

**SOLUTIONS TO
STATISTICAL METHODS EXAM**

Solutions to Question 1 Let X denote a random variable with its probability density function given by

$$f_X(x) = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right)}{s \left[1 + \exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right)\right]^2}$$

for $-\infty < x < +\infty$, $-\infty < \mu < +\infty$ and $s > 0$. X is said to have a logistic distribution with parameters μ and s .

(a) The cumulative distribution function of X is

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{y-\mu}{s}\right)}{s \left[1 + \exp\left(-\frac{y-\mu}{s}\right)\right]^2} dy \\ &= - \int_{+\infty}^{\exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right)} \frac{1}{[1+z]^2} dz \\ &= \int_{\exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right)}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{[1+z]^2} dz \\ &= \left\{ -[1+z]^{-1} \right\}_{\exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right)}^{+\infty} \\ &= 0 - \left\{ - \left[1 + \exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right) \right]^{-1} \right\} \\ &= \left[1 + \exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right) \right]^{-1}, \end{aligned}$$

where we have set $z = \exp\left(-\frac{y-\mu}{s}\right)$.

(6 marks)

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(b) The moment generating function of X is

$$\begin{aligned} M_X(t) &= E[\exp(tX)] \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\exp\left(tx - \frac{x-\mu}{s}\right)}{s \left[1 + \exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right)\right]^2} dx \\ &= - \int_{+\infty}^0 \frac{\exp[t(\mu - s \log z)]}{[1+z]^2} dz \\ &= \exp(\mu t) \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{z^{-st}}{[1+z]^2} dz \\ &= - \exp(\mu t) \int_1^0 \left(\frac{1-w}{w}\right)^{-st} dw \\ &= \exp(\mu t) \int_0^1 w^{st} (1-w)^{-st} dw \\ &= \exp(\mu t) B(1-st, 1+st), \end{aligned}$$

where we have set $z = \exp\left(-\frac{y-\mu}{s}\right)$ and $w = \frac{1}{1+z}$. (6 marks)

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(c) The mgf can be rewritten as

$$M_X(t) = \exp(\mu t) \Gamma(1-st) \Gamma(1+st).$$

Its first two derivatives are

$$\begin{aligned} M'_X(t) &= \mu \exp(\mu t) \Gamma(1-st) \Gamma(1+st) - s \exp(\mu t) \Gamma'(1-st) \Gamma(1+st) \\ &\quad + s \exp(\mu t) \Gamma(1-st) \Gamma'(1+st), \\ M''_X(t) &= \mu^2 \exp(\mu t) \Gamma(1-st) \Gamma(1+st) - \mu s \exp(\mu t) \Gamma'(1-st) \Gamma(1+st) \\ &\quad + \mu s \exp(\mu t) \Gamma(1-st) \Gamma'(1+st) - \mu s \exp(\mu t) \Gamma'(1-st) \Gamma(1+st) \\ &\quad + s^2 \exp(\mu t) \Gamma''(1-st) \Gamma(1+st) - s^2 \exp(\mu t) \Gamma'(1-st) \Gamma'(1+st) \\ &\quad + \mu s \exp(\mu t) \Gamma(1-st) \Gamma'(1+st) - s^2 \exp(\mu t) \Gamma'(1-st) \Gamma'(1+st) \\ &\quad + s^2 \exp(\mu t) \Gamma(1-st) \Gamma''(1+st). \end{aligned}$$

Setting $t = 0$ gives

$$\begin{aligned} E(X) &= M'_X(0) = \mu \Gamma(1) \Gamma(1) - s \Gamma'(1) \Gamma(1) + s \Gamma(1) \Gamma'(1) = \mu, \\ E(X^2) &= M''_X(0) = \mu^2 \Gamma(1) \Gamma(1) - \mu s \Gamma'(1) \Gamma(1) + \mu s \Gamma(1) \Gamma'(1) \\ &\quad - \mu s \Gamma'(1) \Gamma(1) + s^2 \Gamma''(1) \Gamma(1) - s^2 \Gamma'(1) \Gamma'(1) \\ &\quad + \mu s \Gamma(1) \Gamma'(1) - s^2 \Gamma'(1) \Gamma'(1) + s^2 \Gamma(1) \Gamma''(1) = \mu^2 + \\ &\quad 2s^2 \Gamma''(1) - 2s^2 [\Gamma'(1)]^2. \end{aligned}$$

So, the variance of X is $2s^2 \Gamma''(1) - 2s^2 [\Gamma'(1)]^2$. (6 marks)

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(d) Suppose Y and Z are independent unit exponential random variables. The moment generating function of $W = -\log\left(\frac{Y}{Z}\right) = -\log Y + \log Z$ is

$$\begin{aligned} M_W(t) &= E[\exp(tW)] \\ &= E[\exp(-t \log Y + t \log Z)] \\ &= E[\exp(-t \log Y)] E[\exp(t \log Z)] \\ &= \left[\int_0^\infty \exp(-t \log y) \exp(-y) dy \right] \left[\int_0^\infty \exp(t \log z) \exp(-z) dz \right] \\ &= \left[\int_0^\infty y^{-t} \exp(-y) dy \right] \left[\int_0^\infty z^t \exp(-z) dz \right] \\ &= \Gamma(1-t) \Gamma(1+t). \end{aligned}$$

(5 marks)

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(e) Since $M_W(t) = \Gamma(1-t) \Gamma(1+t) = B(1-t, 1+t)$, W follows the logistic distribution with $\mu = 0$ and $s = 1$. (2 marks)

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Solutions to Question 2 (a) Suppose $\hat{\theta}$ is an estimator of θ based on a random sample of size n . Define what is meant by the following:

- (i) $\hat{\theta}$ is an unbiased estimator of θ if $E(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$; (2 marks)
- (ii) $\hat{\theta}$ is an asymptotically unbiased estimator of θ if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$; (2 marks)
- (iii) the bias of $\hat{\theta}$ is $E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta$; (2 marks)
- (iv) the mean squared error of $\hat{\theta}$ is $E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2]$; (2 marks)
- (v) $\hat{\theta}$ is a consistent estimator of θ if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] = 0$. (2 marks)

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(b) Suppose X_1 and X_2 are independent $\text{Exp}(1/\lambda)$ random variables. Let $\hat{\theta}_1 = a(X_1 + X_2)$ and $\hat{\theta}_2 = b\sqrt{X_1 X_2}$ denote possible estimators of λ , where a and b are constants.

- (i) The expectation of $\hat{\theta}_1$ is

$$\begin{aligned} E(\hat{\theta}_1) &= a[E(X_1) + E(X_2)] \\ &= 2a \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{x}{\lambda} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\lambda}\right) dx \\ &= 2a\lambda \int_0^{+\infty} y \exp(-y) dy \\ &= 2a\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

So, $\hat{\theta}_1$ is unbiased for λ if $a = 1/2$. (3 marks)

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- (ii) The expectation of $\hat{\theta}_2$ is

$$\begin{aligned} E(\hat{\theta}_2) &= bE(\sqrt{X_1}) E(\sqrt{X_2}) \\ &= b \left[\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\lambda} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\lambda}\right) dx \right]^2 \\ &= b \left[\int_0^{+\infty} \sqrt{\lambda y} \exp(-y) dy \right]^2 \\ &= b\lambda \left[\int_0^{+\infty} \sqrt{y} \exp(-y) dy \right]^2 \\ &= b\lambda [\Gamma(3/2)]^2 \\ &= b\lambda\pi/4. \end{aligned}$$

So, $\hat{\theta}_2$ is unbiased for λ if $b = 4/\pi$. (3 marks)

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(iii) The variance of $\hat{\theta}_1$ is

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}_1) &= a^2 [\text{Var}(X_1) + \text{Var}(X_2)] \\ &= \\ &= 2a^2 \text{Var}(X_1) \\ &= 2a^2 \left[\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{x^2}{\lambda} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\lambda}\right) dx - \lambda^2 \right] \\ &= 2a^2 \left[\lambda^2 \int_0^{+\infty} y^2 \exp(-y) dy - \lambda^2 \right] \\ &= 2a^2 [\lambda^2 \Gamma(3) - \lambda^2] \\ &= 2a^2 \lambda^2 \\ &= \lambda^2/2.\end{aligned}$$

(3 marks)

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(iv) The variance of $\hat{\theta}_2$ is

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\theta}_2) = b^2 E(X_1) E(X_2) - \lambda^2 = b^2 \lambda^2 - \lambda^2 = (b^2 - 1) \lambda^2 = \left(\frac{16}{\pi^2} - 1\right) \lambda^2.$$

(3 marks)

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(v) Clearly, $\lambda^2/2 < \left(\frac{16}{\pi^2} - 1\right) \lambda^2$, so the estimator $\hat{\theta}_1$ is better with respect to mean squared error.
(3 marks)

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Solutions to Question 3 Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is a random sample from the discrete uniform distribution on the set of integers $\{1, 2, \dots, N\}$, where $N \geq 1$ is an unknown parameter.

(a) The likelihood function of N is

$$\begin{aligned} L(N) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{1}{N} I\{1 \leq X_i \leq N\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{N^n} \prod_{i=1}^n [I\{1 \leq X_i \leq N\}] \\ &= \frac{1}{N^n} I\{1 \leq \min(X_1, \dots, X_N)\} I\{\max(X_1, \dots, X_N) \leq N\}. \end{aligned}$$

(3 marks)

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(b) Plot $L(N)$ versus N . You will see $L(N)$ attains its largest value when $N = \max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$. Hence, the maximum likelihood estimator of N is $\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$. (3 marks)

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(c) Let $Z = \max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$. The cumulative distribution function of Z is

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(Z \leq z) &= \Pr[\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N) \leq z] \\ &= \Pr[X_1 \leq z, X_2 \leq z, \dots, X_N \leq z] \\ &= \Pr[X_1 \leq z] \Pr[X_2 \leq z] \cdots \Pr[X_N \leq z] \\ &= \frac{z}{N} \frac{z}{N} \cdots \frac{z}{N} \\ &= \left(\frac{z}{N}\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

for integer z . The probability mass function of Z is

$$\left(\frac{z}{N}\right)^n - \left(\frac{z-1}{N}\right)^n$$

for integer z .

(3 marks)

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(d) $\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$ is a biased estimator of N since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Bias}[\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)] &= E[\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)] - N \\ &= \sum_{z=1}^N z \left[\left(\frac{z}{N}\right)^n - \left(\frac{z-1}{N}\right)^n \right] - N \\ &= \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [z^{n+1} - z(z-1)^n] - N \\ &= \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [z^{n+1} - (z-1+1)(z-1)^n] - N \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [z^{n+1} - (z-1)^{n+1} - (z-1)^n] - N \\
&= \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [z^{n+1} - (z-1)^{n+1}] - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n - N \\
&= \frac{1}{N^n} N^{n+1} - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n - N \\
&= -\frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n.
\end{aligned}$$

$\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$ is an asymptotically unbiased estimator of N since

$$-\frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n = -\sum_{z=1}^N \left(\frac{z-1}{N}\right)^n \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(8 marks)

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(e) $\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)$ is a consistent estimator of N since

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{Var}[\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)] \\
&= E[(\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N))^2] - E^2[\max(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N)] \\
&= \sum_{z=1}^N z^2 \left[\left(\frac{z}{N}\right)^n - \left(\frac{z-1}{N}\right)^n \right] - \left(N - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N z^2 [z^n - (z-1)^n] - \left(N - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [z^{n+2} - (z-1+1)^2 (z-1)^n] - \left(N - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [z^{n+2} - (z-1)^{n+2}] - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [2(z-1)^{n+1} + (z-1)^n] - \left(N - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n \right)^2 \\
&= N^2 - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [2(z-1)^{n+1} + (z-1)^n] - \left(N - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n \right)^2 \\
&= -\frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N [2(z-1)^{n+1} + (z-1)^n] + \frac{2N}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n - \left(\frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{2}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n (N-z+1) - \frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n - \left(\frac{1}{N^n} \sum_{z=1}^N (z-1)^n \right)^2 \\
&= 2 \sum_{z=1}^N \left(\frac{z-1}{N}\right)^n (N-z+1) - \sum_{z=1}^N \left(\frac{z-1}{N}\right)^n - \left(\sum_{z=1}^N \left(\frac{z-1}{N}\right)^n \right)^2 \\
&\rightarrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(8 marks)

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Solutions to Question 4 Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is a random sample from a distribution specified by the probability density function

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{s} \exp\left(-\frac{x - \mu}{s}\right)$$

for $x > \mu$, $\mu > 0$ and $s > 0$. Assume both μ and s are unknown.

(a) The joint likelihood function of μ and s is

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mu, s) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{1}{s} \exp\left(-\frac{X_i - \mu}{s}\right) I\{X_i \geq \mu\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{s^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\exp\left(-\frac{X_i - \mu}{s}\right) I\{X_i \geq \mu\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{s^n} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{s} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + \frac{n\mu}{s}\right) \left[\prod_{i=1}^n I\{X_i \geq \mu\} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{s^n} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{s} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + \frac{n\mu}{s}\right) I\{\min(X_1, \dots, X_n) \geq \mu\} \end{aligned}$$

(3 marks)

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(b) Plot $L(\mu, s)$ versus μ for fixed s . You will see L is a monotonic increasing function over $(0, \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)]$ and zero thereafter. So, it attains its largest value when $\mu = \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$. Hence, the maximum likelihood estimator of μ is $\min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$.

(3 marks)

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(c) The log likelihood function of s for fixed μ is

$$\log L(s) = -n \log s - \frac{1}{s} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + \frac{n\mu}{s} + \log I\{\min(X_1, \dots, X_n) \geq \mu\}$$

The derivative with respect to s is

$$\frac{\partial \log L(s)}{\partial s} = -\frac{n}{s} + \frac{1}{s^2} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \frac{n\mu}{s^2}.$$

Setting to zero and solving for s , we obtain

$$\hat{s} = \frac{1}{n} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - n\hat{\mu} \right] = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) - \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n).$$

(3 marks)

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(d) Let $Z = \min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$. The cdf of Z is

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_Z(z) &= \Pr[\min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) < z] \\
 &= 1 - \Pr[\min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) \geq z] \\
 &= 1 - \Pr[X_1 \geq z, X_2 \geq z, \dots, X_n \geq z] \\
 &= 1 - \Pr[X_1 \geq z] \Pr[X_2 \geq z] \cdots \Pr[X_n \geq z] \\
 &= 1 - (\Pr[X_1 \geq z])^n \\
 &= 1 - \left(\frac{1}{s} \int_z^{+\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right) dx \right)^n \\
 &= 1 - \left(\left[-\exp\left(-\frac{x-\mu}{s}\right) \right]_z^{+\infty} \right)^n \\
 &= 1 - \exp\left(-n \frac{z-\mu}{s}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

The corresponding pdf is

$$f_Z(z) = \frac{n}{s} \exp\left(-n \frac{z-\mu}{s}\right).$$

The expectation of Z is

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(Z) &= \frac{n}{s} \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} z \exp\left(-n \frac{z-\mu}{s}\right) dz \\
 &= \frac{n}{s} \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} (z - \mu + \mu) \exp\left(-n \frac{z-\mu}{s}\right) dz \\
 &= n \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} \frac{z-\mu}{s} \exp\left(-n \frac{z-\mu}{s}\right) dz + \frac{n\mu}{s} \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} \exp\left(-n \frac{z-\mu}{s}\right) dz \\
 &= ns \int_0^{+\infty} w \exp(-nw) dw + n\mu \int_0^{+\infty} \exp(-nw) dw \\
 &= \frac{s}{n} \int_0^{+\infty} w \exp(-w) dw + \mu \int_0^{+\infty} \exp(-w) dw \\
 &= \mu + \frac{s}{n}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The bias of Z is $\mu + \frac{s}{n} - \mu = \frac{s}{n} \neq 0$, so Z is biased for μ .

(8 marks)

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(e) The expectation of \hat{s} is

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(\hat{s}) &= \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(X_i) \right) - E[\min(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)] \\
 &= \frac{1}{s} \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} z \exp\left(-\frac{z-\mu}{s}\right) dz - \mu - \frac{s}{n} \\
 &= \frac{1}{s} \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} (z - \mu + \mu) \exp\left(-\frac{z-\mu}{s}\right) dz - \mu - \frac{s}{n} \\
 &= \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} \frac{z-\mu}{s} \exp\left(-\frac{z-\mu}{s}\right) dz + \frac{\mu}{s} \int_{\mu}^{+\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{z-\mu}{s}\right) dz - \mu - \frac{s}{n}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= s \int_0^{+\infty} w \exp(-w) dw + \mu \int_0^{+\infty} \exp(-w) dw - \mu - \frac{s}{n} \\ &= s + \mu - \mu - \frac{s}{n} \\ &= s - \frac{s}{n}. \end{aligned}$$

The bias of \hat{s} is $s - \frac{s}{n} - s \neq 0$, so \hat{s} is biased for s .

(8 marks)

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Solutions to Question 5 (a) Suppose we wish to test $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ versus $H_0 : \mu \neq \mu_0$.

- (i) the Type I error occurs if H_0 is rejected when in fact $\mu = \mu_0$; (2 marks)
- (ii) the Type II error occurs if H_0 is accepted when in fact $\mu \neq \mu_0$; (2 marks)
- (iii) the significance level is the probability of type I error; (2 marks)
- (iv) the power function: $\Pi(\mu) = \Pr(\text{Reject } H_0 \mid \mu)$. (2 marks)

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(b) Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m be a random sample from a normal population with mean μ_X assumed unknown and variance σ_X^2 assumed known. Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n be a random sample from a normal population with mean μ_Y assumed unknown and variance σ_Y^2 assumed known. Assume independence of the two samples. State the rejection region for each of the following tests:

- (i) The rejection region for $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ versus $H_1 : \mu_X \neq \mu_Y$ is

$$\frac{|\bar{X} - \bar{Y}|}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \geq z_{\alpha/2}.$$

(2 marks)

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- (ii) The rejection region for $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ versus $H_1 : \mu_X > \mu_Y$ is

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \geq z_{\alpha}.$$

(2 marks)

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- (iii) The rejection region for $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ versus $H_1 : \mu_X < \mu_Y$ is

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \leq -z_{\alpha}.$$

(2 marks)

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(c) Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m be a random sample from a normal population with mean μ_X and variance σ_X^2 assumed known. Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n be a random sample from a normal population with mean μ_Y and variance σ_Y^2 assumed known. Assume independence of the two samples.

(i) The power function, $\Pi(\mu_X, \mu_Y)$, for testing $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ versus $H_1 : \mu_X \neq \mu_Y$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pi(\mu_X, \mu_Y) &= \Pr\left(\frac{|\bar{X} - \bar{Y}|}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \geq z_{\alpha/2} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \geq z_{\alpha/2} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) + \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \leq -z_{\alpha/2} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_X - \mu_Y)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \geq z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&\quad + \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_X - \mu_Y)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \leq -z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= \Pr\left(N(0, 1) \geq z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&\quad + \Pr\left(N(0, 1) \leq -z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= 1 - \Phi\left(z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}}\right) + \Phi\left(-z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

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(ii) The power function, $\Pi(\mu_X, \mu_Y)$, for testing $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ versus $H_1 : \mu_X > \mu_Y$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pi(\mu_X, \mu_Y) &= \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \geq z_{\alpha} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_X - \mu_Y)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \geq z_{\alpha} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= \Pr\left(N(0, 1) \geq z_{\alpha} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= 1 - \Phi\left(z_{\alpha} - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

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(iii) The power function, $\Pi(\mu_X, \mu_Y)$, for testing $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ versus $H_1 : \mu_X < \mu_Y$ is

$$\Pi(\mu_X, \mu_Y) = \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \leq -z_{\alpha} \mid \mu_X, \mu_Y\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \Pr\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_X - \mu_Y)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \leq -z_\alpha - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \middle| \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= \Pr\left(N(0, 1) \leq -z_\alpha - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} \middle| \mu_X, \mu_Y\right) \\
&= \Phi\left(-z_\alpha - \frac{\mu_X - \mu_Y}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

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Note that we have used the fact $\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_X - \mu_Y)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{m} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}}} = Z \sim N(0, 1)$. Furthermore, $\Phi(\cdot)$ denotes the cumulative distribution function of $N(0, 1)$.

Solutions to Question 6

(a) The Neyman-Pearson test rejects $H_0 : \theta = \theta_1$ versus $H_1 : \theta = \theta_2$ if

$$\frac{L(\theta_1)}{L(\theta_2)} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i; \theta_1)}{\prod_{i=1}^n f(X_i; \theta_2)} < k$$

for some k .

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(b) Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is a random sample from a distribution specified by the probability density function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\theta} \exp\left(-\frac{|x|}{\theta}\right)$$

for $-\infty < x < +\infty$ and $\theta > 0$, where θ is unknown.

(i) The Neyman-Pearson test rejects $H_0 : \theta = \theta_1$ versus $H_1 : \theta = \theta_2$, $\theta_1 > \theta_2$ if

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{L(\theta_1)}{L(\theta_2)} &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2\theta_1} \exp\left(-\frac{|X_i|}{\theta_1}\right)}{\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2\theta_2} \exp\left(-\frac{|X_i|}{\theta_2}\right)} \\ &= \frac{\theta_2^n \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\theta_1} \sum_{i=1}^n |X_i|\right)}{\theta_1^n \exp\left(-\frac{1}{\theta_2} \sum_{i=1}^n |X_i|\right)} \\ &= \frac{\theta_2^n}{\theta_1^n} \exp\left[\left(\frac{1}{\theta_2} - \frac{1}{\theta_1}\right) \sum_{i=1}^n |X_i|\right] \\ &< k, \end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\theta_2^n}{\theta_1^n} \exp\left[\left(\frac{1}{\theta_2} - \frac{1}{\theta_1}\right) \sum_{i=1}^n |X_i|\right] < k \\ \Leftrightarrow &\exp\left[\left(\frac{1}{\theta_2} - \frac{1}{\theta_1}\right) \sum_{i=1}^n |X_i|\right] < \frac{\theta_1^n}{\theta_2^n} k \\ \Leftrightarrow &\left(\frac{1}{\theta_2} - \frac{1}{\theta_1}\right) \sum_{i=1}^n |X_i| < \log\left(\frac{\theta_1^n}{\theta_2^n} k\right) \\ \Leftrightarrow &\sum_{i=1}^n |X_i| < \left(\frac{1}{\theta_2} - \frac{1}{\theta_1}\right)^{-1} \log\left(\frac{\theta_1^n}{\theta_2^n} k\right) = c \end{aligned}$$

say.

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(ii) Let $Z = \sum_{i=1}^n |X_i|$. The mgf of Z is

$$\begin{aligned}
 M_Z(t) &= E[\exp(tZ)] \\
 &= E\left[\exp\left(t\sum_{i=1}^n |X_i|\right)\right] \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n E[\exp(t|X_i|)] \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{1}{2\theta} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \exp\left(t|x| - \frac{|x|}{\theta}\right) dx\right] \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^{+\infty} \exp\left(tx - \frac{x}{\theta}\right) dx\right] \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left\{ \frac{1}{\theta} \left(t - \frac{1}{\theta}\right)^{-1} \left[\exp\left(tx - \frac{x}{\theta}\right)\right]_0^{+\infty} \right\} \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left\{ \frac{1}{\theta} \left(t - \frac{1}{\theta}\right)^{-1} [0 - 1] \right\} \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left\{ \frac{1}{\theta} \left(\frac{1}{\theta} - t\right)^{-1} \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \left(\frac{1}{\theta} - t\right)^{-n}
 \end{aligned}$$

for $t < 1/\theta$, so Z is a gamma random variable with scale parameter $\frac{1}{\theta}$ and shape parameter n .

The power function for the rejection rule in part (i) is

$$\Pi(\theta) = \Pr(Z < c \mid \theta) = F_{\frac{1}{\theta}, n}(c),$$

where $F_{a,b}(\cdot)$ denotes the cdf of a gamma random variable with scale parameter a and shape parameter b . (8 marks)

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(iii) If $n = 1$, $\theta_1 = 1$ and $\alpha = 0.05$ then

$$F_{1,1}(c) = 0.05$$

which implies

$$1 - \exp(-c) = 0.05$$

which implies

$$c = -\log 0.95 = 0.051.$$

(2 marks)

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(iv) If $n = 1$, $\theta_1 = 1$, $\theta_2 = 0.5$ and $\alpha = 0.05$ then

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(\text{Type II error}) &= \Pr(\text{Accept } H_0 \mid H_1 \text{ is true}) \\ &= 1 - \Pr(\text{Reject } H_0 \mid H_1 \text{ is true}) \\ &= 1 - F_{2,1}(-\log 0.95) \\ &= 1 - [1 - \exp(2 \log 0.95)] \\ &= 0.9025.\end{aligned}$$

(3 marks)

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