

Defn: Asymptotic Normality

We say  $\hat{\theta}_N$  is asymptotically normal

- w/
- ① asymptotic mean  $\tau(\theta)$
  - ② asymptotic variance  $v(\theta)$

if

$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\theta}_N - \tau(\theta)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, v(\theta))$$

and write

$$\hat{\theta}_N \sim AN(\tau(\theta), v(\theta)/N)$$

Defn: Asymptotic Relative Efficiency (ARE)

let  $T_N$  and  $W_N$  be estimators for  $\tau(\theta)$

and

$$T_N \sim AN(\tau(\theta), \sigma_T^2(\theta))$$

$$W_N \sim AN(\tau(\theta), \sigma_W^2(\theta))$$

then the ARE of  $W_N$  w. r. t.  $T_N$  is

$$ARE(W_N, T_N) = \frac{\sigma_T^2(\theta)}{\sigma_W^2(\theta)}$$

Idea: If  $ARE < 1$  then we prefer  $T_N$   
if  $ARE > 1$  "  $W_N$

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Ex. let  $X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Pois}(\lambda)$

and let  $T(\lambda) = \underline{P(X_n = 0)} = \frac{\lambda^0 e^{-\lambda}}{0!} = e^{-\lambda}$

Know:  $\bar{X}$  is the MLE of  $\lambda$  so  
 $\boxed{e^{-\bar{X}}}$  is the MLE of  $e^{-\lambda} = T(\lambda)$   
↑ another way

Alt: let  $Y_n = \mathbb{1}(X_n = 0) \sim \text{Bern}(p)$

$$p = P(Y_n = 1) = P(X_n = 0) = e^{-\lambda}$$

$$\text{so } E[Y_n] = p = e^{-\lambda}$$

$$\text{so } E[\bar{Y}] = e^{-\lambda}$$

↑ another way of est  $T(\lambda)$

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Q: Which is better (asymptotically?)

(1)  $e^{-\bar{X}}$ , (2)  $\bar{Y}$

①  $e^{-x}$  , ②  $\bar{y}$

①  $\bar{X} \sim AN(\lambda, \lambda/N)$

$E\bar{X} = \lambda \nearrow$

$Var(\bar{X}) = \lambda/N$

So what about  $e^{-\bar{X}}$ ?  $\nwarrow g(\bar{x}) = e^{-\bar{x}}$   
 $\downarrow g(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda}$   
 $g'(\lambda) = -e^{-\lambda} \Rightarrow (g'(\lambda))^2 = e^{-2\lambda}$

Use  $\Delta$ -method:

$e^{-\bar{X}} \sim AN(e^{-\lambda}, [g'(\lambda)]^2 \lambda/N)$

$e^{-\bar{X}} \sim AN(e^{-\lambda}, e^{-2\lambda} \lambda/N)$

②  $\bar{Y}$ ?

$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n Y_n$  ;  $Y_n \sim \text{Bern}(e^{-x}) \xleftarrow{p}$

$\bar{Y} \sim AN(p, \frac{p(1-p)}{N})$

$\bar{Y} \sim AN(e^{-\lambda}, \frac{e^{-\lambda}(1-e^{-\lambda})}{N})$

Calculate ARE

$ARE(\bar{Y}, e^{-\bar{X}}) = \frac{\text{asympt. var } e^{-\bar{X}}}{\text{asympt. var } \bar{Y}}$

$$ARE(Y, e) = \text{asympt. var } \bar{Y}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda e^{-2\lambda}}{e^{-\lambda}(1-e^{-\lambda})}$$

$$e^{-\lambda} = \cancel{\lambda^0} + \frac{\lambda}{1!} + \frac{\lambda^2}{2!} + \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda}}{1-e^{-\lambda}} = \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda}}{\cancel{e^{-\lambda}} + \cancel{e^{-\lambda}} + \dots}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{e^{\lambda} - 1}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \underbrace{\frac{\lambda^2}{2} + \frac{\lambda^3}{3!} + \frac{\lambda^4}{4!} + \dots}_{>0}}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \text{something pos}} < 1$$

So asympt. var  $\bar{Y} > \text{asympt. var } e^{-\bar{x}}$

So we prefer  $e^{-\bar{x}}$ .

Defn: Asymptotic Efficiency

We say  $\hat{\theta}_n$  is asymptotically efficient

for  $\tau(\theta)$

infinite sample  
UMVUE

$$\hat{\theta}_N \sim AN(\tau(\theta), B(\theta))$$

↑  
CRLB

$$B(\theta) = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial \theta}\right)^2}{NI(\theta)}$$

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Prev. Ex.

$$e^{-\bar{x}} \sim AN(e^{-\lambda}, \boxed{\frac{(e^{-\lambda})^2 \lambda}{N}})$$

Q: is this asymp. efficient?

CRLB:  $f(x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$

$$\log f = x \log \lambda - \lambda - \log(x!)$$

$$\frac{\partial \log f}{\partial \lambda} = \frac{x}{\lambda} - 1$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \lambda^2} = -\frac{x}{\lambda^2}$$

$$I(\lambda) = -E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \lambda^2}\right] = \frac{1}{\lambda} \quad \tau(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda}$$

$$\left(\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial \lambda}\right)^2 = \frac{e^{-2\lambda}}{\lambda^2}$$

$$VB(\lambda) = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial T}{\partial \lambda}\right)^2}{NI(\lambda)} = \boxed{\frac{\lambda e^{-2\lambda}}{N}}$$

Yes! Asymp. efficient b/c asymp var = CRLB.

Theorem: MLEs are asymptotically efficient. (\*)

$$\hat{\theta}_{MLE} \sim AN\left(\tau(\theta), \frac{(\partial T / \partial \theta)^2}{NI(\theta)}\right)$$

↑  
MLE for  $\tau(\theta)$

under  
some  
conditions

Defn: Hypothesis

a hypothesis is a statement about a parameter,

$$H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \in \Theta_a$$

constraint:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} (1) \quad \Theta_0 \cap \Theta_a = \emptyset \\ (2) \quad \Theta = \Theta_0 \cup \Theta_a \end{array} \right\} \text{partition}$$



Ex. Let  $\theta$  be the propn of defective items in some production process

$$\Theta = [0, 1]$$

might test:

$$H_0: \theta \leq .1 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta > .1$$

$$\left[ H_0: \theta \in [0, .1] \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \in (.1, 1] \right]$$

Ex. Let  $\theta$  denote change in BP after taking some medicine.

Might test

$$H_0: \theta = 0 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \neq 0$$

$$\left[ \Omega = \mathbb{R}, \quad \Theta_0 = \{0\}, \quad \Theta_a = \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\} \right]$$

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If  $\theta$  is a 1-d parameter (e.g.  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ )  
then a test of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad & H_0: \theta \leq c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta > c \\ & \text{or } H_0: \theta < c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \geq c \\ & \text{or } H_0: \theta \geq c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta < c \\ & \text{or } H_0: \theta > c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \leq c \end{aligned} \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad & H_0: \theta \leq c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta > c \\ & \text{or } H_0: \theta < c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \geq c \\ & \text{or } H_0: \theta \geq c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta < c \\ & \text{or } H_0: \theta > c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \leq c \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{ is called a one-sided hypothesis}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad & H_0: \theta = c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \neq c \\ & \text{or } H_0: \theta \neq c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta = c \end{aligned} \left. \vphantom{\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad & H_0: \theta = c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \neq c \\ & \text{or } H_0: \theta \neq c \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta = c \end{aligned}} \right\} \text{ is called a two-sided hypothesis}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad H_0: \theta = c_0 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta = c_a$$

↑ one value in  $\Theta_0$  and  $\Theta_a$   
is called a simple hypothesis

Defn: Hypothesis Testing Procedure



Idea: want to determine if  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  or  $\theta \in \Theta_a$  is more plausible/consistent w/ the data I see.

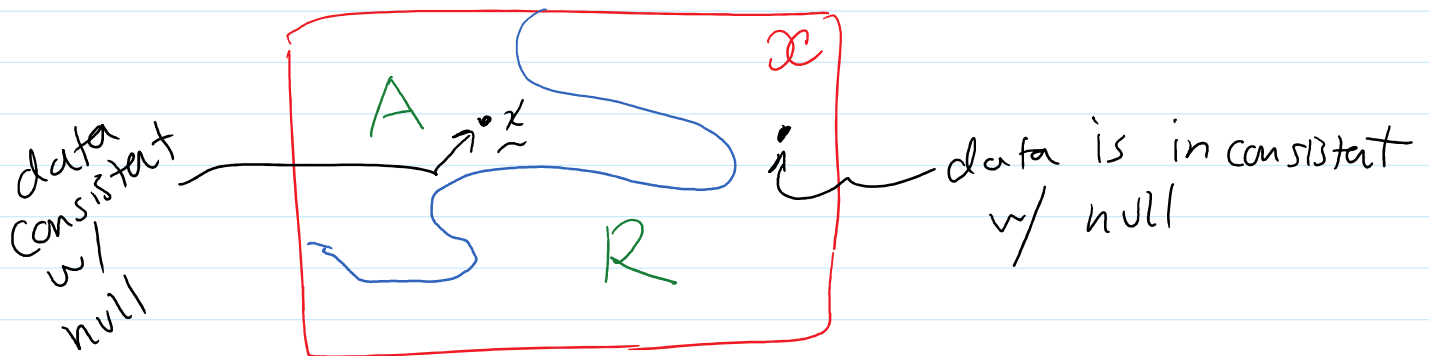
Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be the support of  $\underline{X}$   
[typically  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ ]

A HT procedure is simply a rule that partitions  $\mathcal{X}$  into

$\mathcal{X} = A \cup R$

acceptance region : null plausible

reject region : null implausible



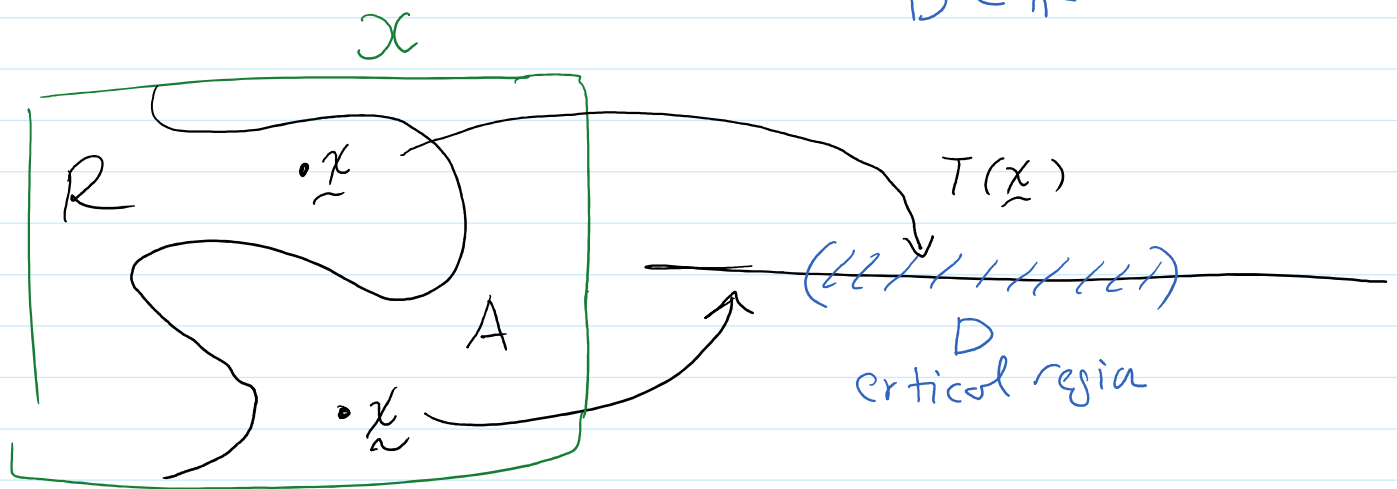
We "reject  $H_0$ " if  $\underline{x} \in R$

We "fail to reject  $H_0$ " if  $\underline{x} \in A$

Often we can define  $R$  (equiv.  $A$ ) through a "test statistic" so that our HT is

$$R = \{ \underline{x} \mid T(\underline{x}) \in D \}$$

critical region  
 $D \subset \mathbb{R}^N$



ex,  $T = \bar{X}$  and  $D = (5, \infty)$

my HT is

$$R = \{ \underline{x} \mid \bar{X} > 5 \}$$