

Getting inaccurate simulation results due to matlab struggling to evaluate the normal CDF at high quantiles. Thus, useful to have an upper bound on the truncated normal p-value. Based on “Bounding Standard Gaussian Tail Probabilities,” for Φ and ϕ the standard normal CDF and pdf, respectively,

$$\frac{2\phi(x)}{\sqrt{4+x^2}+x} \leq 1 - \Phi(x) \leq \frac{2\phi(x)}{\sqrt{2+x^2}+x}$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$.

Thus, since the normal p-value is

$$T = 1 - \frac{\Phi((X_i - \theta_0)/\sqrt{\sigma_{ii}}) - \Phi((\mathcal{V}_i^{lo}(X) - \theta_0)/\sqrt{\sigma_{ii}})}{\Phi(\mathcal{V}_i^{up}(X) - \theta_0)/\sqrt{\sigma_{ii}} - \Phi((\mathcal{V}_i^{lo}(X) - \theta_0)/\sqrt{\sigma_{ii}})},$$

if we define

$$t_i = (X_i - \theta_0) / \sqrt{\sigma_{ii}}$$

$$l_i = (\mathcal{V}_i^{lo}(X) - \theta_0) / \sqrt{\sigma_{ii}}$$

$$u_i = (\mathcal{V}_i^{up}(X) - \theta_0) / \sqrt{\sigma_{ii}}$$

then

$$1 - T = \frac{\Phi(t_i) - \Phi(t_i^{lo})}{\Phi(t_i^{up}) - \Phi(t_i^{lo})} = \frac{(1 - \Phi(t_i^{lo})) - (1 - \Phi(t_i))}{(1 - \Phi(t_i^{lo})) - (1 - \Phi(t_i^{up}))}.$$

Since both the numerator and denominator are positive, we know that this expression is increasing in the numerator and decreasing in the denominator, so

$$1 - T_i \geq \frac{\frac{2\phi(l_i)}{\sqrt{4+l_i^2}+l_i} - \frac{2\phi(t_i)}{\sqrt{2+t_i^2}+t_i}}{\frac{2\phi(l_i)}{\sqrt{2+l_i^2}+l_i} - \frac{2\phi(u_i)}{\sqrt{4+u_i^2}+u_i}}$$

provided t_i , u_i , and l_i are all positive. We can re-write the RHS as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\left(\sqrt{4+l_i^2}+l_i\right)^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}l_i^2} - \left(\sqrt{2+t_i^2}+t_i\right)^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t_i^2}}{\left(\sqrt{2+l_i^2}+l_i\right)^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}l_i^2} - \left(\sqrt{4+u_i^2}+u_i\right)^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}u_i^2}} \\ &= \frac{\left(\sqrt{4+l_i^2}+l_i\right)^{-1} - \left(\sqrt{2+t_i^2}+t_i\right)^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(t_i^2-l_i^2)}}{\left(\sqrt{2+l_i^2}+l_i\right)^{-1} - \left(\sqrt{4+u_i^2}+u_i\right)^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(u_i^2-l_i^2)}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$T_i \leq 1 - \frac{\left(\sqrt{4+l_i^2}+l_i\right)^{-1} - \left(\sqrt{2+t_i^2}+t_i\right)^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(t_i^2-l_i^2)}}{\left(\sqrt{2+l_i^2}+l_i\right)^{-1} - \left(\sqrt{4+u_i^2}+u_i\right)^{-1} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(u_i^2-l_i^2)}}.$$