

ST 793 : Solution of Homework-4

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Book problems

Problem 5.27

Let Y_1, \dots, Y_n are i.i.d with mean μ and variance σ^2 . Define a vector valued random variable, $Z = (Y, Y^2)^\top$. Then, Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n are i.i.d with mean $\boldsymbol{\mu}_z = (\mu, \sigma^2 + \mu^2)^\top$ and covariance matrix

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\Sigma} &= \begin{pmatrix} V(Y) & \text{Cov}(Y, Y^2) \\ \text{Cov}(Y, Y^2) & V(Y^2) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2 & \mu'_3 - \mu(\sigma^2 + \mu^2) \\ \mu'_3 - \mu(\sigma^2 + \mu^2) & \mu'_4 - (\sigma^2 + \mu^2)^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad [\text{In terms of raw moments}] \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2 & \mu_3 + 2\mu\sigma^2 \\ \mu_3 + 2\mu\sigma^2 & \mu_4 + 4\mu_3\mu + 4\mu^2\sigma^2 - \sigma^4 \end{pmatrix} \quad [\text{In terms of central moments}]\end{aligned}$$

Then, by central limit theorem,

$$\sqrt{n} \left[\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mu \\ \sigma^2 + \mu^2 \end{pmatrix} \right] \xrightarrow{d} N_2(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

Now, define, a vector valued function $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, such that,

$$g(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = g(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \left(\theta_1, \sqrt{\theta_2 - \theta_1^2}, \frac{\sqrt{\theta_2 - \theta_1^2}}{\theta_1} \right)^\top$$

Then, understand that,

$$g \left(\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \left(\bar{Y}_n, s_n, \frac{s_n}{\bar{Y}_n} \right)^\top$$

Thus, by delta method,

$$\sqrt{n} \left[\begin{pmatrix} \bar{Y}_n \\ s_n \\ \frac{s_n}{\bar{Y}_n} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mu \\ \sigma \\ \frac{\sigma}{\mu} \end{pmatrix} \right] \xrightarrow{d} N_3(\mathbf{0}, g'(\boldsymbol{\mu}_z) \boldsymbol{\Sigma} g'(\boldsymbol{\mu}_z)^\top)$$

where,

$$g'(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{\theta_1}{\sqrt{\theta_2 - \theta_1^2}} & -\frac{\theta_2}{\theta_1^2 \sqrt{\theta_2 - \theta_1^2}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\theta_2 - \theta_1^2}} & \frac{1}{2\theta_1 \sqrt{\theta_2 - \theta_1^2}} \end{pmatrix}^\top$$

Evaluating the above at $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\mu, \sigma^2 + \mu^2)^\top$ we get

$$g'(\boldsymbol{\mu}_z) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\frac{\mu}{\sigma} & -\frac{1}{\sigma} - \frac{\sigma}{\mu^2} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2\sigma} & \frac{1}{2\mu\sigma} \end{pmatrix}^\top$$

Problem 5.28

Define, a vector valued function $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $g(\mathbf{x}) = (g_1(x_1), g_2(x_2))$. Then,

$$g'(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} g'_1(x_1) & 0 \\ 0 & g'_2(x_2) \end{pmatrix}$$

By the assumptions, $g'(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \neq 0$ as both $g'_1(\theta_1)$ and $g'_2(\theta_2)$ are non-zero. Then by delta method,

$$\sqrt{n} \left[\begin{pmatrix} g_1(\hat{\theta}_1) \\ g_2(\hat{\theta}_2) \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} g_1(\theta_1) \\ g_2(\theta_2) \end{pmatrix} \right] \xrightarrow{d} N_2(\mathbf{0}, g'(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \boldsymbol{\Sigma} g'(\boldsymbol{\theta}))$$

Because $g'(\mathbf{x})$ is a diagonal matrix we can do further simplification of the asymptotic covariance matrix, which is

$$g'(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \boldsymbol{\Sigma} g'(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \begin{pmatrix} (g'_1(\theta_1))^2 \sigma_{11} & g'_1(\theta_1)g'_2(\theta_2)\sigma_{12} \\ g'_1(\theta_1)g'_2(\theta_2)\sigma_{12} & (g'_2(\theta_2))^2 \sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

This means that the asymptotic correlation between $g_1(\hat{\theta}_1)$ and $g_2(\hat{\theta}_2)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} r(\hat{g}_1, \hat{g}_2) &= \frac{g'_1(\theta_1)g'_2(\theta_2)\sigma_{12}}{\sqrt{(g'_1(\theta_1))^2 \sigma_{11} (g'_2(\theta_2))^2 \sigma_{22}}} \\ &= \frac{\sigma_{12}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{11}\sigma_{22}}} \quad [\text{because both } g'_1(\theta_1), g'_2(\theta_2) > 0 \text{ as } g_1, g_2 \text{ are increasing}] \\ &= r(\hat{\theta}_1, \hat{\theta}_2) \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof.

Problem 5.39

By Theorem 5.25 of the book,

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\eta}_{\frac{3}{4}} - \hat{\eta}_{\frac{1}{4}}) - (\eta_{\frac{3}{4}} - \eta_{\frac{1}{4}}) &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\left[\frac{\frac{3}{4} - I(X_i \leq \eta_{\frac{3}{4}})}{F'(\eta_{\frac{3}{4}})} \right] - \left[\frac{\frac{1}{4} - I(X_i \leq \eta_{\frac{1}{4}})}{F'(\eta_{\frac{1}{4}})} \right] \right) + R_{1n} - R_{2n} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n h_T(X_i) + R_n \end{aligned}$$

where

$$h_T(X_i) = \left[\frac{\frac{3}{4} - I(X_i \leq \eta_{\frac{3}{4}})}{F'(\eta_{\frac{3}{4}})} \right] - \left[\frac{\frac{1}{4} - I(X_i \leq \eta_{\frac{1}{4}})}{F'(\eta_{\frac{1}{4}})} \right] \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$R_n = R_{1n} - R_{2n}$ and $\sqrt{n}R_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ because both $\sqrt{n}R_{1n} \rightarrow 0$ and $\sqrt{n}R_{2n} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

Problem 5.49

Let's denote $M(\mathbf{t})$ be the moment generating function (MGF) of a random variable. Then, $\mathbf{X}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{X}$ and $\mathbf{Y}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{Y}$ implies $M_{\mathbf{X}_n}(\mathbf{t}) \rightarrow M_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{t})$ and $M_{\mathbf{Y}_n}(\mathbf{s}) \rightarrow M_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{s})$ for all (\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t}) . Then the moment generating function of $\mathbf{Z}_n = \mathbf{X}_n + \mathbf{Y}_n$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\mathbf{Z}_n}(\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{s}) &= E(\exp(\mathbf{t}'\mathbf{X}_n + \mathbf{s}'\mathbf{Y}_n)) \\ &= E(\exp(\mathbf{t}'\mathbf{X}_n)) E(\exp(\mathbf{s}'\mathbf{Y}_n)) \quad [\mathbf{X}_n \text{ and } \mathbf{Y}_n \text{ are independent}] \\ &= M_{\mathbf{X}_n}(\mathbf{t}) M_{\mathbf{Y}_n}(\mathbf{s}) \rightarrow M_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{t}) M_{\mathbf{Y}}(\mathbf{s}) = E(\exp(\mathbf{t}'\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{s}'\mathbf{Y})) \end{aligned}$$

The last step follows because \mathbf{X} and \mathbf{Y} are also independent. This proves that $\mathbf{X}_n + \mathbf{Y}_n$ converges to distribution to $\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}$.

Problem 5.52

$$\begin{aligned}
v_{n,i} &= \text{Var} \left(\sum_{j \neq i} h_{ij} e_j \right) = \sum_{j \neq i} h_{ij}^2 \text{Var}(e_j) = \sigma^2 \sum_{j \neq i} h_{ij}^2 \\
&= \sigma^2 \left(\sum_{j=1}^n h_{ij}^2 - h_{ii}^2 \right) = \sigma^2 (h_{ii} - h_{ii}^2) \quad \text{because } \mathbf{H}^2 = \mathbf{H} \\
&= \sigma^2 h_{ii} (1 - h_{ii})
\end{aligned}$$

Now, notice that,

$$\begin{aligned}
Y_i - \hat{Y}_i &= (\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}})_i \\
&= ((\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{Y})_i = ((\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{e})_i \quad [\text{because } (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{X} = 0] \\
&= e_i - \sum_{j=1}^n h_{ij} e_j \\
&= (1 - h_{ii})e_i - \sum_{j \neq i} h_{ij} e_j
\end{aligned}$$

Define, $X_{n,j} = \sqrt{v_{n,i}} h_{ij} e_j$ $j = 1, 2, \dots, n, j \neq i$ and $\alpha_{n,i} = \max_{j \neq i} |h_{ij}|$

Then, the Lindeberg condition asks us to prove that

$$\begin{aligned}
\epsilon_n &= \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \mathbb{E} (X_{n,j}^2 I(|X_{n,j}| > \delta)) \\
&= v_{n,i}^{-2} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \mathbb{E} (h_{ij}^2 e_j^2 I(|h_{ij} e_j| > \delta)) \\
&= v_{n,i}^{-1} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n h_{ij}^2 \mathbb{E} \left(e_j^2 I \left(|e_j| > \frac{\delta}{|h_{ij}|} \right) \right) \\
&\leq v_{n,i}^{-1} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n h_{ij}^2 \mathbb{E} \left(e_j^2 I \left(|e_j| > \frac{\delta}{\alpha_{n,i}} \right) \right) \\
&= v_{n,i}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left(e_1^2 I \left(|e_1| > \frac{\delta}{\alpha_{n,i}} \right) \right) \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n h_{ij}^2 \\
&= \sigma^{-2} \mathbb{E} \left(e_1^2 I \left(|e_1| > \frac{\delta}{\alpha_{n,i}} \right) \right) \rightarrow 0 \quad [\text{by Dominated Convergence Theorem as } \alpha_{n,i} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty]
\end{aligned}$$

By Lindeberg Central Limit theorem,

$$\sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n X_{n,j} = \sqrt{v_{n,i}} \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n h_{ij} e_j \rightarrow N(0, 1)$$

Also, because, $h_{ii} \rightarrow c_i$,

$$\sqrt{v_{n,i}} \rightarrow (c_i(1 - c_i))^{1/2}$$

By Slutsky's theorem,

$$\sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n h_{ij} e_j \rightarrow N(0, c_i(1 - c_i))$$

This completes the proof.

As an alternative approach to check the lindeberg condition we can check,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_{j \neq i} P(|X_{n,i}| > \epsilon) = 0$$

which can be checked by applying Chebyshev's inequality because,

$$P(|X_{n,j}| > \epsilon) < \frac{\text{Var}(X_{n,j})}{\epsilon^2} = \frac{v_{n,i} h_{ij}^2 \sigma^2}{\epsilon^2}$$

This implies,

$$\max_{j \neq i} P(|X_{n,i}| > \epsilon) < \frac{v_{n,i} \sigma^2}{\epsilon^2} \max_{j \neq i} h_{ij}^2 \rightarrow 0$$

Problem 2

Because Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n follows $N(0, \sigma^2)$, $E(Y_i^2) = \sigma^2$ and $\text{Var}(Y_i^2) = E(Y_i^4) - E^2(Y_i^2) = 3\sigma^4 - \sigma^4 = 2\sigma^4$. Then, by central limit theorem,

$$\sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2 - \sigma^2 \right) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 2\sigma^4)$$

This means, $S_n^2 \sim \text{AN} \left(\sigma^2, \frac{2\sigma^4}{n} \right)$.

For a function $g(x)$ such that $g'(\sigma^2) \neq 0$, by delta method,

$$\sqrt{n} (g(S_n^2) - g(\sigma^2)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 2(g'(\sigma^2))^2 \sigma^4)$$

We want a g such that the asymptotic variance or standard deviation does not depend on σ^2 , which means we want

$$g'(\sigma^2) \sigma^2 = c \quad \text{for some constant } c > 0$$

which is equivalent to saying that g must satisfy the differential equation

$$g'(x) = \frac{c}{x} \quad \forall x$$

which implies $g(x) = c \log(x)$ for some $c > 0$