

STAT 231

October 24, 2016.

My tutorial — 6-00 pm.

INTERVAL ESTIMATION

(1) Recap the Binomial model

(2) The Chi-Squared distribution:

$$X \sim \chi_n^2$$

$n = \text{degrees of freedom.}$

(3) The Student's T-distribution:

$$X \sim t_n$$

$n = \text{degrees of freedom.}$

BINOMIAL ESTIMATION

$$Y \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$$

θ = parameter of interest

(Application: Opinion Polls)

Objective: To construct a C.I for θ using our sample.

y = # of successes in y our sample.

Using the CLT,

Coverage Interval.

$$\left[\tilde{\theta} \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta})}{n}} \right]$$

95%

$$z^* = 1.96$$

z^* depends on
the level of
confidence.

Confidence Interval:

$$\hat{\theta} = y/n$$

$$\left[\hat{\theta} \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta})}{n}} \right]$$

< 0.035

Hillary Beats Trump (ABC)

50

38



θ = proportion of Hillary supporters

$$\hat{\theta} = \text{MLE} = 50\% = 0.5$$

$$\text{MOE} = \pm 0. \underline{\underline{3.5\%}}, \quad \underline{19 \text{ times}}$$

out of 20. → level of
Confidence.

$$\hat{\theta} = \text{Sample prop.} \quad z^* = 1.96.$$

TO SELECT THE RIGHT SAMPLE SIZE.

Before we do the survey, we
want to make sure that the
 $MOE \leq d$ ($d = 0.03$)

To guarantee that, we need to choose

n s.t

$$\boxed{n \geq \left(\frac{z^*}{d} \right)^2 \times \frac{1}{4}}$$

Choose n to be the next highest integer

② level of confidence = 95%

$$M.O.E \quad \pm 0.03$$

$$n \approx 1068$$

• For the ABC problem, the sample size (874), $M.O.E = 0.035$

Reducing MOE by $\frac{1}{2}$ we need to
take 4 times the sample size

CHI-SQUARED DISTRIBUTION

Definition: Let W be a r.v. which
takes values $[0, \infty)$. W is said
to follow a Chi-Squared distⁿ
with n degrees of freedom if

$$W = z_1^2 + z_2^2 + \dots + z_n^2$$

where $z_i \sim N(0,1)$

z_i 's are independent.

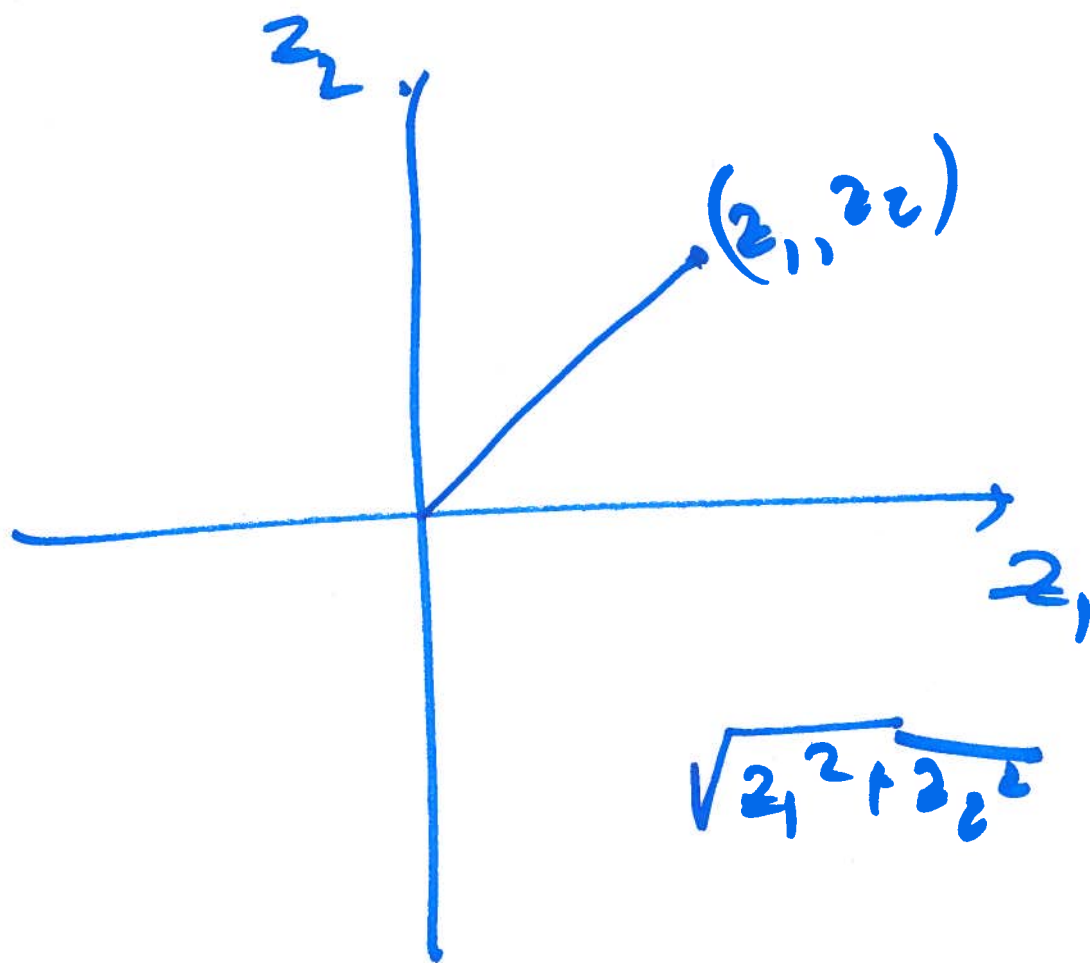
n = parameter of the Chi-Square.

Example: $W \sim \chi^2_2$

$$W = z_1^2 + z_2^2$$

$z_i \sim N(0,1)$

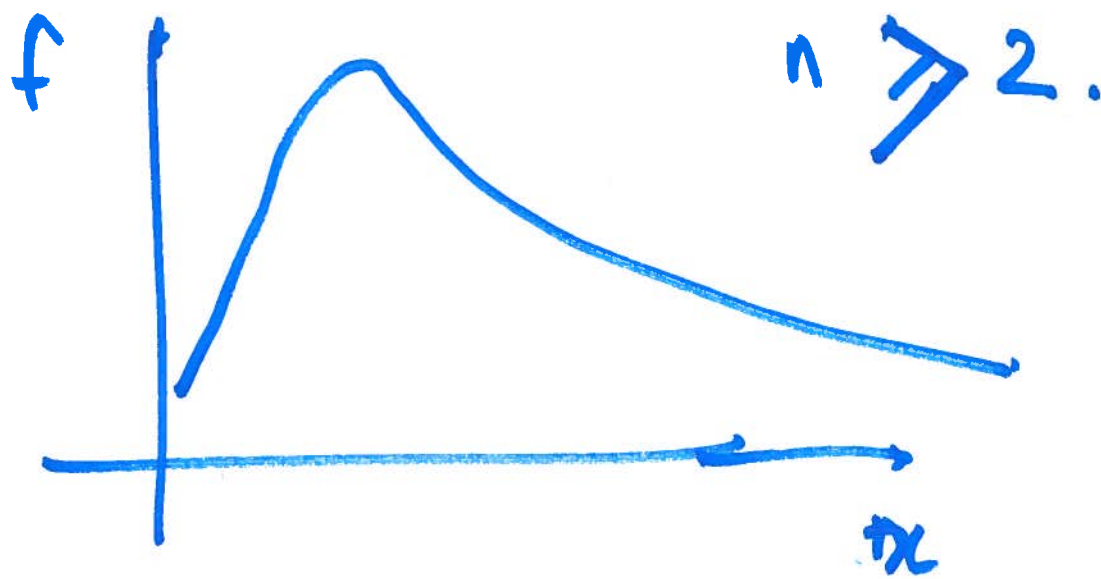
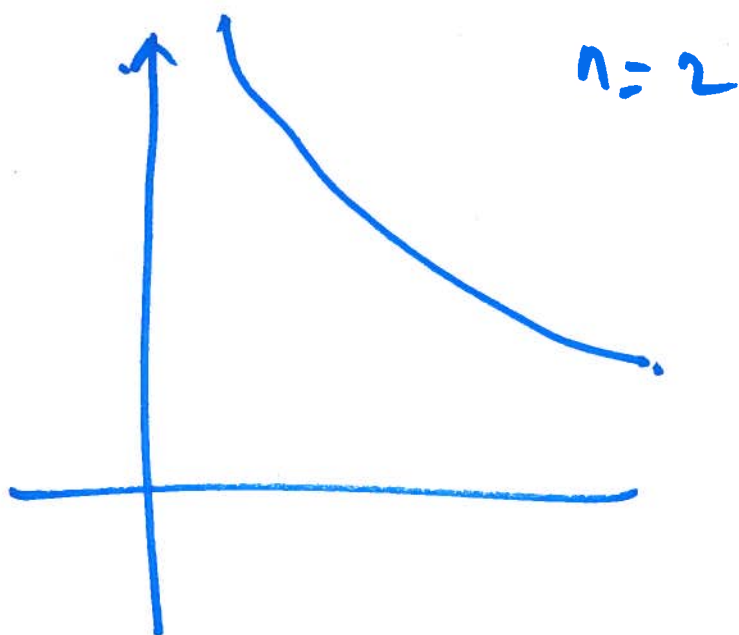
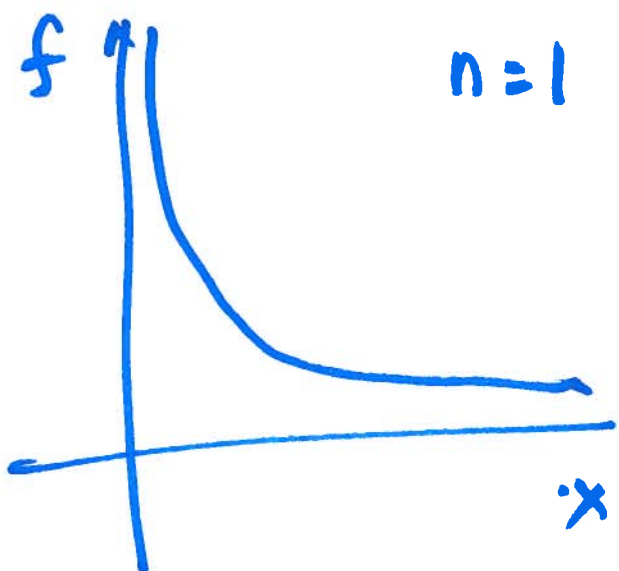
z_1, z_2 are
indep.



$$z_1^2 + z_2^2.$$

The plot of all the squared distances of (z_1, z_2) from the origin $\sim z_2^2$

What does the density of Chi-Squared look like?



Properties of the Chi-Squared distribution:

Case I $df = 1$:

Example: Suppose $W \sim \chi^2_1$,

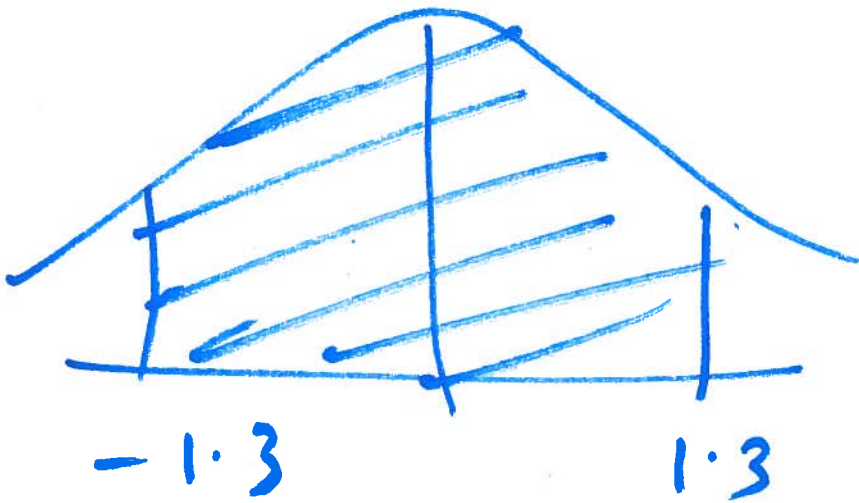
find $P(W \leq 1.69) = ?$

$$W = Z^2$$

$$Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$P(W \leq 1.69)$$

$$= P(Z^2 \leq 1.69) = P(-1.3 \leq Z \leq 1.3)$$

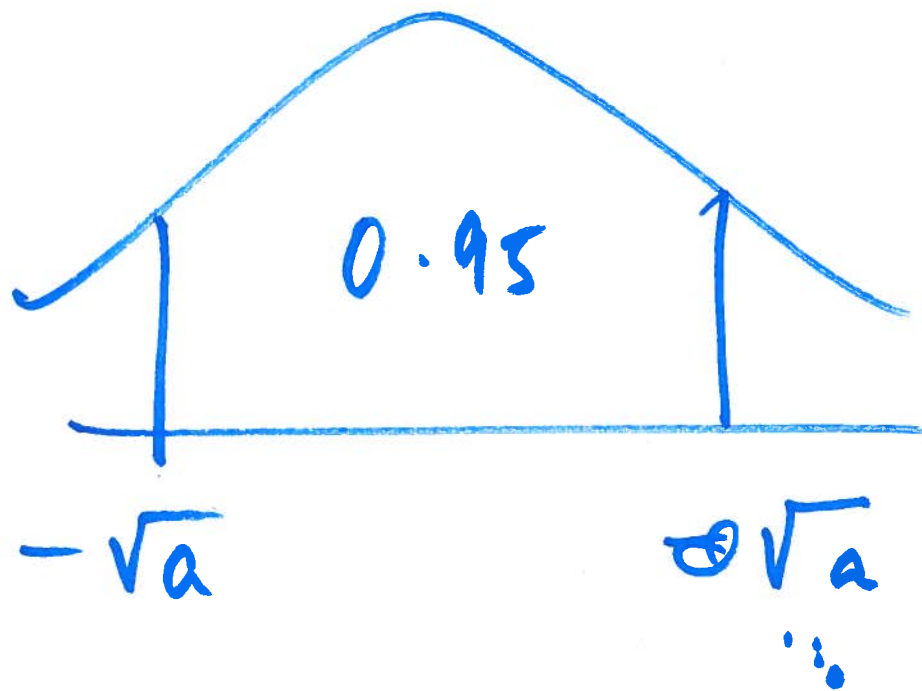


Example: Find the 95th percentile
of $W = \chi^2_1$ $a = ?$

$$P(W \leq a) = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow P(Z^2 \leq a) = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow P(-\sqrt{a} \leq Z \leq \sqrt{a}) = 0.95$$



\sqrt{a} can be calculated from the
Z-table.

Case II $n = 2$. df.

If $W \sim \chi^2_2$ it is the same as Exponential distribution with mean 2.

Density of Exponential

Example: Suppose $W \sim \chi^2_2$

Find $P(W \leq 2.5)$

$$\int_0^{2.5} \frac{1}{2} e^{-x/2} dx$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{\mu} e^{-x/\mu}}$$

Case III : n is "large"

If $W \sim \chi^2_n$ and n is large,

$$W \underset{\text{app}}{\sim} N(\mu, 2\mu)$$

Example : Suppose

$$W \sim \chi^2_{72} \text{ find } P(W \geq 96) \\ = ?$$

$$W \sim \chi^2_{72}$$

$$W \stackrel{\text{app}}{\sim} N(72, 144)$$

$\mu = \sigma^2$

$$P(W \geq 96)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{W - 72}{12} \geq \frac{96 - 72}{12}\right)$$

$$= P(\underline{Z} \geq 2)$$

Case IV n lies between 2
and "large"

For this, we need to look up
tables

Row = df

Column = Percentile probability:

30th percentile of $\chi^2_7 = ? \times$

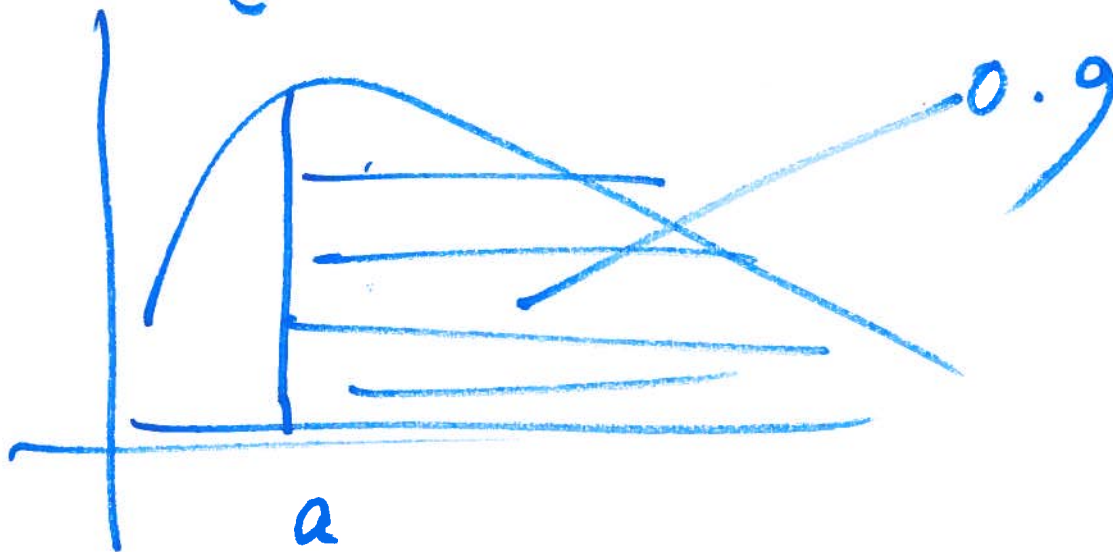
Row = 7; Column = 0.3 / $x = 4.671$

Example

• Suppose $W \sim \chi^2_5$. Find a .

such that

$$P(W \geq a) = 0.9$$



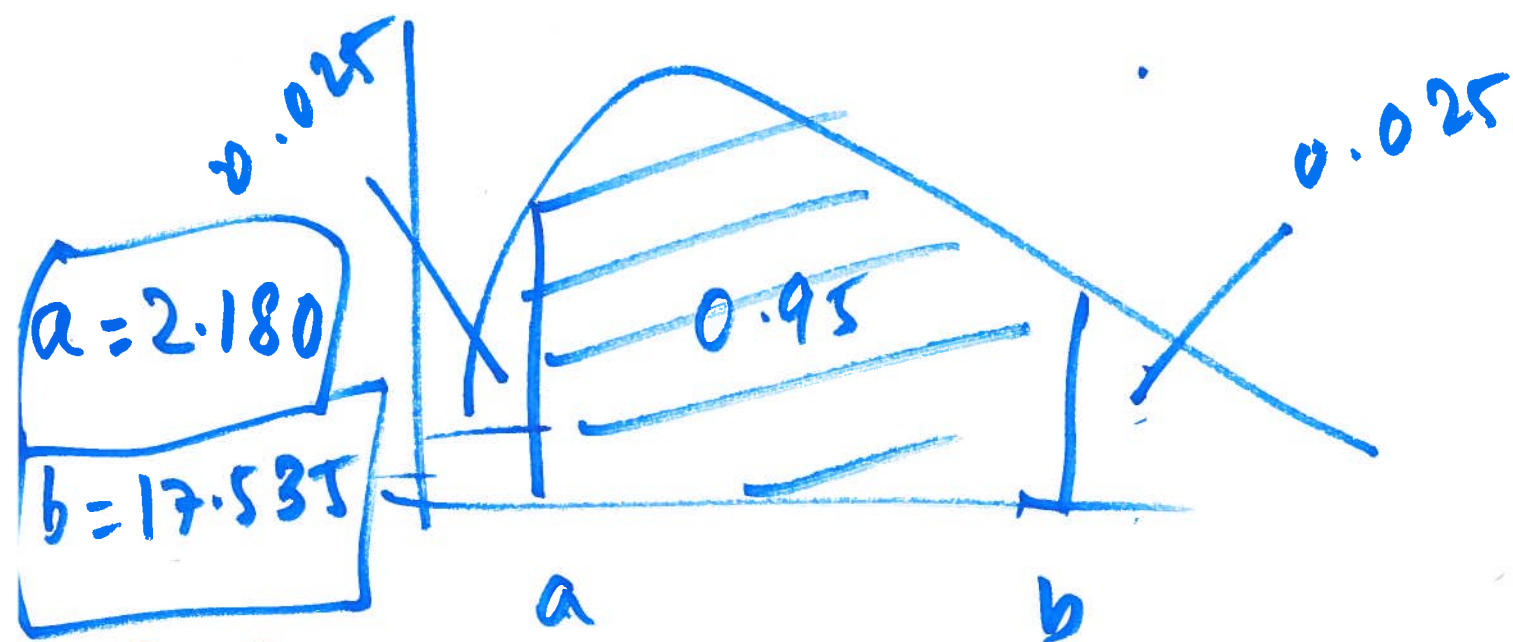
Row = 5 Column = 0.1

$$a = 1.610$$

Example:

Suppose $W \sim \chi^2_8$. Find a
and b such that

$$P(a \leq W \leq b) = 0.95$$



To find $b \rightarrow$ Row = 8 Column = 0.975
 $a \rightarrow$ Row = 8 Column = 0.025

Properties of Chi-Squared

① Let $W \sim \chi^2_n$, $E(W) = n$
 $V(W) = \underline{2n}$.

② Let $W_1 \sim \chi^2_{k_1}$
 $W_2 \sim \chi^2_{k_2}$

W_1 and W_2 are independent,

$$W_1 + W_2 \sim \chi^2_{k_1 + k_2}.$$

