

NMAI059 Probability and statistics 1

Class 12

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Overview

Statistics – point estimation

Statistics – interval estimation

Hypothesis testing

Sample mean & variance

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

$$\bar{S}_n^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$$

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

lower MSE

→ unbiased

Maximal likelihood method, ML

Maximal likelihood method:

- choose ϑ that maximizes $L(x; \vartheta)$.
- for convenience we put $\ell(x; \vartheta) = \log(L(x; \vartheta))$
- by independence of X_1, X_2 , etc. we have

$$L(x; \vartheta) = L(x_1; \vartheta) \dots L(x_n; \vartheta)$$

$$\ell(x; \vartheta) = \ell(x_1; \vartheta) + \dots + \ell(x_n; \vartheta)$$

unknown parameter $\rightarrow P / f$
 known data $\rightarrow \hat{\vartheta}$ — usually done by differ.

don't know

$$p = \frac{9}{20}$$

Bin(20,p)	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.45	0.5	0.55	0.6
7	0.0545	0.1643	0.1659	0.1221	0.0739	0.0366	0.0146
8	0.0222	0.1144	0.1797	0.1623	0.1201	0.0727	0.0355
9	0.0074	0.0654	0.1597	0.1771	0.1602	0.1185	0.071
10	0.002	0.0308	0.1171	0.1593	0.1762	0.1593	0.1171
11	0.0005	0.012	0.071	0.1185	0.1602	0.1771	0.1597
12	0.0001	0.0039	0.0355	0.0727	0.1201	0.1623	0.1797
13	0	0.001	0.0146	0.0366	0.0739	0.1221	0.1659
14	0	0.0002	0.0049	0.015	0.037	0.0746	0.1244

knows \rightarrow 9

20 measurements, 9 said yes

edge. of p — prob of 1
 find max.

$$P(X=k) = \binom{20}{k} p^k (1-p)^{20-k}$$

depends on p

ML – further illustration $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ $\vartheta = (\mu, \sigma)$

$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ numbers – realizations of $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$f_{X_i}(x_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$ ----- formula for pdf of \uparrow

$L(x_i; \vartheta) \Rightarrow \underline{l(x_i; \vartheta)} = -\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} - \log \sigma - \frac{1}{2} \log 2\pi$

$l(x; \vartheta) = -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} - n \log \sigma - \frac{n}{2} \log 2\pi$

FIND $\vartheta = (\mu, \sigma)$ THAT MAXIMIZE THIS

TO DO THAT DIFFERENTIATE

$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \mu} = + \sum_{i=1}^n 2 \frac{(x_i - \mu)}{\sigma^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma^2} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)$

$\text{EQL} = 0$

$\Rightarrow \mu = \frac{x_1 + \dots + x_n}{n} = \bar{x}_n$

$\hat{\mu} = \bar{x}_n$

$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \sigma} = + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^3} \cdot \frac{1}{2} - \frac{n}{\sigma} = 0$

$\text{EQL} \Rightarrow$

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

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unknown parameter

- ▶ Instead of estimating by one number we compute from our data an interval $[\hat{\Theta}^-, \hat{\Theta}^+]$

Definition

Let $\hat{\Theta}^-, \hat{\Theta}^+$ be random variables that depend on the random sample $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ from distribution F_ϑ . These random variables describe a $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval, if

$$P(\underbrace{\hat{\Theta}^-}_A \leq \vartheta \leq \underbrace{\hat{\Theta}^+}_B) \geq 1 - \alpha.$$

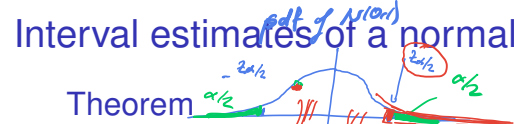
- ▶ these are two-sided estimates
- ▶ one-sided: $[\hat{\Theta}^-, \infty)$ or $(-\infty, \hat{\Theta}^-]$

NOT A PROB.
STATEMENT
ABOUT ϑ !

ϑ IS A FIXED PARAM.
THAT WE DON'T KNOW

Interval estimates of a normal variable

we measure temper.
const. of thermometer $\rightarrow \vartheta$
real temp. ϑ



Theorem

X_1, \dots, X_n random sample from $N(\vartheta, \sigma^2)$.

σ **is known**, we need to estimate ϑ , we choose $\alpha \in (0, 1)$.

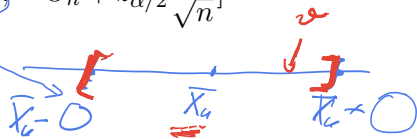
Let $\Phi(z_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha/2$. We put $\hat{\Theta}_n := \bar{X}_n$ and

$$z_{\alpha/2} := \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha/2)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \bar{X}_n &\sim N(\vartheta, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) \\ z = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \vartheta}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} &\sim N(0, 1) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$C_n := \left[\hat{\Theta}_n - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \hat{\Theta}_n + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

Then $P(C_n \ni \vartheta) = 1 - \alpha$.



Důkaz.

$$P(C_n \ni \vartheta) = P\left(|\bar{X}_n - \vartheta| \leq z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

$$= P\left(\left| \frac{\bar{X}_n - \vartheta}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right| \leq z_{\alpha/2} \right) = P\left(-z_{\alpha/2} \leq z \leq z_{\alpha/2} \right) = \Phi(z_{\alpha/2}) - \Phi(-z_{\alpha/2})$$

$$= \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) - \frac{\alpha}{2} = 1 - \alpha$$

Interval estimates using CLT

Theorem

X_1, \dots, X_n random sample from a distribution with mean ϑ and variance σ^2 .

not necessarily $N(\vartheta, \sigma^2)$

σ is known we need to estimate ϑ , we choose $\alpha \in (0, 1)$.

Let $\Phi(z_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha/2$. We put $\hat{\Theta}_n := \bar{X}_n$ and

not necessary normal

$$C_n := \left[\hat{\Theta}_n - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \hat{\Theta}_n + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

$$z_n := \frac{\bar{X}_n - \vartheta}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

Then $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(C_n \ni \vartheta) = 1 - \alpha$.

But CLT:
 $z_n \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$

Proof $P(C_n \ni \vartheta) = P\left(\frac{|\bar{X}_n - \vartheta|}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq z_{\alpha/2} \right)$

$$= P(|z_n| \leq z_{\alpha/2}) = \underbrace{F_{z_n}(z_{\alpha/2}) - F_{z_n}(-z_{\alpha/2})}_{\xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(z_{\alpha/2}) - \phi(-z_{\alpha/2})} = 1 - \alpha$$

Student t -distribution

- ▶ $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \dots$ sample mean
- ▶ $\hat{S}_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2 \dots$ sample variance

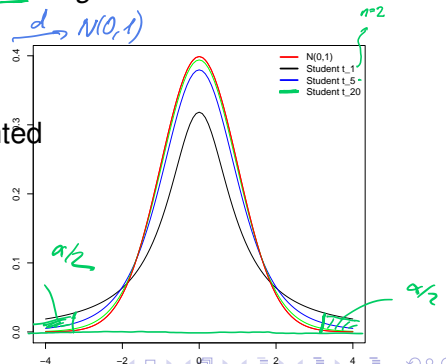
sample std. dev.

$$\hat{S}_n = \sqrt{\hat{S}_n^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2}$$

does not depend on μ & σ

- ▶ Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$
- ▶ Then we know that $\frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$
- ▶ Student t -distribution with $n-1$ degrees of freedom is the distribution of r.v. $\frac{X_n - \mu}{\hat{S}_n/\sqrt{n}}$

- ▶ Its cdf will be denoted Ψ_{n-1}
- It is tabulated, and implemented by computer software, in R: `pt(x, n-1)`



Int. estimates of normal variable using Student t

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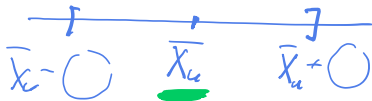
Let $\Psi_{n-1}(z_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha/2$. We put $\hat{\Theta}_n = \bar{X}_n$,

$\hat{S}_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$ and

$$C_n := \left[\hat{\Theta}_n - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{S}_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \hat{\Theta}_n + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{S}_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

\hat{S}_n instead of σ
 $z_{\alpha/2}$ determined using Ψ_{n-1} inst. of Φ

Then $P(C_n \ni \vartheta) = 1 - \alpha$.



Proof

$$P\left(\left| \bar{X}_n - \vartheta \right| \leq z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\hat{S}_n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$$Z \sim \Psi_{n-1}$$

$$P\left(\left| \frac{\bar{X}_n - \vartheta}{\hat{S}_n/\sqrt{n}} \right| \leq z_{\alpha/2}\right) = \Psi_{n-1}(z_{\alpha/2}) - \Psi_{n-1}(-z_{\alpha/2}) = \dots = 1 - \alpha$$

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Intro to Hypothesis testing

- ▶ Is our coin fair? $H_0: \text{yes}$
 - ▶ Is our die fair? $H_0: \text{yes}$
 - ▶ Is the modified code faster than original? $H_0: \text{no}$
 - ▶ Is the medical treatment X good? (Better than placebo, better than Y, ...) $H_0: \text{no}$
 - ▶ Are left-handed people better at boxing? $H_0: \text{no}$
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- ▶ two hypothesis: H_0, H_1
 - ▶ H_0 – *null hypothesis* – default, conservative model, “unsurprising”
 - ▶ H_1 – *alternative hypothesis* – alternative model “remarkable fact”, if true

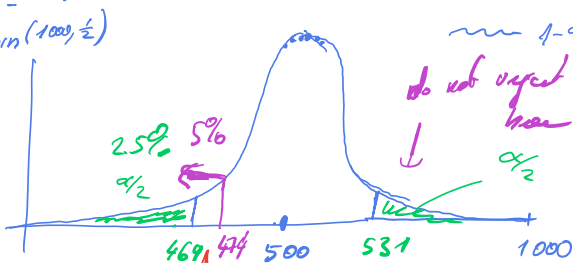
Hypothesis testing – illustration

- ▶ We want to test, if a coin is fair.
- ▶ We toss it n -times, we get head S -times.
- ▶ If $|S - n/2|$ is too large, we declare the coin not to be fair.

$$n = 1000$$

$$P(S=0) = 2^{-n} \text{ very small}$$

pdf Bin(1000, $\frac{1}{2}$)



$1-\alpha$ interval est.

do not reject here

$$\alpha = 5\%$$

Remark: Suppose, we prefer heads.

say: unfair
if $S < \frac{n}{2} - c$

Hypothesis testing – illustration

- ▶ We want to test, if a coin is fair.
- ▶ H_0 : it is fair
- ▶ H_1 : not fair (“Scientists discovered, that casino XY uses loaded coin.”)
- ▶ Results: Reject H_0 /don't reject H_0
- ▶ Type I error: false rejection. We reject H_0 , even if it is true. Embarrassing.
- ▶ Type II error: false non-rejection. We don't reject H_0 , even if it is false. Unused opportunity.
- ▶ Need to find k such that we will reject H_0 if $|S - n/2| > k$.

Hypothesis testing – general approach

- ▶ We choose an appropriate statistical model.
- ▶ We choose *significance level* α : prob. of false rejection of H_0 . Typically $\alpha = 0.05$ (medicine/psychology – much less in high-energy physics).
- ▶ We determine *test statistics* $S = h(X_1, \dots, X_n)$, that we will determine from the measured data.
- ▶ We determine *rejection region* – set W .
- ▶ We measure x_1, \dots, x_n – so-called realizations of X_1, \dots, X_n .
- ▶ Decision rule: we reject H_0 iff $h(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in W$.
- ▶ $\alpha = P(h(X) \in W; H_0)$
- ▶ $\beta = P(h(X) \notin W; H_1) \dots$ *strength of the test*
- ▶ often we do not choose α in advance but compute so-called *p-value*: minimal α , for which we would reject H_0 .

Hypothesis testing – an example

- ▶ X_1, \dots, X_n random sample from $N(\vartheta, \sigma^2)$
- ▶ σ^2 known
- ▶ $H_0 : \vartheta = 0$ $H_1 : \vartheta \neq 0$

Hypothesis testing – an example

- ▶ X_1, \dots, X_{n_1} random sample from $Ber(\vartheta_X)$
- ▶ Y_1, \dots, Y_{n_2} random sample from $Ber(\vartheta_Y)$
- ▶ $H_0 : \vartheta_X = \vartheta_Y$ $H_1 : \vartheta_X \neq \vartheta_Y$

p-hacking

- ▶ we first gain data, then look for interesting stuff
- ▶ – given enough data, there will be random coincidences
- ▶ even worse, we may test, until we get the desired outcome
- ▶ *reproducibility* – after exploratory analysis of the data we make an independent measurement and a confirmatory analysis.
- ▶ or we split the data in advance to a part for hypothesis formation and part for verification . . . simple example of cross validation

Letters in winning word of Scripps National Spelling Bee

correlates with

Number of people killed by venomous spiders

