

statistics) the authors take the number,  $s$ , of occupied cells as a statistic to test the hypothesis of uniform probability over the cells. Let  $P(s | n, k)$  be the probability density for  $s$ . The correspondence is noted between this distribution and the results of a series of  $n$  drawings from a discrete distribution in which the random variable assumes only the values  $0, 1, 2, \dots$ , and in which the sample sum is  $k$  and the number of non-zero values is  $s$ . In developing a recursion formula for  $P(s | n, k)$  it is shown that the uniform distribution over cells arises from the Poisson distribution, and the binomial and negative binomial distribution give particular non-uniformities. The function tabulated is  $Z_{k;\alpha}$ , which is defined under the hypothesis of uniformity by  $\sum_{s=1}^{Z_{k;\alpha}} P(s | n, k) \leq \alpha$  and  $\sum_{s=1}^{Z_{k;\alpha}+1} P(s | n, k) > \alpha$ , for  $\alpha = .05, .01, .001; n = 3(1)20$ , and ranges of  $k$  varying from  $(3, 15)$  for  $n = 3$  to  $(2, 100)$  for  $n = 20$ .

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**79[K].**—A. HUITSON, "Further critical values for the sum of two variances," *Biometrika*, v. 45, 1958, p. 279–282.

Let  $s_i^2, i = 1, 2$ , be an estimate of the variance  $\sigma_i^2$  with  $f_i$  degrees of freedom so that  $f_i s_i^2 / \sigma_i^2$  is distributed as  $\chi^2$  with  $f_i$  dif. To assign confidence limits to the form  $\lambda_1 \sigma_1^2 + \lambda_2 \sigma_2^2$ , where  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are arbitrary positive constants, the author has previously [1] tabulated upper and lower 5% and 1% critical values of

$$(\lambda_1 s_1^2 + \lambda_2 s_2^2) / (\lambda_1 \sigma_1^2 + \lambda_2 \sigma_2^2).$$

The present tables are an extension, giving upper and lower  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  and  $\frac{1}{2}\%$  critical values for the same function to 2D for  $\lambda_1 s_1^2 / (\lambda_1 s_1^2 + \lambda_2 s_2^2) = 0(.1)1$  and  $f_1, f_2 = 16, 36, 144, \infty$ .

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1. A. HUITSON, "A method of assigning confidence limits to linear combinations of variances," *Biometrika*, v. 42, 1955, p. 471–479. [*MTAC*, Rev. 19, v. 12, 1958, p. 71.]

**80[K].**—SOLOMON KULLBACK, *Information Theory and Statistics*, John Wiley & Sons, New York, 1959, xvii + 395 p., 24 cm. Price \$12.50.

This interesting book, which discusses logarithmic measures of information and their applications to the testing of statistical hypotheses, contains three extended tables in addition to a number of shorter or more specialized ones. Table I gives  $\log_e n$  and  $n \log_e n$  to 10D for  $n = 1(1)1000$ . Table II lists values of

$$p_1 \log_e \frac{p_1}{p_2} + (1 - p_1) \log_e \frac{1 - p_1}{1 - p_2} \text{ to 7D for } p_1, p_2 = .01(.01).05(.05).95$$

$(.01).99$ . Table III gives 5% points for noncentral  $\chi^2$  to 4D with  $2n$  degrees of freedom for  $n = 1(1)7$  and noncentrality parameter  $\beta^2$  for  $\beta = 0(.2)5$ . As it is stated, this is taken directly from an equivalent table of R. A. Fisher [1].

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