

Math 181A HW10

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Problem 6.5.1 Let k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n be a random sample from the geometric probability function

$$p_X(k; p) = (1 - p)^{k-1} p, k = 1, 2, \dots$$

Find Λ , the generalized likelihood ratio for testing $H_0 : p = p_0$ versus $H_1 : p \neq p_0$.

Solution.

$$\Lambda = \frac{L(p_0)}{\max_{p \in \mathbb{R}} L(p)}.$$

To find $\max_{p \in \mathbb{R}} L(p)$, we take the derivative of $l(p) = \ln[L(p)]$ and set it to 0.

$$\begin{aligned} L(p) &= \prod_{i=1}^n (1 - p)^{k_i - 1} p \\ &= p^n (1 - p)^{\sum_{i=1}^n (k_i) - n} \\ l(p) &= n \ln(p) + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (k_i) - n \right) \ln(1 - p) \\ l'(\hat{p}) = 0 &= \frac{n}{\hat{p}} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (k_i) - n}{1 - \hat{p}} \\ \hat{p} \sum_{i=1}^n (k_i) - n\hat{p} &= n(1 - \hat{p}) \\ \hat{p} &= \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n (k_i)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\bar{K}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda &= \frac{L(p_0)}{\max_{p \in \mathbb{R}} L(p)} \\ &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n (1 - p_0)^{k_i - 1} p_0}{\prod_{i=1}^n (1 - \frac{1}{\bar{K}})^{k_i - 1} \frac{1}{\bar{K}}} \\ &= \frac{p_0^n (1 - p_0)^{\sum_{i=1}^n (k_i) - n}}{(1/\bar{K})^n (1 - (1/\bar{K}))^{\sum_{i=1}^n (k_i) - n}} \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 6.5.2 Let y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{10} be a random sample from an exponential pdf with unknown parameter λ . Find the form of the GLRT for $H_0 : \lambda = \lambda_0$ versus $H_1 : \lambda \neq \lambda_0$. What integral would have to be evaluated to determine the critical value if α were equal to 0.05?

Solution.

$$\Lambda = \frac{L(\lambda_0)}{\max_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} L(\lambda)}.$$

To find $\max_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} L(\lambda)$, we first find the maximum likelihood estimator by taking the derivative of $l(\lambda) = \ln[L(\lambda)]$ and set it to 0.

$$\begin{aligned} L(\lambda) &= \prod_{k=1}^{10} \lambda e^{-\lambda y_k} \\ &= \lambda^{10} e^{-\lambda \sum_{k=1}^{10} y_k} \\ l(\lambda) &= 10 \ln(\lambda) - \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{10} y_k \\ l'(\hat{\lambda}) &= 0 = \frac{10}{\hat{\lambda}} - \sum_{k=1}^{10} y_k \\ \hat{\lambda} &= \frac{10}{\sum_{k=1}^{10} y_k} \\ &= \frac{1}{\bar{Y}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda &= \frac{L(\lambda_0)}{\max_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}} L(\lambda)} \\ &= \frac{\lambda_0^{10} \cdot e^{-\lambda_0 \sum_{k=1}^{10} y_k}}{(1/\bar{Y})^{10} \cdot e^{-(1/\bar{Y}) \sum_{k=1}^{10} y_k}} \\ &= \frac{\lambda_0^{10} \cdot e^{-\lambda_0 \sum_{k=1}^{10} y_k}}{(1/\bar{Y})^{10} \cdot e^{-10}} \\ &= (\bar{Y} \cdot \lambda_0)^{10} \cdot e^{10 - \lambda_0 \sum_{k=1}^{10} y_k} \\ &= (\bar{Y} \cdot \lambda_0)^{10} \cdot e^{10 - \lambda_0 \cdot 10 \bar{Y}} \\ &= (\bar{Y} \cdot \lambda_0)^{10} \cdot e^{10(1 - \lambda_0 \bar{Y})}. \end{aligned}$$

To find the critical value, we need to find c such that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= P(\Lambda \leq c | \lambda = \lambda_0) \\ \alpha &= \int_0^c f_{\Lambda}(z | \lambda = \lambda_0) dz. \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 6.5.3 Let y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n be a random sample from a normal pdf with unknown mean μ and variance 1. Find the form of the GLRT for $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ versus $H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$.

Solution. Let's find the maximum likelihood estimator $\hat{\mu}$ first.

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mu) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(y_i - \mu)^2} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2} \\ l(\mu) &= -\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \\ l'(\hat{\mu}) &= 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\mu}) \\ \hat{\mu} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ &= \bar{Y}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, we can find the likelihood ratio by setting $\max_{\mu \in \mathbb{R}} L(\mu) = L(\hat{\mu})$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda &= \frac{L(\mu_0)}{\max_{\mu \in \mathbb{R}} L(\mu)} \\ &= \frac{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu_0)^2}}{\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \right)^n e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{Y})^2}} \\ &= e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu_0)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{Y})^2} \\ &= e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i^2 - 2y_i\mu_0 + \mu_0^2) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i^2 - 2y_i\bar{Y} + \bar{Y}^2)} \\ &= e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (2y_i\bar{Y} - 2y_i\mu_0 - \bar{Y}^2 + \mu_0^2)} \\ &= e^{-\frac{n}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (2\frac{y_i}{n}\bar{Y} - 2\frac{y_i}{n}\mu_0) + \frac{n}{2}\bar{Y}^2 - \frac{n}{2}\mu_0^2} \\ &= e^{-\frac{n}{2} (2\bar{Y}^2 - 2\bar{Y}\mu_0) + \frac{n}{2}\bar{Y}^2 - \frac{n}{2}\mu_0^2} \\ &= e^{-\frac{n}{2} (\bar{Y}^2 - 2\bar{Y}\mu_0 + \mu_0^2)} \\ &= e^{-\frac{n}{2} (\bar{Y} - \mu_0)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

To conduct a hypothesis test, we need to find c^* such that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= P(\Lambda \leq c | \mu = \mu_0) \quad (\text{notice } e^{-\frac{n}{2}(\bar{Y} - \mu_0)^2} \text{ is always } \leq 1, \text{ so } c \leq 1) \\ \alpha &= P(e^{-\frac{n}{2}(\bar{Y} - \mu_0)^2} \leq c | \mu = \mu_0) \\ \alpha &= P\left(-\frac{n}{2}(\bar{Y} - \mu_0)^2 \leq \ln(c) | \mu = \mu_0\right) \\ \alpha &= P\left(\frac{(\bar{Y} - \mu_0)^2}{1/n} \geq -2\ln(c) | \mu = \mu_0\right) \\ \alpha &= P\left(\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu_0}{1/\sqrt{n}}\right)^2 \geq -2\ln(c) | \mu = \mu_0\right) \\ \alpha &= P(Z^2 \geq -2\ln(c) | \mu = \mu_0) \\ \alpha &= P(Z \geq c^* | \mu = \mu_0) + P(Z \leq -c^* | \mu = \mu_0). \quad (c^* = z_{\alpha/2}) \end{aligned}$$

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Problem 6.5.4 In the scenario of Question 6.5.3, suppose the alternative hypothesis is $H_1 : \mu = \mu_1$, for some particular value of μ_1 . How does the likelihood ratio test change in this case? In what way does the critical region depend on the particular value of μ_1 ?

Problem 6.5.5

Problem 6.5.6 Suppose a sufficient statistic exists for the parameter θ . Use Theorem 5.6.1 to show that the critical region of a likelihood ratio test will depend on the sufficient statistic.