

Remark 1.

Neyman-Pearson MP test procedure may be looked upon as a particular case of SPRT.

Remark 2

$$z_i = \log \frac{f(x_i; \theta_1)}{f(x_i; \theta_0)}$$

The trivial case $P(z_i = 0) = 1$ will be ignored. In this case $f(x; \theta_1) = f(x; \theta_0)$ and H_0 will be accepted without making any observation.

Determination of A and B

The stopping bounds A and B ($B < A$) and strength (α) are used to determine an SPRT.

$$A = \frac{1-\beta}{\alpha} ; B = \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha}, \quad 0 < \alpha < 1, 0 < \beta < 1.$$

[Pf.] According to the rule, the event is stopped exactly after m observations if

⊗ $A_m \geq A$, say the space set is

$$R_m^I = \{ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) : A_m(x) \geq A \}$$

$$R_m^U = \{ (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m) : A_m(x) \leq B \}$$

If an observed $\underline{x} \in R_m^I$, it means after taking the m th observation H_0 is rejected.

Hence $\alpha = P[\underline{x} \in \text{rejection region} / H_0 \text{ is true}]$

$$= P[\underline{x} \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n^I / H_0]$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(R_n^I / H_0) \quad (\text{since the sets } R_n^I, n=1,2,\dots \text{ are mutually disjoint})$$

$$= \sum \int_{R_n^I} f_0(\underline{x}) d\underline{x} \leq \frac{1}{A} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{R_n^I} f_1(\underline{x}) d\underline{x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{A} P\left\{ \underline{x} \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} R_n^I / H_1 \right\} \quad \left[\because \frac{f_1}{f_0} \geq A \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{A} P\{ H_0 \text{ is rejected} / H_1 \}$$

$$= \frac{1-\beta}{A}$$

Similarly,

$$\beta = P \left\{ \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} R_m^0 \mid H_1 \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \int_{R_m^0} f_{1m}(x) dx \leq B \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \int_{R_m^0} f_0(x) dx$$

$$= B \cdot P \{ H_0 \text{ is accepted} \mid H_0 \}$$

$$= B(1-\alpha)$$

$$\therefore \alpha \leq \frac{1-\beta}{A} \Rightarrow A \leq \frac{1-\beta}{\alpha}$$

$$\text{and } \beta \leq \frac{B(1-\alpha)}{A} \Rightarrow B \geq \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha}$$

An approximation is made by equating the stopping boundaries

$$A = \frac{1-\beta}{\alpha}$$

$$B = \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha}$$

Remark 3

SPRT terminates with probability 1 under both H_0 and H_1 .
[proof omitted].

Example

Give the SPRT for testing $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta = \theta_1 (> \theta_0)$ in sampling from a normal density.

$$f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\theta}{\sigma}\right)^2}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty$$

where σ known.

[Ans]

$$\frac{f(x_i, \theta_1)}{f(x_i, \theta_0)} = e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}[(x_i - \theta_1)^2 - (x_i - \theta_0)^2]}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}[(\theta_0 - \theta_1)(2x_i - \theta_0 - \theta_1)]}$$

$$z_i = \log \frac{f(x_i, \theta_1)}{f(x_i, \theta_0)} = \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{\sigma^2} \left(x_i - \frac{\theta_0 + \theta_1}{2} \right)$$

$$\log \lambda_m = \sum_{i=1}^m z_i = \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{\sigma^2} \left[\sum x_i - \frac{m(\theta_0 + \theta_1)}{2} \right]$$

Reject H_0 if

$$\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{\sigma^2} \left[\sum x_i - \frac{m(\theta_0 + \theta_1)}{2} \right] \geq \log \frac{1-\beta}{\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \geq \frac{\sigma^2}{\theta_1 - \theta_0} \log \left(\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} \right) + \frac{m(\theta_0 + \theta_1)}{2}; \quad \theta_1 > \theta_0$$

Accept H_0 if.

$$\frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{\sigma^2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^m x_i - \frac{m(\theta_0 + \theta_1)}{2} \right] \leq \log \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\theta_1 - \theta_0} \log \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} + \frac{m(\theta_0 + \theta_1)}{2} \quad ; (\theta_1 > \theta_0)$$

continue taking additional observation as long as.

$$\log \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} < \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{\sigma^2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^m x_i - \frac{m(\theta_0 + \theta_1)}{2} \right] < \log \frac{1-\beta}{\alpha}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sigma^2}{\theta_1 - \theta_0} \log \frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} + \frac{m(\theta_0 + \theta_1)}{2} < \sum_{i=1}^m x_i < \frac{\sigma^2}{\theta_1 - \theta_0} \log \frac{1-\beta}{\alpha} + \frac{m(\theta_0 + \theta_1)}{2}$$

$\theta_1 > \theta_0.$

Operating characteristic (O.C.) function of SPRT

~~SPRT~~ It may be that the true value of θ is neither θ_0 nor θ_1 although we are testing $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta = \theta_1$. Performance ($L(\theta)$) of SPRT for testing $H_0: (\theta = \theta_0)$ against $H_1: (\theta = \theta_1)$.

The OC function $L(\theta)$ is defined as.

$L(\theta)$ = Probability of accepting $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ when θ is the true value of the parameter and since the power function.

$P(\theta)$ = Probability of rejecting H_0 where θ is the true value, we get (false null).

$$L(\theta) = 1 - P(\theta)$$

An. Approximate formula of oc function can be derived in terms of A and B as follows.

$$L(\theta) = \frac{A - 1}{A^{h(\theta)} - B^{h(\theta)}}$$

where for each value of θ , the value of $h(\theta)$ is to be determined so that

$$E \left[\frac{f(x, \theta_1)}{f(x, \theta_0)} \right]^{h(\theta)} = 1. \quad \text{--- (*)}$$

It is proved that there exists unique value of $h(\theta) \neq 0$ such that (*) is satisfied.

Example 6 Refer back to the 1st example.

X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. Bernoulli(θ).

$H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta = \theta_1 (> \theta_0)$

$$E_0 \left[\frac{f(x, \theta_1)}{f(x, \theta_0)} \right]^{h(\theta)} = E_0 \left[\frac{\theta_1^x (1-\theta_1)^{1-x}}{\theta_0^x (1-\theta_0)^{1-x}} \right]^{h(\theta)}$$

$$= \theta \left(\frac{\theta_1}{\theta_0} \right)^{h(\theta)} + (1-\theta) \left(\frac{1-\theta_1}{1-\theta_0} \right)^{h(\theta)}$$

Now I using (*), the equation is

$$\theta \left(\frac{\theta_1}{\theta_0} \right)^{h(\theta)} + (1-\theta) \left(\frac{1-\theta_1}{1-\theta_0} \right)^{h(\theta)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1-\theta_1}{1-\theta_0} \right)^h}{\left(\frac{\theta_1}{\theta_0} \right)^h - \left(\frac{1-\theta_1}{1-\theta_0} \right)^h}$$

$$L(\theta) = \frac{\left(\frac{1-\beta}{\alpha} \right)^h - 1}{\left(\frac{1-\beta}{\alpha} \right)^h - \left(\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha} \right)^h}$$

various points on the o.e. curve are obtained by assigning arbitrary values of h and computing the corresponding value of θ and $L(\theta)$.

Example Refer back to normal problem.

First determine h .

$$E \left[\frac{f(x, \theta_1)}{f(x, \theta_0)} \right]^h = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{f(x, \theta_1)}{f(x, \theta_0)} \right]^h f(x, \theta) dx = 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\theta}{\sigma}\right)^2} \cdot e^{-\left[\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(\theta_1-\theta_0)(-2x+\theta_0+\theta_1)\right]^h} dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}[x^2 - 2x((\theta_1-\theta_0)h + \theta) + \theta^2 + (\theta_1-\theta_0)^2 h^2]} dx = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}[x^2 - 2x((\theta_1-\theta_0)h + \theta)]} dx = 1$$

Try to make it in a perfect square, the adjustment factor will be.

(solve it) $\{(\theta_1-\theta_0)h + \theta\}^2 = (\theta_1^2 - \theta_0^2)h + \theta$

$$\Rightarrow h(\theta) = \frac{\theta_1 + \theta_0 - 2\theta}{\theta_1 - \theta_0}$$

Average Sample Number (A.S.N.)

The number of observation N required for a sequential test is a random variable. The expected value of N , $E(N)$ depends on the test procedure and distribution of X .

$E(N)$ is called average sample number. Smaller ASN bett is +ve
For testing $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta = \theta_1$ is given by

$$E(N) = \frac{L(\theta) \log B + (1 - L(\theta)) \log A}{E(Z)}$$

$$Z = \log \frac{f(x; \theta_1)}{f(x; \theta_0)}$$

Refer back to Bernoulli distribution

$$E(Z) = \sum_{x=0}^1 \log \left[\frac{f(x; \theta_1)}{f(x; \theta_0)} \right] \cdot f(x; \theta)$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^1 \log \left[\left(\frac{\theta_1}{\theta_0} \right)^x \left(\frac{1-\theta_1}{1-\theta_0} \right)^{1-x} \right] \theta^x (1-\theta)^{1-x}$$

$$= (1-\theta) \log \frac{1-\theta_1}{1-\theta_0} + \theta \cdot \log \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_0}$$

$$= \theta \log \frac{\theta_1 (1-\theta_0)}{\theta_0 (1-\theta_1)} + \log \frac{1-\theta_1}{1-\theta_0}$$

$$E(N) = \frac{L(\theta) \log B + (1 - L(\theta)) \log A}{E(Z)}$$

Refer back to Normal distribution

$$Z = \log \frac{f(x; \theta_1)}{f(x; \theta_0)} = \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{2} \left(x - \frac{\theta_0 + \theta_1}{2} \right)$$

$$E(Z) = \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{2\sigma^2} (2E(x) - \theta_0 - \theta_1) = \frac{\theta_1 - \theta_0}{2\sigma^2} (2\theta - \theta_0 - \theta_1)$$

Replace here $E(N) = \frac{L(\theta) \log B + (1 - L(\theta)) \log A}{E(Z)}$

[H.W.] Let X have the p.d.f.

$$f(x, \theta) = \begin{cases} \theta e^{-\theta x}; & x \geq 0, \theta > 0 \\ 0. & \end{cases}$$

Construct the SPRT,
Obtain the O.C. function and ~~SPR~~ ASN.

Practical Problem

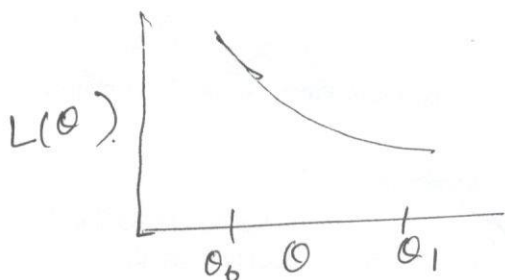
- ① Obtain the ASN and OC function for testing $H_0: \theta = \frac{1}{3}$ against $H_1: \theta = \frac{2}{3}$.

$$f(x; \theta) = \begin{cases} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{1-x} & , x=0, 1 \\ 1 & \end{cases}$$

Draw OC curve also? $\alpha = .05, \beta = .05, h = -\infty, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 10, \infty$

Hint: $\theta = \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1-\alpha_1}{1-\alpha_0}\right)^h}{\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_0}\right)^h - \left(\frac{1-\alpha_1}{1-\alpha_0}\right)^h}, L(\theta) = \frac{\left(\frac{1-\beta}{\alpha}\right)^h - 1}{\left(\frac{1-\beta}{\alpha}\right)^h - \left(\frac{\beta}{1-\alpha}\right)^h}$

Putting h , find θ , then find $L(\theta)$.



Remember $0 < \theta < 1$

For each θ , $L(\theta)$ find $E(N) = \text{ASN}$

- ② Let $X \sim N(\theta, 1)$, $H_0: \theta = 0$ $H_1: \theta = 2$, $\alpha = .05, \beta = .10$
 Take $h = -\infty, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \infty$
 Find $L(\theta)$ and $E(N)$.