

Chapter 6 :Minimax Test

Example 1 :

Let X be gamma random variable with distribution $\text{Gamma}(5, \theta)$. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_6 be 6 copies of X . Test the hypothesis $H_0 : \theta = 1$ vs $H_a : \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ by γ_{MM} . Consider the following prior and the losses functions :

$$g(\theta_0) = 0.6, g(\theta_1) = 0.4, \mathcal{A} = \mathfrak{L}(d_1, \theta_0) = 9, \mathcal{B} = \mathfrak{L}(d_0, \theta_1) = 2$$

Find γ_{MM} and verify that $k = 43.631$.

Solution 1:

Probability distribution function of gamma :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x; \theta) &= \frac{\theta^5}{\Gamma(5)} x^{5-1} e^{-\theta x} \\ &= e^{5 \log(\theta) - \log(\Gamma(5)) + 4 \log(x) - \theta x} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} a(\theta) &= 5 \log(\theta) \\ b(x) &= 4 \log(x) - \log(\Gamma(5)) \\ c(\theta) &= -\theta \\ d(x) &= x \end{aligned}$$

$f(x; \theta)$ belongs to the class of exponential family .

Since $c(\theta)$ is an decreasing function , then γ_{MM} reject H_0 if $\sum d(x) > k$:

$$\Rightarrow \text{Reject } H_0 \text{ if } \sum x > k$$

where k is found by solving the equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{MM} \mathcal{A} &= \beta_{MM} \mathcal{B} \\ 9 \times P(\sum x > k | \theta = 1) &= 2 \times P(\sum x < k | \theta = 0.5) \\ 9 \times P(S > k | \theta = 1) &= 2 \times P(S < k | \theta = 0.5) \\ 9 \times P(U > 2k) &= 2 \times P(U < k) \end{aligned}$$

Thus $k = 43.631$. Compute α_{MM} and β_{MM} :

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_{MM} &= P(\text{Type I Error}) \\ &= P(\text{Reject } H_0 | H_0 \text{ true}) \\ &= P(\sum x > 43.631 | \theta = 1) \\ &= P(S > 43.631 | \theta = 1) \\ &= P(U > 2 \times 43.631) \\ &= P(U > 87.262) \\ &= \frac{0.025 + 0.01}{2} \\ &= 0.0175. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta_{MM} &= P(\text{Type II Error}) \\
&= P(\text{Accept } H_0 | H_1 \text{ true}) \\
&= P\left(\sum x < 43.631 | \theta = \frac{1}{2}\right) \\
&= P\left(S < 43.631 | \theta = \frac{1}{2}\right) \\
&= P(U < 43.631) \\
&= 1 - P(U > 43.631) \\
&= 1 - \frac{0.95 + 0.90}{2} \\
&= 0.075.
\end{aligned}$$

Compare γ_{MM} and γ_{MP} :

$$R(\gamma_{MM}, \theta_0) = \alpha_{MM} \mathcal{A} = 0.15$$

$$R(\gamma_{MM}, \theta_1) = \beta_{MM} \mathcal{B} = 0.15$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\max(R(\gamma_{MM}, \theta_0), R(\gamma_{MM}, \theta_1)) &< \max(R(\gamma_{MP}, \theta_0), R(\gamma_{MP}, \theta_1)) \\
\max(0.15, 0.15) &< \max(0.45, \text{0.06}) \\
0.15 &< 0.45 \quad \text{0.03}
\end{aligned}$$

| degrees of freedom | Area to the right of the Critical Value | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 0.995 | 0.99 | 0.975 | 0.95 | 0.90 | 0.10 | 0.05 | 0.025 | 0.01 | 0.005 |
| 21 | 8.034 | 8.897 | 10.283 | 11.191 | 12.440 | 29.615 | 32.671 | 35.179 | 38.932 | 41.401 |
| 22 | 8.643 | 9.452 | 10.982 | 11.938 | 13.042 | 30.813 | 33.924 | 36.781 | 40.289 | 42.796 |
| 23 | 9.260 | 10.196 | 11.689 | 12.691 | 13.648 | 32.007 | 35.172 | 38.076 | 41.538 | 44.181 |
| 24 | 9.886 | 10.856 | 12.401 | 13.448 | 14.559 | 33.196 | 36.415 | 39.364 | 42.980 | 45.559 |
| 25 | 10.520 | 11.524 | 13.120 | 14.151 | 15.473 | 34.382 | 37.652 | 40.646 | 44.314 | 46.928 |
| 26 | 11.160 | 12.198 | 13.844 | 14.879 | 16.392 | 35.563 | 38.885 | 41.923 | 45.542 | 48.290 |
| 27 | 11.808 | 12.879 | 14.573 | 15.611 | 17.314 | 36.741 | 40.113 | 43.194 | 46.763 | 49.645 |
| 28 | 12.461 | 13.565 | 15.308 | 16.348 | 18.239 | 37.196 | 41.337 | 44.461 | 48.278 | 50.993 |
| 29 | 13.121 | 14.257 | 16.047 | 17.088 | 19.168 | 39.087 | 42.557 | 45.772 | 49.588 | 52.336 |
| 30 | 13.787 | 14.954 | 16.791 | 17.833 | 20.099 | 40.256 | 43.773 | 46.979 | 50.792 | 53.672 |
| 40 | 20.707 | 22.164 | 24.433 | 26.509 | 29.051 | 51.805 | 55.758 | 59.342 | 63.691 | 66.766 |
| 50 | 27.991 | 29.707 | 32.357 | 34.764 | 37.689 | 63.167 | 67.505 | 71.420 | 76.154 | 79.490 |
| 60 | 35.534 | 37.485 | 40.482 | 43.188 | 46.459 | 74.397 | 79.082 | 83.298 | 88.379 | 91.952 |
| 70 | 43.275 | 45.442 | 48.758 | 51.739 | 55.329 | 85.527 | 90.531 | 95.023 | 100.43 | 104.21 |
| 80 | 51.172 | 53.540 | 57.153 | 60.391 | 64.278 | 96.578 | 101.88 | 106.63 | 112.33 | 116.32 |
| 90 | 59.196 | 61.754 | 65.647 | 69.126 | 73.291 | 107.57 | 113.15 | 118.14 | 124.12 | 128.30 |
| 100 | 67.328 | 70.065 | 74.222 | 77.929 | 82.358 | 118.50 | 124.34 | 129.56 | 135.81 | 140.17 |

Example 2 : Homework

Let X be gamma random variable with distribution $normal(\theta, 1)$. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{16} be 16 copies of X . Test the hypothesis $H_0 : \theta = 0$ vs $H_a : \theta = 1$ by γ_{MM} . Consider the following priori and the losses functions :

$$g(\theta_0) = 0.7, g(\theta_1) = 0.3, \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{L}(d_1, \theta_0) = 8, \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{L}(d_0, \theta_1) = 3$$

$$k = 0.5516$$

$$K = 8.8256$$

$$\alpha_{MM} = P(\bar{X} > 0.5516 | \theta = 0)$$

$$\beta_{MM} = P(\bar{X} < 0.5516 | \theta = 1)$$