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MIS6: Mortality Studies (on dragons) using

Survival Data

Recall: $X = \text{r.v. age at death}$

4 Cases

We want information on
 $\Pr(X > z) = S_X(z)$

Case 1: We have complete individual data
↳ we know when each dragon dies

Example: X_i : 12 8 22 12 36

(Study on 5 dragons)

In this case, we approximate survival rate (probabilities) using the "empirical distribution". For this example, the empirical distribution is:

\hat{X}	Pr
8	$\frac{1}{5}$
12	$\frac{2}{5}$
22	$\frac{1}{5}$
36	$\frac{1}{5}$

Then we can approximate $\Pr(X > 20) \approx \Pr(\hat{X} > 20) = \frac{2}{5}$
 $S_X(t) \approx \hat{S}_n(t)$ $S_X(20)$ $\hat{S}_5(20)$ \downarrow made up value

Remark: $\hat{S}_5(12) = \frac{2}{5} \approx \Pr(X > 12) = S_X(12)$ \downarrow # of dragons in study

Now consider a random sample of size 5.

Then $\underline{\hat{S}}_5(12) = \frac{N}{5}$ where

$N = \text{rv}$ the number of the 5 observations that are greater than 12.

→ The double underline distinguishes between the random variable (called the estimator) and the value (called the estimate)

Remark: $N \sim \text{Bin}(5, p)$ $p = \Pr(X > 12)$

$$E[\underline{\hat{S}}_5(12)] = E\left[\frac{N}{5}\right] = \frac{E[N]}{5} = \frac{5 \cdot p}{5} = p$$

$$\text{Var}(\underline{\hat{S}}_5(12)) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{N}{5}\right) = \frac{\text{Var}(N)}{25} = \frac{5 \cdot p \cdot (1-p)}{25} = \frac{p(1-p)}{5}$$

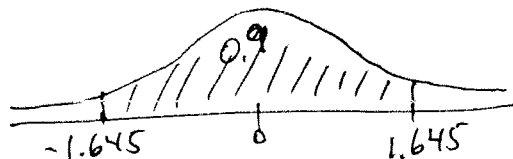
We estimate p by $\hat{p} = \frac{3}{5}$ (in the above example)

and we can estimate $\text{Var}(\underline{\hat{S}}_5(12))$ by $\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{5} = \frac{3/5 \cdot 2/5}{5} = \frac{6}{125}$

I'll write $V_5 = \frac{6}{125}$

A "90%" confidence interval for a parameter is

$$\text{estimate} \pm "1.645" \cdot \sqrt{V_n}$$



Example (LM.2 from L-TAM SOA Sample Questions)

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Case 2: We have complete grouped data

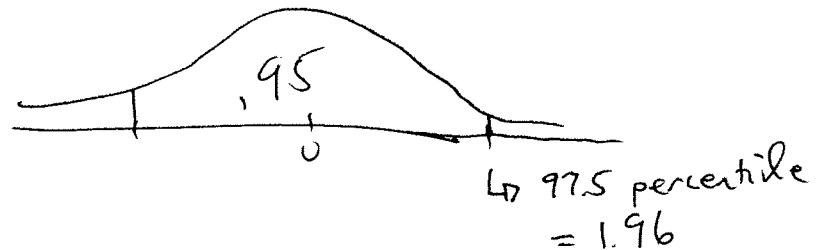
In this case, we form the ogive by linearly interpolating between given $F_x(a)$ -value where a is an endpoint of the given intervals

Example (~~LM.2~~ LM.5)

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LM.2. In a study of 1,000 people with a particular illness, 200 died within one year of diagnosis. Calculate a 95% (linear) confidence interval for the one-year empirical survival function.

- (A) (0.745, 0.855)
- (B) (0.755, 0.845)
- (C) (0.765, 0.835)
- (D) (0.775, 0.825)
- (E) (0.785, 0.815)



$$\text{Answer: } \hat{S}_{1000}(1) \pm 1.96 \cdot \sqrt{V_{1000}}$$

$$\hat{S}_{1000}(1) = \frac{n}{1000} = \frac{800}{1000} = .8 = \hat{p}$$

$$V_{1000} = \frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{1000} = \frac{.8(.2)}{1000}$$

$$\text{Answer: } .8 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{.00016}$$

- LM.5.** In a study of workplace retention for a large employer, the following grouped data were collected from 100 new entrants.

Time to exit	Number of employees
0 – 5 years	28
5 – 10 years	19
10 – 20 years	15
20 – 30 years	30
Over 30 years	8

Calculate the probability that an employee exits within the first 12 years, using the ogive empirical distribution function.

- (A) 0.49
- (B) 0.50
- (C) 0.51
- (D) 0.52
- (E) 0.53

We seek $Pr(X \leq 12) = F_x(12)$

Know $F_x(10) = \frac{28+19}{100} = 0.47$

and $F_x(20) = \frac{28+19+15}{100} = 0.62$

$$\therefore F_x(12) \approx \left(\frac{8}{10}\right)0.47 + \left(\frac{2}{10}\right)0.62 =$$