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4 Mathematical Statistics

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Readings

A. Papoulis and A. U. Pillai. *Probability, Random Variables and Stochastic Processes.*
Mc Graw Hill, fourth edition, 2002 Chapter 6

Online References

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4.13 The bivariate normal distribution

Definition: Bivariate normal distribution

Two random variables X_1 and X_2 are jointly normally distributed if they are described by the joint pdf

$$f_{\underline{X}}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_1\sigma_2\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}q(x_1, x_2)\right]$$

where

$$q(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{1-\rho^2}\left[\left(\frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)^2 - 2\rho\left(\frac{x_1 - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}\right)\left(\frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right) + \left(\frac{x_2 - \mu_2}{\sigma_2}\right)^2\right]$$

4.13 The bivariate normal distribution

if $(X_1, X_2) \sim N(\mu_1, \mu_2, \sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \rho)$. then

- $f_{X_1}(x_1) \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$
  $f_{X_2}(x_2) \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$
- $f_{X_1|X_2} \sim N(\mu_1 + \rho\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_2}(x_2 - \mu_2), \sigma_1^2(1 - \rho^2))$
  $f_{X_2|X_1} \sim N(\mu_2 + \rho\frac{\sigma_2}{\sigma_1}(x_1 - \mu_1), \sigma_2^2(1 - \rho^2))$

4.14 Multivariate Distributions

x a random vector with joint density $f(x)$

$$F(x) = \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_n} \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_{n-1}} \cdots \int\limits_{-\infty}^{x_1} f(t) dt_1 dt_2 \ldots dt_{n-1} dt_n$$

Expected Value:

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} E[X_1] \\ \vdots \\ E[X_n] \end{pmatrix}$$

4.14 Multivariate Distributions

Covariance Matrix

$$E\left[(\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})'\right]$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} (x_1 - \mu_1)(x_1 - \mu_1) & (x_1 - \mu_1)(x_2 - \mu_2) & \dots & (x_1 - \mu_1)(x_n - \mu_n) \\ (x_2 - \mu_2)(x_1 - \mu_1) & (x_2 - \mu_2)(x_2 - \mu_2) & \dots & (x_2 - \mu_2)(x_n - \mu_n) \\ \vdots & & & \\ (x_n - \mu_n)(x_1 - \mu_1) & (x_n - \mu_2)(x_n - \mu_2) & \dots & (x_n - \mu_n)(x_n - \mu_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} & \dots \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 & \dots \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & & \\ \sigma_{n1} & \dots & \dots \sigma_n^2 \end{pmatrix} = E\left[\boldsymbol{x}\boldsymbol{x}'\right] - \boldsymbol{\mu}\boldsymbol{\mu}' = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$$

4.14 Multivariate Distributions

Linear Transformation: sum of random variables $\sum_i a_i x_i$

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\begin{aligned}
E[a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots a_n x_n] &= E[\boldsymbol{a}'\boldsymbol{x}] \\
&= \boldsymbol{a}' E[\boldsymbol{x}] = \boldsymbol{a}'\boldsymbol{\mu} \\
Var[\boldsymbol{a}'\boldsymbol{x}] &= E[(\boldsymbol{a}'\boldsymbol{x} - E[\boldsymbol{a}'\boldsymbol{x}])^2] \\
&= E[(\boldsymbol{a}'(\boldsymbol{x} - E[\boldsymbol{x}])^2] \\
&= E[(\boldsymbol{a}'(\boldsymbol{x} - \mu)(\boldsymbol{x} - \mu)'\boldsymbol{a}] \\
&= \boldsymbol{a}' E[(\boldsymbol{x} - \mu)(\boldsymbol{x} - \mu)']\boldsymbol{a} \\
&= \boldsymbol{a}'\Sigma\boldsymbol{a} \\
&= \sum_i \sum_j a_i a_j \sigma_{ij}
\end{aligned}
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4.14 Multivariate Distributions

Linear transformation: $y = Ax$

i-th element in $y = Ax$ is $y_i = a_i x$ with a_i i-th row in A

$\Rightarrow E[y_i] = E[a_i x] = a_i \mu$ as before

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\begin{aligned}
E[y] &= E[Ax] = A E[x] = A\mu \\
Var[y] &= E[(y - E[y])(y - E[y])'] \\
&= E[(Ax - A\mu)(Ax - A\mu)'] \\
&= E[(A(x - \mu)[(A(x - \mu)]'] \\
&= E[A(x - \mu)(x - \mu)' A'] \\
&= A E[(X - \mu)(x - \mu)'] A' = A\Sigma A'
\end{aligned}
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4.15 Modes of Stochastic Convergence

- Convergence in probability: $\underset{p}{\rightarrow}$

- Convergence almost surely: $\underset{a.s.}{\rightarrow}$

- Convergence in mean square: $\underset{m.s.}{\rightarrow}$

- Convergence in distribution: $\underset{d}{\rightarrow}$

$\{z_n\}$: sequence of random variables
$\{\mathbf{z}_n\}$: sequence of random vectors

4.15 Modes of Stochastic Convergence

Convergence in probability

A sequence $\{z_n\}$ converges in probability to a constant α if for any $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(|z_n - \alpha| > \varepsilon\right) = 0$$

short notation: plim $z_n = \alpha$ or $z_n \xrightarrow{p} \alpha$ or $z_n - \alpha \xrightarrow{p} 0$

<u>Extends to random vectors</u>:

$$\text{If} \qquad \lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(|z_{kn} - \alpha_k| > \varepsilon\right) = 0 \quad \forall \quad k = 1, 2, ..., K,$$

then $\mathbf{z}_n \xrightarrow{p} \boldsymbol{\alpha}$ (element-wise convergence).

4.15 Modes of Stochastic Convergence

Convergence almost surely

A sequence $\{z_n\}$ converges almost surely to a constant α if

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n\to\infty} z_n = \alpha\right) = 1$$

short notation: $z_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} \alpha$.

<u>Extends to random vectors</u>:

$$\text{If} \qquad \mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n\to\infty} z_{kn} = \alpha_k\right) = 1 = 0 \quad \forall \quad k = 1, 2, ..., K,$$

then $\mathbf{z}_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} \boldsymbol{\alpha}$ (element-wise convergence).

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Convergence in mean square

A sequence $\{z_n\}$ converges in mean square to a constant α if

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}\left[(z_n - \alpha)^2\right] = 0$$

short notation: $z_n \xrightarrow{m.s.} \alpha$

Convergence in mean square implies convergence in probability.

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Convergence in distribution

A sequence $\{z_n\}$ converges in distribution to a random variable z if

$$z_n \xrightarrow{d} z$$

i.e., if the c.d.f. of z_n converges to the c.d.f. of z at each point of continuity.