

Assignment 10

PM522b Introduction to the Theory of Statistics Part 2

Due: April 17, 2018

1. Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Beta}(\theta, 1)$. Construct a $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval for θ using a pivotal quantity.
2. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n1} and Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{n2} be two independent random samples from $N(\mu_1, 1)$ and $N(\mu_2, 1)$, respectively. Construct a $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval for the difference $\mu_1 - \mu_2$.
3. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n1} and Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{n2} be two independent random samples from $N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ and $N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$. Find the $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval for the ratio σ_1^2/σ_2^2 .
4. Given a random sample from $f(x|\theta) = \frac{\theta}{(x+1)^{\theta+1}}, x \geq 0$ find a 95% confidence interval using a pivotal quantity.
5. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $U(\theta, 1)$
 - a) Show that $\frac{X_{(1)} - \theta}{1 - \theta}$ is a pivotal quantity.
 - b) Derive a $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval using this pivotal quantity.
 - c) Derive a $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval by pivoting the CDF of $X_{(1)}$.
6. Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\theta)$ show that both pivoting the CDF and using the pivotal quantity $2 \sum_{i=1}^n X/\theta$ result in the same interval estimator.