

Exercises on
STATISTICAL TESTS

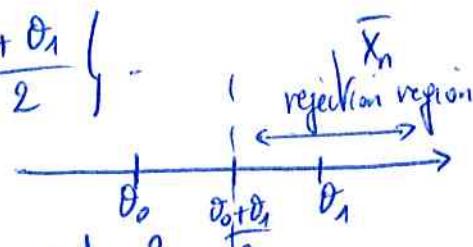
Exercise 1: Of course

Exercise 2 Let X be a n -sample $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ with $X_i \sim N(\theta, 1)$.

We know that $\theta \in \Theta = \{\theta_0, \theta_1\}$, with $\theta_0 < \theta_1$.

We want to test: $(H_0): \theta = \theta_0$ against $(H_1): \theta = \theta_1$, and

consider the rejection region $R(X) = \left\{ \bar{X}_n > \frac{\theta_0 + \theta_1}{2} \right\}$.



① - Compute the test level α .

② - For fixed α , which value of n should we consider?

③ - What is the power of the test?

A. ① - By definition for this ~~unilateral~~ test,

$$\alpha = P_{H_0} \left(\underset{\text{reject } H_0}{\underline{X_n}} \right) = P_{H_0} \left(X \in R(X) \right) = P_{H_0} \left(\bar{X}_n > \frac{\theta_0 + \theta_1}{2} \right)$$

We know that: \rightarrow under (H_0) : $\bar{X}_n \sim N(\theta_0, \frac{1}{n})$

\rightarrow under (H_1) : $\bar{X}_n \sim N(\theta_1, \frac{1}{n})$

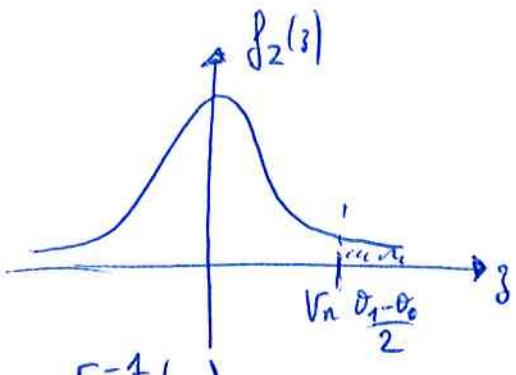
$$\text{Therefore } \alpha = P \left(\bar{X}_n - \theta_0 > \frac{\theta_0 + \theta_1}{2} - \theta_0 \right) = P \left(\bar{X}_n - \theta_0 > \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{2} \right)$$

$$= P \left(\frac{\bar{X}_n - \theta_0}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}}} > \frac{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)/2}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}}} \right) = P \left(Z > \sqrt{n} \frac{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)}{2} \right)$$

$$\sim Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$= 1 - F_Z \left(\sqrt{n} \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{then } \alpha = P\left(Z \leq V_n \frac{\theta_0 - \theta_1}{2}\right)$$



② - We know that

$$\alpha = F_Z\left(V_n \frac{\theta_0 - \theta_1}{2}\right) \Leftrightarrow V_n \frac{\theta_0 - \theta_1}{2} = F_Z^{-1}(\alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow V_n = \frac{2F_Z^{-1}(\alpha)}{\theta_0 - \theta_1} \Rightarrow n = \frac{4}{(\theta_0 - \theta_1)^2} \left(F_Z^{-1}(\alpha)\right)^2.$$

③ - By definition, we look at

$$\begin{aligned} \beta &= P_{H_1}(\text{reject } H_0) = P_{H_1}\left(\bar{X}_n > \frac{\theta_0 + \theta_1}{2}\right) = P_{H_1}\left(\frac{\bar{X}_n - \theta_1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}}} > \frac{\frac{\theta_0 + \theta_1 - \theta_1}{2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}}}\right) \\ &= P\left(Z > V_n \frac{\theta_0 - \theta_1}{2}\right) = 1 - \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 3

Let X be a n -sample with $X_i \sim P(\theta)$, $\theta \in \{1, 2\}$.

We consider the statistical test: $H_0: \theta = 1$ vs $H_1: \theta = 2$.

The rejection region is such that $R(X) = \{\bar{X}_n > 3\}$. If we want a test level equal to 5%, what would be the size n ? Compute then the power of the test.

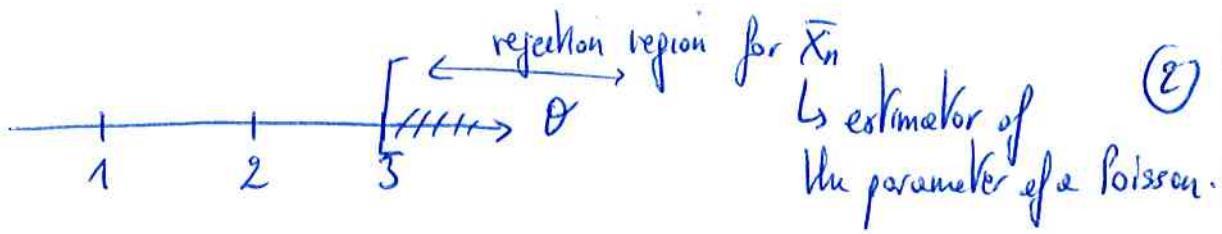
$$5\% = \alpha = P_{H_0}(\text{reject } H_0) = P_{H_0}(\bar{X}_n > 3), \text{ knowing that}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{under } H_0 : X_i \sim P(1) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = n \bar{X}_n \sim P(n)$$

$$\rightarrow \text{under } H_1 : X_i \sim P(2) \Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = n \bar{X}_n \sim P(2n)$$

Remark: Here we know the exact distribution of the test statistic under H_0 : These are exact tests! Something we use approximations --- like with asymptotic confidence intervals...

Then,



$$0,05 = \alpha = P_{H_0}(\underbrace{n\bar{X}_n > 3_n}_{\sim Z_1 \sim \mathcal{P}(n)}) = 1 - F_{Z_1}(3_n) = 1 - \sum_{i=0}^{3_n} e^{-n} \frac{n^i}{i!}$$

$$\text{Hence } e^{-n} \sum_{i=0}^{3_n} \frac{n^i}{i!} = 0,95 \Leftrightarrow \dots$$

• For the power of the test, we use once again the definition:

$$\beta = P_{H_1}(\text{reject } H_0) = P_{H_1}(\bar{X}_n > 3) = P_{H_1}(n\bar{X}_n > 3_n) \text{ with}$$

$$Z_2 = n\bar{X}_n \sim \mathcal{P}(2n). \text{ Therefore } \beta = P(Z_2 > 3_n) = 1 - F_{Z_2}(3_n)$$

$$= 1 - \sum_{i=0}^{3_n} e^{-2n} \frac{(2n)^i}{i!} = \dots$$

Exercise 4

Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$, $X_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} U([0, \theta])$; $\hat{\theta}_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

$$\textcircled{1} - P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} \leq x\right) = P\left(\frac{\max(X_1, \dots, X_n)}{\theta} \leq x\right) = P\left(\frac{X_1}{\theta} \leq x, \dots, \frac{X_n}{\theta} \leq x\right)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P\left(\frac{X_i}{\theta} \leq x\right) = \left(P\left(\frac{X_i}{\theta} \leq x\right)\right)^n \text{ since the } X_i \text{ are iid.}$$

Furthermore, we know that $X_i \sim U([0, \theta]) \Rightarrow \frac{X_i}{\theta} \sim U([0, 1])$.

Then it follows immediately that:

$$P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} \leq x\right) = \left(F_{U_i}(x)\right)^n = x^n \Rightarrow \text{This distribution is independent from } \theta.$$

② - We want to build a statistical test for:

$H_0: \theta = 1$ against $H_1: \theta \neq 1$, with level α .

We follow the steps given in the course to build the test.

- the null and alternative hypothesis were already defined.
 - the level α is set.
 - We have to choose a test statistic: this test statistic should have a known distribution^{under H_0} , independent from the parameter to test (we call "pivot").
- first, $\hat{\theta}_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a good estimator of θ (this is in fact the MLE).
- here we know that $\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta}$ is a pivot, in particular $P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} < x\right) = x^n$
- we also know that this simplifies under H_0 to $P\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} < x\right) = x^n$.
- moreover, $P(\hat{\theta}_n \leq \theta) = 1$.

→ we would tend to reject H_0 if $\hat{\theta}_n$ is too far from the value $\theta=1$, or

(if $\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} \ll 1$ (or $\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} \gg 1$, with $\theta=1$ under H_0 , we reject since $P_{H_0}(\hat{\theta}_n > 1) = 0$)

Hence $\alpha = P_{H_0}(\text{reject } H_0) = P_{\theta=1}\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} < t_1 \cup \frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} > t_2\right)$ for $\begin{cases} t_1 < 1 \\ t_2 > 1 \end{cases}$

$$= P_{\theta=1}\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} < t_1\right) + P_{\theta=1}\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} > t_2\right) \quad \text{with} \quad P_{\theta=1}\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} > t_2\right) = 0 \quad \text{since } X_i \sim U(0, \theta)$$

$$= P_{\theta=1}\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} < t_1\right) = t_1^n \quad \text{We thus have } t_1 = \alpha^{1/n}.$$

And the rejection region thus follows: $R_\alpha(x) = \{x : \hat{\theta}_n < \alpha^{1/n} \text{ for } \hat{\theta}_n > 1\}$.

③ - the power function is such that:

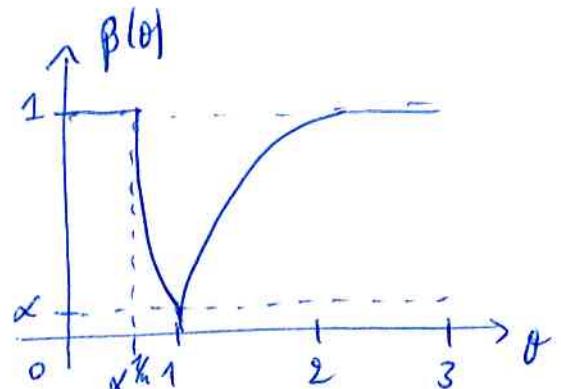
$$\beta: \theta \in \mathbb{R}_+^* \setminus \{1\}$$

$$\theta \mapsto \beta(\theta) = P_{H_1}(\text{reject } H_0).$$

$$\text{Then } \beta(\theta) = P_{H_1}(\hat{\theta}_n < \alpha^n \cup \hat{\theta}_n > 1) = P_{H_1}(\hat{\theta}_n < \alpha^n) + P_{H_1}(\hat{\theta}_n > 1) \quad (3)$$

$$\stackrel{H_0}{=} P_{H_1}\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} < \frac{\alpha^n}{\theta}\right) + P_{H_1}\left(\frac{\hat{\theta}_n}{\theta} > 1\right) = \min\left(\frac{\alpha}{\theta^n}, 1\right) + 1 - \left(\min\left(\frac{1}{\theta}, 1\right)\right)^n$$

Hence $\beta(\theta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \theta \leq \alpha^n \\ \frac{\alpha}{\theta^n} & \text{if } \alpha^n \leq \theta < 1 \\ 1 - \frac{1-\alpha}{\theta^n} & \text{if } \theta \geq 1 \end{cases}$



(4) - Is this test a likelihood-ratio test? (LRT)

First, let us define the likelihood here: $L(\theta; x) = f_{(X_1, \dots, X_n)}(x_1, \dots, x_n; \theta)$

$$\text{Thus } L(\theta; x) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i}(x_i; \theta) \text{ with } f_{X_i}(x_i; \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} \mathbb{1}_{[0, \theta]}(x_i)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta} \mathbb{1}_{[0, \theta]}(x_i) = \frac{1}{\theta^n} \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{[0, \theta]}(x_i).$$

$$= \frac{1}{\theta^n} \mathbb{1}_{\{\theta > \max(x_i)\}} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \theta \leq \max(x_i) \\ \frac{1}{\theta^n} & \text{if } \theta > \max(x_i) \end{cases}$$

This function of θ is decreasing, it takes its maximum in $\hat{\theta}_n = \max_{i=1, \dots, n}(x_i)$.

Our test is based on $\hat{\theta}_n$ rather than $L(\theta; x)$. Indeed, an LRT is defined on the comparison of likelihoods under H_0 and H_1 . Our test is therefore not a LRT.

(5) - We have seen that $\hat{\theta}_n = \max(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is the Maximum Likelihood Estimator (MLE) of θ . It is thus asymptotically gaussian, unbiased, and with a variance that can be approximated by the Fisher information.

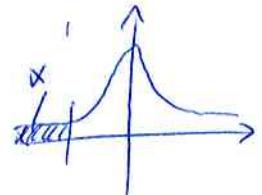
Remind that we want to test $H_0: \theta=1$ vs $H_1: \theta \neq 1$.

The Wald test is given by the Wald statistic, saying that under H_0 ,

$\frac{\hat{\theta}_n - 1}{\hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\theta}_n}}$ $\xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{H_0} N(0, 1)$, with $\hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\theta}_n}$ an estimator consistent of the standard deviation of $\hat{\theta}_n$.

$$\rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\theta}_n}^2 = I_n(\theta) \text{ with } I_n(\theta) = \frac{n^2}{\theta^2}. \text{ Hence } \hat{\sigma}_{\hat{\theta}_n} = \frac{1}{n} \hat{\theta}_n.$$

Finally, we have

$$\frac{\hat{\theta}_n - 1}{\frac{1}{n} \hat{\theta}_n} = n \left(1 - \frac{1}{\hat{\theta}_n} \right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{H_0} N(0, 1),$$


Issue if $\hat{\theta}_n$ too small as compared to 1.

which means that $R_\alpha(X) = \left\{ X : n \left(1 - \frac{1}{\hat{\theta}_n(X)} \right) \leq q_{\alpha}^{N(0,1)} \right\}$ where $\hat{\theta}_n(X) = \max_{i=1 \dots n} (X_i)$

Exercise 5

Let X be a random variable related to the weight.

We know that $X_i \sim f$, with $E[X_i] = \mu$.

① - The confidence interval for μ is an asymptotic confidence interval.

Indeed, we use $\hat{\mu}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ as an estimator of μ . If the X_i 's are iid (which is the case here), then $\hat{\mu}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{D} N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$, where σ^2 is the variance of the X_i 's (which is unknown here). We know that σ^2 can be consistently estimated by $S_n'^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \hat{\mu}_n)^2$, and we obtain: following the results of the course:

$$CI_{1-\alpha}(\mu) = \left[\hat{\mu}_n - \frac{S_n'}{\sqrt{n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)} ; \hat{\mu}_n + \frac{S_n'}{\sqrt{n}} q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{N(0,1)} \right]$$

(4)

② We set up the test:

$$H_0: \mu = 500 \text{ against } \mu \neq 500.$$

Given the previous question, we can define the rejection region as:

$$R_\alpha(X) = \left\{ X: \frac{|\hat{\mu}_n - 500|}{S_n/V_n} \geq q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{ST(n-1)} \right\}.$$

A.N.: $T(x) = \frac{|\bar{x}_n - 500|}{S_n/V_n} = \frac{|495 - 500|}{5,27} \times \sqrt{10} = 3 \geq q_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}^{ST(n-1)} = 2,26.$

\Rightarrow We thus belong to the rejection region $\Rightarrow H_0$ is rejected!

(Exercise 6) We had $X_i \sim N(\mu_0, \sigma^2)$, with $\mu_0 = 99$ kg.

A new process that is supposed to improve the robustness produces new data x , i.i.d. replications of $X_i \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$.

① We aim to test whether the new process improves the old one, i.e.

$$H_0: \mu_1 \leq \mu_0 \text{ against } H_1: \mu_1 > \mu_0.$$

Indeed, we would like to reject H_0 to conclude that it is better.

As in the previous exercise, we use $\hat{\mu}_{1n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$, a consistent and unbiased estimator of μ_1 . We then define the rejection rule as follows:

If $\frac{\hat{\mu}_{1n} - \mu_0}{S_n/V_n} > q_{1-\alpha}^{ST(n-1)}$ then we can reject H_0 .

Otherwise we cannot reject H_0 .

A.N.: $\begin{cases} \hat{\mu}_{1n} = 102 \\ \mu_0 = 99 \\ S_n = 2,16, s_1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \frac{102 - 99}{2,16} / \sqrt{10} = 1,39 \gg 1,83 \Rightarrow \text{reject } H_0.$

The new process is therefore better than the old one, with 5% of chance to be mistaken.

② Is the new process more accurate than the old one?

We have $X_0 \sim N(\mu_0, \sigma_0^2 = 1)$, and want to test:

$$X_i \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) \quad H_0: \sigma_1 \geq \sigma_0 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1: \sigma_1 < \sigma_0$$

We know that $S_n^{1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$ is a consistent estimator of σ_1^2 . It thus amounts to study the (normalized) "distance" between $S_n^{1/2}$ and σ_0^2 . This "distance" is based on the ratio because this is the test statistic whose distribution is known!

To be able to reject H_0 (and conclude H_1), $S_n^{1/2}$ must not be too high as compared to σ_0^2 . The rejection zone therefore follows:

$$R_\alpha(X) = \left\{ X : \underbrace{(n-1) \frac{S_n^{1/2}}{\sigma_0^2}}_{T(X)} \leq q_{1-\alpha}^{X^2(n-1)} \right\}.$$

$$\text{A.N.: } t(\alpha) = 4.2 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} q_{1-\alpha}^{X^2(n-1)} = 16.9 \\ \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow t(\alpha) > 16.9 = q_{1-\alpha}^{X^2(n-1)} \Rightarrow \text{we cannot reject } H_0.$$

Exercice 7: Consider an iid sample $(X_i)_{i=1,\dots,n}$ where X_i has density $f_\theta(x) = \theta e^{-\theta x} \mathbb{1}_{[0,+\infty]}(x)$, with $\theta > 0$ unknown.