

#4 Homework of Mathematical Statistics (Chapter 8)

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Problem

Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f(x|\theta) = \theta x^{-2} I(x \geq \theta)$, where $\theta > 0$. Consider testing

$H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$ vs. $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$ for some known value θ_0 .

(a) Derive the LR test with size α .

(b) Derive the power function.

(c) Using R, draw a figure of the power function under $\alpha = 0.05$ with 3 different values of n . (Combine 3 curves in one figure). Explain how the changes under different values of n .

Solution:

$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f(x|\theta) = \theta x^{-2} I(x \geq \theta) \theta > 0$

To test $H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$ v.s. $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$

$$\mathbb{H} = \{\theta | 0 < \theta < \infty\}$$

$$\mathbb{H}_0 = \{\theta | 0 < \theta \leq \theta_0\}$$

(a)&(b)

$$L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta}{x_i^2} I(x_i \geq \theta) = \frac{\theta^n}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2} I(x_{(1)} \geq \theta)$$

$\therefore L(\theta|\mathbf{x})$ is increasing in $\theta \in (0, x_{(1)}]$

$\therefore \hat{\theta} = x_{(1)}$ is the mle of θ .

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{H}} L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{[x_{(1)}]^2}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2}$$

$$\sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{H}_0} L(\theta|\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{[x_{(1)}]^2}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2}, & \text{if } x_{(1)} \leq \theta_0 \\ \frac{[\theta_0]^2}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i^2}, & \text{if } x_{(1)} > \theta_0 \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \lambda(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{H}_0} L(\theta|\mathbf{x})}{\sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{H}} L(\theta|\mathbf{x})} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_{(1)} \leq \theta_0 \\ \left(\frac{\theta_0}{x_{(1)}}\right)^n, & \text{if } x_{(1)} > \theta_0 \end{cases}$$

We reject H_0 if $\lambda(\mathbf{x}) < c$, where c is a constant with $0 \leq c < 1$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{\theta_0}{x_{(1)}}\right)^n < c \text{ if } x_{(1)} > \theta_0 \Leftrightarrow x_{(1)} > \theta_0 c^{\frac{-1}{n}} > \theta_0$$

$\therefore \mathbf{R} = \{\mathbf{x}: x_{(1)} > \theta_0 c^{\frac{-1}{n}}\}$ is the rejection region.

$$\beta(\theta) = P_\theta(\text{reject } H_0), \theta \in \mathbb{H}$$

$$= P_\theta \left(x_{(1)} > \theta_0 c^{\frac{-1}{n}} \right) = \left[P_\theta \left(x_1 > \theta_0 c^{\frac{-1}{n}} \right) \right]^n$$

$$= \left(\int_{\theta_0 c^{\frac{-1}{n}}}^{\infty} \theta x^{-2} I(x \geq \theta) dx \right)^n$$

$$= \begin{cases} \left(\int_{\theta_0 c^{\frac{-1}{n}}}^{\infty} \theta x^{-2} dx \right)^n, & \text{if } \theta \leq \theta_0 c^{\frac{-1}{n}} \\ \left(\int_{\theta}^{\infty} \theta x^{-2} dx \right)^n, & \text{if } \theta > \theta_0 c^{\frac{-1}{n}} \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \left(\frac{\theta}{\theta_0}\right)^n c, & \text{if } \theta \leq c^{\frac{-1}{n}} \theta_0 \\ 1, & \text{if } \theta > c^{\frac{-1}{n}} \theta_0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta(\theta) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{\theta}{\theta_0}\right)^n c, & \text{if } \theta \leq c^{\frac{-1}{n}} \theta_0 \\ 1, & \text{if } \theta > c^{\frac{-1}{n}} \theta_0 \end{cases} \text{ is the power function of } \theta.$$

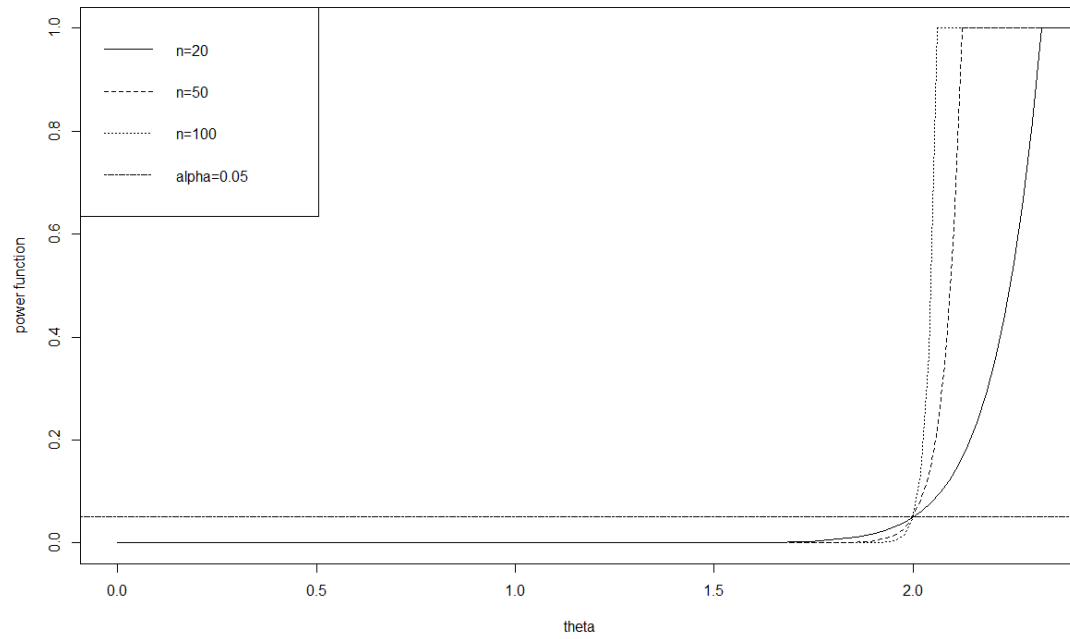
$$\therefore \alpha = \sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{H}_0} \beta(\theta) = \sup_{0 < \theta \leq \theta_0} \left(\frac{\theta}{\theta_0}\right)^n c = c$$

Hence $\mathbf{R} = \{\mathbf{x}: x_{(1)} > \theta_0 \alpha^{\frac{-1}{n}}\}$ is the LR-test with size α .

(c)

$$\alpha = 0.05 = c$$

We set $\theta_0 = 2$ $n = 20, 50, 100$ respectively



Apparently, the power is faster to reach the climax=1.0 as n is larger.

We could conclude that the power function is more powerful as n is larger.