

Assignment #27

Due on Monday, April 28, 2014

Read Chapter 8 on *Introduction to Estimation* in the class lecture notes at <http://pages.pomona.edu/~ajr04747/>

Read Section 7.2 on *The Chi-Square Distribution* in DeGroot and Schervish.

Do the following problems

1. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n denote a random sample from a $\text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ distribution. Define

$$Y_n = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{k=1}^n (X_k - \mu)^2,$$

for each $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Determine the distribution of Y_n .

2. Let (Z_k) denote a sequence of iid $\text{Norma}(0, 1)$ random variables and define

$$Y_n = \sum_{k=1}^n Z_k^2, \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Give the limiting distribution of $\frac{Y_n - n}{\sqrt{2n}}$ as n tends to infinity.

3. Let (Z_k) denote a sequence of iid $\text{Norma}(0, 1)$ random variables and define $Y_n = \sum_{k=1}^n Z_k^2$, for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. show that $\frac{Y_n}{n}$ converges to 1 in probability.

4. Let $X \sim \chi^2(n)$ and $Y \sim \chi^2(m)$ be independent random variables. Define $W = X + Y$ and determine the distribution of W .

5. Let X and Y denote independent, $\text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$ random variables. Estimate the probability

$$\Pr \left(X^2 + Y^2 > \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right).$$