

Fuzzy Statistics

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Estimate μ , Variance Known

Chapter 4

4.1 Fuzzy Estimator of μ

Consider X a random variable with probability density function $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, which is the normal probability density with unknown mean μ and unknown variance σ^2 . To estimate μ we obtain a random sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.

Suppose the mean of this random sample turns out to be \bar{x} , which is a crisp number, not a fuzzy number.

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Also, let S^2 be the sample variance. Our point estimator of μ , is \bar{x} . If the values of the random sample are X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n then the expression we will use for S^2 is:

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

We will use this form of S^2 , with denominator $(n - 1)$, so that it is an unbiased estimator of σ^2 .

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It is known that $\frac{(\bar{x} - \mu)}{(s/\sqrt{n})}$ has a (Student's) t distribution with $(n - 1)$ degrees of freedom. It follows that.

$$P(-t_{\beta/2} \leq \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} \leq t_{\beta/2}) = 1 - \beta$$

where $t_{\beta/2}$'s defined from the (Student's) t distribution, with $n - 1$ degrees of freedom, so that the probability of exceeding it is $\beta/2$. Now solve the inequality for μ , giving

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$$P(\bar{x} - t_{\beta/2}s/\sqrt{n} \leq \mu \leq \bar{x} + t_{\beta/2}s/\sqrt{n}) = 1 - \beta.$$

For this we immediately obtain the $(1 - \beta)\%100$ confidence interval for μ ,

$$[\bar{x} - t_{\beta/2}s/\sqrt{n}, \bar{x} + t_{\beta/2}s/\sqrt{n}].$$

Put these confidence intervals together, we obtain fl our fuzzy number estimator of μ .

Example 4.1.1

Consider X a random variable with probability density function $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, which is the normal probability density with unknown mean μ and unknown variance. To estimate μ we obtain a random sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Suppose the mean of this random sample of size 25 turns out to be 28.6 and $S^2=3.42$. Then a $(1 - \beta)\%100$ confidence interval for μ is

$$[28.6 - t_{\beta/2} \sqrt{3.42/25}, 28.6 + t_{\beta/2} \sqrt{3.42/25}]$$

To obtain a graph of fuzzy μ , or $\bar{\mu}$, first assume that $0.01 \leq \beta \leq 1$. We will use MATLAB to create the Graph of function.

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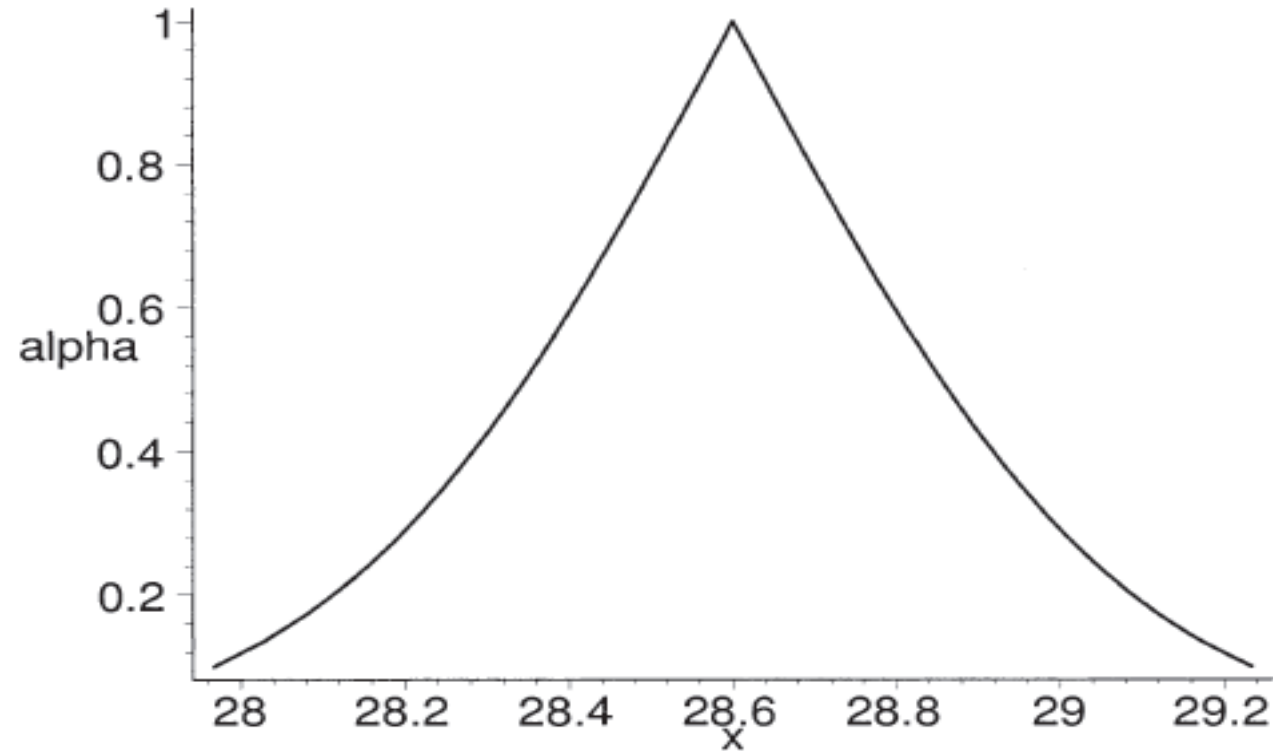


Figure 4.2: Fuzzy Estimator $\bar{\mu}$ in Example 4.1.1, $0.10 \leq \beta \leq 1$

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>> x=linspace(26,30);  
>> y=linspace(0.01,1);  
>> f1=28.6-0.3699*icdf('T',(1-y/2),24);  
>> f2=28.6+ 0.3699 *icdf('T',(1-y/2),24);  
>> plot(f1,y,f2,y)  
>> ylabel ('alpha')  
>> xlabel('mean')
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