

Let T_1, \dots, T_k be random variables with means

$\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k$ and define $\underline{T} = (T_1, \dots, T_k)$ and $\underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$

Assume $g(\underline{t})$ is differentiable and let $g'_i(\underline{\theta}) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t_i} g(\underline{t}) \Big|_{\underline{t} = \underline{\theta}}$

$$\text{Then } g(\underline{t}) = g(\underline{\theta}) + \sum_{i=1}^k g'_i(\underline{\theta})(T_i - \theta_i) + R$$

$$\text{and } E[g(\underline{T})] \approx g(\underline{\theta}) + \sum_{i=1}^k g'_i(\underline{\theta}) E[T_i - \theta_i] = g(\underline{\theta})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[g(\underline{T})] \approx \text{Var}\left[\sum_{i=1}^k g'_i(\underline{\theta})(T_i - \theta_i)\right] &= \sum_{i=1}^k [g'_i(\underline{\theta})]^2 \text{Var}[T_i] \\ &+ 2 \sum_{i < j} g'_i(\underline{\theta}) g'_j(\underline{\theta}) \text{Cov}(T_i, T_j) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 5.5.24. The Delta method

$\{Y_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ satisfies $\sqrt{m}(Y_m - \theta) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \sigma^2)$ ($\Leftrightarrow \frac{Y_m - \theta}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{m}}} \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1)$)

Assume $g'(\theta)$ exists and is different from 0. Then

$$\sqrt{m}[g(Y_m) - g(\theta)] \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \sigma^2 (g'(\theta))^2)$$

Proof. A first order Taylor expansion gives

$$g(Y_m) = g(\theta) + g'(\theta)(Y_m - \theta) + R(Y_m, \theta)$$

$$R(Y_m, \theta) = C_1(Y_m - \theta)^2 + C_2(Y_m - \theta)^3 + \dots$$

$$\sqrt{m}[g(Y_m) - g(\theta)] = g'(\theta)\sqrt{m}(Y_m - \theta) + \sqrt{m}(Y_m - \theta)(C_1(Y_m - \theta) + C_2(Y_m - \theta)^2 + \dots)$$

What happens to $Y_m - \theta$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$

$$X_m = \frac{\sqrt{m}}{\sigma} (Y_m - \theta) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1) \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{m}}{\sigma} (Y_m - \theta) = Y_m - \theta \xrightarrow{D} \left(\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{m}}{\sigma}\right) N(0, 1) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } Y_m - \theta \xrightarrow{D} 0 \text{ and } Y_m - \theta \xrightarrow{P} 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{m} R(Y_m, \theta) \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

Example

X_1, \dots, X_m i.i.d. $E[X_i] = \mu$,

$E[\bar{X}_m] = \mu$,

$\text{Var}[X_i] = \sigma^2$

Let $g(x) = \frac{1}{x}$, $g(\bar{X}_m) = \frac{1}{\bar{X}_m}$

Then

$$\text{Inv}\left(\frac{1}{\bar{X}_m} - \frac{1}{\mu}\right) \xrightarrow{D} N\left(0, \frac{1}{\mu^4} \text{Var}(X_i)\right)$$

Assume $\text{Var}[X_i]$ is unknown

$$\text{Var}\left[\frac{1}{\bar{X}_m}\right] \approx \left(\frac{1}{\bar{X}_m}\right)^4 S_m^2$$

Then
$$\frac{\text{Inv}\left(\frac{1}{\bar{X}_m} - \frac{1}{\mu}\right)}{\frac{1}{\bar{X}_m^2} S_m} = \underbrace{\frac{\text{Inv}\left(\frac{1}{\bar{X}_m} - \frac{1}{\mu}\right)}{\frac{\sigma}{\mu^2}}}_{\xrightarrow{D} N(0,1)} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{\sigma}{S_m} \cdot \frac{\bar{X}_m^2}{\mu^2}}_{\xrightarrow{P} 1} \xrightarrow{D} N(0,1)$$

Theorem 5.5.26 Second order Delta method.

$\{Y_m\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$ satisfies $\text{Inv}(Y_m - \theta) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \sigma^2)$. Suppose for given θ

$g'(\theta) = 0$ and $g''(\theta)$ exists $\neq 0$. Then

$$g(Y_m) - g(\theta) \xrightarrow{D} \frac{\sigma^2}{2} g''(\theta) \chi^2(1)$$

Proof. A second order Taylor expansion gives.

$$g(Y_m) - g(\theta) = \frac{g''(\theta)}{2} (Y_m - \theta)^2 + (C_1 (Y_m - \theta)^3 + C_2 (Y_m - \theta)^4 + \dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow m[g(Y_m) - g(\theta)] = \frac{g''(\theta)}{2} \cdot \underbrace{\sigma^2 \left(\frac{m(Y_m - \theta)^2}{\sigma^2}\right)}_{\xrightarrow{D} \chi^2(1)} + \underbrace{m \frac{\sigma^2}{\sigma^2} (Y_m - \theta)^2}_{\xrightarrow{D} \sigma^2 \chi^2(1)} \left(\underbrace{C_1 (Y_m - \theta) + C_2 (Y_m - \theta)^2 + \dots}_{\xrightarrow{P} 0} \right)$$

Therefore $m[g(Y_m) - g(\theta)] \xrightarrow{D} \frac{g''(\theta)}{2} \sigma^2 \chi^2(1)$

Chapter 6. Principles of Data Reduction

An example

X_1, X_2 Bernoulli and independent

i.e. $P(X_i = x) = P(X_2 = x) = \begin{cases} 1-\theta, & x=0 \\ \theta, & x=1 \end{cases} = \theta \in (0,1)$

$$T = X_1 + X_2$$

Experimenters 2 get the information $T = 0, 1$ or 2
X-space *T-space*

Experimenters 1	Experimenters 2
(0, 0)	0
(1, 0)	1
(0, 1)	1
(1, 1)	2
(0, 1)	1

$$P((X_1, X_2) = (0, 0) \mid T=0) = 1$$

$$P((X_1, X_2) = (1, 0) \mid T=1) = \frac{P((X_1, X_2) = (1, 0) \cap T=1)}{P(T=1)} = \frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{2\theta(1-\theta)} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= P((X_1, X_2) = (0, 1) \mid T=1)$$

$$P((X_1, X_2) = (1, 1) \mid T=2) = 1$$

Let us generate (X_1^o, X_2^o) as $\begin{cases} (0, 0) & \text{if } T=0 \\ (1, 0) \text{ or } (0, 1) & \text{each with probabilities } \\ & \frac{1}{2} \text{ if } T=1 \\ (1, 1) & \text{if } T=2 \end{cases}$

Note. No information about θ is needed to generate (X_1^o, X_2^o)

We have

$$\begin{aligned} P((X_1^{\circ}, X_2^{\circ}) = (0,0)) &= P((X_1^{\circ}, X_2^{\circ}) = (0,0) \cap T(X_1, X_2) = 0) \\ &= P((X_1^{\circ}, X_2^{\circ}) = (0,0) | T(X_1, X_2) = 0) \cdot P(T(X_1, X_2) = 0) = (1-\theta)^2 = \\ &P((X_1, X_2) = (0,0)). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for $(X_1^{\circ}, X_2^{\circ}) = (1,0), (0,1)$ and $(1,1)$

Hence (X_1, X_2) and $(X_1^{\circ}, X_2^{\circ})$ have the same distribution, but are normally not identical, but inference about θ can be equally well made from $(X_1^{\circ}, X_2^{\circ})$

Definition 6.2.1

$T(\underline{X})$ is a sufficient for θ if the conditional distribution of \underline{X} given $T(\underline{X})$ does not depend on θ .

A sufficient statistics for a parameter θ is a statistic that in a certain sense capture all the information about θ in a sample.

Discrete case

In general experimenter \mathcal{E} who knows $T(\underline{X}) = t$ can generate a distribution $P(\underline{X} = \underline{y} | T(\underline{X}) = t)$ on the set $\mathcal{A}_{T(\underline{X})} = \{\underline{y} : T(\underline{y}) = t\}$

A random variable \underline{Y} with this distribution satisfies

$$P(\underline{Y} = \underline{y} | T(\underline{X}) = t) = P(\underline{X} = \underline{y} | T(\underline{X}) = t)$$