Lecture Stat 461-561 Wald, Rao and Likelihood Ratio Tests

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- We want to test $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$ using the log-likelihood function.
- We denote $I(\theta)$ the loglikelihood and $\hat{\theta}_n$ the consistent root of the likelihood equation.
- Intuitively, the farther $\hat{\theta}_n$ is from θ_0 , the stronger the evidence against the null hypothesis.
- How far is "far enough"?

• We use the fact that under regularity assumptions we have under H₀

$$\sqrt{n}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}-\theta_{0}\right)\xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}}\mathcal{N}\left(0,I^{-1}\left(\theta_{0}\right)\right)$$

where

$$I\left(heta_{0}
ight) = \mathbb{E}_{ heta_{0}}\left[rac{\partial^{2}\log f\left(\left.X
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ight)}{\partial heta^{2}}
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• This suggests defining the following Wald statistic

$$W_{n}=\sqrt{nI\left(heta_{0}
ight)}\left(\widehat{ heta}_{n}- heta_{0}
ight)$$

or $W_n = \sqrt{n\hat{I}(\theta_0)} \left(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0\right)$ where $\hat{I}(\theta_0)$ is a consistent estimate of $I(\theta_0)$, e.g. $I\left(\hat{\theta}_n\right)$.

• Under H_0 , we have

$$W_{n} = \sqrt{n\widehat{l}\left(\theta_{0}\right)} \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \mathcal{N}\left(0, 1\right)$$

- A Wald test is any test that rejects $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ in favor of $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$ when $|W_n| \ge z_{\alpha/2}$ where $z_{\alpha/2}$ satisfies $P(Z \ge z_{\alpha/2}) = \alpha/2$.
- It follows that by construction Type I error probability is

$$P_{\theta_0}\left(|W_n| \ge z_{\alpha/2}\right) \to P_{\theta_0}\left(|Z| \ge z_{\alpha/2}\right) = \alpha$$

and this is an asymptotically size α test.

• Now consider $\theta \neq \theta_0$ then

$$W_{n} = \sqrt{n\widehat{l}(\theta_{0})}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right) = \underbrace{\sqrt{n\widehat{l}(\theta_{0})}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta\right)}_{\stackrel{\underline{\mathsf{D}}}{\longrightarrow}\mathcal{N}(0,1)} + \underbrace{\sqrt{n\widehat{l}(\theta_{0})}\left(\theta - \theta_{0}\right)}_{\stackrel{\underline{\mathsf{P}}}{\longrightarrow}\pm\infty}$$

so

$$P_{ heta}(ext{reject }H_0)
ightarrow 1 ext{ as } n
ightarrow \infty.$$

Note that the (approximate) size α Wald test rejects H₀: θ = θ₀ in favor of H₁: θ ≠ θ₀ if and only if θ₀ ∉ C where

$$C = \left(\widehat{\theta}_n - \frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{\sqrt{n\widehat{l}\left(\theta_0\right)}}, \widehat{\theta}_n + \frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{\sqrt{n\widehat{l}\left(\theta_0\right)}}\right).$$

 Thus testing the hypothesis is equivalent to checking whether the null value is in the confidence interval.

- Similarly we can test $H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$ against $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$.
- In this case we use $W_n = \sqrt{n \hat{I}(\theta_0)} \left(\hat{\theta}_n \theta_0 \right)$ and reject H_0 if $W_n \ge z_{\alpha}$.
- We have if $\theta = \theta_0$

$$P_{\theta}(W_n \geq z_{\alpha}) \rightarrow P(Z \geq z_{\alpha}) = \alpha$$

whereas if $\theta < \theta_0$ and if $\theta > \theta_0$ $P_{\theta} (W_n \ge z_{\alpha}) \to 0$ $P_{\theta} (W_n \ge z_{\alpha}) \to 1.$

- Example: Assume we have $X_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ and we want to test $H_0: p = p_0$ against $H_1: p \neq p_0$.
- We have for $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

$$f(x|p) = p^{x} (1-p)^{1-x} \Rightarrow I(p) = S_{n} \log p + (n-S_{n}) \log (1-p)$$
$$I'(p) = \frac{S_{n}}{p} - \frac{(n-S_{n})}{1-p} \Rightarrow \widehat{p}_{n} = \frac{S_{n}}{n}.$$

It is easy to check that

$$\widehat{p}_n - p_0 \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \mathcal{N}\left(0, \frac{\sigma_0^2}{n}\right)$$

where $\sigma_0^2 = p_0 (1 - p_0)$. This quantity can be consistently estimated through $\widehat{\sigma_n^2} = \widehat{p}_n (1 - \widehat{p}_n)$ so the Wald test is based on the statistic

$$W_n = \frac{\left(\widehat{p}_n - p_0\right)}{\sqrt{\widehat{p}_n \left(1 - \widehat{p}_n\right) / n}}$$

- Wald test is not limited to MLE estimate, you just need to know the asymptotic distribution of your test satistic.
- Example: Assume we have X₁, ..., X_m and Y₁, ..., Y_n be two independent samples from populations with mean μ₁ and ν.
- We write $\delta = \mu_1 \mu_2$ and we want to test $H_0 : \delta = 0$ versus $H_1 : \delta \neq 0$.
- We build

$$\mathcal{W} = rac{\overline{X} - \overline{Y}}{\sqrt{rac{S_1^2}{m} + rac{S_2^2}{m}}}$$

where S_1^2 and S_2^2 are the sample variances.

• Thanks to the CLT, we have $W \xrightarrow{D} \mathcal{N}(0,1)$ as $m, n \to \infty$.

- Example (Comparing two prediction algorithms): We test a prediction algorithm on a test set of size m and the second prediction algorithm on a second test set of size n. Let X be the number of incorrect predictions for algorithm 1 and Y the number of incorrect prediction for algorithm 2. Then X ~Binomial(m, p₁) and Y ~Binomial(n, p₂).
- To test the null hypothesis $H_0: \delta = p_1 p_2 = 0$ versus $H_1: \delta \neq 0$ we note that $\hat{\delta} = \hat{p}_1 \hat{p}_2$ with estimated standard error

$$\sqrt{\frac{\widehat{p}_{1}\left(1-\widehat{p}_{1}\right)}{m}+\frac{\widehat{p}_{2}\left(1-\widehat{p}_{2}\right)}{n}}$$

• The (approximate) size α test is to reject H_0 when

$$|W| = \frac{|\widehat{p}_1 - \widehat{p}_2|}{\sqrt{\frac{\widehat{p}_1(1 - \widehat{p}_1)}{m} + \frac{\widehat{p}_2(1 - \widehat{p}_2)}{n}}} \ge z_{\alpha/2}$$

as $W \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \mathcal{N}\left(0,1\right)$ as $m, n \to \infty$ thanks to the CLT.

- In practice, we often have mispecified models! That is there does not exist any θ_0 such that $X_i \sim f(x|\theta_0)$ but $X_i \sim g[g]$ being obviously unknown].
- In this case θ_0 is not the 'true' parameter but the parameter maximizing

$$\int \log \frac{f(x|\theta)}{g(x)} g(x) \, dx \Rightarrow \int \left. \frac{\partial \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta} \right|_{\theta=\theta_0} g(x) \, dx = 0$$

• The Wald test becomes incorrect as we do NOT have

$$\sqrt{n}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}-\theta_{0}\right)\xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}}\mathcal{N}\left(0,I^{-1}\left(\theta_{0}\right)\right)$$

 To correct it, let's go back to the derivation of the asymptotic normality

$$0 = I'\left(\widehat{\theta}_n\right) \approx I'\left(\theta_0\right) + I''\left(\theta_0\right)\left(\widehat{\theta}_n - \theta_0\right)$$

so

$$\sqrt{n}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}-\theta_{0}\right)\approx\sqrt{n}\frac{-l'\left(\theta_{0}\right)}{l''\left(\theta_{0}\right)}=\frac{-l'\left(\theta_{0}\right)}{\sqrt{n}}\frac{n}{l''\left(\theta_{0}\right)}$$

• We have by the law of large numbers

$$\frac{l''\left(\theta\right)}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial^2 \log f\left(\left|X_i\right|\theta\right)}{\partial \theta^2} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{P}} \int \frac{\partial^2 \log f\left(\left|x\right|\theta\right)}{\partial \theta^2} g\left(x\right) dx$$

• We also have

$$\frac{l'(\theta)}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial \log f(X_i | \theta)}{\partial \theta}$$

where

$$\operatorname{var}\left[\frac{\partial \log f\left(X|\theta\right)}{\partial \theta}\right] = \int \frac{\partial \log f\left(x|\theta\right)^{2}}{\partial \theta} g\left(x\right) dx$$
$$-\left(\int \frac{\partial \log f\left(x|\theta\right)}{\partial \theta} g\left(x\right) dx\right)^{2}$$

So by the CLT

$$\frac{l'\left(\theta_{0}\right)}{\sqrt{n}} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \mathcal{N}\left(0, \int \frac{\partial \log f\left(x \mid \theta\right)^{2}}{\partial \theta} g\left(x\right) dx \bigg|_{\theta = \theta_{0}}\right)$$

• By Slutzky's lemma

$$\sqrt{n}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}-\theta_{0}\right) \to \mathcal{N}\left(0, \frac{\int \frac{\partial \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta}\Big|_{\theta_{0}}^{2} \cdot g(x) \, dx}{\left(\int \frac{\partial^{2} \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta^{2}}\Big|_{\theta_{0}} \cdot g(x) \, dx\right)^{2}}\right)$$

The asymptotic variance can be estimated consistently from the data.We can derive a Wald test based on this asymptotic variance.

This suggests developing a test for misspecification as

$$\int \frac{\partial \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta} f(x|\theta) dx + \left(\int \frac{\partial^2 \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta^2} f(x|\theta) dx\right) = 0$$

So we can propose the following test statistic

$$T = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left. \frac{\partial \log f(x_i \mid \theta)}{\partial \theta}^2 \right|_{\hat{\theta}_n} + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left. \frac{\partial^2 \log f(x_i \mid \theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right|_{\hat{\theta}_n}$$

which under H_0 : model specified is asymptotically Gaussian with zero-mean and variance which can be estimated consistently.

Rao Test

• We have under $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}I'\left(\theta_{0}\right)\xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}}\mathcal{N}\left(0,I\left(\theta_{0}\right)\right)$$

where $I'(\theta) = \frac{\partial \log L(\theta | \mathbf{x})}{\partial \theta}$. • To prove this, remember that

$$0 = I'\left(\widehat{\theta}_n\right) \approx I'\left(\theta_0\right) + I''\left(\theta_0\right)\left(\widehat{\theta}_n - \theta_0\right)$$

thus

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}l'\left(\theta_{0}\right)\approx-\frac{l''\left(\theta_{0}\right)}{\sqrt{n}}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}-\theta_{0}\right)=-\frac{l''\left(\theta_{0}\right)}{n}\sqrt{n}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}-\theta_{0}\right)$$

where

$$-\frac{I''\left(\theta_{0}\right)}{n} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{P}} I\left(\theta_{0}\right) \text{ and } \sqrt{n}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}-\theta_{0}\right) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \mathcal{N}\left(\mathsf{0}, I^{-1}\left(\theta_{0}\right)\right).$$

The result follows from Slutzky's lemma.

• This suggests defining the following Rao score statistic

$$R_{n} = \frac{l'(\theta_{0})}{\sqrt{nl(\theta_{0})}}$$

which converges in distribution to a standard normal under H_0 .

- A major advantage of the score statistics is that it does not require computing $\hat{\theta}_n$. We could also replace $I(\theta_0)$ by a consistent estimate $\hat{I}(\theta_0)$. However using $I(\hat{\theta}_n)$ would defeat the purpose of avoiding to compute $\hat{\theta}_n$.
- A score test -also called **Rao score test** is any test that rejects $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ in favor of $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$ when $|R_n| \ge z_{\alpha/2}$.

- Example: Assume we have $X_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ and we want to test $H_0: p = p_0$ against $H_1: p \neq p_0$.
- We have for $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

$$f(x|p) = p^{x} (1-p)^{1-x} \Rightarrow I(\lambda) = S_{n} \log p + (n-S_{n}) \log (1-p)$$

$$I'(p) = \frac{S_{n}}{p} - \frac{(n-S_{n})}{1-p} \Rightarrow \hat{p}_{n} = \frac{S_{n}}{n}.$$

$$I''(p) = -\frac{S_{n}}{p^{2}} - \frac{(n-S_{n})}{(1-p)^{2}}$$

It follows that

$$I'(p) = rac{n(\widehat{p}_n - p)}{p(1 - p)}, \ I(p) = rac{1}{p(1 - p)}$$

and

$$R_{n} = \frac{l'(p_{0})}{\sqrt{nl(p_{0})}} = \frac{\widehat{p}_{n} - p_{0}}{\sqrt{p_{0}(1 - p_{0})/n}}.$$

• In practice, for complex models, one would use

$$R_{n}=\frac{l^{\prime}\left(\theta_{0}\right) }{\sqrt{n\widehat{I}\left(\theta_{0}\right) }}$$

where

$$\widehat{I}(\theta_{0}) = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left. \frac{\partial^{2} \log f(x_{i} | \theta)}{\partial \theta^{2}} \right|_{\theta_{0}} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{P}} I(\theta_{0})$$

which is consistent thanks to Slutzky.

• However, once more one has to be careful for misspecified models

Indeed we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}l'(\theta_0) \approx -\frac{l''(\theta_0)}{\sqrt{n}}\left(\widehat{\theta}_n - \theta_0\right) = -\frac{l''(\theta_0)}{n}\sqrt{n}\left(\widehat{\theta}_n - \theta_0\right)$$

where

$$-\frac{I''\left(\theta_{0}\right)}{n} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{P}} \int \left.\frac{\partial^{2}\log f\left(\left.x\right|\theta\right)}{\partial\theta^{2}}\right|_{\theta=\theta_{0}} g\left(x\right) dx$$

and

$$\sqrt{n}\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}-\theta_{0}\right) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \mathcal{N}\left(0, \frac{\int \frac{\partial \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta}^{2} \cdot g(x) \, dx \bigg|_{\theta=\theta_{0}}}{\left(\int \frac{\partial^{2} \log f(x|\theta)}{\partial \theta^{2}}\bigg|_{\theta=\theta_{0}} \cdot g(x) \, dx\right)^{2}}\right)$$

so

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}I'\left(\theta_{0}\right)\xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}}\mathcal{N}\left(0,\int\left.\frac{\partial\log f\left(\left.x\right|\theta\right)}{\partial\theta}\right|_{\theta_{0}}^{2}.g\left(x\right)dx\right)$$

 Thus if you use Rao test for misspecified model, you have to use the following consistent estimate of the asymptotic variance

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left.\frac{\partial\log f\left(x_{i}\left|\theta\right)}{\partial\theta}\right|_{\theta_{0}}^{2}\xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}}\int\left.\frac{\partial\log f\left(x\left|\theta\right)}{\partial\theta}\right|_{\theta_{0}}^{2}.g\left(x\right)\,dx\right.$$

• If you use the standard estimate $-\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{\partial^{2}\log f(x_{i}|\theta)}{\partial \theta^{2}}\Big|_{\theta_{0}}$, then you will get a wrong result.

Likelihood Ratio Test

• The LR test is based on

$$\Delta_{n} = I\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}\right) - I\left(\theta_{0}\right) = \log\left(\frac{\sup L\left(\theta \mid \mathbf{x}\right)}{L\left(\theta_{0} \mid \mathbf{x}\right)}\right) \geq 0.$$

• If we perform a Taylor expansion of $I'\left(\widehat{ heta}_n
ight)=0$ around $heta_0$ then

$$I'\left(\widehat{\theta}_{0}\right) = \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right)\left(-I''\left(\theta_{0}\right) + o\left(1\right)\right).$$
(1)

• By performing another Taylor expansion of $I\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}\right)$ around $heta_{0}$ then

$$\Delta_{n} = \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right) I'(\theta_{0}) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right)^{2} \left[I''(\theta_{0}) + o(1)\right].$$
(2)

• Hence, by substituting (1) in (2), then

$$\Delta_{n} = n \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right)^{2} \left\{-\frac{1}{n} I''(\theta_{0}) + \frac{1}{2n} I''(\theta_{0}) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)\right\}.$$

• By Slutsky's theorem, this implies that under H₀

$$2\Delta_n \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \chi_1^2.$$

- Noting that the 1α quantile of a χ_1^2 distribution is $z_{\alpha/2}^2$, we can now define the LR test.
- A LR test is any test that rejects $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ in favor of $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$ when $2\Delta_n \geq z_{\alpha/2}^2$ or, equivalently, when $\sqrt{2\Delta_n} \geq z_{\alpha/2}$; i.e. we reject for small values of the LR.

- *Example*: Assume we have $X_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \mathcal{P}(\lambda)$ and we want to test $H_0: \lambda = \lambda_0$ against $H_1: \lambda \neq \lambda_0$.
- We have for $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

$$f(x|\lambda) = \exp(-\lambda)\frac{\lambda^{x}}{x!} \Rightarrow I(\lambda) = -n\lambda + S_{n}\log\lambda - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}!\right)$$
$$I'(\lambda) = -n + \frac{S_{n}}{\lambda}, I''(\lambda) = -\frac{S_{n}}{\lambda^{2}}.$$

• It follows that $\widehat{\lambda}_n = \frac{S_n}{n}$ and

$$\Delta_n = n\left(\lambda_0 - \widehat{\lambda}_n\right) + S_n \log \frac{\widehat{\lambda}_n}{\lambda_0}.$$

• We can show that (when there is no misspecification)

$$R_n \xrightarrow{\mathsf{P}} W_n,$$
$$W_n^2 \xrightarrow{\mathsf{P}} 2\Delta_n.$$

- The tests are thus asymptotically equivalent in the sense that under H_0 they reach the same decision with probability 1 as $n \to \infty$.
- For a finite sample size *n*, they have some relative advantages and disadvantages with respect to one another.

- It is easy to create one-sided Wald and score tests.
- The score test does not require $\hat{\theta}_n$ whereas the other two tests do.
- The Wald test is most easily interpretable and yields immediate confidence intervals.
- The score test and LR test are invariant under reparametrization, whereas the Wald test is not.

• *Example*: Assume
$$X_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} f(x|\theta)$$
 where $f(x|\theta) = \theta \exp(-x\theta) \mathbb{I} \{x > 0\}$. Then $I(\theta) = n (\log \theta - \theta \overline{X}_n)$

which yields

$$I'\left(heta
ight)=n\left(rac{1}{ heta}-\overline{X}_{n}
ight) ext{ and } I''\left(heta
ight)=-rac{n}{ heta^{2}}.$$

• We also obtain

$$\widehat{\theta}_n = \frac{1}{\overline{X}_n}, \ I(\theta) = \theta^{-2}.$$

• It follows that

$$W_{n} = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\theta_{0}} \left(\frac{1}{\overline{X}_{n}} - \theta_{0} \right),$$

$$R_{n} = \theta_{0} \sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{\theta_{0}} - \overline{X}_{n} \right) = \frac{W_{n}}{\theta_{0} \overline{X}_{n}},$$

$$\Delta_{n} = n \left\{ \overline{X}_{n} \left(\overline{X}_{n} - \theta_{0} \right) - \log \left(\theta_{0} \overline{X}_{n} \right) \right\}.$$

• *Example*: Assume $X_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} f(x|\theta)$ where

$$f(x|\theta) = \theta c^{\theta} x^{-(\theta+1)} \mathbb{I} \{x > c\}$$
 (Pareto distribution)

where c is a known constant and θ is unknown.

• We have for $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \log(x_i)$

$$I(\theta) = n(\log \theta + \theta \log c) - (\theta + 1) S_n,$$

$$I'(\theta) = n\left(\frac{1}{\theta} + \log c\right) - S_n, \quad I''(\theta) = -\frac{n}{\theta^2}.$$

• Thus we have $\widehat{\theta}_n = rac{n}{S_n - n\log c}$, $I\left(heta
ight) = heta^{-2}$ and it follows that

$$\begin{split} W_n &= \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\theta_0} \left(\frac{n}{S_n - n \log c} - \theta_0 \right), \\ R_n &= \sqrt{n} \theta_0 \left(\left(\frac{1}{\theta_0} + \log c \right) - S_n \right), \\ \Delta_n &= n \left(\log \frac{\widehat{\theta}_n}{\theta_0} + \left(\widehat{\theta}_n - \theta_0 \right) \log c \right) - \left(\widehat{\theta}_n - \theta_0 \right) S_n. \end{split}$$

• When $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$, then the Wald, Rao and LR tests can be straightforwardly extended

$$W_{n} := n \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right)^{\mathsf{T}} I\left(\theta_{0}\right) \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \chi_{d}^{2},$$

$$R_{n} := \frac{1}{n} \nabla I\left(\theta_{0}\right)^{\mathsf{T}} I^{-1}\left(\theta_{0}\right) \nabla I\left(\theta_{0}\right) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \chi_{d}^{2},$$

$$\Delta_{n} := I\left(\widehat{\theta}_{n}\right) - I\left(\theta_{0}\right) \xrightarrow{\mathsf{D}} \frac{1}{2} \chi_{d}^{2}$$

- Therefore, if c_{α}^{d} denotes the 1α quantile of the χ_{d}^{2} distribution, then we reject H_{0} when $W_{n} \geq c_{\alpha}^{d}$, $R_{n} \geq c_{\alpha}^{d}$ and $2\Delta_{n} \geq c_{\alpha}^{d}$.
- As in the scalar case, in the Wald test, we can subsitute to $I(\theta_0)$ a consistent estimate.

• *Example*: Assume we observe a vector $X = (X_1, ..., X_k)$ where $X_j \in \{0, 1\}$, $\sum_{j=1}^k X_j = 1$ with

$$f(x|p_1,...,p_{k-1}) = \left(\prod_{j=1}^{k-1} p_j^{x_j}\right) \left(1 - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} p_j\right)^{x_j}$$

where $p_j > 0$ and $p_k := 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} p_j < 1$. We have $\theta = (p_1, ..., p_{k-1})$.

• We have for *n* observations $X^1, X^2, ..., X^n$

$$I(\theta) = \sum_{j=1}^{k} t_j \log p_j = \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} t_j \log p_j + t_k \log \left(1 - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} p_j\right),$$

$$\frac{\partial I(\theta)}{\partial p_j} = \frac{t_j}{p_j} - \frac{t_k}{p_k}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 I(\theta)}{\partial p_j^2} = -\frac{t_j}{p_j^2} - \frac{t_k}{p_k^2},$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 I(\theta)}{\partial p_j \partial p_l} = -\frac{t_k}{p_k^2}, \quad j \neq l < k.$$

where $t_j = \sum_{i=1}^n x_j^i$.

• Recall that X_i has a Bernoulli distribution with mean p_i so

$$I(\theta) = \begin{bmatrix} p_1^{-1} + p_k^{-1} & p_k^{-1} & p_k^{-1} \\ p_k^{-1} & p_2^{-1} + p_k^{-1} & \vdots \\ \vdots & p_k^{-1} & \vdots \\ \vdots & p_k^{-1} & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & p_{k-1}^{-1} + p_k^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

It follows that

$$W_{n} = n \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right) I \left(\theta_{0}\right) \left(\widehat{\theta}_{n} - \theta_{0}\right),$$

$$R_{n} = \frac{1}{n} \nabla I \left(\theta_{0}\right)^{\mathsf{T}} I^{-1} \left(\theta_{0}\right) \nabla I \left(\theta_{0}\right).$$

After tiedous calculations, it can be shown that

$$W_n = R_n = \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(t_j - np_i)^2}{np_i}$$

which is the usual Pearson chi-square test whereas $\Delta_n = n \sum_{j=1}^k t_j \log \frac{\hat{p}_j}{p_j}$.