

## Lecture 23

类似于 UMA confidence bound, 可以基于同样的 intuition 定义 UMA confidence set.

### §1 Uniformly most accurate (UMA) confidence set

#### 1. Definition: Uniformly most accurate (UMA) confidence set

一个 confidence region  $\hat{C}(X)$  被称为  $\Theta$  的 UMA confidence set at level  $(1-\alpha)$ , 若

①  $\hat{C}(X)$  是  $\Theta$  的一个  $(1-\alpha)$ -confidence set, 即

即  $P_{\theta}(\theta \in \hat{C}(X)) \geq 1-\alpha$  (当任意  $\theta$  为真时,  $\hat{C}(X)$  包含  $\theta$  的概率(关于  $X$ ) 恒大于等于  $1-\alpha$ )

②  $\hat{C}(X)$  恒 minimize 错误估计  $\theta$  的概率, 即

对  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$  与  $\forall \theta' \neq \theta$ , 有

$$P_{\theta}(\theta' \in \hat{C}(X)) \leq P_{\theta}(\theta' \in \tilde{C}_1(X))$$

其中  $\tilde{C}_1(X)$  为任意其他  $(1-\alpha)$ -confidence set

(考虑所有的  $\theta$  的  $(1-\alpha)$ -confidence sets, 当任意  $\theta$  为真时, 对于任意  $\theta$  的错误估计  $\theta' \neq \theta$ ,

$\hat{C}(X)$  包含这一错误估计  $\theta'$  的概率(关于  $X$ ) 恒是最小的.)

#### 2. Theorem: UMA confidence set 与 UMP test

若  $\Theta$  对于  $\forall \theta' \in \Theta$ , 存在 a level  $\alpha$  UMP test  $\phi_{\theta'}$  for testing

$H_0: \theta = \theta'$  vs.  $H_1: \theta \neq \theta'$  (是一个关于  $X$  的 rejection region)

②  $\phi_{\theta'}$  的 acceptance region 为:

$$A_{\theta'} = \{x \in \Omega: \phi_{\theta'}(x) \neq 1\}, \quad \theta' \in \Theta$$

则  $\Theta$  UMA confidence set  $\hat{C}(X)$  存在

②  $\hat{C}(X)$  满足:

$$\hat{C}(X) = \{\theta \in \Theta: X \in A_{\theta}\} \quad (\text{是一个关于 } \theta \text{ 的区间})$$

( $\hat{C}(X)$  相当于将 acceptance region 的  $X$  fix, 令  $\theta$  unfix, 得到一个关于  $\theta$  的 set)

证明:

Proof. Notice that  $A_{\theta'}$  is the acceptance region of a level  $\alpha$  test, therefore,

$$P_{\theta'}(\theta' \in \hat{C}(X)) = P_{\theta'}(X \in A_{\theta'}) = 1 - E_{\theta'} \phi_{\theta'} \geq 1 - \alpha.$$

Hence  $\hat{C}(X)$  indeed has confidence level  $(1-\alpha)$ . Meanwhile, for any other confidence region  $\tilde{C}_1(X)$  with confidence level  $(1-\alpha)$ , and for arbitrary  $\theta_0 \neq \theta'$ ,

$$\phi_{1,\theta'} \triangleq 1 - \mathbb{1}(X \in A_{1,\theta'}), \quad \text{with } A_{1,\theta'} = \{x: \theta' \in \tilde{C}_1(x)\}$$

is the test inverting from the confidence region  $\tilde{C}_1(X)$  for testing (3.1), which is of level  $\alpha$  since

$$E_{\theta'} \phi_{1,\theta'} = 1 - P_{\theta'}(X \in A_{1,\theta'}) = 1 - P_{\theta'}(\theta' \in \tilde{C}_1(x)) \leq \alpha.$$

Because  $\phi_{\theta'}$  is a UMP test of (3.1), so  $\phi_{\theta'}$  has smaller type-II error compare to  $\phi_{1,\theta'}$ , which means

$$P_{\theta'}(\theta_0 \in \hat{C}(X)) = 1 - E_{\theta'} \phi_{\theta_0} \leq 1 - E_{\theta'} \phi_{1,\theta_0} = P_{\theta'}(\theta_0 \in \tilde{C}_1(X)),$$

thus we conclude that  $\hat{C}(X)$  is a UMA confidence set.  $\square$

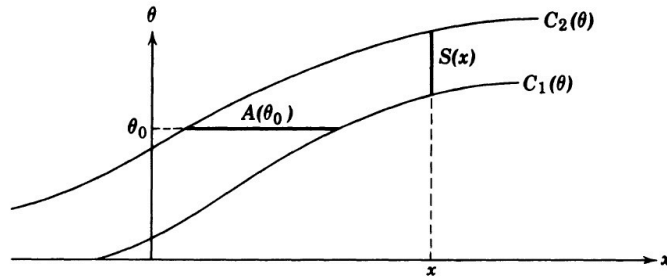


Figure 1: An illustrational sketch of inverting hypothesis testing and confidence interval. Picture from [Lehmann, Romano and Casella \(1986\)](#).

• **Example 3.3 (♣ UMA Confidence Set for Exponential Distribution Location Parameter)**. Let  $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$  be a random sample from the exponential distribution  $\text{Exp}(a, b)$ ,

$$f_{X_1}(x) = \frac{1}{b} \exp\left(-\frac{x-a}{b}\right) \cdot \mathbb{1}(x \geq a),$$

with both  $(a, b)$  being unknown. We are seeking a UMA confidence set for the location parameter  $a$ .

*Answer.* Despite the fact of not knowing  $b$ , we fix  $b$ . Then the likelihood is

$$f(x|a, b) = \frac{e^{na/b}}{b^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{b}\right) \cdot \mathbb{1}(x_{(1)} \geq a),$$

so by **Factorization theorem**, we have  $X_{(1)}$  is a sufficient statistic of  $a$ . Since

$$\mathbb{P}(X_{(1)} \geq x) = \left(\mathbb{P}(X_i \geq x)\right)^n = \exp\left(-\frac{n(x-a)}{b}\right) \cdot \mathbb{1}(x > a) + \mathbb{1}(x \leq a),$$

hence  $X_{(1)} \sim \text{Exp}(a, b/n)$ . For **arbitrary function  $\varphi$  satisfy  $\mathbb{E}_a \varphi(X_{(1)}) = 0$**  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_a^\infty \varphi(x) \cdot \frac{n}{b} \exp\left(-\frac{n(x-a)}{b}\right) dx = 0 \quad \text{for all } a \in \mathbb{R}, \\ \Leftrightarrow & \int_a^\infty \varphi(x) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{nx}{b}\right) dx = 0 \quad \text{for all } a \in \mathbb{R}, \\ \Leftrightarrow & \varphi(a) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{na}{b}\right) = 0 \quad \text{for all } a \in \mathbb{R} \text{ except a measure zero set.} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \varphi(a) = 0 \quad \text{for all } a \in \mathbb{R} \text{ except a measure zero set.} \\ \Leftrightarrow & \mathbb{P}(\varphi(X_{(1)}) = 0) = 1. \end{aligned}$$

## PART 1: 准备工作

证明  $X_{(1)}$  与  $Y := \sum (X_i - X_{(1)})$  独立

1.1 证明  $X_{(1)}$  是  $a$  的 sufficient statistic

1.2 求出  $X_{(1)}$  的分布

证明  $X_{(1)}$  是  $a$  的 complete statistic

### 1.3 证明 $Y$ 是 $a$ 的 ancillary statistic

(见 Assignment 2 / 4.1)

Hence  $X_{(1)}$  is also a complete statistic of  $a$  for every given  $b$ . Meanwhile,  $Y \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^n [X_i - X_{(1)}]$  is ancillary of  $a$ , so  $X_{(1)}$  is independent of  $Y$  according to Basu's theorem. Now for the hypothesis testing problem

### PART 2:

求出  $H_0: a = a_0$  vs.  $H_1: a < a_0$  的 UMP

$$H_0: a = a_0, \text{ v.s. } H_1: a = a_1, \text{ for some } a_1 < a_0. \quad (3.2)$$

### 2.1 研究 subhypothesis.

写出 likelihood ratio  $\lambda(x)$

Notice the likelihood ratio is given by

$$\lambda(x) = \frac{f(x|a_1, b)}{f(x|a_0, b)} = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{when } a_1 < x_{(1)} \leq a_0, \\ e^{n(a_1 - a_0)/b} & \text{when } a_0 < x_{(1)}. \end{cases}$$

### 2.2 利用 $\lambda(x)$ 的形式, 求出 level- $\alpha$ test 的 power 的上界

Thus, for arbitrar level  $\alpha$  test  $\phi$  of (3.2), which leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \beta(a_1) &= \mathbb{E}_{a_1} \phi = \int_{a_1}^{\infty} \phi \cdot f(x|a_1, b) dx \\ &= \int_{a_1}^{a_0} \phi \cdot f(x|a_1, b) dx + \int_{a_0}^{\infty} \phi \cdot \frac{f(x|a_1, b)}{f(x|a_0, b)} \cdot f(x|a_0, b) dx \\ &= 1 - \int_{a_0}^{+\infty} \frac{f(x|a_1, b)}{f(x|a_0, b)} \cdot f(x|a_0, b) dx \\ &= 1 - e^{n(a_1 - a_0)/b} \end{aligned}$$

=  $\lambda(x)$  在  $x > a_0$  时为 constant  $e^{n(a_1 - a_0)/b}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \int_{a_1}^{a_0} f(x|a_1, b) dx + e^{n(a_1 - a_0)/b} \int_{a_0}^{\infty} \phi \cdot f(x|a_0, b) dx \\ &\leq 1 - e^{n(a_1 - a_0)/b} + \alpha \cdot e^{n(a_1 - a_0)/b} \triangleq \beta_1^* \end{aligned}$$

### 2.3 研究一个 test $\phi_0$ , 确保是 level- $\alpha$

Meanwhile, consider

$$\phi_0 = \mathbb{1} \left( \frac{X_{(1)} - a_0}{\sum_{i=1}^n [X_i - X_{(1)}]} \leq C_1 \right) + \mathbb{1} \left( \frac{X_{(1)} - a_0}{\sum_{i=1}^n [X_i - X_{(1)}]} > C_2 \right).$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  are determined by  $\mathbb{E}_{a_0} \phi_0 = \alpha$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= \mathbb{P}_{a_0} \left( \frac{X_{(1)} - a_0}{\sum_{i=1}^n [X_i - X_{(1)}]} < C_1 \right) + \mathbb{P}_{a_0} \left( \frac{X_{(1)} - a_0}{\sum_{i=1}^n [X_i - X_{(1)}]} > C_2 \right) \\ &= 1 - \mathbb{E} \exp \left( - \frac{nC_1 Y}{b} \right) + \mathbb{E} \exp \left( - \frac{nC_2 Y}{b} \right). \end{aligned}$$

\*Since  $Y$  actually follow  $Y \sim (b/2) \cdot \chi_{2n-2}^2$ , so

$$\alpha = 1 - (1 + nC_1)^{-(n-1)} + (1 + nC_2)^{-(n-1)}. \quad (*) \text{ (可令 } C_1 = 0, C_2 \text{ s.t. } (*) \text{ holds)}$$

### 2.4 证明 $\phi_0$ 的 power 取到 upper bound, 从而为 UMP

We directly calculate the the power of  $\phi_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_{\phi_0}(a_1) &= \mathbb{E}_{a_1} \phi_0 = 1 - \mathbb{E} \left[ \mathbb{P}_{a_1} \left( \frac{X_{(1)} - a_1}{Y} > C_1 + \frac{a_0 - a_1}{Y} \mid Y \right) \right] \\ &\quad + \mathbb{E} \left[ \mathbb{P}_{a_1} \left( \frac{X_{(1)} - a_1}{Y} > C_2 + \frac{a_0 - a_1}{Y} \mid Y \right) \right] \\ &= 1 - e^{n(a_1 - a_0)/b} \left( \mathbb{E} \exp \left( - \frac{nC_1 Y}{b} \right) - \mathbb{E} \exp \left( - \frac{nC_2 Y}{b} \right) \right) = \beta_1^*, \text{ (attain the upper bound)} \\ &= 1 - \alpha \end{aligned}$$

2.5 说明  $\phi_0$  与  $a_1$  无关

which is  $\phi_0$  attains the upper bound of the power, hence  $\phi_0$  is a UMP for testing (3.2), and since  $\phi_0$  does not depend on the specific value of  $a_1$ , so  $\phi_0$  is also a UMP for testing

$$H_0 : a = a_0, \text{ v.s. } H_1 : a < a_0.$$

PART 3:

Similarly, for the hypothesis testing problem

求出  $H_0: a = a_0$  vs.  $H_1: a > a_0$  的 UMP

$$H_0 : a = a_0, \text{ v.s. } H_1 : a = a_1, \text{ for some } a_1 > a_0. \quad (3.3)$$

3.1 研究 subhypothesis,

写出 likelihood ratio  $\lambda(x)$

Notice the likelihood ratio is given by

$$\lambda(x) = \frac{f(x|a_1, b)}{f(x|a_0, b)} = \begin{cases} e^{n(a_1 - a_0)/b} & \text{when } a_1 < x_{(1)}, \\ 0 & \text{when } a_0 < x_{(1)} \leq a_1. \end{cases}$$

3.2 利用 NP Lemma, 写出 UMP  $\phi_1$  的形式

According to Neyman Pearson Lemma, the UMP test of (3.3) is given by

$$\phi_1 = \mathbb{1}(\lambda(X) > k) + \gamma \cdot \mathbb{1}(\lambda(X) = k)$$

where the critical value  $k$  and tuning parameter  $\gamma$  are determined by

$$\mathbb{E}_{a_0} \phi_1 = \alpha = \mathbb{P}_{a_0}(\lambda(X) > k) + \gamma \cdot \mathbb{P}_{a_0}(\lambda(X) = k).$$

3.3 讨论  $n$  的取值, 求出  $\phi_1$  的 power

Therefore, if  $\exp(-n(a_1 - a_0)/b) \geq \alpha$ ,

$$\phi_1 = \alpha e^{\frac{n(a_1 - a_0)}{b}} \cdot \mathbb{1}(X_{(1)} > a_1), \Rightarrow \beta_{\phi_1}(a_1) = \alpha e^{\frac{n(a_1 - a_0)}{b}},$$

if  $\exp(-n(a_1 - a_0)/b) < \alpha$ ,

$$\phi_1 = \mathbb{1}(X_{(1)} > a_1) + \frac{\alpha - e^{-\frac{n(a_1 - a_0)}{b}}}{1 - e^{-\frac{n(a_1 - a_0)}{b}}} \cdot \mathbb{1}(a_0 < X_{(1)} \leq a_1), \Rightarrow \beta_{\phi_1}(a_1) = 1.$$

3.4 研究  $\phi_0$ , 找出一组  $C_1, C_2$ , 使得  $\phi_0$  为 size- $\alpha$

Define two constants

$$k_1 = \mathbb{E} \exp\left(-\frac{nC_1 Y}{b}\right), \quad k_2 = \mathbb{E} \exp\left(-\frac{nC_2 Y}{b}\right),$$

and we seek for  $k_1, k_2$  satisfying

$$k_1 - k_2 = 1 - \alpha, \quad k_1 \geq \alpha, \quad k_2 \geq \alpha.$$

For instance, we can pick  $k_1 = 1$  and  $k_2 = \alpha$ , which corresponding to  $C_1 = 0$  and  $(1 + nC_2)^{-(n-1)} = \alpha$ . We now directly calculate the size of  $\phi_0$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}_{a_0} \phi_0 = \mathbb{P}_{a_0} \left( \frac{X_{(1)} - a_0}{\sum_{i=1}^n [X_i - X_{(1)}]} < 0 \right) + \mathbb{P}_{a_0} \left( \frac{X_{(1)} - a_0}{\sum_{i=1}^n [X_i - X_{(1)}]} > C_2 \right) = \alpha,$$

3.5 求出  $\phi_0$  的 power, 说

明  $\phi_0$  与  $\phi_1$  power 相同, 因此  $\phi_0$  为 UMP

and the power of  $\phi_0$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}_{a_1} \phi_0 = \mathbb{P}_{a_1} \left( \frac{n(X_{(1)} - a_1)}{b} > \frac{nC_2 Y}{b} + \frac{n(a_0 - a_1)}{b} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= e^{\frac{n(a_1-a_0)}{b}} \cdot \mathbb{E} \exp\left(-\frac{nC_2 Y}{b}\right) \cdot \mathbb{1}\left(e^{\frac{n(a_0-a_1)}{b}} \geq \alpha\right) + \mathbb{1}\left(e^{\frac{n(a_0-a_1)}{b}} < \alpha\right) \\
&= \alpha \cdot e^{\frac{n(a_1-a_0)}{b}} \cdot \mathbb{1}\left(e^{\frac{n(a_0-a_1)}{b}} \geq \alpha\right) + \mathbb{1}\left(e^{\frac{n(a_0-a_1)}{b}} < \alpha\right),
\end{aligned}$$

which means  $\phi_0$  has the same power as  $\phi_1$ , hence  $\phi_0$  is a UMP for testing (3.3), and since  $\phi_0$  does not depend on the specific value of  $a_1$ , so  $\phi_0$  is also a UMP for testing

$$H_0 : a = a_0, \text{ v.s. } H_1 : a > a_0.$$

PART 4:

利用 duality 将 UMP 转化为 UMA

Overall, we conclude that  $\phi_0$  is a UMP test for testing

$$H_0 : a = a_0, \text{ v.s. } H_1 : a \neq a_0, \quad (3.4)$$

Notice that, for each specific  $a_0$ , the acceptance of this UMP test  $\phi_0$  is

$$A_{a_0} = \left\{ x \in \Omega : 0 \leq \frac{x_{(1)} - a_0}{\sum_{i=1}^n [x_i - x_{(1)}]} \leq \frac{1}{n} \left[ \alpha^{-\frac{1}{n-1}} - 1 \right] \right\},$$

事实上, 满足条件的  $C_1, C_2$  仅有  $C_1=0, C_2=\frac{1}{n}[\alpha^{-\frac{1}{n-1}}-1]$

accordingly, the confidence set obtained using the duality between testing and interval estimation, i.e., Theorem.??, is given by

$$\hat{C}(X) = \left\{ a \in \mathbb{R} : 0 \leq \frac{X_{(1)} - a}{\sum_{i=1}^n [X_i - X_{(1)}]} \leq \frac{1}{n} \left[ \alpha^{-\frac{1}{n-1}} - 1 \right] \right\},$$

and accordingly to theorem.3.2,  $\hat{C}(X)$  is a confidence set for the location parameter  $a$ .  $\square$