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6.0 Basic Concepts

- Two types of errors:

- type I: $P(\text{reject } H_0 \mid H_0 \text{ correct}) = \text{level of test (significance)}$ 错判了好学生
- type II: $P(\text{accept } H_0 \mid H_1 \text{ correct}) = 1 - (\text{power of the test})$ 放过了坏学生

- H_0 : often an initial claim that is based on previous analyses or specialized knowledge.
- H_1 : alternative hypothesis is what you might believe to be true or hope to prove true.
- $\alpha = \text{size} = \text{level of significance}$: probability of rejecting H_0 when it is correct
- **power**: probability of accepting H_0 when H_1 is correct
- **test**: A test statistic measures the degree of agreement between a sample of data and the null hypothesis.

What is a test statistic?

Critical Values: Find a Critical Value in Any Tail

Power Functions

6.3 Neyman Pearson Lemma

The problem of constructing most-powerful tests for simple hypotheses is solved by the Neyman–Pearson lemma, according to which the likelihood-ratio test is a most-powerful test.

If the competing hypotheses H_0 and H_1 are compound, the problem of devising most-powerful tests is formulated in terms of a uniformly most-powerful test, if such a test exists.

Suppose we have **simple case hypothesis** with $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ and $H_1 : \theta = \theta_1$

$$\varphi^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x \in S = \{x : \frac{L(x, \theta_1)}{L(x, \theta_0)} > C\} \text{ reject region} \\ \gamma, & \text{if } x \in R = \{x : \frac{L(x, \theta_1)}{L(x, \theta_0)} = C\} \text{ hesitate} \\ 0, & \text{if } x \in A = \{x : \frac{L(x, \theta_1)}{L(x, \theta_0)} < C\} \text{ accept region} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

Notes:

1. $E_{\theta_0} \varphi^* = \alpha$ can be interpreted as when $\theta = \theta_0$, power of test = size of test
2. First of all, we pick out test φ whose size is less than selected α (we want to minimize out type I error). Secondly, among all of these qualified tests, we want to find the one with the largest power to minimize the probability of committing type II error. We describe the “power” as $E_{\theta_1} \varphi^*$
3. φ^* is unique

6.6 Composite

6.6.1 Monotone likelihood ratio

Definition:

$\frac{L(x, \theta'')}{L(x, \theta')}$ is a non-decreasing function of $T(x) = T(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

Note: For one-parameter exponential family, if $c(\theta)$ is monotone **increasing**, this family has MLR in $T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n d(X_i)$

6.6.2 Blackwell & Girshick Theorem

If $X \sim L(x, \theta)$ is MLR in $T(x)$, for **testing** $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta > \theta_0$

$$\varphi^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } T(x) > k \\ \gamma, & \text{if } T(x) = k \\ 0, & \text{if } T(x) < k \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

- K : upper $\alpha.100\%$ point of the P_{θ_0} – distribution of $T(X)$
- $E_{\theta} \varphi^*$: increasing power function

- $\phi^* : \text{UMP } \alpha - \text{test}$

Note:

- To determine the threshold k , we need to solve the equation

$$E_{\theta_0} \phi^* = P(T(x) > k \mid \theta = \theta_0) = \alpha$$

- Power function:

$$\text{Power}(t) = E_{\theta} \phi^* = P(\text{reject } H_0 \mid \theta_1 \text{ is true}) = P_{\theta}(T(x) > k = \alpha \mid \theta = t)$$

- If we have $H_0 : \theta \geq \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta < \theta_0$, our test should be constructed as:

$$\phi_{\text{variant}}^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } T(x) < k \\ \gamma, & \text{if } T(x) = k \\ 0, & \text{if } T(x) > k \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

What if UMP test does not exist?

6.7 unbiased UMP test

Definition:

Test ϕ of $H_0 : \theta \in \Theta_0 (\Theta_0 \in \Theta)$ versus $H_1 : \theta \in \Theta \setminus \Theta_0$ is an unbiased size α - test if:

- $E_{\theta} \phi \leq \alpha$ for all $\theta \in \Theta_0$
- $E_{\theta} \phi \geq \alpha$ for all $\theta \in \Theta \setminus \Theta_0$

6.9 Locally most powerful test

6.10 Likelihood ratio test

Confusion

1. In which situation there is no UMP exists?
2. What is critical region?

Answer:

the UMPCR is the region that gives the smallest chance of making a Type I or II error

3. What is simple hypothesis? What is composite?

Answer:

Composite hypotheses have multiple options for solutions. For example, $H_0: \sigma > 8$ is a composite hypothesis because it doesn't specify a value for σ ; The solution could be anything over 8.

4. In NP lemma, what does γ stand for?

Answer:

When the likelihood ratio equals to the threshold, we doubt whether reject or accept null hypothesis.

We make a random decision for the alternative with a probability $\gamma \in (0, 1)$

5. Can you interpret power function graph? The probability of committing type II error decrease as θ increases. Is θ our observed sample mean?

6. α and k , what is their difference?

7. Illustration of different type of H_0

