

Chapter 8. Hypothesis Testing

Definition 8.1.1

A hypothesis is a statement about a population parameter

$$H_0: \theta \in \Omega_0 \quad H_1: \theta \in \Omega_0^c$$

Definition 8.1.3

A hypothesis procedure is a rule that specifies

1. For which sample values the decision is to not reject H_0 and thereby no conclusion is reached.
2. For which sample values the decision is to reject H_0 and conclude with H_1 .

Whether to reject or not is based on a statistic $T(\underline{x})$

8.2. Methods of finding tests.

Definition 8.2.1. The likelihood ratio test statistic (LRT)

for testing $H_0: \theta \in \Omega_0$ against $H_1: \theta \in \Omega_0^c$ is

$$\lambda(\underline{x}) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \Omega_0} L(\theta | \underline{x})}{\sup_{\theta} L(\theta | \underline{x})} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{restricted maximum likelihood} \\ \text{unrestricted maximum likelihood.} \end{array}$$

Then $\lambda(\underline{x}) = \frac{L(\hat{\theta}_0 | \underline{x})}{L(\hat{\theta} | \underline{x})}$ where $\hat{\theta}_0$ maximizes the restricted likelihood
 $\hat{\theta}$ — — — — — unrestricted — — —

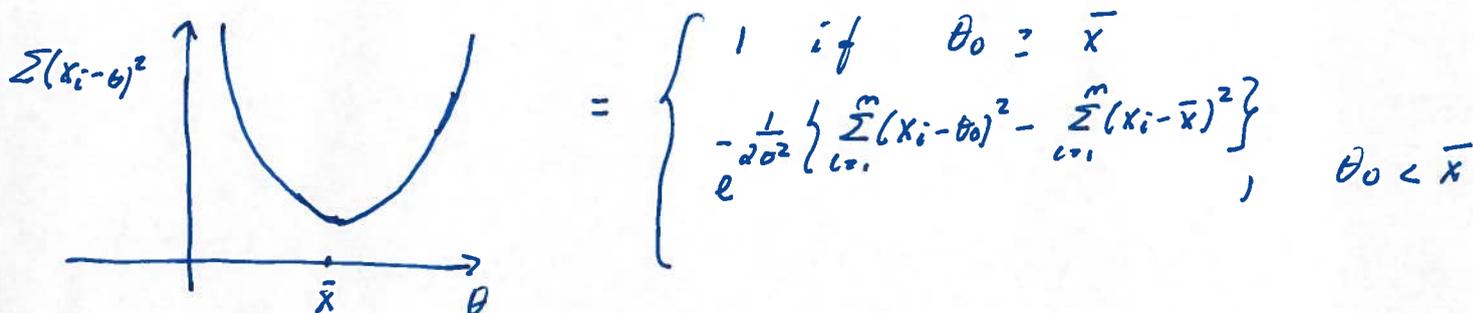
H_0 is rejected for small values of $\lambda(\underline{x})$, $\lambda(\underline{x}) \leq c < 1$

Example

X_1, \dots, X_m iid $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$, σ^2 unknown

$H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$, $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$

$$\lambda(\underline{x}) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \leq \theta_0} (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \sigma^{-m} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \theta)^2}}{\sup_{\theta} (2\pi)^{-\frac{m}{2}} \sigma^{-m} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i - \theta)^2}}$$



$$= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \theta_0 \geq \bar{x} \\ e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} m(\bar{x} - \theta_0)^2} & , \theta_0 < \bar{x} \end{cases}$$

Reject if $-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} m(\bar{x} - \theta_0)^2 < \log c \Leftrightarrow (\bar{x} - \theta_0)^2 > -\frac{2\sigma^2}{m} \log c$

or since $\bar{x} > \theta_0$, $\bar{x} - \theta_0 > \sqrt{-\frac{2\sigma^2}{m} \log c}$ or $\bar{x} > \theta_0 + \sqrt{-\frac{2\sigma^2}{m} \log c}$

Theorem 8.2.4

If $T(\underline{x})$ is a sufficient statistic for θ and $\lambda^*(\cdot)$ and $\lambda(\underline{x})$ are the LRT statistic based on T and \underline{x} ,

then $\lambda^*(T(\underline{x})) = \lambda(\underline{x})$, $\forall \underline{x}$

Proof.

$$\text{We have } f(\underline{x}|\theta) = P(\underline{X}=\underline{x} \cap T(\underline{X})=T(\underline{x})) = \underbrace{P(\underline{X}=\underline{x} | T(\underline{X})=T(\underline{x}))}_{h(\underline{x})} \cdot \underbrace{P(T(\underline{X})=T(\underline{x}))}_{g(T(\underline{x})|\theta)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore } \lambda(\underline{x}) &= \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \Omega_0} L(\theta|\underline{x})}{\sup_{\Omega} L(\theta|\underline{x})} = \frac{\sup_{\Omega_0} f(\underline{x}|\theta)}{\sup_{\Omega} f(\underline{x}|\theta)} = \frac{\sup_{\Omega_0} g(T(\underline{x})|\theta) h(\underline{x})}{\sup_{\Omega} g(T(\underline{x})|\theta) h(\underline{x})} \\ &= \frac{\sup_{\Omega_0} g(T(\underline{x})|\theta)}{\sup_{\Omega} g(T(\underline{x})|\theta)} = \frac{\sup_{\Omega_0} L^*(\theta|T(\underline{x}))}{\sup_{\Omega} L^*(\theta|T(\underline{x}))} = \lambda^*(T(\underline{x})) \end{aligned}$$

Example

$$f(x|\theta) = \begin{cases} e^{-(x-\theta)}, & x \geq \theta \\ 0, & x < \theta \end{cases} \Rightarrow F_X(x|\theta) = 1 - e^{-(x-\theta)}, \quad x \geq \theta$$

X_1, \dots, X_m iid. $Y = \min_i X_i = T(\underline{X})$ is sufficient for θ .

$$F_Y(y|\theta) = 1 - (1 - F_X(y|\theta))^m = 1 - e^{-m(y-\theta)}, \quad y \geq \theta$$

$$\text{and } f_Y(y|\theta) = \begin{cases} m e^{-m(y-\theta)}, & y \geq \theta, \text{ increasing in } \theta. \\ 0, & y < \theta \end{cases}$$

$$H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0, \quad H_1: \theta > \theta_0$$

$$\lambda(\underline{y}) = \lambda(T(\underline{x})) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \leq \theta_0} m e^{-m(y-\theta)}}{\sup_{\theta} m e^{-m(y-\theta)}} = \frac{\sup_{\theta \leq \theta_0} m e^{-m(y-\theta)}}{m}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 1, & \theta_0 \geq y \\ e^{-m(y-\theta_0)}, & \theta_0 < y. \end{cases}$$

Reject H_0 if $\lambda(y) \leq c \Leftrightarrow -m(y - \theta_0) \leq \log c$

$$\Leftrightarrow y \geq \theta_0 - \frac{\log c}{m}$$

Nuisance parameters

$X_1, \dots, X_m \sim \text{iid } N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, σ^2 unknown.

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

$$L(\mu, \sigma^2 | \underline{x}) = (2\pi\sigma^2)^{-\frac{m}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m (X_i - \mu)^2}$$

$\log L(\mu, \sigma^2 | \underline{x}) = -\frac{m}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{m}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{(X_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma^2}$ is maximized for $\mu = \bar{x}$

Given μ , $\sum_{i=1}^m (X_i - \mu)^2$ is a constant k and $\log L(\mu, \sigma^2 | \underline{x})$

is maximized for $\sigma^2 = \frac{k}{m} \Rightarrow \log L(\mu, \sigma^2 | \underline{x}) = -\frac{m}{2} \log 2\pi - \frac{m}{2} \log \frac{k}{m} - \frac{m}{2}$

For $\mu \leq \mu_0 < \bar{x}$, $\log L(\mu, \sigma^2 | \underline{x})$ is maximized for $\mu = \mu_0$

$$\text{and } \hat{\sigma}_0^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m (X_i - \mu_0)^2}{m}$$

Hence,

$$\lambda(\underline{x}) = \frac{\sup_{\mu, \sigma^2: \mu \leq \mu_0, \sigma^2 > 0} L(\mu, \sigma^2 | \underline{x})}{\sup_{\mu, \sigma^2: -\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma^2 > 0} L(\mu, \sigma^2 | \underline{x})} = \begin{cases} 1, & \mu_0 \geq \hat{\mu} = \bar{x} \\ \frac{L(\mu_0, \hat{\sigma}_0^2 | \underline{x})}{L(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma}^2 | \underline{x})}, & \mu_0 < \bar{x} \end{cases}$$