

STATS 3N03/3J04 2004-10-20
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MAKEUP TESTS

FRI NOV 5 & 26

9:30 - 10:30

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ERRATA IN TEXT

- ON WILEY WEB SITE

- LINK FROM COURSE PAGE

DEFINITIONS TO LOOK UP
AND THINK ABOUT

COEFFICIENT PARAMETER

TWO PARAMETERIZATIONS OF
THE EXPONENTIAL DISTRIBUTION

$$f(x|\lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \quad x > 0$$

$$f(x|\mu) = \frac{1}{\mu} e^{-\frac{x}{\mu}} \quad x > 0$$

λ RATE PARAMETER

$\mu = \frac{1}{\lambda}$ MEAN OR SCALE PARAMETER

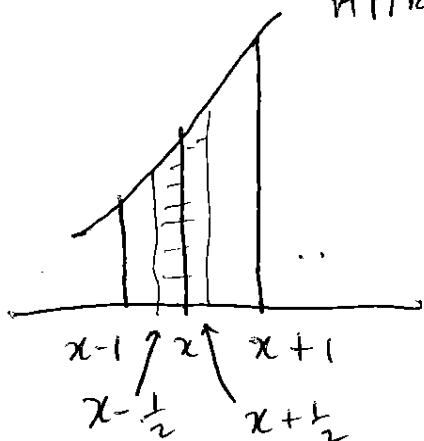
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NORMAL APPROXIMATION TO THE BINOMIAL

$$X \sim \text{BIN}(n, p)$$

⇒ IF n IS LARGE AND p IS NOT TOO CLOSE TO 0 OR 1,

$$X \underset{\text{APPROX}}{\sim} N(np, np(1-p))$$



$$P(X = x)$$

$$\approx P\left(x - \frac{1}{2} < X < x + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$N(n, npq)$$

$$P(X \leq x) \approx \Phi\left(\frac{x + \frac{1}{2} - np}{\sqrt{npq}}\right)$$

EX: PROBABILITY OF GETTING ≤ 3 HEADS IN 10 TOSSES OF A FAIR COIN

CONTINUITY CORRECTION

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NORMAL APPROXIMATION TO THE POISSON

$$X \sim \text{POIS}(\mu)$$

⇒ IF μ IS LARGE,

$$P(X=x) \approx \Phi\left(\frac{x+\frac{1}{2}-\mu}{\sqrt{\mu}}\right)$$

CONTINUITY CORRECTION:

USE ONLY WHEN
 APPROXIMATING A DISCRETE
 DISTRIBUTION BY A
 CONTINUOUS DISTRIBUTION.

EX ON AVERAGE, 400 CARS/DAY
 PASS A COUNTER. WHAT IS
 THE PROBABILITY OF GETTING
 MORE THAN 450 CARS ON A
 GIVEN DAY. STATE ANY ASSUMPTIONS
 AND DISCUSS THEIR VALIDITY.

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$$1 - \text{PPOIS}(450, 400)$$

$$0.00652$$

$$1 - \text{PNORM}(450.5, 400, 20)$$

$$0.00578$$

$$P(X > 450) = 1 - P(X \leq 450)$$

$$\approx 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{450.5 - 400}{\sqrt{400}}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{50.5}{20}\right) = 1 - \Phi(2.525)$$

$$= 1 - 0.9942 = 0.0058$$

PROBABILITY PLOTS TO
 COMPARE TWO DISTRIBUTIONS
 → "QUANTILE - QUANTILE"
 OR "Q-Q" PLOTS TO
 TEST FOR NORMALITY

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PLOT QUANTILES OF DATA
AGAINST QUANTILES OF
STANDARD NORMAL ;
IF DATA CAME FROM A
NORMAL DISTRIBUTION
GET A STRAIGHT LINE
INTERCEPT = MEAN
SLOPE = STD DEVIATION

DATA : x_1, \dots, x_n

SORTED DATA : $x_{(1)}, \dots, x_{(n)}$

$$x_{(1)} \leq x_{(2)} \leq \dots \leq x_{(n)}$$

CUMULATIVE DISTRIBUTION
FUNCTION

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x)$$

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SAMPLE ESTIMATE AT $x_{(i)}$

$$\hat{F}(x_{(i)}) = \frac{i - .5}{n}$$

CASE: NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

$$F(x_{(i)}) = \Phi\left(\frac{x_{(i)} - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

SOLVE FOR $x_{(i)}$:

$$x_{(i)} = \mu + \sigma \Phi^{-1}(F(x_{(i)}))$$

Φ STANDARD NORMAL
QUANTILE FUNCTION

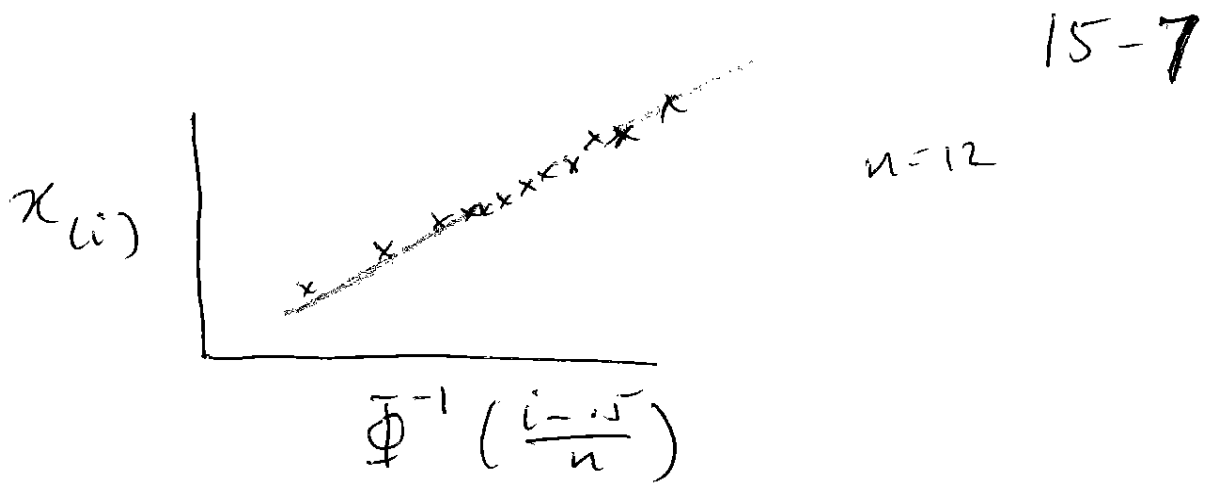
OBSERVED: $x_{(i)}$

EXPECTED IF NORMAL:

$$\mu + \sigma \Phi^{-1}(F(x_{(i)}))$$

ESTIMATE OF EXPECTED
IF NORMAL

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu + \sigma \Phi^{-1}(\hat{F}(x_{(i)})) \\ & = \mu + \sigma \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{i - .5}{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$



$n \leftarrow \text{length}(x)$

`plot(qnorm((1:n)-.5)/n, sort(x))`

OR:

`qqnorm(x)`

`qqline(x)`

↑ ADDS A STRAIGHT
LINE THROUGH
FIRST AND THIRD
QUANTILES.

HOW STRAIGHT SHOULD THE
LINE BE?

- NON-DECREASING POINTS
- POINTS SPARSE IN TAILS
- LOOK AT SIMULATIONS