

(2) Most powerful test 1

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid Uniform(0, θ).

(a) Derive the most powerful (MP) test at level α for testing

$$H_0: \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1: \theta = \theta_1, \theta_1 > \theta_0.$$

(b) Calculate the power of the MP test.

a) $L(\theta; x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\theta^n}, & \text{if } \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\}: x_i \in (0, \theta) \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$, Therefore we obtain for $x \in (0, \theta_1)$

$$\lambda(x) = \frac{L(\theta_1, x)}{L(\theta_0, x)} = \begin{cases} \frac{\theta_0^n}{\theta_1^n}, & \text{if } \max\{x_i | 1 \leq i \leq n\} < \theta_0 \\ \infty, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

We presume[⊕] that $T(x) = \max\{x_i | 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ is an appropriate Test-statistic for an MP

Assuming that $X_i \sim U(0, \theta_0)$, we have

$$P(T(x) \geq c) = 1 - P(T(x) < c) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i < c) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } c \leq 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } c \geq \theta_0 \\ 1 - \left(\frac{c}{\theta_0}\right)^n, & \text{if } 0 < c < \theta_0 \end{cases}$$

If $0 < \alpha < 1$, then $P(T(X) \geq c) = \alpha \Leftrightarrow \alpha = 1 - \left(\frac{c}{\theta_0}\right)^n \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{c}{\theta_0}\right)^n = 1 - \alpha \Leftrightarrow c = \theta_0 (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{n}}$

Hence, our test rejects H_0 , if $T(x) \geq \theta_0 (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{n}}$

b) The power q of the test is

$$\begin{aligned} q &= P(T(X) \geq \theta_0 (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{n}} | X_i \sim U(0, \theta_1)) = 1 - \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i < \theta_0 (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{n}}) = 1 - \left(\frac{\theta_0 (1 - \alpha)^{\frac{1}{n}}}{\theta_1}\right)^n \\ &= 1 - (1 - \alpha) \left(\frac{\theta_0}{\theta_1}\right)^n \end{aligned}$$

⊗ This presumption turns out to be true, since for any other test at level α' with rejection region R' we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(X \in R' | X \sim U(0, \theta_1)) &= \int_{R'} \frac{1}{\theta_1^n} \mathbb{1}_{[0, \theta_1]^n}(x) dx = \frac{\theta_0^n}{\theta_1^n} \int_{R'} \frac{1}{\theta_0^n} \mathbb{1}_{[0, \theta_0]^n}(x) dx + \int_{R'} \frac{1}{\theta_1^n} \mathbb{1}_{([0, \theta_0]^n)^c}(x) dx \\ &\leq \frac{\theta_0^n}{\theta_1^n} \alpha + \int_{([0, \theta_0]^n)^c} \frac{1}{\theta_1^n} dx = \frac{\theta_0^n}{\theta_1^n} \alpha + 1 - \frac{\theta_0^n}{\theta_1^n} = 1 - (1 - \alpha) \left(\frac{\theta_0}{\theta_1}\right)^n = q \end{aligned}$$