

# Hypothesis testing

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# Choosing between $H=H_0$ and $H=H_1$ with minimum $P(\text{error})$

$$P(H_0 \text{ is true}) = P(H = H_0) = P(H_0) = p_0$$

$$P(H_1 \text{ is true}) = P(H = H_1) = P(H_1) = p_1$$

$\Rightarrow$  choose more probable hypothesis for min  $P(\text{error})$

$$P(H_1) \begin{array}{c} \text{'H}_1\text{'} \\ > \\ < \\ \text{'H}_0\text{'} \end{array} P(H_0)$$

Again choosing between  
 $H=H_0$  and  $H=H_1$  but now given  $R=r$ ,  
for  $\min P(\text{error} | R=r)$

$$P(H_1 | R = r) \begin{matrix} \text{'}H_1\text{' } \\ > \\ < \\ \text{'}H_0\text{' } \end{matrix} P(H_0 | R = r)$$

Pick whichever hypothesis has  
maximum *a posteriori* probability

# Implementing the maximum *a posteriori* (MAP) rule

$$P(H_1|R = r) \begin{array}{c} \text{‘}H_1\text{’} \\ > \\ < \\ \text{‘}H_0\text{’} \end{array} P(H_0|R = r)$$



$$p_1 \cdot f_{R|H}(r|H_1) \begin{array}{c} \text{‘}H_1\text{’} \\ > \\ < \\ \text{‘}H_0\text{’} \end{array} p_0 \cdot f_{R|H}(r|H_0)$$

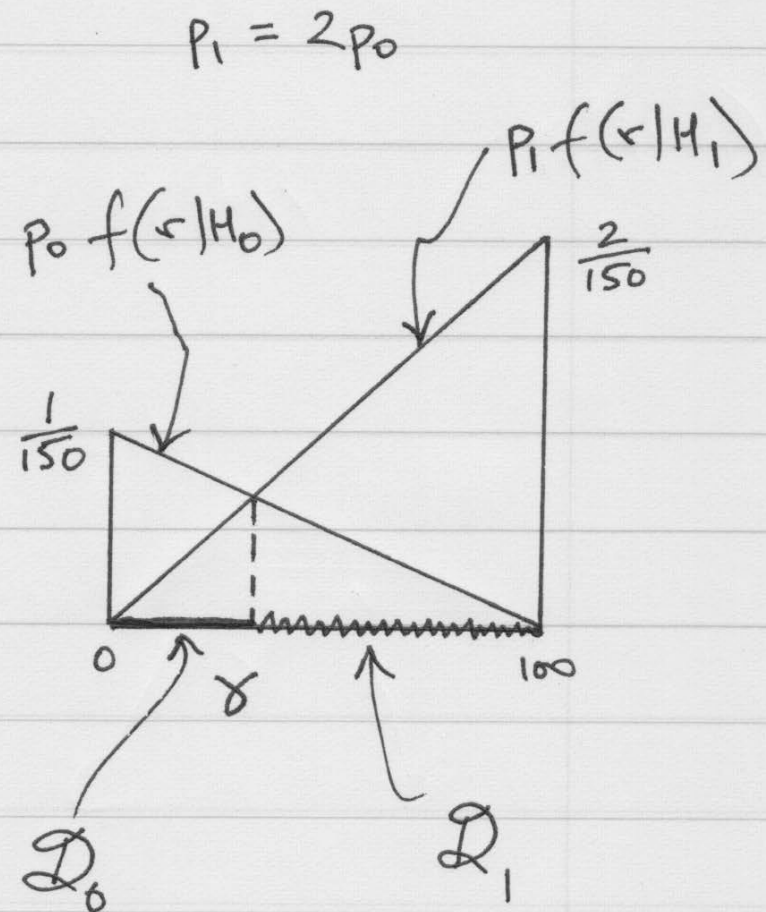
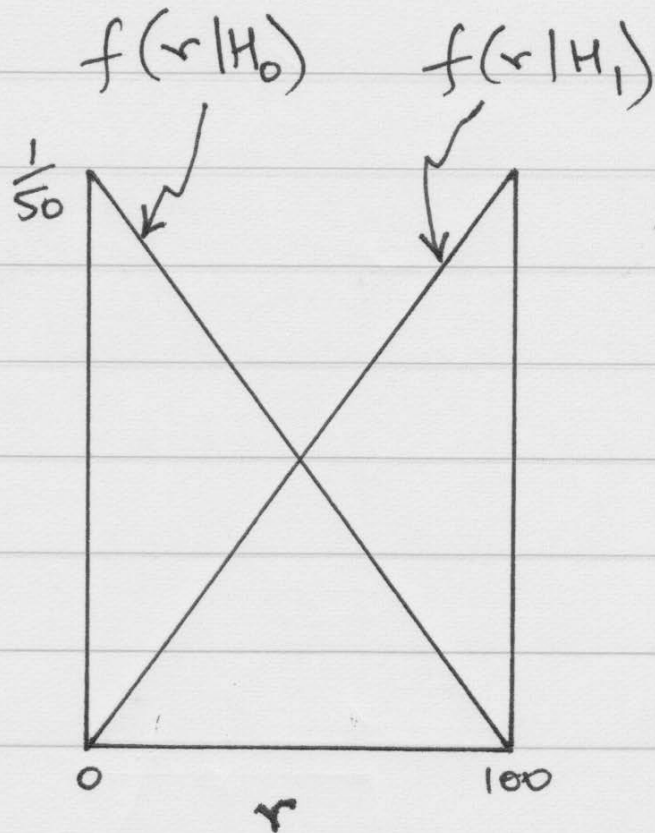
# Likelihood ratio test (LRT) implementation of MAP rule

$$p_1 \cdot f_{R|H}(r|H_1) \begin{matrix} > \\ < \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 'H_1' \\ 'H_0' \end{matrix} p_0 \cdot f_{R|H}(r|H_0)$$

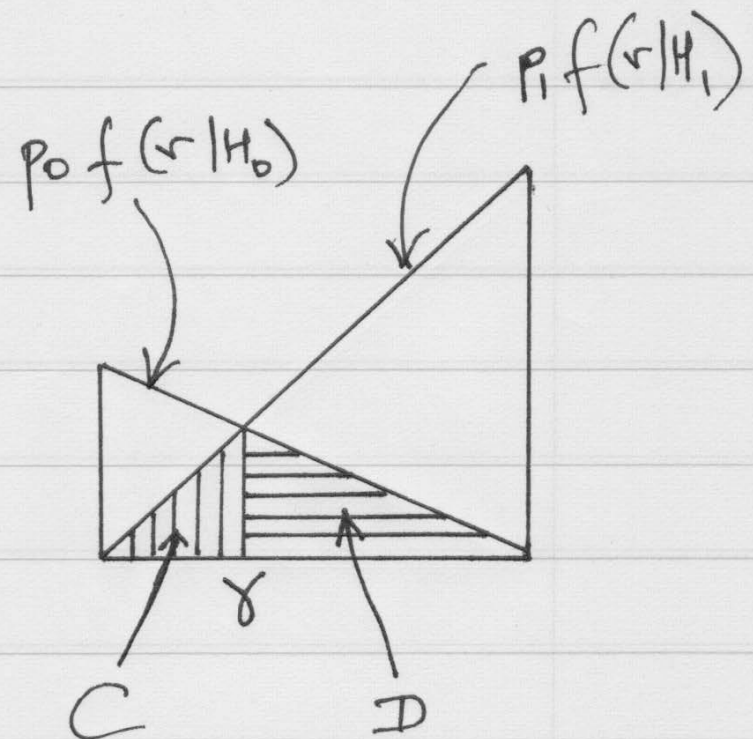
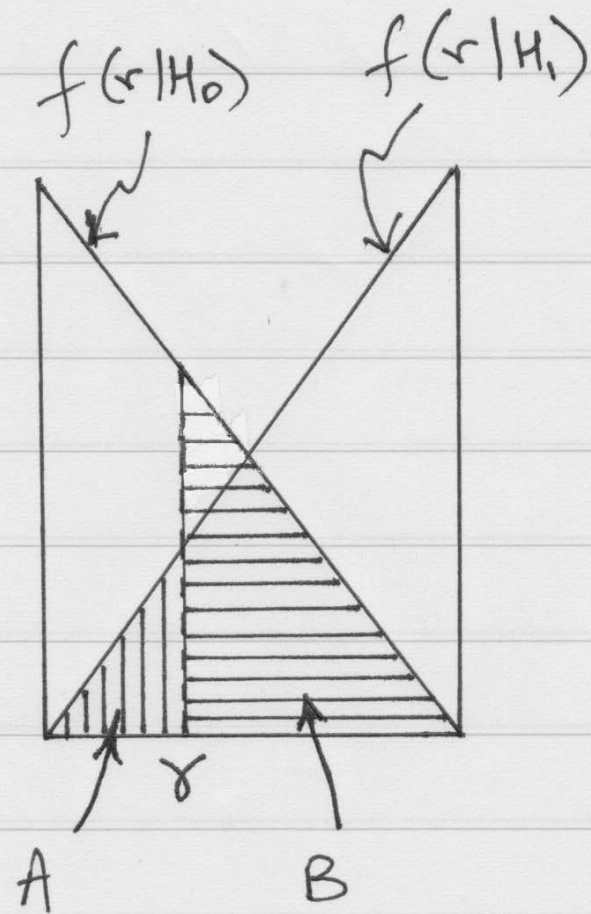


$$\Lambda(r) = \frac{f_{R|H}(r|H_1)}{f_{R|H}(r|H_0)} \begin{matrix} > \\ < \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 'H_1' \\ 'H_0' \end{matrix} \frac{p_0}{p_1} = \eta$$

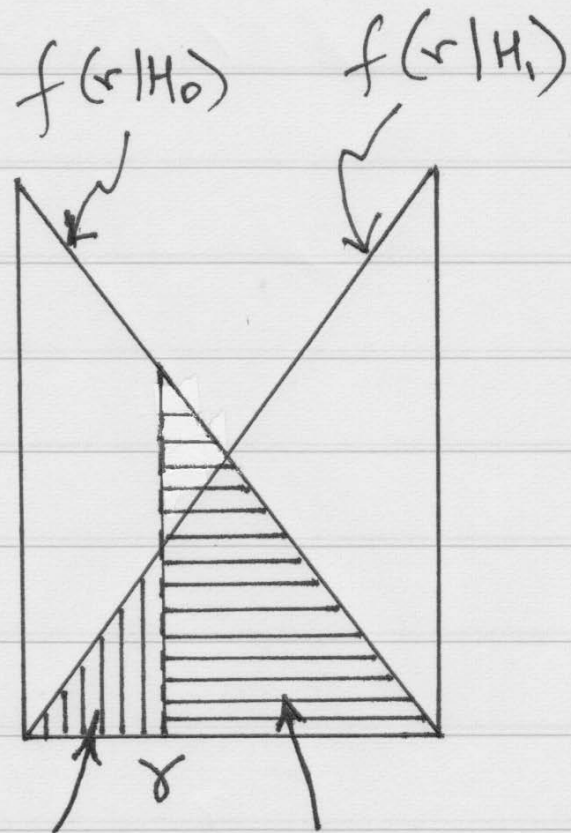
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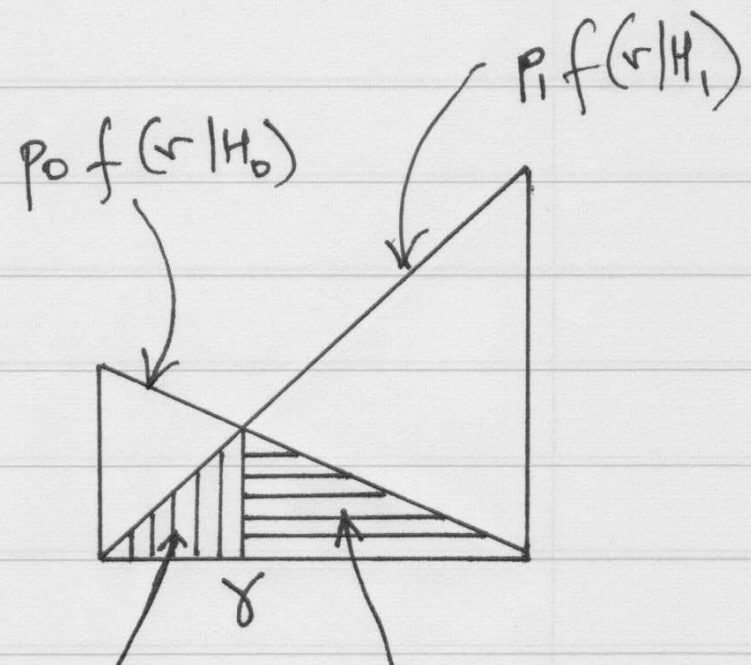


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$P_M$

$P_{FA}$



$p_1 P_M$

+

$p_0 P_{FA}$

=  $P(\text{error})$



# Terminology

- prevalence ( $p_1$ )
- (conditional ) probability of detection, sensitivity, true positive rate, recall
- specificity, true negative rate
- (conditional) probability of false alarm, false positive rate (= 1 – specificity)
- (conditional) probability of a miss, false negative rate (= 1 – sensitivity)
- positive predictive value, precision
- negative predictive value

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