m.l.e. } \hat{p} = \frac{Y}{n}$$

$$E(\hat{p}) = \frac{1}{n}E(Y) = p \Rightarrow \text{m.l.e. } \hat{p} = \frac{Y}{n} \text{ is unbiased.}$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{p}) = \frac{1}{n^2}\text{Var}(Y) = \frac{1}{n}p(1-p) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{m.l.e. } \hat{p} = \frac{Y}{n} \text{ is consistent for } p.$$

(b) X_1, \dots, X_n are a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Want m.l.e.'s of μ and σ^2

The likelihood function is

$$L(\mu, \sigma^2) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi(\sigma^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}} e^{-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} = (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\ln L(\mu, \sigma^2) = \left(-\frac{n}{2}\right) \ln(2\pi) - \frac{n}{2} \ln \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L(\mu, \sigma^2)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\mu} = \bar{X}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L(\hat{\mu}, \sigma^2)}{\partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

$E(\hat{\mu}) = E(\bar{X}) = \mu$ (unbiased), $\text{Var}(\hat{\mu}) = \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$
 \Rightarrow m.l.e. $\hat{\mu}$ is consistent for μ .

$E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2\right) = \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 \neq \sigma^2$ (biased).

$E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 \rightarrow \sigma^2$ as $n \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2$ is asymptotically unbiased.

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} \text{Var}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{\sigma^2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^4}{n^2} \text{Var}\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{\sigma^2}\right) = \frac{2(n-1)}{n^2} \sigma^4 \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

\Rightarrow m.l.e. $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is consistent for σ^2 .

Suppose that we have m.l.e. $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ for parameter θ and our interest is a new parameter $\tau(\theta)$, a function of θ .

What is the m.l.e. of $\tau(\theta)$?

The space of $\tau(\theta)$ is $T = \{\tau : \exists \theta \in \Theta \text{ s.t } \tau = \tau(\theta)\}$

Thm. If $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is the m.l.e. of θ and $\tau(\theta)$ is a 1-1 function of θ , then m.l.e. of $\tau(\theta)$ is $\tau(\hat{\theta})$

Proof. The likelihood function for θ is $L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n)$. Then the likelihood function for $\tau(\theta)$ can be derived as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n) &= L(\tau^{-1}(\tau(\theta)), x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= M(\tau(\theta), x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= M(\tau, x_1, \dots, x_n), \tau \in T \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
M(\tau(\hat{\theta}), x_1, \dots, x_n) &= L(\tau^{-1}(\tau(\hat{\theta})), x_1, \dots, x_n) \\
&= L(\hat{\theta}, x_1, \dots, x_n) \\
&\geq L(\theta, x_1, \dots, x_n), \forall \theta \in \Theta \\
&= L(\tau^{-1}(\tau(\theta)), x_1, \dots, x_n) \\
&= M(\tau(\theta), x_1, \dots, x_n), \forall \theta \in \Theta \\
&= M(\tau, x_1, \dots, x_n), \tau \in T
\end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \tau(\hat{\theta})$ is m.l.e. of $\tau(\theta)$.

This is the invariance property of m.l.e. □

Example :

(1) If $Y \sim b(n, p)$, m.l.e of p is $\hat{p} = \frac{Y}{n}$

$\tau(p)$	m.l.e of $\tau(p)$
p^2	$\hat{p}^2 = \left(\frac{Y}{n}\right)^2$
\sqrt{p}	$\widehat{\sqrt{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{Y}{n}}$ $p(1-p)$ is not a 1-1 function of p .
e^p	$\widehat{e^p} = e^{\frac{Y}{n}}$
e^{-p}	$\widehat{e^{-p}} = e^{-\frac{Y}{n}}$

(2) $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, m.l.e.'s of (μ, σ^2) is $(\bar{X}, \frac{1}{n} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2)$.

m.l.e.'s of (μ, σ) is $(\bar{X}, \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2})$ ($\because \sigma \in (0, \infty) \therefore \sigma^2 \rightarrow \sigma$ is 1-1)

You can also solve

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial \ln L(\mu, \sigma^2, x_1, \dots, x_n)}{\partial \mu} &= 0 \\
\frac{\partial \ln L(\mu, \sigma^2, x_1, \dots, x_n)}{\partial \sigma} &= 0 \text{ for } \mu, \sigma
\end{aligned}$$

(μ^2, σ) is not a 1-1 function of (μ, σ^2) .

($\because \mu \in (-\infty, \infty) \therefore \mu \rightarrow \mu^2$ isn't 1-1)

Best estimator :

Def. An unbiased estimator $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is called a uniformly minimum variance unbiased estimator (UMVUE) or best estimator if for any unbiased estimator $\hat{\theta}^*$, we have

$$\text{Var}_{\theta} \hat{\theta} \leq \text{Var}_{\theta} \hat{\theta}^*, \text{ for } \theta \in \Theta$$

($\hat{\theta}$ is uniformly better than $\hat{\theta}^*$ in variance.)

There are several ways in deriving UMVUE of θ .

Cramer-Rao lower bound for variance of unbiased estimator :

Regularity conditions :

(a) Parameter space Θ is an open interval. $(a, \infty), (a, b), (b, \infty)$, a,b are constants not depending on θ .

(b) Set $\{x : f(x, \theta) = 0\}$ is independent of θ .

(c) $\int \frac{\partial f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta} dx = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int f(x, \theta) dx = 0$

(d) If $T = t(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is an unbiased estimator, then

$$\int t \frac{\partial f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta} dx = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int t f(x, \theta) dx$$

Thm. Cramer-Rao (C-R)

Suppose that the regularity conditions hold.

If $\hat{\tau}(\theta) = t(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$, then

$$\text{Var}_\theta \hat{\tau}(\theta) \geq \frac{(\tau'(\theta))^2}{n E_\theta \left[\left(\frac{\partial \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 \right]} = \frac{(\tau'(\theta))^2}{-n E_\theta \left[\left(\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right) \right]} \text{ for } \theta \in \Theta$$

Proof. Consider only the continuous distribution.

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\frac{\partial \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta} f(x, \theta) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta} dx \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, \theta) dx = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\tau(\theta) = E_\theta \hat{\tau}(\theta) = E_\theta(t(x_1, \dots, x_n)) = \int \cdots \int t(x_1, \dots, x_n) \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i$$

Taking derivatives both sides.

$$\begin{aligned} \tau'(\theta) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int \cdots \int t(x_1, \dots, x_n) \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i - \tau(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int \cdots \int \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i \\ &= \int \cdots \int t(x_1, \dots, x_n) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i - \int \cdots \int \tau(\theta) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i \\ &= \int \cdots \int (t(x_1, \dots, x_n) - \tau(\theta)) \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \right) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} [f(x_1, \theta) f(x_2, \theta) \cdots f(x_n, \theta)] \\
&= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f(x_1, \theta) \right) \prod_{i \neq 1} f(x_i, \theta) + \cdots + \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f(x_n, \theta) \right) \prod_{i \neq n} f(x_i, \theta) \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} f(x_j, \theta) \prod_{i \neq j} f(x_i, \theta) \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} f(x_j, \theta) \prod_{i \neq j} f(x_i, \theta) \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta)
\end{aligned}$$

Cauchy-Swartz Inequality

$$[\mathbb{E}(XY)]^2 \leq \mathbb{E}(X^2)\mathbb{E}(Y^2)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\tau'(\theta) &= \int \cdots \int (t(x_1, \dots, x_n) - \tau(\theta)) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right) \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i \\
&= \mathbb{E}[(t(x_1, \dots, x_n) - \tau(\theta)) \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta}]
\end{aligned}$$

$$(\tau'(\theta))^2 \leq \mathbb{E}[(t(x_1, \dots, x_n) - \tau(\theta))^2] \mathbb{E}[\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(\hat{\tau}(\theta)) \geq \frac{(\tau'(\theta))^2}{\mathbb{E}[\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2]}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[\left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2] &= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \ln f(x_i, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right) \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 \\
&= n \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\partial \ln f(x_j, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2
\end{aligned}$$

Then, we have

$$\text{Var}_\theta \hat{\tau}(\theta) \geq \frac{(\tau'(\theta))^2}{n\mathbb{E}_\theta \left[\left(\frac{\partial \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 \right]}$$

You may further check that

$$\mathbb{E}_\theta \left(\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right) = -\mathbb{E}_\theta \left(\frac{\partial \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta} \right)^2$$

□

Thm. *If there is an unbiased estimator $\hat{\tau}(\theta)$ with variance achieving the Cramer-Rao lower bound $\frac{(\tau'(\theta))^2}{-n\mathbb{E}_\theta \left[\left(\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right) \right]}$, then $\hat{\tau}(\theta)$ is a UMVUE of $\tau(\theta)$.*

Note:

If $\tau(\theta) = \theta$, then any unbiased estimator $\hat{\theta}$ satisfies

$$\text{Var}_\theta(\hat{\theta}) \geq \frac{(\tau'(\theta))^2}{-n\mathbb{E}_\theta \left(\frac{\partial^2 \ln f(x, \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right)}$$

Example:

(a) $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$, $\mathbb{E}(X) = \lambda$, $\text{Var}(X) = \lambda$.

MLE $\hat{\lambda} = \bar{X}$, $\mathbb{E}(\hat{\lambda}) = \lambda$, $\text{Var}(\hat{\lambda}) = \frac{\lambda}{n}$.

p.d.f. $f(x, \lambda) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$, $x = 0, 1, \dots$

$$\Rightarrow \ln f(x, \lambda) = x \ln \lambda - \lambda - \ln x!$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \ln f(x, \lambda) = \frac{x}{\lambda} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda^2} \ln f(x, \lambda) = -\frac{x}{\lambda^2}$$

$$\mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda^2} \ln f(x, \lambda) \right) = \mathbb{E} \left(-\frac{x}{\lambda^2} \right) = -\frac{\mathbb{E}(X)}{\lambda^2} = -\frac{1}{\lambda}$$

Cramer-Rao lower bound is

$$\frac{1}{-n \left(-\frac{1}{\lambda} \right)} = \frac{\lambda}{n} = \text{Var}(\hat{\lambda})$$

\Rightarrow MLE $\hat{\lambda} = \bar{X}$ is the UMVUE of λ .

(b) $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$, $E(X) = p$, $\text{Var}(X) = p(1-p)$.

Want UMVUE of p .

$$\text{p.d.f } f(x, p) = p^x(1-p)^{1-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln f(x, p) = x \ln p + (1-x) \ln(1-p)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \ln f(x, p) = \frac{x}{p} - \frac{1-x}{1-p}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial p^2} \ln f(x, p) = -\frac{x}{p^2} + \frac{1-x}{(1-p)^2}$$

$$E\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial p^2} \ln f(X, p)\right) = E\left(-\frac{X}{p^2} + \frac{1-X}{(1-p)^2}\right) = -\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{1-p} = -\frac{1}{p(1-p)}$$

C-R lower bound for p is

$$\frac{1}{-n\left(-\frac{1}{p(1-p)}\right)} = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$$

m.l.e. of p is $\hat{p} = \bar{X}$

$$E(\hat{p}) = E(\bar{X}) = p, \text{Var}(\hat{p}) = \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n} = \text{C-R lower bound.}$$

\Rightarrow MLE \hat{p} is the UMVUE of p .

Chapter 4. Continue to Point Estimation-UMVUE

Sufficient Statistic:

A,B are two events. The conditional probability of A given B is

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}, A \subset S.$$

$P(\cdot|B)$ is a probability set function with domain of subsets of sample space S.

Let X,Y be two r.v.'s with joint p.d.f $f(x, y)$ and marginal p.d.f's $f_X(x)$ and $f_Y(y)$. The conditional p.d.f of Y given $X = x$ is

$$f(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_X(x)}, y \in R$$

Function $f(y|x)$ is a p.d.f satisfying $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y|x)dy = 1$

In estimation of parameter θ , we have a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n from p.d.f $f(x, \theta)$. The information we have about θ is contained in X_1, \dots, X_n .

Let $U = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be a statistic having p.d.f $f_U(u, \theta)$

The conditional p.d.f X_1, \dots, X_n given $U = u$ is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n|u) = \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta)}{f_U(u, \theta)}, \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) : u(x_1, \dots, x_n) = u\}$$

Function $f(x_1, \dots, x_n|u)$ is a joint p.d.f with $\int_{u(x_1, \dots, x_n)=u} \dots \int f(x_1, \dots, x_n|u)dx_1 \dots dx_n = 1$

Let X be r.v. and $U = u(X)$

$$f(x|U = u) = \frac{f(x, u)}{f_U(u)} = \begin{cases} \frac{f_X(x)}{f_U(u)} & \text{if } u(X) = u \\ \frac{0}{f_U(u)} = 0 & \text{if } u(X) \neq u \end{cases}$$

If, for any u, conditional p.d.f $f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta|u)$ is unrelated to parameter θ , then the random sample X_1, \dots, X_n contains no information about θ when $U = u$ is observed. This says that U contains exactly the same amount of information about θ as X_1, \dots, X_n .

Def. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a distribution with p.d.f $f(x, \theta)$, $\theta \in \Theta$. We call a statistic $U = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ a **sufficient statistic** if, for any value $U = u$, the conditional p.d.f $f(x_1, \dots, x_n|u)$ and its domain all not

depend on parameter θ .

Let $U = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$. Then

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta | u = (x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots, x_n^*)) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta)}{f(x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots, x_n^*, \theta)} & \text{if } x_1 = x_1^*, x_2 = x_2^*, \dots, x_n = x_n^* \\ 0 & \text{if } x_i \neq x_i^* \text{ for some } i\text{'s.} \end{cases}$$

Then (X_1, \dots, X_n) itself is a sufficient statistic of θ .

Q: Why sufficiency?

A: We want a statistic with dimension as small as possible and contains information about θ the same amount as X_1, \dots, X_n does.

Def. If $U = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a sufficient statistic with smallest dimension, it is called the **minimal sufficient statistic**.

Example:

- (a) Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be a random sample from a continuous distribution with p.d.f $f(x, \theta)$. Consider the order statistic $Y_1 = \min\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}, \dots, Y_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$. If $Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_n = y_n$ are observed, sample X_1, \dots, X_n have equal chance to have values in

$$\{(x_1, \dots, x_n) : (x_1, \dots, x_n) \text{ is a permutation of } (y_1, \dots, y_n)\}.$$

Then the conditional joint p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n given $Y_1 = y_1, \dots, Y_n = y_n$ is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta | y_1, \dots, y_n) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n!} & \text{if } x_1, \dots, x_n \text{ is a permutation of } y_1, \dots, y_n. \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then order statistic (Y_1, \dots, Y_n) is also a sufficient statistic of θ .

Order statistic is not a good sufficient statistic since it has dimension n .

- (b) Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from Bernoulli distribution.

The joint p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, p) = \prod_{i=1}^n p^{x_i} (1-p)^{1-x_i} = p^{\sum x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum x_i}, x_i = 0, 1, i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Consider the statistic $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ which has binomial distribution $b(n, p)$ with p.d.f

$$f_Y(y, p) = \binom{n}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-y}, y = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

If $Y = y$, the space of (X_1, \dots, X_n) is $\{(x_1, \dots, x_n) : \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = y\}$

The conditional p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n given $Y = y$ is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, p|y) = \begin{cases} \frac{p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{\binom{n}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-y}} = \frac{p^y (1-p)^{n-y}}{\binom{n}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-y}} = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{y}} = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}} & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = y \\ 0 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \neq y \end{cases}$$

which is independent of p .

Hence, $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistic of p and is a minimal sufficient statistic.

(c) Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from uniform distribution $U(0, \theta)$.

Want to show that the largest order statistic $Y_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is a sufficient statistic.

The joint p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} I(0 < x_i < \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} \prod_{i=1}^n I(0 < x_i < \theta) \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta^n} & \text{if } 0 < x_i < \theta, i = 1, \dots, n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

The p.d.f of Y_n is

$$f_{Y_n}(y, \theta) = n \left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} \frac{1}{\theta} = n \frac{y^{n-1}}{\theta^n}, 0 < y < \theta$$

When $Y_n = y$ is given, X_1, \dots, X_n be values with $0 < x_i \leq y, i = 1, \dots, n$

The conditional p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n given $Y_n = y$ is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n|y) = \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta)}{f_{Y_n}(y, \theta)} = \begin{cases} \frac{\frac{1}{\theta^n}}{n \frac{y^{n-1}}{\theta^n}} = \frac{1}{ny^{n-1}} & 0 < x_i \leq y, i = 1, \dots, n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

\Rightarrow independent of θ .

So, $Y_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is a sufficient statistic of θ .

Q:

(a) If U is a sufficient statistic, are $U+5$, U^2 , $\cos(U)$ all sufficient for θ ?

(b) Is there easier way in finding sufficient statistic ?

$T = t(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is sufficient for θ if conditional p.d.f $f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta|t)$ is indep. of θ .

Independence:

1.function $f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta|t)$ not depend on θ .

2.domain of X_1, \dots, X_n not depend on θ .

Thm. Factorization Theorem.

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a distribution with p.d.f $f(x, \theta)$. A statistic $U = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is sufficient for θ iff there exists functions $K_1, K_2 \geq 0$ such that the joint p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n may be formulated as $f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) = K_1(u(X_1, \dots, X_n), \theta)K_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ where K_2 is not a function of θ .

Proof. Consider only the continuous r.v's.

\Rightarrow) If U is sufficient for θ , then

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta|u) = \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta)}{f_U(u, \theta)} \text{ is not a function of } \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) = f_U(u(X_1, \dots, X_n), \theta)f(x_1, \dots, x_n|u)$$

$$= K_1(u(X_1, \dots, X_n), \theta)K_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

\Leftarrow) Suppose that $f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) = K_1(u(X_1, \dots, X_n), \theta)K_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

Let $Y_1 = u_1(X_1, \dots, X_n), Y_2 = u_2(X_1, \dots, X_n), \dots, Y_n = u_n(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be a 1-1 function with inverse functions $x_1 = w_1(y_1, \dots, y_n), x_2 = w_2(y_1, \dots, y_n), \dots, x_n = w_n(y_1, \dots, y_n)$ and Jacobian

$$J = \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial x_1}{\partial y_n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial x_n}{\partial y_n} \end{vmatrix} \text{ (not depend on } \theta \text{.)}$$

The joint p.d.f of Y_1, \dots, Y_n is

$$f_{Y_1, \dots, Y_n}(y_1, \dots, y_n, \theta) = f(w_1(y_1, \dots, y_n), \dots, w_n(y_1, \dots, y_n), \theta)|J|$$

$$= K_1(y_1, \theta)K_2(w_1(y_1, \dots, y_n), \dots, w_n(y_1, \dots, y_n), \theta)|J|$$

The marginal p.d.f of $U = Y_1$ is

$$f_U(y_1, \theta) = K_1(y_1, \theta) \underbrace{\int \cdots \int K_2(w_1(y_1, \dots, y_n), \dots, w_n(y_1, \dots, y_n)) |J| dy_2 \cdots dy_n}_{\text{not depend on } \theta}$$

Then the conditional p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n given $U = u$ is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta | u) &= \frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta)}{f_U(u, \theta)} \\ &= \frac{K_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)}{\int \cdots \int K_2(w_1(y_1, \dots, y_n), \dots, w_n(y_1, \dots, y_n), \theta) |J| dy_2 \cdots dy_n} \end{aligned}$$

which is independent of θ .

This indicates that U is sufficient for θ . □

Example :

(a) X_1, \dots, X_n is a random sample from $\text{Poisson}(\lambda)$. Want sufficient statistic for λ .

Joint p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \lambda) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda^{x_i} e^{-\lambda}}{x_i!} = \frac{\lambda^{\sum x_i} e^{-n\lambda}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} = \lambda^{\sum x_i} e^{-n\lambda} \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \\ &= K_1\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \lambda\right) K_2(x_1, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for λ .

We also have

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \lambda) = \lambda^{n\bar{x}} e^{-n\lambda} \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} = K_1(\bar{x}, \lambda) K_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is sufficient for λ .

We also have

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \lambda) = \lambda^{n(\bar{x}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} e^{-n\lambda} \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} = K_1(\bar{x}^2, \lambda) K_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{X}^2$ is sufficient for λ .

(b) Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Want sufficient statistic for (μ, σ^2) .

Joint p.d.f of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \mu, \sigma^2) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} e^{-\frac{(x_i-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} (\sigma^2)^{\frac{n}{2}}} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\mu)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\bar{x}+\bar{x}-\mu)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\bar{x})^2 + n(\bar{x}-\mu)^2 = (n-1)s^2 + n(\bar{x}-\mu)^2$$

$$(s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2)$$

$$f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} (\sigma^2)^{\frac{n}{2}}} e^{-\frac{(n-1)s^2 + n(\bar{x}-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \cdot 1 = K_1(\bar{x}, s^2, \mu, \sigma^2) K_2(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$\Rightarrow (\bar{X}, s^2)$ is sufficient for (μ, σ^2) .

What is useful with a sufficient statistic for point estimation ?

Review : X, Y r.v.'s with joint p.d.f $f(x, y)$.

Conditional p.d.f

$$f(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_X(x)} \Rightarrow f(x, y) = f(y|x)f_X(x)$$

$$f(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{f_Y(y)} \Rightarrow f(x, y) = f(x|y)f_Y(y)$$

Conditional expectation of Y given $X = x$ is

$$E(Y|x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} yf(y|x)dy$$

The random conditional expectation $E(Y|X)$ is function $E(Y|x)$ with x replaced by X .

Conditional variance of Y given $X = x$ is

$$\text{Var}(Y|x) = E[(Y - E(Y|x))^2|x] = E(Y^2|x) - (E(Y|x))^2$$

The conditional variance $\text{Var}(Y|X)$ is $\text{Var}(Y|x)$ replacing x by X .

Thm. Let Y and X be two r.v.'s.

(a) $E[E(Y|x)] = E(Y)$

(b) $\text{Var}(Y) = E(\text{Var}(Y|x)) + \text{Var}(E(Y|x))$

Proof. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{E}[\mathbf{E}(Y|x)] &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathbf{E}(Y|x) f_X(x) dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f(y|x) dy f_X(x) dx \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f(x, y) dx dy \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx \right) dy \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f_Y(y) dy \\
&= \mathbf{E}(Y)
\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}(Y|x) &= \mathbf{E}(Y^2|x) - (\mathbf{E}(Y|x))^2 \\
\Rightarrow \mathbf{E}(\text{Var}(Y|x)) &= \mathbf{E}[\mathbf{E}(Y^2|x)] - \mathbf{E}[(\mathbf{E}(Y|x))^2] = \mathbf{E}(Y^2) - \mathbf{E}[(\mathbf{E}(Y|x))^2] \\
\text{Also, } \text{Var}(\mathbf{E}(Y|x)) &= \mathbf{E}[(\mathbf{E}(Y|x))^2] - \mathbf{E}[(\mathbf{E}(Y|x))]^2 \\
&= \mathbf{E}[(\mathbf{E}(Y|x))^2] - (\mathbf{E}(Y))^2 \\
\Rightarrow \mathbf{E}(\text{Var}(Y|x)) + \text{Var}(\mathbf{E}(Y|x)) &= \mathbf{E}(Y^2) - (\mathbf{E}(Y))^2 = \text{Var}(Y)
\end{aligned}$$

□

Now, we come back to the estimation of parameter function $\tau(\theta)$. We have a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n from $f(x, \theta)$.

Lemma. Let $\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ be an unbiased estimator of $\tau(\theta)$ and $U = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a statistic. Then

- (a) $\mathbf{E}_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]$ is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$
- (b) $\text{Var}_\theta(\mathbf{E}[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]) \leq \text{Var}_\theta(\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n))$

Proof. (a)

$$\mathbf{E}_\theta[\mathbf{E}(\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U)] = \mathbf{E}_\theta(\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)) = \tau(\theta), \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

Then $\mathbf{E}_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]$ is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}_\theta(\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)) &= \mathbf{E}_\theta[\text{Var}_\theta(\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U)] + \text{Var}_\theta[\mathbf{E}_\theta(\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U)] \\
&\geq \text{Var}_\theta[\mathbf{E}_\theta(\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U)], \forall \theta \in \Theta.
\end{aligned}$$

□

Conclusions:

- (a) For any estimator $\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ which is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$, and any statistic U , $E_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]$ is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$ and with variance smaller than or equal to $\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$.
- (b) However, $E_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]$ may not be a statistic. If it is not, it cannot be an estimator of $\tau(\theta)$.
- (c) If U is a sufficient statistic, $f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta|u)$ is independent of θ , then $E_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|u]$ is independent of θ . So, $E_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]$ is an unbiased estimator.

If U is not a sufficient statistic, $f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta|u)$ is not only a function of u but also a function of θ , then $E_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|u]$ is a function of u and θ . And $E_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|u]$ is not a statistic.

Thm. Rao-Blackwell

If $\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$ and U is a sufficient statistic, then

- (a) $E_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]$ is a statistic.
- (b) $E_\theta[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]$ is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$.
- (c) $Var_\theta(E[\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)|U]) \leq Var_\theta(\hat{\tau}(X_1, \dots, X_n)), \forall \theta \in \Theta$.

If $\hat{\tau}(\theta)$ is an unbiased estimator for $\tau(\theta)$ and U_1, U_2, \dots are sufficient statistics, then we can improve $\hat{\tau}(\theta)$ with the following fact:

$$\begin{aligned} Var_\theta(E[\hat{\tau}(\theta)|U_1]) &\leq Var_\theta \hat{\tau}(\theta) \\ Var_\theta E(E(\hat{\tau}(\theta)|U_1)|U_2) &\leq Var_\theta E(\hat{\tau}(\theta)|U_1) \\ Var_\theta E[E(E(\hat{\tau}(\theta)|U_1)|U_2)|U_3] &\leq Var_\theta E(E(\hat{\tau}(\theta)|U_1)|U_2) \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

Will this process ends with Cramer-Rao lower bound ?
This can be solved with “complete statistic”.

Note: Let U be a statistic and h is a function.

- (a) If $h(U) = 0$ then $E_\theta(h(U)) = E_\theta(0) = 0, \forall \theta \in \Theta$.

(b) If $P_\theta(h(U) = 0) = 1, \forall \theta \in \Theta$. $h(U)$ has a p.d.f

$$f_{h(U)}(h) = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{if } h = 0 \\ 0 & , \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad \text{Then } E_\theta(h(U)) = \sum_{\text{all } h} h f_{h(U)}(h) = 0$$

Def. X_1, \dots, X_n is random sample from $f(x, \theta)$. A statistic $U = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a complete statistic if for any function $h(U)$ such that $E_\theta(h(U)) = 0, \forall \theta \in \Theta$, then $P_\theta(h(U) = 0) = 1$, for $\theta \in \Theta$.

Q : For any statistic U, how can we verify if it is complete or not complete ?

A :

(1) To prove completeness, you need to show that for any function $h(U)$ with $0 = E_\theta(h(U)), \forall \theta \in \Theta$. the following $1 = P_\theta(h(U) = 0), \forall \theta \in \Theta$ hold.

(2) To prove in-completeness, you need only to find one function $h(U)$ that satisfies $E_\theta(h(U)) = 0, \forall \theta \in \Theta$ and $P_\theta(h(U) = 0) < 1$, for some $\theta \in \Theta$.

Examples:

(a) $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

Find a complete statistic and in-complete statistic ?

sol: (a.1) We show that $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a complete statistic. $Y \sim b(n, p)$.

Suppose that function $h(Y)$ satisfies $0 = E_p h(Y), \forall 0 < p < 1$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = E_p h(Y) &= \sum_{y=0}^n h(y) \binom{n}{y} p^y (1-p)^{n-y} \\ &= (1-p)^n \sum_{y=0}^n h(y) \binom{n}{y} \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^y, \forall 0 < p < 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = \sum_{y=0}^n h(y) \binom{n}{y} \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^y, \forall 0 < p < 1$$

$$\text{(Let } \theta = \frac{p}{1-p}, 0 < p < 1 \Leftrightarrow 0 < \theta < \infty)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = \sum_{y=0}^n h(y) \binom{n}{y} \theta^y, 0 < \theta < \infty$$

An order $n+1$ polynomial equation cannot have infinite solutions except that coefficients are zero's.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow h(y) \binom{n}{y} &= 0, y = 0, \dots, n \text{ for } 0 < \theta < \infty \\ \Rightarrow h(y) &= 0, y = 0, \dots, n \text{ for } 0 < p < 1. \\ \Rightarrow 1 &\geq P_p(h(Y) = 0) \geq P_p(Y = 0, \dots, n) = 1 \\ \Rightarrow Y &= \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \text{ is complete} \end{aligned}$$

(a.2) We show that $Z = X_1 - X_2$ is not complete.

$$E_p Z = E_p(X_1 - X_2) = E_p X_1 - E_p X_2 = p - p = 0, \forall 0 < p < 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_p(Z = 0) &= P_p(X_1 - X_2 = 0) = P_p(X_1 = X_2 = 0 \text{ or } X_1 = X_2 = 1) \\ &= P_p(X_1 = X_2 = 0) + P_p(X_1 = X_2 = 1) \\ &= (1 - p)^2 + p^2 < 1 \text{ for } 0 < p < 1. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow Z = X_1 - X_2$ is not complete.

(b) Let (X_1, \dots, X_n) be a random sample from $U(0, \theta)$.

We have to show that $Y_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is a sufficient statistic.

Here we use Factorization theorem to prove it again.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1, \dots, x_n, \theta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} I(0 < x_i < \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} \prod_{i=1}^n I(0 < x_i < \theta, i = 1, \dots, n) \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta^n} I(0 < y_n < \theta) \cdot 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow Y_n$ is sufficient for θ

Now, we prove it complete.

The p.d.f of Y_n is

$$f_{Y_n}(y) = n \left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} \frac{1}{\theta} = \frac{n}{\theta^n} y^{n-1}, 0 < y < \theta$$

Suppose that $h(Y_n)$ satisfies $0 = E_\theta h(Y_n), \forall 0 < \theta < \infty$

$$0 = E_\theta h(Y_n) = \int_0^\theta h(y) \frac{n}{\theta^n} y^{n-1} dy = \frac{n}{\theta^n} \int_0^\theta h(y) y^{n-1} dy$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = \int_0^\theta h(y) y^{n-1} dy, \forall \theta > 0$$

Taking differentiation both sides with θ .

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = h(\theta) \theta^{n-1}, \forall \theta > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 0 = h(y), 0 < y < \theta, \forall \theta > 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P_\theta(h(Y_n) = 0) = P_\theta(0 < Y_n < \theta) = 1, \forall \theta > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow Y_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\} \text{ is complete.}$$

Def. If the p.d.f of r.v. X can be formulated as

$$f(x, \theta) = e^{a(x)b(\theta)+c(\theta)+d(x)}, l < x < q$$

where l and q do not depend on θ , then we say that f belongs to an exponential family.

Thm. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $f(x, \theta)$ which belongs to an exponential family as

$$f(x, \theta) = e^{a(x)b(\theta)+c(\theta)+d(x)}, l < x < q$$

Then $\sum_{i=1}^n a(X_i)$ is a complete and sufficient statistic.

Note: We say that $X = Y$ if $P(X = Y) = 1$.

Thm. Lehmann-Scheffe

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $f(x, \theta)$. Suppose that $U = u(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a complete and sufficient statistic. If $\hat{\tau} = t(U)$ is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$, then $\hat{\tau}$ is the unique function of U unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$ and is a UMVUE of $\tau(\theta)$. (Unbiased function of complete and sufficient statistic is UMVUE.)

Proof. If $\hat{\tau}^* = t^*(U)$ is also unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$, then

$$E_\theta(\hat{\tau} - \hat{\tau}^*) = E_\theta(\hat{\tau}) - E_\theta(\hat{\tau}^*) = \tau(\theta) - \tau(\theta) = 0, \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 = P_\theta(\hat{\tau} - \hat{\tau}^* = 0) = P(\hat{\tau} = \hat{\tau}^*), \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\tau}^* = \hat{\tau}$, unbiased function of U is unique.

If T is any unbiased estimator of $\tau(\theta)$ then Rao-Blackwell theorem gives:

(a) $E(T|U)$ is unbiased estimator of $\tau(\theta)$.

By uniqueness, $E(T|U) = \hat{\tau}$ with probability 1.

(b) $\text{Var}_\theta(\hat{\tau}) = \text{Var}_\theta(E(T|U)) \leq \text{Var}_\theta(T), \forall \theta \in \Theta$.

This holds for every unbiased estimator T .

Then $\hat{\tau}$ is UMVUE of $\tau(\theta)$ □

Two ways in constructing UMVUE based on a complete and sufficient statistic U :

(a) If T is unbiased for $\tau(\theta)$, then $E(T|U)$ is the UMVUE of $\tau(\theta)$.

This is easy to define but difficult to transform it in a simple form.

(b) If there is a constant such that $E(U) = c \cdot \theta$, then $T = \frac{1}{c}U$ is the UMVUE of θ .

Example :

(a) Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $U(0, \theta)$.

Want UMVUE of θ .

sol: $Y_n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ is a complete and sufficient statistic .

The p.d.f of Y_n is

$$f_{Y_n}(y, \theta) = n \left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{n-1} \frac{1}{\theta} = n \frac{y^{n-1}}{\theta^n}, 0 < y < \theta$$

$$E(Y_n) = \int_0^\theta yn \frac{y^{n-1}}{\theta^n} dy = \frac{n}{n+1} \theta.$$

We then have $E\left(\frac{n+1}{n} Y_n\right) = \frac{n+1}{n} E(Y_n) = \theta$.

So, $\frac{n+1}{n} Y_n$ is the UMVUE of θ .

(b) Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from Bernoulli(p).

Want UMVUE of θ .

sol: The p.d.f is

$$f(x, p) = p^x (1-p)^{1-x} = (1-p) \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)^x = e^{x \ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) + \ln(1-p)}$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is complete and sufficient.

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) = np$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{p} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \bar{X}$ is UMVUE of p .

(c) $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, 1)$.

Want UMVUE of μ .

sol: The p.d.f of X is

$$f(x, \mu) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x^2 - 2\mu x + \mu^2)}{2}} = e^{\mu x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\mu^2}{2} - \ln \sqrt{2\pi}}$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is complete and sufficient.

$$E\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) = n\mu$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \bar{X}$ is UMVUE of μ .

Since X_1 is unbiased, we see that $E(X_1 | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i) = \bar{X}$

(d) $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$.

Want UMVUE of $e^{-\lambda}$.

sol: The p.d.f of X is

$$f(x, \lambda) = \frac{1}{x!} \lambda^x e^{-\lambda} = e^{x \ln \lambda - \lambda - \ln x!}$$

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is complete and sufficient.

$E(I(X_1 = 0)) = P(X_1 = 0) = f(0, \lambda) = e^{-\lambda}$ where $I(X_1 = 0)$ is an indicator function.

$\Rightarrow I(X_1 = 0)$ is unbiased for $e^{-\lambda}$

$\Rightarrow E(I(X_1 = 0) | \sum_{i=1}^n X_i)$ is UMVUE of $e^{-\lambda}$.

Chapter 5. Confidence Interval

Let Z be the r.v. with standard normal distribution $N(0, 1)$

We can find z_α and $z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$ that satisfy

$$\alpha = P(Z \leq -z_\alpha) = P(Z \geq z_\alpha) \text{ and } 1 - \alpha = P(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq Z \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}).$$

A table of $z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$ is the following :

$1 - \alpha$	$z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$
0.8	1.28 ($z_{0.1}$)
0.9	1.645 ($z_{0.05}$)
0.95	1.96 ($z_{0.025}$)
0.99	2.58 ($z_{0.005}$)
0.9973	3 ($z_{0.00135}$)

Def. Suppose that we have a random sample from $f(x, \theta)$. For $0 < \alpha < 1$, if there exists two statistics $T_1 = t_1(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ and $T_2 = t_2(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ satisfying

$$1 - \alpha = P(T_1 \leq \theta \leq T_2)$$

We call the random interval (T_1, T_2) a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval of parameter θ . If $X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n$ is observed, we also call $(t_1(X_1, \dots, X_n), t_2(X_1, \dots, X_n))$ a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval (C.I.) for θ

Constructing C.I. by pivotal quantity:

Def. A function of random sample and parameter, $Q = q(X_1, \dots, X_n, \theta)$, is called a pivotal quantity if its distribution is independent of θ

With a pivotal quantity $q(X_1, \dots, X_n, \theta)$, there exists a, b such that

$$1 - \alpha = P(a \leq q(X_1, \dots, X_n, \theta) \leq b), \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

The interest of pivotal quantity is that there exists statistics $T_1 = t_1(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ and $T_2 = t_2(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ with the following 1-1 transformation

$$a \leq q(X_1, \dots, X_n, \theta) \leq b \text{ iff } T_1 \leq \theta \leq T_2$$

Then we have $1 - \alpha = P(T_1 \leq \theta \leq T_2)$ and (T_1, T_2) is a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ C.I. for θ

Confidence Interval for Normal mean:

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. We consider the C.I. of

parameter μ .

(I) $\sigma = \sigma_0$ is known

$$\bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma_0^2}{n}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma_0/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \alpha &= P(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq Z \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}), Z \sim N(0, 1) \\ &= P(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma_0/\sqrt{n}} \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) \\ &= P(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{X} - \mu \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}}) \\ &= P(\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}}) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow (\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}})$ is a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ C.I. for μ .

ex: $n = 40, \sigma_0 = \sqrt{10}, \bar{x} = 7.164$ ($X_1, \dots, X_{40} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, 10)$.)

Want a 80% C.I. for μ .

sol: A 80% C.I. for μ is

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}}\right) &= \left(7.164 - 1.28 \frac{\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{40}}, 7.164 + 1.28 \frac{\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{40}}\right) \\ &= (6.523, 7.805) \end{aligned}$$

$$P\left(\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma_0}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha = 0.8$$

$$P(6.523 \leq \mu \leq 7.805) = 1 \text{ or } 0$$

(II) σ is unknown.

Def. If $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ and $\chi^2(r)$ are independent, we call the distribution of the r.v.

$$T = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{\frac{\chi^2(r)}{r}}}$$

a *t-distribution* with r degrees of freedom.

The p.d.f of t-distribution is

$$f_T(t) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{r+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{r}{2})} \frac{1}{\sqrt{r\pi} \left(1 + \frac{t^2}{r}\right)^{\frac{r+1}{2}}}, -\infty < t < \infty$$

$\because f_T(-t) = f_T(t)$

\therefore t-distribution is symmetric at 0.

Now $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. We have

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right) \\ \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1) \end{array} \right. \text{ indep.} \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\bar{X}-\mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1) \\ \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1) \end{array} \right. \text{ indep.}$$

$$T = \frac{\frac{\bar{X}-\mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}}{\sqrt{\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2(n-1)}}} = \frac{\bar{X}-\mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} \sim t(n-1)$$

Let $t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$ satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \alpha &= P(-t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} \leq t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) \\ &= P(-t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{X} - \mu \leq t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}) \\ &= P(\bar{X} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow (\bar{X} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}})$ is a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ C.I. for μ .

ex: Suppose that we have $n = 10, \bar{x} = 3.22$ and $s = 1.17$. We also have $t_{0.025} = 2.262$. Want a 95% C.I. for μ .

sol: A 95% C.I. for μ is

$$\left(3.22 - 2.262 \frac{1.17}{\sqrt{10}}, 3.22 + 2.262 \frac{1.17}{\sqrt{10}}\right) = (2.34, 4.10)$$