

Sufficient statistics

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Data Reduction

Let $\{X\}_n$ be i.i.d.

If $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a function such that $T(X)$ is a random variable then $T(X)$ is a statistic.

Sufficiency

$T(X)$ is called a sufficient statistic if the distribution of X , conditionally on $T(X)$ is a constant function of θ

The definition implies that if $T = T(X)$ is sufficient then $f_{X|T}(x|t)$ does not contain θ .

Minimal Sufficient Statistics

Ancillary statistics

The Likelihood Principle

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