

We want to prove the asymptotic normality & asymptotic efficiency of the MLE theorem means we want to show

$$\frac{\hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta}{\sqrt{CRIB}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1) \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{MLE} \overset{\text{approx}}{\sim} N\left(\theta, \sqrt{\frac{I(\theta)^{-1}}{n}}\right)$$

$$CRIB = \frac{I(\theta)^{-1}}{n}$$

The asymptotic normality of the MLE is very useful but the asymptotic efficiency is like a huge bonus. The MLE estimates approximately the theoretically guaranteed minimum Variance

The Proof mostly follows from (Pg 472, C & B). Recall Taylor series formula for $f(y)$ "centred at" a

$$f(y) = f(a) + (y-a)f'(a) + (y-a)^2 \frac{f''(a)}{2} \dots$$

Let $f = l'$, $y = \hat{\theta}_{MLE}$, $a = \theta$

$$l'(\hat{\theta}_{MLE}; x_1, \dots, x_n) = l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) + (\hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta) l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) + \frac{(\hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta)^2}{2} \dots$$

If you assumed the technical conditions on Pg 516 of C & B & a large enough sample size n , then the first order approx can be employed:

$$l'(\hat{\theta}_{MLE}; x_1, \dots, x_n) = l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) + (\hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta) l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \text{argument} \{ l(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \} = \arg \max_{\theta} \{ l(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Solve for } \theta \text{ is } l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) + (\hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta) l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta = \frac{-l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \cdot \frac{1}{n}}{\frac{1}{n} l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)}{-\frac{1}{n} l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)}$$

multiply both sides by $1/\sqrt{\frac{I(\theta)^{-1}}{n}}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\hat{\theta}_{MLE} - \theta}{\sqrt{\frac{I(\theta)^{-1}}{n}}} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)}{-\frac{1}{n} l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \sqrt{\frac{I(\theta)^{-1}}{n}} \cdot \frac{I(\theta)}{I(\theta)}}$$

$$\hat{A} \rightarrow \frac{\frac{1}{n} l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n)}{-\frac{1}{n} l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) \sqrt{\frac{I(\theta)^{-1}}{n}}} \leftarrow \hat{B}$$

If we can Prove $\hat{A} \xrightarrow{P} 1$, $\hat{B} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$ then were done
by Slutsky's thm

Proof $\hat{A} \xrightarrow{P} 1$

Recall $l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n l'(\theta; x_i)$ (lec 9, def 7.8 ("score func.")
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$$\Rightarrow l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n l''(\theta; x_i)$$

laws of large numbers

$$\rightarrow -\frac{1}{n} l''(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n -l''(\theta; x_i) = \frac{1}{n} \sum y_i = \bar{Y} \xrightarrow{P} E(Y) = I(\theta)$$

$$\text{let } y_i = -l''(\theta; x_i)$$

$$E[y_i] = E[-l''(\theta; x_i)] = \dots = I(\theta)$$

By thm 5.5.4 $\hat{A} \xrightarrow{P} 1$

Proof $\hat{B} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$

$$\frac{1}{n} l'(\theta; x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n l'(\theta; x_i) = \frac{1}{n} \sum w_i = \bar{W}$$

let $w_i = l'(\theta; x_i)$

by CLT, $\frac{\bar{W} - E(w)}{SE} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$

$$E[\bar{W}] = E[W] = E[l'(\theta; x_i)] = 0 \quad (\text{by fact 1b, lec 9})$$

$$SE[\bar{W}] = \sqrt{\frac{\text{Var}(w)}{n}} \quad , \quad \text{Var}(w) = E[w^2] - E[w]^2 = E[l'(\theta; x_i)^2]$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{I(\theta)}{n}} \quad \hat{B} = \frac{\bar{W}}{\sqrt{I(\theta)}} = \frac{\bar{W} - E[\bar{W}]}{SE[\bar{W}]} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$$

This concludes the Proof of the asymptotic normality & the asymptotic efficiency of the MLE

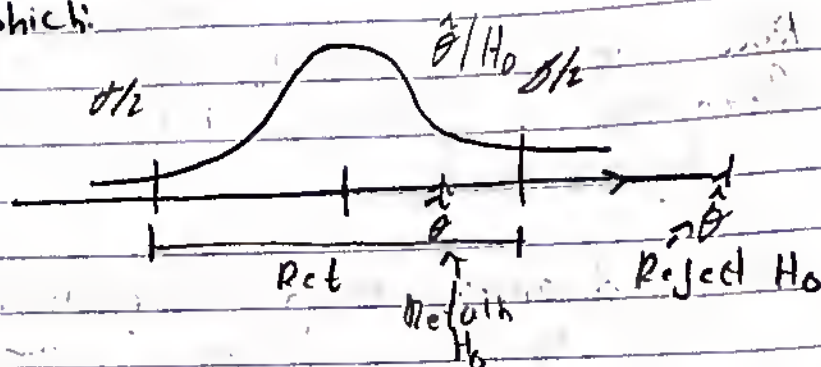
$$\frac{\hat{\theta}^{MLE} - \theta}{\sqrt{\frac{I(\theta)^{-1}}{n}}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1) \quad \text{By one more use of Slutsky's thm}$$

$$\frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{SE[\hat{\theta}]} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1) \Rightarrow \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{SE[\hat{\theta}]} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\hat{\theta}^{MLE} - \theta}{\sqrt{\frac{I(\theta^{MLE})^{-1}}{n}}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$$

Let's use these thms to do "statistical inferences", the name of the class. Recall we defined an "asymptotically normal estimator" as one which:

$$\frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{SE[\hat{\theta}]} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$$



Using an asymptotically normal estimator (whether the normality comes from CLT directly or from the fact that the MLE is asymptotically normal) to create an approx z test is called a "wald Test" (pg 153 AOS). We've seen a wald test before: the 1-Proportion z test

Lec 1: $n=20$, 12 had iPhones $\Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \bar{x}$, $\hat{\theta} = .6$

Lec 4: $H_a: \theta \neq .524$ $H_0: \theta = .524$ DGP: iid Bern(θ)

$$\text{Generally } \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{SE[\hat{\theta}]} = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\sqrt{\frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{n}}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1) \quad \alpha = 5\%$$

$$\text{Under } H_0, \frac{\hat{\theta} - .524}{\sqrt{\frac{.524(1-.524)}{20}}} \approx N(0,1) \quad \hat{\theta}_{std} = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{SE[\hat{\theta}]} = \frac{.6 - .524}{.112} = .678$$

Retain H_0 CRIT $[-1.96, 1.96]$

We never saw a 2 Proportion test. We will now derive the approximate 2-Proportion z test as a wald test

Pop #1 $N_1 \approx \infty$ sample 1
 $\rightarrow (x_{11}, \dots, x_{n1})$
 n_1 observed

Pop #2 $N_2 \approx \infty$
 \downarrow

DGP: $x_{11}, \dots, x_{1n} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bern}(\theta_1)$ independent
 of $x_{21}, \dots, x_{2n_2} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bern}(\theta_2)$

sample 2
 (x_{21}, \dots, x_{n_2})
 n_2 observed

nt we \rightarrow $H_a: \theta_1 \neq \theta_2 \Leftrightarrow \theta_1 - \theta_2 \neq 0$
 $H_0: \theta_1 = \theta_2 \Leftrightarrow \theta_1 - \theta_2 = 0$

Now we Pick estimates that can reflect a departure from H_0
 why not $\hat{\theta}_1 - \hat{\theta}_2$

We need another fact from probability theory

$X_1 \dots X_n$ iid with mean μ_1 , variance σ_1^2 independent or

$Y_1 \dots Y_n$ iid " " μ_2 " σ_2^2 then

$$\frac{(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1) \text{ if } n_1, n_2 \text{ are large}$$

$$\frac{(\hat{\theta}_1 - \hat{\theta}_2) - (\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\theta_1(1-\theta_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\theta_2(1-\theta_2)}{n_2}}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0,1)$$

Under $H_0: \theta_1 = \theta_2 \Leftrightarrow \theta_1 - \theta_2 = 0$

$H_0: \theta_1 = \theta_2 = \theta_{shared}$

θ_{shared}

$$\Rightarrow (\hat{\theta}_1 - \hat{\theta}_2) - (0)$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{\theta_{shared}(1-\theta_{shared})}{n_1} + \frac{\theta_{shared}(1-\theta_{shared})}{n_2}}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{\theta}_1 - \hat{\theta}_2}{\theta_{shared}(1-\theta_{shared}) \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}$$

$$\theta_{shared}(1-\theta_{shared}) \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)$$

$\theta_{shared}(1-\theta_{shared})$:

