

Biostatistics 602 - Statistical Inference

Lecture 01

Introduction to BIOSTAT602

Principles of Data Reduction

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Today's Outline

- Course Syllabus
- Overview of BIOSTAT602
- Sufficient Statistics

Basic Polls : Home Department

What is your home department?

- Biostatistics
- Statistics
- Bioinformatics
- Survey Methodology
- Other Departments

Basic Polls : Official Roster

Are you taking the class, or just sitting in?

- Taking for credit
- Sitting in
- Plan to take, but needs permission

Basic Polls : 601 History

Have you taken BIOSTAT601 or equivalent class?

- I took BIOSTAT601.
- I took an BIOSTAT601-equivalent class.
- I do not have BIOSTAT601 equivalent background

BIOSTAT602 - Course Information

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Course Web Page

- See <http://genome.sph.umich.edu/wiki/602>
- No C-Tools site will be available in 2013.

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- Basic calculus and matrix algebra

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Recommended Textbooks

- *Statistical Inference*, by Garthwaite, Jolliffe and Jones.
- *All of Statistics: A Concise Course in Statistical Inference*, by Wasserman
- *Mathematical Statistics: Basics Ideas and Selected Topics*, by Bickel and Doksum.

Grading

- Homework 20%
- Midterm 40%
- Final 40%

Important Dates

- First Lecture : Thursday January 10th, 2013
- Midterm : 1:00pm - 3:00pm, Thursday February 21st, 2013
- No lectures on March 5th and 7th (Vacation)
- No lecture on April 2nd (Instructor out of town)
- Last Lecture : Tuesday April 23rd, 2013 (Total of 26 lectures)
- Final : 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Thursday April 25th, 2013 (University-wide schedule)

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- Feedback on the class, especially on the lecture style, would be very much appreciated.

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A process of drawing conclusions or making statements about a population of data based on a random sample of data from the population.

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We wish this summary of data to..

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- 2 Keep all the information about θ that is contained in the original data x_1, \dots, x_n .

Statistic

$$T(X_1, \dots, X_n) = T(\mathbf{X})$$

- It is a function of random variables X_1, \dots, X_n .
- $T(\mathbf{X})$ itself is also a random variable.
- $T(\mathbf{X})$ defines a form of data reduction or data summary.

Data Reduction

Data reduction in terms of a statistic $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a partition of the sample space \mathcal{X} .

Example

Suppose $X_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$, and $0 < p < 1$.

Define $T(X_1, X_2, X_3) = X_1 + X_2 + X_3$, then $T: \{0, 1\}^3 \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$.

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$$\mathcal{T} = \{t : t = T(\mathbf{X}) \text{ for some } \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}\}$$

$$A_t = \{\mathbf{x} : T(\mathbf{X}) = t, t \in \mathcal{T}\}$$

Instead of reporting $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, x_3)^T$, we report only $T(\mathbf{X}) = t$, or equivalently $\mathbf{x} \in A_t$.

Example of Data Reduction

The partition of the sample space based on $T(\mathbf{X})$ is "coarser" than the original sample space.

- There are 8 elements in the sample space \mathcal{X} .
- They are partitioned into 4 subsets
- Thus, $T(\mathbf{X})$ is simpler (or coarser) than \mathbf{X} .

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In other words, the conditional pdf or pmf of \mathbf{X} given $T = t$, $f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x} | T(\mathbf{X}) = t) = h(\mathbf{x})$ does not depend on θ

Sufficient Statistics: Example

- Suppose $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$, $0 < p < 1$.
- Claim that $T(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistic for p .

Proof : Overview

- $T(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$
- Need to find the conditional pmf of \mathbf{X} given $T = t$.
- And show that the distribution does not depend on p .

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Therefore, conditional distribution

$$\Pr\left(\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x} \mid \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t\right) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\binom{n}{t}} & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Because $\Pr(X|T(\mathbf{X}) = t)$ does not depend on p , by definition, $T(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistic for p .

Note from the proof

If \mathbf{X} is a sample point such that $T(\mathbf{X}) \neq t$, then $\Pr(\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x} | T(\mathbf{x}) = t) = 0$ always, so we don't have to consider the case when $T(\mathbf{x}) \neq t$ in the future.

A Theorem for Sufficient Statistics

Theorem 6.2.2

- Let $f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}|\theta)$ is a joint pdf or pmf of X
- and $q(t|\theta)$ is the pdf or pmf of $T(\mathbf{X})$.
- Then $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a sufficient statistic for θ ,
- if, for every $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$,
- the ratio $f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}|\theta)/q(T(\mathbf{x})|\theta)$ is constant as a function of θ .

Proof of Theorem 6.2.2 - discrete case

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which does not depend on θ by assumption. Therefore, $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a sufficient statistic for θ .

Example 6.2.3 - Binomial Sufficient Statistic

Problem

- $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$, $0 < \theta < 1$.
- Show that $T(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistic for θ .

This is the same problem from the last lecture, but we would like to solve it using Theorem 6.2.2.

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$$\begin{aligned}f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}|p) &= p^{x_1}(1-p)^{1-x_1} \cdots p^{x_n}(1-p)^{1-x_n} \\ &= p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}\end{aligned}$$

$$T(\mathbf{X}) \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p)$$

$$q(t|p) = \binom{n}{t} p^t (1-p)^{n-t}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}|p)}{q(T(\mathbf{x})|p)} &= \frac{p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{\binom{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-p)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\binom{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}} = \frac{1}{\binom{n}{T(\mathbf{x})}}\end{aligned}$$

By theorem 6.2.2. $T(\mathbf{X})$ is a sufficient statistic for p .

Example 6.2.4 - Normal Sufficient Statistic

Problem

- $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$
- Assume that σ^2 is known.
- Show that the sample mean $T(\mathbf{X}) = \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ is a sufficient statistic for μ .

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 $f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}|\mu)$

$$f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}|\mu) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x_i - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

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Example 6.2.4 - Proof (cont'd)

 $q(T(\mathbf{x})|\mu)$

Remember from BIOSTAT601 that $T(\mathbf{X}) = \bar{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$.

$$q(T(\mathbf{x})|\mu) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2/n}} \exp(-n(\bar{x} - \mu)^2/(2\sigma^2))$$

Example 6.2.4 - Proof

Putting things together

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which does not depend on μ . By Theorem 6.2.2, the sample mean is a sufficient statistic for μ .

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