

MODIFIED LIKELIHOOD RATIO TEST FOR HOMOGENEITY IN A TWO-SAMPLE PROBLEM

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Supplementary Material

Lemma 1 *Under the conditions of Theorem 1, $\log(\hat{\lambda}) = O_p(1)$ and the modified MLEs, $\hat{\theta}_1$ and $\hat{\theta}_2$, both converge to θ_0 in probability.*

Lemma 2 *Under the same assumptions as in Theorem 2, $\log(\hat{\lambda}) = O_p(1)$, $\hat{\theta}_j \rightarrow \theta_0$ for $j = 1, 2$, and $\hat{\xi} \rightarrow \xi_0$, in probability.*

It can be seen that Lemma 1 is a special case of Lemma 2. Thus, we prove Lemma 2 only.

Proof of Lemma 2. The key step of the proof is to show that $\sup R_{1n} = \sup R_{1n}(\lambda, \theta_1, \theta_2, \xi) = O_p(1)$. We consider the following two cases: (1) $|\theta_2 - \theta_0| \leq \epsilon$ and (2) $|\theta_2 - \theta_0| > \epsilon$.

For case (1), applying the classical asymptotic technique (Wolfowitz, 1949), we can easily get that for any $\epsilon > 0$

$$\sup_{|\theta_1 - \theta_0| > \epsilon} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n_1} \log \left\{ \frac{f(x_{1i}; \theta_1, \xi)}{f(x_{1i}; \theta_0, \xi_0)} \right\} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} \log \left\{ \frac{f(x_{2i}; G, \xi)}{f(x_{2i}; \theta_0, \xi_0)} \right\} \right] \leq -n\rho$$

for some $\rho > 0$. Hence, with a negative penalty $2C \log \lambda$, $\sup\{R_{1n} : |\theta_1 - \theta_0| > \epsilon\} \leq O_p(1)$, bounded above by $O_p(1)$. At the same time, it is easy to see that $\sup\{R_{1n} : |\theta_1 - \theta_0| \leq \epsilon, |\theta_2 - \theta_0| \leq \epsilon\} = O_p(1)$. Hence, $\sup\{R_{1n} : |\theta_2 - \theta_0| \leq \epsilon\} = O_p(1)$ for some small enough ϵ .

We now consider case (2). For any given $\epsilon > 0$, classical consistency results (Wald, 1949) for the MLEs over the restricted region $|\theta_2 - \theta_0| > \epsilon$ imply that the un-modified MLE of λ goes to 0 in probability. Hence, asymptotically, we need only consider the $\sup R_{1n}$ over the region of $|\theta_2 - \theta_0| > \epsilon$ and $\lambda \leq \epsilon$.

Using the same inequality as before, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
R_{1n} - 2C \log \lambda &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} \log \{f(x_{1i}; \theta_1, \xi) / f(x_{1i}; \theta_0, \xi_0)\} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} \log(1 + \delta_i) \\
&\leq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} \log \{f(x_{1i}; \theta_1, \xi) / f(x_{1i}; \theta_0, \xi_0)\} \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} \delta_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} \delta_i^2 + \frac{2}{3} \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} \delta_i^3,
\end{aligned}$$

where $\delta_i = f(x_{2i}; G, \xi) / f(x_{2i}; G_0, \xi_0) - 1$. Due to the regularity conditions on $f(x; \theta, \xi)$, there is a quadratic expansion for $\sum_{i=1}^{n_1} \log \{f(x_{1i}; \theta_1, \xi) / f(x_{1i}; \theta_0, \xi_0)\}$ in $\theta_1 - \theta_0$ and $\xi - \xi_0$.

Our aim is to expand terms related to the second sample as quadratic functions of $\theta_1 - \theta_0$, $\xi - \xi_0$ and λ . (Because $\theta_2 - \theta_0$ cannot be regarded as a small-o term, it is not part of the targeted quadratic function.) Toward this end, we write $\delta_i = (1 - \lambda)(\theta_1 - \theta_0)Y_{2i} + \lambda\theta_2 Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0) + (\xi - \xi_0)U_{2i} + e_i$ with

$$\begin{aligned}
e_i &= (1 - \lambda)(\theta_1 - \theta_0)\{Y_{2i}(\theta_1, \xi) - Y_{2i}\} + \lambda\theta_2\{Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi) - Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0)\} \\
&\quad + (\xi - \xi_0)\{U_{2i}(\xi) - U_{2i}\}.
\end{aligned}$$

We now establish the asymptotic orders of $\sum e_i$, $\sum e_i^2$ and $\sum |e_i|^3$. Notice that

$$Y_{2i}(\theta_1, \xi) - Y_{2i} = \{Y_{2i}(\theta_1, \xi) - Y_{2i}(\theta_0, \xi)\} + \{Y_{2i}(\theta_0, \xi) - Y_{2i}\}.$$

With some abuse of notation, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum \{Y_{2i}(\theta_1, \xi) - Y_{2i}\} &= (\theta_1 - \theta_0) \sum Y'_\theta(\theta^*, \xi) + (\xi - \xi_0) \sum Y'_\xi(\theta_0, \xi^*) \\
&= (\theta_1 - \theta_0)O_p(n_2^{1/2}) + (\xi - \xi_0)O_p(n_2^{1/2}),
\end{aligned}$$

where the tightness condition (B5) is used in the last step. Hence, we have

$$\sum (\theta_1 - \theta_0)\{Y_{2i}(\theta_1, \xi) - Y_{2i}\} = \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 + (\xi - \xi_0)^2\}O_p(n_2^{1/2}).$$

In a similar way, we find

$$\sum \lambda\theta_2\{Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi) - Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0)\} = \lambda(\xi - \xi_0)O_p(n_2^{1/2}) = \{\lambda^2 + (\xi - \xi_0)^2\}O_p(n_2^{1/2})$$

and $\sum (\xi - \xi_0)\{U_{2i}(\xi) - U_{2i}\} = (\xi - \xi_0)^2 O_p(n_2^{1/2})$. Taking these results together, we obtain $\sum e_i = \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 + \lambda^2 + (\xi - \xi_0)^2\}O_p(n_2^{1/2})$.

Next, we examine the order of $\sum e_i^2$. By the condition of uniform convergence in $Y_\theta'^2$ and $Y_\xi'^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum (\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 \{Y_{2i}(\theta_1, \xi) - Y_{2i}\}^2 &\leq (\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 + (\xi - \xi_0)^2\} O_p(n_2) \\ &= (\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 o(1) O_p(n_2). \end{aligned}$$

Here, $o(1)$ means a quantity that shrinks to 0 as $\theta_1 - \theta_0 \rightarrow 0$ and $\xi - \xi_0 \rightarrow 0$. Along the same line, we have

$$\sum \lambda^2 \theta_2^2 \{Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi) - Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0)\}^2 = \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 + (\xi - \xi_0)^2\} o(1) O_p(n_2)$$

and $\sum (\xi - \xi_0)^2 \{U_{2i}(\xi) - U_{2i}\} = (\xi - \xi_0)^2 o(1) O_p(n_2)$. These order assessments lead to $\sum e_i^2 = \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 + \lambda^2 + (\xi - \xi_0)^2\} o(1) O_p(n_2)$, and similarly we also obtain $\sum |e_i|^3 = \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 + \lambda^2 + (\xi - \xi_0)^2\} o(1) O_p(n_2)$. Further, since we focus on small values of λ , we have $(1 - \lambda)(\theta_2 - \theta_0) = (\theta_2 - \theta_0)(1 + o(1))$.

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} R_{1n} - 2C \log \lambda &\leq 2(\theta_1 - \theta_0) \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} Y_{1i} + 2(\xi - \xi_0) \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} U_{1i} \\ &\quad + 2(\theta_1 - \theta_0) \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} Y_{2i} + 2\lambda\theta_2 \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0) + 2(\xi - \xi_0) \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} U_{2i} \\ &\quad - \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n_1} \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)Y_{1i} + (\xi - \xi_0)U_{1i}\}^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)Y_{2i} + \lambda\theta_2 Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0) + (\xi - \xi_0)U_{2i}\}^2 \right] \\ &\quad + \{(\theta_1 - \theta_0)^2 + \lambda^2 + (\xi - \xi_0)^2\} o(1) O_p(n). \end{aligned}$$

After division by n , the quadratic term in the above expression converges to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 - \theta_0 \\ \xi - \xi_0 \\ \lambda\theta_2 \end{pmatrix}^\tau \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_Y^2 & \sigma_{YU} & \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)Y} \\ \sigma_{YU} & \sigma_U^2 & \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)U} \\ \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)Y} & \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)U} & \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 - \theta_0 \\ \xi - \xi_0 \\ \lambda\theta_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)Y} = \text{Cov}(Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0), Y_{2i})$ and $\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)U} = \text{Cov}(Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0), U_{2i})$. The

symmetric matrix can be further written as

$$(1 - \rho) \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_Y^2 & \sigma_{YU} & 0 \\ \sigma_{YU} & \sigma_U^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \rho \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_Y^2 & \sigma_{YU} & \sigma_{Y(\theta_2)Y} \\ \sigma_{YU} & \sigma_U^2 & \sigma_{Y(\theta_2)U} \\ \sigma_{Y(\theta_2)Y} & \sigma_{Y(\theta_2)U} & \sigma_{Y(\theta_2)}^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The identifiability condition, $\sigma_{YU}^2 < \sigma_Y^2 \sigma_U^2$, implies that it is positive definite, regardless of the value of θ_2 .

Thus, due to tightness of $\sum Y_{2i}(\theta)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{|\theta_2 - \theta_0| > \epsilon} R_{1n} &\leq \\ \frac{1}{n} \begin{pmatrix} \sum Y_{1i} + \sum Y_{2i} \\ \sum U_{1i} + \sum U_{2i} \\ \sum Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0) \end{pmatrix}^\tau &\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_Y^2 & \sigma_{YU} & \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)Y} \\ \sigma_{YU} & \sigma_U^2 & \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)U} \\ \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)Y} & \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)U} & \rho\sigma_{Y(\theta_2)}^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sum Y_{1i} + \sum Y_{2i} \\ \sum U_{1i} + \sum U_{2i} \\ \sum Y_{2i}(\theta_2, \xi_0) \end{pmatrix} + o_p(1) \\ &= O_p(1). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that $\sup R_{1n} = O_p(1)$. Let $\hat{\lambda}$ be the maximizer of $R_{1n}(\lambda, \theta_1, \theta_2, \xi)$, it follows that $\log(\hat{\lambda}) = O_p(1)$. Thus, for any given small positive number $\epsilon > 0$, we can find some $\delta > 0$ such that $P(\hat{\lambda} > \delta) > 1 - \epsilon$. For asymptotic considerations, this result allows us to discuss the problem further under the constraint $\lambda > \delta$ for some $\delta > 0$. With this restriction, the parameter space for G is compact, and the penalty term $\log(\lambda)$ has negligible influence in the modified likelihood. The consistency of \hat{G} for G is the consequence of the classical result of Wald (1949). With $\hat{\lambda} > \delta > 0$ in probability, we must have $\hat{\theta}_j \rightarrow \theta_0$ for $j = 1, 2$. This completes the proof.

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