

1. One of the most used and useful consequences of the material you are learning is the two-sample  $t$ -test. You will now flesh out a procedure for applying this test. First, suppose you have two independent samples:

$$\begin{aligned} X_1, \dots, X_n &\stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) \\ Y_1, \dots, Y_m &\stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2). \end{aligned}$$

- (a) If the population variances  $\sigma_1^2$  and  $\sigma_2^2$  are known, then derive the sampling distribution of  $\bar{X} - \bar{Y}$ . Propose a  $Z$  test (where the statistic  $Z$  has a standard normal distribution under the null hypothesis) to test  $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$ . Argue that the assumption of normal sampling distributions is not required to apply this test. What is?
- (b) The form of the  $t$ -test when the population variances are not known, depends on whether we can assume these variances are equal. Describe a statistical test (null hypothesis, statistic, and critical value) for drawing a conclusion about the variances.
- (c) Suppose in part 1b, you conclude  $H_0 : \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$  is true. Derive an unbiased estimate for the common variance  $\sigma^2 = \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$  and use it to formulate a  $t$ -statistic for testing  $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$ . State the number of degrees of freedom.
- (d) Suppose in part 1b, you conclude  $H_A : \sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$  is true. The distribution of statistic

$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}{\sqrt{\frac{S_X^2}{n} + \frac{S_Y^2}{m}}},$$

where  $S_X^2$  and  $S_Y^2$  are the sample variances, is well approximated by a  $t$ -distribution with degrees of freedom

$$v = \frac{\left(\frac{S_X^2}{n} + \frac{S_Y^2}{m}\right)^2}{\frac{(S_X^2/n)^2}{n-1} + \frac{(S_Y^2/m)^2}{m-1}}.$$

(The last part is a fact; I'm not asking you to prove it.) Use the preceding procedure to test for differences in the following two samples:

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> x
[1] 20.624691 10.248618 20.922304 14.169417 15.008047 15.016957 6.846616
[8] 15.362315 16.434458 16.399544 20.876594 21.719867 9.442184 12.534024
[15] 6.579588 13.197646 9.370132 18.868558 14.850241 13.073043
> y
[1] 12.565221 1.147250 2.491917 2.487184 10.555273 9.063544 -9.520266
[8] 7.059711 21.043265 1.842692 8.598662 18.550844 10.327906 33.767452
[15] 9.875084 -4.741950 10.345144 8.932715
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2. Suppose  $X_i \sim N(i, i^2)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$  are independent. Use the  $X_i$ s to construct statistics with the indicated distributions
- (a) chi squared with 3 degrees of freedom
- (b)  $t$  distribution with 2 degrees of freedom
- (c)  $F$  distribution with 1 and 2 degrees of freedom

3. Let  $X \sim F_{p,q}$ , then

- (a) Derive the pdf of  $X$ .
- (b) Compute the mean and variance of  $X$ , showing your work.
- (c) Show that  $\frac{1}{X}$  has  $F_{q,p}$  distribution.

4. In this problem, you will prove independence of  $S^2$  and  $\bar{X}$  when  $X_j \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  are iid. We will do so by working with the following transformation of  $X_j$ . Let  $a_{ij}, b_{rj}, j = 1, \dots, n; i = 1, \dots, k; r = 1, \dots, m$  be constants and define

$$\begin{aligned} U_i &= \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} X_j, & i = 1, \dots, k, \\ V_r &= \sum_{j=1}^n b_{rj} X_j, & r = 1, \dots, m. \end{aligned}$$

- (a) Show  $\text{Cov}(U_i, V_r) = \sigma^2 \sum_j a_{ij} b_{rj}$ .
- (b) For the case  $n = 2$ , use change of variable to show that  $\text{Cov}(U_i, V_r) = 0$  implies independence of  $U_i$  and  $V_r$ . (**Note:** While independence always implies 0 covariance, the converse is not always true, so the fact that the converse is true here is a special result for linear functions of Normal random variables.) **Hint:** Note that transform  $Z_j = \frac{X_j - \mu}{\sigma}$  allows us to translate results obtained for  $Z_j$  to  $X_j$ , so it is sufficient to prove this result for  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ . Furthermore, recall that two random variables are independent iff their joint pdf factors into a product of marginals.
- (c) The result of 4b extends to  $n > 2$ , so assuming  $U_i$  and  $V_r$  are independent for arbitrary integer  $n$ , show that  $\bar{X}$  is independent of  $X_j - \bar{X}$  for all  $j$ .
- (d) Write  $S^2$  as a function of  $X_j - \bar{X}$  and use (don't prove) the result that these random vectors  $(U_1, \dots, U_k)$  and  $(V_1, \dots, V_m)$  are independent iff  $U_i$  and  $V_r$  are independent for all pairs  $(i, r)$  (can be shown through a proof similar to the one of 4b), to show that  $\bar{X}$  and  $S^2$  are independent statistics.