

Statistical inference practice

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If T has 4 degrees of freedom, find t such that $\mathbb{P}(T \leq t) = 0.8$

Since $0.8 \geq 0.5$, we know that t is positive.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(T \leq t) &= 0.8 \\ \implies \mathbb{P}(T > t) &= 0.2 && \text{by symmetry} \\ \implies \mathbb{P}(|T| > t) &= 0.4 && \text{by the table} \\ \implies t &= 0.941\end{aligned}$$

If T has 4 degrees of freedom, find t such that $\mathbb{P}(T \leq t) = 0.1$

Since $0.1 \leq 0.5$, we know that t is negative.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(T \leq t) &= 0.1 \\ \implies \mathbb{P}(T > -t) &= 0.1 && \text{by symmetry} \\ \implies \mathbb{P}(|T| > -t) &= 0.2 && \text{by the table} \\ \implies -t &= 1.533 \\ \implies t &= -1.533\end{aligned}$$

If T has 4 degrees of freedom, find t such that $\mathbb{P}(T \geq t) = 0.8$

Since $0.8 \geq 0.5$, we know that t is negative.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(T \geq t) &= 0.8 \\ \implies \mathbb{P}(T < t) &= 0.2 \\ \implies \mathbb{P}(T > -t) &= 0.2\end{aligned}$$

by symmetry

$$\implies \mathbb{P}(|T| > -t) = 0.4$$

by the table

$$\begin{aligned}\implies -t &= 0.941 \\ \implies t &= -0.941\end{aligned}$$

If T has 4 degrees of freedom, find t such that $\mathbb{P}(-t \leq T \leq t) = 0.9$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(-t \leq T \leq t) &= 0.9 \\ \implies \mathbb{P}(T \geq t) &= 0.1\end{aligned}$$

by the table

$$\implies t = 2.132$$

If T has 4 degrees of freedom, find the probability of $\mathbb{P}(T \leq -0.134)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(T \leq -0.134) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{P}(|T| \geq 0.134) \\ &= \frac{0.9}{2} \\ &= 0.45\end{aligned}$$

If T has 4 degrees of freedom, find the probability of $\mathbb{P}(T \geq -0.271)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(T \geq -0.271) &= 1 - \mathbb{P}(T \leq -0.271) \\ &= 1 - \mathbb{P}(T \geq 0.271) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{P}(|T| \geq 0.271) \\ &= 1 - \frac{0.8}{2} \\ &= 0.6\end{aligned}$$

If T has 4 degrees of freedom, find the probability of $\mathbb{P}(T \leq 0.941)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(T \leq 0.941) &= 1 - \mathbb{P}(T \geq 0.941) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{P}(|T| \geq 0.941) \\ &= 1 - \frac{0.4}{2} \\ &= 0.8\end{aligned}$$

If T has 4 degrees of freedom, find the probability of $\mathbb{P}(-0.414 \leq T \leq 1.533)$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(-0.414 \leq T \leq 1.533) &= \mathbb{P}(T \leq 1.533) - \mathbb{P}(T \leq -0.414) \\ &= 1 - \mathbb{P}(T \geq 1.533) - \mathbb{P}(T \leq -0.414) \\ &= 1 - \frac{0.2}{2} - \frac{0.7}{2} \\ &= 0.55\end{aligned}$$