

STATS 2107
Statistical Modelling and Inference II
Tutorial 2

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1.
 - a. If $X \sim \chi_k^2$, show that $E(X) = k$ and $\text{Var}(X) = 2k$. **Hint: Use MGFs.**
 - b. Suppose $X_1 \sim \chi_{k_1}^2$ and $X_2 \sim \chi_{k_2}^2$ independently. Find the distribution of $X_1 + X_2$.
2. A random sample of 500 hospital records shows that the length of stay in one of South Australia's hospitals had a (sample) mean 5.4 days and (population) standard deviation 3.1 days.
 - a. A health agency hypothesizes that the average length of stay is 5 days. Do the data support this hypothesis? You may use $\alpha = 0.05$.
 - b. For the hypothesis test in part a, and using the significance level $\alpha = 0.05$, find β for $\mu = 5.5$.
Hint: first calculate the power using the formula from the lectures.
 - c. How large should the sample size be if we require that $\alpha = 0.01$ and $\beta = 0.05$, assuming $\mu = 5.5$?
3. A study is to be conducted to investigate the amount of toxic chemicals in freshwater lakes. A common measure of toxicity for any pollutant is LC50 (lethal concentration killing 50% of test species), which is the concentration of the pollutant that will kill half of the test species in a given amount of time (usually 96 hours for fish species). In many studies, the natural logarithm of LC50 measurements, $\log(\text{LC50})$, are normally distributed. For copper, the variance of $\log(\text{LC50})$ measurements is around 0.4 mg/L (milligrams per litre) on fish species A and around 0.8 mg/L for fish species B.
 - a. Suppose 10 samples were collected for species A. Find the probability that the sample mean of $\log(\text{LC50})$ will differ from the population mean by no more than 0.5.
 - b. If we want the sample mean (for species A) to differ from the population by no more than 0.5 with probability 0.95, how many samples do we need to collect?
 - c. Assuming the population mean for both species is the same, what is the probability that the sample mean of species A will exceed the sample mean of species B by at least 1 mg/L, if we collected 10 measurements from each species?
4. Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m and Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n are independent random samples, with $X_i \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ and $Y_j \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ and $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$.
 - a. State $E(\bar{X} - \bar{Y})$.
 - b. State $\text{Var}(\bar{X} - \bar{Y})$.
 - c. What is the sample size needed so that $(\bar{X} - \bar{Y})$ will be within k units of $(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$ with probability $1 - \alpha$? You may assume $m = n$.