

Statistics 583, Problem Set 1

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Reading: Lecture Notes, Chapter 6, pages 1-24;
Lehmann, TSH (Second Ed.), Chapter 3, pages 68 - 133;
Ferguson, MS, Chapter 5, Sections 5.1-5.3, pages 198-224.

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- Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sample from the normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.
 - If $\sigma = \sigma_0$ (known), there exists a UMP test for testing $H : \mu \leq \mu_0$ against $K : \mu > \mu_0$, which rejects when $\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)$ is “too large”. Show this, and determine exactly what “too large” means.
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 - Determine the asymptotic size of the UMP tests in (i) and (ii) when the X_i 's fail to be normal, but are from a distribution F with $E_F(X^2) < \infty$ in (i) and $E_F(X^4) < \infty$ in (ii).
- Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sample from the uniform distribution on $(0, \theta)$ where $\theta > 0$.
 - Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$. For testing $H : \theta \leq \theta_0$ against $K : \theta > \theta_0$, any test is UMP at level α for which $E_\theta \phi(X) = \alpha$ for $\theta \leq \theta_0$ and $\phi(X) = 1$ when $X_{(n)} > \theta_0$.
 - For testing $H : \theta = \theta_0$ against the alternative $K : \theta \neq \theta_0$ a unique UMP test exists, and is given by

$$\phi(X) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } X_{(n)} \leq \theta_0 \alpha^{1/n} \text{ or } X_{(n)} > \theta_0 \\ 0, & \text{if otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- Let X be the number of successes in n independent trials with probability p of success, and let ϕ be the UMP test

$$\phi(X) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } X > C, \\ \gamma, & \text{if } X = C, \\ 0, & \text{if } X < C. \end{cases}$$

- (i) For $n = 7$, $p_0 = .25$, and the levels $\alpha = 0.05, 0.1$, and 0.2 , determine C and γ .
- (ii) If $p_0 = .3$ and $\alpha = .05$, and it is desired to have power $\beta \geq 0.9$ against $p_1 = .4$, determine the necessary sample size:
 - (a) by using a table of the Binomial distribution;
 - (b) by using the normal approximation (Lehmann notes that tables and approximations are discussed in Chapter 3 of Johnson and Kotz (1969), but they can of course be found in many other places. What is the effect of correcting for continuity in using a normal approximation here?)
- (iii) Use the normal approximation to determine the sample size required when $\alpha = 0.05$, $\beta = .9$, $p_0 = 0.02$ and $p_1 = 0.04$.

4. Let

$$f(x; \theta, \sigma) = \frac{1}{2\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{|x - \theta|}{\sigma}\right)$$

be the double exponential density.

- (i) Show that this family has monotone likelihood ratio for the parameter θ when σ is known.
- (ii) Is this an “exponential family” of distributions? Does the monotone likelihood ratio property in (i) imply that the corresponding densities of a random sample X_1, \dots, X_n i.i.d. with density $f(\cdot; \theta, \sigma)$ have monotone likelihood ratio if σ is known?

References

Johnson, N. L. and Kotz, S. (1969). *Distributions in Statistics: Discrete Distributions*, Houghton Mifflin.