

Stat 252.01 Winter 2005  
Assignment #5

This assignment is due at the beginning of class on **Monday, February 28, 2005**. You must submit all problems. You are encouraged to form study groups and collaborate with others on this assignment. However, the final work you submit must be your own. A piece of advice: *the assignments are worth very little in the computation of your final grade. It is better to suffer through not understanding something now, rather than copying from a friend just for the sake of completion. You will not have that luxury on the exams.* YOUR ASSIGNMENT MUST BE STAPLED AND PROBLEM NUMBERS CLEARLY LABELLED. UNSTAPLED ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED! DO NOT CROWD YOUR WORK. DO NOT WRITE IN MULTIPLE COLUMNS. Note that if there are answers in the back of the book, then you need to be especially certain to explain your answer.

**1.** Suppose that  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  are iid from the  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  distribution, where  $\sigma^2$  is known, but  $\mu$  is unknown. Consider testing  $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$  against  $H_A : \mu > \mu_0$  by rejecting  $H_0$  if  $Z > 1.65$ , where

$$Z = \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}.$$

In class we showed that this test has significance level 0.05.

- (a) Assume that  $\mu_0 = 0$ ,  $\sigma^2 = 25$ , and  $n = 4$ . What is the power of the test when  $\mu = 1$ , when  $\mu = 2$ , and when  $\mu = 3$ ?
- (b) Repeat part (a) assuming a larger sample size of  $n = 16$ . Do you have any comments about the comparison of power for the two sample sizes?

**2.** Suppose that  $X_1, \dots, X_{10}$  are iid from the  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  distribution, where both  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$  are unknown. As usual, let  $S^2$  denote the sample variance. Consider testing  $H_0 : \sigma^2 = 1$  against  $H_A : \sigma^2 > 1$ , by rejecting  $H_0$  when  $S^2 > c$ .

- (a) Determine  $c$  so that this test has significance level 0.1.
- (b) What is the power of this test when  $\sigma^2 = 2$  and when  $\sigma^2 = 3$ ?

NOTE: Table 6 in the back of the textbook is not complete enough for these calculations, so I have provided some quantiles of the  $\chi^2_9$  distribution below. You can give your answers to the accuracy permitted by this information.

$\alpha$	0.95	0.90	0.85	0.80	0.75	0.70	0.65	0.60	0.55	0.50	0.45	0.40	0.35	0.30
$\chi^2_\alpha$	3.33	4.17	4.82	5.38	5.90	6.39	6.88	7.36	7.84	8.34	8.86	9.41	10.01	10.66

$\alpha$	0.25	0.20	0.15	0.10	0.05
$\chi^2_\alpha$	11.39	12.24	13.29	14.68	16.92

(continued)

**3.** Consider observing a single random variable  $X$  from an Exponential( $\lambda$ ) distribution. We want to test  $H_0 : \lambda = 1$  against  $H_A : \lambda = 1/2$  by rejecting  $H_0$  if  $X < c$ . (For the exponential distribution, smaller values of the parameter  $\lambda$  tend to produce smaller values of  $X$ .) By changing  $c$ , we will change both  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , the probabilities of a Type I and Type II error, respectively. Can you find a direct relationship between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  which illustrates the tradeoff between them?

**4.** Suppose that  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are iid from the Exponential( $\lambda$ ) distribution. Starting with an approximate confidence interval for  $\lambda$  based on the Fisher information, construct a test of  $H_0 : \lambda = 1/10$  against  $H_A : \lambda \neq 1/10$  at (approximate) significance level 0.1.

**5.** Do the following exercises from Wackerly, et al.

- #10.10, page 474
- #10.19, page 476
- #10.38, page 482