

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-29059-3 - Logic of Statistical Inference

Ian Hacking

Index

[More information](#)

229

INDEX

The number attached to a much-used technical term indicates the page where the term is first introduced

- Ackermann, R., 225
- action and belief, 164–70
- acts of guessing, 168
- admissible estimates, 177–9
- after-trial betting, 95–102
- algebra
 - Boolean, 32, 134
 - sigma-, 32, 134
- Anscombe, F. J., 103
- antisymmetry (in the logic of support), 33 f.
- Arbuthnot, J., 75–81
- axioms
 - absolute support (Kolmogoroff), 134 f.
 - betting rates (Kolmogoroff), 193, 210 f.
 - chances (Kolmogoroff), 18 f.
 - relative support (Koopman), 32 f.
- Barnard, G.
 - on kinds of trial, 88
 - on likelihood, 58
 - on the likelihood principle, 65, 219
 - on subjective statistics, 224
- Bayes, T., 66, 112, 188, 190–227 *passim*
 - definition of probability, 191 f.
 - assumptions about betting rates, 192–5
 - postulate of, 198–200
- before trial betting, 95–102
- belief and action, 164–70
- belief-guesses, belief-estimates, 168 f.
- Bernouilli, Daniel, 63 f., 176
- Bernouilli, James, 23
- Bernouilli, Nicholas, 77
- betting, before- and after-trial, 95–102
 - on hypotheses, 215–17
 - rates: axioms for, 210 f. and 193–220 *passim*; Bayes' use of, 192–5
- Birnbaum, A., 65, 110, 220
- Boolean algebra, 32, 134
- Box, G. E. P., 206
- Braithwaite, R. B., 10, 50, 74, 114, 216
 - theory of chance, 114–17
- Brillinger, D., 150 n., 151 n.
- Brown, G. Spencer, 132
- Cargile, J., 121
- Carnap, R., 166–8, 171, 187
- chance, 10
- conditional, 19 f.
- chance process, 15, 26
- chance set up, 13
 - tandem, 195 f.
- chrysanthemum experiment, 88
- Church, A., 119
- collective (von Mises), 5
- completeness
 - of fiducial theory, 154 f.
 - of postulates, 35
- compound trials, 21–3
- conditional chance, 19 f.
 - trials, 14, 19 f.
- confidence intervals, 159 f.
- consistency of fiducial theory, 150
- consistent estimators, 184
- Cournot, A. A., 5, 13
- Cox, D. R., 206 n.
- Cox, R. T., 134 n., 215
- critical likelihood ratio, 89, 111–13
- cumulative distribution function, 17 f.
- cumulative graph, 16
- decision theory, 29–32, 75, 164, 186–8
- definition, 4 f.
- Dempster, A. P., 103, 151 n.
- density function, 18
 - experimental, 68–70, 148 f.
- Derham, W., 77 n.
- distribution, 16
 - binomial, 23 f.
 - cumulative, 17 f.
 - Normal, 71, 156–8, 182–6
- Dürrenmatt, F., 32
- Dutch book, 211
- efficiency of estimates, 185
- Ellis, L., 5
- epidemics, 1, 9, 86 f.
- epistemic utility, 31
- errors, theory of, 155, 175
- estimates and estimators, 28 f., 62, 161–89 *passim*

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-29059-3 - Logic of Statistical Inference

Ian Hacking

Index

[More information](#)

230

INDEX

- estimates and estimators (*cont.*)
 admissible, 177–9
 belief-estimates, 168 f.
 consistent, 184 f.
 fiducial argument for, 181–7
 invariance of, 172
 maximum likelihood, 49, 62–4, 126,
 176, 185 f.
 minimax, 186 f.
 minimum variance, 183 f.
 Savage's criterion for, 179–81
 scales for, 171–3
 unbiased, 182 f.
 uniformly better, 177–9
- exchangeable events, 212
- expectation, 30, 102
- experimental density, 68–70, 148 f.
- fair stake, 192
- Feller, W., 9
- fiducial argument
 application: to confidence intervals,
 159 f.; to Jeffreys' theory, 147 f.,
 204; to Normal distribution,
 156–8; to theory of errors, 155
 completeness of 154 f.
 consistency of, 150; inconsistencies
 in Fisher's form of, 151
 examples of, 136–9, 143–5
 origin of, 133
 postulates for: frequency principle,
 135; principle of irrelevance, 145,
 149
 structure of, 139 f.
- Finetti, B. de, 208–25 *passim*
 on axioms for betting rates, 210
 on betting about hypotheses, 215–17
 on chance, 211–15
- Fisher, R. A.
 on Bayes, 200
 on fiducial argument, 133–60
 on hypothetical infinite populations,
 7, 13, 25, 122
 on likelihood, 56 f., 62, 219
 on invariance in estimation, 173
 on maximum likelihood estimates,
 49, 176 f., 184–6
 on sampling, 130
 on sufficient statistics, 80, 110
 on testing hypotheses, 80–3
- Fraser, D.A.S., 220 n.
- Frege, G., 151, 201
- frequency principle, 135
- Fundamental Lemma of Neyman
 and Pearson, 93
- Galton, F., 72
- gambling system, impossibility of, 22
- Gauss, K. F., 25, 72, 175 f., 186
- Gödel, K., 36
- Good, I. J., 110 n.
- Goodman, N., 41 f.
- Gossett, W.S., 72, 82 f., 113
- s'Gravesande, W.J., 77
- guesses and acts of guessing, 168–70
- Halmos, P., 70 n., 110 n.
- Hewitt, E., 216 n.
- histogram, 16
- Hume, D., 52
- hypothesis
 statistical, 27
 unexpected, 221, 225
- hypothetical infinite population, 7, 13,
 25 f., 122
- independence, 20–3
- induction, 52, 125 f.
- initial support, 146
- invariance of estimators, 172
- invariant tests, 97–9
- irrelevance, 141–60
 principle of, 145, 149
- Jeffreys, H.,
 on axioms for probability, 38, 134, 215
 on chance, 11
 on the fiducial argument, 140, 147
 on initial probabilities, 147, 152–4,
 201–7
 on Neyman–Pearson theory, 103
 on simplicity, 225
- joint proposition, 56–8
- simple, 57
- Kendall, M. G.
 on D. Bernoulli, 64
 on likelihood ratio tests, 92 n.
 on minimum variance estimators,
 183 f.
 on random sampling, 130–2
- Kneale, W. C., 11
- Kolmogoroff's axioms
 for absolute support, 134 f.
 for betting rates, 193, 210 f.
 for chance, 8, 18 f.
- Koopman, B.O., 32–4

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-29059-3 - Logic of Statistical Inference

Ian Hacking

Index

[More information](#)

INDEX

231

- Laplace, P. S. de, 25, 76, 175 f., 200, 203
 law of likelihood
 continuous case, 70 f.
 discrete case, 59, 62
 learning from experience, 217 f.
 least squares, method of, 175
 Lehmann, E. L., 92 n., 186 n.
 Lexis, W., 72
 likelihood, 56–8
 given data, 61
 likelihood function, 148 f., 221 f.
 likelihood principle, 65 f., 218–21
 likelihood ratio, 70
 critical, 89, 111–13
 given data, 71, 149
 likelihood ratio tests, 91 f.
 likelihood tests, 89–114
 critical ratio of, 91, 111–13
 objections to, 110
 Lindley, D. V., 112 n., 151 n., 155
 logic, the rôle of, 34–8
 underlying, 34 f., 225 f.
 Loève, M., 2 f.
 long run justification, 39–52
 long run rule, 40–5
 Maximum likelihood, 49, 62–4, 126, 176, 185 f.
 Menger, K., 15 n.
 Méré, Chevalier de, 75
 Mill, J. S., 126
 minimax argument for long run rule, 43–5
 in decision theory, 49 f.
 in estimation, 183 f.
 minimum variance estimates, 183 f.
 Mises, R. von, 5–7, 9, 13, 21, 25, 214
 misleading samples, 126–32
 mixed strategy, 49 f.
 mixed tests, 93–9
 models, 7–9, 35
 Moivre, A. de, 71, 77
 moments, method of, 175
 Montmort, P. R. de, 77
 Neumann, J. von, 102
 Neurath, O., 37
 Newton, I., 23
 Neyman, J.
 on confidence intervals, 159 f.
 on fundamental probability sets, 13
 on rival hypotheses, 81
 Neyman, J. and Pearson, E. S.
 Fundamental Lemma of, 93
 on likelihood ratio tests, 91 f.
 theory of testing, 92–111; domain of, 99–101; rationale for, 103 f.
 Normal distribution, 71, 156–8, 182–6
 optional stopping, 107–9
 outcome (of a trial) 14
 sure, 15
 partition of data, 143
 Pearson, E. S., 25, 83, 103, 113; *See also* Neyman and Pearson
 Pearson, K., 25, 72, 175
 Peirce, C. S., 47, 123
 personal betting rates, 209–25
 axioms for, 210 f.
 personal probability, 209
 pivotal quantities, 140
 pivotal trials, 140
 Poisson, S. D., 85
 Polya, G., 9
 Popper, K., 10, 14, 121
 populations
 hypothetical infinite, 7, 13, 25 f., 122
 open and closed, 122
 postulational definition, 4 f.
 power of a test, 92–9
 predicate, projectible, 41
Principia Mathematica, 36, 205
 principle
 frequency principle, 135
 of indifference, 51, 147, 201, 207
 of irrelevance, 145, 149
 likelihood principle, 65 f., 218, 221
 of sufficiency, 110
 ‘probability’, 2, 15, 28, 136, 209, 225
 probability theory, 7
 process, chance or stochastic, 15
 projectible predicate, 41
 proposition, joint, 57
 pseudo-distribution, 152–4, 204
 Quetelet, L. A. J., 72
 Quine, W. v. O., 15
 Radon–Nikodym theorem, 70 n., 110 n.
 Ramsey, F. P., 208–17
 random, 2, 7, 119
 random sampling, 119–32 *passim*
 random sampling numbers, 129–32
 random sequence, 120 f.
 random trials, 119 f.

Cambridge University Press

978-0-521-29059-3 - Logic of Statistical Inference

Ian Hacking

Index

[More information](#)

232

- random variables, 15
- refutation, 113 f.
- Reichenbach, H., 6, 40, 51
- result (of a trial), 13
- Russell, B., 36, 151, 201, 205

- Salmon, W. C., 51
- samples, misleading, 126–32
- sampling, random, 119–32 *passim*
with and without replacement, 122–4
- Savage, L. J.
on axioms for betting rates, 210
on estimation, 167, 179–81
on likelihood, 70
on the likelihood principle, 65 f., 218–21
on sufficient statistics, 110
on unexpected hypothesis, 223
- scales for estimation, 171–3
- Schlaiffer, R., 226 .
- sequence, random, 120 f.
- sequential test, 106
- sigma-algebra, 32, 134
- simple joint proposition, 57
- simplicity, 85, 222, 225
- size of a test, 92–9
- Smith, B. Babington, 130 f.
- specification of a problem, 59, 84
- stake, fair, 192
- statistic, sufficient, 81, 110
- statistical data, 56–9, 84, 208
- statistical hypothesis, 27
- stochastic process, 15
- strategy, mixed, 49 f.
- stringency of tests, 75, 111–13
- Stuart, A. S., 57n, 92n., 131n., 183n.
- subjective *v.* objective betting rates, 193 f.
- subjective theory on statistics
axioms for, 210 f.
compared with logic of support, 208–10
learning from experience in, 217–18
likelihood principle in, 218–21
origin of, 208
unexpected hypotheses, 221–5
views on chance, 211–15
- sufficient statistics, 81, 110
- support
absolute, 133–5
initial, 146 f., 203–6
relative, 27–38

INDEX

- sure outcome, 15
- Süssmilch, J. P., 77 n.

- t*-test, 82
- tandem chance set ups, 195 f.
- tests, statistical
Arbuthnot's, 75–80
likelihood, 89–114 *passim*
likelihood ratio, 91 f.
mixed, 93–9
Neyman–Pearson, 92–111
of rival hypotheses, 79–83
sequential, 106 f.
size and power of, 92–9
stringency of, 75, 111–3
unbiased and invariant, 97–9
uniformly most powerful, 94
worse than useless, 99
- textual critic's hypothesis, 54
- Tippett, T., 129
- trial, 13
conditional, 14, 19 f.
independent, 20–3
kind of, 13, 87 f.
random, 119 f.
- Tukey, J. W., 84 n.

- unbiased estimators, 182 f., tests, 97
underlying logic, 34 f., 225
unexpected hypothesis, 221, 225
uniformly better estimates, 177–9
uniformly most powerful tests, 94–9
invariant and unbiased tests, 97–9
unique case rule, 40
urn models, 9, 11, 86
example of three hypotheses, 48–52,
60, 169
- utility, 28, 30 f., 192, 202, 210, 218
epistemic, 31

- variables, random, 15
- Venn, J., 5, 13, 25

- waiting time, 17, 66, 152 f.
- Wald, A.
on decision theory, 29, 102
on maximum likelihood, 185
on minimax estimation, 186 f.
on sequential tests, 107
- Whitehead, A. N., 36, 201, 205
- Williams, R. M., 151
- 'worse than useless' tests, 99
- Wright, G. H. von, 120