

Solutions to the Exercises of Section 5.7.

5.7.1. If X_1, \dots, X_N are i.i.d. from the density $f(x|\theta) = \theta e^{\theta x} I_{(-\infty, 0)}(x)$, and if $V_{(1)} < V_{(2)} < \dots < V_{(N)}$ denote the order statistics, then the joint density of $V_{(1)}, \dots, V_{(N)}$ is

$$f_{V_{(1)}, \dots, V_{(N)}}(v_1, \dots, v_N | \theta) = N! \theta^N \exp\left\{\theta \sum_{j=1}^N v_j\right\}$$

for $-\infty < v_1 < \dots < v_N < 0$. Let $Y_j = V_{(j)} - V_{(j+1)}$ for $j = 1, \dots, N-1$ and let $Y_N = V_{(N)}$. The inverse transformation is $V_{(j)} = Y_j + \dots + Y_N$ for $j = 1, \dots, N$. The Jacobian of this transformation is $+1$, so the joint density of Y_1, \dots, Y_N is

$$f_{Y_1, \dots, Y_N}(y_1, \dots, y_N | \theta) = N! \theta^N \exp\left\{\theta \sum_{j=1}^N j y_j\right\}$$

for $-\infty < y_j < 0$ for $j = 1, \dots, N$. Since this density factors into

$$f_{Y_1, \dots, Y_N}(y_1, \dots, y_N | \theta) = \prod_{j=1}^N j \theta \exp\{j \theta y_j\} I_{(-\infty, 0)}(y_j),$$

we see that Y_1, \dots, Y_N are independent and the density of Y_j is $f_{Y_j}(y_j | \theta) = j \theta \exp\{j \theta y_j\} I_{(-\infty, 0)}(y_j)$.

5.7.2. We must compute $E \exp\{(\theta_1 - \theta_0) \sum_{i=1}^m V_{(r_i)}\}$, where $V_{(1)}, \dots, V_{(N)}$ are the order statistics of a sample of size $N = m + n$ from the distribution with density $f(x|\theta_0)$. The inverse transformation to the transformation $Y_1 = V_{(1)} - V_{(2)}, \dots, Y_{N-1} = V_{(N-1)} - V_{(N)}, Y_N = V_{(N)}$, is found to be $V_{(i)} = \sum_{j=i}^N Y_j$ for $i = 1, \dots, N$. From this we find

$$\sum_{i=1}^m V_{(r_i)} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=r_i}^N Y_j = \sum_{j=1}^N c_j Y_j,$$

where for $j = 1, \dots, N$, $c_j = k$ if $r_k \leq j < r_{k+1}$. Since the Y_j are independent, we may write $E \exp\{(\theta_1 - \theta_0) \sum_{i=1}^m V_{(r_i)}\} = E \exp\{(\theta_1 - \theta_0) \sum_{j=1}^N c_j Y_j\} = \prod_{j=1}^N E \exp\{(\theta_1 - \theta_0) c_j Y_j\}$.

In the special case $\theta_0 = 1$ and $\theta_1 = 2$, we may use $E \exp\{c_j Y_j\} = j/(j + c_j)$ to find

$$E \exp\{(\theta_1 - \theta_0) \sum_{i=1}^m V_{(r_i)}\} = \prod_{j=1}^N \frac{j}{j + c_j} = \frac{N! r_1 (r_2 + 1) \cdots (r_m + M - 1)}{(N + m)!}$$

From (5.107), a most powerful rank test (of $H_0 : f(x) = g(x) = f(x|\theta_0)$ against $H_1 : f(x) = f(x|\theta_1)$ and $g(x) = f(x|\theta_0)$) is to reject H_0 if $r_1(r_2 + 1) \cdots (r_m + m - 1)$ is too large. The distribution function of $f(x|\theta_0)$ is $G(x) = e^x$ for $x < 0$ and the distribution function of $f(x|\theta_1)$ is $F(x) = e^{2x}$ for $x < 0$. Then, since $F(x) = G(x)^2$, the above test is also a most powerful rank test of $H_0 : F = G$ against the alternatives $H_1 : F = G^2$.

5.7.3. The density of $V_{(r)}$ at v is the probability that one of the N observations falls at v , namely $N dv$, times the probability that of the remaining $N - 1$ observations exactly $r - 1$ fall to the left of v and the other $N - r$ fall to the right of v . This gives

$$f_{V_{(r)}}(v) = N \binom{N-1}{r-1} v^{r-1} (1-v)^{N-r},$$

which is the density of the beta, $\mathcal{B}e(r, N - r + 1)$. Hence, $EV_{(r)} = r/(N + 1)$.

5.7.4. For the logistic distribution with $g(x) = e^x/(1 + e^x)^2$, the distribution function is $G(x) = e^x/(1 + e^x)$. We have $g'(x)/g(x) = (d/dx) \log g(x) = (d/dx)(x - 2 \log(1 + e^x)) = 1 - 2e^x/(1 + e^x) = 1 - 2G(x)$. Hence, the test (5.110) becomes

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^m EG(V_{r_i}) > \text{some } K, \\ \gamma & = \\ 0 & < \end{cases}$$

But given a sample V_1, \dots, V_N from a distribution $G(v)$, the variables $G(V_1), \dots, G(V_N)$ form a sample from the uniform distribution, $\mathcal{U}(0, 1)$, and the order statistics are $G(V_{(1)}), \dots, G(V_{(N)})$. Hence, from Exercise 5.7.3, $EG(V_{(r)}) = r/(N + 1)$, and the above test rejects H_0 if $\sum_{i=1}^m R_i$ is too large. This is the Wilcoxon test.

5.7.5. Since this is a location parameter family we may use (5.110). We find $-g'(x)/g(x) = 1$ if $x > 0$ and $-g'(x)/g(x) = -1$ if $x < 0$. Therefore the locally best test (5.110) rejects H_0 if $\sum_{i=1}^m [2P(V_{(r_i)} > 0) - 1]$ is too large, or equivalently, if $\sum_{i=1}^m P(V_{(r_i)} > 0)$ is too large. But $P(V_{(r)} > 0)$ is just the probability that at most $r - 1$ of the N observations fall below zero, and since 0 is the median of the distribution, this is just the probability of at most $r - 1$ successes in N independent trials with probability $1/2$ of success on each trial. Using the normal approximation for large N , we have that $P(V_{(r)} > 0)$ is approximately $\Phi((r - (N + 1)/2)/\sqrt{N/4})$, using a correction for continuity. This leads to the test that rejects H_0 if $\sum_{i=1}^m \Phi((R_i - (N + 1)/2)/\sqrt{N/4})$ is too large.

5.7.6. Let $f(x|\theta) = c(\theta)h(x)I_{(\theta, \infty)}(x)$. We are given a sample Y_1, \dots, Y_n from $g(x) = f(x|\theta_0)$ and a sample X_1, \dots, X_m from $f(x) = f(x|\theta)$. We are to test the hypothesis $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ against the hypothesis $H_1 : \theta > \theta_0$ based on the ranks R_1, \dots, R_m of the X 's. Note that $g(x) = 0$ implies that $f(x) = 0$, so that Theorem 1 gives the joint distribution of the R_i :

$$\begin{aligned} P(R_1 = r_1, \dots, R_m = r_m|\theta) &= \binom{m+n}{m}^{-1} \left(\frac{c(\theta)}{c(\theta_0)} \right)^m E \prod_{i=1}^m \frac{I_{(\theta, \infty)}(V_{(r_i)})}{I_{(\theta_0, \infty)}(V_{(r_i)})} \\ &= \binom{m+n}{m}^{-1} \left(\frac{c(\theta)}{c(\theta_0)} \right)^m P(V_{(r_1)} > \theta) \end{aligned}$$

where the $V_{(r)}$ are the order statistics of the combined sample under H_0 . Under H_0 , $P(R_1 = r_1, \dots, R_m = r_m|\theta) = \binom{m+n}{m}^{-1}$. By the Neyman-Pearson Lemma, the best test of H_0 against any simple hypothesis in H_1 has the form

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } P(V_{(r_1)} > \theta) > K \\ \gamma & \text{if } P(V_{(r_1)} > \theta) = K \\ 0 & \text{if } P(V_{(r_1)} > \theta) < K. \end{cases}$$

Since $P(V_{(r_1)} > \theta)$ is nondecreasing in r_1 , this is equivalent to

$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } r_1 > K' \\ \gamma & \text{if } r_1 = K' \\ 0 & \text{if } r_1 < K'. \end{cases}$$

5.7.7. First, suppose $F(x|\theta) = (e^{\theta G(x)} - 1)/(e^\theta - 1)$. Since the power of the test depends only on $\psi(z) = (e^{\theta z} - 1)/(e^\theta - 1)$, we may take $G(x)$ as we please. If we take $G(x)$ to be the uniform distribution on $(0, 1)$, then $f(x|\theta)$ is of the form (5.106) and so the locally optimal rank test is of the form (5.109). In fact, this is just the Wilcoxon test as described below (5.109).

Suppose now that $F(x|\theta) = G(x)/(e^\theta(1 - G(x)) + G(x))$. Again we may choose $G(x)$ as we like. If we choose it to be the logistic distribution, $G(x) = e^x/(1 + e^x)$, then $F(x|\theta) = e^{x-\theta}/(1 + e^{x-\theta})$ is just the logistic with location parameter θ . So this is just the problem solved in Exercise 5.7.4, and the locally best rank test is again the Wilcoxon test.