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# **Lecture 3**

# **Hypothesis Testing**

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## Beyond quantitative inferences

- Point/Interval estimations give a precise numerical argument about the parameters
- In many cases, instead of knowing the exact values, we want to know the trend, especially in a preliminary study.
- Is it better? vs how much better?
- A researcher thinks that if knee surgery patients go to physical therapy twice a week (instead of 3 times), their recovery period will be longer. Average recovery times for knee surgery patients (if they go to therapy 3 times a week ) is 8.2 weeks.
- (mean of recovery times  $\leq$  8.2 weeks) versus (mean of recovery times  $>$  8.2 weeks)

# Hypothesis

Hypothesis: A hypothesis is a statement about the *true distribution* or equivalently, a statement about the *true parameter*.

Math form of a hypothesis:  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  where  $\Theta_0 \subset \Theta$ .

Example

- Normal( $\mu, \sigma^2$ ) modeling. The mean of the distribution is greater than 2:  $\Theta_0 = (2, \infty) \otimes (0, \infty)$
- Bernoulli( $p$ ) modeling. The variance of the distribution is smaller or equal to 0.04:  $\Theta_0 = \{p : p(1-p) \leq 0.04, 0 \leq p \leq 1\}$
- Exponential( $\lambda$ ) modeling. The probability of the distribution being greater than 10 is smaller than 0.01:  $\Theta_0 = \{\lambda : \exp(-10\lambda) < 0.01\}$

# Hypothesis Testing

Given a data set, we decide whether  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  or not?

Let  $\Theta_1 = \Theta_0^c$ , then it is equivalent to  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  versus  $\theta \in \Theta_1$ .

Hypothesis Testing: Null vs Alternative Hypothesis

$$H_0 : \theta \in \Theta_0 \quad vs \quad H_1 : \theta \in \Theta_1$$

We need to design a decision making process (accept  $H_0$  or accept  $H_1$ ) based on the observations.

## Reject Region

Decision making process can be view as a mapping from data to  $\{0, 1\}$ , i.e.  $\psi : \mathcal{X}^n \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

- Reject Region, a subset of  $\mathcal{X}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{R} = \{\text{data} : \psi(\text{data}) = 1\}$ . All the possible data values that lead to the acceptance of  $H_1$ .
- Example: if  $\mathcal{R} = R^n$ , then we always accept  $H_1$ .
- There are, of course, infinite choices of  $\mathcal{R}$ . The question will be, how to evaluate a given  $\mathcal{R}$ ?
- A straightforward way is to examine whether  $\mathcal{R}$  can give you a *correct decision*

## Power function

- Given any  $\theta \in \Theta$ , we define power function
$$\beta(\theta) := Pr(\psi(\text{data}) = 1) = Pr((X_1, \dots, X_n) \in \mathcal{R})$$
$$= \int_{\mathcal{R}} \prod_{i=1}^n f_{\theta}(x_i) dx_1 \dots dx_n$$
- The chance to make a correction decision should be high, thus
  - i When  $\theta \in \Theta_0$ , we want a small  $\beta(\theta)$ . Small chance of *Type I error*
  - ii When  $\theta \in \Theta_1$ , we want a large  $\beta(\theta)$ . Small chance of *Type II error*

## Trade-off

- small  $\beta(\theta)$  for  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  implicitly wants a small set  $\mathcal{R}$
- big  $\beta(\theta)$  for  $\theta \in \Theta_1$  implicitly wants a large set  $\mathcal{R}$
- There is a trade-off between two goals and we need a strategy to make the balance
  
- The common strategy of statistical hypothesis testing
  - For any  $\theta \in \Theta_0$ ,  $\beta(\theta) \leq \alpha$  for some fixed small  $\alpha$  i.e.,  
 $\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) \leq \alpha$ .
  - While the probability of committing type I error bounded, we try to minimize the probability of type II error.

## Meaning of small $\alpha$

- $Pr((X_1, \dots, X_n) \in \mathcal{R}) \leq \alpha$  means that  $\mathcal{R}$  represents the set of *rare or extreme* cases under  $\theta \in \Theta_0$
- We reject  $H_0$ , only when the data we observed is a rare case for  $\theta \in \Theta_0$ . That is, there looks like a strong contradiction between observations and null hypothesis.
- Small  $\alpha$  means our strategy is: we are reluctant to reject  $H_0$  unless data are not compatible with null hypothesis
- Alternative interpretation:  $H_0$  is our prior belief, if unnecessary, we will continue believing in it.
- In practice, we put default or previous knowledge as null hypothesis.



## Meaning of large $\beta$ values over $\Theta_1$

A good test tries maximize  $\beta(\theta)$  over  $\Theta_1$ . If we indeed make it, then

- $Pr((X_1, \dots, X_n) \in \mathcal{R})$  is non-small means that  $\mathcal{R}$  represents the set of *possible or common* cases under  $\theta \in \Theta_1$
- When we reject  $H_0$ , the data looks like a regular case for  $\theta \in \Theta_1$ . That is, data are compatible with alternative hypothesis

In conclusion, a good test rejects  $H_0$  when data are clearly not compatible with null hypothesis, but reasonably compatible with alternative hypothesis

## Examples

- A bad test:

We want to test the biological sex of a person, male vs female.

reject region: the person has natural green hair.

- A good test:

A fair criminal adjudication

A presumption of innocence, or the suspect is innocent until proven guilty.

## How to find a good $\mathcal{R}$ ?

- Intuitively, we can examine the density  $\prod_{i=1}^n f_{\theta}(x_i)$ .  $\mathcal{R}$  should somehow include  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ 's that have high density under alternative but low density under null.
- This choice will lead to the optimal test (largest  $\beta$ ) under setting  $\Theta_0 = \{\theta_0\}$  and  $\Theta_1 = \{\theta_1\}$  (Neyman–Pearson lemma)
- It is not convenient to work on the  $n$ -dimensional space. (For example,  $n$ -dim integral is needed to justify  $\alpha$  requirement.) Therefore, instead of working on original data, we work on summary statistics.

## Test Statistic

A summary statistic  $T(X_1, \dots, X_n) \in R$ , such that we define reject region as  $\mathcal{R} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) : T(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathcal{C}\}$  for some set  $\mathcal{C} \subset R$

- Let  $g_\theta$  be the density of the test statistic  $T$ , then

$$\beta(\theta) = \int_{\mathcal{C}} g_\theta(t) dt$$

- We want a set  $\mathcal{C}$ , such that
  - when  $\theta \in \Theta_0$ ,  $\int_{\mathcal{C}^c} g_\theta(t) dt \geq 1 - \alpha$ , i.e.,  $\mathcal{C}^c$  is a high density region of  $T$
  - when  $\theta \in \Theta_1$ ,  $\int_{\mathcal{C}} g_\theta(t) dt$  is large, i.e.,  $\mathcal{C}$  is a high density region of  $T$
- A good  $T$  has different behavior under null and under alternative hypotheses.

## Designing test statistics

1. For simplicity, we want a  $T$  such that,
  - (i) if  $\theta \in \Theta_0$ ,  $T$  tends to be small; if  $\theta \in \Theta_1$ ,  $T$  tends to be large. Then  $\mathcal{C} = (c, \infty)$
  - (ii) if  $\theta \in \Theta_0$ ,  $T$  tends to around some fixed value; if  $\theta \in \Theta_1$ ,  $T$  tends to be larger or smaller than that fixed value. Then  $\mathcal{C} = [c_1, c_2]^c$
2. In order to fulfill  $\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \int_{\mathcal{C}} g_{\theta}(t) dt \leq \alpha$ ,  $T$  must have a tractable distribution under null hypothesis. (We can borrow some idea from pivotal quantity)

## **$p$ -value**

Definition: Given a data set  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  and observed test statistic value  $t = T(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,

$$p\text{-value} = \max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} Pr(T \text{ is more or equally rare than } t | \theta \text{ is true parameter})$$

- We need to define a region  $\mathcal{C}_t$  of “more rare than  $t$ ”

$$p\text{-value} = \max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \int_{\mathcal{C}_t} g_{\theta}(t) dt$$

- Let  $\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}$  be the rejection region under level  $\alpha$ , then

$$\alpha = \max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \int_{\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}} g_{\theta}(t) dt$$

- We match  $\mathcal{C}_t$  with  $\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}$ , i.e. define  $\mathcal{C}_t$  as  $\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}$  for some  $\alpha$  such that  $\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}$  barely contains  $t$  (i.e.,  $t$  is on the boundary of  $\mathcal{C}_{\alpha}$ ).
- $p\text{-value} < \alpha \Leftrightarrow t$  is inside  $\mathcal{C}_{\alpha} \Leftrightarrow$  Reject  $H_0$

## One side $z$ test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ . Assume they come from a  $norm(\mu, \sigma_0^2)$  with known  $\sigma_0^2$  and unknown  $\mu$ .

$$\Theta_0 = (-\infty, \mu_0] \text{ vs } \Theta_1 = (\mu_0, \infty)$$

- Test statistics:  $\bar{X} - \mu_0$  (or  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu_0)/\sigma_0$ )
- $T$  tends to small under null, and tends to be large under alternative.
- $\mathcal{C} = (z_{\text{critical}}, \infty)$
- $\bar{X} - \mu_0 \sim N(\mu - \mu_0, \sigma_0^2/n)$
- $\alpha = \max_{\mu \leq \mu_0} Pr(N(\mu - \mu_0, \sigma_0^2/n) > z_{\text{critical}})$

- $\alpha = \max_{\mu \leq \mu_0} Pr(N(0, \sigma_0^2/n) > z_{\text{critical}} - \mu + \mu_0)$
- The maximum occurs when  $\mu$  takes its largest possible value, i.e.,  $\alpha = Pr(N(0, \sigma_0^2/n) > z_{\text{critical}})$
- $z_{\text{critical}} = \sigma_0 z_{1-\alpha} / \sqrt{n}$
- Rejection region:  $\bar{X} - \mu_0 > \sigma_0 z_{1-\alpha} / \sqrt{n}$  or  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu_0) / \sigma_0 > z_{1-\alpha}$
- $p\text{-value} = \max_{\mu \leq \mu_0} Pr(\bar{X} - \mu_0 \geq \bar{x} - \mu_0) = Pr(N(0, \sigma_0^2/n) \geq \bar{x} - \mu_0)$   
 $= Pr(N(0, 1^2) \geq \sqrt{n}(\bar{x} - \mu_0) / \sigma_0)$



## Two side $z$ test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ . Assume they come from a  $norm(\mu, \sigma_0^2)$  with known  $\sigma_0^2$  and unknown  $\mu$ .

$$\Theta_0 = \{\mu_0\} \text{ vs } \Theta_1 = (-\infty, \mu_0) \cup (\mu_0, \infty)$$

- Test statistics:  $\bar{X} - \mu_0$  (or  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu_0)/\sigma_0$ )
- $T$  tends to be around 0 under null, and tends to away from 0 under alternative.
- $\mathcal{C} = [z_{\text{crit1}}, z_{\text{crit2}}]^c$
- $\bar{X} - \mu_0 \sim N(\mu - \mu_0, \sigma_0^2/n)$
- $\alpha = Pr(N(0, \sigma_0^2/n) > z_{\text{crit2}}) + Pr(N(0, \sigma_0^2/n) < z_{\text{crit1}})$

- A convenient choice  $\alpha/2 = Pr(N(0, \sigma_0^2/n) > z_{crit2})$   
 $\alpha/2 = Pr(N(0, \sigma_0^2/n) < z_{crit1})$
- $z_{crit1} = \sigma_0 z_{\alpha/2} / \sqrt{n}$  and  $z_{crit2} = \sigma_0 z_{1-\alpha/2} / \sqrt{n}$
- Rejection region:  $|\bar{X} - \mu_0| > \sigma_0 z_{1-\alpha/2} / \sqrt{n}$  or  $\sqrt{n} |\bar{X} - \mu_0| / \sigma_0 > z_{1-\alpha/2}$
- $\mathcal{C}_\alpha$  is of the form  $[-a, a]^c$
- $p\text{-value} = Pr(\bar{X} - \mu_0 \geq |\bar{x} - \mu_0|) + Pr(\bar{X} - \mu_0 \leq -|\bar{x} - \mu_0|)$   
 $= 2Pr(N(0, 1^2) \geq \sqrt{n}(\bar{x} - \mu_0) / \sigma_0)$

## Two side test and confidence interval

A general two side test  $\Theta_0 = \{\theta_0\}$  vs  $\Theta_1 = (-\infty, \theta_0) \cup (\theta_0, \infty)$

- If null hypothesis is true,  $Pr(\theta_0 \notin \text{C.I.}) \leq \alpha$
- Denote  $\mathcal{R} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) : \text{which yields a C.I. that contains } \theta_0\}$
- $Pr(\theta_0 \notin \text{C.I.} | H_0 \text{ is true}) \leq \alpha \Leftrightarrow Pr((X_1, \dots, X_n) \in \mathcal{R} | H_0 \text{ is true}) \leq \alpha$
- $\mathcal{R}$  serves a valid reject region, although we have no guarantee that its power function is large over  $\Theta_1$ .
- If we have a good C.I., then we can reject null value if the null value is inside the C.I.

## One side $t$ test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ . Assume they come from a  $norm(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with unknown  $\sigma^2$  and unknown  $\mu$ .

$$\Theta_0 = \{\mu \leq \mu_0\} \text{ vs } \Theta_1 = \{\mu > \mu_0\}$$

- Test statistics:  $\bar{X} - \mu_0$
- however, its distribution is not tractable due to unknown  $\sigma^2$
- Alternative choice  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu_0)/\sqrt{S^2}$
- it tends to small under null, and tends to be large under alternative.
- $\mathcal{C} = (t_{\text{critical}}, \infty)$

- rewrite  $X_i = \mu + \sigma Z_i$  where  $Z_i$  are iid standard normal r.v.'s, then the test statistic can be represented as  $\sqrt{n}(\sigma \bar{Z} + \mu - \mu_0) / \sqrt{\sigma^2 S_Z^2}$ , where  $S_Z^2$  denotes the sample variance of  $Z_i$ 's
- $\alpha = \max_{\mu \leq \mu_0} Pr(\sqrt{n}(\sigma \bar{Z} + \mu - \mu_0) / \sqrt{\sigma^2 S_Z^2} > t_{\text{critical}})$
- The maximum occurs when  $\mu$  takes its largest possible value, i.e.,  $\alpha = Pr(\sqrt{n}\bar{Z} / \sqrt{S_Z^2} > t_{\text{critical}})$
- We can show that  $\sqrt{n}\bar{Z} / \sqrt{S_Z^2}$  follows a  $t_{n-1}$  distribution and  $t_{\text{critical}} = t_{n-1, 1-\alpha}$
- Rejection region:  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu_0) / S > t_{n-1, 1-\alpha}$
- $p\text{-value} = \max_{\mu \leq \mu_0} Pr(\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu_0) / S \geq \sqrt{n}(\bar{x} - \mu_0) / s) = Pr(t_{n-1} \geq \sqrt{n}(\bar{x} - \mu_0) / s)$
- Two-side  $t$ -test can be derived similarly.

## two side $\chi^2$ test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ . Assume they come from a  $norm(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with unknown  $\sigma^2$  and unknown  $\mu$ .

$$\Theta_0 = \{\sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2\} \text{ vs } \Theta_1 = \{\sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2\}$$

- Test statistics:  $S^2$
- Because  $S^2$  is consistent,  $T$  tends to be around  $\sigma_0^2$  under null, and tends to away from  $\sigma_0^2$  under alternative
- $\mathcal{C} = [\chi_{\text{crit}1}^2, \chi_{\text{crit}2}^2]^c$
- $S^2 \sim \sigma^2 \chi_{n-1}^2 / (n-1)$
- $\alpha = Pr(\sigma_0^2 \chi_{n-1}^2 / (n-1) > \chi_{\text{crit}2}^2) + Pr(\sigma_0^2 \chi_{n-1}^2 / (n-1) < \chi_{\text{crit}1}^2)$

- A convenient choice  $\alpha/2 = Pr(\sigma_0^2 \chi_{n-1}^2 / (n-1) > \chi_{crit2}^2)$   
 $\alpha/2 = Pr(\sigma_0^2 \chi_{n-1}^2 / (n-1) < \chi_{crit1}^2)$
- $\chi_{crit1}^2 = \sigma_0^2 \chi_{n-1, \alpha/2}^2 / (n-1)$  and  $\chi_{crit2}^2 = \sigma_0^2 \chi_{n-1, 1-\alpha/2}^2 / (n-1)$
- Non-symmetric rejection region:  $(n-1)S^2 / \sigma_0^2 < \chi_{n-1, \alpha/2}^2$  or  
 $> \chi_{n-1, 1-\alpha/2}^2$
- $p\text{-value} = 2 * Pr(\chi_{n-1}^2 \geq (n-1)s^2 / \sigma_0^2)$  or  $2 * Pr(\chi_{n-1}^2 \leq (n-1)s^2 / \sigma_0^2)$  depending which one is smaller.
- One-side version can be derived similarly.

## Two sample $t$ test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_m$  Assume they come from  $norm(\mu_1, \sigma^2)$  and  $norm(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$  respectively, with unknown means and variances.

$$\Theta_0 = \{\mu_1 = \mu_2\} \text{ vs } \Theta_1 = \{\mu_1 \neq \mu_2\}$$

- Test statistics:  $\bar{X} - \bar{Y}$
- studentize it:

$$\frac{(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) / \sqrt{1/n + 1/m}}{\sqrt{[(n-1)S_X^2 + (m-1)S_Y^2] / (n+m-2)}}$$

- it tends to be around 0, and tends to away from 0 under alternative.
- $\mathcal{C} = [t_{\text{crit}1}, t_{\text{crit}2}]^c$



- Under null hypothesis, the studentized statistic follows a  $t_{n+m-2}$  distribution.
- $\alpha = Pr(t_{n+m-2} > t_{crit2}) + Pr(t_{n+m-2} < t_{crit1})$
- $t_{crit1} = t_{n+m-2, \alpha/2}$  and  $t_{crit2} = t_{n+m-2, 1-\alpha/2}$
- Rejection region:  $t\text{-statistic} > t_{n-1, 1-\alpha/2}$
- $p\text{-value} = Pr(t_{n+m-2} \geq t\text{-statistics of the observations})$
- Two side  $t$ -test can be derived similarly.

## Two sample $F$ test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1, \dots, Y_m$  Assume they come from  $norm(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$  and  $norm(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$  respectively, with unknown means and variances.

$$\Theta_0 = \{\sigma_1^2 \leq \sigma_2^2\} \text{ vs } \Theta_1 = \{\sigma_1^2 > \sigma_2^2\}$$

- Test statistics:  $S_X^2/S_Y^2$
- it tends to be smaller than 1, and tends to be larger than 1 under alternative.
- $\mathcal{C} = (F_{\text{crit}1}, \infty)$
- $(S_X^2/\sigma_1^2)/(S_Y^2/\sigma_2^2) \sim F_{n-1, m-1}$

- $\alpha = \max_{\Theta_0} Pr(S_X^2/S_Y^2 > F_{\text{critical}}) = \max_{\Theta_0} Pr((\sigma_1^2/\sigma_2^2)F_{n-1,m-1} > F_{\text{critical}})$
- The maximum occurs when  $(\sigma_1^2/\sigma_2^2)$  takes its largest possible value, i.e.,  $\alpha = Pr(F_{n-1,m-1} > F_{\text{critical}})$
- $F_{\text{critical}} = F_{n-1,m-1,1-\alpha}$
- Rejection region:  $S_X^2/S_Y^2 > F_{n-1,m-1,1-\alpha}$
- $p\text{-value} = \max_{\Theta_0} Pr(S_X^2/S_Y^2 \geq s_X^2/s_Y^2) = Pr(F_{n-1,m-1} \geq s_X^2/s_Y^2)$
- Two-side  $F$ -test can be derived similarly.

# Approximate Testing

In many complicated problem, it is difficult to find an exactly tractable test statistic. Thus, certain approximation can be used, e.g., via CLT type approximation

## Approximate $z$ -test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n \in \{0, 1\}$ . Assume they come from a Bernoulli( $p$ ) distribution

$$\Theta_0 = \{p \leq p_0\} \text{ vs } \Theta_1 = \{p > p_0\}$$

- test statistic:  $\bar{X}$
- $T$  tends to small under null, and tends to be large under alternative.
- $\mathcal{C} = (z_{\text{critical}}, \infty)$

- $\bar{X} \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)/n$
- $\alpha = \max_{p \leq p_0} \text{Pr}(\text{Bin}(n, p) > nz_{\text{critical}})$
- The maximum occurs when  $p$  takes its largest possible value (why?), i.e.,  $\alpha = \text{Pr}(\text{Bin}(n, p_0) > nz_{\text{critical}})$
- $\text{Bin}(n, p_0) \approx N(np_0, np_0(1 - p_0))$  by CLT, thus  $z_{\text{critical}} = p_0 + z_{1-\alpha} \sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)/n}$
- Rejection region:  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - p_0) / \sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)} > z_{1-\alpha}$
- $p$ -value =  $\max_{p \leq p_0} \text{Pr}(\bar{X} \geq \bar{x}) = \text{Pr}(N(np_0, np_0(1 - p_0)) \geq n\bar{x})$   
 $= \text{Pr}(N(0, 1^2) \geq \sqrt{n}(\bar{x} - p_0) / \sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)})$

## Wald Test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ . Assume they come from a distribution  $f_\theta$  with unknown  $\theta$ .

$$\Theta_0 = \{\theta = \theta_0\} \text{ vs } \Theta_1 = \{\theta \neq \theta_0\}$$

- Let  $\hat{\theta}$  be the MLE estimation
- $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta^*) \approx N(0, \tau^2(\theta^*))$
- Test statistic:  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0)/\tau(\theta_0)$
- $\mathcal{C} = [z_{\text{crit}1}, z_{\text{crit}2}]^c$  with  $z_{\text{crit}1} = z_{\alpha/2}$  and  $z_{\text{crit}2} = z_{1-\alpha/2}$
- Rejection region:  $\sqrt{n}|\hat{\theta} - \theta_0|/\tau(\theta_0) > z_{1-\alpha/2}$
- $p\text{-value} = 2Pr(N(0, 1^2) \geq \sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0)/\tau(\theta_0))$

## The goodness of fit $\chi^2$ test

Assume that  $Pr(\text{Outcome } i) = p_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$  with unknown  $p_i \geq 0$  and  $\sum p_i = 1$ .

We observe  $n$  experiments, and the  $i$ th outcome occurs  $O_i$  times.

$$\Theta_0 = \{p_i = p_{i,0} \text{ for all } i\}, \Theta_1 = \Theta_0^c$$

- Test statistic  $\sum_{i=1}^k [(O_i - E_i)^2 / E_i]$  where  $E_i = np_{i,0}$
- $T$  tends to small under null (since  $O_i \approx E_i$ ), and tends to be large under alternative.
- $\mathcal{C} = (\chi_{\text{critical}}^2, \infty)$
- Under  $H_0$ ,  $T \approx \chi_{k-1}^2$ . Thus reject region is  $\chi_{\text{critical}}^2 = \chi_{k-1, 1-\alpha}^2$
- $p$ -value =  $Pr(\chi_{k-1}^2 \geq \text{observed test statistic})$

## The likelihood ratio test

Observe  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ . Assume they come from a distribution  $f_\theta$  with unknown  $\theta$ .

- Test statistics  $-2 \log(\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \prod f_\theta(X_i) / \max_{\theta \in \Theta} \prod f_\theta(X_i))$
- $T$  tends to small under null , and tends to be large under alternative.
- $\mathcal{C} = (\chi_{\text{critical}}^2, \infty)$
- For any  $\theta \in \Theta_0$ ,  $T \sim \chi_d^2$ , where  $d$  is the dimension difference between  $\Theta_0$  and  $\Theta$ .
- reject region is  $\chi_{\text{critical}}^2 = \chi_{d, 1-\alpha}^2$
- $p$ -value =  $Pr(\chi_d^2 \geq \text{observed test statistic})$



## Sample Size Determination

- We already pick a test procedure and an  $\alpha$ .
- We want to know how large the sample size needs to be, such that we have a reasonably large  $\beta$  over the *whole*  $\Theta_1$ .
- This is actually impossible when  $\Theta$  is a continuous connected set.
- Large enough  $n$ , such that  $\theta(\theta)$  is larger than a desired level (say 0.8) over  $\tilde{\Theta}_1 \subset \Theta_1$ , where  $\tilde{\Theta}_1 \subset \Theta_1$  represents the parameter values that are *practically significant*
- Let us try an example for one side  $z$  test

## Controversy

Consider the following statistical modeling with  $\Theta = \{0, 1\}$  with a discrete data generation:

PMF	X=1	X=2	X=3
$\theta = 0$	0.95	0.04	0.01
$\theta = 1$	0.099	0.9	0.001

Given a data point, and we want to test  $\Theta_0 = \{0\}$  vs  $\Theta_1 = \{1\}$  under  $\alpha = 0.05$

There are only 8 possible reject region, and the best one is  $\mathcal{R} = \{2, 3\}$  (why?)

Therefore, if we observe  $X = 3$ , we reject null hypothesis. However, when  $X = 3$ ,  $\theta = 0$  is more likely than  $\theta = 1$ , i.e., (0.01 vs 0.001)

## Chapter Review

- Hypothesis Testing
- Idea and formulation
- Power function
- Test statistics