

Suppose $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$,

both μ and σ^2 unknown

$$\underline{\Theta} = (\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$\Omega = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^+ = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : \mu \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma^2 \geq 0\}$$

Consider a test of

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$$

$$\Omega_0 = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : \mu = \mu_0, \sigma^2 \geq 0\}$$

$$\Omega_1 = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : \mu \neq \mu_0, \sigma^2 \geq 0\}$$

$$W = \frac{\max_{\theta \in \Omega_0} \ell(\theta | \underline{x})}{\max_{\theta \in \Omega} \ell(\theta | \underline{x})}$$

For denominator: we have previously shown the MLE's of μ and σ^2 are
 $\hat{\mu} = \bar{X}$, $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$

For numerator: We know $\mu = \mu_0$.

Given that, can show the MLE of $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)^2$

For a particular μ and σ^2 , joint pdf of X_1, \dots, X_n is

$$\ell(\mu, \sigma^2 | \underline{x}) = f_{X_1, \dots, X_n | \mu, \sigma^2}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f_{X_i | \mu, \sigma^2}(x_i)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x_i - \mu)^2\right\}$$

$$= (2\pi)^{-n/2} (\sigma^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2\right\}$$

The p-value is

$$P(W \leq w | H_0 \text{ correct})$$

↑ a constant. to avoid confusion, rename as c .

$$W = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu_0, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)^2)}{\mathcal{L}(\bar{X}, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2)}$$

$$= \frac{(2\pi)^{-n/2} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)^2\right)^{-n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2 \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)^2\right\}}{(2\pi)^{-n/2} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2\right)^{-n/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2 \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2\right\}}$$

p-value = $P(W \leq c) = P\left(\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)^2}\right)^{n/2} \leq c\right)$ ← All probabilities here should be given H_0 is correct, $\mu = \mu_0$.

$$= P\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)^2} \leq c_1\right), \quad c_1 = c^{2/n}$$

$$= P\left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + n(\bar{X} - \mu_0)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \geq c_2\right), \quad c_2 = \frac{1}{c_1}; \text{ note } \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu_0)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + n(\bar{X} - \mu_0)^2$$

$$= P\left(1 + \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu_0)^2}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \geq c_2\right)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{(\bar{X} - \mu_0)^2}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 / (n-1)} \geq c_3\right), \quad c_3 = \frac{c_2 - 1}{(n-1)}$$

$$= P\left(\frac{|\bar{X} - \mu_0|}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} / \sqrt{n}} \geq c_4\right), \quad c_4 = \sqrt{c_3}$$

$$= P(t \leq -c_4 \text{ or } t \geq c_4 \mid \mu = \mu_0),$$

where $t = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}}$,

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

Connections Between Confidence Intervals & Hypothesis Tests

Suppose that for every $\theta_0 \in \Omega$ there is a test of $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ with size α .

$$P(\text{Reject } H_0 \mid H_0 \text{ correct}) = \alpha$$

Denote the rejection region for the test by $R(\theta_0)$. (We reject H_0 if $X \in R(\theta_0)$)

The set

$$C(X) = \{\theta \in \Omega : X \notin R(\theta)\}$$

is a $100(1-\alpha)\%$ confidence set for θ

↑ in general, not guaranteed to be an interval.

In words: the set of values θ_0 for which we would fail to reject

$$H_0: \theta = \theta_0$$

is a $100(1-\alpha)\%$ CI _(set) for θ

Proof:

$$P(\theta \in C(X) \mid \theta)$$

$$= P(X \notin R(\theta) \mid \theta)$$

(from the way we defined $C(X)$: $\theta \in C(X) \Leftrightarrow X \notin R(\theta)$)

$$= 1 - P(X \in R(\theta) \mid \theta)$$

$$= 1 - \alpha$$

~~Also, suppose~~

Other direction: Suppose $C(X)$ is a $100(1-\alpha)\%$ CI for θ .

Then a rejection region for a size α test of $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ is

$$R(\theta_0) = \{X \mid \theta_0 \notin C(X)\}$$

In words: Reject $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ if θ_0 is not in the confidence interval for θ .

Confidence intervals from likelihood ratio tests:

~~We reject~~

For a test of $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ vs $H_A: \theta \neq \theta_0$,

LRT has p-value = $P(W \leq w \mid \theta = \theta_0)$

~~$P(W \leq w)$~~

Reject if p-value $\leq \alpha$.

\Rightarrow Reject if w is small ($w \leq c$)

\Rightarrow fail to reject if w is large ($w > c$)

$\Rightarrow \theta$ is in our CI if the likelihood ratio at that value of θ is ~~is~~ "big enough".