

Some examples of the hypothesis testing for Poisson processes

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Frequency modulation

We observed a Poisson process \mathbf{X}^T with the intensity function $\lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t}) = \lambda(\vartheta \mathbf{t})$, $0 \leq \mathbf{t} \leq \mathbf{T}$, which satisfies regularity conditions (but the derivative w.r.t $\vartheta \lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t})$ is not periodic). Let us fix some value $\vartheta_1 \in (\alpha, \beta)$ and consider the problem of testing the following two hypotheses

$\mathcal{H}_1 : \vartheta = \vartheta_1$ and $\mathcal{H}_2 : \vartheta > \vartheta_1$.

The change of variables $\vartheta = \vartheta_1 + u\varphi_T$; $\varphi_T = \mathbf{T}^{-3/2}$ defines the rate of the convergence, and reduces the problem to

$\mathcal{H}_1 : u = 0$ and $\mathcal{H}_2 : u > 0$.

We also define the following class of tests

$$\mathcal{K}_\varepsilon = \left\{ \bar{\psi}_T : \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{E}_{\vartheta_1} \bar{\psi}_T = \varepsilon \right\}; \quad \varepsilon \in (0, 1).$$

The power function of the test $\bar{\psi}_T$ is defined by the equality

$$\beta(\bar{\psi}_T, u) = \mathbf{E}_{\vartheta_1 + u\varphi_T} \bar{\psi}_T(\mathbf{X}^T).$$

The likelihood ratio function in this problem is

$$\mathbf{L}(\vartheta, \mathbf{X}^T) = \exp \left\{ \int_0^T \ln \lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t}) d\mathbf{X}_t - \int_0^T (\lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t}) - 1) dt \right\}.$$

Under hypothesis \mathcal{H}_1 , $\mathbf{Z}_T(u) = \mathbf{L}(\vartheta_1 + u\varphi_T, \mathbf{X}^T) / \mathbf{L}(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{X}^T)$ can be written as

$$\mathbf{Z}_T(u) = \exp \left\{ u \tilde{\Delta}_T(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{X}^T) - \frac{u^2}{2} \sigma^2(\vartheta_1) + r_T \right\},$$

where

$$\sigma^2(\vartheta_1) = \lim_{T \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi_T^2 \int_0^T \frac{\dot{\lambda}^2(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{t})}{\lambda(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{t})} dt > 0; \quad r_T = r_T(\vartheta_1, u, \mathbf{X}^T) \rightarrow 0$$

and

$$\tilde{\Delta}_T(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{X}^T) = \varphi_T \int_0^T \frac{\dot{\lambda}(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{t})}{\lambda(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{t})} [d\mathbf{X}_t - \lambda(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{t}) dt] \Rightarrow \tilde{\Delta} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2(\vartheta_1)).$$

Score function test and GLRT

Let us introduce *score function test* $\hat{\psi}_T(\mathbf{X}^T) = \mathbb{1}_{\{\tilde{\Delta}_T(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{X}^T) > z_\varepsilon \sigma(\vartheta_1)\}}$, where z_ε is the $(1 - \varepsilon)$ -quantile of the standard normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. Under alternative, $\beta_T(u) \rightarrow \beta^*(u) = \mathbf{P}(\zeta > z_\varepsilon - u\sigma(\vartheta_1))$, $\zeta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. We define the general likelihood ratio test (GLRT)

$$\hat{\phi}_T(\mathbf{X}^T) = \mathbb{1}_{\{Q(\mathbf{X}^T) \geq r_\varepsilon\}}, \quad Q(\mathbf{X}^T) = \sup_{\vartheta > \vartheta_1} \frac{\mathbf{L}(\vartheta, \mathbf{X}^T)}{\mathbf{L}(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{X}^T)}.$$

The threshold r_ε we chose from

$$\mathbf{P}_{\vartheta_1} \left\{ \sup_{v > 0} Z(v) \geq r_\varepsilon \right\} = \mathbf{P}_{\vartheta_1} \left\{ \frac{\tilde{\Delta}^2}{2\sigma^2} \geq \ln r_\varepsilon \right\} = \mathbf{P}_{\vartheta_1} \left\{ \zeta \geq \sqrt{2 \ln r_\varepsilon} \right\},$$

where $z_\varepsilon = \sqrt{2 \ln r_\varepsilon}$. And also, under alternative, $\beta_T(u) \rightarrow \beta^*(u)$.

And the both tests belong to the class \mathcal{K}_ε .

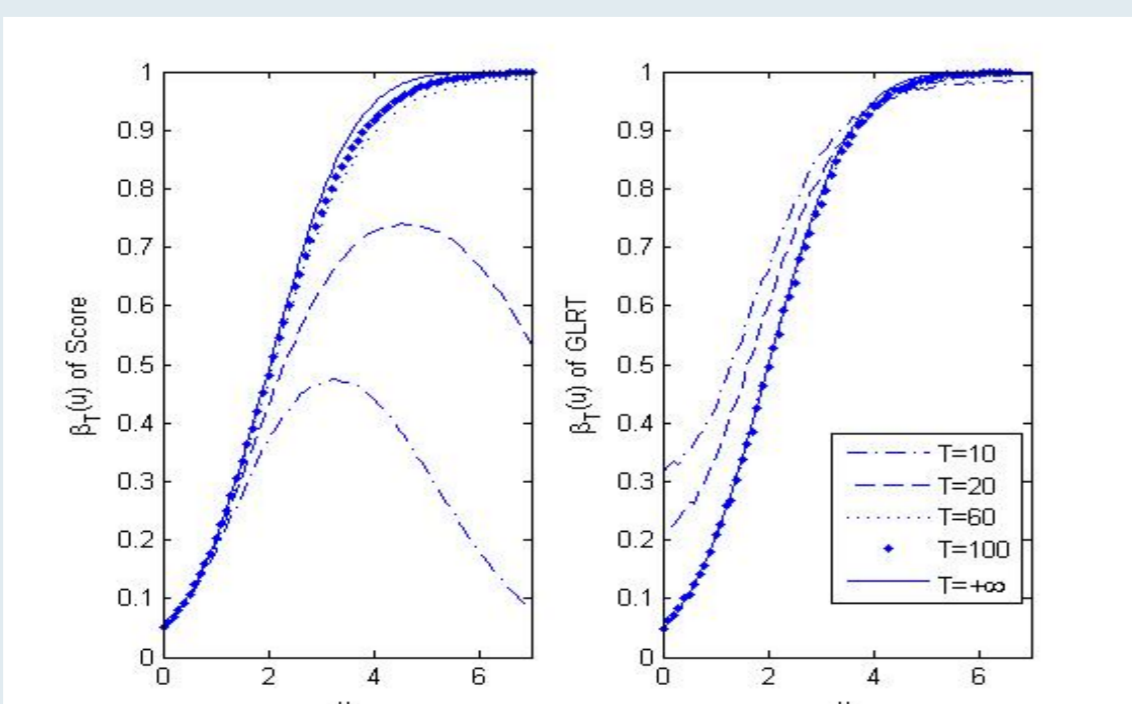
Numeric example

We suppose here $\lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t}) = 3 \cos^2(\vartheta \mathbf{t}) + 1$, $0 \leq \mathbf{t} \leq \mathbf{T}$, $\vartheta \in \Theta = (0, 7)$. The value $\vartheta_1 = 3$ and the size of the test $\varepsilon = 0.05$. In this example, $\sigma^2(\vartheta_1) = 2/3$.

We remark that, in the score function test, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Delta}_T(3, \mathbf{X}^T) &= -3\mathbf{T}^{-3/2} \int_0^T \frac{t \sin(6t)}{3 \cos^2(3t) + 1} \left[d\mathbf{X}_t - \left(3 \cos^2 \left(\left(3 + \frac{u}{\mathbf{T}^{3/2}} \right) t \right) + 1 \right) dt \right] \\ &\quad + 9\mathbf{T}^{-3/2} \int_0^T \frac{t \sin(6t)}{3 \cos^2(3t) + 1} \left[\cos^2(3t) - \cos^2 \left(\left(3 + \frac{u}{\mathbf{T}^{3/2}} \right) t \right) \right] dt. \end{aligned}$$

When $\mathbf{T} = 10$, the second integral begins to decrease at $u = 3.8$ and reach to 0 at $u = 7.0$, which explain, in the plot why the value of the power decreases from around $u = 3.8$ and to around 0.05 when $u = 7.0$.



Cusp type singularity

Suppose that we have n independent observations $\mathbf{X}^n = (\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n)$ of inhomogeneous Poisson process, where $\mathbf{X}_j = \{\mathbf{X}_j(\mathbf{t}), 0 \leq \mathbf{t} \leq \mathbf{T}\}$ of intensity function $\lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t}) = a|\mathbf{t} - \vartheta|^\kappa + h(\mathbf{t})$, $0 \leq \mathbf{t} \leq \tau$, $\vartheta \in \Theta = (\alpha, \beta)$ with $\kappa \in (0, 1/2)$, $\alpha > 0$, $\beta < \tau$ and $h(\cdot)$ is a known positive bounded function.

We consider the problem of testing the following two hypotheses,

$\mathcal{H}_1 : \vartheta = \vartheta_1$ and $\mathcal{H}_2 : \vartheta > \vartheta_1$.

Putting the rate $\varphi_n = n^{-\frac{1}{2\kappa+1}}$, the change of variables $\vartheta = \vartheta_1 + \varphi_n u$ reduces the problem to

$\mathcal{H}_1 : u = 0$ and $\mathcal{H}_2 : u > 0$,

We also define the following class of tests

$$\mathcal{K}_\varepsilon = \left\{ \bar{\psi}_n : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{E}_{\vartheta_1} \bar{\psi}_n = \varepsilon \right\}.$$

The power function of the test $\bar{\psi}_n$ is defined by the equality

$$\beta(\bar{\psi}_n, u) = \mathbf{E}_{\vartheta_1 + u\varphi_n} \bar{\psi}_n(\mathbf{X}^n).$$

The likelihood ratio function is

$$\mathbf{L}(\vartheta, \mathbf{X}^n) = \exp \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n \int_0^T \ln \lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t}) d\mathbf{X}_j(\mathbf{t}) - n \int_0^T [\ln \lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t}) - 1] dt \right\}$$

and the normalized likelihood ratio

$\mathbf{Z}_n(u) = \mathbf{L}(\vartheta_1 + u\varphi_n, \mathbf{X}^n) / \mathbf{L}(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{X}^n)$ has the limit

$$\mathbf{Z}_n(u) \Rightarrow \mathbf{Z}(u) = \exp \left\{ \Gamma_{\vartheta_1} \mathbf{W}^H(u) - \Gamma_{\vartheta_1}^2 |u|^{2H} / 2 \right\}, \quad u \in \mathbf{R}_+,$$

where $\mathbf{W}^H(\cdot)$ is a fractional Brownian motion (fBm), $H = \kappa + \frac{1}{2}$ is the Hurst parameter and the constant

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta_1}^2 = \frac{2a^2 \mathbf{B}(\kappa + 1, \kappa + 1)}{h(\vartheta_1)} \left[\frac{1}{\cos(\pi\kappa)} - 1 \right].$$

GLRT and Wald's test

We define the GLRT

$$\hat{\phi}_n(\mathbf{X}^n) = \mathbb{1}_{\{Q(\mathbf{X}^n) \geq c_\varepsilon\}}, \quad Q(\mathbf{X}^n) = \sup_{\vartheta > \vartheta_1} \frac{\mathbf{L}(\vartheta, \mathbf{X}^n)}{\mathbf{L}(\vartheta_1, \mathbf{X}^n)},$$

where the threshold $c_\varepsilon = c_\varepsilon(H)$ is solution of the equation

$$\mathbf{P} \left\{ \sup_{v > 0} Z(v) > c_\varepsilon \right\} = \mathbf{P} \left\{ \sup_{s > 0} [\mathbf{W}^H(s) - s^{2H}/2] > \ln c_\varepsilon \right\} = \varepsilon.$$

Denoting $\gamma = \Gamma_{\vartheta_1}^{1/H}$, the test $\hat{\phi}_n(\mathbf{X}^n) \in \mathcal{K}_\varepsilon$ and its power function has the limit

$$\mathbf{P} \left\{ \sup_{s > 0} \left[\mathbf{W}^H(u\gamma) + \mathbf{W}^H(s - u\gamma) - \frac{|s - u\gamma|^{2H}}{2} + \frac{|u\gamma|^{2H}}{2} \right] > \ln c_\varepsilon \right\}.$$

The Wald's test is based on the MLE $\hat{\vartheta}_n$, which is one of the solutions of the equation, $\mathbf{L}(\hat{\vartheta}_n, \mathbf{X}^n) = \sup_{\vartheta > \vartheta_1} \mathbf{L}(\vartheta, \mathbf{X}^n)$. We know that

$\varphi_n(\hat{\vartheta}_n - \vartheta_1) \Rightarrow \frac{\hat{u}}{\gamma}$, where the r.v. \hat{u} is solution of the equation

$$\mathbf{Z}_0(\hat{u}) = \sup_{v > 0} \mathbf{Z}_0(v), \quad \mathbf{Z}_0(v) = e^{\mathbf{W}^H(v) - \frac{v^{2H}}{2}}.$$

Therefore the test is $\hat{\psi}_n(\mathbf{X}^n) = \mathbb{1}_{\{\varphi_n^{-1}\gamma(\hat{\vartheta}_n - \vartheta_1) > c_\varepsilon\}}$ where the threshold $c_\varepsilon = c_\varepsilon(H)$ is solution of the equation $\mathbf{P}\{\hat{u} > c_\varepsilon\} = \varepsilon$. We show that the test $\hat{\psi}_n(\mathbf{X}^n) \in \mathcal{K}_\varepsilon$ and its power function

$$\beta(\hat{\psi}_n, u) \rightarrow \mathbf{P}\{\hat{u} > c_\varepsilon - u\gamma\}.$$

Numeric example

We suppose now

$\lambda(\vartheta, \mathbf{t}) = 2 - |\mathbf{t} - \vartheta|^{2/5}$, $0 \leq \mathbf{t} \leq 2$, $\vartheta \in \Theta = (0, 2)$ where $\kappa = 0.4 \in (0, 1/2)$. In this example, $\Gamma_{\vartheta_1}^2 \approx 1.027$.

