

(5) Most powerful test for the normal variance -  $\mu$  is unknown

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be iid  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , where  $\mu$  is unknown.

(a) Is there an MP test at level  $\alpha$  for testing?

$$H_0 : \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \sigma^2 = \sigma_1^2, \sigma_1 > \sigma_0.$$

If not, find the corresponding GLRT.

(b) Is the above generalized likelihood ratio (GLR) test also a GLRT for testing the one-sided hypothesis?

$$H_0 : \sigma^2 \leq \sigma_0^2 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2.$$

(c) Find the GLRT at level  $\alpha$  for testing

$$H_0 : \sigma^2 \geq \sigma_0^2 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \sigma^2 < \sigma_0^2.$$

a) Assume there is an MP test at level  $\alpha$  with the rejection region  $R$ , then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu_1)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 - 2x_i\mu_1 + \mu_1^2) = \sum_{i=1}^n ((x_i - \mu)^2 + 2x_i\mu - \mu^2 - 2x_i\mu_1 + \mu_1^2)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X \in R) = \int_R (2\pi\sigma_1^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2\right) dx$$

$$= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (2x_i(\mu - \mu_1) + \mu_1^2 - \mu^2)\right) \int_R L(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2; x) dx$$

$$\leq \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (2x_i(\mu - \mu_1) + \mu_1^2 - \mu^2)\right) \propto$$

$$< \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (2x_i(\mu - \mu'_1) + \mu_1'^2 - \mu^2)\right) \propto$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(X \in R')$$

We have MPs for the simple problems  $(\mu_1, \sigma_1)$  and  $(\mu'_1, \sigma_1)$

$$\Theta_0 = \mathbb{R} \times \{\sigma_0\}, \quad \Theta_1 = \mathbb{R} \times \{\sigma_1\}, \quad \Theta := \Theta_0 \cup \Theta_1$$

The likelihood function is given by  $L(\mu, \sigma^2; x) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2\right)$

The MLEs are  $\hat{\mu} = \bar{x}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$ , hence the GLRT reads

$$\lambda(x) = \frac{L(\hat{\mu}_1, \sigma_1^2; x)}{L(\hat{\mu}_0, \sigma_0^2; x)} = \left(\frac{\sigma_0^2}{\sigma_1^2}\right)^{n/2} \exp\left(\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} - \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}\right) \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \geq \frac{1}{\sigma_1} \Leftrightarrow \sigma_1^2 \geq \sigma_0^2 \Leftrightarrow \sigma_1^2 \geq \sigma_0^2$$

We choose  $T(x) := \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$  as a simpler test statistic

Since  $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma^2)$  we have  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2} T(X) \sim \chi^2(n-1)$