

Theorem 4.1 (Bayes formula). Assume that $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta|x} : \theta \in \Theta\}$ is dominated by a σ -finite measure ν and $f_\theta(x) = \frac{dP_{\theta|x}}{d\nu}(x)$ is a Borel function on $(X \times \Omega, \sigma(\mathcal{B}_X \times \mathcal{B}_{\Omega}))$. Let Π be a prior distribution on Θ . Suppose that $m(x) = \int_{\Theta} f_\theta(x) d\Pi > 0$.

(i) The posterior distribution $P_{\theta|x} \ll \Pi$ and

$$\frac{dP_{\theta|x}}{d\Pi} = \frac{f_\theta(x)}{m(x)}.$$

(ii) If $\Pi \ll \lambda$ and $\frac{d\Pi}{d\lambda} = \pi(\theta)$ for a σ -finite measure λ , then

$$\frac{dP_{\theta|x}}{d\lambda} = \frac{f_\theta(x)\pi(\theta)}{m(x)}. \quad (4.1)$$

Definition 4.1. Let \mathbb{A} be an action space in a decision problem and $L(\theta, a) \geq 0$ be a loss function. For any $x \in \mathfrak{X}$, a *Bayes action* w.r.t. Π is any $\delta(x) \in \mathbb{A}$ such that

$$E[L(\theta, \delta(x))|X=x] = \min_{a \in \mathbb{A}} E[L(\theta, a)|X=x], \quad (4.3)$$

where the expectation is w.r.t. the posterior distribution $P_{\theta|x}$. ■

Proposition 4.1. Assume that the conditions in Theorem 4.1 hold; $L(\theta, a)$ is convex in a for each fixed θ ; and for each $x \in \mathfrak{X}$, $E[L(\theta, a)|X=x] \leq \infty$ for some a .

(i) If \mathbb{A} is a compact subset of \mathcal{R}^p for some integer $p \geq 1$, then a Bayes action $\delta(x)$ exists for each $x \in \mathfrak{X}$.

(ii) If $\mathbb{A} = \mathcal{R}^p$ and $L(\theta, a)$ tends to ∞ as $\|a\| \rightarrow \infty$ uniformly in $\theta \in \Theta_0 \subset \Theta$ with $\Pi(\Theta_0) > 0$, then a Bayes action $\delta(x)$ exists for each $x \in \mathfrak{X}$.

(iii) In (i) or (ii), if $L(\theta, a)$ is strictly convex in a for each fixed θ , then the Bayes action is unique.

Theorem 4.2. In a decision problem, let $\delta(X)$ be a Bayes rule w.r.t. a prior Π .

(i) If $\delta(X)$ is a unique Bayes rule, then $\delta(X)$ is admissible.

(ii) If Θ is a countable set, the Bayes risk $r_s(\Pi) < \infty$, and Π gives positive probability to each $\theta \in \Theta$, then $\delta(X)$ is admissible.

(iii) Let \mathfrak{S} be the class of decision rules having continuous risk functions. If $\delta(X) \in \mathfrak{S}$, $r_s(\Pi) < \infty$, and Π gives positive probability to any open subset of Θ , then $\delta(X)$ is \mathfrak{S} -admissible. ■

Theorem 4.3. Suppose that Θ is an open set of \mathcal{R}^k . In a decision problem, let \mathfrak{S} be the class of decision rules having continuous risk functions. A decision rule $T \in \mathfrak{S}$ is \mathfrak{S} -admissible if there exists a sequence $\{\Pi_j\}$ of (possibly improper) priors such that (a) the generalized Bayes risks $r_T(\Pi_j)$ are finite for all j ; (b) for any $\theta \in \Theta$ and $\eta > 0$,

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{r_T(\Pi_j) - r_j^*(\Pi_j)}{\Pi_j(O_{\theta_0, \eta})} = 0,$$

where $r_j^*(\Pi_j) = \inf_{T \in \mathfrak{S}} r_T(\Pi_j)$ and $O_{\theta_0, \eta} = \{\theta \in \Theta : \|\theta - \theta_0\| < \eta\}$ with $\Pi_j(O_{\theta_0, \eta}) < \infty$ for all j .

Proposition 4.2. Let $\delta(X)$ be a Bayes estimator of $\vartheta = g(\theta)$ under the squared error loss. Then $\delta(X)$ is not unbiased unless the Bayes risk $r_s(\Pi) = 0$.

Lemma 4.1. Suppose that X has a p.d.f. $f_\theta(x)$ w.r.t. a σ -finite measure ν . Suppose that $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$, $\theta_2 \in \Theta_2$, and that the prior has a p.d.f.

$$\pi(\theta) = \pi_{\theta_1|\theta_2}(\theta_1)\pi_{\theta_2}(\theta_2),$$

where $\pi_{\theta_2}(\theta_2)$ is a p.d.f. w.r.t. a σ -finite measure ν_2 on Θ_2 and for any given θ_2 , $\pi_{\theta_1|\theta_2}(\theta_1)$ is a p.d.f. w.r.t. a σ -finite measure ν_1 on Θ_1 . Suppose further that if θ_2 is given, the Bayes estimator of $h(\theta_1) = g(\theta_1, \theta_2)$ under the squared error loss is $\delta(X, \theta_2)$. Then the Bayes estimator of $g(\theta_1, \theta_2)$ under the squared error loss is $\delta(X)$ with

$$\delta(x) = \int_{\Theta_2} \delta(x, \theta_2)p_{\theta_2|x}(d\theta_2),$$

where $p_{\theta_2|x}(\theta_2)$ is the posterior p.d.f. of θ_2 given $X = x$. ■

Theorem 4.11. Let Π be a proper prior on Θ and δ be a Bayes estimator of ϑ w.r.t. Π . Let $\Pi_{\Theta} = \{\theta : R_{\delta}(\theta) = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R_{\delta}(\theta)\}$. If $\Pi(\Pi_{\Theta}) = 1$, then δ is minimax. If, in addition, δ is the unique Bayes estimator w.r.t. Π , then it is the unique minimax estimator.

Theorem 4.12. Let Π_j , $j = 1, 2, \dots$, be a sequence of priors and r_j be the Bayes risk of a Bayes estimator of ϑ w.r.t. Π_j . Let T be a constant risk estimator of ϑ . If $\liminf_j r_j \geq R_T$, then T is minimax.

Lemma 4.3. Let Θ_0 be a subset of Θ and T be a minimax estimator of ϑ when Θ_0 is the parameter space. Then T is a minimax estimator if

$$\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} R_T(\theta) = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} R_T(\theta).$$

Theorem 4.13. Suppose that T as an estimator of ϑ has constant risk and is admissible. Then T is minimax. If the loss function is strictly convex, then T is the unique minimax estimator.

Theorem 4.14. Suppose that X has the p.d.f. $c(\theta)e^{\vartheta T(x)}$ w.r.t. a σ -finite measure ν , where $T(x)$ is real-valued and $\theta \in (\theta_-, \theta_+) \subset \mathcal{R}$. Consider the estimation of $\vartheta = E[T(X)]$ under the squared error loss. Let $\lambda \geq 0$ and γ be known constants and let $T_{\lambda, \gamma}(X) = (T + \gamma\lambda)/(\lambda + 1)$. Then a sufficient condition for the admissibility of $T_{\lambda, \gamma}$ is that

$$\int_{\theta_0}^{\theta_+} \frac{e^{-\gamma\lambda\theta}}{[c(\theta)]^\lambda} d\theta = \int_{\theta_-}^{\theta_0} \frac{e^{-\gamma\lambda\theta}}{[c(\theta)]^\lambda} d\theta = \infty, \quad (4.34)$$

where $\theta_0 \in (\theta_-, \theta_+)$.

Corollary 4.3. Assume that X has the p.d.f. as described in Theorem 4.14 with $\theta_- = -\infty$ and $\theta_+ = \infty$.

(i) As an estimator of $\vartheta = E(T)$, $T(X)$ is admissible under the squared error loss and the loss $(a - \vartheta)^2/\text{Var}(T)$.

(ii) T is the unique minimax estimator of ϑ under the loss $(a - \vartheta)^2/\text{Var}(T)$.

Theorem 4.15. Suppose that X is from $N_p(\theta, I_p)$ with $p \geq 3$. Then, under the loss function (4.37), the risks of the following estimators of θ ,

$$\delta_{c,r} = X - \frac{r(p-2)}{\|X - c\|^2}(X - c), \quad (4.41)$$

are given by

$$R_{\delta_{c,r}}(\theta) = p - (2r - r^2)(p-2)^2 E(\|X - c\|^2), \quad (4.42)$$

where $c \in \mathcal{R}^p$ and $r \in \mathcal{R}$ are known.

Theorem 4.16. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. from a p.d.f. f_θ w.r.t. a σ -finite measure ν on $(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{B})$, where $\theta \in \Theta$ and Θ is an open set in \mathcal{R}^k . Suppose that for every x in the range of X_1 , $f_\theta(x)$ is twice continuously differentiable in θ and satisfies

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int \psi_\theta(x) d\nu = \int \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \psi_\theta(x) d\nu$$

for $\psi_\theta(x) = f_\theta(x)$ and $= \partial f_\theta(x)/\partial \theta$; the Fisher information matrix

$$I_1(\theta) = E \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f_\theta(X_1) \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log f_\theta(X_1) \right]^T \right\}$$

is positive definite; and for any given $\theta \in \Theta$, there exists a positive number c_θ and a positive function h_θ such that $E[h_\theta(X_1)] < \infty$ and

$$\sup_{\gamma: \|\gamma - \theta\| < c_\theta} \left\| \frac{\partial^2 \log f_\gamma(x)}{\partial \gamma \partial \gamma^T} \right\| \leq h_\theta(x) \quad (4.49)$$

for all x in the range of X_1 , where $\|A\| = \sqrt{\text{tr}(A^T A)}$ for any matrix A . If $\hat{\theta}_n$ is an estimator of θ (based on X_1, \dots, X_n) and satisfies (4.47) with $V_n(\theta) = V(\theta)/n$, then there is a $\Theta_0 \subset \Theta$ with Lebesgue measure 0 such that (4.48) holds if $\theta \notin \Theta_0$.

Definition 4.4. Assume that the Fisher information matrix $I_n(\theta)$ is well defined and positive definite for every n . A sequence of estimators $\{\hat{\theta}_n\}$ satisfying (4.47) is said to be *asymptotically efficient* or *asymptotically optimal* if and only if $V_n(\theta) = [I_n(\theta)]^{-1}$. ■

Theorem 4.17. Assume the conditions of Theorem 4.16.

(i) There is a sequence of estimators $\{\hat{\theta}_n\}$ such that

$$P(s_n(\hat{\theta}_n) = 0) \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow{p} \theta, \quad (4.74)$$

where $s_n(\gamma) = \partial \log \ell(\gamma)/\partial \gamma$.

(ii) Any consistent sequence $\hat{\theta}_n$ of RLE's is asymptotically efficient.

Theorem 4.18. Consider the GLM (4.55)-(4.58) with t_i 's in a fixed interval (t_0, t_∞) , $0 < t_0 < t_\infty < \infty$. Assume that the range of the unknown parameter β in (4.57) is an open subset of \mathcal{R}^p ; at the true parameter value β_* , $0 < \inf_i \varphi(\beta^* Z_i) \leq \sup_i \varphi(\beta^* Z_i) < \infty$, where $\varphi(t) = [w'(t)]^2 \zeta''(\psi(t))$; as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\max_{i \leq n} Z_i^T Z_i^{-1} Z_i \rightarrow 0$ and $\lambda_- Z_i^T Z_i \rightarrow \infty$, where Z is the $n \times p$ matrix whose i th row is the vector Z_i and $\lambda_-[A]$ is the smallest eigenvalue of the matrix A .

(i) There is a unique sequence of estimators $\{\hat{\beta}_n\}$ such that

$$P(s_n(\hat{\beta}_n) = 0) \rightarrow 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\beta}_n \xrightarrow{p} \beta_*, \quad (4.80)$$

where $s_n(\gamma)$ is the score function defined to be the left-hand side of (4.59) with $\gamma = \beta$.

(ii) Let $I_n(\beta) = \text{Var}(s_n(\beta))$. Then

$$[I_n(\beta)]^{1/2}(\hat{\beta}_n - \beta) \xrightarrow{d} N_p(0, I_p). \quad (4.81)$$

(iii) If ϕ in (4.58) is known or the p.d.f. in (4.55) indexed by $\theta = (\beta, \phi)$ satisfies the conditions for f_θ in Theorem 4.16, then $\hat{\beta}_n$ is asymptotically efficient.

Theorem 5.2. Let F_n be the empirical c.d.f. based on i.i.d. random variables X_1, \dots, X_n from a c.d.f. $F \in \mathcal{F}_1$. Then

(i) $\partial L_p(F_n, F) \xrightarrow{a.s.} 0$;

(ii) $E[\sqrt{n}L_p(F_n, F)] = O(1)$ if $1 \leq p < 2$ and $\int [F(t)[1 - F(t)]]^{p/2} dt < \infty$, or $p \geq 2$.

Theorem 5.3. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. with $F \in \mathcal{F}$ and $\ell(G)$ be defined by (5.8). Then F_n maximizes $\ell(G)$ over $G \in \mathcal{F}$.

Proof. We only need to consider $G \in \mathcal{F}$ such that $\ell(G) > 0$. Let $c \in (0, 1]$ and \mathcal{C} be the subset of \mathcal{F} containing G 's satisfying $p_i = P_G(\{x_i\}) > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, and $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = c$. We now apply the Lagrange multiplier method to solve the problem of maximizing $\ell(G)$ over $G \in \mathcal{C}(c)$. Define

$$H(p_1, \dots, p_n, \lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n p_i + \lambda \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i - c \right),$$

where λ is the Lagrange multiplier. Set

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial \lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i - c = 0, \quad \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_j} = p_j^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^n p_i + \lambda = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n.$$

The solution is $p_i = c/n$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, $\lambda = -(c/n)^{n-1}$. It can be shown (exercise) that this solution is a maximum of $H(p_1, \dots, p_n, \lambda)$ over $p_i > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = c$. This shows that

$$\max_{G \in \mathcal{C}(c)} \ell(G) = (c/n)^n,$$

which is maximized at $c = 1$ for any fixed n . The result follows from $P_{\mathcal{C}(c)}(x_i) = n^{-1}$ for given $X_i = x_i$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. ■

Theorem 5.4. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. random variables from F having positive derivatives at $\theta_{p_1}, \dots, \theta_{p_m}$, where $0 < p_1 < \dots < p_m < 1$ are fixed constants. Then

$\sqrt{n}[(\hat{\theta}_{p_1}, \dots, \hat{\theta}_{p_m}) - (\theta_{p_1}, \dots, \theta_{p_m})] \xrightarrow{d} N_m(0, D)$, where D is the $m \times m$ symmetric matrix whose (i, j) th element is

$$\Sigma_{ij} = \Sigma - \Sigma U^{-1} W^{-1} \Sigma, \quad (5.15)$$

Σ is given in (5.2), $W = (W(t_1), \dots, W(t_m))$, $W(t_j) = E[X(t_1) I_{(-\infty, t_j]}(X_1)]$, and the notation $(-\infty, t_j]$ is the same as that in (5.1).

$$\sigma_n(t) = \frac{F_n(t+\lambda_n) - F_n(t-\lambda_n)}{2\lambda_n}, \quad t \in \mathcal{R}, \quad (5.26)$$

$$E[f_n(t)] \rightarrow f(t) \quad \text{if } \lambda_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

and

$$\text{Var}(f_n(t)) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{if } \lambda_n \rightarrow 0 \text{ and } n\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Thus, we should choose λ_n converging to 0 slower than n^{-1} . If we assume that $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$, $n\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$, and f is continuously differentiable at t , then it can be shown (exercise) that

$$\text{mse}_{f_n(t)}(F) = \frac{f(t)}{2n\lambda_n} + o\left(\frac{1}{n\lambda_n}\right) + O(\lambda_n^2) \quad (5.27)$$

and, under the additional condition that $n\lambda_n^3 \rightarrow 0$,

$$\sqrt{n\lambda_n}[f_n(t) - f(t)] \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \frac{1}{2}f(t)). \quad (5.28)$$

$u(x)$ replaced by $\psi(x, \theta)$, where ψ is a known function from $\mathcal{R}^d \times \mathcal{R}^k$ to \mathcal{R}^s . Maximizing this empirical likelihood is equivalent to maximizing

$$\ell(p_1, \dots, p_n, \omega, \lambda, \theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n p_i + \omega \left(1 - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \right) + \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \lambda^T \psi(x_i, \theta),$$

where ω and λ are Lagrange multipliers. It follows from (5.12) and (5.13) that $\omega = n$, $\bar{p}_i(\theta) = n^{-1}[1 + [\lambda_n(\theta)]^T \psi(x_i, \theta)]^{-1}$ with a $\lambda_n(\theta)$ satisfying

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\psi(x_i, \theta)}{1 + [\lambda_n(\theta)]^T \psi(x_i, \theta)} = 0$$

maximize $\ell(p_1, \dots, p_n, \omega, \lambda, \theta)$ for any fixed θ . Substituting \bar{p}_i with $\sum_{i=1}^n \bar{p}_i$ into $\ell(p_1, \dots, p_n, \omega, \lambda, \theta)$ leads to the following profile empirical likelihood for θ :

$$\ell(\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n \{1 + [\lambda_n(\theta)]^T \psi(x_i, \theta)\}}. \quad (5.36)$$

$$P(\hat{\theta}_p \leq t) = P(F_n(t) \geq p)$$

$$= \prod_{i=t}^{n-p} \binom{n}{i} [F(t)]^i [1 - F(t)]^{n-i}, \quad (5.68)$$

where $\ell_p = np$ if np is an integer and $\ell_p = 1 + \text{the integer part of } np$ if np is not an integer. If F has a Lebesgue p.d.f. f , then $\hat{\theta}_p$ has the Lebesgue p.d.f.

$$\varphi_n(t) = n \binom{n-1}{\ell_p-1} [F(t)]^{\ell_p-1} [1 - F(t)]^{n-\ell_p} f(t). \quad (5.69)$$

Theorem 5.10. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. random variables from F .

(i) If $F(\hat{\theta}_p) = p$, then $P(\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_p - \theta_p) \leq 0) \rightarrow \Phi(0) = \frac{1}{2}$, where Φ is the c.d.f. of the standard normal.

(ii) If F is continuous at θ_p and there exists $F'(\theta_p) > 0$, then

$$P(\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_p - \theta_p) \leq t) \rightarrow \Phi(t/\sigma_F), \quad t < 0,$$

where $\sigma_F = \sqrt{p(1-p)/F'(\theta_p)}$.

(iv) If $F'(\theta_p)$ exists and is positive, then

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_p - \theta_p) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma_F^2), \quad (5.70)$$

where $\sigma_F = \sqrt{p(1-p)/F'(\theta_p)}$.

Theorem 5.11 (Bahadur's representation). Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. random variables from F . Suppose that $F'(\theta_p)$ exists and is positive. Then

$$\hat{\theta}_p = \theta_p + \frac{F(\theta_p) - F_n(\theta_p)}{F'(\theta_p)} + o_p\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right). \quad (5.71)$$

Corollary 5.1. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. random variables from F having positive derivatives at $\theta_{p_1}, \dots, \theta_{p_m}$, where $0 < p_1 < \dots < p_m < 1$ are fixed constants. Then

$$\sqrt{n}[(\hat{\theta}_{p_1}, \dots, \hat{\theta}_{p_m}) - (\theta_{p_1}, \dots, \theta_{p_m})] \xrightarrow{d} N_m(0, D),$$

where D is the $m \times m$ symmetric matrix whose (i, j) th element is

$$P_i(1 - P_j)/[F'(\theta_{p_i})F'(\theta_{p_j})], \quad i \leq j. \quad \blacksquare$$

$$\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \text{Var}(X_1)).$$

By Theorem 5.10(iv),

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_{0.5} - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, [2F'(\theta)]^{-2}).$$

Hence

This leads to the following general estimation method. Let $\Theta \subset \mathcal{R}^k$ be the range of θ , ψ_i be a Borel function from $\mathcal{R}^{d_i} \times \Theta$ to \mathcal{R}^k , $i = 1, \dots, n$, and

$$s_n(\gamma) = \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i(X_i, \gamma), \quad \gamma \in \Theta. \quad (5.84)$$

If θ is estimated by $\hat{\theta} \in \Theta$ satisfying $s_n(\hat{\theta}) = 0$, then $\hat{\theta}$ is called a GEE estimator. The equation $s_n(\gamma) = 0$ is called a GEE. Apparently, the LSE's, RLE's, MQLE's, and M-estimators are special cases of GEE estimators.

the empirical likelihood

$$\ell(G) = \prod_{i=1}^n P_G(\{x_i\}), \quad G \in \mathcal{F}$$

subject to

$$p_i \geq 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1, \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \psi(x_i, \theta) = 0, \quad (5.91)$$

where $p_i = P_G(\{x_i\})$. However, in this case the dimension of the function ψ is the same as the dimension of the parameter θ and, hence, the last equation in (5.91) does not impose any restriction on p_i 's. Then, it follows

Proposition 5.2. Suppose that X_1, \dots, X_n are i.i.d. from F and $\psi_t \equiv \psi$, a bounded and continuous function from $\mathcal{R}^d \times \Theta$ to \mathcal{R}^k . Let $\Psi(t) = \int \psi(x, t)dF(x)$. Suppose that $\Psi(\theta) = 0$ and $\partial\Psi(t)/\partial t$ exists and is of full rank at $t = \theta$. Then $\hat{\theta}_n \rightarrow_p \theta$. ■

Theorem 5.13. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. from F , $\psi_i \equiv \psi$, and $\theta \in \mathcal{R}$. Suppose that $\Psi(\gamma) = \int \psi(x, \gamma)dF(x) = 0$ if and only if $\gamma = \theta$, $\Psi'(\theta)$ exists and $\Psi'(\theta) \neq 0$.

(i) Assume that $\psi(x, \gamma)$ is nonincreasing in γ and that $\int [\psi(x, \gamma)]^2 dF(x)$ is finite for γ in a neighborhood of θ and is continuous at θ . Then, any sequence of GEE estimators (M-estimators) $\{\hat{\theta}_n\}$ satisfies

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) \rightarrow_d N(0, \sigma_F^2), \quad (5.98)$$

where

$$\sigma_F^2 = \int [\psi(x, \theta)]^2 dF(x) / [\Psi'(\theta)]^2.$$

(ii) Assume that $\int [\psi(x, \theta)]^2 dF(x) < \infty$, $\psi(x, \gamma)$ is continuous in x , and $\lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \theta} \|\psi(\cdot, \gamma) - \psi(\cdot, \theta)\|_{\mathcal{V}} = 0$, where $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{V}}$ is the variation norm defined in Lemma 5.2. Then, any consistent sequence of GEE estimators $\{\hat{\theta}_n\}$ satisfies (5.98).

Theorem 5.14. Suppose that $\varphi_i(x, \gamma) = \partial\psi_i(x, \gamma)/\partial\gamma$ exists and the sequence of functions $\{\varphi_{ij}\}, i = 1, 2, \dots$ satisfies the conditions in Lemma 5.3 with Θ replaced by a compact neighborhood of θ , where φ_{ij} is the j th row of φ_i ; $\sup_i E\|\varphi_i(X_i, \theta)\|^{2+\delta} < \infty$ for some $\delta > 0$ (this condition can be replaced by $E\|\varphi_i(X_i, \theta)\|^2 < \infty$ if X_i 's are i.i.d. and $\psi_i \equiv \psi$; $E|\psi_i(X_i, \theta)| = 0$; $\liminf_n \lambda_-[-n^{-1}\text{Var}(s_n(\theta))] > 0$ and $\liminf_n \lambda_-[-n^{-1}M_n(\theta)] > 0$, where $M_n(\theta) = -E[\nabla s_n(\theta)]$ and $\lambda_-[A]$ is the smallest eigenvalue of the matrix A). If $\{\hat{\theta}_n\}$ is a consistent sequence of GEE estimators, then

$$V_n^{-1/2}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) \rightarrow_d N_k(0, I_k), \quad (5.99)$$

where

$$V_n = [M_n(\theta)]^{-1} \text{Var}(s_n(\theta)) [M_n(\theta)]^{-1}. \quad (5.100)$$

Theorem 6.1 (Neyman-Pearson lemma). Suppose that $\mathcal{P}_0 = \{P_0\}$ and $\mathcal{P}_1 = \{P_1\}$. Let f_θ be the p.d.f. of P_j w.r.t. a σ -finite measure ν (e.g., $\nu = P_0 + P_1$), $j = 0, 1$.

(i) (Existence of a UMP test). For every α , there exists a UMP test of size α , which is equal to

$$T_*(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & f_1(X) > c f_0(X) \\ \gamma & f_1(X) = c f_0(X) \\ 0 & f_1(X) < c f_0(X), \end{cases} \quad (6.3)$$

where $\gamma \in [0, 1]$ and $c \geq 0$ are some constants chosen so that $E[T_*(X)] = \alpha$ when $P = P_0$ ($c = \infty$ is allowed).

(ii) (Uniqueness). If T_{**} is a UMP test of size α , then

$$T_{**}(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & f_1(X) > c f_0(X) \\ 0 & f_1(X) \leq c f_0(X) \end{cases} \quad \text{a.s. } \mathcal{P}. \quad (6.4)$$

Lemma 6.1. Suppose that there is a test T_* of size α such that for every $P_1 \in \mathcal{P}_1$, T_* is UMP for testing H_0 versus the hypothesis $P = P_1$. Then T_* is UMP for testing H_0 versus H_1 .

Lemma 6.3. Suppose that the distribution of X is in a parametric family \mathcal{P} indexed by a real-valued θ and that \mathcal{P} has monotone likelihood ratio in $Y(X)$. If ψ is a nondecreasing function of Y , then $g(\theta) = E[\psi(Y)]$ is a nondecreasing function of θ .

Example 6.5. The following families have monotone likelihood ratio:

- (a) the double exponential distribution family $\{DE(\theta, c)\}$ with a known c ;
- (b) the exponential distribution family $\{E(\theta, c)\}$ with a known c ;
- (c) the logistic distribution family $\{LG(\theta, c)\}$ with a known c ;
- (d) the uniform distribution family $\{U(\theta, \theta + 1)\}$;
- (e) the hypergeometric distribution family $\{HG(r, \theta, N - \theta)\}$ with known r and N (Table 1.1, page 18).

An example of a family that does not have monotone likelihood ratio is the Cauchy distribution family $\{C(\theta, c)\}$ with a known c . ■

Theorem 6.2. Suppose that X has a distribution in $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$ ($\Theta \subset \mathcal{R}$) that has monotone likelihood ratio in $Y(X)$. Consider the problem of testing $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta > \theta_0$, where θ_0 is a given constant.

(i) There exists a UMP test of size α , which is given by

$$T_*(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & Y(X) > c \\ \gamma & Y(X) = c \\ 0 & Y(X) < c, \end{cases} \quad (6.11)$$

where c and γ are determined by $\beta_{T_*}(\theta_0) = \alpha$, and $\beta_T(\theta) = E[T(X)]$ is the power function of a test T .

(ii) $\beta_{T_*}(\theta)$ is strictly increasing for all θ 's for which $0 < \beta_{T_*}(\theta) < 1$.

(iii) For any $\theta < \theta_0$, T_* minimizes $\beta_T(\theta)$ (the type I error probability of T) among all tests T satisfying $\beta_T(\theta_0) = \alpha$.

(iv) Assume that $P_\theta f_\theta(X) = c f_{\theta_0}(X) = 0$ for any $\theta > \theta_0$ and $c \geq 0$, where f_θ is the p.d.f. of T . If T is a test with $\beta_T(\theta_0) = \beta_{T_*}(\theta_0)$, then for any $\theta > \theta_0$, either $\beta_T(\theta) < \beta_{T_*}(\theta)$ or $T = T_*$ a.s. P_θ .

(v) For any fixed θ_1 , T_* is UMP for testing $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_1$ versus $H_1 : \theta > \theta_1$, with size $\beta_{T_*}(\theta_1)$.

Corollary 6.1. Suppose that X has the p.d.f. given by (6.10) w.r.t. a σ -finite measure, where η is a strictly monotone function of θ . If η is increasing, then T_* given by (6.11) is UMP for testing $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta > \theta_0$, where γ and c are determined by $\beta_{T_*}(\theta_0) = \alpha$. If η is decreasing or $H_0 : \theta \geq \theta_0$ ($H_1 : \theta < \theta_0$), the result is still valid by reversing inequalities in (6.11). ■

The following hypotheses are called two-sided hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_1 \text{ or } \theta \geq \theta_2 \quad \text{versus} \quad H_1 : \theta_1 < \theta < \theta_2, \quad (6.12)$$

$$H_0 : \theta_1 \leq \theta \leq \theta_2 \quad \text{versus} \quad H_1 : \theta < \theta_1 \text{ or } \theta > \theta_2, \quad (6.13)$$

$$H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{versus} \quad H_1 : \theta \neq \theta_0, \quad (6.14)$$

where θ_0 , θ_1 , and θ_2 are given constants and $\theta_1 < \theta_2$.

Theorem 6.3. Suppose that X has the p.d.f. given by (6.10) w.r.t. a σ -finite measure, where η is a strictly increasing function of θ .

(i) For testing hypotheses (6.12), a UMP test of size α is

$$T_*(X) = \begin{cases} 1 & c_1(Y(X) < c_2) \\ \gamma_i & Y(X) = c_i, i = 1, 2 \\ 0 & Y(X) < c_1 \text{ or } Y(X) > c_2, \end{cases} \quad (6.15)$$

where c_i 's and γ_i 's are determined by

$$\beta_{T_*}(\theta_1) = \beta_{T_*}(\theta_2) = \alpha. \quad (6.16)$$

(ii) The test defined by (6.15) minimizes $\beta_T(\theta)$ over all $\theta < \theta_1$, $\theta > \theta_2$, and T satisfying $\beta_T(\theta_1) = \beta_T(\theta_2) = \alpha$.

(iii) If T_* and T_{**} are two tests satisfying (6.15) and $\beta_{T_*}(\theta_1) = \beta_{T_{**}}(\theta_1)$ and if the region $\{T_{**} = 1\}$ is to the right of $\{T_* = 1\}$, then $\beta_{T_*}(\theta) < \beta_{T_{**}}(\theta)$ for $\theta > \theta_1$ and $\beta_{T_*}(\theta) > \beta_{T_{**}}(\theta)$ for $\theta < \theta_1$. If both T_* and T_{**} satisfy (6.15) and (6.16), then $T_* = T_{**}$ a.s. P .

Lemma 6.4. Suppose that X has a p.d.f. in $\{f_\theta(x) : \theta \in \Theta\}$, a parametric family of p.d.f.'s w.r.t. a single σ -finite measure ν on \mathcal{R} , where $\Theta \subset \mathcal{R}$. Suppose that this family has monotone likelihood ratio in X . Let ψ be a function with a single change of sign.

(i) There exists $\theta_0 \in \Theta$ such that $E_\theta[\psi(X)] \leq 0$ for $\theta < \theta_0$ and $E_\theta[\psi(X)] \geq 0$ for $\theta > \theta_0$.

for $\theta > \theta_0$, where E_θ is the expectation w.r.t. f_θ .

(ii) Suppose that $f_\theta(x) > 0$ for all x and θ , that $f_{\theta_1}(x)/f_{\theta_2}(x)$ is strictly increasing in x for $\theta_1 < \theta_2$, and that $\nu\{\{x : \psi(x) \neq 0\}\} > 0$. If $E_{\theta_0}[\psi(X)] = 0$, then $E_\theta[\psi(X)] < 0$ for $\theta < \theta_0$ and $E_\theta[\psi(X)] > 0$ for $\theta > \theta_0$.

A UMP test T of size α has the property that

$$\beta_T(P) \leq \alpha, \quad P \in \mathcal{P}_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_T(P) \geq \alpha, \quad P \in \mathcal{P}_1. \quad (6.19)$$

Definition 6.3. Let α be a given level of significance. A test T for $H_0 : P \in \mathcal{P}_0$ versus $H_1 : P \in \mathcal{P}_1$ is said to be unbiased of level α if and only if (6.19) holds. A test of size α is called a *uniformly most powerful unbiased* (UMP) test if and only if it is UMP within the class of unbiased tests of level α . ■

Lemma 6.5. Consider hypotheses (6.20). Suppose that, for every T , $\beta_T(P)$ is continuous in θ . If T_* is uniformly most powerful among all tests satisfying (6.21) and has size α , then T_* is a UMP test.

Lemma 6.6. Let $U(X)$ be a sufficient statistic for $P \in \mathcal{P}$. Then a necessary and sufficient condition for all tests similar on Θ_{01} to have Neyman structure w.r.t. U is that U is boundedly complete for $P \in \mathcal{P}$.

Throughout this section, we consider the following hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \theta \in \Theta_0 \quad \text{versus} \quad H_1 : \theta \in \Theta_1, \quad (6.20)$$

Definition 6.4. Consider the hypotheses specified by (6.20). Let α be a given level of significance and let Θ_{01} be the common boundary of Θ_0 and Θ_1 , i.e., the set of points θ that are points or limit points of both Θ_0 and Θ_1 . A test T is *similar* on Θ_{01} if and only if

$$\beta_T(P) = \alpha, \quad \theta \in \Theta_{01}. \quad (6.21)$$

$$f_{\theta, \varphi}(x) = \exp \{ \theta Y(x) + \varphi^\tau U(x) - \zeta(\theta, \varphi) \}, \quad (6.23)$$

Theorem 6.4. Suppose that the distribution of X is in a multiparameter natural exponential family given by (6.23).

(i) For testing $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta > \theta_0$, a UMP test of size α is

$$T_*(Y, U) = \begin{cases} 1 & Y > c(U) \\ \gamma(U) & Y = c(U) \\ 0 & Y < c(U) \end{cases} \quad (6.24)$$

where $c(u)$ and $\gamma(u)$ are Borel functions determined by

$$E_{\theta_0}[T_*(Y, U)|U = u] = \alpha \quad (6.25)$$

for every u , and E_{θ_0} is the expectation w.r.t. $f_{\theta_0, \varphi}$.

(ii) For testing hypotheses (6.12), a UMP test of size α is

$$T_*(Y, U) = \begin{cases} 1 & c_1(U) < Y < c_2(U) \\ \gamma_i(U) & Y = c_i(U), i = 1, 2, \\ 0 & Y < c_1(U) \text{ or } Y > c_2(U), \end{cases} \quad (6.26)$$

where $c_i(u)$'s and $\gamma_i(u)$'s are Borel functions determined by

$$E_{\theta_1}[T_*(Y, U)|U = u] = E_{\theta_2}[T_*(Y, U)|U = u] = \alpha \quad (6.27)$$

for every u .

(iii) For testing hypotheses (6.13), a UMP test of size α is

$$T_*(Y, U) = \begin{cases} 1 & Y < c_1(U) \text{ or } Y > c_2(U) \\ \gamma_i(U) & Y = c_i(U), i = 1, 2, \\ 0 & c_1(U) < Y < c_2(U), \end{cases} \quad (6.28)$$

where $c_i(u)$'s and $\gamma_i(u)$'s are Borel functions determined by (6.27) for every u .

(iv) For testing hypotheses (6.14), a UMP test of size α is given by (6.28), where $c_i(u)$'s and $\gamma_i(u)$'s are Borel functions determined by (6.25) and

$$E_{\theta_0}[T_*(Y, U)|Y|U = u] = \alpha E_{\theta_0}[Y|U = u] \quad (6.29)$$

for every u .

Lemma 6.7. Suppose that X has the p.d.f. (6.23) and that $V(Y, U)$ is a statistic independent of U when $\theta = \theta_j$, where θ_j 's are known values given in the hypotheses in (i)-(iv) of Theorem 6.4.

(i) If $V(y, u)$ is increasing in y for each u , then the UMP tests in (i)-(iii) of Theorem 6.4 are equivalent to those given by (6.24)-(6.28) with Y and (Y, U) replaced by V and with $c_i(U)$ and $\gamma_i(U)$ replaced by constants c_i and γ_i , respectively.

(ii) If there are Borel functions $a(u) > 0$ and $b(u)$ such that $V(y, u) = a(u)y + b(u)$, then the UMP test in Theorem 6.4(iv) is equivalent to that given by (6.25), (6.28), and (6.29) with Y and (Y, U) replaced by V and with $c_i(U)$ and $\gamma_i(U)$ replaced by constants c_i and γ_i , respectively.

Definition 6.6. Let $\ell(\theta) = f_\theta(X)$ be the likelihood function. For testing (6.59), a likelihood ratio (LR) test is any test that rejects H_0 if and only if $\lambda(X) < c$, where $c \in [0, 1]$ and $\lambda(X)$ is the likelihood ratio defined by

$$\lambda(X) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \ell(\theta)}{\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \ell(\theta)}.$$

Proposition 6.5. Suppose that X has the p.d.f. given by (6.10) w.r.t. a σ -finite measure ν , where η is a strictly increasing and differentiable function of θ .

(i) For testing $H_0 : \theta \leq \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta > \theta_0$, there is an LR test whose rejection region is the same as that of the UMP test T_* given by (6.11).

(ii) For testing the hypotheses in (6.12), there is an LR test whose rejection region is the same as that of the UMP test T_* given by (6.15).

(iii) For testing the hypotheses in (6.13) or (6.14), there is an LR test whose rejection region is equivalent to $Y(X) < c_1$ or $Y(X) > c_2$ for some constants c_1 and c_2 .

Theorem 6.5. Assume the conditions in Theorem 4.16. Suppose that H_0 is determined by (6.63). Under H_0 , $-2\log \lambda_n \rightarrow \chi_{r-1}^2$, where $\lambda_n = \lambda(X)$ and χ_{r-1}^2 is a random variable having the chi-square distribution χ_{r-1}^2 . Consequently, the LR test with rejection region $\lambda_n < c^{-\chi_{r-1}^2/2}$ has asymptotic significance level α , where $\chi_{r,\alpha}^2$ is the $(1 - \alpha)$ th quantile of the chi-square distribution χ_{r-1}^2 .

Theorem 6.6. Assume the conditions in Theorem 4.16.

(i) Under H_0 given by (6.64), $W_n \rightarrow \chi_{r-1}^2$ and, therefore, the test rejects H_0 if and only if $W_n > \chi_{r,\alpha}^2$, has asymptotic significance level α , where $\chi_{r,\alpha}^2$ is the $(1 - \alpha)$ th quantile of the chi-square distribution χ_{r-1}^2 .

(ii) The result in (i) still holds if W_n is replaced by R_n .

There are two popular asymptotic tests based on likelihoods that are asymptotically equivalent to LR tests. Note that the hypothesis in (6.63) is equivalent to a set of $r \leq k$ equations:

$$H_0 : R(\theta) = 0,$$

where $R(\theta)$ is a continuously differentiable function from \mathcal{R}^k to \mathcal{R}^r . Wald (1943) introduced a test that rejects H_0 when the value of

$$W_n = [R(\hat{\theta})]^\tau \{[C(\hat{\theta})]^\tau [I_n(\hat{\theta})]^{-1} C(\hat{\theta})\}^{-1} R(\hat{\theta})$$

is large, where $C(\theta) = \partial R(\theta)/\partial \theta$, $I_n(\theta)$ is the Fisher information matrix based on X_1, \dots, X_n , and $\hat{\theta}$ is an MLE or RLE of θ . For testing $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$

with a known θ_0 , $R(\theta) = \theta - \theta_0$ and W_n simplifies to

$$W_n = (\hat{\theta} - \theta_0)^\tau [I_n(\hat{\theta})]^{-1} (\hat{\theta} - \theta_0).$$

Rao (1947) introduced a score test that rejects H_0 when the value of

$$R_n = [s_n(\hat{\theta})]^\tau [I_n(\hat{\theta})]^{-1} s_n(\hat{\theta})$$

is large, where <math

Let X be a sample of size n from a population P and $\hat{\theta}_n$ be an estimator of θ , a k -vector of parameters related to P . Suppose that under H_0 ,

$$V_n^{-1/2}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) \rightarrow_d N_k(0, I_k), \quad (6.92)$$

where V_n is the asymptotic covariance matrix of $\hat{\theta}_n$. If V_n is known when $\theta = \theta_0$, then a test with rejection region

$$(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0)^T V_n^{-1}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) > \chi_{k,\alpha}^2 \quad (6.93)$$

has asymptotic significance level α , where $\chi_{k,\alpha}^2$ is the $(1-\alpha)$ quantile of the chi-squared distribution χ_k^2 . If the distribution of $\hat{\theta}_n$ does not depend on θ , then

Theorem 6.12. Assume that (6.92) holds for any P and that $\lambda_{+}[V_n] \rightarrow 0$, where $\lambda_{+}[V_n]$ is the largest eigenvalue of V_n .

(i) The test having rejection region (6.93) (with a known V_n or V_n replaced by an estimator \hat{V}_n that is consistent for any P) is consistent.

(ii) If we choose $\alpha = \alpha_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and $\chi_{k,1-\alpha_n}^2 \lambda_{+}[V_n] = o(1)$, then the test in (i) is Chernoff-consistent.

Theorem 7.1. Suppose that P is in a parametric family indexed by a real-valued θ . Let $T(X)$ be a real-valued statistic with c.d.f. $F_{T,\theta}(t)$ and let α_1 and α_2 be fixed positive constants such that $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$.

(i) Suppose that $F_{T,\theta}(t)$ and $F_{T,\theta}(t-)$ are nonincreasing in θ for each fixed t . Define

$$\bar{\theta} = \inf\{\theta : F_{T,\theta}(T) \geq \alpha_1\} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\theta} = \inf\{\theta : F_{T,\theta}(T-) \leq 1 - \alpha_2\}.$$

Then $[\bar{\theta}(T), \bar{\theta}(T)]$ is a level $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval for θ .

(ii) If $F_{T,\theta}(t)$ and $F_{T,\theta}(t-)$ are nondecreasing in θ for each t , then the same result holds with

$$\bar{\theta} = \inf\{\theta : F_{T,\theta}(T) \geq \alpha_1\} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\theta} = \sup\{\theta : F_{T,\theta}(T-) \leq 1 - \alpha_2\}.$$

(iii) If $F_{T,\theta}$ is a continuous c.d.f. for any θ , then $F_{T,\theta}(T)$ is a pivotal quantity and the confidence interval in (i) or (ii) has confidence coefficient $1 - \alpha$.

Theorem 7.2. For each $\theta_0 \in \Theta$, let T_{θ_0} be a test for $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ (versus some H_1) with significance level α and acceptance region $A(\theta_0)$. For each x in the range of X , define

$$C(x) = \{ \theta : x \in A(\theta) \}.$$

Then $C(X)$ is a level $1 - \alpha$ confidence set for θ . If T_{θ_0} is nonrandomized and has size α for every θ_0 , then $C(X)$ has confidence coefficient $1 - \alpha$.

Proposition 7.2. Let $C(X)$ be a confidence set for θ with significance level (or confidence coefficient) $1 - \alpha$. For any $\theta_0 \in \Theta$, define a region $A(\theta_0) = \{x : \theta_0 \in C(x)\}$. Then the test $T(X) = 1 - I_{A(\theta_0)}(X)$ has significance level α for testing $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus some H_1 . ■

Theorem 7.3. Let θ be a real-valued parameter and $T(X)$ be a real-valued statistic.

(i) Let $U(X)$ be a positive statistic. Suppose that $(T - \theta)/U$ is a pivotal quantity having a Lebesgue p.d.f. f that is unimodal at $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ in the sense that $f(x)$ is nondecreasing for $x \leq x_0$ and $f(x)$ is nonincreasing for $x \geq x_0$. Consider the following class of confidence intervals for θ :

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ [T - bU, T - aU] : a \in \mathbb{R}, b \in \mathbb{R}, \int_a^b f(x)dx = 1 - \alpha \right\}. \quad (7.10)$$

If $[T - b_*U, T - a_*U] \in \mathcal{C}$, $f(a_*) = f(b_*) > 0$, and $a_* \leq x_0 \leq b_*$, then the interval $[T - b_*U, T - a_*U]$ has the shortest length within \mathcal{C} .

(ii) Suppose that $T > 0$, $\theta > 0$, T/θ is a pivotal quantity having a Lebesgue p.d.f. f , and that $x^2f(x)$ is unimodal at x_0 . Consider the following class of confidence intervals for θ :

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ [b^{-1}T, a^{-1}T] : a > 0, b > 0, \int_a^b f(x)dx = 1 - \alpha \right\}. \quad (7.11)$$

If $[b_*^{-1}T, a_*^{-1}T] \in \mathcal{C}$, $a_*^2f(a_*) = b_*^2f(b_*) > 0$, and $a_* \leq x_0 \leq b_*$, then the interval $[b_*^{-1}T, a_*^{-1}T]$ has the shortest length within \mathcal{C} .

Definition 7.2. Let $\theta \in \Theta$ be an unknown parameter and Θ' be a subset of Θ that does not contain the true parameter value θ . A confidence set $C(X)$ for θ with confidence coefficient $1 - \alpha$ is said to be Θ' -uniformly most accurate (UMA) if and only if for any other confidence set $C_1(X)$ with significance level $1 - \alpha$,

$$P(\theta' \in C(X)) \leq P(\theta' \in C_1(X)) \quad \text{for all } \theta' \in \Theta'. \quad (7.15)$$

$C(X)$ is UMA if and only if it is Θ' -UMA with $\Theta' = \{\theta\}^c$. ■

Theorem 7.4. Let $C(X)$ be a confidence set for θ obtained by inverting the acceptance regions of nonrandomized tests T_{θ_0} for testing $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \in \Theta_{\theta_0}$. Suppose that for each θ_0 , T_{θ_0} is UMP of size α . Then $C(X)$ is Θ' -UMA with confidence coefficient $1 - \alpha$, where $\Theta' = \{\theta' : \theta \in \Theta_{\theta'}\}$.

Definition 7.3. Let $\theta \in \Theta$ be an unknown parameter, Θ' be a subset of Θ that does not contain the true parameter value θ , and $1 - \alpha$ be a given significance level.

(i) A level $1 - \alpha$ confidence set $C(X)$ is said to be Θ' -unbiased (unbiased when $\Theta' = \{\theta'\}^c$) if and only if $P(\theta' \in C(X)) \leq 1 - \alpha$ for all $\theta' \in \Theta'$.

(ii) Let $C(X)$ be a Θ' -unbiased confidence set with confidence coefficient $1 - \alpha$. If (7.15) holds for any other Θ' -unbiased confidence set $C_1(X)$ with significance level $1 - \alpha$, then $C(X)$ is Θ' -uniformly most accurate unbiased (UMAU). $C(X)$ is UMAU if and only if it is Θ' -UMAU with $\Theta' = \{\theta\}^c$. ■

Theorem 7.5. Let $C(X)$ be a confidence set for θ obtained by inverting the acceptance regions of nonrandomized tests T_{θ_0} for testing $H_0 : \theta = \theta_0$ versus $H_1 : \theta \in \Theta_{\theta_0}$. If T_{θ_0} is unbiased of size α for each θ_0 , then $C(X)$ is Θ' -unbiased with confidence coefficient $1 - \alpha$, where $\Theta' = \{\theta' : \theta \in \Theta_{\theta'}\}$; if T_{θ_0} is also UMPU for each θ_0 , then $C(X)$ is Θ' -UMAU. ■

Theorem 7.6 (Pratt's theorem). Let X be a sample from P and $C(X)$ be a confidence set for $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^k$. Suppose that $\text{vol}(C(x)) = \int_{C(x)} d\theta'$ is finite a.s. P . Then the expected volume of $C(X)$ is

$$E[\text{vol}(C(X))] = \int_{\theta' \neq \theta} P(\theta' \in C(X)) d\theta'. \quad (7.16)$$

Proposition 7.4. Let $C_j(X)$, $j = 1, 2$, be the confidence sets given in (7.19) with $\theta_n = \hat{\theta}_{jn}$ and $V_n = \hat{V}_{jn}$, $j = 1, 2$, respectively. Suppose that for each j , (7.18) holds for $\hat{\theta}_{jn}$ and \hat{V}_{jn} is consistent for V_{jn} , the asymptotic covariance matrix of $\hat{\theta}_{jn}$. If $\text{Det}(V_{1n}) < \text{Det}(V_{2n})$ for sufficiently large n , where $\text{Det}(A)$ is the determinant of A , then

$$P(\text{vol}(C_1(X)) < \text{vol}(C_2(X))) \rightarrow 1.$$

the likelihood function based on the observation $X = x$. The acceptance region of the LR test defined in §6.4.1 with $\Theta_0 = \{\theta : \theta = \theta_0\}$ is

$$A(\theta_0) = \{x : \ell(\theta_0, \hat{\varphi}_{\theta_0}) \geq e^{-c_{\alpha}/2} \ell(\hat{\theta})\},$$

where $\ell(\hat{\theta}) = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \ell(\theta)$, $\ell(\theta, \hat{\varphi}_{\theta}) = \sup_{\varphi} \ell(\vartheta, \varphi)$, and c_{α} is a constant related to the significance level α . Under the conditions of Theorem 6.5, if c_{α} is chosen to be $\chi_{r,\alpha}^2$, the $(1-\alpha)$ th quantile of the chi-square distribution χ_r^2 , then

$$C(X) = \{x : \ell(\theta, \hat{\varphi}_{\theta}) \geq e^{-c_{\alpha}/2} \ell(\hat{\theta})\} \quad (7.20)$$

In §6.4.2 we discussed two asymptotic tests closely related to the LR test: Wald's test and Rao's score test. When $\Theta_0 = \{\theta : \theta = \theta_0\}$, Wald's

test has acceptance region

$$A(\theta_0) = \{x : (\hat{\theta} - \theta_0)^T [C^T I_n(\hat{\theta})]^{-1} C]^{-1} (\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \leq \chi_{r,\alpha}^2\}, \quad (7.21)$$

where $\hat{\theta} = (\hat{\vartheta}, \hat{\varphi})$ is an MLE or RLE of $\theta = (\vartheta, \varphi)$, $I_n(\theta)$ is the Fisher information matrix based on X , $C^T = (I_r, 0)$, and 0 is an $r \times (k-r)$ matrix of 0's. By Theorem 4.17 or 4.18, the confidence set obtained by inverting $A(\theta_0)$ in (7.21) is the same as that in (7.19) with $\theta = \vartheta$ and $V_n = C^T [I_n(\hat{\theta})]^{-1} C$.

When $\Theta_0 = \{\theta : \theta = \theta_0\}$, Rao's score test has acceptance region

$$A(\theta_0) = \{x : [s_n(\theta_0, \hat{\varphi}_{\theta_0})]^T [I_n(\theta_0, \hat{\varphi}_{\theta_0})]^{-1} s_n(\theta_0, \hat{\varphi}_{\theta_0}) \leq \chi_{r,\alpha}^2\}, \quad (7.22)$$

where $s_n(\theta) = \partial \log \ell(\theta) / \partial \theta$ and $\hat{\varphi}_{\theta}$ is defined in (7.20). The confidence set obtained by inverting $A(\theta)$ in (7.22) is also $1 - \alpha$ asymptotically correct.

Definition 7.6. Let X be a sample from $P \in \mathcal{P}$, let θ_t , $t \in \mathcal{T}$, be real-valued parameters related to P , and let $C_t(X)$, $t \in \mathcal{T}$, be a class of (one-sided or two-sided) confidence intervals.

(i) Intervals $C_t(X)$, $t \in \mathcal{T}$, are level $1 - \alpha$ simultaneous confidence intervals for θ_t , $t \in \mathcal{T}$, if and only if

$$\inf_{t \in \mathcal{T}} P(\theta_t \in C_t(X) \text{ for all } t \in \mathcal{T}) \geq 1 - \alpha. \quad (7.57)$$

The left-hand side of (7.57) is the confidence coefficient of $C_t(X)$, $t \in \mathcal{T}$.

(ii) Intervals $C_t(X)$, $t \in \mathcal{T}$, are simultaneous confidence intervals for θ_t , $t \in \mathcal{T}$, with asymptotic significance level $1 - \alpha$ if and only if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\theta_t \in C_t(X) \text{ for all } t \in \mathcal{T}) \geq 1 - \alpha. \quad (7.58)$$

Intervals $C_t(X)$, $t \in \mathcal{T}$, are $1 - \alpha$ asymptotically correct if and only if the equality in (7.58) holds. ■

Uniform	p.d.f.	$(b - a)^{-1} I_{(a,b)}(x)$
	m.g.f.	$(e^{bt} - e^{at}) / [(b - a)t]$, $t \in \mathcal{R}$
$U(a, b)$	Expectation	$(a + b)/2$
	Variance	$(b - a)^2/12$
	Parameter	$a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, $a < b$
Normal	p.d.f.	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(x - \mu)^2/2\sigma^2}$
	m.g.f.	$e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2/2}$, $t \in \mathcal{R}$
$N(\mu, \sigma^2)$	Expectation	μ
	Variance	σ^2
	Parameter	$\mu \in \mathbb{R}$, $\sigma > 0$
Exponential	p.d.f.	$\theta^{-1} e^{-(x - \mu)/\theta} I_{(a,\infty)}(x)$
	m.g.f.	$e^{\mu t + \theta^{-1} t - 1}$, $t < \theta^{-1}$
$E(a, \theta)$	Expectation	$\theta + a$
	Variance	θ^2
	Parameter	$\theta > 0$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$
Chi-square	p.d.f.	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(k/2)2^{k/2}} x^{k/2-1} e^{-x/2} I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$
	m.g.f.	$(1 - 2t)^{-k/2}$, $t < 1/2$
χ_k^2	Expectation	k
	Variance	$2k$
	Parameter	$k = 1, 2, \dots$
Gamma	p.d.f.	$\frac{1}{\Gamma(n)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\gamma} I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$
	m.g.f.	$(1 - \gamma t)^{-\alpha}$, $t < \gamma^{-1}$
$\Gamma(\alpha, \gamma)$	Expectation	$\alpha\gamma$
	Variance	$\alpha\gamma^2$
	Parameter	$\gamma > 0$, $\alpha > 0$
Beta	p.d.f.	$\frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1} I_{(0,1)}(x)$
	m.g.f.	No explicit form
$B(\alpha, \beta)$	Expectation	$\alpha/\alpha + \beta$
	Variance	$\alpha\beta/[(\alpha + \beta)(\alpha + \beta + 1)(\alpha + \beta)^2]$
	Parameter	$\alpha > 0$, $\beta > 0$
Cauchy	p.d.f.	$\frac{1}{\pi\sigma} \left[1 + \left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right]^{-1}$
	ch.f.	$e^{\sqrt{-1}\mu t - \sigma t}$
$C(\mu, \sigma)$	Expectation	Does not exist
	Variance	Does not exist
	Parameter	$\mu \in \mathbb{R}$, $\sigma > 0$
t -distribution	p.d.f.	$\frac{\Gamma((n+1)/2)}{\sqrt{n\pi}\Gamma(n/2)} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{n} \right)^{-(n+1)/2}$
	ch.f.	No explicit form
t_n	Expectation	0 , $(n > 1)$
	Variance	$n/(n-2)$, $(n > 2)$
	Parameter	$n = 1, 2, \dots$
F-distribution	p.d.f.	$\frac{n^{n/2} m^{m/2} \Gamma(n+m)/2 x ^{n/2-1}}{\Gamma(n/2)\Gamma(m/2)(n+m)/2} I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$
	ch.f.	No explicit form
$F_{n,m}$	Expectation	$m/(m-2)$, $(m > 2)$
	Variance	$2m^2/(m+n-2) / [m(m-2)^2(m-4)]$, $(m > 4)$
	Parameter	$n = 1, 2, \dots$, $m = 1, 2, \dots$
Log-normal	p.d.f.	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(\log x - \mu)^2/2\sigma^2} I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$
	ch.f.	No explicit form
$LN(\mu, \sigma^2)$	Expectation	$e^{\mu + \sigma^2/2}$
	Variance	$e^{2\mu + \sigma^2} (e^{\sigma^2} - 1)$
	Parameter	$\mu \in \mathbb{R}$, $\sigma > 0$
Weibull	p.d.f.	$\frac{\alpha}{\theta} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\theta/x} I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$
	ch.f.	No explicit form
$W(\alpha, \theta)$	Expectation	$\theta^{1/\alpha} \Gamma(\alpha^{-1} + 1)$
	Variance	$\theta^{2/\alpha} / \{ \Gamma(2\alpha^{-1} - 1) - [\Gamma(\alpha^{-1} + 1)]^2 \}$
	Parameter	$\theta > 0$, $\alpha > 0$
Double	p.d.f.	$\frac{2\theta}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{- x - \mu /\theta} I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$
	m.g.f.	$e^{\mu t} / (1 - \theta^2 t^2)$, $ t < \theta^{-1}$
$Exponential$	Expectation	μ
	Variance	$2\theta^2$
$DE(\mu, \theta)$	Expectation	μ
	Variance	$\theta > 0$
Pareto	p.d.f.	$\theta a^\theta x^{-(\theta+1)} I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$
	ch.f.	No explicit form
$Pa(a, \theta)$	Expectation	$\theta a / (\theta - 1)$, $(\theta > 1)$
	Variance	$\theta a^2 / [(\theta - 1)^2(\theta - 2)]$, $(\theta > 2)$
	Parameter	$\theta > 0$, $a > 0$
Logistic	p.d.f.	$\sigma^{-1} e^{-(x - \mu)/\sigma} / [1 + e^{-(x - \mu)/\sigma}]^2$
	m.g.f.	$e^{\mu t} \Gamma(1 + \sigma t) \Gamma(1 - \sigma t)$, $ t < \sigma^{-1}$
$LG(\mu, \sigma)$	Expectation	μ
	Variance	$\sigma^2 \theta^2 / 3$
	Parameter	$\mu \in \mathbb{R}$, $\sigma > 0$
Inverse gamma	p.d.f.	$\frac{\gamma^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{-\alpha-1} e^{-\gamma/y} I_{(0,\infty)}(x)$
$\Gamma^{-1}(\alpha, \gamma)$	Expectation	$\gamma / \alpha - 1$
	Variance	$\gamma^2 / (\alpha - 2)$
	Parameter	$\gamma > 0$, $\alpha > 0$

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Conjugate Priors:

Data $(X_1, \dots, X_n) \sim ?$	Prior $\theta \sim ?$	Posterior $\theta X \sim ?$
$N_k(\theta, I_k)$	$N_k(\mu_0, \Sigma_0)$	$N_k(A^{-1}(\Sigma_0^{-1}\mu_0 + T), A^{-1})$ where $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, $A = nI_k + \Sigma_0^{-1}$
Binom(k, θ)	Beta(α, β)	Beta($T + \alpha, nk - T + \beta$) where $T = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$
$U(0, \theta)$	Pa(a, b)	Pa($\max(a, X_{(n)}), b + n$)
$E(0, \theta)$	$\Gamma^{-1}(\alpha, \gamma^{-1})$	$\Gamma^{-1}(\alpha + n, (T + \gamma^{-1})^{-1})$

Proposition 1.8. Let X be a random k -vector with a Lebesgue p.d.f. f_X and let $Y = g(X)$, where g is a Borel function from $(\mathcal{R}^k, \mathcal{B}^k)$ to $(\mathcal{R}^k, \mathcal{B}^k)$. Let A_1, \dots, A_m be disjoint sets in \mathcal{B}^k such that $\mathcal{R}^k - (A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_m)$ has Lebesgue measure 0 and g on A_j is one-to-one with a nonvanishing Jacobian, i.e., the determinant $\text{Det}(\partial g(x)/\partial x) \neq 0$ on A_j , $j = 1, \dots, m$. Then Y has the following Lebesgue p.d.f.:

$$f_Y(x) = \sum_{j=1}^m |\text{Det}(\partial h_j(x)/\partial x)| f_X(h_j(x)),$$

where h_j is the inverse function of g on A_j , $j = 1, \dots, m$. ■