

Statistics - Homework 7 (Due Dec. 27, 2017)



1. A random variable X with normal density ($\mu=16$, $\sigma=5$).
 - (1) Generate 10,000 random samples (size $n=30$) from the above density. From the 10,000 samples, plot the corresponding 95% confidence intervals of the expected value of X . [Assuming the variance of X is unknown.]
 - (2) What percentages of the 10,000 confidence intervals actually cover the expected value of X ?
 - (3) What is the average length of the 10,000 confidence intervals?
 - (4) What is the expected value of the length of confidence interval?

The following R-code is provided for your reference.

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# Interval estimation -- Normal Density
# Demonstration of confidence interval estimation for mean of a normal density
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ns=10
nr=100
siglevel=0.05
mx=c();stdx=c();lb=c();ub=c()
a=16 #location parameter
s=5 #scale parameter
exp.x=a
d=c() # 2d = length of the confidence interval
count=0
windows()
plot(0,0,type="n",xlim=c(a-4*s/sqrt(ns),a+4*s/sqrt(ns)),ylim=c(0,2*nr))
for (i in 1:nr)
{
  x=rnorm(ns,a,s)
  mx[i]=mean(x);stdx[i]=sqrt(var(x))
  d[i]=qt((1-siglevel/2),ns-1)*stdx[i]/sqrt(ns)
  lb[i]=mx[i]-d
  ub[i]=mx[i]+d
  if (lb[i]>exp.x | ub[i]<exp.x) count=count+1
  u=c(lb[i],ub[i])
  v=c(2*i,2*i)
  lines(u,v,type="l",lwd=2)
}
lines(c(a,a),c(0,2*nr),type="l",col="red",lwd=2)
print(c(count,count/nr,mean(2*d)))
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Note: The sample standard deviation (s) is a biased estimator of population standard deviation σ , i.e., $E(s) = CF \cdot \sigma$, where CF is the correction factor and can be approximated by the following equation:

$$CF \approx 1 - \frac{1}{4n} - \frac{7}{32n^2} - \frac{9}{128n^3} \quad (n: \text{sample size})$$

2. The data in the following table is a random sample from an exponential density $f_X(x; \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$.

62.48	10.37	31.19	9.57	85.27	162.96	16.11	133.86	47.28	34.79
70.15	75.26	25.90	9.34	47.28	4.33	35.09	48.69	83.99	158.74
60.66	56.81	64.01	89.74	7.02	64.72	100.14	16.64	147.06	28.00
116.40	11.01	29.21	12.54	43.04	18.69	50.47	17.47	56.22	25.18

- (1) Prove that $n\lambda\bar{X}_n$ is a pivotal quantity.
- (2) Find a 90% confidence interval of λ .

- (3) Find the lower bound of the one-sided 95% confidence interval of λ .
3. Assuming that the data in Problem 2 were generated from an exponential distribution with $\lambda = 0.02$, write your own R code to generate 1000 random samples of the exponential distribution, each of sample size $n=40$.
- (1) Find the 90% confidence interval of λ for each random sample and then calculate the proportion of the random samples whose 90% confidence intervals do not cover the true value of λ .
 - (2) Plot the histogram of the lengths of the 90% confidence intervals.
 - (3) Determine the 90% acceptance interval of the sample mean (\bar{X}_n) and calculate the proportion of sample means that fall within the acceptance interval.
 - (4) Plot the scatter plot of sample means and lengths of confidence intervals. Explain the relationship which can be observed in the plot.
4. A random sample of size 20 ((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) , $n = 20$) drawn from a uniform density $U[0, \theta]$ is shown in the following table.

11.90	6.94	14.90	4.36	14.00
15.21	18.87	4.75	7.67	6.57
5.15	14.83	7.79	13.88	18.55
2.49	9.90	9.68	11.10	9.92

- (1) Show that Y_n / θ ($Y_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n)$) is a pivotal quantity.
 - (2) Find a 90% confidence interval of θ .
5. The radius (r) of a circle is measured with an error of measurement which is normally distributed with zero mean and unknown variance σ^2 . Given the following independent measurements of the radius:

51.07	52.49	48.07	48.94	49.33
50.34	51.30	40.33	41.38	44.05
51.45	48.89	56.42	49.21	49.41
46.03	53.64	41.13	46.17	57.07

Find the 95% confidence interval of the area of the circle.