

PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS FOR ENGINEERS					
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1. ($10 \times 2 = 20$ pts) Short answer questions.

(A) If $E[X] = 3$ and $E[Y] = 2$ then what is $E[X - Y]$?

$$E[X - Y] = E[X] - E[Y]$$

$$= 3 - 2 = \boxed{1}$$

(C) What does it mean if an estimator $\hat{\theta}$ for the parameter θ is "unbiased"?

$$E[\hat{\theta}] = \theta$$

(E) What does it mean for I to be the " $(1 - \alpha)$ confidence interval", for the parameter θ ?

$$P(\theta \in I) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\hookrightarrow P(\theta \notin I) = \alpha$$

(G) When do you use a "z-test"?

• If X is Normal with σ known

• If #samples is large (maybe not Norm.) σ unknown

(I) What is the difference between a "1-tailed" and "2-tailed" hypothesis test?

$$(1\text{-tailed } p\text{-value}) = \frac{1}{2} \times (2\text{-tailed } p\text{-value})$$

1-tailed test

$$H_0: \theta \geq \theta_0 \quad H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$$

$$H_A: \theta < \theta_0 \quad H_A: \theta > \theta_0$$

2-tailed test

$$H_0: \theta = \theta_0$$

$$H_A: \theta \neq \theta_0$$

(B) If $\text{Var}[X] = 3$ and $\text{Var}[Y] = 2$ then what is $\text{Var}[X - Y]$? (Assume X, Y are indep.)

$$\text{Var}[X - Y] = \text{Var}[X] + (-1)^2 \text{Var}[Y]$$

$$= 3 + 2 = \boxed{5}$$

(D) Why does the sample variance s^2 have " $(n - 1)$ " in the denominator?

If it had " n " in the denominator then it would be biased.

(F) What parameter is a χ^2 confidence interval used for?

Variance σ^2

- or -
Standard Deviation σ

(H) When do you use a "t-test"?

If X is Normal with σ unknown
(especially if #samples is not large)

(J) What probability is α measuring if we say a test has "significance level α "?

$$\alpha = P(\text{Type I Error})$$

$$= P(\text{Reject } H_0 \mid H_0 \text{ True})$$

α is probability cutoff for p-value $P(\hat{\theta} > \hat{\theta} \mid H_0 \text{ True})$

2. ($8 \times 2 = 16$ pts) The discrete joint random variable (X, Y) has the joint probability mass function given to the right.

$p(x, y)$	$x = -1$	$x = 0$	$x = 1$
$y = -1$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{2}{20}$
$y = 0$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{1}{20}$
$y = 1$	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{4}{20}$	$\frac{2}{20}$

Compute the following.

- (A) The pmf for the statistic $X + Y$.

$x+y$	-2	-1	0	1	2
$P(x+y)$	$\frac{3}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20} + \frac{3}{20}$ " $\frac{6}{20}$	$\frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{20} + \frac{3}{20}$ " $\frac{4}{20}$	$\frac{4}{20} + \frac{1}{20}$ " $\frac{5}{20}$	$\frac{2}{20}$

- (A) The pmf for the statistic $\min(X, Y)$.

$\min(x, y)$	-1	0	1
$P(\min(x, y))$	$\frac{1}{20} + \frac{3}{20} + \frac{3}{20} + \frac{3}{20} + \frac{3}{20}$ " $\frac{12}{20}$	$\frac{4}{20} + \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{20}$ " $\frac{6}{20}$	$\frac{2}{20}$

3. ($2 \times 2 = 4$ pts) The discrete random variable X with the probability mass function given to the right is sampled two times to get X_1, X_2 ,

x	0	1	2
$p(x)$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{2}{6}$	$\frac{3}{6}$

Compute the following.

- (A) The pmf for the statistic $T_0 = X_1 + X_2$.

$$P(T_0=0) = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{36}$$

$$P(T_0=1) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{2}{6} = \frac{4}{36}$$

$$P(T_0=2) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{6} + \frac{2}{6} \cdot \frac{2}{6} = \frac{10}{36}$$

$$P(T_0=3) = 2 \cdot \frac{2}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{6} = \frac{12}{36}$$

$$P(T_0=4) = \frac{3}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{6} = \frac{9}{36}$$

T_0	0	1	2	3	4
$p(t_0)$	$\frac{1}{36}$	$\frac{4}{36}$	$\frac{10}{36}$	$\frac{12}{36}$	$\frac{9}{36}$

- (A) The pmf for the statistic $\min(\{X_i\})$.

$$P(\min=0) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{5}{6} + \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{11}{36}$$

$$P(\min=1) = 2 \cdot \frac{2}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{6} + \frac{2}{6} \cdot \frac{2}{6} = \frac{16}{36}$$

$$P(\min=2) = \frac{3}{6} \cdot \frac{3}{6} = \frac{9}{36}$$

$\min(\{X_i\})$	0	1	2
$p(\min)$	$\frac{11}{36}$	$\frac{16}{36}$	$\frac{9}{36}$

4. ($2 \times 6 = 12$ pts) Suppose X with $E[X] = 13$ and $\text{Var}[X] = 36$ is sampled 100 times.

(A) What is the standard error of \bar{X} ?

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{36}{100}} = \frac{6}{10} = \frac{3}{5}$$

(C) How will the standard error of \bar{X} change if n is bigger?

If n increases then $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{n}}$ decreases.

(E) How will the $(1 - \alpha)$ confidence interval for μ change if n is bigger?

If n increases then ($\sigma_{\bar{X}}$ &)

CI shrinks.
 $\mu \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma$
 more narrow.

5. ($2 \times 4 = 8$ pts) Give a short answer to the following.

(A) Write the formula for the sample mean using X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n .

$$\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} = \frac{\sum X_i}{n}$$

(C) Write the formula for the sample mean using T_0 .

Recall: $T_0 = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} T_0$$

(B) What is the (approx.) distribution of \bar{X} ?

$$\bar{X} \approx \text{Normal}(13, 6/10)$$

(D) How will $P(|\bar{X} - 13| > c)$ change if n is bigger?

If $\sigma_{\bar{X}}$ decreases then $P(|\bar{X} - 13| > c)$ decreases.

(F) How will the $(1 - \alpha)$ confidence interval for μ change if α is bigger?

If α increases then ($z_{\alpha/2}$ &)

CI shrinks.
 $\mu \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma$
 more narrow.

(B) Write the formula for the sample variance using X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n and \bar{X} .

Similar to formula:

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

$$S^2 = \frac{(X_1 - \bar{X})^2 + \dots + (X_n - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}$$

(D) Write the formula for the sample variance using T_0 and T_1 .

Recall: $T_1 = X_1^2 + X_2^2 + \dots + X_n^2$

Similar to formula:

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

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left(T_1 - \frac{1}{n} T_0^2 \right)$$

6. ($3 \times 3 + 11 = 20$ pts + 6 Bonus) A sample of size 100 is drawn from population, finding 36 occurrences.

(A) What is the point estimate for the population proportion p from the sample data above?

$$\hat{p} = \frac{X}{n} \quad \text{so} \quad \hat{p} = \frac{x}{n} = \frac{36}{100}$$

This answer is fine, too.

(B) What is the (approximate) standard error of the point estimator for p ?

$$\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\hat{p} \cdot \hat{q} / n} \quad \hat{p} = \frac{36}{100} \quad \hat{q} = 1 - \frac{36}{100} = \frac{64}{100} \quad \sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{36/100 \cdot 64/100}{100}} = \frac{6.8}{1000}$$

(C) What is the (approximate) distribution of the point estimator for p ?

$$\hat{p} \approx \text{Normal} \left(\frac{36}{100}, \frac{6.8}{1000} \right)$$

(D) Give a formula for the (approx.) 95% confidence interval for the population proportion p .

(Your answer may use R commands such as qnorm, pnorm, qt, or pt, etc).

$$P = \hat{p} \pm \sigma_{\hat{p}} \cdot z_{d/2}$$

Note: $\frac{6.8}{1000} = \frac{6.8}{1000} = \frac{6}{125}$
if you like to simplify...

$$= \frac{36}{100} \pm \frac{6.8}{1000} \cdot \text{qnorm}(.025)$$

• **BONUS QUESTION:** It is possible to use the **binomial distribution** to compute a more precise 95% confidence interval for p in the situation above.

The solution begins as follows: We may consider the function "dbinom($x, 100, p$)" as a two variable function of x and p . In fact, since $\int_p \sum_x \text{dbinom}(x, 100, p) dp = 1$, this gives a joint probability distribution for (X, p) .

Q1: Why is $\int_p \sum_x \text{dbinom}(x, 100, p) dp = 1$?

Since $\sum_x \text{dbinom}(x, 100, p) = 1$, $\int_{p=0}^1 \sum_x \text{dbinom}(x, 100, p) dp = \int_0^1 1 dp = 1$

The confidence interval is found using $P(p \leq p_0 \mid X = 36)$

Q2: How can you compute $P(p \leq p_0 \mid X = 36)$?

$$P(p \leq p_0 \mid X = 36) = \frac{P(p \leq p_0 \text{ \& } X = 36)}{P(X = 36)} = \frac{\int_0^{p_0} \text{dbinom}(36, 100, p) dp}{\int_0^1 \text{dbinom}(36, 100, p) dp}$$

The left and right endpoints of the interval are $p_{\alpha/2}$ and $p_{1-\alpha/2}$.

Q3: What properties determine $p_{\alpha/2}$ and $p_{1-\alpha/2}$?

Note: Bottom integral $P(X=36) = \frac{1}{101}$

$p_{\alpha/2}$ is value so that $P(p \leq p_{\alpha/2} \mid X = 36) = \alpha/2$

$\hookrightarrow \int_0^{p_{\alpha/2}} \text{dbinom}(36, 100, p) dp = \frac{1}{101} \cdot \alpha/2$

A computer can easily find this by numerical approx. of integral!!!

Similarly for $p_{1-\alpha/2}$

7. ($5 \times 4 = 20$ pts) A normal population is sampled 15 times yielding a sample mean of $\bar{x} = 10$ and a sample standard deviation of $s = 3$. A similar population has mean $\mu = 15$.

Decide which test method should be used and give formulas for the **one-tailed** p -value.

- (A) What are the null and alternative hypotheses (for the one-tailed test)?

Since $\bar{x} = 10 < \mu = 15$ we use hypotheses

$$\begin{aligned} H_0: \mu &\geq 15 \\ H_A: \mu &< 15 \end{aligned}$$

Note: In terms of test procedures this is equivalent to $\begin{cases} H_0: \mu = 15 \\ H_A: \mu < 15 \end{cases}$

- (B) Which test should be used and why?

We should use a (one-tailed) t-Test.

The distribution of \bar{X} is Normal with unknown variance.

↳ Sample size n is too small to use z-Test (Central Limit Theorem)

- (C) What is the test statistic?

Test statistic is sample mean $\bar{x} = 10$

which normalizes to $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{10 - 15}{3/\sqrt{15}} = \frac{-5}{3/\sqrt{15}}$

- (D) Give a formula for the one-tailed p -value.

(Your answer should use R commands such as qnorm, pnorm, qt, or pt, etc).

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{10 - 15}{3/\sqrt{15}} = \frac{-5}{3/\sqrt{15}} \text{ has } (15 - 1) = 14 \text{ df.}$$

$$p\text{-value} = \text{pt}\left(\frac{-5}{3/\sqrt{15}}, 14\right)$$

$$\text{pt}\left(-5 / (3 / \text{sqrt}(15)), 14\right)$$