

EECS 461 Short Quiz #3

Probability and Statistics

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Closed Book and Closed Notes: Show all work. Provide numerical answers as four-place decimals.

1. (40 %) A police crime lab suspects that the purity of *methamphetamine* in the local area has changed recently. In the past, the drug was on average 21.0 percent pure. In a random sample of twelve recent drug busts, the sample mean was 23.4 percent purity, with a sample standard deviation of 4.1 percent purity.

a. Test the null hypothesis $H_0 : \mu = 21$ against the alternate hypothesis $H_a : \mu \neq 21$ using $\alpha = 0.05$. Do you accept or reject the null hypothesis?

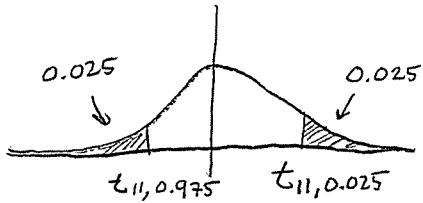
b. This time, test the null hypothesis $H_0 : \mu = 21$ against the alternate hypothesis $H_a : \mu > 21$ using $\alpha = 0.05$. Do you accept or reject the null hypothesis in this case?

c. Calculate the *p*-value for the test in (a). State whether you accept or reject the null hypothesis in (a) by using the *p*-value.

d. Calculate the *p*-value for the test in (b). State whether you accept or reject the null hypothesis in (b) by using the *p*-value.

$$n=12 \quad \bar{X} = 23.4 \quad S^2 = (4.1)^2, \text{ We do not know the true variance so we need to use the } t \text{ distribution}$$

a)



According to the table (and my calculator)

$$t_{11, 0.975} = -2.201$$

$$t_{11, 0.025} = 2.201$$

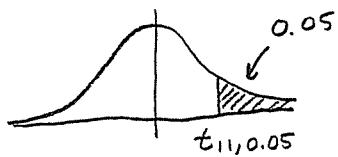
$$\text{the value we observe is } t_{11} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{23.4 - 21.0}{4.1/\sqrt{12}} = 2.0278$$

This value is in between our two limits.

$$t_{11, 0.975} < t_{11} < t_{11, 0.025} \text{ so }$$

accept $H_0: \mu = 21$

b)



Now that we have a one sided hypothesis, we are looking for

$$t_{11, 0.05} = 1.796$$

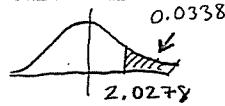
In this case the value we observe, $t_{11} = 2.0278$

exceeds the limit

$$t_{11} > t_{11, 0.05} \text{ so }$$

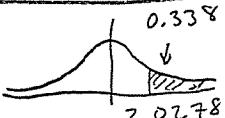
Reject $H_0: \mu = 21$
Accept $H_a: \mu > 21$

c)



The area under the curve to the right of $t_{11} = 2.0278$ is 0.0338, and this is a two sided hypothesis, so $p = 2 \times 0.0338 = 0.0675$, thus this test is not significant enough to overturn the null hypothesis in an $\alpha = 0.05$ test

d)



In a one sided hypothesis we have $p = 0.0338$, which is significant enough to overturn the null hypothesis in an $\alpha = 0.05$ test

2. (40 %) Consider the random variable $Y = |X|$, where $X \sim N(0, \sigma)$.

a. Find the probability density function (PDF) of Y .

b. Find $E(Y)$.

a) The random variable X has $f(x)$ and $F(x)$
The random variable Y has $g(x)$ and $G(y)$

this is a key step

$$G(y) = P(Y < y) = P(|X| < y) = \overbrace{P(-y < X < y)}$$

$$= F(y) - F(-y)$$

chain rule, like $\frac{d}{dx} \cos(x^2) = \sin(x^2)(2x)$

$$f(y) = \frac{d G(y)}{dy} = f(y) - f(-y)(-1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-y^2/2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-y^2/2\sigma^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-y^2/2\sigma^2}, \quad y \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y) &= \int_0^\infty y \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-y^2/2\sigma^2} \right) dy \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi\sigma^2}} (-\sigma^2) \int_0^\infty \left(-\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right) y e^{-y^2/2\sigma^2} dy = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi\sigma^2}} (-\sigma^2) e^{-y^2/2\sigma^2} \Big|_0^\infty = \sqrt{\frac{2\sigma^2}{\pi}} \end{aligned}$$

3. (20 %) Consider the random variable

$$Y = X_1 + 2X_2 + X_3 + X_4$$

where $X_1 \sim N(4, \sqrt{3})$, $X_2 \sim N(4, \sqrt{4})$, $X_3 \sim N(2, \sqrt{4})$, and $X_4 \sim N(3, \sqrt{2})$.

a. Find the mean of Y .

b. Find the variance of Y .

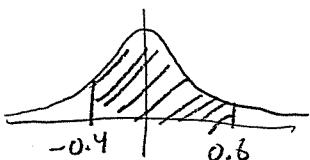
c. Find the probability that $15 \leq Y \leq 20$.

We know that when we add independent random variables their means add and their variances add

a) $\mu_Y = 4 + 2(4) + 2 + 3 = 17$

b) $\sigma_Y^2 = 3 + 2^2(4) + 4 + 2 = 25$

c) $P(15 < Y < 20) = P\left(\frac{15-17}{\sqrt{25}} < z < \frac{20-17}{\sqrt{25}}\right)$
 $= P(-0.400 < z < 0.600)$



$$= 0.3812$$