

Unit-III

Methods of Estimation :-

So far we have been discussing requisites of a good estimator now we shall briefly outline some of important methods for obtaining such estimators.

Commonly used methods are

- i) Method of maximum likelihood estimation
- ii) Method of minimum variance
- iii) Method of moments
- iv) Method of inverse probability
- v) Method of minimum chi-square

Maximum Likelihood Estimation :

The method of maximum Likelihood estimation is from theoretical point of view, the most general method of estimation known is the method of maximum likelihood estimators (MLE)

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which was initially formulated by C.F. Gauss but as a general method of estimation was first introduced by Prof R.A. Fisher and later on developed by him in a series of papers before introducing the method of we will first define likelihood function.

Likelihood Function:

Definition:

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be a random sample of size n from a population with density function of the sample values x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n usually denoted by $L = L(\theta)$ is their joint density function, given by

$$L = f(x_1, \theta) f(x_2, \theta), \dots, f(x_n, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \rightarrow ①$$

It gives the relative likelihood that the random variables assume a particular set of values, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n for a given sample x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n . If L become a function of the variable θ , the parameter.

$$l = f(x_1, \theta) f(x_2, \theta), \dots, f(x_n, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \theta) \rightarrow ①$$

It is also known as a Likelihood function.

The principle of maximum likelihood consists in finding an estimator for the unknown parameter $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_k)$ say, which maximises the likelihood function $L(\theta)$ for variation in parameter (i.e) we wish to find $\hat{\theta} = (\hat{\theta}_1, \hat{\theta}_2, \dots, \hat{\theta}_k)$ so that

$$L(\hat{\theta}) > L(\theta) \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta \text{ (i.e)}$$

$$L(\hat{\theta}) = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta)$$

This is there exists a function $\hat{\theta} = \hat{\theta}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ of the sample values which maximises L for variations in θ , then $\hat{\theta}$ is to be taken as an estimator of θ , $\hat{\theta}$ is usually called maximum likelihood estimation (MLE)

Thus $\hat{\theta}$ is the solution if any of

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0 \text{ and } \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \theta^2} < 0$$

Since $L > 0$, and $\log L$ is a non-decreasing function of L and $\log L$ obtain their extreme values (maxima or minima) at the same value of $\hat{\theta}$; The first of the two equations can be

$$\frac{1}{L} \cdot \frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

$$\theta = \frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

a from which is much more convenient from particular point of view.

If θ is vector valued parameter then $\hat{\theta} = (\hat{\theta}_1, \hat{\theta}_2, \dots, \hat{\theta}_k)$ is given by the solution of simultaneous equation.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \log L = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \log L(\theta_1, \theta_2; \text{Dx}) = 0 \quad i=1, 2, \dots, k \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

The above equation $\textcircled{3}$ and $\textcircled{4}$ are usually referred to as the likelihood equations for estimating the parameters.

Properties of maximum likelihood :

We make the following assumptions known as the Regularity conditions.

From theoretical point of view, the most general method of estimation known is the method of maximum likelihood Estimators (MLE) which was initially formulated by Gauss

i) The first and second order derivatives.

Viz : $\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \theta}$ and $\frac{\partial^2 \log L}{\partial \theta^2}$ exist,

and are continuous function of θ in a range R

including the true value θ_0 of the parameter for almost all x .

For every θ in R , $|\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \theta}| < f(x)$ and

$$\left| \frac{\partial^2 \log L}{\partial \theta^2} \right| < \int |f_2(x)| dx \text{ where } f_1(x) \text{ and } f_2(x) \text{ are integrable}$$

functions over $(-\infty, \infty)$

ii) The third order derivative $\frac{\partial^3}{\partial \theta^3} \log L$

exists such that $\left| \frac{\partial^3}{\partial \theta^3} \log L \right| < M(x)$.

where $E[m(x)] < k$, a positive quantity

iii) For every θ in R

$$E \left(-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log L \right) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log L \right) dx$$

$$\int d\alpha = I(\theta)$$

is finite and non-zero

iv) The range of integration is independent of θ , But if the range of integration depends on θ ,

then $f(x; \theta)$ vanishes at the extremes depending on θ [This assumption is to make the difference between under the integral sign is valid.

Under the above assumption MLE possess the number of important properties which will be stated in the form of the theorem.

Method of moments :

This method was discovered and studied in detail by Karl Pearson
Let $f(x; \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_K)$ be the density function of the parent population with K parameters $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_K$. If μ_r denotes r^{th} moment about origin. Then

$$\mu_r = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^r f(x; \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_K) dx, \quad (x=1, 2, \dots, K) \rightarrow ①$$

In general $\mu_1', \mu_2', \dots, \mu_k'$ will be function of the parameters

$\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_k$

Let $x_i : i=1, 2, \dots, n$ be a random sample of size n from the given population. The method of moments consist in solving the k -equation

for $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_n$ in terms of $\mu_1', \mu_2', \dots, \mu_k'$ and

then replacing those moments, μ_r' , $r=1, 2, \dots, k$ by the sample moments.

Example :

$$\hat{\theta}_i = \theta_i (\hat{\mu}_1', \hat{\mu}_2', \dots, \hat{\mu}_k') = \theta_i (\mu_1', \mu_2', \dots, \mu_k')$$

$$i = 1, 2, \dots, k$$

where μ_r' is the i th moment about origin in the sample.

Then by the method of moments $\hat{\theta}_1, \hat{\theta}_2, \dots, \hat{\theta}_k$ are the required estimators of $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_k$ respectively

1. a) find the maximum likelihood estimate for the parameter λ of a Poisson distribution on the basis of a sample size n also find its variance.
- b) show that the sample mean \bar{x} , is sufficient for estimating the parameter λ of the poisson distribution.

The probability function of the poisson distribution with parameter distribution given by

$$P(X=x) = f(x, \lambda) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} \quad x=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Likelihood function of random Sample x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n of n vibrations from this population is,

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, \lambda) = \frac{e^{-n\lambda} \lambda^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}}{x_1! x_2! \dots x_n!}$$

$$\log L = n\lambda + n\bar{x} \log \lambda - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i!)$$

The likelihood equation for estimating λ is $\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda}$

$$\log L = 0 \Rightarrow -n + n\bar{x}/\lambda = 0$$

Thus - the MLE for λ is the sample mean \bar{x} the variance of estimate is given by,

$$\frac{1}{V(\hat{\lambda})} = E \left\{ \frac{-\partial^2}{\partial \lambda^2} (\log L) \right\}$$

$$= E \left\{ \frac{-2}{\partial \lambda} (-n + n\bar{x}/\lambda) \right\}$$

$$= E \left\{ -\left(n\bar{x}/\lambda^2 \right)^2 \right\} = n/\lambda^2 E(\bar{x}) \\ = n/\lambda \quad [\because E(\bar{x}) = n/\lambda]$$

$$v(\hat{\lambda}) = \lambda/n$$

b) For the poisson distribution with parameter λ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \log L &= -n + n\bar{x}/\lambda \\ &= n(\bar{x}/\lambda - 1) \\ &= \Phi(\bar{x}, \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

a function of \bar{x} in λ only. Hence \bar{x} is sufficient for estimating λ .

3. State as precisely as possible the properties of the MLE obtain the MLE's of α and β for a random sample from the exponential population.

$$f(x; \alpha, \beta) = y_0 e^{-\beta(x-\alpha)}, \quad \alpha \leq x < \infty \\ \beta > 0$$

and y_0 being a constant.

The probability curve is unity

$$\therefore y_0 \int_{\alpha}^{\infty} \exp[-\beta(x-\alpha)] dx$$

$$y_0 \left| \alpha - \frac{\beta(x-\infty)}{-\beta} \right|_{\alpha}^{\infty} = 1$$

$$-\frac{y_0}{\beta} (\alpha - 1) = 1 \quad y_0 = \beta$$

$$F(x; \alpha, \beta) = \beta e^{-\beta(x-\alpha)} \quad \alpha \leq x < \infty$$

If x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n is a random sample of n observation from this population.

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^n F(x_i; \alpha, \beta) = \beta^n \exp \left\{ -\beta \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \alpha) \right\} \Rightarrow \beta^n \exp [-n\beta(\bar{x} - \alpha)]$$

$$\log L = n \log \beta - n\beta(\bar{x} - \alpha) \rightarrow ①$$

The equation of α and β give,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \log L = 0 = n\beta \rightarrow ② \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \log L = 0 = n/\beta - n(\bar{x} - \alpha) \rightarrow ③$$

L is maximum $\Rightarrow \log L$ is maximum from ① $\log L$ is maximum.

i.e. $\hat{\alpha} = x(1)$ consequently ③ gives $\hat{\beta} = \bar{x} - \hat{\alpha} = \bar{x} - x(1)$

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{1}{\bar{x} - x(1)}$$

Hence, MLE's for α and β are given by,

$$\hat{\alpha} = x(1) \text{ and } \hat{\beta} = \frac{1}{\bar{x} - x(1)}$$

Unit - IVInterval estimation:

interval estimation is the use of sample data to calculate an interval of possible values of an unknown population parameter; this is in contrast to point estimation, which gives a single value.

confidence interval and credible intervals

The forms of interval estimation:

- * confidence interval [a frequentist method]
- * credible intervals [a Bayesian method]
- * likelihood method intervals [a likelihoodist method]
- * fiducial interval [a fiducial method]

Other forms of statistical intervals, which do not estimate parameters, include:

- * tolerance intervals [an estimates of population]
- * prediction intervals [used mainly in regression analysis]

Some other types of outcome are point estimate and decisions.

Confidence Level

The probability that the value of parameter falls within a specified range of values

definition:

A confidence level refers to the percentage of all possible samples that can be expected to include the true population parameter.

For example:

Suppose all possible samples were selected from the same population, and a confidence interval were computed for each sample.

A 95% confidence level implies that 95% of the confidence intervals would include the true population parameter. $CI = \bar{x} \pm z \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$

Confidence Co-efficient:

The confidence co-efficient is the confidence level stated as a proportion rather than as a percentage.

e.g:

If you had a confidence level of 99%, the confidence co-efficient would be .99. In general, the higher the co-efficient, the more certain you are that your results are accurate.

confidence interval:

In statistics, a confidence interval is a type of estimate computed from the statistics of the observed data. This proposes a range of plausible values for an unknown parameter. The interval has an associated confidence level that the true parameter is in the proposed range.

$$CI = \bar{x} \pm z \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Properties (or) characteristics of confidence interval:

The confidence interval (CI) is a range of values. It is expressed as a percentage and is expected to contain the best estimate of a statistical parameter.

A confidence interval of 95% mean, it is 95% certain that our population parameter lies in between this confidence interval provides a range of plausible values for a parameter.

* developed from a sample

* for a given confidence level

Confidence interval and confidence limits:

Let x_i ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$) be a random sample of n observations from a population involving a single unknown parameter θ . Let $f(x_i, \theta)$ be the probability function of the parent distribution from which the sample is drawn and let us suppose that this distribution is continuous. Let $t = t(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ a function of the sample value be an estimate of the population parameter θ .

The sampling distribution given by $g(t, \theta)$ we choose once for all some value of

α (5% or 1%) and then

determined two constants say c_1 and c_2 such that

$$P(c_1 < \theta < c_2 | t) = 1 - \alpha$$

The quantities c_1 and c_2 so determined are known as the confidence limits or fiducial limits and the interval $[c_1, c_2]$

within which the unknown value of the population parameter is expected to lie, is called the confidence interval and $(1 - \alpha)$ confidence coefficient.

Thus if we take $\alpha = 0.05$ or 0.01 we shall get 95% or 99% confidence limits.

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How to find c_1 and c_2 let T_1 and T_2 be two statistics such that,

$$P(T_1 > \theta) = \alpha_1 \rightarrow ①$$

$$\text{and } P(T_2 < \theta) = \alpha_2 \rightarrow ②$$

where α_1 and α_2 are constants independent of θ ① and ② can be combined to give.

$$P(T_1 < \theta < T_2) = 1 - \alpha$$

where $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$. Statistics T_1 and T_2 defined in ① and ② may be taken as c_1 and c_2 defined in for example, if we take a large sample from a normal population with mean μ and standard deviation σ then

$$z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0,1)$$

confidence interval

$$P[-z\alpha \leq z \leq z\alpha] = 0.95$$

and $P[-1.96 \leq z \leq 1.96] = 0.95$ (from normal probability tables)

$$\Rightarrow P\left(-1.96 \leq \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq 1.96\right) = 0.95 \Rightarrow P\left(\bar{x} - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{x} + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 0.95$$

Thus,

$\therefore (\bar{x} \pm 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}})$ are 95% confidence limits for the unknown

parameter μ , the population mean and the interval

$(\bar{x} - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}})$ is called the 95% confidence interval

Also

$$P(-2.58 \leq Z \leq 2.58) = 0.99 \text{ or}$$

$$P\left(-2.58 \leq \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq 2.58\right) = 0.99$$

$$P\left(\bar{x} - 2.58 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{x} + 2.58 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 0.99$$

Hence 99% confidence limits for μ are;

$$\bar{x} \pm 2.58 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

confidence interval for μ is

$$(\bar{x} - 2.58 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + 2.58 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}})$$

T-Test of significance for single mean

We have proved that if $x_i = (i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ is a random sample of size n from a normal population with mean μ and variance σ^2 then the sample mean is distributed normally with mean μ and variance σ^2/n that is \bar{x} follows normal $\mu, \sigma^2/n$

that is $\bar{x} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$ even in random sampling from non normal population provided the sample size n is large (e.g.) thus for large samples the s.d. normal variate is corresponding to \bar{x} is $z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$

under the null hypothesis H_0 that the sample has been drawn from the population with mean μ and variance σ^2 that is no significant difference and the sample mean (\bar{x}) and population mean (μ) The test statistics for large sample is $z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma}, N(0,1)$

Remarks:

i) if the population S.D σ is unknown then we use in estimate provide by the sample variance given by,

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = s^2, \hat{\sigma} = s \text{ (for Large Samples)}$$

ii) confidence limits for μ 1.95%. confidence interval for μ is given by .

$$|z| \leq 1.96, \text{ that } \left| \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right| \leq 1.96 \text{ which}$$

(i.e.)

$$\bar{x} - 1.96(\sigma/\sqrt{n}) \leq \mu \leq \bar{x} + 1.96(\sigma/\sqrt{n})$$

iii) The confidence limits for any parameter (p, μ, \dots) are also known as its fiducial limits problem

1. A sample of 900 members has a mean 3.4 cm and S.D 2.61 cm
 Is the sample from a large population of mean 3.25 cm
 and S.D 2.61 cm if the population is normal and its mean is
 unknown, find the 95% and 98% fiducial limits of true mean.

Null hypothesis :

$$H_0: \mu = 3.25$$

Alternative hypothesis (H_1): $\mu \neq 3.25$

(two tailed) test statistics under H_0 . The test statistics is

Test statistics :

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0,1) \text{ since } n \text{ is large}$$

$$\bar{x} = 3.4 \text{ cm } n = 900 \quad \mu = 3.25 \text{ cm } \sigma = 2.61$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \frac{3.4 - 3.25}{\frac{2.61}{\sqrt{900}}} \\ &= 0.15 \times 30 / 2.61 \end{aligned}$$

$$|z| = 1.73$$

Conclusion:

since $|z| < 1.96$ we conclude that the data don't provide any evidence against the null hypothesis (H_0) which may.

Therefore be accepted at 5% level of significance 95%.

Fiducial limits for the population

TEST OF significance difference of mean:

Let \bar{x}_1 be the mean of a sample of size n_1 from a population with mean μ_1 and variance σ_1^2 , and let \bar{x}_2 be the mean of an independent random sample of sizes n_2 from another population with μ_2 and variance σ_2^2 . Then since Sample sizes are large,

$$\bar{x}_1 \sim N\left(\mu_1, \frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1}\right) \text{ and } \bar{x}_2 \sim N\left(\mu_2, \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}\right)$$

also $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$, being the difference of two independent normal variates is also a normal variate. The value of Z (S.N.V) corresponding $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ is given by,

$$Z = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - E(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2)}{\sqrt{V(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2)}} \sim N(0,1)$$

under the null hypothesis. $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$, that there is no significant difference between the sample means, we get

$$\begin{aligned} E(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) &= E(\bar{x}_1) - E(\bar{x}_2) \\ &= \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$V(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) = V(\bar{x}_1) + V(\bar{x}_2)$$

The co-variance term vanishes, since the sample means

\bar{x}_1 and \bar{x}_2 are independent there under $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$. The test statistics becomes (for Large Samples)

$$Z = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

Remarks:

1. If $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = \sigma^2$ that if the samples have been drawn from the population with common S.D σ then under $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

2. If in $Z = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$, σ is not known it is based on Sample Variance.

Unit-VStudents 't' distribution:

Let $a_i (i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ be a random sample of size n from a normal population with mean μ and variance σ^2 then Student's t is defined by the statistic.

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} \rightarrow ①$$

where $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$ is the sample mean and $s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1}$

$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$ is an unbiased estimate of the population variance σ^2

and it follows Student t distribution with $V = (n-1)$ d.f with probability density function.

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(V/2)} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{t^2}{V}\right)^{(V+1)/2}} \quad -\infty < t < \infty \rightarrow ②$$

Derivation of Students t distribution:

The expression ① can be re written as

$$t^2 = \frac{n(\bar{x} - \mu)^2}{s^2}$$

$$= \frac{n(\bar{x} - \mu)^2}{ns^2/(n-1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{t^2}{(n-1)} = \frac{(\bar{x} - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2/n} \cdot \frac{1}{ns^2/\sigma^2}$$

$$= \frac{(\bar{x} - \mu)^2 (n/\sigma^2)}{ns^2/\sigma^2}$$

Since $x_i (i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ is a random sample, mean μ Variance σ^2

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

Hence, $(\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}})^2$ being the square

of a standard normal variate is a chi-square variate with 1 d.f.

$\frac{ns^2}{\sigma^2}$ is a χ^2 variate with $(n-1)$ d.f.

$$dF(t) = \frac{1}{B(1/2, v/2)} \cdot \frac{(t^{1/2})^{v/2-1}}{(1+t^{1/2})^{(v+1)/2}} dt \quad 0 < t^{1/2} < \infty$$

\therefore where $v = (n-1)$]

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{v} B(1/2, 1/2)} \cdot \frac{1}{(1+t^{1/2})^{(v+1)/2}} dt \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

The factor 2 disappearing since the integral from $-\infty$ to ∞ must be unity.

Application of t distribution

Then t distribution has a wide number of application in statistics some of which are enumerated below,

- i) To test if the Sample mean (\bar{x}) differs significantly from the hypothetical value μ of the population mean.
- ii) To test the significance of the difference between two Sample means.
- iii) To test the significance of an observed Sample Correlation Co-efficient and Sample regression Co-efficient.

In the following Sections we will discuss these applications in detail one by one.

t - Test for single mean :

- i) If a random Sample $x : (i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ of size n has been drawn from a normal population with a specified mean say μ_0 or
- ii) if the sample mean differs significantly from the hypothetical value μ_0 .

Under the Null hypothesis : H_0

Test statistics :

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$

where $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ and

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

follows the student's t-distribution with $(n-1)$ d.f we now compare the calculated value of t with the tabulated value of certain level of significance.

If calculated |t| > tabulated t, null hypothesis is rejected and if calculated |t| < tabulated t, H_0 may be accepted at the level of significance adopted.

t-Test for difference of mean:

Suppose we want to test if two independent samples $x_i (i=1, 2, \dots, n_1)$ and $y_j (j=1, 2, \dots, n_2)$ of sizes n_1 and n_2 have been drawn from two normal populations with mean μ_x and μ_y respectively.

Under the null hypothesis H_0 , that the samples have been drawn from the normal population with mean μ_x and μ_y and under the assumption that the population variances are equal i.e

$$\sigma_x^2 = \sigma_y^2 = \sigma^2 \text{ say}$$

$$t = \frac{(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) - (\mu_x - \mu_y)}{s \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}}$$

$$\text{where } \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n_1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} x_i$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n_2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} y_j$$

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n_1 + n_2 - 2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} (y_j - \bar{y})^2 \right]$$

is an unbiased estimate of the common population variance σ^2
 Follow student's t-distribution with $(n_1 + n_2 - 2)$ d.f

PROOF:

$$\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{\sqrt{V(\bar{x} - \bar{y})}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$E(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) = E(\bar{x}) - E(\bar{y})$$

$$V(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) = V(\bar{x}) + V(\bar{y})$$

$$= \frac{\sigma_x^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_y^2}{n_2} \Rightarrow \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)$$

$$\frac{(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) - (\mu_x - \mu_y)}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}} \sim N(0, 1) \rightarrow ①$$

Let

$$X^2 = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} (y_j - \bar{y})^2 \right]$$

$$= \left[\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2 / \sigma^2 \right] + \left[\sum_j (y_j - \bar{y})^2 / \sigma^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{n_1 s_x^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{n_2 s_y^2}{\sigma^2} \rightarrow ②$$

Since,

$$\frac{n_1 s_x^2}{\sigma^2} \text{ and } \frac{n_2 s_y^2}{\sigma^2}$$

Variables with (n_1-1) and (n_2-1) d.f respectively by the additive property of Chi-square defined in ② is a χ^2 variate with $(n_1-1) + (n_2-1)$ i.e. n_1+n_2-2 d.f

Further since Sample mean and Sample Variance are independently distributed Σ and χ^2 are independent Random Variable.

$$t = \frac{\xi}{\sqrt{\frac{x^2}{n_1+n_2-2}}}$$

$$= \frac{(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) - (\mu_x - \mu_y)}{\sigma^2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \times \frac{1}{\frac{1}{n_1+n_2-2} \left\{ \sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + \sum_j (y_j - \bar{y})^2 \right\} / \sigma^2}$$

$$= \frac{(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) - (\mu_x - \mu_y)}{s \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}}$$

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n_1+n_2-2} \left[\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + \sum_j (y_j - \bar{y})^2 \right]$$

and it follows Student's t distribution with (n_1+n_2-2) d.f

F-distribution:

Definition:

If x and y are two independent chi-square variates with v_1 and v_2 d.f respectively then.

F statistics is defined by

$$F = \frac{x/v_1}{y/v_2}$$

F test for Equality of two population Variances:

Suppose we want to test i) whether two independent samples, x_i ($i=1, 2, \dots, n$), y_j ($j=1, 2, \dots, n$) have been drawn from the normal populations with same variance σ^2 (say) or

ii) whether the two independent estimates of the population variance are homogenous are not.

null hypothesis: H_0

$$i) \sigma_x^2 = \sigma_y^2 = \sigma^2$$

$$F = \frac{Sx^2}{Sy^2}$$

where,

$$Sx^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \text{ and}$$

$$s_y^2 = \frac{1}{n_2 - 1} \sum_{j=1}^{n_2} (y_j - \bar{y})^2$$

PROOF:

$$F = \frac{s_x^2}{s_y^2} \left[\frac{n_1}{n_1 - 1} s_x^2 \right] / \left[\frac{n_2}{n_2 - 1} s_y^2 \right]$$

$$= \left[\frac{n_1 s_x^2}{\sigma_x^2} \cdot \frac{1}{(n_1 - 1)} \right] / \left[\frac{n_2 s_y^2}{\sigma_y^2} \cdot \frac{1}{n_2 - 1} \right]$$

$$[\because \sigma_x^2 = \sigma_y^2 = \sigma^2 \text{ under } H_0 \dots n_2]$$

Since $\frac{n_1 s_x^2}{\sigma_x^2}$ and $\frac{n_2 s_y^2}{\sigma_y^2}$ are independent chi-square

with $(n_1 - 1)$ and $(n_2 - 1)$ d.f respectively, F follows Sheppard's

F distribution with $(n_1 - 1), (n_2 - 1)$ d.f.

constants of F distribution:

$$\mu_F' (\text{about origin}) = E(F^1)$$

$$= \int_0^\infty f^1 F(f) dF$$

$$= \frac{(v_1/v_2)^{v_1/2}}{B(v_1/2, v_2/2)} \int_0^\infty f^1 \frac{f((v_1/2)^{-1})}{(1 + v_1/v_2 F)^{v_1 + v_2/2}} dF \rightarrow ①$$

To evaluate the integrals put $v_1/v_2 = y$ so that $dv = v_2/v_1 dy$

$$\mu_r' = \frac{\left[v_1/v_2 \right]^{v_1/v_2}}{B(v_1/v_2, v_2/v_2)} \int_0^\infty \frac{\left(v_2/v_1, y \right)^\gamma + \left(v_1/v_2 \right)^{-1}}{(1+y) \left(v_1+v_2 \right) / v_2} \cdot \left(\frac{v_2}{v_1} \right) y$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{v_2}{v_1} \right)^\gamma}{B(v_1/v_2, v_2/v_2)} \int_0^\infty \frac{y^\gamma + \left(v_1/v_2 \right)^{-1}}{(1+y) \left(v_1/v_2 \right) + \gamma + \left(v_2/v_1 \right)^{-1}} \left\{ dy \right\}$$

$$\therefore \left[\frac{v_2}{v_1} \right]^\gamma, \frac{1}{B(v_1/v_2, v_2/v_2)} B \left[\gamma + v_1/v_2, v_2/v_2 - 1 \right]$$