

STAT 2509 B - Assignment #1.

SOLUTION

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Q.1:
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- a) parameter - is a descriptive measure of a population (or numerical descriptive measure of a population) - it is a fixed constant (i.e. it does not vary)
- Statistic - is a (numerical) descriptive measure of a sample.
- it varies from sample to sample
- b) population - is a collection of all items of interest
- sample - is a subset of the units in a population

Q.2:
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- a) quantitative & continuous
b) categorical (or qualitative)
c) quantitative & discrete
d) categorical (or qualitative) & ranked
e) quantitative & continuous
f) categorical & ranked
g) quantitative & discrete

Q.3:
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- (i) \bar{x} - statistic
(ii) σ^2 - parameter
(iii) μ - parameter, (iv) s^2 - statistic
(v) β_1 - parameter, (vi) $\hat{\beta}_1$ - statistic

Q.4:

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a) H_a (alternative hypothesis) - is the one we want to show, i.e. we are trying to find sufficient evidence for (1)

H_0 (null hypothesis) - is negating the statement in H_a . It is a "fall-back" hypothesis. It tests against H_a . (1)

b) Type I error = error we make when we reject H_0 when it is true (1)

$$P[\text{Type I error}] = \alpha$$

Type II error = error we make when we do not reject H_0 when it is false (1)

$$P[\text{Type II error}] = \beta$$

Q.5:

k - constant
 X, Y - r.v.'s

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a) (i) $E(k) = \underline{k}$ (1), (ii) $E(kX) = \underline{kE(X)}$ (1)
(iii) $E(X \pm Y) = \underline{E(X) \pm E(Y)}$ (1)

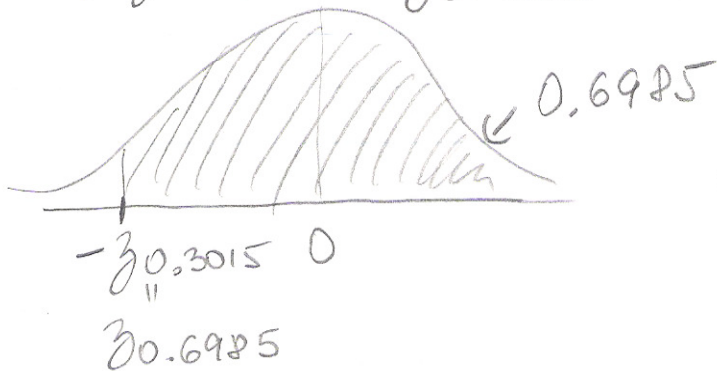
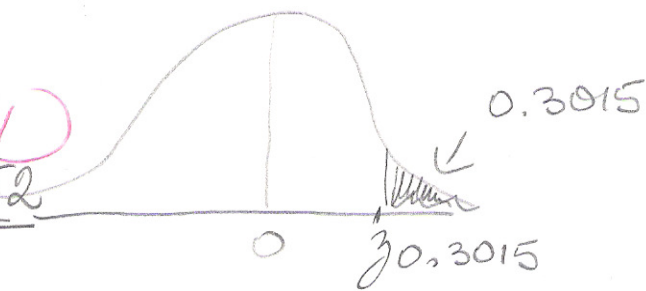
b) (i) $V(k) = \underline{0}$ (1), (ii) $V(kX) = \underline{k^2 V(X)}$ (1)
(iii) $V(X \pm Y) = \underline{V(X) + V(Y) \pm 2 \text{Cov}(X, Y)}$ (1)

- when X & Y are indep. of each other,
then $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$, i.e. $V(X \pm Y) = \underline{V(X) + V(Y)}$ (1)

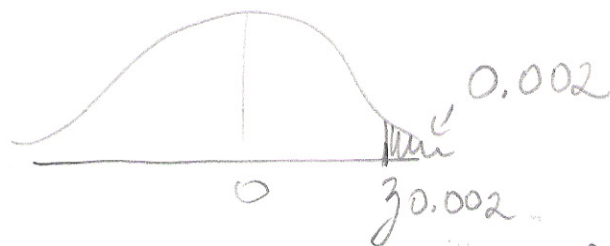
Q.6:

[6] a) $z_{0.3015} = \underline{0.52}$

b) $z_{0.6985} = -z_{0.3015} = \underline{-0.52}$



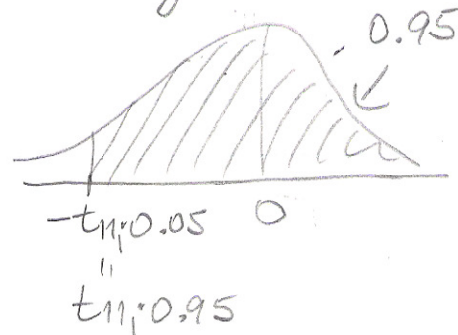
c) $z_{0.002} = \underline{2.98}$



d) $t_{11;0.05} = \underline{1.796}$

e) $-t_{11;0.05} = \underline{-1.796}$

f) $t_{11;0.95} = -t_{11;0.05} = \underline{-1.796}$



Q.7: $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, σ^2 known

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a) (i) $\bar{x} \pm 1.96 \sigma/\sqrt{n} \Rightarrow z_{\alpha/2} = 1.96 \Rightarrow \alpha/2 = 0.025$
 $\alpha = 0.05$
 $1 - \alpha = 0.95$
 \therefore 95% C.I. for μ

(ii) $\bar{x} \pm 2.24 \sigma/\sqrt{n} \Rightarrow z_{\alpha/2} = 2.24 \Rightarrow \alpha/2 = 0.0125$
 $\alpha = 0.025$
 $1 - \alpha = 0.975$
 \therefore 97.5% C.I. for μ

(iii) $\bar{x} \pm 3.09 \sigma/\sqrt{n} \Rightarrow z_{\alpha/2} = 3.09 \Rightarrow \alpha/2 = 0.0010$
 $\alpha = 0.0020$
 $1 - \alpha = 0.998$
 \therefore 99.8% C.I. for μ

$$b) (i) \bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sigma/\sqrt{n} \Rightarrow 1-\alpha = 0.9960$$

$$\alpha = 0.0040$$

$$\alpha/2 = 0.0020 \Rightarrow z_{\alpha/2} = 2.63$$

$$(ii) \bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sigma/\sqrt{n} \Rightarrow 1-\alpha = 0.9920$$

$$\alpha = 0.0080$$

$$\alpha/2 = 0.0040 \Rightarrow z_{\alpha/2} = 2.65$$

$$(iii) \bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sigma/\sqrt{n} \Rightarrow 1-\alpha = 0.7540$$

$$\alpha = 0.2460$$

$$\alpha/2 = 0.1230 \Rightarrow z_{\alpha/2} = 1.16$$

Q.P:

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$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

Show
$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2}{n} \right]$$

ie.
$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 + \bar{x}^2 - 2\bar{x}x_i) =$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{x}^2 - 2\bar{x} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i =$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + n\bar{x}^2 - 2\bar{x} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i =$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + n \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2}{n^2} - 2 \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) =$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2}{n} - 2 \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2}{n} =$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2}{n}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2}{n} \right] \quad \square$$