
Subject: Re: L-moments

Posted by [Gray](#) on Mon, 28 Feb 2011 12:13:58 GMT

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On Feb 28, 6:43 am, chris <rog...@googlemail.com> wrote:

> On 25 Feb., 16:25, Mark Shephard <mark.w.sheph...@gmail.com> wrote:

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>> Hi,

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>> I was wondering if anyone has anyone develop IDL routines for the
>> method of L-moments?

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>> Thanks,

>> Mark

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> Hi Mark,

> something like this?

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> function cr_binomial,n,m

> n1=1d & m1=1d & n1m1=1d

> for i=1d,n do n1*=i

> for i=1d,m do m1*=i

> for i=1d,(n-m) do n1m1*=i

> return,n1/(m1*n1m1)

> end

>

> function cr_l_moment,dat

> n=n_elements(dat)

> l1 = total(dat,/double)/cr_binomial(n,1)

> l2=0d &l3=0d &l4=0d

> for i=1d,n do begin

> b1 = cr_binomial(i-1,1d)

> b2 = cr_binomial(n-i,1d)

> b3 = cr_binomial(i-1,2d)

> b4 = cr_binomial(n-i,2d)

> b5 = cr_binomial(i-1,3d)

> b6 = cr_binomial(n-i,3d)

> l2+=(b1-b2)*dat[i-1]

> l3+=(b3-2*b1*b2+b4)*dat[i-1]

> l4+=(b5-3*b3*b2+3*b1*b4+b6)*dat[i-1]

> endfor

> l2*=0.5d /cr_binomial(n,2d)

> l3*=(1d / 3d)/cr_binomial(n,3d)

> l4*=(1d / 4d)/cr_binomial(n,4d)

> return,{l1:l2,l2:l2,l3:l3,l4:l4}

> end

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> IDL> r=randomu(seed,5,5)

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> IDL> inf=cr_l_moment(r)
> IDL> print,float(inf)
> { -0.000558181 -0.000558181 -0.0111168 0.212071}
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> Cheers
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> CR
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I have no idea what L-moments are, but do you really need to use all the FOR-loops?

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function cr_binomial,n,m
  n1 = product(dindgen(n)+1)
  m1 = product(dindgen(m)+1)
  n1m1 = product(dindgen(n-m)+1)
  return, n1/(m1*n1m1)
end
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