

Adaptive Bayes Test for monotonicity

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Introduction

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Aim

We want to test, for $0 < \alpha \leq 1$

$$H_0 : f \searrow \text{ versus } H_1 : f \text{ is not } \searrow \text{ and } f \in H_\alpha(L)$$

Introduction cont'd

More precisely we want a test that

- require no regularity assumptions under the null
- has good asymptotic properties (consistency)
- does not depend on the regularity α under the alternative
- achieves the "optimal" separation rate for a wide variety of α
- is easy to implement

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Our Model

We build a prior on f by considering a piecewise constant approximation

$$f_{\omega,k} = \sum_{i=1}^k \omega_i \mathbb{1}_{[(i-1)/k, i/k]}$$

and a prior

$$\pi : \begin{cases} k & \sim \pi_k \\ \omega_i & \stackrel{iid}{\sim} g \\ \sigma & \sim h \end{cases}$$

Test in a nutshell

Idea for a test

We will test the monotonicity of the sequence $(\omega_i)_i$ and thus need

- A criteria for monotonicity
- Conditions on the prior such that $f_{\omega,k}$ concentrates around f

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Remarks

- This is a modified version of the Bayes Factor
- We reject monotonicity if we have **sufficiently strong evidence** that f is not ↘

Some definitions

Consistency

We will say that δ_n^π is consistent if

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{f \searrow} E_0^n(\delta_n^\pi) &= o(1) \\ \sup_{d(f, \searrow) > \rho, f \in H_\alpha(L)} E_0^n(1 - \delta_n^\pi) &= o(1) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Separation rate

We define the separation rate ρ_n of our test as the minimal sequence r_n such that

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Main Theorem

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Let $M_n^k = M_0 \sqrt{k \log(n)/n}$ and let π be a prior on $f_{\omega,k}$ such that $\omega_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} g$ and $k \sim \pi_k$, $\sigma \sim h$. Assume that g and h put mass on \mathbb{R} and \mathbb{R}^{+*} respectively and that π_k is such that there exist positive constants C_d and C_u such that

$$e^{-C_d k L(k)} \leq \pi_k(k) \leq e^{-C_u k L(k)}$$

Where $L(k)$ is either $\log(k)$ or 1. Consider the test

$$H_0 : f \searrow \text{ versus } H_1 : f \text{ not } \searrow, f \in H_\alpha(L)$$

let $\rho_n = M(n/\log(n))^{-\alpha/(2\alpha+1)}$, then the test δ_n^π is consistent and achieve the separation rate ρ_n .

Sketch of the proof

For a fixed k , let ω_0 be such that

$$\omega_0 = \operatorname{argmin} \{ \omega, KL(f_{\omega,k}, f) \}$$

We first prove

Result

$$\pi \left(\max_i |\omega_i - \omega_i^0| \geq C \xi_n^k |Y^n| \right) \leq 1/2 + o_{P_0^n}(1). \quad (4)$$

where ξ_n^k is such that

$$\xi_n^k := \begin{cases} (n/\log(n))^{-1/3} & \text{if } f \searrow \\ \rho_n & \text{if } f \text{ not } \searrow, f \in H_\alpha(L) \end{cases}$$

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- For f not \searrow , and $f \in H_\alpha(L)$

$$\begin{aligned} H(\omega, k) &\geq d_n(f_{\omega^0, k}, \searrow) - 2 \max_i |\omega_i - \omega_i^0| \\ &\geq \rho_n - \|f_{\omega^0, k} - f\|_n - 2 \max_i |\omega_i - \omega_i^0| \end{aligned}$$

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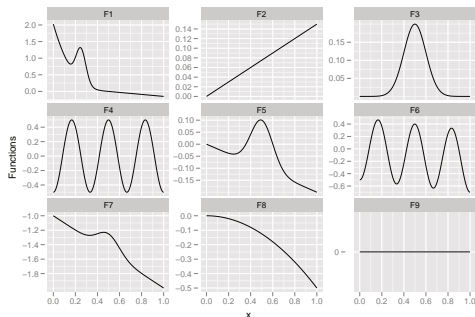
$$\pi(H(\omega, k) > M_n^k | Y^n) \leq \pi(\max_i |\omega_i - \omega_i^0| > \xi_n^k/8)$$

Under H_1

$$\pi(H(\omega, k) \leq M_n^k | Y_n) \leq \pi\left(\max_i |\omega_i - \omega_i^0| \geq \frac{\rho_n - \|f_{\omega^0, k} - f\|_n - M_n^k}{4} | Y^n\right)$$

Simulated Examples

We run our test for nine functions adapted from the frequentist literature



Simulated Examples cnt'd

- We propose a generic choice for the prior
- We study the behaviour of our test for various values of n
- Compare our results with those obtained in the literature

Some specific choice of prior

We choose

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- We get a **closed form** formulation for the posterior distribution.
- All the computations are straightforward

Results of the Simulation study

f	σ^2	Barraud et al. $n = 100$	Akakpo et al. $n = 100$	Bayes Test, n :			
				100	250	500	1000
f_1	0.01	99	99	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
f_2	0.01	99	100	99.1	100.0	100.0	100.0
f_3	0.01	99	98	99.6	100.0	100.0	100.0
f_4	0.01	100	99	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
f_5	0.004	99	99	99.6	100.0	100.0	100.0
f_6	0.006	98	99	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
f_7	0.01	76	68	20.1	40.5	61.6	85.4
f_8	0.01	-	-	0.5	1.0	0.6	0.4
f_9	0.01	-	-	6.2	6.2	4.4	3.4

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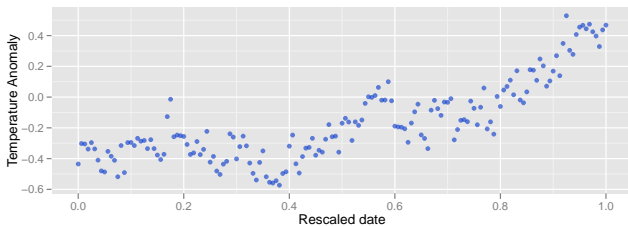
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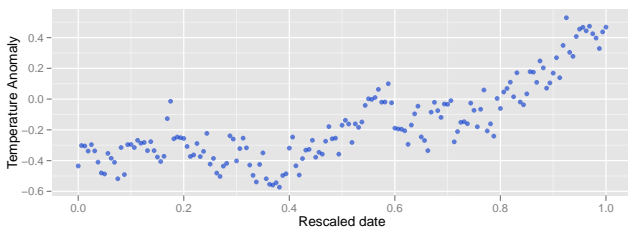
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Problems

- We don't control for the constant
- No idea how the BF behave