

Discussion Notes Week 6

Prob sheet 3 sol'ns.

1)  $x \sim U[\alpha, \beta]$

i.e.  $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} & , \quad \alpha \leq x \leq \beta \\ 0 & , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$E\left[\frac{1}{x}\right] = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{1}{x} f(x) dx = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{1}{x} \frac{dx}{\beta - \alpha}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \ln \frac{\beta}{\alpha} \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \alpha = 1 \\ \beta = 2 \end{array}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2-1} \ln \frac{2}{1} = 0.693$$

$$E[x] = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \frac{x}{\beta - \alpha} dx = \frac{1}{\beta - \alpha} \left. \frac{x^2}{2} \right|_{\alpha}^{\beta}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\beta^2 - \alpha^2)}{\beta - \alpha} = \frac{1}{2} (\alpha + \beta)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (1 + 2) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{E[x]} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \leftarrow \text{not eq. to } E\left[\frac{1}{x}\right]$$

$$2) \quad P(\vec{n} | \vec{p}, N) = \frac{N!}{n_1! \dots n_m!} p_1^{n_1} \dots p_m^{n_m}$$

↖ multinomial

$$E[\vec{n}] = N \vec{p}$$

$$\text{cov}[n_i, n_j] = N p_i (\delta_{ij} - p_j)$$

Let  $u \equiv \sum_{k=1}^K n_k, \quad K < M$

Using error propagation,

$$V[u] = \sum_{i,j=1}^M \frac{\partial u}{\partial n_i} \frac{\partial u}{\partial n_j} \Big|_{\vec{n} = E[\vec{n}]} \text{cov}[n_i, n_j]$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial n_i} = \begin{cases} 1, & i \leq K \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow V[u] = \sum_{i,j=1}^K 1 \cdot N p_i (\delta_{ij} - p_j)$$

$$= N \left[ \sum_{i=1}^K p_i - \left( \sum_{i=1}^K p_i \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^K p_j \right) \right]$$

$$= N p_K (1 - p_K) \quad \leftarrow = \text{variance}$$

where  $p_K \equiv \sum_{i=1}^K p_i$  for binomial

3)  $x$  follows  $f(x)$

$$\text{cdf is } F(x) \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{dF}{dx}$$

$$r \sim U[0, 1]$$

$$\text{i.e. } g(r) = 1, \quad 0 \leq r \leq 1$$

↑  
pdf

$$\text{If } F(x) = r \Rightarrow x = F^{-1}(r)$$

pdf of  $x(r)$  is

$$p(x) = g(r) \left| \frac{dr}{dx} \right| = \frac{g(r)}{\left| \frac{dx}{dr} \right|}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dr} = \frac{d}{dr} F^{-1}(r) = \frac{1}{\frac{dF}{dx}(x(r))} = \frac{1}{f(x(r))}$$

↑  
inverse function theorem

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dr}{dx} = f(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = 1 \cdot f(x) = \underline{f(x)}$$

↑  
 $g(r)$       ↑  
 $\left| \frac{dr}{dx} \right|$

Statistical Data Analysis  
 Example problem for week 6 discussion  
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**1(a)** Consider the test statistic

$$t(\vec{x}) = \ln \frac{f(\vec{x}|\vec{\mu}_1)}{f(\vec{x}|\vec{\mu}_0)}.$$

Show that this  $t(\vec{x})$  can be written in the form

$$t(\vec{x}) = w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i,$$

or equivalently  $t(\vec{x}) = w_0 + \vec{w}^T \vec{x}$ , where  $\vec{w}$  is a column vector of coefficients  $w_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

**1(b)** Show that the coefficients in the vector  $\vec{w}$  found in (a) satisfy the property of a Fisher discriminant, i.e.,

$$\vec{w} \propto W^{-1}(\vec{\mu}_1 - \vec{\mu}_0),$$

where  $W$  is the sum of the covariance matrices for the two hypotheses.

**1(c)** The prior probabilities for hypotheses of  $\vec{\mu}_0$  and  $\vec{\mu}_1$  are  $\pi_0$  and  $\pi_1$ , respectively. Show that the posterior probability for  $\vec{\mu}_0$  is

$$P(\vec{\mu}_0|\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_0} e^t},$$

where  $t = \ln[f(\vec{x}|\vec{\mu}_1)/f(\vec{x}|\vec{\mu}_0)]$  as before.

## Fisher discriminant w/ Gaussian data

$$\vec{x} \sim \text{Gauss}(\vec{\mu}_k, V) \quad \leftarrow \text{cov. matrix}, \quad k = 0, 1$$

$$\hookrightarrow (x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\text{i.e. } f(\vec{x} | \vec{\mu}_k) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |V|^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_k)^T V^{-1}(\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_k)\right]$$

$$\text{Let test statistic } t(\vec{x}) = \ln \frac{f(\vec{x} | \vec{\mu}_1)}{f(\vec{x} | \vec{\mu}_0)}$$

$$a) \ln \frac{f(\vec{x} | \vec{\mu}_1)}{f(\vec{x} | \vec{\mu}_0)} = -\frac{1}{2} \left[ (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_1)^T V^{-1}(\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_1) - (\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_0)^T V^{-1}(\vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_0) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \vec{x}^T V^{-1} \vec{x} - \vec{\mu}_1^T V^{-1} \vec{x} - \vec{x}^T V^{-1} \vec{\mu}_1 + \vec{\mu}_1^T V^{-1} \vec{\mu}_1 \right.$$

$$\left. - \vec{x}^T V^{-1} \vec{x} + \vec{\mu}_0^T V^{-1} \vec{x} + \vec{x}^T V^{-1} \vec{\mu}_0 - \vec{\mu}_0^T V^{-1} \vec{\mu}_0 \right]$$

$$\hookrightarrow = \vec{\mu}_0^T V^{-1} \vec{x} \quad \text{since scalar}$$

$$(\ )^T = (\ ) \text{ and}$$

$$V^{-1} = (V^{-1})^T$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \underbrace{\vec{\mu}_1^T V^{-1} \vec{\mu}_1 - \vec{\mu}_0^T V^{-1} \vec{\mu}_0}_{w_0} + \underbrace{(\vec{\mu}_1 - \vec{\mu}_0)^T V^{-1} \vec{x}}_{\vec{w}^T} \right]$$

b)

$$= w_0 + \vec{w}_1^T \vec{x}$$

$$\text{If } W = V + V \Rightarrow W^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} V^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{w} = 2W^{-1}(\vec{\mu}_1 - \vec{\mu}_0)$$

c) Find  $P(H_0 | \vec{x})$

$$= \frac{f(\vec{x} | H_0) \pi_0}{f(\vec{x} | H_0) \pi_0 + f(\vec{x} | H_1) \pi_1}$$

$$= \frac{\pi_0}{\pi_0 + \pi_1 e^t}$$

$t = \ln \frac{f(\vec{x} | H_1)}{f(\vec{x} | H_0)}$