

Ch 8. Hypothesis testing: Part II

Likelihood Ratio Tests (Ch 6.3 & 8.3)

$H_0 : \theta \in \Omega_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \in \Omega \cap \Omega_0^c$

- Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT) of size α rejects H_0 if

$$\frac{\max_{\theta \in \Omega_0} L(\theta; \mathbf{X})}{\max_{\theta \in \Omega} L(\theta; \mathbf{X})} \leq k,$$

with k satisfying

$$\max_{\theta \in \Omega_0} P \left(\frac{\max_{\theta \in \Omega_0} L(\theta; \mathbf{X})}{\max_{\theta \in \Omega} L(\theta; \mathbf{X})} \leq k \right) = \alpha$$

→ If $\Omega_0 = \{\theta_0\}$ (i.e. $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \in \Omega \cap \Omega_0^c$), LRT of size α reject H_0 if

► Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT) of size α rejects H_0 if

$$\frac{L(\theta_0; \mathbf{X})}{L(\hat{\theta}^{MLE}; \mathbf{X})} \leq k,$$

with k satisfying

$$P_{\theta_0} \left(\frac{L(\theta_0; \mathbf{X})}{L(\hat{\theta}^{MLE}; \mathbf{X})} \leq k \right) = \alpha$$

→ LRT is not the “best” in general, but it is known that LRT is asymptotically “best”.

- Equivalent form of LRT:

Reject H_0 if

$$2 \left(\ell \left(\hat{\theta}^{\Omega_0}; \mathbf{X} \right) - \ell \left(\hat{\theta}^{\Omega}; \mathbf{X} \right) \right) \leq c$$

with

$$\max_{\theta \in \Omega_0} P \left[2 \left(\ell \left(\hat{\theta}^{\Omega_0}; \mathbf{X} \right) - \ell \left(\hat{\theta}^{\Omega}; \mathbf{X} \right) \right) \leq c \right] = \alpha$$

where

$$\hat{\theta}^{\Omega} = \arg \max_{\theta \in \Omega} L(\theta; \mathbf{X})$$

$$\hat{\theta}^{\Omega_0} = \arg \max_{\theta \in \Omega_0} L(\theta; \mathbf{X})$$

- If $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \neq \theta_0$, the equivalent LRT is
Reject H_0 if

$$2 \left(\ell(\theta_0; \mathbf{X}) - \ell(\hat{\theta}^{MLE}; \mathbf{X}) \right) \leq c$$

with

$$P_{\theta_0} \left[2 \left(\ell(\theta_0; \mathbf{X}) - \ell(\hat{\theta}^{MLE}; \mathbf{X}) \right) \leq c \right] = \alpha$$

- Example 8.9 (two-sided test)

$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, σ^2 is known and $\mu \in \Omega = (-\infty, \infty)$

$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ versus $H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$

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$H_0 : \mu \leq \mu_0$ versus $H_1 : \mu > \mu_0$

- Example 8.10

$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\theta), H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \text{ versus } H_1 : \theta \neq \theta_0$

- Example 8.11

$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\theta_1, \theta_2)$, θ_2 is unknown and $-\infty < \theta_1 < \infty$, $\theta_2 > 0$

$H_0 : \theta_1 = \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta_1 \neq \theta_0$

- Example 8.12

$$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \theta), \quad -\infty < \mu < \infty, \quad \theta > 0$$

$$H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \text{ versus } H_1 : \theta \neq \theta_0$$

- Example 8.13

$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_1, \sigma^2)$, $Y_1, \dots, Y_m \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$, $-\infty < \mu_1, \mu_2 < \infty$,
 $\sigma^2 > 0$ is known, $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$ versus $H_1 : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$

- Example 8.14

$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_1, \theta_1)$, $Y_1, \dots, Y_m \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_2, \theta_2)$, $H_0 : \theta_1 = \theta_2$ versus $H_1 : \theta_1 \neq \theta_2$

Other tests

Let $\hat{\theta}$ be the MLE of θ .

- Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT):

Reject H_0 if $-2(\ell(\theta_0) - \ell(\hat{\theta})) > k$

- Wald test:

Reject H_0 if $\left(\sqrt{nI(\hat{\theta})}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \right)^2 > k$

- Score test:

Reject H_0 if

$$\left(\frac{\ell'(\theta_0)}{\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}} \right)^2 > k$$

Theorem (Asymptotic likelihood ratio test)

Under regularity conditions (R0)~(R4), if $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}^p$ is true, we have

$$-2 \log \Lambda \xrightarrow{d} \chi_p^2 \text{ where } \Lambda = \frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\hat{\theta})} \text{ and } \hat{\theta} \text{ is the MLE of } \theta$$

That is, $-2(\ell(\theta_0) - \ell(\hat{\theta})) \xrightarrow{d} \chi_p^2$

- Example 8.10 (revisited)

$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\theta)$, $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \neq \theta_0$

Exercises: 6.3.16, 6.3.18, 6.3.19