

Homework 9 for STA 250/MTH 342 – Fall 2017

Due at the beginning of class on November 20, 2017

1. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. data from a $\text{Poisson}(\theta)$ distribution.

(a) Find the likelihood ratio for testing

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

where θ_1 is greater than θ_0 .

- (b) Use the fact that the sum of independent Poisson random variables follows a Poisson distribution to explain how to determine a rejection region for a test at level α .
(c) Is this test uniformly most powerful (UMP) for testing

$$H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \theta > \theta_0?$$

Provide your reasoning.

2. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. data from a distribution with the following pdf

$$\begin{aligned} f(x|\theta) &= \frac{1}{\theta} m x^{m-1} e^{-x^m/\theta} \quad \text{for } x > 0, \\ &= 0 \quad \text{otherwise,} \end{aligned}$$

where $m > 0$ is a known constant.

- (a) Find the UMP level α test for $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ vs $H_1 : \theta > \theta_0$.
(b) If $n = 20$, $\theta_0 = 100$ and we want to have a level $\alpha = .05$, what is the rejection region of the test, and what is its power function?
(c) Again, if $\theta_0 = 100$, $\alpha = .05$, to have a test with Type II error rate β no larger than .05, how big does the sample size n have to be, for the alternative $\theta = \theta_1 = 105$?
3. Let $X_i \sim \mathbf{Binomial}(n_i, p_i)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$, be independent. Derive the (generalized) likelihood ratio test for the hypothesis

$$H_0 : p_1 = p_2 = \dots = p_m \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \text{otherwise.}$$

(The test statistic you get for this test may be very complicated and you don't have to simplify it. As a result, you will not be able to find the cutoff constant C to make the test level α . We will introduce some techniques for you to find the cutoff later in the course.)

4. Suppose that X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n_1} , Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{n_2} , and W_1, W_2, \dots, W_{n_3} are independent random variables from normal distributions with respective unknown means μ_X , μ_Y , and μ_W and unknown variances σ_X^2 , σ_Y^2 , and σ_W^2 . Find the (generalized) likelihood ratio test for

$$H_0 : \sigma_X^2 = \sigma_Y^2 = \sigma_W^2 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \text{otherwise.}$$

(Again, you don't need to find the corresponding constant C that makes this test level α .)

5. D&S (4th Ed.) Exercise 9.3.17 (page 567)
6. D&S (4th Ed.) Exercise 9.5.4 (page 585)