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Statistics (Core)

Paper Code : ST-CE-6334

Paper Name : Statistical Inference - II

Time : 2 hours

Full Marks : 50

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. Answer the following questions as directed : 1×4=4
- a) The level of significance α of a test is also known as _____ of the critical region. (Fill in the blank)
 - b) Neyman-Pearson test gives us the best critical region. (State true or false)
 - c) Power of the test is greater than or equal to :
 - i) size of the critical region
 - ii) (size of the critical region) - 1
 - iii) (size of the critical region) + 1
 - iv) none of the above
- (Choose the correct option)
- d) The choice of one tailed or two tailed test depends on the _____.
(Fill in the blank)
2. Answer the following questions briefly : 2×3=6
- a) "Let $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ be independent and identically distributed (IID) normal variables with common mean μ and common variance σ^2 , then the hypothesis $H_0: \mu=10$ is a composite

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hypothesis". State whether the above statement is true or false, giving reasons in support of your answer.

- b) What is a power curve ?
- c) Define Uniformly most powerful test.
3. Answer **any two** of the following questions : 5×2=10
- a) Write the steps in solving a testing a hypothesis problem. 5
- b) i) Define Simple hypothesis and Composite hypothesis. 2
ii) Write briefly on Sequential statistical inference. 3
- c) Let p be the probability that a coin will fall in head in a single toss in order to test $H_0 : p = 1/2$ against $H_1 : p = 3/4$. The coin is tossed 5 times and H_0 is rejected, if more than 3 heads are obtained. Find the probability of type-I error and the power of the test. 5
- d) Explain the SPRT to test the hypothesis $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ against the alternative $H_1 : \theta = \theta_1$ with p.d.f. $f(x, \theta)$. 5
4. Answer **any three** of the following questions : 10×3=30
- a) i) Explain briefly the concept of most powerful test. 3
ii) Given the frequency function

$$f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta}, 0 \leq x \leq \theta$$

and that you are testing the null hypothesis $H_0 : \theta = 1$ against $H_1 : \theta = 2$ by means of a single observed value of x . What would be the probabilities of type I and type II errors if you choose the intervals

A) $0.5 \leq x$ and B) $1 \leq x \leq 1.5$

as the critical region ? Also obtain the power functions of the test. 7

b) i) State and prove the Neyman Pearson lemma. 2+5=7

ii) Explain briefly the Likelihood ratio test. 3

c) i) Given a random sample $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ from a distribution with pdf

$$f(x, \theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x}, x > 0$$

Show that there exists no UMP test for testing $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$. 6

ii) State the properties of Sequential probability ratio test. 4

d) i) If W be a Most powerful critical region of size α for testing $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta = \theta_1$, then prove that it is necessarily unbiased. 5

ii) Examine whether a best critical region exists for testing the null hypothesis $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$ for the parameter θ of the distribution

$$f(x, \theta) = \frac{1 + \theta}{(x + \theta)^2}, 1 \leq x < \infty. \quad 5$$

e) Use the Neyman-Pearson lemma to obtain the best critical region for testing $\theta = \theta_0$ against $\theta = \theta_1 > \theta_0$ and $\theta = \theta_1 < \theta_0$ in the case of a normal population $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$, where σ^2 is known. Hence find the power of the test. 10

f) i) If $x \geq 1$ is the critical region for testing $H_0: \theta = 2$ against the

alternative $H_1: \theta=1$, on the basis of a single observation from the population

$$f(x, \theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x}, 0 \leq x < \infty.$$

Obtain the values of type I and type II errors. 6

ii) Explain the terms : Critical region and errors of two kinds.

2+2=4

