

GG5204: STATISTICAL INFERENCE
Autumn 2020
Homework 2

Homework is due Thursday, November 26 at 11pm. Read Sections 8.1-8.7 and 9.1-9.8 of DeGroot and Schervish. You may find solutions to some problems in various sources, including solution manual for the textbook. I encourage you to solve the problems yourself rather than obtain solutions, homework is your most valuable tool in studying and preparing for the exams. As I mentioned previously, you may work in groups but do write up on your own and mention the people you collaborated with (no points will be taken off for collaboration as long as there is no evidence of copying).

1. Let $Y \sim \text{Bin}(100, p)$. To test $H_0 : p = 0.08$ against $H_A : p < 0.08$, we reject H_0 and accept H_A if and only if $Y = 6$.
 - (a) Determine the significance level α of the test.
 - (b) Find the probability of type II error if in fact $p = .04$.
2. Let $Y \sim \text{Bin}(300, p)$. If the observed value of Y is $y = 75$, find an approximate 90 percent confidence interval for p .
3. Let \bar{X} be the sample mean of a random sample of size 25 from a gamma distribution with density:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{6\beta^\alpha} x^3 e^{-x/\beta}, \quad x > 0.$$

Use the central limit theorem to find an approximate .954 confidence interval for $\mu = 4\beta$, the mean of this distribution.

4. Let $X \sim \text{Bin}(10, p)$, $p \in (1/4, 1/2)$. The simple hypothesis $H_0 : p = 1/2$ is rejected and alternative simple hypothesis $H_A : p = 1/4$ is accepted, if the observed value of X_1 , the random sample of size 1, is less than or equal to 3. Find the power function of the test.
5. If X_1, X_2 is a random sample of size 2 from a distribution having a pdf

$$f(x; \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-x/\theta}, \quad 0 < x < \infty, \quad 0 < \theta < \infty.$$

Find the joint pdf of the sufficient statistic $Y_1 = X_1 + X_2$ for θ and $Y_2 = X_2$. Show that Y_2 is an unbiased estimator of θ with variance 2. Find $E(Y_2|y_1) = \phi(y_1)$ and the variance of $\phi(Y_1)$.

6. Let X have a Poisson distribution with mean θ . Consider the simple null hypothesis $H_0 : \theta = 1/2$ and the alternative hypothesis $H_A : \theta < 1/2$. Thus $\Omega = \theta : 0 < \theta \leq 1/2$. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{12} denote a random sample of size 12 from this distribution. We reject H_0 if and only if the observed value of $Y = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{12} \leq 2$. If $\beta(\theta)$ is the power function of the test, find the powers $\beta(1/2), \beta(1/3), \beta(1/4), \beta(1/6)$, and $\beta(1/12)$. Sketch the graph of $\beta(\theta)$. What is the significance level of the test?
7. Let $Y_1 < Y_2 < Y_3 < Y_4$ be the order statistics of a random sample of size $n = 4$ from a distribution with p.d.f. $f(x; \theta) = 1/\theta$, $0 < x < \theta$, $\theta > 0$. The hypothesis $H_0 : \theta = 1$ is rejected and $H_A : \theta > 1$ is accepted if $Y_4 \geq c$.
 - (a) Find the constant c so that the significance level is $\alpha = .05$.
 - (b) Determine the power function of the test.
8. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from a normal distribution with unknown mean. In testing $H_0 : \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$ against $H_A : \sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2$, use the critical region defined by $nS^2/\sigma_0^2 \geq c$. If $n = 13$ and the significance level $\alpha = .025$, find c .
9. DeGroot and Schervish, #10 on page 529.
10. DeGroot and Schervish, #13 on page 529.
11. DeGroot and Schervish, #22 a,b,d on page 529.
12. DeGroot and Schervish, #9 on page 622.
13. DeGroot and Schervish, #11 on page 622.
14. DeGroot and Schervish, #12 on page 622.
15. DeGroot and Schervish, #13 on page 622.