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No class on Thursday, Jan. 16

No class on Tuesday, Jan. 21

Given a sample of values $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$, then

$$S_n^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n} \text{ is an estimate of } \sigma_x^2$$

Note: $\sigma_x^2 = \text{Var}(X) = E[(X - \mu)^2]$

The corresponding estimator for σ_x^2 is

$$\underline{S_n^2} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n} \quad (\underline{\text{r.v.}})$$

Consider $E[\underline{S_n^2}]$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot E[\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot E[\sum (X_i^2 - 2\bar{X}X_i + \bar{X}^2)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot E[\sum X_i^2 - \sum 2\bar{X}X_i + \sum \bar{X}^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot E[\sum X_i^2 - \underbrace{2\bar{X} \sum X_i}_{n \cdot \bar{X}} + n \cdot \bar{X}^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot E[\sum X_i^2 - 2n \cdot \bar{X}^2 + n \cdot \bar{X}^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot E[\sum X_i^2 - n \cdot \bar{X}^2]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot [E[\sum X_i^2] - E[n \cdot \bar{X}^2]]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot \left[\sum E[X_i^2] - n \cdot E[\bar{X}^2] \right]$$

$E[X_1^2] = E[X_2^2] = \dots = E[X^2]$
 $\Rightarrow \sum E[X_i^2] = n \cdot E[X^2]$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \cdot \left[n \cdot E[X^2] - n E[\bar{X}^2] \right]$$

$$= E[X^2] - E[\bar{X}^2]$$

Note: $E[\bar{X}^2] = \text{Var}(\bar{X}) + (E[\bar{X}])^2$

$$= \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{n} + (E[X])^2$$

$$= \underline{E[X^2]} - \left(\frac{\text{Var}(X)}{n} + \underline{(E[X])^2} \right)$$

$$= \underline{E[X^2]} - (E[X])^2 - \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{n}$$

$$= \text{Var}(X) - \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{n} = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot \text{Var}(X)$$

$$\therefore E[\underline{S_n^2}] = \frac{n-1}{n} \cdot \text{Var}(X)$$

$\Rightarrow \underline{S_n^2}$ is a "biased" estimator of $\sigma_x^2 = \text{Var}(X)$

It is asymptotically unbiased since

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[\underline{S_n^2}] = \text{Var}(X)$$

Remark: $\frac{n}{n-1} \cdot \underline{S_n^2} = \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1} = \underline{S_{n-1}^2}$ is an unbiased estimator of $\text{Var}(X) = \sigma_x^2$ since

$$E[\underline{S_{n-1}^2}] = E\left[\frac{n}{n-1} \cdot \underline{S_n^2}\right] = \frac{n}{n-1} \cdot E[\underline{S_n^2}] = \frac{n}{n-1} \cdot \frac{n-1}{n} \cdot \text{Var}(X) = \text{Var}(X)$$

Module 1: Probability Models

Section 1: Severity Models

[M1S1: Severity Models]

Notation: X is the random variable representing (r.v.)
the dollar amount of loss per accident
(per claim)
(per loss)

X - "severity random variable"

(sometimes called the ground-up loss r.v.)

$X > 0$ $\hat{=}$ unless told otherwise (or implied)
it's continuous

Common Parameters we'll be interested in are:

1) Distribution Function (i.e. cumulative distribution function)

$$F_x(t) = \Pr(X \leq t)$$

2) Survival Function

$$S_x(t) = \Pr(X > t)$$

Note: $S_x(t) = 1 - F_x(t)$

3) density function (i.e. ~~prob~~ probability density function)

$$f_x(t) = \frac{d}{dt} [F_x(t)] = - \frac{d}{dt} [S_x(t)]$$

4) hazard function

$$h_x(t) = \frac{f_x(t)}{S_x(t)} \quad (\text{L-TAM's Force of Mortality})$$

Note:
$$h_x(t) = \frac{-\frac{d}{dt}[S_x(t)]}{S_x(t)} = -\frac{d}{dt}[\ln(S_x(t))]$$

$$\Rightarrow S_x(t) = e^{-\int_0^t h_x(z) dz}$$

5) cumulative hazard function

$$H_x(t) = \int_0^t h_x(z) dz$$

$$\therefore S_x(t) = e^{-H_x(t)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow H_x(t) = -\ln(S_x(t))$$