

Monotone likelihood ratio (MLR)

Assume $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2)$, σ^2 known

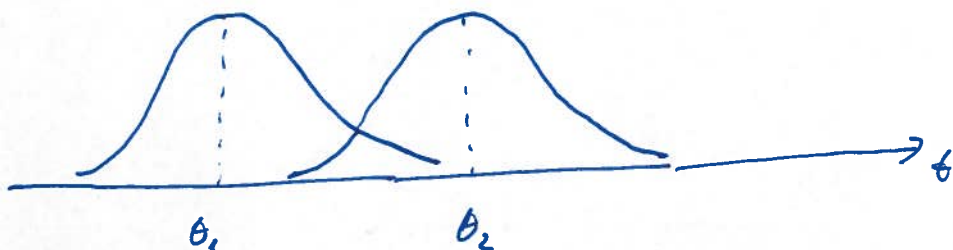
$T = \bar{X}$ is sufficient for θ with pdf/pmf $g(t|\theta)$

Let $\theta_2 > \theta_1$ and $H_0: \theta = \theta_1$ vs $H_1: \theta = \theta_2$.

$$\frac{g(\bar{x}|\theta_2)}{g(\bar{x}|\theta_1)} = \frac{k_1 e^{-\frac{m}{2\sigma^2}(\bar{x} - \theta_2)^2}}{k_1 e^{-\frac{m}{2\sigma^2}(\bar{x} - \theta_1)^2}} = e^{\frac{m\bar{x}}{\sigma^2}(\theta_2 - \theta_1) - \frac{m}{2\sigma^2}(\theta_2^2 - \theta_1^2)}$$

is a monotone increasing function in \bar{x}

$\Leftrightarrow T$ has a MLR



What is the point with a MLR?

We have $\frac{d}{dt} [F(t|\theta_2) - F(t|\theta_1)] = [f(t|\theta_2) - f(t|\theta_1)]$

$$= f(t|\theta_1) \left[\frac{f(t|\theta_2)}{f(t|\theta_1)} - 1 \right] \Rightarrow F(t|\theta_2) - F(t|\theta_1) \text{ has a minimum in the interior and maximum } = 0 \text{ for } t = \pm \infty$$

\downarrow
 monotone increasing.

$$\Rightarrow F(t|\theta_2) \leq F(t|\theta_1)$$

If $\beta(t) = P(T \geq t_0)$ we have $\beta(\theta_2) \geq \beta(\theta_1)$ or nondecreasing.

This leads to Karlin-Rubin 8.3.17

$H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$ $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$, T has a MLR

Let $d = P(T \geq t_0 | \theta_0)$, ~~a UMP level- α test~~ ^{If we α} rejects only if $T \geq t_0$,

it is a UMP level- α test.

Chapter 9. Interval Estimation

Let $\underline{x} = x_1, \dots, x_m$ be a sample (often random) and let θ be a real valued distribution parameter.

Definition 9.1.1

An interval estimate θ is any pair of functions $L(x_1, \dots, x_m)$ and $U(x_1, \dots, x_m)$ of a sample that satisfies $L(\underline{x}) \leq U(\underline{x})$, $\forall \underline{x} \in \mathcal{X}$. If $\underline{x} = \underline{x}$ is observed the inference $L(\underline{x}) \leq \theta \leq U(\underline{x})$ is made. The random interval $[L(\underline{X}), U(\underline{X})]$ is called an interval estimator.

Definition 9.1.4

The coverage probability for $[L(\underline{x}), U(\underline{x})]$ is the probability that $[L(\underline{x}), U(\underline{x})]$ covers θ , write $P(\theta \in [L(\underline{x}), U(\underline{x})])$. This probability may depend on θ .

Definition 9.1.5

The confidence coefficient of $[L(\underline{x}), U(\underline{x})]$ is the infimum of the coverage probabilities $\inf_{\theta} P(\theta \in [L(\underline{x}), U(\underline{x})])$.

Example x_1, \dots, x_m iid $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, σ^2 known

$$P\left(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{m}}} \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P\left(\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{m}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{m}}\right)$$

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Confidence coefficient = $1 - \alpha$

9.2 Methods of finding Interval Estimators

9.2.1. Inverting a Test statistic.

$$X_1, \dots, X_n \text{ iid } N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0 \quad H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0 \text{ with test size } \alpha$$

$$\text{Not reject if } |\bar{x} - \mu_0| \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow -z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{x} - \mu_0 \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mu_0 - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{x} \leq \mu_0 + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\text{Let } A(\mu_0) = \{ (x_1, \dots, x_n) : \mu_0 - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{x} \leq \mu_0 + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \}$$

$A(\mu_0)$ gives the sample values that are consistent with H_0 or the acceptance region.

On the other side

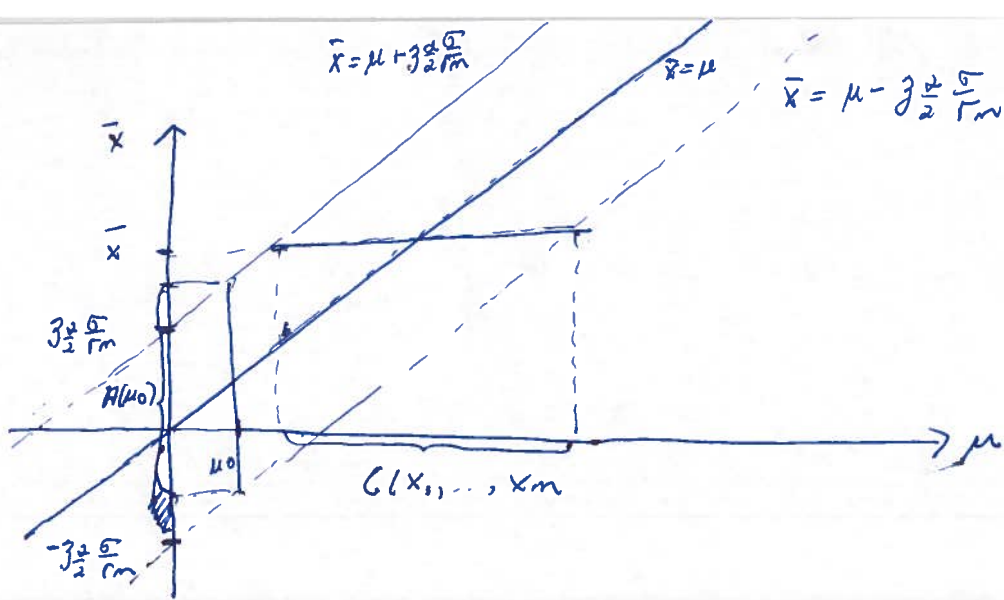
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$$\text{Define } C(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \{ \mu_0 : \bar{x} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu_0 \leq \bar{x} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \}$$

It gives the parameter values that ~~make~~ are observations plausible ^{given \bar{x}} ~~under H_0~~ or the confidence interval

$$\text{We have } (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in A(\mu_0) \Leftrightarrow \mu_0 \in C(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\text{Therefore } P(\underline{x} \in A(\mu_0)) = P(\mu_0 \in C(x_1, \dots, x_n))$$



Theorem 9.2.2

For each $\theta_0 \in \Omega$ let $A(\theta_0)$ (all \underline{x} values consistent with $\theta = \theta_0$)
 be the consistency region for a level α -test. Define $C(\underline{x})$
 acceptance region
 by $C(\underline{x}) = \{\theta_0 : \underline{x} \in A(\theta_0)\}$ (all θ_0 values for which \underline{x} does not
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 Let $C(\underline{x})$ be a $1-\alpha$ confidence set. For any $\theta_0 \in \Omega$
 define $A(\theta_0) = \{\underline{x} : \theta_0 \in C(\underline{x})\}$. Then $A(\theta_0)$ is the consistency region
 acceptance region
 of a level α -test of $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$.

Proof.

$$1. P(\underline{x} \notin A(\theta_0) | \theta_0) \leq \alpha \iff P(\underline{x} \in A(\theta_0) | \theta_0) \geq 1-\alpha$$

This is true for any θ . Hence

$$P(\theta \in C(\underline{x})) = P(\underline{x} \in A(\theta) | \theta) \geq 1-\alpha$$

$$2. P(\underline{x} \notin A(\theta_0)) = P(\theta_0 \notin C(\underline{x})) \leq \alpha.$$

