

# Statistics II: Introduction to Inference

## Problem set 7

1. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, 1)$ .

- (a) Consider testing the hypotheses

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \mu > \mu_0.$$

Suppose we want the power of the MP test of size  $\alpha$  to be at least  $(1 - \beta)$ , for some fixed  $0 < \beta < 1$  when  $\mu = \mu_1$  ( $\mu_1 > \mu_0$ ). Determine the minimum sample size  $n$  required to achieve this power level.

- (b) Find the confidence interval for  $\mu$  based on the sample. Then, determine the minimum sample size  $n$  such that the length of the confidence interval for  $\mu$  is at most  $l$ .

2. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$  and  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$ , where  $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2$  known.

- (a) Consider testing the hypotheses

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \mu_1 > \mu_2.$$

Suppose we want the power of the MP test of size  $\alpha$  to be at least  $(1 - \beta)$ , for some fixed  $0 < \beta < 1$  when  $\mu_1 - \mu_2 = \delta$  ( $\delta > 0$ ). Determine the minimum sample size  $n$  required to achieve this power level.

- (b) Construct a confidence interval for the difference  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ . Determine the minimum sample size  $n$  such that length of the confidence interval does not exceed a specified value  $l$ .

3. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Uniform}(0, \theta)$ .

- (a) Consider testing the hypotheses

$$H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \theta > \theta_0.$$

Find the minimum sample size  $n$  such that the most powerful (MP) test of size  $\alpha$  has power at least  $1 - \beta$  for some fixed  $0 < \beta < 1$  when  $\theta = \theta_1$  ( $\theta_1 > \theta_0$ ).

- (b) Construct a confidence interval  $(L, U)$  for  $\theta$ . Determine the minimum sample size  $n$  such that the ratio of the upper bound (U) to the lower bound (L) of the confidence interval does not exceed a specified value  $l$ .

4. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . Construct a confidence interval for  $\sigma^2$ . Determine the minimum sample size  $n$  (numerically) such that the ratio of the upper bound and lower bound of the confidence interval does not exceed a specified value  $l = 1.5$ . The following table provides critical values of the chi-squared distribution for various sample sizes:

Sample Size $n$	187	188	189	190	191	192	193
$\chi_{n-1; 1-\alpha/2}^2$	150.126	151.024	151.923	152.822	153.721	154.621	155.521
$\chi_{n-1; \alpha/2}^2$	225.660	226.761	227.863	228.964	230.064	231.165	232.265

Here,  $\chi_{n-1; \alpha/2}^2$  and  $\chi_{n-1; 1-\alpha/2}^2$  denote the upper and lower critical values, respectively, of the chi-squared distribution with  $n - 1$  degrees of freedom, respectively.