

# (5.5) Wilks' Theorem

Theorem 5.2  
 (no proof) For testing  $H_0: \underline{\theta} \in \omega$   
 vs.  $H_1: \underline{\theta} \in \Omega - \omega$

where  $\dim \Omega = p$  and where  $\dim \omega = p_0$   
 ie  $p$  ~~independent~~ parameters and  $p - p_0$  is the  
 number of (independent) constraints imposed by  $H_0$

$$-2 \log \Lambda(\underline{y}) = 2 (\ell(\hat{\underline{\theta}}; \underline{y}) - \ell(\hat{\underline{\theta}}_0; \underline{y})) \sim \chi^2_{p-p_0}$$

twice difference in maximised  
 values of the loglikelihood

For large  $n$ , under  $H_0$  and 'regularity conditions'

Ex 1(i) reworked  ~~$p=1$~~   $H_0: \lambda = \lambda_0$  so  $p_0 = 0$  ( $p - p_0 = 1$ )

$$\Lambda(\underline{y}) = \left(\frac{\lambda_0}{\hat{\lambda}}\right)^{na} e^{(\hat{\lambda} - \lambda_0) \sum y_i} \quad \hat{\lambda} = a/\bar{y}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \log \Lambda(\underline{y}) &= \cancel{na} - 2 [na \log \lambda_0 - na \log \hat{\lambda}] - 2(\hat{\lambda} - \lambda_0) n\bar{y} \\ &= 2na \left[ \log(\hat{\lambda}/\lambda_0) + \left(\frac{\bar{y}}{\lambda_0} - 1\right) \right] \sim \chi^2_1 \end{aligned}$$

in terms of the ratio of sample mean  $\bar{y}$  to hypothesized mean  $\lambda_0 = \mu_0$  (under  $H_0$ )

reject  $H_0$  if  $2na \left( \log(\bar{y}/\mu_0) + \left(\frac{\bar{y}}{\mu_0} - 1\right) \right) > \chi^2_{1; \alpha}$

For a test of size  $\alpha$ .

Simple & no problems with asymmetry but  
 must have large enough  $n$ .

Similarly more complicated examples

Ex 1 (ii) p=2

$H_0: \lambda = \lambda_0$  as before  
but now  $\dim(\omega) = p_0 = 1$   
( $p - p_0 = 1$  as before)  
independent restrictions

$$L(\lambda, a; y) = \lambda^{na} e^{-\lambda \sum y_i} (\prod y_i)^{a-1} / [\Gamma(a)]^n$$

$$l(\lambda, a; y) = na \log \lambda - \lambda \sum y_i + (a-1) \sum \log y_i - n \log \Gamma(a)$$

$$-2 \log \Lambda(y) = 2 [l(\hat{\lambda}, \hat{a}; y) - l(\lambda_0, \hat{a}_0; y)] \quad \hat{\lambda} = \hat{a} / \bar{y}$$

~~$2na \int$~~

( $\hat{a}, \hat{\lambda}_0$  obtained numerically)

$$= 2 [n \hat{a} \log \hat{\lambda} - n \hat{a}_0 \log \lambda_0 - n \bar{y} (\hat{\lambda} - \lambda_0) + (\hat{a} - \hat{a}_0) \sum \log y_i$$

$$\sim \chi^2_1 \text{ under } H_0$$

~~$-n \log \frac{\Gamma(\hat{a})}{\Gamma(\hat{a}_0)}$~~

NB if  $\hat{a} = \hat{a}_0$ , then  $\frac{\Gamma(\hat{a})}{\Gamma(\hat{a}_0)}$  as in Ex 1(i) (with  $\hat{a}$  subs. for  $a$ )

~~$= \dots$~~  so again reject  $H_0$  if this statistic exceeds  $\chi^2_{1; \alpha}$ .

Ex 2 revisited

( $p=3$ )

$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$

$\omega$  has dimension

~~$p_0 = 2$~~

$p_0 = 1$   
independent restrictions

$$-2 \log \Lambda(y) \sim \chi^2_1 \text{ for asymptotic test}$$

but exact test using  $T \sim t_{n-2}$

Similarly Exs 3 & 4

# (5.6) Goodness-of-Fit

(Webnotes: <sup>(independence in)</sup> Contingency Tables)

Starting point:

data  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$

observed values of  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n$

which are independent with identical distribution (IID)

$F_Y(y; \theta)$  (PMF or pdf) ~~with  $\theta$  unknown parameters~~

ie a random sample from a distribution of known form but with say  $q$  unknown parameters.

Can we test this assumption?

test  $H_0$ : ~~random sample from~~ random sample from  $F_Y(y; \theta)$

Now  $\dim \omega = q$  but what is  $\Omega$ ?

ie what is the alternative hypothesis?

the set of unknown distributions have an infinite number of parameters but we know we can get a perfect fit <sup>to our data</sup> with just  $n$  parameters.

∴ Summarise data by grouping into  $K$  classes or cells

$C_1, C_2, \dots, C_K$  ~~(usually intervals spanning the range of  $Y$ )~~

(usually intervals spanning the range of  $Y$ ): the support of  $F_Y(y; \theta)$

to give observed frequencies  $n_k$  with  $\sum n_k = n$ .

$\underline{n} = (n_1, \dots, n_K)^T$

compare with expected frequencies under  $H_0$

~~estimated probabilities~~

What is the likelihood of these data?

Let  $\pi_k = P[Y \in C_k]$   $k=1, \dots, K$   $\sum \pi_k = 1$

then the  $\underline{\pi} = (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_K)^T$

joint distribution of the r.v.'s (whose observed values are the observed frequencies  $\underline{n}$ ) is multinomial (still assuming independence)

$L(\underline{\pi}; \underline{n}) = \prod_{k=1}^K \frac{\pi_k^{n_k}}{n_k!} \cdot n!$

(binomial is special case with  $K=2$ )

We follow LR procedures and estimate  $\underline{\pi}$  by maximum likelihood

(i) under  $H_0$  i.e.  $\omega$  with dimension  $q$

(ii) over  $\Omega = \{ \underline{\pi} : \sum \pi_k = 1, \pi_k \geq 0, k=1, \dots, K \}$   
 $\dim \Omega = K-1$  (a 'simplex')

(i) under  $H_0$   $\pi_k = \pi_k(\underline{\theta})$  (determined by integrating or summing  $y$  over  $C_k$ )

so the restricted MLEs are

$$\hat{\pi}_{k0} = \pi_k(\hat{\underline{\theta}}) \quad \text{estimated probabilities}$$

where  $\hat{\underline{\theta}}$  is the MLE of  $\underline{\theta}$  (estimated from the original data?)

and hence  $\hat{n}_{k0} = n \pi_k(\hat{\underline{\theta}})$   $k=1, \dots, K$   
(or  $E_k$ ) are the expected frequencies

(ii) over  $\Omega$ ; ~~we~~ we maximise  $L(\underline{\pi}; \underline{n})$  subject to ~~constraints~~  
~~Lagrange multiplier~~ ~~maximise~~

$$l(\underline{\pi}; \underline{n}) = \sum n_k \log \pi_k + \underbrace{\log n! - \sum \log n_k!}_{\text{const.}}$$

subject to  $\sum \pi_k = 1$

$\therefore$  introduce a Lagrange multiplier  $\lambda$  to maximise  $l^* = l + \lambda(1 - \sum \pi_k)$   
(without constraints)

$$\frac{\partial l^*}{\partial \pi_k} = \frac{n_k}{\pi_k} - \lambda = 0 \quad (1) \quad k=1, \dots, K$$

$$\frac{\partial l^*}{\partial \lambda} = 1 - \sum \pi_k = 0 \quad (\text{giving the constraint back again})$$

The only solution is  $\hat{\pi}_k = n_k/n$   $k=1, \dots, K$

(as (1)  $\Rightarrow n_k/\pi_k$  is constant over  $k$ )

and  $n \hat{\pi}_k = n_k$  (or  $Q_k$ ) are the observed frequencies

$$\chi^2(y) = \frac{L(\hat{\underline{\pi}}_0; \underline{n})}{L(\hat{\underline{\pi}}; \underline{n})} \quad \text{or the Wilks' statistic}$$

$$-2 \log \chi^2(y) = 2 [l(\hat{\underline{\pi}}; \underline{n}) - l(\hat{\underline{\pi}}_0; \underline{n})]$$

going as  $\hat{\pi}_k = n_k/n$   $\hat{\pi}_{k0} = \pi_k(\theta_0)$

$$= 2 \left[ \sum n_k \log n_k - \underbrace{\sum n_k \log n}_{n \log n} - \sum n_k \log \pi_k(\theta_0) \right] \quad (65)$$

$$= \sum n_k \log \hat{\pi}_k + \underbrace{\sum n_k \log n}_{n \log n}$$

$$= 2 \sum_{k=1}^K n_k \log \left( \frac{n_k}{\hat{n}_k} \right)$$

not the usual 'Pearson chi square'

$$X^2 = \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{(n_k - \hat{n}_k)^2}{\hat{n}_k}$$

In this example we call Wilks' statistic  $Y^2$  (to contrast with  $X^2$ )

However if we write

$$n_k = \hat{n}_k + (n_k - \hat{n}_k)$$

and note that  $(n_k - \hat{n}_k)$  is small relative to  $n_k$  and  $\hat{n}_k$  when  $n$  is large we can approximate using the first 2 terms in an expansion

$$\log \left( \frac{n_k}{\hat{n}_k} \right) = \log \left( 1 + \frac{n_k - \hat{n}_k}{\hat{n}_k} \right)$$

$$\approx \frac{n_k - \hat{n}_k}{\hat{n}_k} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{n_k - \hat{n}_k}{\hat{n}_k} \right)^2$$

ie

$$n_k \log \left( \frac{n_k}{\hat{n}_k} \right) \approx [\hat{n}_k + (n_k - \hat{n}_k)] \log \left[ 1 + \frac{n_k - \hat{n}_k}{\hat{n}_k} \right]$$

$$\approx (n_k - \hat{n}_k) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{(n_k - \hat{n}_k)^2}{n_k}$$

and when we sum over  $k$  we get

$$Y^2 = 2 \sum_k n_k \log \left( \frac{n_k}{\hat{n}_k} \right) \approx 2 \sum_k (n_k - \hat{n}_k)$$

so  $X^2$  is an approximation to  $Y^2$  (asymptotically equivalent)

~~We reject  $H_0$~~

IF  $n$  large, Wilks' theorem gives

$$Y^2 \text{ (or } X^2) \sim \chi^2_{p-1}$$

but  $p = K - 1$   
 $p_0 = 2$  so  
 this is  $\chi^2_{K-2}$

d.o.f = no. of classes - no. of estimated parameters by MLE - 1

as in table