

Module-II

Sufficiency:

$\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$: a random sample from a population with d.b. $F \in \mathcal{P}$.

Here \mathcal{P} may be a parametric family (i.e; functional form of $F \equiv F_\theta$ is known except for unknown parameter $\theta \in \Theta$) or a non-parametric family (F is completely unknown, except possibly that F is Ac or discrete).

Goal in Statistical Inference Problem: To use the information contained in \underline{x} (or its realization \underline{x}) to make inferences about F .

When n is large, it may be difficult to interpret $\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and the Statistician may want to summarize the information contained in \underline{x} by computing some statistic(s) (e.g., the sample mean, the sample Variance etc.)

Any statistic $T: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$ defines a form of data reduction or data summary.

An experimenter who uses the statistic $T(\underline{x})$ rather than the observed sample \underline{x} will treat as equal two samples \underline{x} and \underline{y} if $T(\underline{x}) = T(\underline{y})$.

Data Reduction Through a Statistic T :

$T: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$: a given statistic

Define $\gamma = T(\mathcal{X}) = \{t \in \mathbb{R}^k : T(\underline{x}) \geq t\}$, for some $t \in \gamma$.

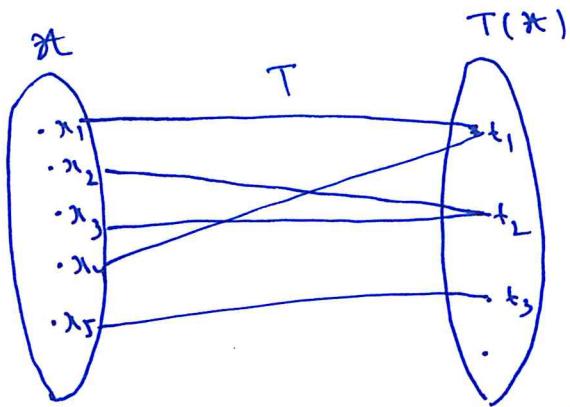
Then $T(\underline{x})$ partitions \mathcal{X} into sets

$A_t = \{\underline{x} \in \mathcal{X} : T(\underline{x}) \geq t\}, \quad t \in \gamma = T(\mathcal{X})$.

The collection $\{A_t : t \in \gamma\}$ is called the partition induced by statistic T . Clearly every statistic T induces a partition of the sample space \mathcal{X} .

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Example:



Here $A_{x_1} = \{x_1, x_4\}$, $A_{x_2} = \{x_2, x_3\}$, $A_{x_3} = \{x_5\}$
 $A_{x_i} \cap A_{x_j} = \emptyset$, $\forall i \neq j$, $\bigcup_{i=1}^5 A_{x_i} = X$

The statistic $T(X)$ summarizes the data. Rather than reporting the entire sample x it only reports $T(x)$ or equivalently A_x .

Our goal is to summarize the data (i.e. data reduction) through a statistic such that:

- (a) no important information F that is contained in x is discarded;
- (b) all irrelevant information contained in x about F is discarded.

Definition: Let $\underline{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ have the joint d.b. $F \in \mathcal{P}$. A statistic $T \in T(\underline{x})$ (or the partition $\{A_t : t \in T\}$ induced by T) is said to be sufficient for F , or \mathcal{P} , if, for any $t \in T = T(\underline{x})$, the conditional distribution of \underline{x} given $T=t$ (or conditional distribution of \underline{x} given $\underline{x} \in A_t$) does not depend on $F \in \mathcal{P}$ (i.e. it is the same for any $F \in \mathcal{P}$).

When $\mathcal{P} = \{F_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$ and the functional form of F_θ is known for every $\theta \in \Theta$, we usually say that T is sufficient for θ .

Suppose that $T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for θ and

$$\Pr((x_1, \dots, x_n) \in B | T(\underline{x})=t) = D_t(B), \quad B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^n}, \quad t \in \mathcal{T},$$

where $\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^n}$ is the Borel σ -field of \mathbb{R}^n .

Then $D_t(\cdot)$ does not depend on θ and thus, "is completely known. Let $a(\cdot)$ be the d.b. of T .

Then, for any $B \in \mathcal{B}_n$,

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr((x_1, \dots, x_n) \in B) &= \int \Pr((x_1, \dots, x_n) \in B | T=t) da(t) \\ &= \int D_t(B) da(t)\end{aligned}$$

\hookrightarrow completely known

Thus one can get the distribution of (x_1, \dots, x_n) from distribution of $T(\underline{x})$

Generating observation (or sample) from the population using just the observed value of a sufficient statistic: A discussion for discrete distributions

Let $T = T(\underline{x})$ be a sufficient statistic. Then, for any $t \in \mathcal{T}$, the conditional distribution of \underline{x} given $T(\underline{x})=t$ does not depend on θ (or it is completely known). So using computer one can generate a observation (or a sample) from the conditional distribution of \underline{x} given $T(\underline{x})=t$, for any $t \in \mathcal{T}$.

Suppose that $T(\underline{x})=t$ is observed. Generate one observation, say \underline{y} , from the conditional distribution of \underline{x} given $T(\underline{x})=t$. Let \underline{y} denote the r.v. corresponding to \underline{y} . Then, for any $\underline{x} \in \mathcal{X}$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \Pr(Y=x) &= \sum_{t \in T} \Pr(Y=x, T(x)=t) \\
 &= \sum_{t \in T} \Pr(Y=x | T(x)=t) \Pr(T(x)=t) \\
 &= \sum_{t \in T} \Pr(X=x | T(x)=t) \Pr(T(x)=t) \\
 &= \Pr(X=x) \\
 \Rightarrow Y &\stackrel{d}{=} X
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus using any realization of sufficient statistic $T(\underline{x})$ one can generate an observation \underline{Y} from the original distribution ($\underline{Y} \stackrel{d}{=} \underline{X}$).

Example Let x_1 and x_2 be i.i.d. $B(1/\theta)$ r.v.s, where $\theta \in \Theta = \{0, 1\}$ is unknown. Let $\underline{X} = (x_1, x_2)$. Then, for $\underline{\lambda} = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2)$

$$P_\theta(\underline{X}=\underline{\lambda}) = \theta^k (1-\theta)^{2-k}, \quad k = \# \text{ of } 1's \text{ among } x_1 \text{ and } x_2$$

Define

$T(\underline{X}) = x_1 + x_2 = \# \text{ of success in two trials.}$

Sample	T	$P_\theta(\underline{X}=\underline{\lambda} T(\underline{X})=0)$	$P_\theta(\underline{X}=\underline{\lambda} T(\underline{X})=1)$	$P_\theta(\underline{X}=\underline{\lambda} T(\underline{X})=2)$	$P_\theta(\underline{X}=\underline{\lambda})$
(0, 0)	0	1	0	0	$(1-\theta)^2$
(0, 1)	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\theta(1-\theta)$
(1, 0)	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\theta(1-\theta)$
(1, 1)	2	0	0	1	θ^2

Note that conditional distribution of \underline{X} given any particular value of T does not depend on θ .

$\Rightarrow T$ is sufficient for θ .

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From T , to get $\gamma_1 \gamma_2 \stackrel{\text{IID}}{\sim} B(1, \theta)$ we proceed as follows:

If $T=0$ or observed choose $(\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 0)$ w.p. 1

If $T=2$ or observed choose $(\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (1, 1)$ w.p. 1

If $T=1$ or observed choose $(\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = \begin{cases} (0, 1) & \text{w.p. } \frac{1}{2} \\ (1, 0) & \text{w.p. } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 0)) &= \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 0), T=0) + \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 0), T=1) \\ &\quad + \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 0), T=2) \\ &= \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 0), T=0) \\ &= \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 0) | T=0) \Pr(T=0) \\ &= \Pr(T=0) = \Pr((x_1 x_2) = (0, 0)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (1, 1)) &= \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (1, 1), T=0) + \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (1, 1), T=1) \\ &\quad + \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (1, 1), T=2) \\ &= \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (1, 1), T=2) = \Pr(T=2) = \\ &= \Pr((x_1 x_2) = (1, 1)) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 1)) &= \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 1), T=1) \\ &= \Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (0, 1) | T=1) \Pr(T=1) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \Pr(T=1) = \frac{1}{2} [\theta(1-\theta) + (1-\theta)\theta] \\ &= \theta(1-\theta) = \Pr((x_1 x_2) = (0, 1)) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$\Pr((\gamma_1 \gamma_2) = (1, 0)) = \theta(1-\theta) = \Pr((x_1 x_2) = (1, 0))$$

Clearly $(x_1 x_2) \stackrel{d}{=} (\gamma_1 \gamma_2)$.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, 1)$, where $\theta \in \Theta = \mathbb{R}$ is unknown. Let P be an orthogonal matrix with first row as $(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}, \dots, \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}})$. Define

$$\underline{y} = P\underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{n}\bar{x} \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

(Clearly)

$$\underline{y} \sim N_n \left(\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{n}\mu \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, I_n \right)$$

Then \underline{x} and \underline{y} have the same information about μ (Since $\underline{y} = P\underline{x}$ and P is non-singular). Moreover y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n are independent with $y_i \sim N(\sqrt{n}\mu)$ and y_2, \dots, y_n are iid $N(0, 1)$. This suggests that all the information about μ is contained in y_1 . Interestingly, as the following arguments show, \bar{x} is sufficient for μ .

$$\underline{x} | \bar{x} \stackrel{\Delta}{=} P^* \underline{y} \mid \frac{y_1}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

$(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) | y_1$ distribution does not depend on μ

$$\Rightarrow P^* \underline{y} \mid y_1 \text{ distribution does not depend on } \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow P^* \underline{y} \mid \frac{y_1}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ distribution does not depend on } \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x} | \bar{x} \text{ distribution does not depend on } \mu$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{x}$ is sufficient for μ .

Example Let $\Theta = \{\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3\}$, $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ and the p.m.b. of \underline{x} is given by the following matrix

θ	x_1	x_2	x_3
θ_1	.4	.2	.4
θ_2	.6	.3	.1
θ_3	.2	.1	.7
	$\begin{bmatrix} 6/2 \end{bmatrix}$		

$f_{\theta}(\underline{x})$

We know that a partition $P = \{P_t : t \in \lambda\}$ will be sufficient if $P_\theta(x=x | x \in P_t)$ does not depend on θ , for every $t \in \lambda$, and $x \in A$.
 Let $P = \{P_1, P_2\}$, where $P_1 = \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2\}$ and $P_2 = \{\lambda_3\}$.

Then

$$f_{\theta_1}(\lambda_1 | P_1) = P_{\theta_1} [x=\lambda_1 | x \in \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2\}] = \frac{P_{\theta_1}[x=\lambda_1]}{P_{\theta_1}[x=\lambda_1] + P_{\theta_1}[x=\lambda_2]}$$

$$= \frac{0.4}{0.4+0.2} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$f_{\theta_1}(\lambda_2 | P_1) = 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}, \quad f_{\theta_1}(\lambda_3 | P_1) = 0$$

$$f_{\theta_2}(\lambda_1 | P_1) = \frac{0.6}{0.6+0.3} = \frac{2}{3}, \quad f_{\theta_2}(\lambda_2 | P_1) = 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

$$f_{\theta_2}(\lambda_3 | P_1) = 0 \quad f_{\theta_3}(\lambda_1 | P_1) = \frac{0.2}{0.2+0.1} = \frac{2}{3}, \quad f_{\theta_3}(\lambda_2 | P_1) = 1 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$f_{\theta_3}(\lambda_3 | P_1) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow f_\theta(x | P_1)$ does not depend on $\theta \in \Theta$

Also

$$f_{\theta_1}(\lambda_1 | P_2) = 0, \quad f_{\theta_1}(\lambda_2 | P_2) = 0, \quad f_{\theta_1}(\lambda_3 | P_2) = 1$$

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$\Rightarrow f_\theta(x | P_2)$ does not depend on $\theta \in \Theta$

Thus for any $i \in \{1, 2\}$ and $x \in A$

$f_\theta(x | P_i)$ does not depend on $\theta \in \Theta$

$\Rightarrow P = \{\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2\}, \{\lambda_3\}\}$ is a sufficient partition

\Rightarrow Any statistic T such that $T(x) = T(\lambda_1) \neq T(\lambda_2)$ is sufficient.

Consider the statistic

$$T(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = x_1 \\ 1, & \text{if } x \in \{x_2, x_3\}. \end{cases}$$

Then

	x_1	x_2	x_3	
$f_{\theta_j}(x T(x)=0)$	1	0	0	, $\theta=1, 2, 3$
$f_{\theta_1}(x T(x)=1)$	0	y_3	y_3	
$f_{\theta_2}(x T(x)=1)$	0	$\frac{3}{4}$	y_4	

Here

$$f_{\theta_1}(x_2 | T(x)=1) \neq f_{\theta_2}(x_2 | T(x)=1)$$

$\Rightarrow T(x_1)$ is not sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$.

- Let $f_F(\cdot)$ and $g_F(\cdot)$, respectively, denote the p.m.f./p.d.f. of X and $T(X)$ when $X \sim F \in \mathcal{P}$. Let $t \in \mathcal{T}$ be such that $\Pr(T(X) \geq t) > 0$. Then

$$\Pr(X=x | T(X)=t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } T(x) \neq t \\ \frac{\Pr(X=x)}{\Pr(T(x)=t)}, & \text{if } T(x)=t \end{cases}$$

and thus $T(X)$ is sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$ if $\Pr(X=x)$

$$\frac{\Pr(X=x)}{\Pr(T(X)=T(x))}$$

does not depend on F ,
sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$ if
such that $g_F(T(x)) > 0$,
constant in $F \in \mathcal{P}$.

or equivalently, $T(X)$ is
for every $F \in \mathcal{P}$ at $x \in \mathcal{X}$
 $b_F(x) / g_F(T(x))$ "

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Theorem

- (I) $T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for θ iff for every $\underline{z} \in \mathcal{X}$
- $$\frac{f_{\theta}(\underline{z})}{f_{\theta}(T(\underline{z}))} \text{ is constant in } F \in \{\text{FB}: g_F(T(\underline{z})) > 0\}$$
- (II) Factorization Theorem: $T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for θ iff there exist functions $\psi_F(\cdot)$ and $h(\cdot)$ such that for all $\underline{z} \in \mathcal{X}$ and all $F \in \mathcal{B}$
- $$f_{\theta}(\underline{z}) = \psi_F(T(\underline{z})) h(\underline{z}), \dots \quad (\dagger)$$
- here $h(\cdot)$ does not depend on $F \in \mathcal{B}$

Proof. (Discrete Case)

(I) Follows trivially from earlier discussion

(II) Firstly suppose that $T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{B}$. Then, for any $F \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\underline{z} \in \mathcal{X}$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\theta}(\underline{z}) &= \Pr(\underline{x} = \underline{z} | F) \\ &= \Pr(\underline{x} = \underline{z}, T(\underline{x}) = T(\underline{z}) | F) \\ &= \Pr(T(\underline{x}) = T(\underline{z}) | F) \underbrace{\Pr_{\underline{F}}(\underline{x} = \underline{z} | T(\underline{x}) = T(\underline{z}))}_{= h(\underline{z}), \text{ say}} \end{aligned}$$

does not depend on $F \in \mathcal{B}$
as $T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{B}$

$$\begin{aligned} &= g_F(T(\underline{z})) h(\underline{z}) \\ &= \psi_F(T(\underline{z})) h(\underline{z}). \end{aligned}$$

Conversely suppose that the factorization (II) holds.

Then, for any $\underline{z} \in \mathcal{X}$ and $F \in \mathcal{B}$ such that $g_F(T(\underline{z})) > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} g_F(T(\underline{z})) &= \Pr(T(\underline{x}) = T(\underline{z}) | F) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{y \in \mathcal{X} \\ T(y) = T(\underline{z})}} \Pr(\underline{x} = \underline{z} | F) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{y \in \mathcal{A}} \psi_F(T(\underline{\alpha})) h(y)$$

$T(y) = T(\underline{\alpha})$

$$= \psi_F(T(\underline{\alpha})) \sum_{y \in \mathcal{A}} h(y)$$

$T(y) = T(\underline{\alpha})$

Thus

$$\frac{f_F(\underline{\alpha})}{g_F(T(\underline{\alpha}))} = \frac{h(\underline{\alpha})}{\sum_{y \in \mathcal{A}} h(y)}$$

$T(y) > T(\underline{\alpha})$

does not depend on $F \in \mathcal{P}$

$\Rightarrow T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$.

Let $P_0 \subseteq \mathcal{P}$.

Remark: (i) If $T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$ then $T(\underline{x})$ is also sufficient for $F \in P_0$

(ii) $T(\underline{x}) = \underline{x}$ is a sufficient statistic, i.e. complete sample \underline{x} is a sufficient statistic (called the trivial sufficient statistic). (following factorization theorem)

(iii) If $T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$ and $T(\underline{x})$ is a function of statistic $U(\underline{x})$, then $U(\underline{x})$ is also sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$ (following factorization theorem)

Example: Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $\text{Bin}(1, \theta)$ distribution, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = (0, 1)$ is unknown. Show that $T(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is a sufficient statistic. Are $T_1(\underline{x}) = \bar{x}$, $T_2(\underline{x}) = \bar{x}^2$ and $T_3(\underline{x}) = \bar{x} + 5$ sufficient for θ .

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Solution For $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n = \{0, 1\}^n$ and $\theta \in \Theta = \mathbb{R}_+ \cup \{0\}$

$$f_{\theta}(\underline{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i}$$

$$= \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-\theta)^{n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

Thus, for $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$f_{\theta}(\underline{x}) = \psi_{\theta}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right) h(\underline{x})$$

$$= \psi_{\theta}(T(\underline{x})) h(\underline{x}), \quad \text{for } \theta > 0, \quad \text{otherwise}$$

where $h(\underline{x}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Thus $T(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$. Note that

$T(\underline{x}) \geq 0$, and $T_1(\underline{x}) = \bar{x}$, $T_2(\underline{x}) = \bar{x}^L$ and $T_3(\underline{x}) = \bar{x}^U$ are H functions of $T(\underline{x})$. It follows that $T_1(\underline{x})$, $T_2(\underline{x})$ and $T_3(\underline{x})$ are also sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ random variables where $\theta = (\mu, \sigma) \in \Theta = \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty)$ is unknown. Show that

$T(\underline{x}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)$ is a sufficient statistic for $\theta \in \Theta$.

In $T_1(\underline{x}) = (\bar{x}, S^2)$ sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$, where $\bar{x} =$

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

Solution For $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\theta = (\mu, \sigma) \in \Theta$,

$$f_{\theta}(\underline{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\mu \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + n\mu^2 \right]}$$

Thus, for $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$f_{\theta}(\underline{x}) = \psi_{\theta}\left((\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)\right) h(\underline{x}), \quad (h(x) \neq 0)$$

where $h(\underline{x}) = 1$ if $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\psi_{\theta}(t_1, t_2) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [t_2 - 2\mu t_1 + n\mu^2]}, & t_1 \in \mathbb{R}, t_2 > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow T(\underline{x}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)$ is sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$

Since $T(\underline{x}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)$ is a function of $T_1(\underline{x}) = (\bar{x}, s^2)$, it follows that $T_1(\underline{x})$ is also sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from a discrete uniform distribution on $\{1, 2, \dots, \theta\}$, where $\theta \in \mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$, γ is an unknown parameter. Show that $T(\underline{x}) = x_{(n)} = \max\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ is sufficient for $\theta \in \mathbb{N}$. In $T_1(\underline{x}) = e^{x_{(n)}}$ sufficient for $\theta \in \mathbb{N}$?

Solution For $\underline{x} \in \Omega = \{1, 2, \dots, \theta\}^n$ and $\theta \in \mathbb{N}$

$$f_{\theta}(\underline{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta^n}, & \text{if } x_i \in \{1, 2, \dots, \theta\}, i=1 \dots n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta^n}, & \text{if } x_i \in \{1, 2, \dots, \theta\}, x_{(n)} \leq \theta \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Thus, for $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$f_{\theta}(\underline{x}) = \psi_{\theta}(x_{(n)}) h(\underline{x}), \quad h(\underline{x}) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_i \in \{1, 2, \dots, \theta\}, i=1 \dots n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where ~~$h(\underline{x}) \geq 1, \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and~~

$$\psi_{\theta}(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t \leq \theta, t \in \mathbb{R} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow T(\underline{x}) = x_{(n)}$ is sufficient for $\theta \in \mathbb{N}$. Since $T_1(\underline{x})$ is a function of $T(\underline{x})$, $T_1(\underline{x})$ is also sufficient for $\theta \in \mathbb{N}$.

Example (Sufficient statistic may not always provide substantial reduction in data)

Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from a distribution $F \in \mathcal{P}$, where \mathcal{P} is the class of all absolutely continuous distributions. Suppose that $m_F(\cdot)$ is the density p.d.f. of x_i , $i=1, \dots, n$, under $F \in \mathcal{P}$. Let $x_{(1)} = 1\text{-th smallest of } x_1, \dots, x_n$ so that $x_{(1)} \leq \dots \leq x_{(n)}$. Then, for $z \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\begin{aligned} f_F(z) &= \prod_{i=1}^n m_F(x_i) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n m_F(x_{(i)}) \\ &= \Psi_F(x_{(1)}, \dots, x_{(n)}) h(z) \quad (h(z) \geq 1) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow T(\underline{x}) = (x_{(1)}, \dots, x_{(n)})$ is sufficient for $F \in \mathcal{P}$.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$, where $\sigma^2 > 0$ is known and $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathcal{P}$ is unknown. Show that $T(\underline{x}) = \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is sufficient for θ .

Example (i) Let x_1, x_2 be a random sample from $N(0, \sigma^2)$, where $\sigma \in \mathbb{R} = (0, \infty)$ is unknown. Using definition show that $T(\underline{x}) = x_1^2 + x_2^2$ is a sufficient statistic for σ^2 .

(ii) Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $N(0, \sigma^2)$, where $\sigma \in \mathbb{R} = (0, \infty)$ is unknown. Using definition show that $T(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$ is sufficient for σ . (Hint: Use spherical coordinates transformation)

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $E(M, \sigma)$ distribution

$$f_\theta(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma} e^{-\frac{|x-\mu|}{\sigma}}, & \text{if } x \geq M, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $\theta = (\mu, \sigma) \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty)$ is unknown. Using definition show that $T = (x_{(1)}, \sum_{i=2}^n x_{(i)})$ is sufficient for θ . In $(x_{(1)}, \sum_{i=2}^n (x_i - x_{(1)}))$ sufficient for θ ?

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Example Consider the above example.

- (i) If σ^2_0 is known, then that $T_1(\mathbf{x}) = \bar{x}_{(1)}$ is sufficient for $\mu \in \mathbb{R} \geq 12$
- (ii) If μ_0 , σ^2_0 known, then that $T_2(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is sufficient for $\sigma^2 \in \mathbb{R} = \{0\}$

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $U(\theta, \theta)$ where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} \geq 10.0$ is unknown. Find a sufficient statistic other than the trivial sufficient statistic.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from gamma distribution with pdf

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma^{\alpha} \Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\frac{x}{\sigma}}, \quad x > 0, \quad \alpha > 0, \quad \sigma > 0.$$

- (a) By assuming α and σ both unknown, find a non-trivial sufficient statistic for (α, σ) .
- (b) By assuming α to be known, find a non-trivial sufficient statistic for σ ;
- (c) By assuming σ to be known, find a non-trivial sufficient statistic for α .

Factorization theorem suggests that for any given problem there are numerous sufficient statistics. In fact if $T(\mathbf{x})$ is a sufficient statistic and if another statistic $U(\mathbf{x})$ is a function of $T(\mathbf{x})$ then $U(\mathbf{x})$ is also sufficient. In particular all 1-1 functions of a sufficient statistic are sufficient. Then a natural question is:

Question: Among various available sufficient statistics, which one should be preferred over others?

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Since the purpose of using Sufficient Statistic is summarization of data without loss of information about F. A Sufficient Statistic which provides maximum reduction of data should be preferred. Such a Sufficient Statistic is called the minimal sufficient statistic.

Definition: A Sufficient Statistic $T(\underline{x})$ is said to be minimal sufficient if it is a function of every other Sufficient Statistic, i.e., $T(\underline{x})$ is minimal sufficient if $T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient and for any other sufficient Statistic $U(\underline{x})$, $T(\underline{x})$ is a function of $U(\underline{x})$.

Remark: To say that $\Theta(\underline{x})$ is a function of $T(\underline{x})$ simply means that if $T(\underline{x}) = T(\underline{y})$ then $\Theta(\underline{x}) = \Theta(\underline{y})$. Define

$\gamma = T(\underline{x}) = \{T(x) : x \in \mathcal{X}\}$,

$u = U(\underline{x}) = \{U(x) : x \in \mathcal{X}\}$,

$B_u = \{\underline{x} \in \mathcal{X} : U(\underline{x}) = u\}, \quad u \in \mathcal{U}$

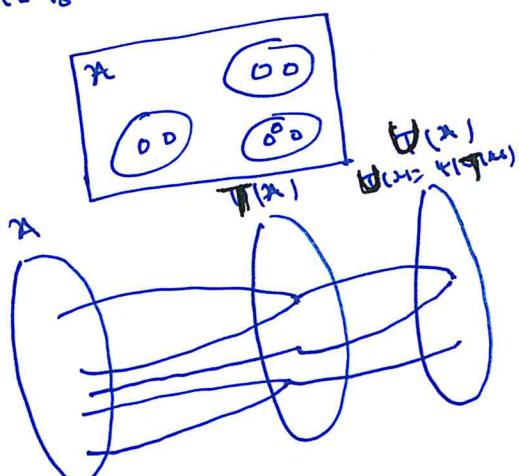
and $C_t = \{\underline{x} \in \mathcal{X} : T(\underline{x}) = t\}, \quad t \in \gamma$,

No that $\{B_u : u \in \mathcal{U}\}$ and $\{C_t : t \in \gamma\}$ are two partitions of \mathcal{X} . Then, clearly

$U(\underline{x})$ is a function of $T(\underline{x})$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall u \in \mathcal{U}, \quad B_u = \bigcup_{t \in \gamma} C_t, \quad \text{for some } \gamma \subseteq \gamma.$$

Thus, the partition associated with a minimal sufficient Statistic is the coarsest possible partition for a sufficient Statistic. And a minimal sufficient Statistic achieves the greatest possible data reduction for a Sufficient Statistic.



Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$, where $\theta \in \Theta = \mathbb{R}$ is unknown and $\sigma^2 > 0$ is known. Then

$$f_\theta(\underline{x}) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2}$$

$$= (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + n(\bar{x} - \theta)^2 \right]}, \quad \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\Rightarrow T_1(\underline{x}) = \bar{x} \text{ is sufficient}$$

$T_2(\underline{x}) = (\bar{x}, \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2)$ is also sufficient (With factorization theorem)

Thus T_1 and T_2 contain the same amount of information about θ . However $T_1(\underline{x})$ gives greater reduction of data than

$$T_2(\underline{x})$$

Note that $T_1(\underline{x})$ is a function of $T_2(\underline{x})$ ($r(T_2) = r(T_2, T_2)$)

$$= T_{21} = \bar{x}$$

Here the additional information about the value of S^2 does not add to our knowledge of θ . Since σ^2 is known. Of course, when σ^2 is known $T_2(\underline{x})$ is not a sufficient statistic and $T_2(\underline{x}) = (\bar{x}, S^2)$ ($S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2, n \geq 2$) contains more information about (θ, σ^2) than $T_1(\underline{x}) = \bar{x}$.

Theorem Let $\underline{x} \sim F_\theta \subset \mathcal{P} = \{F_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$ and let f_θ be the joint p.d.f./p.m.b. corresponding to $F_\theta, \theta \in \Theta$. Suppose that there exists a statistic $T(\underline{x})$ such that for any two sample points \underline{x} and \underline{y} , the ratio $f_\theta(\underline{x}) / f_\theta(\underline{y})$ is independent of $\theta \in \Theta$ (constant or a function of θ) iff $T(\underline{x}) = T(\underline{y})$. Then $T(\underline{x})$ is a minimal sufficient statistic for θ .

Proof. For simplicity assume that $f_\theta(\underline{x}) > 0$, $\forall \underline{x} \in \mathcal{X}$ and $\theta \in \Theta$.

Sufficiency: Define

$$\mathcal{T} = T(\underline{x}) = \{T(\underline{\underline{x}}); \underline{\underline{x}} \in \mathcal{X}\}$$

$$\text{and } A_t = \{\underline{\underline{x}} \in \mathcal{X}; T(\underline{\underline{x}}) = t\} \quad t \in \mathcal{T}$$

so that $\{\mathcal{A}_t; t \in \mathcal{T}\}$ forms a partition of \mathcal{X} .

For each $t \in \mathcal{T}$, choose and fix one element $\underline{x}_t \in \mathcal{A}_t$. Then \underline{x}_t depends only on t (by a given $T(\underline{\underline{x}})$). Moreover, for each $\underline{\underline{x}} \in \mathcal{X}$, $\underline{\underline{x}}$ and $\underline{x}_{T(\underline{\underline{x}})}$ are in the same set \mathcal{A}_t (where $t = T(\underline{\underline{x}})$) and therefore $T(\underline{\underline{x}}) = T(\underline{x}_t)$. Consequently

$$\frac{f_\theta(\underline{\underline{x}})}{f_\theta(x_{T(\underline{\underline{x}})})} \text{ is independent of } \theta \in \Theta$$

$$\Rightarrow f_\theta(\underline{\underline{x}}) = f_\theta(x_{T(\underline{\underline{x}})}) h(\cdot), \text{ for some } h(\cdot)$$

$\Rightarrow T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient (by Factorization Theorem).

Minimal Sufficiency: Let $T_1(\underline{x})$ be any other sufficient statistic. Then, by the Factorization Theorem,

$$f_\theta(\underline{\underline{x}}) = \psi_\theta(T_1(\underline{\underline{x}})) h_1(\cdot), \quad \underline{\underline{x}} \in \mathcal{X},$$

for some functions $\psi_\theta(\cdot)$ and $h_1(\cdot)$.

Let $\underline{\underline{x}}$ and $\underline{\underline{y}}$ be two sample points such that $T_1(\underline{\underline{x}}) = T_1(\underline{\underline{y}})$. Then, for any $\underline{\underline{x}}, \underline{\underline{y}} \in \mathcal{X}$,

$$\frac{f_\theta(\underline{\underline{x}})}{f_\theta(\underline{\underline{y}})} = \frac{\psi_\theta(T_1(\underline{\underline{x}})) h_1(\underline{\underline{x}})}{\psi_\theta(T_1(\underline{\underline{y}})) h_1(\underline{\underline{y}})} = \frac{h_1(\underline{\underline{x}})}{h_1(\underline{\underline{y}})} \text{ does not depend on } \theta \in \Theta$$

$$\Rightarrow T(\underline{\underline{x}}) = T(\underline{\underline{y}})$$

$\Rightarrow T$ is minimal sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$.

Corollary Consider the set-up of above theorem.

- (i) If $T(\underline{x})$ is minimal sufficient ^{for $\theta \in \Theta$} and $T_1(\underline{x})$ is a function of $T(\underline{x})$ then $T_1(\underline{x})$ is also sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$
- (ii) If $T(\underline{x})$ and $T_1(\underline{x})$ are minimal sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$ then $T(\underline{x})$ and $T_1(\underline{x})$ are in correspondence.

Proof. (i) $T_1(\underline{x})$ is clearly sufficient ($T(\underline{x})$ is sufficient and $T_1(\underline{x})$ is a function of $T(\underline{x})$). Let $T_2(\underline{x})$ be any other sufficient statistic. Then $T_2(\underline{x})$ is sufficient for ~~T_2 is a function of $T_1(\underline{x})$.~~ $T_1(\underline{x})$. Thus, for any $\underline{z}, \underline{z}' \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$T_2(\underline{z}) = T_2(\underline{z}') \Rightarrow T(\underline{z}) = T(\underline{z}') \Rightarrow T_1(\underline{z}) = T_1(\underline{z}')$$

$$\Rightarrow T_2 \text{ is a function of } T_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Sufficient statistic } T_1 \text{ is a function of any other sufficient statistic } T_2$$

$$\Rightarrow T_1(\underline{x}) \text{ is minimal sufficient.}$$

(ii) Trivial.

Remark: (i) A minimal sufficient statistic may not be unique;

(ii) In general a minimal sufficient statistic may not exist (Bahadur (1954)). However a minimal sufficient statistic generally exists if $n \leq 12$ and the distributions involved are discrete or absolutely continuous -

Example Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, where $\underline{\theta} = (\mu, \sigma) \in \Theta = \mathbb{R} \times (0, \infty)$ is unknown. Show that $T(\underline{x}) = (\bar{X}, S^2)$ is minimal sufficient for $\underline{\theta} \in \Theta$. where $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{X})^2$. Also show that $T_1(\underline{x}) = \bar{X}$ and $T_2(\underline{x}) = S^2$ are not sufficient for $\underline{\theta} \in \Theta$.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $U(\theta, \theta+1)$ distribution, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}$ is unknown. Show that $T(\underline{x}) = (x_{(1)}, x_{(n)})$ is minimal sufficient for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from a population having p.d.f. $f_\theta(x)$, $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$. In each of the following cases find a minimal sufficient statistic $T(\underline{x})$:

$$(i) g_\theta(x) = \binom{n}{x} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{X} = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}.$$

$$(ii) g_\theta(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_0 \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2}(x-\mu)^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{X} = \mathbb{R}, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}, \\ \sigma_0 \in \mathbb{R}_+ \text{ unknown.} \quad \text{In } T(\underline{x}) = \bar{x} \text{ minimal sufficient?} \quad \text{In } \bar{x} \text{ sufficient}$$

$$(iii) g_\theta(x) = \frac{1}{\theta \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\theta^2}(x-\mu)^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{X} = \mathbb{R}, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}_+, \\ \mu \in \mathbb{R} \text{ unknown.} \quad \text{In } T(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \text{ sufficient?}$$

$$(iv) g_\theta(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1+(x-\theta)^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{X} = \mathbb{R}, \quad \theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}.$$

Ancillary Statistic

A complementary of a sufficient statistic (which contains all the information about θ) is the ancillary statistic (which does not contain any information about θ).

Definition. A statistic $T(\underline{x})$ is said to be a ancillary statistic if its distribution does not depend on the parameter $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$; here $\theta = \{F_\theta : \theta \in \mathbb{R}\}$.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $\text{U}(0, \theta+1)$, $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}$. Show that $V_1(\underline{x}) = x_{(n)} - x_{(1)}$ and $V_2(\underline{x}) = x_2 - x_1$ are ancillary statistics.

Example (Location Family). Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample with common d.f. $F(2\theta)$, $-\infty < \theta < \infty$ and p.d.f. $f(x-\theta)$, $-\infty < \theta < \infty$. Let $V(\underline{x})$ be any statistic such that $V(x_1+c, \dots, x_n+c) = V(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $c \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that $V(\underline{x})$ is ancillary for $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}$. In particular show that $V_1(\underline{x}) = x_{(n)} - x_{(1)}$ and $V_2(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$ are ancillary for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$.

Example (Scale family) Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. r.v.s with common d.f. $F(\frac{x}{\theta})$, $\theta > 0$, and p.d.f. $\frac{1}{\theta} f(\frac{x}{\theta})$, $\theta > 0$. Let $V(\underline{x}) = V(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ be any statistic such that $V(cx_1, \dots, cx_n) = V(x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. Show that $V(\underline{x})$ is ancillary for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$. In particular show that $V_1(\underline{x}) = \frac{x_{(n)}}{x_{(1)}}$, $V_2(\underline{x}) = \frac{\bar{x}}{x_1}$ and $V_3(\underline{x}) = \frac{x_1}{x_2}$ are ancillary.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $\text{U}(0, \theta+1)$, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}$. Then $T_1(\underline{x}) = (x_{(1)}, x_{(n)})$ is minimal sufficient for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$. Consequently $T_2(\underline{x}) = (x_{(n)} - x_{(1)}, \frac{x_{(n)} + x_{(1)}}{2})$ is also minimal sufficient. However $T_2(\underline{x}) = x_{(n)} - x_{(1)}$ is ancillary for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$. Thus, in this case, ancillary statistic is an important component of the minimal sufficient statistic. Certainly the ancillary statistic and the minimal sufficient statistic are not independent.

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Remark Although an ancillary statistic by itself contains no information about the parameter θ but when it is used in conjunction with other statistics, sometimes does contain valuable information about $\theta \in \Theta$.

Example Let X_1 and X_2 be i.i.d. r.v.s with common p.d.f.

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3}, & \text{if } x \in \{\theta, \theta+1, \theta+2\} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $\theta \in \Theta = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$ is unknown.

Here $T(x) = (X_{(1)}, X_{(2)})$ and $T_1(x) = (X_{(1)} - X_{(1)}, \frac{X_{(1)} + X_{(2)}}{2})$

are minimal sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$. (clear) $T_{11}(x) =$

$X_{(1)} - X_{(1)}$ is ancillary for $\theta \in \Theta$ (location family).

Although $T_{11}(x)$ is ancillary, it gives information about θ . To see this consider a sample point (t_{11}, t_{12}) , where t_{12} is an integer.

$$T_{12} = t_{12} \Rightarrow \theta = t_{12} \text{ or } \theta = t_{12} - 1 \text{ or } \theta = t_{12} - 2$$

However with $t_{11}=2$ and $t_{12}=2$, $X_{(1)}=m-1$, and $X_{(2)}=m+1$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = m-1$$

Thus the knowledge about the ancillary $T_{11}(x) = X_{(1)} - X_{(1)}$, has increased our knowledge about $\theta \in \Theta$.

Introducing Attractors

Our intuition suggests that minimal sufficient statistic and ancillary statistic should be independent.

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Describing such situations require the following definition.

Example. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. with common p.d.f.

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1+(x-\theta)^2}, \quad \text{as } \theta \in \Theta = \mathbb{R}. \quad (\text{Cauchy distribution})$$

Show that: (i) $T(x) = (X_{(1)}, \dots, X_{(n)})$ is minimal sufficient. (ii) $V(x) = (X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}, \dots, X_{(n)} - X_{(n-1)})$ is ancillary.

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Definition (Complete Statistic)

Completeness

Example of Cauchy family and normal family show that the degree of reduction that can be achieved through sufficiency is extremely variable.

Question: What are the situations where sufficiency provides substantial reduction of data?

The amount of reduction of data by a minimal sufficient statistic seems to be related to the amount of ancillary information it contains.

An ancillary statistic by itself contains no information about θ (or F) but minimal sufficient statistic may still contain much ancillary information (e.g., in Cauchy family $(x_{(1)} - x_{(n)}, \dots, x_{(n)} - x_{(n)})$ is ancillary although it is a function of minimal sufficient statistic $(x_{(1)}, \dots, x_{(n)})$).

A sufficient statistic T appears to be successful in reducing the data if no non-constant function of T is ancillary or first order ancillary, i.e.

$$E_\theta(\psi(T)) = c, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta \Rightarrow P_\theta(\psi(T) = c) = 1, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

Definition The family of p.d.f.s / p.m.b.s $\{f_\theta(\cdot); \theta \in \Theta\}$ is said to be complete, for every function $\psi(\cdot)$, if $E_\theta(\psi(x)) = 0, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta$

we have

$$P_\theta(\psi(x) = 0) = 1, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta.$$

Remark: Every complete family is bounded complete. A bounded complete family may not be complete.

Example: Let x be a r.v. with p.m.b. $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x=-1 \\ (c+\theta)^2 \theta^x & x=0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ where $\theta \in \Theta = \{0, 1\}$. Then $\{f_\theta; \theta \in \Theta\}$ is bounded complete, but not complete. 22/2

Definition A statistic $T(\underline{x})$ is said to be complete (bounded) if the family of distributions of T is complete (bounded).

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. Poisson(θ) r.v.s, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = [0, \infty)$. Find a minimal sufficient statistic for θ and check if it is complete.

Example For a fixed positive integer m , let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. $\text{Bin}(m, \theta)$, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = [0, 1]$. Find a minimal sufficient statistic for θ and check if it is complete.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. $\text{U}(0, \theta)$, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = [0, \infty)$. Find a minimal sufficient statistic for θ and verify if it is complete.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. $N(\theta, \theta^2)$, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = [0, \infty)$. Show that the statistic $T_1(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is not complete, whereas the statistic $T_2(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$ is complete.

Example Show that the family $\mathcal{P} = \{N(\theta, 1); -\infty < \theta < \infty\}$ is complete.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. $N(\theta, \theta^2)$, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = [0, \infty)$. Show that the statistic $T(\underline{x}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)$ is minimal sufficient for θ but is not complete.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. with p.m.f.

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta}, & \text{if } x \in \{1, 2, \dots, \theta\} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where $\theta \in \mathbb{R} = \{1, 2, \dots, n\} = \mathbb{N}^*$

(I) Show that the family $\{f_{\theta}; \theta \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is complete

(II) Let $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$. Show that the family $\{f_{\theta}; \theta \in \mathbb{R} - \{n\}\}$ is not complete.

(III) Show that the statistic $T(\underline{x}) = x_{(n)}$ is complete.

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Definition (Exponential Family of Distributions). A family $\{F_\theta : \theta \in \Theta \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k\}$ is said to form an k -parameter exponential family if the d.f.s F_θ have $f_\theta(x)/f_\theta(b)$ of the form

$$f_\theta(x) = \exp \left[\sum_{i=1}^k h_i(\theta) T_i(x) - B(\theta) \right] h(x),$$

where h_i and B are real-valued functions of the parameters and $T_i(x)$ are real-valued statistic

Theorem If a minimal sufficient statistic exists, then any complete-sufficient statistic is also a minimal sufficient statistic.

Proof. Let U be a minimal sufficient statistic and let T be a complete-sufficient statistic. Then $U = h(T)$, w.p.1; for some function $h(\cdot)$. (as minimal sufficient statistic is a function of any other sufficient statistic).

Define

$$\eta(U) = E_\theta(T|U),$$

which does not depend on $\theta \in \Theta$ as U is sufficient.

Then

$$\begin{aligned} n(h(T)) &= E_\theta(T|U) \\ \Rightarrow E_\theta(T - \eta(h(T))) &= E_\theta^U \left[E_\theta^{T|U} \{ (T - \eta(h(T))) \} \right] \\ &= E_\theta^U \left[E_\theta^{T|U} [T - \eta(U)] \right]_{(h(T)=U)} \\ &\quad \times \theta \in \Theta \quad (E_\theta^{T|U}(T) = \eta(U)) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow T &= \eta(h(T)) = \eta(U) \quad \text{w.p.1} \\ \Rightarrow T &\text{ is also minimal sufficient.} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem (Complete-Sufficient Statistic for exponential family).

Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from an exponential family with p.d.f / p.m.b. given by

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \exp \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \eta_i(\theta) T_i(x) - B(\theta) \right] h(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^k, \theta \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

where $k \leq n$. Then

- (a) $I = (T_1, \dots, T_k)$ is a sufficient statistic for θ ;
- (b) If $\eta = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_k)$ and the range of η contains an open rectangle in \mathbb{R}^k , then $I = (T_1, \dots, T_k)$ is a complete-sufficient (and hence minimal sufficient) statistic for θ .

Proof. (a) Follows using factorization theorem.

(b) For a general proof refer to Lehmann (TSI, Section 7 Theorem).

The idea is as follows. It can be seen that the p.d.f / p.m.b. of $I = (T_1, \dots, T_k)$ is

$$g_{\theta}(t) = \{C(t)\} \exp \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \eta_i(t) \right] h(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^k,$$

for some functions $C(\cdot)$ and $h(\cdot)$.

$$\text{Now } E_{\theta}(\psi(I)) = 0, \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \psi(t) C(t) \exp \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \eta_i(t) \right] h(t) dt = 0, \quad \forall \psi$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} \psi(t) h(t) \exp \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \eta_i(t) \right] dt = 0, \quad \forall \psi$$

→ Laplace transform & vanishing
in an open set

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \psi(t) h(t) &= 0, & \text{a.e.} & \quad \forall \psi \\ \psi(t) &= 0 & \text{a.e.} & \end{aligned} \Rightarrow P_{\theta}(\psi(I) = 0) = 1 \quad \forall \psi$$

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- Note: (i) The above theorem may not hold if $\mathbb{I} = (n_1, \dots, n_k)$ does not contain an open rectangle in \mathbb{R}^k ;
- (ii) A minimal sufficient statistic may not be complete.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be a random sample from $H(\theta, \theta^2)$, where $\theta \in \Theta = \mathbb{R} - \{\theta\}$ is unknown. Show that $T(\underline{x}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)$ is minimal sufficient but not complete.

Solution For $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$f_\theta(\underline{x}) = \frac{1}{(101\sqrt{2\pi})^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\theta^2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\theta \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + n\theta^2 \right]}.$$

Here

$$(n_1, n_2) = \left(-\frac{1}{2\theta^2}, \frac{1}{\theta}\right)$$

and the range of (n_1, n_2) does not contain an open rectangle in \mathbb{R}^2 ($n_1 = -\frac{n_2^2}{2}$). Thus we can not use the first theorem to conclude that $(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)$ is complete-sufficient, ~~obviously~~ clearly $T(\underline{x}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)$ is sufficient.

$\Rightarrow (T_1, T_2)$ is sufficient. ~~obviously~~ We have

$$E_\theta \left(\frac{1}{n+1} (T_2 - n(\frac{T_1}{n})^2) \right) = E_\theta(S_x^2) = \theta^2, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta$$

$$E_\theta \left(\left(\frac{T_1}{n} \right)^2 \right) = E_\theta(\bar{x}^2) = \frac{\theta^2}{n} + \theta^2 = \frac{n+1}{n} \theta^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E_\theta \left(\frac{1}{n+1} (T_2 - n(\frac{T_1}{n})^2) - \frac{1}{n(n+1)} T_1^2 \right) = 0, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta$$

$$\Rightarrow E_\theta \left(\frac{1}{n+1} T_2 - \frac{2}{n+1} \bar{x}^2 \right) = 0, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta$$

$$\Rightarrow E_\theta \left(\frac{T_2}{n+1} - \frac{2}{n+1} \bar{x}^2 \right) = 0, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta$$

But

$$P_\theta \left(\frac{T_2}{n+1} - \frac{2}{n+1} \bar{x}^2 \right) = 0,$$

$\Rightarrow (T_1, T_2)$ is not complete

For $\sum_i y_i \in \mathbb{A}$

$$\frac{f_{\theta}(\Delta)}{f_{\theta}(y)} = e^{\frac{1}{2\theta^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2 \right)} = \frac{1}{\theta} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \right)$$

is independent of $\theta \in \Theta$

$$\Leftrightarrow \eta \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2 \right) - \sqrt{2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \right)$$

does not depend on $\eta > 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2.$$

$\Rightarrow T(\underline{x}) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2 \right)$ is minimal sufficient for $\theta \in \Theta$

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. $U(\theta - \frac{1}{2}, \theta + \frac{1}{2})$ RVs, where $\theta \in \Theta = \mathbb{R}$. Show that $T = (x_{(1)}, x_{(n)})$ is minimal sufficient but it is not complete

Theorem (Barndorff-Nelson Theorem). If $T(\underline{x})$ is a boundedly complete and sufficient statistic for the family $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$, then $T(\underline{x})$ and any ancillary statistic $V(\underline{x})$ are independent.

Proof. For any measurable set A , and $t \in \mathbb{R}$, define

$$\eta_A(t) = P_\theta(V(\underline{x}) \in A | T(\underline{x}) = t),$$

which is independent of $\theta \in \Theta$ by virtue of sufficiency of $T(\underline{x})$. Then

$$E_\theta(\eta_A(T)) = E(P_\theta(V(\underline{x}) \in A | T)) = P_\theta(V(\underline{x}) \in A) \\ = p_A \quad (\text{does not depend on } \theta \text{ as } V \text{ is ancillary})$$

$$\Rightarrow E_\theta(\eta_A(T) - p_A) = 0, \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \eta_A(t) = p_A \quad (\text{a.e. } \theta) \Rightarrow P_\theta(V(\underline{x}) \in A | T(\underline{x}) = t) = P_\theta(V(\underline{x}) \in A) \quad \forall \theta \in \Theta$$

$\Rightarrow V(\underline{x})$ and $T(\underline{x})$ are independent

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Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$, where $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\sigma > 0$.

(i) Let $V(x)$ be any statistic such that

$$V(x_1+c, \dots, x_n+c) = V(x_1, \dots, x_n), \forall c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Show that \bar{x} and $V(x)$ are statistically independent.
In particular Show that \bar{x} and $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$ are statistically independent.

(ii) Suppose θ is fixed at $\theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $V(x)$ is any statistic
not involving

$$V(cx_1, \dots, cx_n) = V(x_1, \dots, x_n), \forall c > 0.$$

Show that $T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta_0)^2$ and $\frac{V(x_1 - \theta_0, \dots, x_n - \theta_0)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}}$ are statistically independent. In particular Show that $\frac{\bar{x} - \theta_0}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}}$ and

$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta_0)^2$ are statistically independent. Also

$\frac{\bar{x} - \theta_0}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta_0)^2$ are independent.

Example Let (x_1, \dots, x_n) and (y_1, \dots, y_n) be independent
random samples from $N(\theta_1, \sigma_1^2)$ and $N(\theta_2, \sigma_2^2)$, respectively.

Show that $T = (\bar{x}, \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2, \bar{y}, \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2)$ and

$$V(x) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}$$

are statistically independent.

Example Let x_1, \dots, x_n be i.i.d. $U(\theta, \theta + 1)$, $\theta \in \mathbb{N} = \{0, 1\}$.

Show that $\frac{x_{(1)}}{x_{(n)}}$ and $x_{(n)}$ are independent. Hence

$$E_\theta(x_{(1)} x_{(n)}) = E_\theta\left(\frac{x_{(1)}}{x_{(n)}}\right) E_\theta(x_{(n)}), \forall \theta \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Show that

$$E_\theta(x_{(1)} x_{(n)}) =$$