MA 3140: Statistical Inference

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Likelihood Ratio Test

Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT)

Let X be a random vector with pdf (pmf) $f(x, \theta)$, $\theta \in \Omega$, and $L(\theta, x)$ is the corresponding likelihood function.

The likelihood ratio test statistic for testing

$$H: \theta \in \Omega_H$$
 vs. $K: \theta \in \Omega_K$ $(\Omega_H \cup \Omega_K = \Omega)$

is

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\sup\limits_{\Omega_H} L(\theta, \mathbf{x})}{\sup\limits_{\Omega} L(\theta, \mathbf{x})} = \frac{\hat{L}(\Omega_H)}{\hat{L}(\Omega)}.$$

A likelihood ratio test (LRT) is any test that has a rejection region of the form $\{x : \lambda(x) \le c\}$, where c is determined from the size condition

$$\sup_{\theta \in \Omega_H} P_{\theta}(\lambda(\mathbf{x}) \le c) = \alpha.$$

Example 1

Let X_1, \ldots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Find LRT for testing

$$H: \mu < 0$$
 vs. $K: \mu > 0$.

Solution: Step 1:

$$\Omega_H = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : -\infty < \mu < 0, \sigma^2 > 0\}$$

$$\Omega = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : -\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma^2 > 0\}.$$

Step 2: The likelihood function is

$$L(\mu, \sigma^2, \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})^n} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} (x_i - \mu)^2\right]$$
$$\log L = -\frac{n}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{n}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{\mathbf{x}} (x_i - \mu)^2$$

Now,

$$\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum (x_i - \mu) = \frac{n(\overline{x} - \mu)}{\sigma^2}$$

$$\begin{cases} < 0, & \text{if } \mu > \overline{x} \\ > 0, & \text{if } \mu < \overline{x} \end{cases}$$
(1)

So, $\log L$ increases for $\mu < \overline{x}$ and $\log L$ decreases for $\mu > \overline{x}$.

Thus, maximum for μ is attained when $\mu = \overline{x}$ (on Ω), i.e.,

$$\hat{\mu}_{\Omega} = \overline{x}$$

Further,

$$\frac{\partial \log L}{\partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} \sum (x_i - \mu)^2 = \frac{n}{2\sigma^4} \left[\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n} - \sigma^2 \right]$$

$$\begin{cases} < 0, & \text{if } \sigma^2 > \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n} \\ > 0, & \text{if } \sigma^2 < \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n} \end{cases}$$
(2)

So, $\log L$ increases when $\sigma^2 < \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$ and $\log L$ decreases when $\sigma^2 > \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$.

Thus, maximum for σ^2 is attained when $\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$, i.e.,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$$



Therefore, when we consider maximization of $L(\mu, \sigma^2, \mathbf{x})$ over Ω , we get

$$\hat{\mu}_{\Omega} = \overline{x}$$
 and $\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2$;

Substituting these values in $L(\mu, \sigma^2, \mathbf{x})$, we get

$$\hat{L}(\Omega) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2} \sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2\right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{n}{2}\right]$$

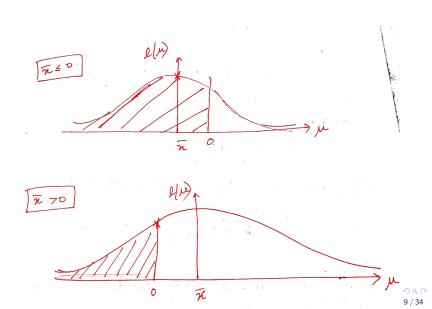
Step 3: In order to evaluate $\hat{L}(\Omega_H)$, we consider maximization of $L(\mu, \sigma^2, \mathbf{x})$ over Ω_H , i.e., we need $\hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2_{\Omega_H}$.

From (6), we have the behaviour of $\log L$ as follows:

(i) If
$$\overline{x} \leq 0$$
, $\hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H} = \overline{x}$.

(ii) If
$$\overline{x} > 0$$
, $\hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H} = 0$.

Thus,
$$\hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H} = \min\{\overline{x}, 0\}.$$



We also look at maximization wrt σ^2 , i.e.,

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H})^2$$

Substituting these values, we get

$$\hat{L}(\Omega_H) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2} \sum (x_i - \hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H})^2\right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{n}{2}\right]$$

Step 4: LRT is: Reject H_0 if

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\hat{L}(\Omega_H)}{\hat{L}(\Omega)} < c$$

Now,

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\hat{L}(\Omega_H)}{\hat{L}(\Omega)} < c \iff \left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2}\right)^{n/2} < c$$

$$\iff \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2} < c_1$$

$$\iff \frac{\frac{1}{n}\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2}{\frac{1}{n}\sum (x_i - \min\{0, \overline{x}\})^2} < c_1$$

- (i) If $\overline{x} \leq 0$, LHS is 1. So, we always accept H and $\alpha = 0$.
- (ii) If $\overline{x} > 0$, the test is: Reject H if

$$\frac{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2}{\sum x_i^2} < c_1 \iff \frac{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2}{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2 + n\overline{x}^2} < c_1$$

$$\iff \frac{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2 + n\overline{x}^2}{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2} > c_2$$

$$\iff \frac{n\overline{x}^2}{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2} > c_3$$

$$\iff \frac{\sqrt{n\overline{x}}}{\sqrt{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2}} > c_4$$

$$\iff \frac{\sqrt{n\overline{x}}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1}\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2}} > c_5,$$

where c_5 is determined by $\sup_{\mu \leq 0} P_{\mu} \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}\overline{X}}{S} > c_5 \right) = \alpha$.

Recall that $rac{\sqrt{n}(\mathsf{X}-\mu)}{\mathsf{S}}\sim t_{n-1}$ and that

$$P_{\mu}\Big(\frac{\sqrt{n}(\overline{X}-\mu)}{S}>\frac{\sqrt{n}(c_5-\mu)}{S}\Big)$$

is increasing in μ , so it will attain maximum at $\mu = 0$. Therefore, the size condition is

$$P_{\mu=0}\left(\frac{\sqrt{nX}}{S}>c_5\right)=\alpha, \text{ where } c_5=t_{n-1,\alpha}.$$

Thus, LRT is

Reject
$$H$$
 if $\frac{\sqrt{nX}}{S} > t_{n-1,\alpha}$

Accept
$$H$$
 if $\overline{X} < 0$

Example 2

Let X_1, \ldots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Find LRT for testing

$$H: \mu = 0$$
 vs. $K: \mu \neq 0$.

Solution: Step 1: Here,

$$\Omega_H = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : \mu = 0, \sigma^2 > 0\}$$

Step 2: We know from previous case that

$$\hat{L}(\Omega) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{n}{2}\right]$$

where
$$\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2$$
.

Step 3: On
$$\Omega_H$$
, $\mu = 0 \Longrightarrow \hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H} = 0$.

This implies
$$\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H})^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i^2$$
.

Substituting these values, we get

$$\hat{L}(\Omega_H) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{n}{2}\right]$$

Step 4: So, LRT is to Reject H_0 if

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\hat{L}(\Omega_H)}{\hat{L}(\Omega)} < c \iff \left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2}\right)^{n/2} < c \iff \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2} < c_1$$
$$\iff \frac{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2}{\sum x_i^2} < c_1$$

$$\iff \frac{\sum x_i^2}{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2} > c_2 \iff \frac{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2 + n\overline{x}^2}{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2} > c_2$$

$$\iff \frac{n\overline{x}^2}{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2 / (n - 1)} > c_3$$

$$\iff |\frac{\sqrt{n}\overline{x}}{5}| > c_4 \text{ (taking square roots)}$$

where c_4 is determined by

$$P_{\mu=0}\left(\left|\frac{\sqrt{n}\overline{x}}{S}\right|>c_4\right)=\alpha\Longrightarrow c_4=t_{n-1,\alpha/2}$$

as $\frac{\sqrt{nX}}{5} \sim t_{n-1}$ when $\mu = 0$.

So, LRT is Reject
$$H$$
 if $\left|\frac{\sqrt{nx}}{5}\right| \ge t_{n-1,\alpha/2}$.



Example 3

Let X_1, \ldots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Find LRT for testing

$$H: \sigma^2 \le \sigma_0^2$$
 vs. $K: \sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2$.

Solution: Step 1: Here,

$$\Omega_H = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : -\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma^2 \le \sigma_0^2\}$$

Step 2: As before,

$$\hat{L}(\Omega) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{n}{2}\right]$$

where
$$\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2$$
.

Step 3: Over Ω_H ,

(i)
$$\frac{1}{n}\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2 \le \sigma_0^2$$
. Then, $\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2 = \frac{1}{n}\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2$.

(ii)
$$\frac{1}{n}\sum(x_i-\overline{x})^2>\sigma_0^2$$
. Then, $\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2=\sigma_0^2$.

So,
$$\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2 = \min\{\sigma_0^2, \frac{1}{n}\sum(x_i - \overline{x})^2\} = \min\{\sigma_0^2, \hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2\}.$$

Substituting these values, we get

$$\hat{L}(\Omega_H) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2} \sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2\right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{n\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{2\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2}\right].$$

Step 4: Thus,

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\hat{L}(\Omega_H)}{\hat{L}(\Omega)} = \left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2}\right)^{n/2} \exp\left[\frac{n}{2}\left\{1 - \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2}\right\}\right]$$

When $\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2 \leq \sigma_0^2$, $\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = 1$. So, we always accept H ($\alpha = 0$). When $\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2 > \sigma_0^2$,

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = y^{\frac{n}{2}} e^{\frac{n}{2}(1-y)} = g(y), \quad y > 1,$$

where
$$y = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2} = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\sigma_0^2}$$
.
$$g'(y) = \frac{n}{2} y^{n/2-1} e^{\frac{n}{2}(1-y)} (1-y) < 0$$

Thus, g(y) is decreasing in y.

So,

$$g(y) < c \iff y > c_2 \iff \frac{1}{n\sigma_0^2} \sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2 > c_2$$

 $\iff \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2 > c_3$

where c_3 is determined by

$$\sup_{\sigma^2 \le \sigma_0^2} P_{\sigma^2} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \sum_{i} (x_i - \overline{x})^2 > c_3 \right) = \alpha$$

Recall that $W = \frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$ under σ_0^2 . So,

$$P_{\sigma^2}\Big(\frac{\sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2}{\sigma^2} > \frac{c_3\sigma_0^2}{\sigma^2}\Big)$$

is increasing in σ^2 .

Thus, it will attain a maximum at $\sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$ (for $\sigma^2 \le \sigma_0^2$). So the size condition is

$$P_{\sigma_0^2}\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2}\sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2 > c_3\right) = \alpha$$

but
$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$
 when $\sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$.

Thus,
$$c_3 = \chi^2_{n-1,\alpha}$$
.

So LRT is:

Reject
$$H$$
 if $\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} \sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2 > \chi^2_{n-1,\alpha}$

Accept
$$H$$
 if $\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i}(X_i-\overline{X})^2<\sigma_0^2$.

Example 4

Let X_1, \ldots, X_n be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Find LRT for testing

$$H: \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$$
 vs. $K: \sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2$.

Solution: Step 1: Here,

$$\Omega_H = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : -\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2\}$$

Step 2: As before,

$$\hat{L}(\Omega) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{n}{2}\right]$$

where $\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2 = \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_i (x_i - \overline{x})^2$.

Step 3: For Ω_H , $\hat{\mu}_{\Omega_H} = \overline{x}$ and $\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega_H}^2 = \sigma_0^2$.

$$\hat{L}(\Omega_H) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_0^2)^{n/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2}n\hat{\sigma}_\Omega^2\right]$$

Step 4: LRT is

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\hat{L}(\Omega_H)}{\hat{L}(\Omega)} = y^{n/2} e^{\frac{n}{2}(1-y)} = g(y)$$

where $y = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{\Omega}^2}{\sigma_0^2}$.

Now,

$$g'(y) = \frac{n}{2}y^{\frac{n}{2}-1}e^{n/2(1-y)}(1-y)$$
 > 0, if $y < 1$ < 0, if $y > 1$.

So, g(y) attains max at y = 1.

$$g''(y) = \frac{n}{2} y^{n/2 - 2} e^{n/2(1 - y)} \left[\frac{n}{2} (1 - y)^2 - 1 \right] > 0, \text{ if } y < \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} - 1$$

$$0 < 0 \text{ if } y > \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} \pm 1 \text{ for } 0 < 0 \text{ if } y > 0 \text{ if } 0 > 0 \text{ if } 0 < 0$$

So, the LRT is to Reject *H* if

$$\begin{split} \lambda(\mathbf{x}) &< c \Longleftrightarrow g(y) < c \\ &\iff y < c_1 \text{ or } y > c_2 \\ &\iff \frac{\sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2}{\sigma_0^2} < c_1^* \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2}{\sigma_0^2} > c_2^*, \end{split}$$

where c_1^* and c_2^* are determined by

$$P_{\sigma_0^2}\left(c_1^* \le \frac{\sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2}{\sigma_0^2} < c_2^*\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

where $\frac{\sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2}{\sigma_0^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$.

So these are to be determined from tables of χ_{n-1}^2 distribution.

As a convention, one can take $c_1^* = \chi_{n-1,1-\alpha/2}^2$ and

$$c_1^* = \chi_{n-1,\alpha/2}^2$$



Example 5

Let $X \sim Bin(n, p)$. Find LRT for testing

$$H: p \le p_0$$
 vs. $K: p > p_0$.

Solution: Step 1: Here,

$$\Omega = [0,1]$$
 and $\Omega_H = [0,p_0]$

Step 2:

$$L(p,x) = \binom{n}{x} p^{x} (1-p)^{n-x}$$

$$\log L(p,x) = \log \binom{n}{x} + x \log p + (n-x) \log(1-p)$$

$$\frac{d \log L}{dp} = \frac{x}{p} - \frac{n-x}{1-p}$$

$$\frac{d \log L}{dp} = \frac{x - np}{p(1 - p)} = \begin{cases} <0, & \text{if } p > x/n \\ >0, & \text{if } p < x/n \end{cases}$$

Thus, $\hat{p}_{\Omega} = x/n$.

Substituting this, we get

$$\hat{L}(\Omega) = \binom{n}{x} \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^{x} \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^{n-x}.$$

Step 3: On Ω_H , $p \leq p_0$.

- (i) If $\frac{x}{n} \leq p_0$, $\hat{p}_{\Omega_H} = \frac{x}{n}$.
- (ii) If $\frac{x}{n} > p_0$, $\hat{p}_{\Omega_H} = p_0$. Thus, $\hat{p}_{\Omega_H} = \min\{p_0, \frac{x}{n}\}$.

$$\hat{L}(\Omega_H) = \begin{cases} \binom{n}{x} \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^x \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^{n-x}, & \text{if } x/n < p_0 \\ \binom{n}{x} p_0^x (1 - p_0)^{n-x}, & \text{if } x/n > p_0 \end{cases}$$

Step 4: For $x/n < p_0$,

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\hat{L}(\Omega_H)}{\hat{L}(\Omega)} = 1$$

Thus, we always accept H.

For $\frac{x}{n} > p_0$,

$$\lambda(x) = \frac{p_0^x (1 - p_0)^{n - x}}{(x/n)^x (1 - x/n)^{n - x}}$$

LRT is: Reject H if $\lambda(x) < c$.

Consider

$$\lambda^* = \log \lambda(x)$$

= $x \log p_0 + (n-x) \log(1-p_0) - x \log \frac{x}{n} - (n-x) \log(1-\frac{x}{n})$.

Now,

$$\begin{split} & \frac{d\lambda^*(x)}{dx} \\ &= \log p_0 - \log(1 - p_0) - \log \frac{x}{n} - x \frac{n}{x} \frac{1}{n} + \log(1 - \frac{x}{n}) + \frac{n - x}{n - x} n \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \log \left[\frac{(n - x)p_0}{x(1 - p_0)} \right] < 0 \end{split}$$

since $\frac{x}{n} > p_0$ and $n - x < n(1 - p_0)$.

Thus, λ^* or λ is a decreasing function of x.



LRT is to Reject H if $x > c_1$ where c_1 is to be determined by the size condition

$$\sup_{p \le p_0} P_p(X > c_1) = \alpha$$

where $P_p(X > c_1)$ is increasing in p and hence, supremum is attained at p_0 .

Therefore,

$$P_{p_0}(X>c_1)=\alpha$$

where $X \sim Bin(n, p_0)$.

Similarly, one can find LRT for testing $H: p = p_0$ vs. $K: p \neq p_0$

Example 6

Let X_1, \ldots, X_n be a random sample from Exponential Distribution with location parameter, i.e., the pdf is: $e^{\theta-x}, x > \theta$. Find LRT for

$$H: \theta \leq \theta_0$$
 vs. $K: \theta > \theta_0$.

Solution: Step 1: Here,

$$\Omega_H = \{\theta : \theta \le \theta_0\}$$

Step 2:

$$L(\theta, \mathbf{x}) = e^{n\theta - \sum x_i} = \begin{cases} e^{n(\theta - \overline{x})}, & \text{if } x_{(1)} > \theta \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

which is increasing in θ .

Note that $\hat{\theta}_{\Omega} = X_{(1)}$.

Therefore,

$$\hat{L}(\Omega) = e^{n(x_{(1)} - \overline{x})}$$

Step 3: For Ω_H ,

$$\hat{\theta}_{\Omega_H} = \begin{cases} x_{(1)}, & \text{if } x_{(1)} \le \theta_0 \\ \theta_0, & \text{if } x_{(1)} > \theta_0 \end{cases}$$

Substituting $\hat{\theta}_{\Omega_H}$, we get

$$\hat{L}(\Omega_H) = \begin{cases} e^{n(x_{(1)} - \overline{x})}, & \text{if } x_{(1)} \le \theta_0 \\ e^{n(\theta_0 - \overline{x})}, & \text{if } x_{(1)} > \theta_0 \end{cases}$$

Step 4: For $x_{(1)} \le \theta_0$, we have $\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = 1$. Therefore, we accept H.

For $x_{(1)} > \theta_0$, we have

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = e^{n(\theta_0 - \overline{x})} < c \Longleftrightarrow x_{(1)} > c$$

where *c* is determined by

$$P_{\theta_0}(X_{(1)} > c) = \alpha \Longrightarrow e^{n(\theta_0 - c)} = \alpha.$$

This implies,

$$c = \theta_0 - \frac{\log \alpha}{n}$$

Therefore, LRT is: Reject *H* if $X_{(1)} > \theta_0 - \frac{\log \alpha}{n}$.

Sufficiency and LRT

Theorem: For testing $H: \theta \in \Omega_H$ vs. $K: \theta \in \Omega_K$, LRT is a function of every sufficient statistic.

Proof:

By Factorization Theorem, we can write

$$L(\theta, \mathbf{x}) = g(T(\mathbf{x}), \theta)h(\mathbf{x})$$

where T is a sufficient statistic.

$$\hat{L}(\Omega) = h(\mathbf{x}) \sup_{\theta \in \Omega} g(T(\mathbf{x}), \theta)$$
 and $\hat{L}(\Omega_H) = h(\mathbf{x}) \sup_{\theta \in \Omega_H} g(T(\mathbf{x}), \theta)$.

So,

$$\lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \Omega_H} g(T(\mathbf{x}), \theta)}{\sup_{\theta \in \Omega} g(T(\mathbf{x}), \theta)}$$

which depends on T.

Thanks for your patience!