

Examples for 10/19/2020 (2) and Examples for 10/23/2020 (2) (continued)

1. Let  $\beta > 0$  and let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from the distribution with probability density function

$$f(x; \beta) = \frac{\beta^2 \ln x}{x^{\beta+1}}, \quad x > 1, \quad \text{zero otherwise.}$$

Recall:  $W = \ln X$  has a  $\text{Gamma}(\alpha = 2, \theta = \frac{1}{\beta})$  distribution.

$$\Rightarrow Y = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i = \sum_{i=1}^n W_i \text{ has a } \text{Gamma}(\alpha = 2n, \theta = \frac{1}{\beta}) \text{ distribution.}$$

- k) Suggest a confidence interval for  $\beta$  with  $(1 - \alpha) 100\%$  confidence level.

① Use  $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i$ .

- ② If  $T$  has a  $\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \theta = 1/\lambda)$  distribution, where  $\alpha$  is an integer, then  $2T/\theta = 2\lambda T$  has a  $\chi^2(2\alpha)$  distribution (a chi-square distribution with  $2\alpha$  degrees of freedom).

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$$2\beta \sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i \text{ has a } \chi^2(2\alpha = 4n) \text{ distribution.}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2(4n) < 2\beta \sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i < \chi_{\alpha/2}^2(4n)) = 1 - \alpha.$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\frac{\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2(4n)}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i} < \beta < \frac{\chi_{\alpha/2}^2(4n)}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i}\right) = 1 - \alpha.$$

A  $(1 - \alpha) 100\%$  confidence interval for  $\beta$ :

$$\left( \frac{\chi^2_{1-\alpha/2}(4n)}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i}, \frac{\chi^2_{\alpha/2}(4n)}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i} \right).$$

- l) Suppose  $n = 5$ , and  $x_1 = 1.3, x_2 = 1.4, x_3 = 2.0, x_4 = 3.0, x_5 = 5.0$ .  
Use part (k) to construct a 95% confidence interval for  $\beta$ .

$$\chi^2_{0.975}(20) = 9.591, \quad \chi^2_{0.025}(20) = 34.17.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i = \ln 1.3 + \ln 1.4 + \ln 2.0 + \ln 3.0 + \ln 5.0 \approx 4.$$

$$\left( \frac{\chi^2_{1-\alpha/2}(4n)}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i}, \frac{\chi^2_{\alpha/2}(4n)}{2 \sum_{i=1}^n \ln x_i} \right) = \left( \frac{9.591}{2 \cdot 4}, \frac{34.17}{2 \cdot 4} \right) \approx (1.20, 4.27).$$

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> x = c(1.3,1.4,2.0,3.0,5.0)
> y = sum(log(x))
> y
[1] 4.000034
> qchisq(0.025,4*5)
[1] 9.590777
> qchisq(0.025,4*5)/(2*y)
[1] 1.198837
> qchisq(0.975,4*5)
[1] 34.16961
> qchisq(0.975,4*5)/(2*y)
[1] 4.271165
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Recall:  $\hat{\beta} = \frac{2n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \ln X_i}$  is the maximum likelihood estimator for  $\beta$ .

m) Show that  $\hat{\beta}$  is asymptotically normally distributed (as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Find the parameters.

① By CLT,  $\sqrt{n} (\bar{W} - \mu_W) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \sigma_W^2)$ .

② If  $g(x)$  is differentiable at  $\mu$  and  $g'(\mu) \neq 0$ , then

$$\sqrt{n} (g(\bar{W}) - g(\mu_W)) \xrightarrow{D} N\left(0, [g'(\mu_W)]^2 \sigma_W^2\right).$$

That is, for large  $n$ ,

$$g(\bar{W}) \text{ is approximately } N(g(\mu_W), [g'(\mu_W)]^2 \frac{\sigma_W^2}{n}).$$

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By CLT,  $\sqrt{n} (\bar{W} - \mu_W) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \sigma_W^2)$ .

$$\sqrt{n} \left( \bar{W} - \frac{2}{\beta} \right) \xrightarrow{D} N\left(0, \frac{2}{\beta^2}\right).$$

$$g(x) = \frac{2}{x}. \quad g(\bar{W}) = \hat{\beta}. \quad g\left(\frac{2}{\beta}\right) = \beta.$$

$$g'(x) = -\frac{2}{x^2}. \quad g'\left(\frac{2}{\beta}\right) = -\frac{\beta^2}{2}. \quad \left(-\frac{\beta^2}{2}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{2}{\beta^2} = \frac{\beta^2}{2}.$$

$$\sqrt{n} \left( g(\bar{W}) - g\left(\frac{2}{\beta}\right) \right) = \sqrt{n} (\hat{\beta} - \beta) \xrightarrow{D} N\left(0, \frac{\beta^2}{2}\right).$$

For large  $n$ ,  $\hat{\beta} \sim N\left(\beta, \frac{\beta^2}{2n}\right)$ .