

L18 Locally most powerful tests with one-sided H_a

1. Concepts of locally most powerful (LMP) tests

(1) Test classes

$\psi(X)$ is a locally α -level test at $\theta_0 \stackrel{def}{\iff} \theta_0 \in H_0$ and $\beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq \alpha$.
 $\phi(X)$ is an α -level test $\iff \phi(X)$ is a locally α -level test at all $\theta_0 \in H_0$.

The collection of all locally α -level tests at θ_0 is $\mathcal{L}_{\theta_0} = \{\psi(X) : \beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq \alpha\}$.

Let $\mathcal{T}_{\theta_0} = \{\psi : \beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq \alpha \text{ and } [\beta_\psi(\theta)]'_\theta \text{ is continuous at } \theta_0\} \subset \mathcal{L}_{\theta_0}$ and consider selecting a good test in \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} .

(2) Locally most powerful test at θ_1 over all tests in \mathcal{T}_{θ_0}

$\phi(X)$ is a locally most powerful (LMP) test at θ_1 over \mathcal{T}_{θ_0}

$\stackrel{def}{\iff}$ (i) $\exists \epsilon > 0$ such that $H_a \cap (\theta_1 - \epsilon, \theta_1 + \epsilon) \neq \emptyset$
(ii) $\phi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$ and $\forall \psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0} \beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta) \forall \theta \in H_a \cap (\theta_1 - \epsilon, \theta_1 + \epsilon)$.

So $\phi(X)$ is UMP test over $\mathcal{T}_{\theta_0} \iff \phi(X)$ is LMP over \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} at all $\theta_1 \in H_a$.

Comment: The test class is locally at θ_0 and the power comparison is locally at θ_1 .

2. LMP test with upper-sided H_a

Consider $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_a : \theta > \theta_0$ and $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$ versus $H_a : \theta > \theta_0$.

(1) Definition

$\phi(X)$ is LMP test at θ_0 over all tests in \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} if $\phi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$ and for all $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$ there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in (\theta_0, \theta_0 + \epsilon)$.

Comment: The test class and the power comparison are both locally at θ_0

(2) Theorem

$$\phi(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) > 0 \\ r & f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) = 0 \\ 0 & f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{with} \quad \int_x \phi(x) f(x; \theta_0) dx = \alpha. \quad \text{Then}$$

(i) Assume $[\beta_\phi(\theta)]'_\theta$ is continuous. Then $\phi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$.

(ii) If $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$, excluding the cases where $\beta_\psi(\theta_0) = \beta_\phi(\theta_0)$ and $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta = [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta$, then there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in (\theta_0, \theta_0 + \epsilon)$.

So under the assumptions $\phi(X)$ is LMP test at θ_0 over \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} .

Proof. (i) is clearly true. (ii) For $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$, $\int_x \psi(x) f(x; \theta_0) dx \leq \alpha$.

By generalized Neyman-Pearson lemma,

$$[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta = \int_x \phi(x) f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) dx \leq \int_x \phi(x) f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) dx = [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta.$$

By the exclusion, $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta < [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta$.

Let $g(\theta) = \beta_\phi(\theta) - \beta_\psi(\theta)$. Then $g(\theta_0) \geq 0$ and $g'(\theta_0) > 0$. By the continuity of $g'(\theta)$, there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $g'(\xi) > 0$ on $\xi \in (\theta_0, \theta_0 + \epsilon)$. Thus on this interval

$$g(\theta) = g(\theta_0) + g'(\xi)(\theta - \theta_0) \geq 0, \text{ i.e., } \beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta).$$

3. LMP test with lower-sided H_a

Consider $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_a : \theta < \theta_0$ and $H_0 : \theta \geq \theta_0$ versus $H_a : \theta < \theta_0$.

(1) Definition

$\phi(X)$ is LMP test at θ_0 over all tests in \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} if $\phi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$ and for all $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$ there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in (\theta_0 - \epsilon, \theta_0)$.

Comment: Test class and power comparison are both locally at θ_0 .

(2) Theorem

$$\phi(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & -f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) > 0 \\ r & -f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) = 0 \\ 0 & -f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{with } \int_x \phi(x)f(x; \theta_0) dx = \alpha. \text{ Then}$$

(i) Assume $[\beta_\phi(\theta)]'_\theta$ is continuous. Then $\phi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$.

(ii) If $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$, excluding the cases where $\beta_\psi(\theta_0) = \beta_\phi(\theta_0)$ and $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta = [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta$, then there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in (\theta_0 - \epsilon, \theta_0)$.

So under the assumptions $\phi(X)$ is LMP test at θ_0 over \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} .

Proof. (i) is clearly true. (ii) For $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_{\theta_0}$, $\int_x \psi(x)f(x; \theta_0) dx \leq \alpha$.

By generalized Neyman-Pearson lemma,

$$-[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta = \int_x \phi(x)[-f'_\theta(x; \theta_0)] dx \leq \int_x \phi(x)[-f'_\theta(x; \theta_0)] dx = -[\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta.$$

By the exclusion, $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta > [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta$.

Let $g(\theta) = \beta_\phi(\theta) - \beta_\psi(\theta)$. Then $g(\theta_0) \geq 0$ and $g'(\theta_0) < 0$. By the continuity of $g'(\theta)$, there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that Let $g'(\xi) < 0$ on $\xi \in (\theta_0 - \epsilon, \theta_0)$. Thus on this interval

$$g(\theta) = g(\theta_0) + g'(\xi)(\theta - \theta_0) \geq 0, \text{ i.e., } \beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta).$$

Comment: If ϕ is UMP test for 2/3, then ϕ is LMP at θ_0 . But constructing UMP monotone likelihood ratio in $T(X)$ is required.

Ex: With $\phi(X)$ in (2) of 3, suppose $\beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq \alpha$. Show that if $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta = [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta$, then $\beta_\psi(\theta_0) = \beta_\phi(\theta_0)$. Thus by exclusion, $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta > [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta$.

Proof $\beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq \alpha \iff \int_x \psi(x)f(x; \theta_0) dx \leq \alpha$. By Neyman-Pearson lemma

$$\int_x \psi(x)[-f'_\theta(x; \theta_0)] dx \leq \int_x \phi(x)[-f'_\theta(x; \theta_0)] dx$$

So $0 = \int_x (\phi - \psi)[-f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0)] dx + \int_x (\phi - \psi)kf(x; \theta_0) dx$.

But $\int_x (\phi - \psi)[-f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0)] dx \geq 0$ and $\int_x (\phi - \psi)kf(x; \theta_0) dx \geq 0$.

Thus $\int_x (\phi - \psi)[-f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0)] dx = 0$ and $\int_x (\phi - \psi)kf(x; \theta_0) dx = 0$.

It follows $\int_x \psi(x)f(x; \theta_0) dx = \int_x \phi(x)f(x; \theta_0) dx$.

L19 Simplified LMP with one-sided H_a

1. Simple form of LMP with one-sided H_a

Let $\mathcal{T}_{\theta_0} = \{\psi : \beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq \alpha \text{ and } [\beta_\psi(\theta)]'_\theta \text{ is continuous at } \theta_0\}$ and $U = \frac{f'_\theta(x; \theta_0)}{f(x; \theta_0)}$ where $f(x; \theta)$ is sample joint pdf/pmf.

(1) For $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ vs $H_a : \theta > \theta_0$ and $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$ vs $H_a : \theta > \theta_0$,

$$\begin{cases} 1 & f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) > 0 \\ r & f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) = 0 \\ 0 & f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 1 & U > c \\ r & U = c \\ 0 & U < c \end{cases} = \phi(U)$$

with $E_{\theta_0}[\phi(U)] = \alpha$, under certain assumptions, is LMP at θ_0 over \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} .

(2) For $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ vs $H_a : \theta < \theta_0$ and $H_0 : \theta \geq \theta_0$ vs $H_a : \theta < \theta_0$,

$$\begin{cases} 1 & -f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) > 0 \\ r & -f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) = 0 \\ 0 & -f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) - kf(x; \theta_0) < 0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 1 & U < c \\ r & U = c \\ 0 & U > c \end{cases} = \phi(U)$$

with $E_{\theta_0}[\phi(U)] = \alpha$, under certain assumptions, is LMP at θ_0 over \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} .

(3) Distribution of U : $U \sim AN\left(0, \frac{I(\theta_0)}{n}\right)$

Proof. $U = \frac{f'_\theta(X_1, \dots, X_n; \theta_0)}{f(X_1, \dots, X_n; \theta_0)} = [\ln f(X_1, \dots, X_n; \theta_0)]'_\theta = [\ln f(X_1; \theta_0)]'_\theta + \dots + [\ln f(X_n; \theta_0)]'_\theta$

where $[\ln f(X_1; \theta_0)]'_\theta, \dots, [\ln f(X_n; \theta_0)]'_\theta$ are iid $[\ln f(X; \theta_0)]'_\theta \sim (0, I(\theta_0))$.

By CLT, $\frac{U}{n} \sim AN\left(0, \frac{I(\theta_0)}{n}\right)$. Hence $U \sim AN(0, nI(\theta_0))$.

Ex: Approximate the distribution of U with θ_0 by $N(0, nI(\theta_0))$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In (1) } \alpha = E_{\theta_0}[\phi(U)] &\approx P(N(0, nI(\theta_0)) > c) = P\left(Z > \frac{c}{\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}}\right) \\ &\implies c = Z_\alpha \sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In (2) } \alpha = E_{\theta_0}[\phi(U)] &\approx P(N(0, nI(\theta_0)) < c) = P\left(Z < \frac{c}{\sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}}\right) \\ &\implies c = -Z_\alpha \sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}. \text{ Thus} \end{aligned}$$

$H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$ vs $H_a : \theta > \theta_0$ Test statistic: $U = [\ln f(X_1, \dots, X_n; \theta_0)]'_\theta$ Reject H_0 if $U > Z_\alpha \sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}$

is an approximate LMP test at θ over all tests in \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} .

$H_0 : \theta \geq \theta_0$ vs $H_a : \theta < \theta_0$ Test statistic: $U = [\ln f(X_1, \dots, X_n; \theta_0)]'_\theta$ Reject H_0 if $U < -Z_\alpha \sqrt{nI(\theta_0)}$
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is an approximate LMP test at θ over all tests in \mathcal{T}_{θ_0} .

2. Concept of LMP test with two-sided H_a

Consider tests on $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_a : \theta \neq \theta_0$.

(1) Test class

$$\mathcal{T} = \{\psi : \beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq \alpha \text{ and there exists } \delta > 0 \text{ such that } \beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq \beta_\psi(\theta) \text{ for all } \theta \in (\theta_0 - \delta_0) \cup (\theta_0, \theta_0 + \delta)\}$$

is the collection of all locally α -level unbiased tests at θ_0 .

$\mathcal{T} \cap \{\phi : [\beta_\psi(\theta)]''_{\theta^2} \text{ is continuous at } \theta_0\} \subset \mathcal{T}_2$ where

$$\mathcal{T}_2 = \{\psi : \beta_\psi(\theta_0) \leq 0, [\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta = 0 \text{ and } [\beta_\psi(\theta)]''_{\theta^2} \text{ is continuous at } \theta_0\}$$

Comment: Test class \mathcal{T}_2 contains α -level unbiased tests locally at θ_0 with continuous second derivative of $\beta_\psi(\theta)$ at θ_0 .

(2) Locally most powerful (LMP) test at θ_0 over all tests in \mathcal{T}_2

$\phi(X)$ is LMP test at θ_0 over \mathcal{T}_2 if $\phi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_2$ and for all $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_2$ there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in (\theta_0 - \epsilon, \theta_0) \cup (\theta_0, \theta_0 + \epsilon)$.

Comment: Power comparison for tests in \mathcal{T}_2 is locally at θ_0 .

3. LMP α -level unbiased test

(1) Theorem

$H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_a : \theta \neq \theta_0$. Let

$$\phi(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & f''_{\theta^2}(X; \theta_0) - k_1 f(X; \theta_0) - k_2 f'_\theta(X; \theta_0) > 0 \\ r & f''_{\theta^2}(X; \theta_0) - k_1 f(X; \theta_0) - k_2 f'_\theta(X; \theta_0) = 0 \\ 0 & f''_{\theta^2}(X; \theta_0) - k_1 f(X; \theta_0) - k_2 f'_\theta(X; \theta_0) < 0 \end{cases}$$

with $\int_x \phi(x) f(x; \theta_0) dx = \alpha$ and $\int_x \phi(x) f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) dx = 0$. Then

- (i) Assume that $[\beta_\phi(\theta)]''_{\theta^2}$ is continuous at θ_0 . Then $\phi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_2$.
- (ii) If $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_2$ excluding the case where $\beta_\psi(\theta_0) = \beta_\phi(\theta_0)$, $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]'_\theta = [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]'_\theta$ and $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]''_{\theta^2} = [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]''_{\theta^2}$, then there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in (\theta_0 - \epsilon, \theta_0) \cup (\theta_0, \theta_0 + \epsilon)$.

So under the assumptions $\phi(X)$ is LMP test at θ_0 over \mathcal{T}_2

(2) Proof

(i) is trivial.

(ii) For $\psi(X) \in \mathcal{T}_2$, $\int_x \psi(x) f(x; \theta_0) dx \leq \alpha$ and $\int_x \psi(x) f'_\theta(x; \theta_0) dx = 0$.

By generalized Neyman-Pearson lemma $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]''_{\theta^2} \leq [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]''_{\theta^2}$.

By the exclusion $[\beta_\psi(\theta_0)]''_{\theta^2} < [\beta_\phi(\theta_0)]''_{\theta^2}$.

Let $g(\theta) = \beta_\phi(\theta) - \beta_\psi(\theta)$. Then $g(\theta_0) \geq 0$, $g'(\theta_0) = 0$ and $g''(\theta_0) > 0$.

By the continuity, there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $g''(\xi) > 0$ on $(\theta_0 - \epsilon, \theta_0) \cup (\theta_0, \theta_0 + \epsilon)$.

On this interval

$$g(\theta) = g(\theta_0) + (\theta - \theta_0)g'(\theta_0) + \frac{1}{2!}(\theta - \theta_0)^2 g''(\xi) \geq 0$$

Hence $\beta_\psi(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta)$ for all $\theta \in (\theta_0 - \epsilon, \theta_0) \cup (\theta_0, \theta_0 + \epsilon)$.