

Homework 11

SOLUTIONS!

1. Let $X \sim \Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$ where β is known. Find the most powerful test with a significance of a for testing $H_0 : \alpha = 1$ vs $H_a : \alpha = 1/2$.

Solution:

By the Neyman-Pearson Lemma, we know that the most powerful test rejects when

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{L(1)}{L(1/2)} < k \\
 \iff & \frac{(\Gamma(1)\beta^1)^{-1} \exp(-x/\beta)}{\beta^{-1}x^{-1/2} \exp(-x/\beta)} < k \\
 \iff & \frac{(\Gamma(1)\beta^1)^{-1}}{(\Gamma(1/2)\beta^{1/2})^{-1}x^{-1/2}} < k \leftarrow \text{algebraic reduction of fraction} \\
 \iff & \frac{1}{x^{-1/2}} < k \leftarrow \text{divide both sides by constant involving } \alpha \text{ and } \beta \\
 \iff & x^{1/2} < k \\
 \iff & x < k
 \end{aligned}$$

So, the most powerful test will reject the null hypothesis when $X < k$ for an appropriately selected k . Since the significance is a , we know that

$$\begin{aligned}
 a &= P(\text{Type I Error}) \\
 &= P(X < k | \delta = 1) \\
 &= \int_0^k e^{-x} dx \\
 &= -e^{-x} \Big|_0^k \\
 &= 1 - e^{-k} \\
 \Rightarrow k &= -\ln(1 - a)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the most powerful test rejects the null hypothesis when $X < -\ln(1 - a)$

2. Let $X \sim \text{Exp}(\delta)$

- a) Show that the most powerful test for testing $H_0 : \delta = 1$ Vs. $H_a : \delta = \delta_a (> 1)$ at the α significance level rejects the null hypothesis in favor of the alternative when $X > -\ln(\alpha)$.

Solution:

By the Neyman-Pearson Lemma we know that the most powerful test will be of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{L(1)}{L(\delta_a)} &< k \\ \rightarrow \frac{e^{-x}}{\frac{1}{\delta_a} e^{-x/\delta_a}} &< k \\ \rightarrow \delta_a e^{x(1/\delta_a - 1)} &< k \\ \rightarrow e^{x(1/\delta_a - 1)} &< k \\ \rightarrow x(1/\delta_a - 1) &< k \\ \rightarrow x &> k \leftarrow \text{Since } \delta_a > 1 \Rightarrow 1/\delta_a - 1 < 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, the most powerful test will reject the null hypothesis when $X > k$ for an appropriately selected k . Since the significance is α , we know that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= P(\text{Type I Error}) \\ &= P(X > k | \delta = 1) \\ &= \int_k^\infty e^{-x} dx \\ &= -e^{-x} \Big|_k^\infty \\ &= e^{-k} \\ \Rightarrow k &= -\ln(\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the most powerful test rejects the null hypothesis when $X > -\ln(\alpha)$

- b) Show whether or not the most powerful test from part a) rejects the null hypothesis when $X = 1$ and $\alpha = .5$?

Solution:

We know that the most powerful test rejects when $X > -\ln(\alpha) = -\ln(.5) \approx 0.693147181$. So, when $X = 1$, we have that $X > -\ln(.5)$, therefore we see that the test would reject the null hypothesis.

3. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. $\Gamma(a, b)$ where a is known. Suppose you would like to test $H_0 : b = 1$ Vs. $H_a : b = 3$ at the significance level α . Derive the most powerful α level test for this testing situation.

Solution:

By the Neyman-Pearson Lemma, we know that the most powerful test will be of the form

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{L(1)}{L(3)} &< k \\ \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n (\Gamma(a)1^a)^{-1} x_i^{a-1} e^{-x_i/1}}{\prod_{i=1}^n (\Gamma(a)3^a)^{-1} x_i^{a-1} e^{-x_i/3}} &< k \\ 3^a e^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i(1/3-1)} &< k \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(1/3-1) &< k \leftarrow \text{Divide by } 3^a \text{ and take ln} \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i &> k \leftarrow \text{Divide by } 1/3 - 1, \text{ which reverses the inequality}\end{aligned}$$

We know that under the null hypothesis, $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \sim \Gamma(na, 1)$, so setting the significance to be α we can solve for k :

$$\begin{aligned}P(\text{Type I error}) &= \alpha \\ \Rightarrow P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i > k \mid b = 1\right) &= \alpha\end{aligned}$$

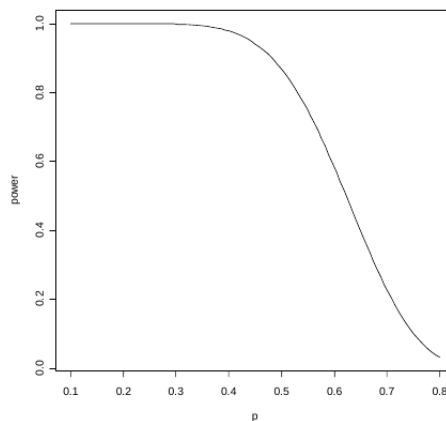
We can see that k will be a function of a , so when we solve for k , we find that k is g_α , the $1 - \alpha$ percentile of $\Gamma(na, 1)$. So, the most powerful test rejects when $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i > g_\alpha$.

4. Problem 10.88 from the book (p 546)

Solution:

Refer to Ex. 10.2. Table 1 in Appendix III is used to find the binomial probabilities.

- a.** $\text{power}(.4) = P(Y \leq 12 \mid p = .4) = .979$. **b.** $\text{power}(.5) = P(Y \leq 12 \mid p = .5) = .86$
c. $\text{power}(.6) = P(Y \leq 12 \mid p = .6) = .584$. **d.** $\text{power}(.7) = P(Y \leq 12 \mid p = .7) = .228$



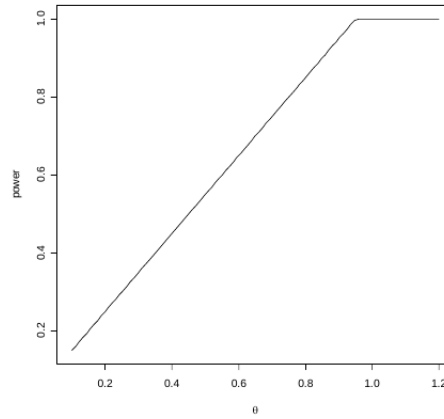
- e.** The power function is above.

5. Problem 10.89 from the book (p 546)

Solution:

Refer to Ex. 10.5: $Y_1 \sim \text{Unif}(\theta, \theta + 1)$.

- a. $\theta = .1$, so $Y_1 \sim \text{Unif}(.1, 1.1)$ and $\text{power}(.1) = P(Y_1 > .95) = \int_{.95}^{1.1} dy = .15$
b. $\theta = .4$: $\text{power}(.4) = P(Y > .95) = .45$
c. $\theta = .7$: $\text{power}(.7) = P(Y > .95) = .75$
d. $\theta = 1$: $\text{power}(1) = P(Y > .95) = 1$



- e. The power function is above.

6. Problem 10.93 from the book (p 547)

Solution:

Using the sample size formula from the end of Section 10.4, we have $n = \frac{(1.96+1.96)^2(25)}{(10-5)^2} = 15.3664$, so 16 observations should be taken.

7. Problem 10.94 from the book (p 547)

Solution:

The most powerful test for $H_0: \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$ vs. $H_a: \sigma^2 = \sigma_1^2, \sigma_1^2 > \sigma_0^2$, is based on the likelihood ratio:

$$\frac{L(\sigma_0^2)}{L(\sigma_1^2)} = \left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_0}\right)^n \exp\left[-\left(\frac{\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_0^2}{2\sigma_0^2\sigma_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2\right)\right] < k.$$

This simplifies to

$$T = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 > \left[n \ln\left(\frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_0}\right) - \ln k \right] \frac{2\sigma_0^2\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_0^2} = c,$$

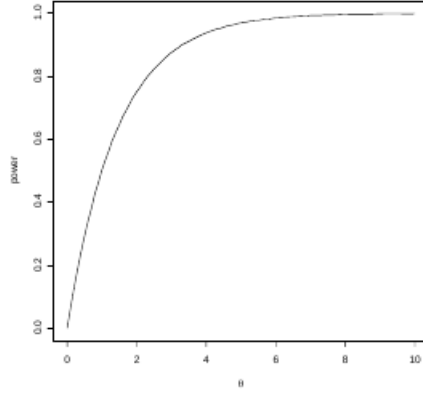
which is to say we should reject if the statistic T is large. To find a rejection region of size α , note that

$\frac{T}{\sigma_0^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \mu)^2}{\sigma_0^2}$ has a chi-square distribution with n degrees of freedom. Thus, the most powerful test is equivalent to the chi-square test, and this test is UMP since the RR is the same for any $\sigma_1^2 > \sigma_0^2$.

8. Problem 10.96 from the book (p 547)

Solution:

a. The power function is given by $\text{power}(\theta) = \int_5^1 \theta y^{\theta-1} dy = 1 - .5^\theta$. The power function is graphed below.



b. To test $H_0: \theta = 1$ vs. $H_a: \theta = \theta_a, 1 < \theta_a$, the likelihood ratio is

$$\frac{L(1)}{L(\theta_a)} = \frac{1}{\theta_a y^{\theta_a-1}} < k.$$

This simplifies to

$$y > \left(\frac{1}{\theta_a k} \right)^{\frac{1}{\theta_a-1}} = c,$$

where c is chosen so that the test is of size α . This is given by

$$P(Y \geq c | \theta = 1) = \int_c^1 dy = 1 - c = \alpha,$$

so that $c = 1 - \alpha$. Since the RR does not depend on a specific $\theta_a > 1$, it is UMP.

9. Problem 10.98 from the book (p 548)

Solution:

The density function that for the Weibull with shape parameter m and scale parameter θ .

a. The best test for testing $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ vs. $H_a: \theta = \theta_a$, where $\theta_0 < \theta_a$, is

$$\frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\theta_a)} = \left(\frac{\theta_a}{\theta_0}\right)^n \exp\left[-\left(\frac{1}{\theta_0} - \frac{1}{\theta_a}\right) \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^m\right] < k,$$

This simplifies to

$$\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^m > -\left[\ln k + n \ln\left(\frac{\theta_0}{\theta_a}\right)\right] \times \left[\frac{1}{\theta_0} - \frac{1}{\theta_a}\right]^{-1} = c.$$

So, the RR has the form $\{T = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^m > c\}$, where c is chosen so the RR is of size α .

To do so, note that the distribution of Y^m is exponential so that under H_0 ,

$$\frac{2T}{\theta_0} = \frac{2 \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^m}{\theta_0} > \frac{2c}{\theta_0}$$

is chi-square with $2n$ degrees of freedom. So, the critical value can be selected from the chi-square distribution and this does not depend on the specific $\theta_a > \theta_0$, so the test is UMP.

b. When H_0 is true, $T/50$ is chi-square with $2n$ degrees of freedom. Thus, $\chi_{.05}^2$ can be selected from this distribution so that the RR is $\{T/50 > \chi_{.05}^2\}$ and the test is of size $\alpha = .05$. If H_a is true, $T/200$ is chi-square with $2n$ degrees of freedom. Thus, we require

$$\beta = P(T/50 \leq \chi_{.05}^2 | \theta = 400) = P(T/200 \leq \frac{1}{4} \chi_{.05}^2 | \theta = 400) = P(\chi^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} \chi_{.05}^2) = .05.$$

Thus, we have that $\frac{1}{4} \chi_{.05}^2 = \chi_{.95}^2$. From Table 6 in Appendix III, it is found that the degrees of freedom necessary for this equality is $12 = 2n$, so $n = 6$.

Challenge Question:

Let $X \sim \text{Exp}(\delta)$. Suppose that you want to test $H_0: \delta = 1$ Vs. $H_a: \delta \neq 1$, and you plan to use X as your testing statistic. Let the corresponding rejection region be $RR = \{x: x \geq -\ln(\alpha/2) \text{ or } x \leq -\ln(1 - \alpha/2)\}$. Calculate the probability of a type II error for this rejection region when the true value of δ is $\delta = 2$