

# Homework 3

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1. By the Bayes Rule,

$$\begin{aligned} f(\theta|\mathbf{x}) &\propto f_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{x}|\theta)\pi(\theta) \\ &= e^{-n\theta} \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)b^a} \theta^{a-1} e^{-\theta/b} I(\theta > 0) \\ &= e^{-\theta(n+1/b)} \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + a - 1} \frac{1}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!} \frac{1}{\Gamma(a)b^a} I(\theta > 0) \end{aligned}$$

The Gamma kernel shows  $\theta \sim \text{Gamma}(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + a, \frac{b}{nb+1})$ .

Thus the Bayes estimator of  $\theta$  under squared error loss is  $\delta^\pi(\mathbf{x}) = E(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i + a) \frac{b}{nb+1}$ .

2.

a. Since  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are iid  $(\theta, 1)$ , the likelihood function is

$$L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \log L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) &= -n \log \sqrt{2\pi} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2 \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n\theta \end{aligned}$$

$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = 0$  only when  $\theta = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \bar{x}$ . Note that  $\log L(\theta|\mathbf{x})$  is monotonic increasing when  $-\infty < \theta < \bar{x}$  and monotonic decreasing when  $\bar{x} < \theta < \infty$ . Thus,

$$\hat{\theta} = \begin{cases} \bar{X} & \text{if } \theta_0 \geq \bar{X} \\ \theta_0 & \text{if } \theta_0 < \bar{X} \end{cases}$$

The LRT is

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} L(\theta|\mathbf{x})}{\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta|\mathbf{x})} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \theta_0 \geq \bar{X} \\ e^{-\frac{n}{2}(\bar{x} - \theta_0)^2} & \text{if } \theta_0 < \bar{X} \end{cases}$$

Given a number  $c \in [0, 1]$ , the rejection region is

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda(\mathbf{x}) &\leq c \\ e^{-\frac{n}{2}(\bar{x}-\theta_0)^2} &\leq c \\ \sqrt{n}|\bar{x}-\theta_0| &\geq \sqrt{-2\log c} \\ \sqrt{n}(\bar{x}-\theta_0) &\geq \sqrt{-2\log c} \quad (\text{Because } \theta_0 < \bar{x})\end{aligned}$$

Let  $c' = \sqrt{-2\log c}$ , we have the rejection region  $R = \{\mathbf{x} : \sqrt{n}(\bar{x}-\theta_0) \geq c'\}$ .

**b.** The power function of this test is

$$\begin{aligned}\beta(\theta) &= P_\theta(\sqrt{n}(\bar{x}-\theta_0) \geq c') \\ &= P_\theta(\sqrt{n}(\bar{x}-\theta) \geq c' - \sqrt{n}(\theta-\theta_0)) \\ &= 1 - F_Z(c' - \sqrt{n}(\theta-\theta_0))\end{aligned}$$

where  $F_Z$  is the CDF of standard Normal distribution.

$\beta(\theta)$  is an increasing function of  $\theta$  because

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \beta(\theta) = \sqrt{n} f_Z(c' - \sqrt{n}(\theta-\theta_0)) > 0$$

Thus,

$$\sup_{\theta \leq \theta_0} \beta(\theta) = \inf_{\theta > \theta_0} \beta(\theta) = \beta(\theta_0)$$

Thus for any  $\theta' > \theta_0$  and  $\theta'' \leq \theta_0$ ,  $\beta(\theta') \geq \beta(\theta'')$  always holds. The LRT is an unbiased test.

**3.**

**a.** Since  $\Theta_0$  only has one element  $\theta_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) &= \beta(\theta_0) \\ &= P_{\theta_0}(|\bar{X}-\theta_0| > t_{n-1, \alpha/2} S/\sqrt{n}) \\ &= P_{\theta_0}(\frac{\bar{X}-\theta_0}{S/\sqrt{n}} > t_{n-1, \alpha/2}) + P_{\theta_0}(\frac{\bar{X}-\theta_0}{S/\sqrt{n}} < -t_{n-1, \alpha/2})\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\frac{\bar{X}-\theta_0}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$ , the above equation equals to  $\alpha/2 + \alpha/2 = \alpha$ . Thus it is a size  $\alpha$  test.

**b.** The LRT is

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} L(\theta|\mathbf{x})}{\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} L(\theta|\mathbf{x})} \\ &= \frac{(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma})^n e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma})^n e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{2\sigma^2}}} \\ &= e^{-\frac{n}{2\sigma^2}(\bar{x}-\theta_0)^2}\end{aligned}$$

Let the rejection region be  $\lambda(\mathbf{x}) > c$  where  $0 < c < 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
e^{-\frac{n}{2\sigma^2}(\bar{x}-\theta_0)^2} &> c \\
-\frac{n}{2\sigma^2}(\bar{x}-\theta_0)^2 &> \log c \\
-\frac{n^2}{2(n-1)S^2}(\bar{x}-\theta_0)^2 &> \log c \\
\frac{(\bar{x}-\theta_0)^2}{S^2/n} &> -\frac{2(n-1)}{n} \log c \\
\frac{|\bar{x}-\theta_0|}{S/\sqrt{n}} &> \sqrt{-\frac{2(n-1)}{n} \log c}
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\sqrt{-\frac{2(n-1)}{n} \log c} = t_{n-1, \alpha/2}$ , i.e.,  $c = e^{-\frac{n}{2(n-1)} t_{n-1, \alpha/2}^2}$ , we get the test.

4.

a. The power function of the first test:

$$\beta(\theta) = P_\theta(\mathbf{X} \in R) = P_\theta(x_1 = 0) = e^{-\theta}$$

The power function of the second test:

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta(\theta) &= P_\theta(\mathbf{X} \in R) \\
&= P_\theta(x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0) + P_\theta(x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0) + P_\theta(x_1 = 0, x_2 = 1) \\
&= e^{-2\theta} + \theta e^{-2\theta} + \theta e^{-2\theta} \\
&= (1 + 2\theta)e^{-2\theta}
\end{aligned}$$

b. The size of the first test:

$$\alpha = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) = \beta(3) = e^{-3}$$

For the second test, since  $\beta'(\theta) = -4\theta e^{-2\theta} < 0$  when  $\theta \geq 3$ ,  $\beta(\theta)$  is a decreasing function when  $\theta \geq 3$ . Thus the size is

$$\alpha = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) = \beta(3) = 7e^{-6}$$

c. Since  $e^{-3} < 0.05$  and  $7e^{-6} < 0.05$ , both  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  are level  $\alpha = 0.05$  test.