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## 5.

### Wald's Test and Likelihood Ratio test

Consider a sample of i.i.d. random variables  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and assume their common density is given by

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \frac{x}{\theta} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\theta}\right) \mathbf{1}(x \geq 0),$$

where  $\theta > 0$  is an unknown parameter

Consider the following set of hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \theta = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad H_1 : \theta \neq 1.$$

You will perform Wald's test and the likelihood ratio test at significance level 7% for these hypotheses.

### Maximum Likelihood Estimator

1.0/1 point (graded)

Compute the maximum likelihood estimator  $\hat{\theta}$  of  $\theta$ .

(Enter **barX\_n** for  $\overline{X_n}$  and **bar(X\_n^2)** for  $\overline{X_n^2}$ . Note "barX\_n^2" represents  $(\overline{X_n})^2$ , NOT  $\overline{X_n^2}$ . Note the extra parentheses needed to enter  $\overline{X_n^2}$ .)

$$\hat{\theta} = \text{bar}(X_n^2)/2 \quad \checkmark \text{ Answer: bar}(X_n^2)/2$$

STANDARD NOTATION

**Solution:**

The maximum likelihood estimator  $\hat{\theta}$  and the Fisher information  $I(\theta)$ :

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{\overline{X_n^2}}{2}$$

$$I(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^2}.$$

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## Fisher Information

1/1 point (graded)

Compute the Fisher information  $I(\theta)$ , as a function of  $\theta$ .

Useful fact:  $\int_0^\infty u^3 e^{-u^2/2} du = 2.$

$$I(\theta) = \frac{1}{\theta^2} \quad \checkmark \text{ Answer: 1/theta^2}$$

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## Wald's Test

2.0/2.0 points (graded)

Write down the test statistic  $T_n^{\text{Wald}}$  for Wald's test in terms of the maximum likelihood estimator  $\hat{\theta}$  of  $\theta$ , the Fisher information  $I$ , and the sample size  $n$ . Use the Fisher information  $I(\hat{\theta})$  evaluated at  $\hat{\theta}$  in the definition of Wald's test.

(To avoid double jeopardy, enter **I** for the  $I = I(\hat{\theta})$ ; or enter your answer directly in terms of  $\hat{\theta}$  only. Enter **hattheta** for  $\hat{\theta}$ .)

$T_n^{\text{Wald}} =$   **✓ Answer:  $n * I * (\text{hattheta} - 1)^2$**

When do we reject the null hypothesis in Wald's test

☒ When  $T_n^{\text{Wald}} > C$  for some  $C > 0$

☐ When  $T_n^{\text{Wald}} < C$  for some  $C > 0$



Find  $C$  such that the Wald's test has asymptotic level 7%.

(Enter a numerical value accurate to at least 2 decimal places.)

$C =$   **✓ Answer: 3.283**

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## P-value

3/3 points (graded)

Assume that the sample size is  $n = 500$ . You observe that

- The sample mean is  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 0.86$ ;
- The (biased) sample variance is  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2 = 1.09$ .

Enter a numerical value for  $\hat{\theta}$ . (Enter a value accurate to at least 2 decimal places.)

$\hat{\theta} =$   **✓ Answer:**  $1.09/2 + (0.86)^2/2$

Compute the  $p$ -value of the Wald's test above. (As above, the Fisher information  $I(\hat{\theta})$  evaluated at the MLE  $\hat{\theta}$  in the definition of Wald's test.)

(Enter a numerical value accurate to at least 3 decimal places.)

$p$ -value:  **✓ Answer:** 0.037

Does your test reject  $H_0$  at the following asymptotic levels? (Choose all that apply.)

☐ reject  $H_0$  at asymptotic level 1%

☒ reject  $H_0$  at asymptotic level 7%

☒ reject  $H_0$  at asymptotic level 10%

☐ Fail to reject at asymptotic level 10%.



STANDARD NOTATION

**Solution:**

The MLE is

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1.09 + (0.86)^2 \right) = 0.9148.$$

The  $p$ -value is

$$p = 1 - \Phi_{\chi^2}^{-1} \left( \frac{n}{\hat{\theta}^2} (\hat{\theta} - 1)^2 \right) = 1 - \Phi_{\chi^2}^{-1} (4.337) = 0.037.$$

Since  $1\% < p < 7\% < 10\%$ , we reject  $H_0$  at 7% and 10%.

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## Likelihood Ratio Test

5/5 points (graded)

You perform the Likelihood Ratio test for the same set of hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \theta = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad H_1 : \theta \neq 1.$$

Write down the test statistic  $T_n^{\text{LR}}$  for the likelihood ratio test in terms of  $\hat{\theta}$  and  $n$ .

(Enter **hattheta** for  $\hat{\theta}^{\text{MLE}}$ ).

$T_n^{\text{LR}} =$   ✓ Answer:  $2*n*(\text{hattheta}-1-\ln(\text{hattheta}))$

When do we reject the Null hypothesis using the likelihood ratio test?

☒ When  $T_n^{\text{LR}} > C$  for some  $C > 0$

☐ When  $T_n^{\text{LR}} > C$  for some  $C < 0$



Find  $C$  such that the Likelihood ratio test has asymptotic level 7%.

(Enter a numerical value accurate to at least 2 decimal places.)

$C =$   ✓ Answer: 3.283

Compute the  $p$ -value of the likelihood ratio test using the same sample as in the previous problem.

(Enter a numerical value accurate to at least 3 decimal places.)

$p$ -value:  ✓ Answer: 0.04975

Does your test reject  $H_0$  at the following asymptotic levels? (Choose all that apply.)

☐ reject  $H_0$  at asymptotic level 1%

☒ reject  $H_0$  at asymptotic level 7%

☒ reject  $H_0$  at asymptotic level 10%

☐ Fail to reject at asymptotic level 10%.



### Solution:

The likelihood ratio test statistic is

$$\begin{aligned} T_n^{\text{LR}} &= 2(l_n(\hat{\theta}) - l_n(1)) \\ &= n(\hat{\theta} - \ln(\hat{\theta}) - 1). \end{aligned}$$

The likelihood ratio test with level 7% is

$$\psi^{\text{LR}} = 1(T_n^{\text{LR}} > C) \quad \text{where } C = q_{0.07, \chi^2} = 3.28302.$$

Since  $T_n^{\text{LR}} = 1000(0.9148 - \ln(0.9148) - 1) = 3.85$ , the p-value is 0.04975. Hence we reject  $H_0$  at levels 7% and 10%.

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