

Homework 9

SOLUTIONS!

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. $N(a\mu + b, \sigma^2 + c)$

1. Assume that σ^2 is known. Construct a two sided CI for μ based on X_1, \dots, X_n when:

- a) $a = 1, b > 0, c = 0$

Solution:

(Let $Z_{\alpha/2}$ be the $1 - \alpha/2$ percentile of the $N(0, 1)$ distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{X} &\sim N\left(\mu + b, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right) \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - (\mu + b)}{\sigma} &\sim N(0, 1) \\ \Rightarrow P(-Z_{\alpha/2} < \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - (\mu + b)}{\sigma} < Z_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\ \Rightarrow P(\bar{X} - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2} < (\mu + b) < \bar{X} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\ \Rightarrow P(\bar{X} - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2} - b < \mu < \bar{X} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2} - b) &= 1 - \alpha\end{aligned}$$

So, our two sided $1 - \alpha$ CI for μ is $((\bar{X} - b) - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2}, (\bar{X} - b) + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2})$

- b) $a > 0, b = 0, c = 0$

Solution:

(Let $Z_{\alpha/2}$ be the $1 - \alpha/2$ percentile of the $N(0, 1)$ distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{X} &\sim N(a\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) \\
 \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - (a\mu)}{\sigma} &\sim N(0, 1) \\
 \Rightarrow P(-Z_{\alpha/2} < \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - (a\mu)}{\sigma} < Z_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\
 \Rightarrow P(\bar{X} - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2} < (a\mu) < \bar{X} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\
 \Rightarrow P(\frac{1}{a}(\bar{X} - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2}) < \mu < \frac{1}{a}(\bar{X} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2})) &= 1 - \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

So, our two sided $1 - \alpha$ CI for μ is $(\frac{1}{a}(\bar{X} - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2}), \frac{1}{a}(\bar{X} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2}))$

c) $a = 1, b = 0, c > 0$

Solution:

(Let $Z_{\alpha/2}$ be the $1 - \alpha/2$ percentile of the $N(0, 1)$ distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{X} &\sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2 + c}{n}) \\
 \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}} &\sim N(0, 1) \\
 \Rightarrow P(-Z_{\alpha/2} < \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}} < Z_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\
 \Rightarrow P(\bar{X} - \frac{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2} < \mu < \bar{X} + \frac{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

So, our two sided $1 - \alpha$ CI for μ is $(\bar{X} - \frac{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2}, \bar{X} + \frac{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}}{\sqrt{n}} Z_{\alpha/2})$

2. Assume that σ^2 is unknown. Construct a two sided CI for μ based on X_1, \dots, X_n when:

a) $a > 0, b > 0, c = 0$

Solution:

(Let $t_{\alpha/2}$ be the $1 - \alpha/2$ percentile of the t_{n-1} distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{X} &\sim N(a\mu + b, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}) \\
\Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - (a\mu + b)}{\sigma} &\sim N(0, 1) \\
&\rightarrow \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2} S_X^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2 \\
\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - (a\mu + b)}{\sigma}}{\sqrt{\frac{n-1}{\sigma^2} S_X^2 / (n-1)}} &= \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - (a\mu + b))}{\sqrt{S_X^2}} \\
&\sim t_{n-1} \\
\Rightarrow P(-t_{\alpha/2} < \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - (a\mu + b))}{\sqrt{S_X^2}} < t_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\bar{X} - \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2} < a\mu + b < \bar{X} + \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{1}{a}(\bar{X} - \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2} - b) < \mu < \frac{1}{a}(\bar{X} + \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2} - b)) &= 1 - \alpha
\end{aligned}$$

So, our two sided $1 - \alpha$ CI for μ is $(\frac{1}{a}((\bar{X} - b) - \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2}), \frac{1}{a}((\bar{X} - b) + \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2}))$

b) $a > 0, b > 0, c > 0$

Solution:

(Let $t_{\alpha/2}$ be the $1 - \alpha/2$ percentile of the t_{n-1} distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{X} &\sim N(a\mu + b, \frac{\sigma^2 + c}{n}) \\
\Rightarrow \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - (a\mu + b)}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}} &\sim N(0, 1) \\
&\rightarrow \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2 + c} S_X^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2 \\
\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X} - (a\mu + b)}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}}}{\sqrt{\frac{n-1}{\sigma^2 + c} S_X^2 / (n-1)}} &= \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}} \sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - (a\mu + b))}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 + c}} \sqrt{S_X^2}} \\
&= \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - (a\mu + b))}{\sqrt{S_X^2}} \\
&\sim t_{n-1} \\
\Rightarrow P(-t_{\alpha/2} < \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - (a\mu + b))}{\sqrt{S_X^2}} < t_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\bar{X} - \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2} < a\mu + b < \bar{X} + \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2}) &= 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{1}{a}(\bar{X} - \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2} - b) < \mu < \frac{1}{a}(\bar{X} + \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2} - b)) &= 1 - \alpha
\end{aligned}$$

So, our two sided $1 - \alpha$ CI for μ is $(\frac{1}{a}((\bar{X} - b) - \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2}), \frac{1}{a}((\bar{X} - b) + \frac{\sqrt{S_X^2}}{\sqrt{n}} t_{\alpha/2}))$

3. Assume that σ^2 is unknown, $a = 1$, and $b = 0$.

a) Construct a two sided CI based on X_1, \dots, X_n for σ^2 when $c = 0$

Solution:

(Let $\chi_{\alpha/2}^2$ and $\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2$ be the $1 - \alpha/2$ and $\alpha/2$ percentiles of the χ_{n-1}^2 distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1, \dots, X_n &\text{ i.i.d. } N(\mu, \sigma^2) \\
\Rightarrow \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2} S_X^2 &\sim \chi_{n-1}^2 \\
\Rightarrow P(\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2 < \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2} S_X^2 < \chi_{\alpha/2}^2) &= 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{1}{(n-1)S_X^2} \chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2 < \frac{1}{\sigma^2} < \frac{1}{(n-1)S_X^2} \chi_{\alpha/2}^2) &= 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{\alpha/2}^2} < \sigma^2 < \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2}) &= 1 - \alpha
\end{aligned}$$

So, our two sided $1 - \alpha$ CI for σ^2 is $(\frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{\alpha/2}^2}, \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2})$

- b) Construct a two sided CI based on X_1, \dots, X_n for σ^2 when $c = 1$

Solution:

(Let χ_α^2 and $\chi_{1-\alpha}^2$ be the $1 - \alpha$ and α percentiles of the χ_{n-1}^2 distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1, \dots, X_n & \text{ i.i.d. } N(\mu, \sigma^2 + 1) \\
\Rightarrow \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2 + 1} S_X^2 & \sim \chi_{n-1}^2 \\
\Rightarrow P(\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2 < \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2 + 1} S_X^2 < \chi_{\alpha/2}^2) & = 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{1}{(n-1)S_X^2} \chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2 < \frac{1}{\sigma^2 + 1} < \frac{1}{(n-1)S_X^2} \chi_{\alpha/2}^2) & = 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{\alpha/2}^2} < \sigma^2 + 1 < \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2}) & = 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{\alpha/2}^2} - 1 < \sigma^2 < \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2} - 1) & = 1 - \alpha
\end{aligned}$$

So, our two sided $1 - \alpha$ CI for σ^2 is $(\frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{\alpha/2}^2} - 1, \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha/2}^2} - 1)$

- c) Construct a lower bound CI based on X_1, \dots, X_n for σ^2 when $c = 0$

Solution:

(Let χ_α^2 and $\chi_{1-\alpha}^2$ be the $1 - \alpha$ and α percentiles of the χ_{n-1}^2 distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1, \dots, X_n & \text{ i.i.d. } N(\mu, \sigma^2) \\
\Rightarrow \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2} S_X^2 & \sim \chi_{n-1}^2 \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{n-1}{\sigma^2} S_X^2 < \chi_\alpha^2) & = 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} < \frac{1}{(n-1)S_X^2} \chi_\alpha^2) & = 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_\alpha^2} < \sigma^2) & = 1 - \alpha
\end{aligned}$$

So, our lower bound $1 - \alpha$ CI for σ^2 is $(\frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_\alpha^2}, \infty)$

- d) Construct an upper bound CI based on X_1, \dots, X_n for σ^2 when $c = 1$

Solution:

(Let χ_α^2 and $\chi_{1-\alpha}^2$ be the $1 - \alpha$ and α percentiles of the χ_{n-1}^2 distribution).

$$\begin{aligned}
X_1, \dots, X_n & \text{ i.i.d. } N(\mu, \sigma^2 + 1) \\
\Rightarrow \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2 + 1} S_X^2 & \sim \chi_{n-1}^2 \\
\Rightarrow P(\chi_{1-\alpha}^2 < \frac{n-1}{\sigma^2 + 1} S_X^2) & = 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\frac{1}{(n-1)S_X^2} \chi_{1-\alpha}^2 < \frac{1}{\sigma^2 + 1}) & = 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\sigma^2 + 1 < \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha}^2}) & = 1 - \alpha \\
\Rightarrow P(\sigma^2 < \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha}^2 - 1}) & = 1 - \alpha
\end{aligned}$$

So, our upper bound $1 - \alpha$ CI for σ^2 is $(-\infty, \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha}^2} - 1)$ (which we can write as $(0, \frac{(n-1)S_X^2}{\chi_{1-\alpha}^2} - 1)$ since $\sigma^2 > 0$)

4. Problem 8.80 from the book (p 430)

Solution:

The 95% CI, based on a t -distribution with $21 - 1 = 20$ degrees of freedom, is $26.6 \pm 2.086(7.4/\sqrt{21}) = 26.6 \pm 3.37$ or $(23.23, 29.97)$.

5. Problem 8.81 from the book (p 430)

Solution:

The sample statistics are $\bar{y} = 60.8, s = 7.97$. So, the 95% CI is

$$60.8 \pm 2.262(7.97/\sqrt{10}) = 60.8 \pm 5.70 \text{ or } (55.1, 66.5).$$

6. Problem 8.93 from the book (p 433)

Solution:

a. Since the two random samples are assumed to be independent and normally distributed, the quantity $2\bar{X} + \bar{Y}$ is normally distributed with mean $2\mu_1 + \mu_2$ and variance $(\frac{4}{n} + \frac{3}{m})\sigma^2$. Thus, if σ^2 is known, then $2\bar{X} + \bar{Y} \pm 1.96\sigma\sqrt{\frac{4}{n} + \frac{3}{m}}$ is a 95% CI for $2\mu_1 + \mu_2$.

b. Recall that $(1/\sigma^2)\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ has a chi-square distribution with $n - 1$ degrees of freedom. Thus, $[1/(3\sigma^2)]\sum_{i=1}^m (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$ is chi-square with $m - 1$ degrees of freedom and the sum of these is chi-square with $n + m - 2$ degrees of freedom. Then, by using Definition 7.2, the quantity

$$T = \frac{2\bar{X} + \bar{Y} - (2\mu_1 + \mu_2)}{\hat{\sigma}\sqrt{\frac{4}{n} + \frac{3}{m}}}, \text{ where}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + \frac{1}{3}\sum_{i=1}^m (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n + m - 2}.$$

Then, the 95% CI is given by $2\bar{X} + \bar{Y} \pm t_{.025}\hat{\sigma}\sqrt{\frac{4}{n} + \frac{3}{m}}$.

Challenge Question:

Let X_1, \dots, X_{n_1} be i.i.d. with the following distribution function:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\delta} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)}{\delta}} I(\mu < x < \infty)$$

Assuming that δ is known, construct a two sided $1 - \alpha$ CI for μ that is a function of X_1, \dots, X_n , δ , and percentiles of the $Exp(\frac{1}{n})$ distribution.