

STA 250/MTH 342 Intro to Mathematical Statistics
Homework 10 Solutions

Solution 1: Exercise 9.5.8 (page 586)

We know when $\sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$, $V = \frac{(n-1)S_n^2}{\sigma_0^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$, regardless of the value of μ . Define $c = F_{\chi_{n-1}^2}^{-1}(1 - \alpha_0)/(n-1)$, then δ is the test that rejects H_0 if $S_n^2/\sigma_0^2 \geq c \iff V \geq F_{\chi_{n-1}^2}^{-1}(1 - \alpha_0)$. Now we proof that the power function $\pi(\mu, \sigma^2|\delta)$ has the following properties:

(i) $\pi(\mu, \sigma^2|\delta) < \alpha_0$ if $\sigma^2 < \sigma_0^2$; (ii) $\pi(\mu, \sigma^2|\delta) = \alpha_0$ if $\sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$; (iii) $\pi(\mu, \sigma^2|\delta) > \alpha_0$ if $\sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2$.

Proof: If $\sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$, then V has the χ_{n-1}^2 distribution. Hence,

$$\pi(\mu, \sigma_0^2|\delta) = \Pr(S_n^2/\sigma_0^2 \geq c|\mu, \sigma_0^2) = \Pr(V \geq F_{\chi_{n-1}^2}^{-1}(1 - \alpha_0)|\mu, \sigma_0^2) = \alpha_0.$$

This proves (i) above. For (ii) and (iii), define

$$V^* = \frac{(n-1)S_n^2}{\sigma^2} \quad \text{and} \quad W = \frac{\sigma_0^2}{\sigma^2}.$$

Then $V = V^*/W$. First, assume that $\sigma^2 < \sigma_0^2$ so that $W > 1$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\mu, \sigma^2|\delta) &= \Pr(V \geq F_{\chi_{n-1}^2}^{-1}(1 - \alpha_0)|\mu, \sigma^2) = \Pr(V^*/W \geq F_{\chi_{n-1}^2}^{-1}(1 - \alpha_0)|\mu, \sigma^2) \\ &= \Pr(V^* \geq F_{\chi_{n-1}^2}^{-1}(1 - \alpha_0)W|\mu, \sigma^2) < \Pr(V^* \geq F_{\chi_{n-1}^2}^{-1}(1 - \alpha_0)|\mu, \sigma^2). \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Since V^* has the χ_{n-1}^2 distribution, the last probability in (1) is α_0 . This proves (ii). For (iii), let $\sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2$ so that $W < 1$. The less-than in (1) becomes a greater-than, and (iii) is proven.

Solution 2: Exercise 9.5.12 (page 586)

The testing statistic is

$$T = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu_0)}{s} \sim t_{16}.$$

Here $n = 17$, $\mu_0 = 3$, $\bar{X} = 3.2$, $s = \sqrt{0.09 \times \frac{17}{17-1}} = \frac{3\sqrt{17}}{40}$. Thus the observed value is $T = \frac{8}{3} \approx 2.667$. The rejection region has the form $\mathcal{R}(C) = \{T > C\}$. The p -value is $1 - F_{t_{16}}(2.667) = 0.008437$.

Solution 3: Exercise 9.6.4 (page 596)

The random variable $\bar{X}_m - \bar{Y}_n$ has a normal distribution with mean 0 and variance $(\sigma_1^2/m) + (k\sigma_1^2/n)$. Therefore, the following random variable has the standard normal distribution:

$$Z_1 = \frac{\bar{X}_m - \bar{Y}_n}{(\frac{1}{m} + \frac{k}{n})^{1/2}\sigma_1}$$

The random variable S_X^2/σ_1^2 has a χ^2 distribution with $m - 1$ degrees of freedom. The random variable $S_Y^2/(k\sigma_1^2)$ has a χ^2 distribution with $n - 1$ degrees of freedom. These two random variables are independent. Therefore, $Z_2 = (1/\sigma^2)(S_X^2 + S_Y^2/k)$ has a χ^2 distribution with $m + n - 2$ degrees of freedom. Since Z_1 and Z_2 are independent, it follows that $U = (m + n - 2)^{1/2} Z_1/Z_2^{1/2}$ has the t distribution with $m + n - 2$ degrees of freedom.

Solution 4: Exercise 9.6.6 (page 596)

The testing statistic is

$$T = \frac{\sqrt{n + m - 2}(\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - \lambda)}{\left(\frac{1}{m} + \frac{1}{n}\right)^{1/2} \sqrt{S_X^2 + S_Y^2}} \sim t_{n+m-2},$$

and the rejection region is $\mathcal{R}(C) = \{T < c_1 \text{ or } T > c_2\}$, where $c_2 \geq c_1$ are two constants.

Solution 5: Exercise 9.6.10 (page 596)

Let X_i stand for an observation in the calcium supplement group and let Y_j stand for an observation in the placebo group. The summary statistics are:

$$m = 10,$$

$$n = 11,$$

$$\bar{x}_m = 109.9,$$

$$\bar{y}_n = 113.9,$$

$$s_x^2 = 546.9$$

$$s_y^2 = 1282.9.$$

We would reject the null hypothesis if $U > T_{19}^{-1}(0.9) = 1.328$. The test statistic has the observed value $u = -0.9350$. Since $u < 1.328$, we do not reject the null hypothesis.

Solution 6: (a). We assume the p -value has a continuous distribution. Let A_i denote the event that “the i ’th study report p -value < 0.01 ”. So $\Pr(A_i) = 0.01$. Let \tilde{A} denote the event that at least one of the 1000 studies reports $p < 0.01$. We have $\tilde{A} = A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots \cup A_{1000}$. So

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\tilde{A}) &= \Pr(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots \cup A_{1000}) = 1 - \Pr(A_1^c \cap A_2^c \cap \cdots \cap A_{1000}^c) = 1 - (1 - \Pr(A_1))^{1000} \\ &= 1 - (1 - 0.01)^{1000} = 1 - 0.99^{1000} = 0.999957. \end{aligned}$$

(b). Similarly, $\Pr(\tilde{A}) = 1 - (1 - \Pr(A_1))^{1000} = 1 - (1 - 0.0001)^{1000} = 1 - 0.9999^{1000} = 0.095167$.

(c). *Proof:* For a fixed α , denote A_i the event that in the i ’th study the p -value is less than $\alpha/1000$. So $\Pr(A_i) = \frac{\alpha}{1000}$. Denote \tilde{A} the event that at least one of the 1000 studies reports $p < \alpha/1000$. Similar

as before, we have

$$\Pr(\tilde{A}) = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{1000}\right)^{1000} = \int_0^\alpha \left(1 - \frac{t}{1000}\right)^{999} dt \leq \int_0^\alpha 1 dt = \alpha.$$

(d). Let B_i denote the event that the i 'th study gives a “significant” result at level 1% and the following study also gives a “significant” result at level 1%. We have $\Pr(B_i) = 0.01^2$. Let \tilde{B} denote the event that among the 1000 studies there is at least one whose p -value is less than 0.01 for both the original study and the follow-up study. One has

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\tilde{B}) &= \Pr(B_1 \cup B_2 \cup \cdots \cup B_{1000}) = 1 - \Pr(B_1^c \cap B_2^c \cap \cdots \cap B_{1000}^c) = 1 - (1 - \Pr(B_1))^{1000} \\ &= 1 - (1 - 0.0001)^{1000} = 1 - 0.9999^{1000} = 0.095167. \end{aligned}$$

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