

# Question 1

1- (1)

$$(1a)(i) \log f(y, \omega) = y\theta(\omega) - k(\theta) + g(y)$$

$$\frac{\partial \log f(y, \omega)}{\partial \omega} = \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \omega} \left\{ y - \frac{\partial k}{\partial \theta} \right\}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log f(y, \omega)}{\partial \omega^2} = \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial \omega^2} \left\{ y - \frac{\partial k}{\partial \theta} \right\} - \left( \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \omega} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2 k}{\partial \theta^2}$$

The Fisher information is

$$I(\omega) = E \left[ \left( \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \omega} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2 k}{\partial \theta^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial \omega^2} \left\{ y - \frac{\partial k}{\partial \theta} \right\} \right] = \left( \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \omega} \right)^2 \frac{\partial^2 k}{\partial \theta^2}$$

$$(ii) P\{Y = k \mid Y \neq j\} = \frac{\pi(1-\pi)^{k-1}}{1 - \pi(1-\pi)^{j-1}} \quad k \neq 0 \text{ and } k \neq j$$

(iii) The log-likelihood of  $\{\mu_i\}_{i=1}^n$  is

$$\mathcal{L}_n(\pi) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ \log \pi + (\mu_i - 1) \log(1-\pi) \right] - n \log [1 - \pi(1-\pi)^{j-1}]$$

let

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_i \log(1-\pi) + n \left[ \log \frac{\pi}{1-\pi} - \log [1 - \pi(1-\pi)^{j-1}] \right]$$

let  $\log(1-\pi) = \theta$  here  $1-\pi = e^\theta$  and  $\pi = 1 - e^\theta$   $\theta \in (-\infty, 0]$

Thus the above likelihood can be written as

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$$L_n(\theta) = \theta \sum_{i=1}^n u_i + n \left[ \log \left( \frac{1-e^\theta}{e^\theta} \right) - \log \left( 1 - e^{\theta(j-1)} (1-e^\theta) \right) \right]$$

$-k(\theta)$   $g(y)=0$

Note The function  $\pi = 1 - e^\theta$  is a bijection.

(iv) Minimal sufficient statistic is  $\sum u_i$

(v) ~~Since~~  $\pi(\theta) = 1 - e^\theta$  is a bijection. Thus

The Hessian of  $L_n(\theta)$  is  $-k''(\theta)$  which is negative.

The Hessian of  $L_n(\pi)$  must also be negative. (since a bijection can't change the sign). Hence  $L_n(\pi)$

is a concave function, which is easy to maximise by

any numerical scheme (we don't need to worry about initial values).

$$(b) \quad V = \delta Y + (1-\delta)\theta$$

1-③

$$(i) \quad P(V=k) = P(V=k|\delta=1)P(\delta=1) + P(V=k|\delta=0)P(\delta=0) \\ = p \pi^\theta (1-\pi)^{k-1} + (1-p) \mathbb{I}(\theta=k).$$

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indicator variable

(ii) The log-likelihood is

$$\mathcal{L}(\pi, p, \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left\{ p \pi (1-\pi)^{V_i-1} + (1-p) \mathbb{I}(\theta = V_i) \right\}.$$

(iii) Suppose  $\theta$  is known, then we try to obtain good initial values.

From part (a) we obtained the likelihood of  $\theta$

$$Y_i | Y_i \neq \theta;$$

Define  $\{u_i \neq \theta\}_{i=1}^m$  all  $\theta$   $Y_i$  where  $Y_i \neq \theta$ .

then construct likelihood

$$\mathcal{L}_n(\pi; \text{not } \theta) = \sum_{i=1}^m \left\{ \log \pi + \log (1-\pi)^{u_i-1} \right\} \\ + m \left[ \log \frac{\pi}{1-\pi} - \log [1 - \pi (1-\pi)^{\theta-1}] \right]$$

let  $\hat{\pi}_\theta = \underset{\pi}{\operatorname{argmax}} L_n(\pi; \text{not } \theta)$  1-(4)

[recall from (av) this can easily be maximised]

⊙ This gives an intuitive for  $\hat{\pi}_\theta$  (when  $\theta$  is known).

$$P(Y = \theta) = p \pi (1 - \pi)^{k-1} + (1 - p)$$

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Estimate

$$\hat{q}_\theta = \frac{\text{No } Y_i = \theta}{n} \quad \text{here solve for}$$

$$\hat{p}_\theta = \underset{p}{\operatorname{solution}} \left\{ p \hat{\pi}_\theta (1 - \hat{\pi}_\theta)^{k-1} + (1 - p) = \hat{q}_\theta \right\}$$

This gives initial values for the maximisation.

Now use Newton-Raphson

$$\hat{\pi}(\theta), \hat{p}(\theta) = \underset{p, \pi}{\operatorname{argmax}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left[ p \pi (1 - \pi)^{k-1} + (1 - p) I(\theta = k) \right] \right]$$

maximum likelihood estimator when  $\theta$  is known.

(iv) In part (iii) we evaluated 1-5

the mle for  $\theta$  known. ~~Now we~~ Now we go back to this likelihood and maximise over  $\theta$ .

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg \max_{\theta \in \mathbb{Z}^+} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left[ \hat{p}(\theta) \hat{\pi}(\theta) (1-\pi(\theta))^{k-1} + (1-\hat{p}(\theta)) I(\theta=k) \right] \right\}.$$

This the mle is

$$\left[ \hat{\theta}, \hat{p}(\hat{\theta}), \hat{\pi}(\hat{\theta}) \right].$$

\* Note that ~~if~~ since  $\theta \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , then  $\theta$  cannot be asymptotically normal.

## Question 2

(2-1)

Suppose  $\{x_i\}$  are iid Gaussian normal random variables

and we test

$$H_0: \mu^2 = \sigma^2 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_A: \mu^2 \neq \sigma^2. \quad (1)$$

We use the log-likelihood ratio statistic.

In order to derive the distribution under the null, we

note that the likelihood can be reparameterised as

$$\ell(\mu, \sigma^2) = -n \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum (x_i - \mu)^2$$

$$\tilde{\ell}(\mu, \gamma) = -n \log [\mu + \gamma]^2 - \frac{1}{2[\mu + \gamma]^2} \sum (x_i - \mu)^2.$$

Using the reparameterisation the hypotheses stated in (1)

is equivalent to

$$H_0: \gamma = 0 \quad H_A: \gamma \neq 0$$

Thus,

QED

$$T_n = 2 \left\{ \max_{\mu, \sigma^2} L_n(\mu, \sigma^2) - \max_{\mu} L_n(\mu, \mu^2) \right\} \quad (2-2)$$

$$= 2 \left\{ \max_{\mu, \sigma} \tilde{L}_n(\mu, \sigma) - \max_{\mu} \tilde{L}_n(\mu, 0) \right\}$$

Now using the results for the (nested) profile likelihood under the null  $\xrightarrow{D} \chi_{2-1}^2 = \chi_1^2$ .

However since the two quantities are the same we do not have to use the second quantity we can maximize over the 'usual' likelihood, i.e.

$$T_n = 2 \left[ L_n(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma}^2) - L_n(\tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\mu}^2) \right]$$

$\xrightarrow{D} \chi_1^2$  (under the null hypothesis).

Question 3

3-①

$$1) \bar{X}^2 = \left\{ \underbrace{\frac{\sigma \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n}} \left( \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right)}_{\rightarrow N(0,1)} + \mu \right\}^2$$

$$= \underbrace{\frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left( \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right)^2}_{O_p\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)} + \underbrace{2\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \mu \left( \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right)}_{O_p\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)} + \mu^2 \quad (1)$$

Hence  $\sqrt{n}[\bar{X}^2 - \mu^2] = 2\sigma\mu \underbrace{\left[ \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right]}_{N(0,1)} + O_p\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$

$$\rightarrow N(0, 4\sigma^2\mu^2)$$

Note that in order for the second term in (1) to

dominate the first we require  $\mu \neq 0$ .

If  $\mu = 0$ , then  $\bar{X}$  will be a weighted  $\chi^2$ .



$$(ii) \quad \text{Var}(\bar{X}^2) = 4\sigma^2 \mu^2/n + o\left(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}\right) \text{ [by using (i)] } \quad 3- \textcircled{2}$$

$$\text{Var}[S^2] = \frac{1}{(n-1)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}[(X_i - \bar{X})^2]$$

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calculate out.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[(X_i - \bar{X})^2] &= 2[\text{Var}(X_i - \bar{X})]^2 \\ &= \text{cum}_4[X_i - \bar{X}] \\ &\quad + \text{cum}[(X_i - \bar{X}), (X_i - \bar{X}), (X_i - \bar{X}), (X_i - \bar{X})] \end{aligned}$$

(The other terms we ignore since the ~~variance~~<sup>mean</sup> is  $\geq 0$ ).

$$\text{Var}(X_i - \bar{X}) = \text{Var}(X_i) - 2\text{Cov}(X_i, \bar{X}) + \text{Var}(\bar{X})$$

$$= \sigma^2 - \frac{2\sigma^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} = \sigma^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cum}_4[X_i - \bar{X}] &= \underbrace{\text{cum}_4[X_i]}_{k_4} + \underbrace{\text{cum}[X_i, X_i, X_i, \bar{X}]}_{= \frac{1}{n} k_4} + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{n} k_4 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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$$\frac{1}{n} k_4$$

$$+ \text{cum}[\bar{X}, \bar{X}, \bar{X}, \bar{X}].$$

Calculating  $\text{cum}(\bar{X}, \bar{X}, \bar{X}, \bar{X})$  is a bit a tricky.

Calculating it out should give you  $\frac{k_4}{n^3}$ . However you can also guess that it is "small", since  $\bar{X}$  is asympt. normal.

Thus

$$\text{cum}_4[X_c - \bar{X}] = \underbrace{k_4}_{\text{main term}} + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$

This gives

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}[(X_c - \bar{X})^2] &= 2(\text{var}[X_c - \bar{X}])^2 + \text{cum}_4[X_c - \bar{X}] \\ &= 2\sigma^2 + k_4 + O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right). \end{aligned}$$


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$$\text{cov}[\bar{X}, S^2] = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{cov}[X_i, (X_i - \bar{X})^2]$$

Again consider

(since mean is zero)

$$\text{cov}[X_c, (X_c - \bar{X})^2] = 2 \text{cov}(X_c, (X_c - \bar{X})) E(X_c - \bar{X}) + \text{cum}(X_c, X_c - \bar{X}, X_c - \bar{X})$$

$$= \underbrace{\text{cum}(X_c, X_c, X_c)}_{k_3} + \underbrace{\text{cum}(X_c, X_c, \bar{X})}_{\frac{k_3}{2}} + \dots - \underbrace{\text{cum}(X_c, \bar{X}, \bar{X})}_{\frac{k_3}{n^2}}$$


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Altogether we gives

3- (4)

$$\text{Var}[\sqrt{n} \bar{X}^2] = 4\sigma^2 \mu^2 + o(1)$$

$$\text{Var}[\sqrt{n} S^2] = 2\sigma^2 + k_4 + o(1)$$

$$\text{Cov}[\sqrt{n} \bar{X}^2, \sqrt{n} S^2] = k_3 + o(1)$$

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$$\sqrt{n} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{X}^2 - \mu^2 \\ S^2 - \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{D} N \left( 0, \begin{pmatrix} 4\sigma^2 \mu^2 & k_3 \\ k_3 & 2\sigma^2 + k_4 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

(iii) Consider the statistic

$$T_n = \sqrt{n} \left( \frac{\bar{X}^2}{S^2} - 1 \right) = \sqrt{n} \left( \frac{\bar{X}^2 - \mu^2}{S^2} \right) \quad (\text{make Taylor exp of } S^2)$$

$$= \sqrt{n} \left\{ \frac{(\bar{X}^2 - \mu^2) - (S^2 - \mu^2)}{\mu^2} \right\} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\mu^2 (S^2 - \mu^2)}{\alpha S^2 + (1-\alpha)\mu^2} \right\}$$

$O_p(1/\sqrt{n})$

By part (ii)

$$= \sqrt{n} \left\{ \frac{(\bar{X}^2 - \mu^2) - (S^2 - \mu^2)}{\mu^2} \right\} + o_p\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

Now we calculate the "limiting variance" using the 3-<sup>rd</sup> results from part (ii).

$$\text{Var} \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\mu^2} \left[ (\bar{X}^2 - \mu^2) - (s^2 - \mu^2) \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu^4} \left\{ \Sigma_{11} - 2 \Sigma_{12} + \Sigma_{22} \right\} \quad (\text{General})$$

$$= \frac{1}{\mu^4} \left\{ 4\sigma^2 \mu^2 - 2k_3 + 2\sigma^2 + k_4 \right\} \quad (\text{easy results}).$$

Thus if  $\mu \neq 0$  and under the null

$$\sqrt{n} \left( \frac{\bar{X}^2}{s^2} - 1 \right) \xrightarrow{D} N \left( 0, \frac{1}{\mu^4} \left[ 4\sigma^2 \mu^2 - 2k_3 + 2\sigma^2 + k_4 \right] \right).$$

(iv) Note that  $\frac{\bar{Y}^2}{s^2}$  are positive random variables here

and finite some distribution will be right skewed.

This will mean that the normal approximation will not

be particularly good for small samples.

[If we measured the skewness by using the third order moment it would be of order  $O(1/\sqrt{n})$ ].

If  $\{X_i\}$  are iid normal random variables then

$\bar{X}$  and  $s^2$  are independent and  $\frac{\bar{Y}^2}{s^2}$  follows an  $F$ -distribution.

$$T_n = \sqrt{n} \left\{ \frac{\bar{X}}{S^2} - 1 \right\} = \sqrt{n} \left\{ \frac{\bar{X}}{S^2} - \frac{\mu^2}{(\mu + \theta)^2} \right\} + \sqrt{n} \left\{ \frac{\mu^2}{(\mu + \theta)^2} - 1 \right\}$$

Let

$$\sqrt{n} \left\{ \frac{(\mu + \theta)^2 - 2\mu\theta + \theta^2}{(\mu + \theta)^2} - 1 \right\} = \sqrt{n} \left\{ \frac{\mu^2 - 2\mu\theta + \theta^2}{(\mu + \theta)^2} \right\}$$

Thus if  $\theta$  is kept constant as  $\sqrt{n} \rightarrow \infty$  the power of test  $\rightarrow 100\%$ .

To assess power set  $\theta = \phi/\sqrt{n}$

$$\text{Then } \sqrt{n} \left\{ \frac{\mu^2}{(\mu + \theta)^2} - 1 \right\} \approx \frac{-2\mu\phi}{(\mu + \phi/\sqrt{n})^2} \approx \frac{-2\phi}{\mu}$$

$$\text{Let } \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\mu^4} [4\sigma^2\mu^2 - 2k_3 + 2\sigma^4 + k_4]$$

Then under the null

$$\frac{T_n}{\sigma^2} \rightarrow N(0, 1)$$

Suppose we do the test at the 5% level.

Then under the alternative of  $\theta = \phi/\sqrt{n}$  ( ~~$\phi > 0$~~ ) 3-7  
 $(\phi > 0)$

$$P \left\{ \left| \frac{T_n}{\sigma \sqrt{2n}} \right| > z_{1-\alpha/2} \right\} \approx P \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma \sqrt{2n}} \left[ \bar{X} - \frac{\mu^2}{(\mu + \phi/\sqrt{n})} \right] - \frac{2\phi}{\mu \sigma} z_{1-\alpha/2} \right\}$$

$$= P \left\{ z_{1-\alpha/2} + \frac{2\phi}{\mu \sigma} \right\}$$

$$= \Phi \left[ -z_{1-\alpha/2} + \frac{2\phi}{\mu \sigma} \right] \rightarrow \text{power function}$$

which grows as  $\phi \rightarrow \infty$ .



## Power Transforms

How to make  $\frac{\bar{X}^2}{s^2}$  more normal?

### • ~~Assumptions~~

One method is to do a power transform of the type:

$$\frac{\left(\frac{\bar{Y}^2}{s^2}\right)^\lambda - 1}{\lambda}$$

$$0 < \lambda < 1$$

$$\text{if } \lambda \neq 0$$

Box-Cox  
transform

$$\log\left(\frac{\bar{X}^2}{s^2}\right)$$

$$\text{if } \lambda = 0$$

However one needs to calculate the mean and variance of this (under the null); This can be done using the delta method.

• Another method is to do a Bootstrap; in the hope of capturing the skewness.

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One can prove that the power transform tends to reduce the skewness in the distribution.