

# BST 676 — Spring 2011 — Dr. Charnigo

## Final Examination

The Final Examination, a strictly individual activity, is due under my office (CPH 203-B) door at 5 p.m. on Friday 06 May. Office hours are on Monday 02 May from 4 to 6 p.m. and on Friday 06 May from 1 to 3 p.m.

Suppose that  $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f(x; \theta) := (2\pi\theta)^{-1/2} \exp[-x^2/(2\theta)]$  for  $\theta \in \Theta := (0, \infty)$ . Let  $\theta_0$  be a fixed element of  $\Theta$ .

[10] 1. What is the uniformly most powerful level  $\alpha$  test of  $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$  against  $H_1 : \theta > \theta_0$ ? (You may take as given the first five sentences from the Solution to exercise 2c of Written Assignment 5.)

[10] 2. Find the uniformly most accurate interval for  $\theta$  among all  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  intervals of the form  $(0, U(\mathbf{X}))$ .

[10] 3. Find the uniformly most accurate interval for  $\theta$  among all  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  intervals of the form  $[L(\mathbf{X}), \infty)$ .

[10] 4. Suppose that we wish to create a two-sided  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  interval for  $\theta$ , starting from the inequality  $a < \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2/\theta < b$ . What condition must be placed on  $a$  and  $b$ ?

[10] 5. Suppose, moreover, that we wish to have the shortest possible two-sided  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  interval for  $\theta$ , starting from the inequality  $a < \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2/\theta < b$ . What additional condition must be placed on  $a$  and  $b$ , besides that identified in item 4?

[10] 6. Find the shortest possible two-sided 95% interval for  $\theta$ , starting from the inequality  $a < \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2/\theta < b$ , when  $n = 10$ .

[10] 7. Develop a Wald test of  $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$  against  $H_1 : \theta \neq \theta_0$  at approximate significance level  $\alpha$ .

[10] 8. Develop an approximate  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  Wald interval for  $\theta$ .

[10] 9. Show that the approximate  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  Wald interval fits expression (21) from Unit VII with  $T := \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2/\theta$ .

[10] 10. What is the actual confidence level of the approximate 95% Wald interval when  $n = 10$ ?