

4.4: The Beta, t and F distribution.

→ Beta Distribution.

Assume $X_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, 1)$

$X_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(\beta, 1)$

X_1, X_2 independent.

Define $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$, $Y_2 = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$

then using change of variable method we get

$Y_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha + \beta, 1)$

$Y_2 \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$

$$g_1(y_1) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)} y_1^{\alpha + \beta - 1} e^{-y_1}, & y_1 > 0 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

$$g_2(y_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha) \Gamma(\beta)} y_2^{\alpha - 1} (1 - y_2)^{\beta - 1}, & 0 < y_2 < 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

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→ $t \sim$ distribution

assume $W \sim N(0,1)$

$$V \sim \chi^2(r)$$

want V independent.

Define $T = \frac{W}{\sqrt{\frac{V}{r}}}$, $U = V$

using change of variable method we get

$T \sim t$ -distribution with r degrees of freedom.

$$T \sim t(r).$$

$$\rightarrow g(t) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{r+1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{\pi r} \Gamma\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{t^2}{r}\right)^{\frac{r+1}{2}}}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Remark:

$$r=1 \Rightarrow T \sim \text{cauchy distribution}$$

$$r \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow T \sim N(0,1).$$

Remark:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{x^2}{r}\right)^{\frac{r+1}{2}}} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi r} \Gamma\left(\frac{r}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{r+1}{2}\right)}.$$

→ F-distribution.

assume $U \sim \chi^2(r_1)$

$V \sim \chi^2(r_2)$

U and V independent.

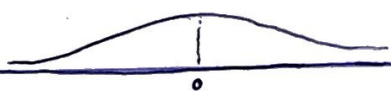
Define $W = \frac{\frac{U}{r_1}}{\frac{V}{r_2}}$, $Z = V$

then $W \sim F$ distribution with degrees of freedom $df_1 = r_1$ and $df_2 = r_2$

→ $W \sim F(r_1, r_2)$.

$$\rightarrow g(w) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{r_1+r_2}{2}\right) \left(\frac{r_1}{r_2}\right)^{\frac{r_1}{2}}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{r_1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{r_2}{2}\right)} \frac{w^{\frac{r_1}{2}-1}}{\left(1 + \frac{r_1}{r_2} w\right)^{\frac{r_1+r_2}{2}}}, \quad w > 0$$

→ $T \sim t(r)$



→ $W \sim F(r_1, t_2)$

