

Basics of Probability and Statistics

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A measure μ on (Ω, \mathcal{A}) is an application from $\mathcal{A} \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ such that

- 1 $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- 2 If $(A_n)_n$ is a countable family of elements of \mathcal{A} mutually disjoint i.e. $A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset$ if $i \neq j$ then

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_n\right) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_n)$$

- Dirac measure δ_a . Counting measure $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \delta_n$.
- Lebesgue measure
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Let E and F be two sets equipped with σ -algebras \mathcal{A} for E and \mathcal{B} for F . An application $f : (E, \mathcal{A}) \rightarrow (E, \mathcal{B})$ is called measurable if

$$\forall B \in \mathcal{B}, f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{A}$$

- Recall that a random variable X is a measurable function from Ω to \mathbb{R} or a discrete or countable space
- Let us throw two dices and compute the sum $S : \{1, \dots, 6\}^2 \rightarrow \{2, \dots, 12\} : S(i, j) = i + j$ is a r.v
- When X is valued on \mathbb{R}^k , $k > 1$, we usually speak of random vectors

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In the situation where you have n observations i.i.d X_1, \dots, X_n , the statistical models can be described by

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$$\mathcal{P} = \{\mathcal{N}^{\otimes n}(m, \sigma), m \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}_+^*\}$$

- Bernoulli: $\Omega = \{0, 1\}^n$, $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$

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the notation $\otimes n$ means that we consider the product of measure on the cartesian product \mathbb{R}^n or $\{0, 1\}^n$. This corresponds to the fact that we consider independent situation.

- Exercise: describe the statistical model where you throw 100 times 10 dices and you just look at the sum of each result.

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The characteristic function of a random vector is

$$\phi_X(u) = \mathbb{E}[e^{i\langle u, X \rangle}], \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^d,$$

where \langle, \rangle denote the scalar product on \mathbb{R}^d .

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- $X \sim \mathcal{P}(\lambda)$ then $\phi_X(t) = \exp(\lambda(e^{it} - 1))$

- $X \sim \mathcal{U}([a, b])$ then $\phi_X(t) = \frac{e^{ibt} - e^{iat}}{(b-a)it}$
- $X \sim \mathcal{E}(\lambda)$ then $\phi_X(t) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - it}$
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Other transformation

- The moment generator function of a r.v X with values in $S(X) \subset \mathbb{N}$ and $p_k = \mathbb{P}(X = k)$ is

$$G_X(t) = \mathbb{E}[t^X] = \sum_k p_k t^k$$

This function is C^∞ on $[0, 1[$ and p times differentiable on 1 if $\mathbb{E}[X^p] < +\infty$

$$G_X^{(k)}(0) = k! p_k, k \in \mathbb{N}$$

If the mean exists, we have $G'_X(1) = \mathbb{E}(X)$

- Laplace transform. For a r.v X , we call its Laplace transform

$$\phi_X(t) = \mathbb{E}[e^{tX}]$$

- 1 As we shall see in the sequel, we shall be interested in limits of estimator when the number of observations n goes to infinity.
- 2 This asks for convergence of random variables.

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For a r.v we denote its partition function F_X and recall that ϕ_X denotes its characteristic function

Theorem

(X_n) converge in law towards X if and only if

$$F_{X_n}(t) \rightarrow F_X(t)$$

in all points where F_X is continuous i.e in all points t such that $\mathbb{P}(X = t) = 0$

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- **Fatou Lemma:** let (X_n) be a sequence of non negative numbers then

$$\mathbb{E}[\liminf_n X_n] \leq \liminf_n \mathbb{E}[X_n]$$

- **Lebesgue dominated convergence Theorem:** let (X_n) be a sequence such that X_n converges a.s to X . Let Y such that $\mathbb{E}[|Y|] < \infty$ and $|X_n| < Y$ then

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when (X_n) is a sequence of i.i.d random variables where $m = \mathbb{E}[X_1]$.

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Let $X \sim \mathcal{N}_d(m, K)$ then for all matrices $A \in \mathbb{M}_{p,d}(\mathbb{R})$ then

$$AX \sim \mathcal{N}_p(AX, AKA^t)$$

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- We shall say that a Gaussian vector X is degenerate if its covariance matrix K is non invertible
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and then $\langle a, X \rangle = b$ a.s. Then X leaves in the affine space

$$\{\langle a, x \rangle = b, x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$$

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$$\Omega = \bigcup_{i=1}^N B_i, \quad B_i \cap B_j = \emptyset, i \neq j$$

- We define

$$\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{B}] = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbb{E}[X|B_i] \mathbf{1}_{B_i}$$

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for all $G \in \mathcal{B}$ means that $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{B}]$ is the orthogonal projection of X onto $L^2((\Omega, \mathcal{B}, \mathbb{P}))$

- We can then express the following result which is useful in some situation (for example in the Gaussian context)

Theorem

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$ be a probability space and let $\mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{A}$. Let X be a L^2 r.v.

The conditional expectation of X knowing \mathcal{B} is the orthogonal projection of X onto $L^2((\Omega, \mathcal{B}, \mathbb{P}))$

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Generality

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- Assume that $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is distributed along \mathbb{P}_θ where $\theta \in \Theta$ is unknown.
- Hope: extract information on θ by knowing the moment

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- Case of a sample (X_1, \dots, X_n) whose density is $f_\theta(x) = \theta e^{-\theta x} \mathbf{1}_{\mathbb{R}^+}(x)$
- simple computation shows that

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$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{\bar{X}_n}$$

- Exercise: do the same job for (X_1, \dots, X_n) distributed along $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

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T is an unbiased estimator of $g(\theta)$

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- One can see that the moment method has weakness
- First you can see that in the study of asymptotically normality one see that it depends on $\sigma(\theta)$ which is also unknown.
- You can avoid this obstacle using Slutsky Lemma, you look at

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The critical point study is not explicit, in general there exists many critical point and then many MLE.
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with

$$f_0(x) = \frac{e^{-|x|/2}}{2\sqrt{2\pi|x|}}.$$

then the likelihood converges towards $+\infty$ when $\theta \rightarrow X_i$ for all i then there is no MLE.

- Normal case $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$
- Bernoulli case: $\mathcal{B}(\theta)$
- Uniform law case: $\mathcal{U}([0, \theta])$

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Theorem

Suppose that Θ is an open set of \mathbf{R} and

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- 2 that the model is identifiable
- 3 that the Hypothesis (7) is satisfied
- 4 that for all n $\hat{\theta}_n^{MV}$ exists and that the set of local minima of $l_n(\theta)$ is a bounded closed interval include in θ .

then $\hat{\theta}_n^{MV}$ is a consistant estimator (which converges in probability with respect to \mathbb{P}_{θ^*}).

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$$\mathbf{E}_{\theta^*} (|\ln f_\theta(X)|) < +\infty.$$

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We shall say that a model is ML regular if

- 1 The model is dominated
- 2 Θ is an open set of \mathbf{R} and $f(x, \theta) > 0 \iff f(x, \theta') > 0$
- 3 The functions f and $l = \ln f$ are C^2 in θ .
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 $|l''(x, \theta)| \leq \Lambda(x)$, $|l'(x, \theta)| \leq \Lambda(x)$, $|l'(x, \theta)|^2 \leq \Lambda(x)$ for all $\theta \in U$ and μ
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$$\int \Lambda(x) \sup_{\theta \in U} f(x, \theta) d\mu < \infty.$$

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Theorem (T.C.L pour $\hat{\theta}_n^{MV}$)

Suppose that the model M.V. is regular and Let $\hat{\theta}_n^{MV}$ be a sequence of consistent de square root of $l'_n(\theta) = 0$. Then $\forall \theta^* \in \theta$

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is usually called the Fisher information

- Why are we interested by unbiased estimator?
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$$\mathbb{E}((T_n - \theta)^2)$$

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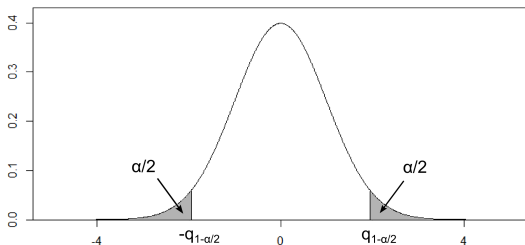
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- Now we can say what is $q_{1-\alpha/2}$,

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- This way we have construct a confidence interval

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- For Poisson random variable $\mathcal{P}(\theta^*)$ we have

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and conditions on θ^* have to be known to construct a confidence interval with B-T (example you know that $\theta^* \leq M$ for a known value M).

- For using CLT one can use the same trick by replacing the variance in terms of \bar{X}_n and justify it via Slutsky theorem.

- In general if we are not in such a situation, in order to use the CLT, we have to estimate the variance. To this end we have the following estimator

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- and the corresponding confidence interval is

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we have an unbiased estimator.

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- This allows to construct confidence interval for the variance of a Gaussian law. Let denote $\chi_{1-\alpha}^k$ the quantile of the $\chi^2(k)$ law that is if $T \sim \chi^2(k)$ then

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- Then we have

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- This implies

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is a confidence interval of level α for the variance σ^2 of X_1 .

- Other possible interesting result when X_1, \dots, X_n are Gaussian $\mathcal{N}(m, \sigma^2)$

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- One can also use open set for confidence set
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$$\left] -\infty, \bar{X}_n - q_{1-\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_n^2}{n}} \right]$$

- Can it be interested to have a interval bound which is infinite? It looks like not sharp!
- Imagine that you know that the unknown quantity is non negative (decibel of a night club, number of student attending the summer school in France); then the part $] -\infty, 0]$ is useless and the interval

$$\left] 0, \bar{X}_n - q_{1-\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_n^2}{n}} \right] \subset \left] 0, \bar{X}_n - q_{1-\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_n^2}{n}} \right]$$

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- Indeed one can think in terms of projection of Y onto the subspace of constant function.
- If you do not have the possibility to consider the L^2 norma, one could have thought

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- In terms of realizations, in concrete terms you want to minimize

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- We then have

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Principal Component Analysis: Overview

- Will be developed in details in the 3rd week
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- The parameter p can be huge and unless for $p \leq 3$ it is not possible to represent these datas on a graph
- We want to determine $q < p$ variables which explains the phenomena, we study, and which can be represented in a graph ($q = 2, 3$)

- The data are grouped in a matrix X of size $n \times p$

$$X = (X^1, \dots, X^p) \quad (15)$$

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$$I(X) = \sum_{k=1}^p m_k d^2(X_k, \bar{X}) = \sum_{k=1}^p m_k s_k^2$$

It measures the dispersion of the data X_i with respect to the barycenter \bar{X} .

- In the case $M = \text{diag}(1/s_1^2, \dots, 1/s_p^2)$ we have

$$I(Z) = p$$

- The p column of X represent a so-called scatter graph.
- Regarding the weight introduced before we shall concentrate on $m_j = 1$ in the context of PCA.
- If we analyze Y we shall say we do non-normalized PCA
- If we analyze Z we do normed PCA and we are going to focus on this case

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$$f_{j\alpha} = \langle Z_j, v_\alpha \rangle = Z_j^t v_\alpha$$

- Define now

$$f^\alpha := (f_{1\alpha}, \dots, f_{n\alpha})^t = Z v_\alpha$$

this the vector of each coordinate of each projection of the Z_j

- We can rewrite

$$f^\alpha = Z v_\alpha = \sum_{j=1}^p v_{j\alpha} Z^j$$

- Method: we are looking for an axis Δ_1 with generator v_1 such that

$$v_1 = \operatorname{argmax}_{v_1 / \|v_1\|=1} \operatorname{Var}(Zv_1)$$

- We can show that this optimization problem can be written as

$$\max_{v / \|v\|=1} \|Rv\|^2$$

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- Then $f_1 = Zv_1$ is the first principal component
- If we want to find a plan we look for v_2 such that

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- v_2 appears as the second eigenvector corresponding to the second higher eigenvalue. The vector $f_2 = Zv_2$ is the second principal component
- and so on
- Note that f_1 and f_2 are orthogonal and then non correlated.
- Conclusion: to find the principal component we need to diagonalize R .

- If you denote $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_r$ the eigenvalues of R (here r corresponds to the rank of Z), we can show easily that

$$\text{Var}(f_j) = \lambda_j$$

- An important question is how many component shall we need. This can be quantified by looking at the quantity

$$\frac{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_q}{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r} = \frac{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_q}{\text{Tr}(R)}$$

- You can fix a level $1 - \alpha$ and you stop to the first time (first q) where

$$\frac{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_q}{\text{Tr}(R)} \geq 1 - \alpha$$

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