Econ 222-01 2013-2014 Spring Homework IV

Due Date: March 28th.

1) We test $H_1: \sigma_1^2 \neq 2\sigma_2^2$ against $H_0: \sigma_1^2 = 2\sigma_2^2$ at a significance level of 0.05. It is know that both populations are approximately normally distributed. Independent random sampling from both populations yield:

Sample 1: 19, 26, 24, 26, 16, 26, 7, 2, 9, 27

Sample 2: 33, 32, 33, 37, 32, 38, 33, 38.

- a. Using the table we distributed in class (also available on the course WEB page) find an interval for the *p*-value corresponding to the above samples.
- b. Using a spreadsheet program, find the exact value of the p-value corresponding to the above samples.
- 2) Consider a large box which contains many white and black balls. We have forgotten the percentage of white balls in the box, but remember that it is either 1/3 or 2/3. Even though we do not know the percentage of white balls in the box we strongly believe that it is 1/3 (but also know that it might be 2/3). Hence we decide to test if the percentage of white balls in the box is 2/3. For this purpose we draw 20 balls at random with replacement and note their color.
 - a. What are the hypotheses of this test?
 - b. What is the test statistic that you would use for this test?
 - c. What is the distribution of the test statistic that you plan to use?
 - d. What is the decision rule?
 - e. If the sample you observed was: (W stands for a white and B stands for a black ball)

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what would your conclusion be?

f. What is the p-values corresponding to the above sample?