ISyE 6739 Video Assignment 11

1. Write the expressions for two-sided, one-sided (upper and lower bounds) confidence intervals for mean of a normal distribution (variance is unknown). How can the percentage points of the t-distribution be approximated if the sample size is large?

Answer:

 $100(1-\alpha)\%$ CI for Mean of a Normal Distribution(two-sided, unknown variance):

$$\left(\bar{X} - t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \le \mu \le \bar{X} + t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

 $100(1-\alpha)\%$ CI for Mean of a Normal Distribution(one-sided, unknown variance):

$$\mu \ge \bar{X} - t_{\alpha, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$
 (lower bound)

$$\mu \le \bar{X} + t_{\alpha, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$
 (upper bound)

 $t_{\alpha,n-1} \approx Z_{\alpha}$ when n > 30.

2. Write the expressions for two-sided, one-sided (upper and lower bounds) confidence intervals for variance of a normal distribution.

Answer:

 $100(1-\alpha)\%$ CI for Variance of a Normal Distribution(two-sided):

$$\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\chi^2_{\alpha/2,n-1}} \le \sigma^2 \le \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\chi^2_{1-\alpha/2,n-1}}$$

 $100(1-\alpha)\%$ CI for Variance of a Normal Distribution(one-sided):

$$\sigma^2 \ge \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\chi^2_{\alpha,n-1}}$$
 (lower bound)

$$\sigma^2 \leq \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\chi^2_{1-\alpha,n-1}} \quad \text{(upper bound)}$$

3. Suppose there is a large sample from the distribution that depends on parameter θ . Let $\hat{\theta}$ be an MLE of θ . What is the CI for the parameter θ ?

Answer:

 $100(1-\alpha)\%$ CI for θ :

$$\hat{\theta} - Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\operatorname{Var}(\hat{\theta})} \le \theta \le \hat{\theta} + Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\operatorname{Var}(\hat{\theta})}.$$