

STAT 5430

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Basics theorem
Intro
to testing

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(after break)

Hypothesis Testing I

Most Powerful Tests (Simple vs Simple Hypotheses)

Finding best test for simple H_0 vs simple H_1 !

Let $f(\underline{x}|\theta)$, $\underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$, $\theta \in \Theta$, be the joint pdf/pmf of $\underline{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

We want to test the hypothesis

$$H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1 : \theta = \theta_1 \quad \text{where } \theta_0, \theta_1 \in \Theta, \theta_0 \neq \theta_1.$$

↑ given parameters

← "best test"

Definition: A test function $\varphi(\underline{x})$ is called a **most powerful (MP)** test of size α if

$$1. E_{\theta_0} \varphi(\underline{X}) = \alpha. \quad \leftarrow \text{prob of Type I error at } \theta_0 \text{ is set to } \alpha \in [0, 1]$$

$$\leftarrow 1 - E_{\theta_0} \bar{\varphi}(\underline{X}) \leq 1 - E_{\theta_0} \bar{\varphi}(\underline{X})$$

$$2. E_{\theta_1} \varphi(\underline{X}) \geq E_{\theta_1} \bar{\varphi}(\underline{X}) \text{ holds for any other test rule } \bar{\varphi}(\underline{x}) \text{ with } E_{\theta_0} \bar{\varphi}(\underline{X}) \leq \alpha.$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{prob of Type II error at } \theta_1 \text{ or } 1 - E_{\theta_1} \varphi(\underline{X}) \leq \text{prob of Type II error at } \theta_1 \text{ or } 1 - E_{\theta_1} \bar{\varphi}(\underline{X})$$

A MP test does exist at least for simple H_0 vs simple H_1 , as described below.

Theorem: (Neyman-Pearson Lemma) Let $f(\underline{x}|\theta)$, $\theta \in \Theta$, be the joint pdf/pmf of X_1, \dots, X_n . Then for testing $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ vs $H_1 : \theta = \theta_1$, a MP test of size α exists for all $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ and is given by

$$\varphi(\underline{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f(\underline{x}|\theta_1) > k f(\underline{x}|\theta_0) \\ \gamma & \text{if } f(\underline{x}|\theta_1) = k f(\underline{x}|\theta_0) \\ 0 & \text{if } f(\underline{x}|\theta_1) < k f(\underline{x}|\theta_0) \end{cases}$$

$L(\theta) \equiv f(\underline{x}|\theta)$
likelihood function

where $\gamma \in [0, 1]$ and $0 \leq k \leq \infty$ are constants satisfying

$$E_{\theta_0} \varphi(\underline{X}) = \alpha. \quad \leftarrow \text{pick } k \text{ \& } \gamma \text{ to get size } \alpha \text{ at } \theta_0 \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{L(\theta_1)}{L(\theta_0)} &> k && \text{reject } H_0 \text{ w. prob } 1 \\ &= k && \text{reject } H_0 \text{ w. prob } \gamma \\ &< k && \text{don't reject } H_0 \end{aligned}$$

} form makes MP test!

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Most Powerful Tests, cont'd

Remarks on Neyman-Pearson Lemma:

- Let $L(\theta) \equiv f(x|\theta)$, the likelihood function at θ . Then the MP test in (4) rejects H_0 for all x such that the likelihood $L(\theta_1)$ of θ_1 is “large” compared to the likelihood of $L(\theta_0)$ of θ_0 ; the “largeness” factor k is determined by (5).
- In general, the choice of (γ, k) satisfying (5) is not unique.
- If the distribution of $f(x|\theta_1)/f(x|\theta_0)$ under θ_0 is continuous, then we may set $\gamma = 0$.

i.e. we usually only are concerned with γ
for discrete data!
(for continuous data, take $\gamma=0$)

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$$EX_1 = 3\theta$$

Illustration of Most Powerful Test (Continuous Case)

Example: Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample from $\text{Gamma}(\alpha = 3, \theta)$, $\theta > 0$. Find a MP test of size α for $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ vs $H_1: \theta = \theta_1$ (where $0 < \theta_0 < \theta_1$).

Solution: $f(\underline{x}|\theta)$ = joint density of \underline{x}

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{x_i^2 e^{-x_i/\theta}}{2\theta^3} \right) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) (2\theta^3)^{-n} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i/\theta}$$

By the theorem, the MP test of size α is given by

$$\phi(\underline{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } f(\underline{x}|\theta_1) > k f(\underline{x}|\theta_0) \\ \gamma & \text{if } f(\underline{x}|\theta_1) = k f(\underline{x}|\theta_0) \\ 0 & \text{if } f(\underline{x}|\theta_1) < k f(\underline{x}|\theta_0) \end{cases}$$

where $E_{\theta_0} \phi(\underline{x}) = \alpha$.

Note: $f(\underline{x}|\theta_1) \geq k f(\underline{x}|\theta_0)$

$$\Leftrightarrow (2\theta_1^3)^{-n} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i/\theta_1} \geq k (2\theta_0^3)^{-n} \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right) e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i/\theta_0}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -n \log(2\theta_1^3) - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i/\theta_1 \geq \log k + -n \log(2\theta_0^3) - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i/\theta_0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \left(\frac{1}{\theta_0} - \frac{1}{\theta_1} \right)}_{> 0 \text{ since } \theta_0 < \theta_1} \geq \underbrace{\log k - n \log(2\theta_0^3) + n \log(2\theta_1^3)}_{\equiv K_1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \geq \left(\frac{1}{\theta_0} - \frac{1}{\theta_1} \right)^{-1} K_1 \equiv K_2$$

The MP test (of size α) is

$$\phi(\underline{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i > k_2 \\ r & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = k_2 \\ 0 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i < k_2 \end{cases}$$

where $0 \leq r \leq 1$ & k_2 are chosen so that $E_{\theta_0} \phi(\underline{X}) = \alpha$.

Note:

$$\alpha = E_{\theta_0} \phi(\underline{X}) = 1 \cdot P_{\theta_0} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i > k_2 \right) + r P_{\theta_0} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = k_2 \right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{gamma}(3n, \theta_0) = P_{\theta_0} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i > k_2 \right)$$

$$= P_{\theta_0} \left(\frac{2 \sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{\theta_0} > \frac{2k_2}{\theta_0} \right)$$

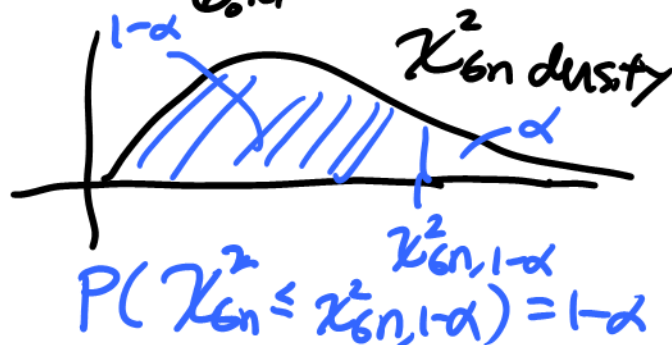
$$= P \left(\chi_{6n}^2 > \frac{2k_2}{\theta_0} \right)$$

$\chi_{6n, 1-\alpha}^2$

$$\text{So, } k_2 = \frac{\theta_0}{2} \chi_{6n, 1-\alpha}^2$$

Note: $2X_1 \sim \text{gamma}(3, 2)$
 $\theta_0 \sim \chi_6^2$

So $2 \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \chi_{6n}^2$



So the MP test (size α) of $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ vs $H_1: \theta = \theta_1$ ($\theta_1 > \theta_0$) is

$$\phi(\underline{x}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^n X_i > \frac{\theta_0}{2} \chi_{6n, 1-\alpha}^2 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$