

TMA 4255 Applied Statistics

Statistics is the science that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation and presentation of data.

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Probability calculus

Distributions

Inference {
 Estimation
 Confidence interval
 Hypothesis testing

As an applied statistician one also needs ~~to~~:

Make models

Collect data

Analyse data

Interpret data.

Usefulness of Statistics

Process controlled by operators. (Production of nickel plates for nickel hydrogen batteries).

1. Make random adjustment based on subjective judgement.
2. Register the weight of plates, look at earlier registrations and control the process according to these.

Fundamental ideas in the field of statistics

Opens up for variation in the data
Accept risk and uncertainty.

Central concepts

Population	Random Sample
The set of all possible observations of interest to the problem we are studying	X_1, \dots, X_m random sample if they are independent and identically distributed
Parameters known μ, σ^2	Statistics: $\bar{X}, S^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m (X_i - \bar{X})^2 / (n-1)$

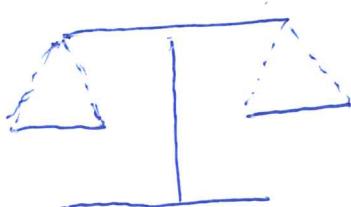
Data are normally of two types

Obtained from experiments (planned causal relationships)
Obtained from observational studies (correlated relationships)

An example on why planning collection of the data is important.

A bowl-weight with measurement error σ . Want to decide the weight of 2 bowls A and B (μ_A and μ_B)

Method 1: $\hat{A} = y_1$, $\text{Var}(\hat{A}) = \sigma^2$
 $\hat{B} = y_2$, $\text{Var}(\hat{B}) = \sigma^2$



Method 2. A and B are weighed together

First A+B: ~~Y_3~~ where $E[Y_3] = \mu_A + \mu_B$

Then A-B: Y_4 where $E[Y_4] = \mu_A - \mu_B$

We get $A^* = \frac{Y_3 + Y_4}{2}$, $B^* = \frac{Y_3 - Y_4}{2}$

$$\text{Var}[A^*] = \frac{1}{4}(\text{Var}(Y_3) + \text{Var}(Y_4)) = \frac{1}{4}(\sigma^2 + \sigma^2) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$$

$$\text{Var}[B^*] = \frac{1}{4}(\text{Var}(Y_3) + \text{Var}(Y_4)) = \frac{1}{4}(\sigma^2 + \sigma^2) = \frac{\sigma^2}{2}$$

An industrial example

Obtaining a good yield from a process.

Method A: X_1, \dots, X_{10} , $E[X_i] = \mu_A$, $i=1, \dots, 10$

Method B: Y_1, \dots, Y_{10} , $E[Y_i] = \mu_B$, $i=1, \dots, 10$

Interest to know if $\mu_B > \mu_A$.

How should we start?

Descriptive statistics will provide some information

like $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$, $s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$, sample median and sample quartiles.

Boxplot may tell us about outliers and how symmetric the data are around their central measures (\bar{x} , and sample med).

Normal-plot may ~~inform~~ be a good check for if the ~~assumption~~ normal-distribution can be ~~assumed~~.