Stat 252 Winter 2006
Assignment #9

This assignment is due at the beginning of class on Monday, March 27, 2006. You must submit all problems that are marked with an asterix (*).

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

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

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 $X_1, \ldots, X_{10}$ are iid from the $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ distribution, where both μ and σ^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 χ^2_9 distribution below. You can give your answers to the accuracy permitted by this information.

α	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
χ^2_α	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

α	0.25	0.20	0.15	0.10	0.05
χ^2_α	11.39	12.24	13.29	14.68	16.92

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

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4. * Suppose that $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ are iid from the Exponential(λ) distribution. Starting with an approximate confidence interval for λ based on the Fisher information, construct a test of $H_0 : \lambda = 1/5$ against $H_A : \lambda \neq 1/5$ at (approximate) significance level 0.1.

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

- #10.10, page 474
- #10.38, page 482
- #10.50, page 495
- #10.73, page 507
- #10.79 (a), (b), page 515
- #10.83 (a), page 515