

Claim: Let  $A(\theta_0)$  be the accept region of a level  $\alpha$  test

$$H_0: \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \dots$$

then

$$C(\underline{x}) = \{ \theta \mid \underline{x} \in A(\theta) \}$$

is a  $1 - \alpha$  confidence set.

Converse:

If  $C(\underline{x})$  is a  $1 - \alpha$  confidence set then for any  $\theta_0 \in \Theta$

$$A(\theta_0) = \{ \underline{x} \mid \theta_0 \in C(\underline{x}) \}$$

is a  $\alpha$  level test for

$$H_0: \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \dots$$

Two worlds:

HT: Fix some  $\theta_0$  want to test if  $\theta \approx \theta_0$  (or not)

$$H_0: \theta = \theta_0 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \dots$$

Determine some rule ( $R$  or  $A$ ) to reject/accept  
based on data

$$A(\theta_0) = \left\{ \underbrace{\text{set of } \underline{x} \text{ where } \theta \approx \theta_0 \text{ is reasonable}}_{\text{set of reasonable } \underline{x} \text{ s if } \theta \approx \theta_0} \right\} \subset \mathcal{X}$$

CI world : Fix some  $\underline{x}$ , want to determine which  
 $\theta \in \Theta$  are reasonable

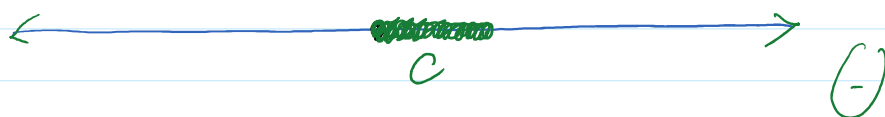
Determine some set  $C$  of reasonable  $\theta$ 's

$$C(\underline{x}) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{set of reasonable } \theta \\ \theta - \text{ given } \underline{x} \end{array} \right\} \subset \Theta$$

Test inversion:

$$C(\underline{x}) = \{ \theta \mid \underline{x} \in A(\theta) \}$$

$H_0$ : truth is  $\theta$



Why does it produce a  $1-\alpha$  CR for  $\theta$ ?

Typical steps for test inversion

(1) Defn a  $\alpha$ -level HT for  
 $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$  v.  $H_a: \dots$

i.e. make some statement about  $\underline{x}$  where

$$P_{\theta_0}(\underline{x} \in R(\theta_0)) \leq \alpha$$

Some statement

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$$P_{\theta_0}(\underline{x} \in A(\theta_0)) \geq 1 - \alpha$$

nice if independent of  $\theta_0$

(2) Then

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

i.e. "invert"  $A$  by isolating  $\theta$

i.e.  $\theta \in C \Leftrightarrow \underline{x} \in A(\theta)$

this works b/c

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

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Ex.  $X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$   $\alpha$ -level for  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$

$$A(\mu_0) = \{ \underline{x} : \left| \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \right| \leq z_{\alpha/2} \}$$

$$= \{ \underline{x} : \mu_0 - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2} \leq \bar{x} \leq \mu_0 + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2} \}$$

$$C(\underline{x}) = \{ \mu \mid \mu - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2} \leq \bar{x} \leq \mu + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2} \}$$

$$= \{ \mu \mid \underbrace{\bar{x} - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2}}_L \leq \mu \leq \underbrace{\bar{x} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2}}_U \}$$

Fact: cannot generally guarantee that test inversion gives an interval

Typically:

two-sided test  $\Leftrightarrow$  interval

one-sided  $\Leftrightarrow$  one-sided interval

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lets invert the LRT

$$H_0: \beta = \beta_0 \quad v. \quad H_a: \beta \neq \beta_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi &= \frac{L(\beta_0)}{L(\hat{\beta})} = \frac{\frac{1}{\beta_0^N} e^{-N\bar{x}/\beta_0}}{\frac{1}{\bar{x}^N} e^{-N}} \\ &= \left(\frac{\bar{x}}{\beta_0}\right)^N e^N e^{-N\bar{x}/\beta_0} \end{aligned}$$

$\hat{\beta} = \bar{x}$  (indicated by an arrow pointing to  $\hat{\beta}$  in the denominator)

$$A(\beta_0) = \{ \underline{x} : \left(\frac{\bar{x}}{\beta_0}\right)^N e^N e^{-N\bar{x}/\beta_0} > c \}$$

choose  $c$  so that  $P(\underline{x} \in A(\beta_0)) \geq 1 - \alpha$

How do we make a CI?

$$\rightarrow C(\underline{x}) = \left\{ \beta : \left(\frac{\bar{x}}{\beta}\right)^N e^N e^{-N\bar{x}/\beta} > c \right\}$$

$L \leq \beta \leq u$

## Pivotal Quantities

- Inverting LRT is difficult.
- Alt. use pivotal quantities.

### Defn: Pivotal Quantity

A RV  $Q = Q(X, \theta)$  is called pivotal if the dist of  $Q$  doesn't depend on  $\theta$ .

### Idea:

I can create a CR

$$C(X) = \{ \theta : \underset{\substack{\parallel \\ Q(X, \theta)}}{Q} \in A \}$$

↖ doesn't depend on  $\theta$

If I can find  $A$  so that

$$\underline{P_{\theta}(Q \in A) \geq 1 - \alpha}$$

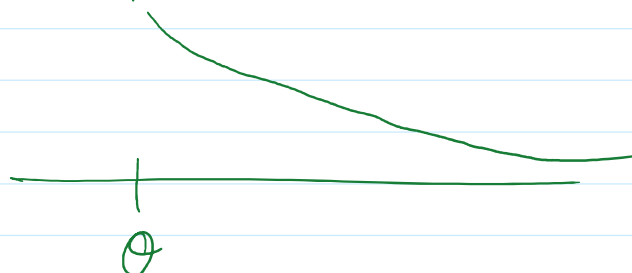
then  $C$  is a  $1 - \alpha$  CR for  $\theta$ .

reason:  $\min_{\theta} P_{\theta}(Q \in A) \geq 1 - \alpha$

↑ doesn't depend on  $\theta$   
(same  $\forall \theta$ )

## Partially nice for Loc-Scale families

Ex. Loc. fam. Shifted Exp.

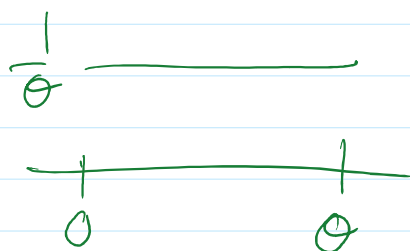


loc fam:

$$f_{\mu}(x) = g(x - \mu)$$

$g$  free of  $\mu$

Ex. Scale Fam.  $U(0, \theta)$



Scale fam:

$$f_{\sigma}(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma} g(x/\sigma)$$

$g$  free of  $\sigma$

Ex. Loc-Scale  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

## Pivots for LS

Type	Pivot
Loc.	$\bar{X} - \mu$
Scale.	$\bar{X}/\sigma$
Loc./Scale	$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma}$

Ex. let  $X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\lambda)$   $f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$

$$T = \sum_n X_n \sim \text{Gamma}(N, \lambda)$$

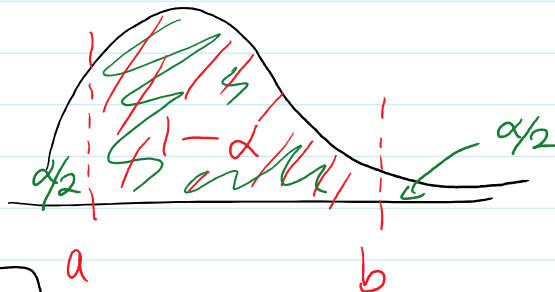
$$Q = \frac{2T}{\lambda} \sim \text{Gamma}(N, 2) = \chi^2(2N)$$

lets find  $a, b$

so that

$$P(a \leq Q \leq b) \geq 1 - \alpha$$

then this defines a  $1 - \alpha$  CI for  $\lambda$ .



$$\Rightarrow P\left(a \leq \frac{2T}{\lambda} \leq b\right) \geq 1 - \alpha \quad \uparrow$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\frac{1}{b} \leq \frac{\lambda}{2T} \leq \frac{1}{a}\right) \geq 1 - \alpha \quad \uparrow$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\underbrace{\frac{2T}{b}}_L \leq \lambda \leq \underbrace{\frac{2T}{a}}_U\right) \geq 1 - \alpha \quad \uparrow$$

so  $\left[\frac{2\sum X_n}{b}, \frac{2\sum X_n}{a}\right]$  is a  $1 - \alpha$  CI for  $\lambda$ .



## \* Practical Steps for using Pivots

① get some  $Q(X, \theta)$  whose dist is free of  $\theta$

② find  $a, b$  s.t.

$$\underline{P(a \leq Q \leq b) \geq 1 - \alpha}$$

③ Solve statement  $a \leq Q(X, \theta) \leq b$   
for  $\theta$  in middle. to get  $L, U$ .

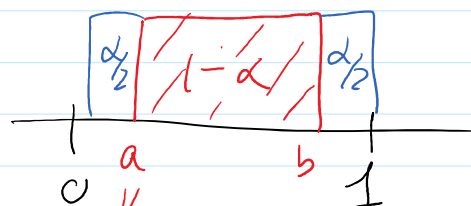
Very general way of pivoting is [in cts case]

recall that  $X \sim F_X$  then

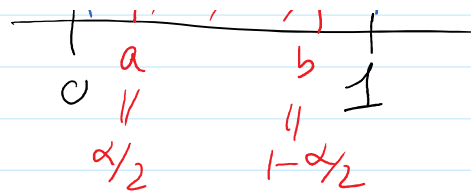
$$\begin{array}{c} Q = F_X(X) \sim U(0,1) \\ \uparrow \\ \text{a pivot!} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{free of } \theta \end{array}$$

① let  $Q = F_X(X)$  be the pivot.

② let  $a = \alpha/2 \leftarrow$   
 $b = 1 - \alpha/2 \leftarrow$



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③ If I solve

$$\alpha/2 \leq F_X(x) \leq 1 - \alpha/2$$

for  $\theta$  in the middle I can get a  $L$  and  $u$  defining a CI. [easy if  $F_X$  invertible as a fn of  $\theta$ ]

Let  $g(\theta) = F_X(x)$  as a fn of  $\theta$

then I need to solve

$$\alpha/2 \leq g(\theta) \leq 1 - \alpha/2$$

if  $g$  is inc. then

$$\underbrace{g^{-1}(\alpha/2)}_L \leq \theta \leq \underbrace{g^{-1}(1-\alpha/2)}_u$$

if  $g$  dec. then

$$\underbrace{g^{-1}(1-\alpha/2)}_L \leq \theta \leq \underbrace{g^{-1}(\alpha/2)}_u$$

Theorem: CDF pivot (for cts RVs)

let  $T$  be a stat w/ CDF  $F_T$   $\leftarrow$  depends on  $\theta$

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① if  $g$  inc. in  $\theta$  then

$$L = \bar{g}^{-1}(\alpha/2) \text{ and } U = \bar{g}^{-1}(1 - \alpha/2)$$

②  $g$  dec. in  $\theta$  then

$$L = \bar{g}^{-1}(1 - \alpha/2) \text{ and } U = \bar{g}^{-1}(\alpha/2)$$

defines a  $1 - \alpha$  CI for  $\theta$ .

Ex.

Assume we have a stat  $T$  w/ CDF

$$F_T(t) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(t - \mu)}} \quad \leftarrow \mu \text{ unknown param.}$$

lets create a  $1 - \alpha$  CI for  $\mu$ .

Notice:  $g(\mu) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-t}\mu}$

is decreasing on  $\mu$

$$1 \neq y = g(\mu) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{(t-\mu)}}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{y} = 1 + e^{-(t-\mu)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{y} - 1 = e^{-(t-\mu)}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \log\left(\frac{1}{y} - 1\right) = -(t-\mu)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \mu = \boxed{t + \log\left(\frac{1}{y} - 1\right) = \bar{g}^{-1}(y)}$$

Since  $g$  is decreasing then if we let

$$L = \bar{g}^{-1}(1 - \alpha/2)$$

$$= t + \log\left(\frac{1}{1 - \alpha/2} - 1\right)$$

and

$$U = \bar{g}^{-1}(\alpha/2)$$

$$= t + \log\left(\frac{1}{\alpha/2} - 1\right)$$

there define a  $1 - \alpha$  CI for  $\mu$ .

$$\left[ t + \log\left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha_{12}} - 1\right), t + \log\left(\frac{1}{\alpha_{12}} - 1\right) \right]$$

is a  $(1-\alpha)$  CI for  $\mu$ .

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