

# Statistics

## Definitions

- [Set-Up]
  - [Model] A model is a mapping from parameter to data distribution i.e.  $\theta \mapsto P_\theta$ 
    - Commonly just written as a set  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$
  - [Parameter]  $\theta$ 
    - [Parameter Set]  $\Theta$
  - [Data]  $X$ 
    - $X \sim P_\theta$
  - [Statistic] A function of data  $X$
  - [Estimand]  $g(\theta)$
  - [Estimator]  $\delta(X)$
- [Loss Function] The loss function  $L(\theta; \delta(X))$  is a function of  $X$ . Assuming  $\theta$  is known, it is a measure of how close  $\delta(X)$  and  $g(\theta)$  are
  - $L(\theta, g(\theta)) = 0$
  - $L(\theta, d) \geq 0 \forall \theta, d$
  - [Squared Error Loss]  $L(\theta, d) = \|g(\theta) - d\|^2$
  - [Convex Loss]  $L(\theta; d)$  is convex in  $d$ .
- [Risk Function] The risk of an estimator  $\delta$  for a loss function  $L(\theta, \delta(X))$  is the expected loss i.e.  $R(\delta; \theta) = \mathbb{E}_\theta[L(\theta, \delta(X))]$ 
  - Judge how good an estimator  $\delta$  is by its risk function
  - $\mathbb{E}_\theta$  is the expectation when  $X \sim P_\theta$  i.e.  $\theta$  is fixed
  - [Mean Squared Error]  $\text{MSE}(\theta, \delta) = \mathbb{E}_\theta[(g(\theta) - \delta(X))^2]$ ; it is a risk function!
- [Inadmissible] An estimator  $\delta$  is inadmissible if  $\exists$  another estimator  $\delta^*$  with a uniformly better risk function i.e.
  - $R(\theta, \delta^*) \leq R(\theta, \delta) \forall \theta \in \Theta$
  - $\exists \theta' \in \Theta$  s.t.  $R(\theta', \delta^*) < R(\theta', \delta)$
  - i.e. the competing estimator  $\delta^*$  is a strictly better estimator; else  $\delta$  is admissible
- [Exponential Family] An s-parameter exponential family is a family of distributions  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\eta | \eta \in \Xi \subset \mathbb{R}^s\}$  with densities  $P_\eta(x) = e^{\eta^T T(x) - A(\eta)} h(x)$ 
  - $\eta$ : natural parameter
  - $s = \dim \eta$
  - $T(x)$ : sufficient statistics
  - $h(x)$ : carrier density / base density
  - $A(\eta)$ : partition function
- [Natural Parameter Space]  $\Xi_1 = \{\eta | A(\eta) < \infty\}$ 
  - $\Xi_1$  is convex
- [Full Rank] An exponential family with densities  $p_\theta(x) = e^{\eta(\theta) \cdot T(x) - A(\theta)} h(x)$  is full rank if interior of  $\eta(\Theta)$  is not empty and  $\nexists v$  s.t.  $v \cdot T = c$  a.e.  $\mu$ 
  - i.e.  $T$  does not satisfy a linear constraint
- [Sufficient] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta | \theta \in \Theta\}$  be a family of distributions. A statistic  $T(X)$  is sufficient if  $\forall \theta, \forall t, P_\theta(X|T=t)$  does not depend on  $\theta$ . Define  $Q_t(B) = \mathbb{P}[X \in B | T=t]$  which is independent of  $\theta$ .
  - i.e. conditional distribution of  $X$  under  $P_\theta$  given  $T$  does not depend on  $\theta$
  - i.e.  $T(X)$  conveys all of information about  $\theta$  from data  $X$  ( $\therefore$  sufficient)
- [Sufficient] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta | \theta \in \Theta\}$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{P}} = \{\tilde{P}_\theta | \theta \in \Theta\}$  be models.  $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}$  is sufficient for  $\mathcal{P}$  if  $\exists$  a stochastic transition kernel  $Q$  s.t.  $P_\theta(B) = \int Q_t(B) d\tilde{P}_\theta(t) \forall B$  Borel and  $\theta \in \Theta$ 
  - If  $\tilde{\mathcal{P}}$  is sufficient for  $\mathcal{P}$ , then data generation can be done via  $T \sim \tilde{P}_\theta$ , then  $\tilde{X} \sim Q_t$
- [Likelihood] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta | \theta \in \Theta\}$ , then the likelihood function is, given some data  $X$ , a function of  $\theta$ :

- $L(\theta; X) = P_\theta(X)$
- $l(\theta; X) = \log L(\theta; X)$
- [Dominated] A family of distributions  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$  is dominated if  $\exists$  measure  $\mu$  s.t.  $p_\theta \ll \mu \forall \theta \in \Theta$
- [Likelihood Function] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta | \theta \in \Theta\}$  be a family dominated by  $\mu$ . Then  $p_\theta = \frac{dP_\theta}{d\mu}$ .  
 $p: \Theta \rightarrow (X \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$  is the likelihood function
  - i.e. mapping of parameter  $\theta$  to its density  $p_\theta(X)$
- [Likelihood Shape] The likelihood shape is the family of curves spanning the parameter  $\theta$  space:  $S(X) = (0, \infty) \cdot L(\cdot; X) = \{cL(\cdot; X) | c \in (0, \infty)\}$ .
- [Proportional / Same Shape] Two functions  $f, g$  have the same shape if  $f \propto g$  i.e.  $\exists c$  s.t.  $cf(x) = g(x)$
- [a.e.  $\mathcal{P}$ ] A proposition  $Q(x)$  a.e.  $\mathcal{P}$  means  $\forall P \in \mathcal{P}, P(\{x \in X: \neg Q(x)\}) = 0$ 
  - The set on which the proposition fails, i.e.  $\{x \in X: \neg Q(x)\}$ , is a null set under all distributions
- [Minimal Sufficient] A statistic  $T(X)$  is minimal sufficient if:
  - $T(X)$  is sufficient
  - For any other sufficient statistic  $S(X)$ ,  $T(X) = f(S(X))$  for some  $f$  a.e.  $\mathcal{P}$
- [Complete] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta | \theta \in \Theta\}$  be a family of distributions. A statistic  $T(X)$  is complete for  $\mathcal{P}$  if  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[f(T(X))] = 0 \forall \theta \in \Theta$  implies  $f(T(X)) = 0$  a.e.  $\mathcal{P}$ 
  - Typically, prove by directly checking the condition via integration
- [Completeness] A family of measures  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta | \theta \in \Theta\}$  on  $\mathcal{X}$  is complete if  $\int_{\mathcal{X}} f(x) dP_\theta(x) = 0 \forall \theta \Rightarrow P_\theta(\{x: f(x) \neq 0\}) = 0 \forall \theta$  i.e.  $f(x) = 0$  almost surely for all measure  $P_\theta$ 
  - A family  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta | \theta \in \Theta\}$  is not complete if there is some nonzero function  $f$  that is orthogonal to every  $P_\theta$
  - $\mathbb{E}_\theta[\delta_1(T)] = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\delta_2(T)] = g(\theta)$  then  $\delta_1 = \delta_2$  a.s.
- [Ancillary] A statistic  $V(X)$  is ancillary for  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$  if its distribution is independent of  $\theta$ 
  - $V$  by itself provides no information about  $\theta$

### Properties

- [Sufficiency]
  - $P_\theta[X \in B] = \mathbb{E}_\theta[P_\theta[X \in B | T]] = \mathbb{E}_\theta[Q_T(B)]$
  - [Fake Data Construction] Given  $T = t$ , sample  $\tilde{X} \sim Q_t$
  - [Factorisation Theorem 3.6] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$  is a family of distributions dominated by  $\mu$ . Then, a statistic  $T(X)$  is sufficient if and only if  $\exists g_\theta \geq 0, h \geq 0$  s.t.  $p_\theta(X) = g_\theta(T(X))h(X) \forall$  a.e.  $x$  under  $\mu$ 
    - i.e.  $\mu(\{x: p_\theta(x) \neq g_\theta(T(x))h(x)\}) = 0$
  - If  $T(X)$  is sufficient, then  $L(\theta; X) = g_\theta(T(X))h(X)$
  - If  $T(X)$  is sufficient and  $T = f(\tilde{T})$ , then  $\tilde{T}$  is also sufficient
  - Let  $T(X)$  be a sufficient statistic. Then  $T(X)$  provides enough information to graph out the likelihood shape via  $\frac{p_{\theta_1}(X)}{p_{\theta_2}(X)} = \frac{g_{\theta_1}(T)}{g_{\theta_2}(T)}$
- [Minimal Sufficiency]
  - Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$  be a dominated family. Then, the shape of the likelihood is minimal sufficient.
    - $T(X)$  is minimally sufficient if it can be recovered from the likelihood shape
  - *Proof technique: Show that  $p_\theta(x) \propto_\theta p_\theta(y) \Rightarrow T(x) = T(y)$ , then  $T$  minimally sufficient*
- [Differential Identities]
  - $\nabla_\eta A(\eta) = \mathbb{E}_\eta[T(x)]$
  - $\nabla_\eta^2 A(\eta) = \text{Var}_\eta[T(x)]$

- [Moment Generating Function]  $M_{\eta}^{T(x)}(u) := \mathbb{E}_{\eta}[e^{u^T T(x)}] = e^{A(\eta+u) - A(\eta)}$
- [Cumulant Generating Function]  $K_{\eta}^{T(x)}(u) := \log M_{\eta}^{T(x)}(u) = A(\eta+u) - A(\eta)$
- [Exponential Family Properties]  $p_{\theta}(x) = e^{\eta(\theta) \cdot T(x) - A(\theta)} h(x)$ 
  - $T(X)$  is sufficient (*prove by factorisation theorem*)
  - If  $T(x) - T(y) \perp \eta(\theta_0) - \eta(\theta_1) \forall \theta_0, \theta_1 \in \Omega$ , then  $T(X)$  is minimally sufficient
    - i.e.  $T(x) - T(y) \in (\eta(\Theta) \ominus \eta(\Theta))^{\perp}$
  - In an exponential family of full rank,  $T$  is minimally sufficient
  - [3.19] In an exponential family of full rank,  $T$  is complete
  - [12.19] Let  $X \sim e^{\eta(\theta) \cdot T(x) - A(\theta)} h(x)$ , then  $T \sim e^{\eta(\theta)^T t - A(\theta)}$  w.r.t. some measure  $\nu$
- [Convex Loss Properties]
  - [3.24] Let  $f$  be convex on  $(a, b)$  and  $t \in (a, b)$ . Then  $\exists c_t$  s.t.  $f(t) + c_t(x - t) \leq f(x) \forall x \in (a, b)$ 
    - If  $f$  strictly convex, this inequality can be upgraded to strict inequality for  $x \neq t$
  - [Jensen] Let  $f$  be convex on  $(a, b)$  and  $\mathbb{P}[X \in (a, b)] = 1$  and  $\mathbb{E}[X] < \infty$ . Then  $f(\mathbb{E}[X]) \leq \mathbb{E}[f(X)]$

### Theorems

- [Sufficiency Principle] If  $T(X)$  sufficient, then any statistical procedure should depend on  $X$  only through  $T(X)$ .
- [Basu] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta} : \theta \in \Theta\}$  be a model. If  $T(X)$  is complete sufficient and  $V(X)$  is ancillary for  $\mathcal{P}$ , then  $V \perp T$  under  $P_{\theta} \forall \theta \in \Theta$ 
  - i.e.  $V$  and  $T$  are independent
  - $P_{\theta}[T \in B, V \in A] = P_{\theta}[T \in B]P_{\theta}[V \in A]$
- [3.3] Let  $T = T(X)$  be a sufficient statistic for  $X$  with distribution from  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta} : \theta \in \Theta\}$ . Then  $\forall \delta(X)$  of  $g(\theta)$ ,  $\exists$  randomised estimator with the same risk as  $\delta(X)$ 
  - *Proof: Sample  $\tilde{X} \sim Q_T$  and consider  $\delta(\tilde{X})$*
- $[\propto_{\theta}] p_{\theta}(x) \propto_{\theta} p_{\theta}(y) \Rightarrow \exists c_{x,y}$  s.t.  $p_{\theta}(x) = c_{x,y} p_{\theta}(y) \forall \theta \in \Theta$
- [3.11] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta} : \theta \in \Theta\}$  be a dominated family and  $T$  be a sufficient statistic. If  $p_{\theta}(x) = c(x,y)p_{\theta}(y) \forall \theta \in \Theta$  implies  $T(x) = T(y)$ , then  $T$  is minimal sufficient.
- [3.11] Let  $T$  be a sufficient statistic. If  $L(\cdot; x) \propto L(\cdot; y) \Rightarrow T(x) = T(y) \forall \theta \in \Theta$ , then  $T$  is minimal sufficient.
- [3.11] Let  $T$  be a sufficient statistic. If  $l(\cdot; x) = l(\cdot; y) + c(x,y) \Rightarrow T(x) = T(y) \forall \theta \in \Theta$ , then  $T$  is minimal sufficient.
- [3.17] If  $T(X)$  is complete and sufficient, then  $T(X)$  is minimal sufficient.
- [Rao-Blackwell] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta} | \theta \in \Theta\}$  and  $L(\theta, \cdot)$  be a convex loss function, where  $\theta \in \Theta$  and  $R(\theta, \delta) < \infty$ . Let  $T$  be a sufficient statistic for  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\delta$  be an estimator of  $g(\theta)$ . Define  $\tilde{\delta}(T) = \mathbb{E}[\delta(X)|T]$ . Then  $R(\theta, \tilde{\delta}) \leq R(\theta, \delta)$ 
  - If  $L(\theta, \cdot)$  strictly convex, then inequality will be strict unless  $\delta(X) = \tilde{\delta}(T)$  a.e.  $P_{\theta}$
  - For convex loss functions, can upgrade the estimator  $\delta$  based on  $T$  to produce a non-randomised estimator  $\tilde{\delta}$  with smaller risk
  - $\therefore$  if  $L$  is convex, the only estimators worth considering are functions of  $T$  where  $T$  is a sufficient statistic
  - $\therefore$  if  $L$  is convex, randomised estimators perform no better than non-randomised estimators
  - *Prove via Jensen and law of iterated expectations with the risk*

### Exam

- Remember indicator functions in densities (they are functions of  $X$ )
- Statistics that might be sufficient: order statistics, max, min, median

# Unbiased Estimation

## Definitions

- [Unbiased] An estimator  $\delta(X)$  is unbiased for  $g(\theta)$  if  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[\delta(X)] = g(\theta) \forall \theta \in \Theta$ 
  - [U-estimable] The function  $g$  is U-estimable if  $\exists$  an unbiased estimator for  $g(\theta)$
- [UMVU] An estimator  $\delta(X)$  is uniform minimum variance unbiased if:
  - $\delta(X)$  is unbiased i.e.  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[\delta(X)] = g(\theta) \forall \theta \in \Theta$
  - $\forall$  unbiased estimator  $\tilde{\delta}(X)$ , the variance of  $\delta(X)$  is uniformly better i.e.  $\text{Var}_\theta[\delta(X)] \leq \text{Var}_\theta[\tilde{\delta}(X)] \forall \theta \in \Theta$ 
    - i.e.  $\delta$  is the best unbiased estimator under squared error loss

## Properties

- [Squared Error Loss] Under  $L(\theta; \delta) = (\delta(X) - g(\theta))^2$ :
  - Risk of an unbiased estimator  $\delta$  is  $R(\theta; \delta) = \text{Var}_\theta[\delta(X)]$
  - Risk of any estimator  $\delta$  is  $R(\theta; \delta) = \text{Var}_\theta[\delta(X)] + \text{Bias}[\delta(X)]^2$ 
    - $\text{Bias}[\delta(X)] = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\delta(X) - g(\theta)] = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\delta(X)] - g(\theta)$
  - [1.10] Let  $\delta(X)$  be a Bayes (or UMVU or minimax or admissible) estimator of  $g(\theta)$  for squared error loss. Then  $a\delta(X) + b$  is Bayes (or UMVU or minimax or admissible) estimator of  $ag(\theta) + b$
- [Score]
  - Assuming regularity conditions,  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta'}[\nabla_\theta l(\theta'; X)] = 0$ 
    - Expected value of the score, at the true parameter  $\theta'$ , over the sample space  $\mathcal{X}$  is 0
    - If one were to resample from some distribution, the mean value of the scores tends to 0 asymptotically
  - First order stationary condition for MLE i.e. if  $l(\theta; X)$  continuous in  $\theta$ , then  $\nabla_\theta l(\hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}}; X) = 0$
- [Exponential Family]  $p_\eta(x) = e^{\eta^T T(x) - A(\eta)} h(x)$ 
  - [Score]  $\mathcal{S}(\eta) = T(x) - \nabla_\eta A(\eta) = T(x) - \mathbb{E}_\eta[T(x)]$
  - [Fisher Information]  $\mathcal{I}(\eta) = \nabla_\eta^2 A(\eta)$
  - [Cramér-Rao Lower Bound] Unbiased estimator for  $\eta$  has variance  $\geq \frac{1}{\mathcal{I}(\eta)} = (\nabla_\eta^2 A(\eta))^{-1}$

## Theorems

- [Existence of UMVU 4.4] Suppose  $g$  is U-estimable and  $T(X)$  is complete sufficient. Then  $\exists!$  estimator  $\delta(T)$  based on  $T$  that is UMVU (this implies  $\delta(T)$  is unbiased)
  - i.e. any other unbiased estimator  $\tilde{\delta}(T)$ ,  $\delta \neq \tilde{\delta}$  on a  $\mathcal{P}$ -null set i.e.  $P_\theta[\{\delta(T) \neq \tilde{\delta}(T)\}] = 0 \forall \theta \in \Theta$
  - The unbiased estimator  $\delta(T)$  could be obtained by transforming any other unbiased estimator  $\delta'(X)$  via Rao-Blackwell theorem i.e.  $\delta(T) = \mathbb{E}[\delta'(X)|T]$
  - *Proof: show  $\mathbb{E}[\delta'(X)|T]$  is unbiased via law of iterated expectation, then finish with completeness and Rao-Blackwell theorem*
- Let  $T$  be complete sufficient. Then if  $\delta(T)$  is an unbiased estimator, then  $\delta(T)$  is also UMVU.
- Under MSE, a biased estimator can have a better risk function than UMVU estimator if it has a smaller variance than the UMVU estimator as compared to increase in bias.

## Exam

- Sometimes, just construct an unbiased estimator  $\delta(X)$  via expectation formula
  - Taylor expansion and compare coefficients
  - May encounter differential equations

## Definitions (Variance Bounds)

- [Log-Likelihood]  $l(\theta; X) := \log p_\theta(X)$

- [Score] The score is:  $\mathcal{S}(\theta) := \nabla_{\theta} l(\theta; X)$ 
  - Locally complete sufficient statistic
  - Given enough regularity, if  $\delta(X)$  is unbiased for  $g(\theta)$ , then  $g'(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\delta \mathcal{S}]$  i.e.  $\delta \mathcal{S}$  is unbiased for  $g'(\theta)$
- [Fisher Information] The Fisher information is:  $\mathcal{I}(\theta) := \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\mathcal{S}(\theta)\mathcal{S}(\theta)^T]$ 
  - Given enough regularity,  $\mathcal{I}(\theta) = \text{Var}_{\theta}[\mathcal{S}(\theta)] = \text{Var}_{\theta}[\nabla_{\theta} l(\theta; x)] = -\mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\nabla_{\theta}^2 l(\theta; X)]$
  - $\mathcal{I}(\theta) \geq 0$
  - [ $d = 1$ ]  $\mathcal{I}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[(\mathcal{S}(\theta))^2] = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[(\partial_{\theta} l(\theta; X))^2] = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[-\partial_{\theta}^2 l(\theta; X)]$
  - Intuitively,  $\mathcal{I}(\theta)$  is the amount of information that  $X$  carries about the parameter  $\theta$
  - Expected value of the observed information  $\nabla_{\theta}^2 l(\theta; X)$
  - Curvature of the support curve (the graph of log-likelihood)
  - High Fisher information indicates MLE is sharp
  - Low Fisher information indicates MLE is blunt
  - [Exponential Family]  $\mathcal{I}_1(\eta) = \ddot{A}(\eta)$ ,  $\mathcal{I}_n(\eta) = n\ddot{A}(\eta)$
  - $\mathcal{I}_n(\theta)$  is the Fisher information for  $n$  observations. Given i.i.d.,  $\mathcal{I}_n(\theta) = \text{Var}_{\theta}[\nabla_{\theta} l_n(\theta; x)] = n\mathcal{I}_1(\theta)$
  - [Transformation] If  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta}: \theta \in \Theta\}$  and  $\mathcal{Q} = \{Q_{\xi}: \xi \in \Xi\}$  are related by bijection  $h: \Xi \rightarrow \Theta$ , then  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{Q}}(\xi) = |h'(\xi)|^2 \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{P}}(\theta)$  i.e. Fisher information is dependent on parametrisation
    - [Multivariate]  $\mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{Q}}(\xi) = (Dh(\xi))^T \mathcal{I}_{\mathcal{P}}(\theta) (Dh(\xi))$
  - [Independence] If  $X \perp Y$ , then  $\mathcal{I}_{X,Y}(\theta) = \mathcal{I}_X(\theta) + \mathcal{I}_Y(\theta)$ 
    - If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are i.i.d., then  $\mathcal{I}_n(\theta) = n\mathcal{I}_1(\theta)$
- [Efficiency] Let  $\delta(X)$  be an unbiased estimator. Then the efficiency of  $\delta$  is  $\text{eff}_{\theta}(\delta) = \frac{\text{CRLB}}{\text{Var}_{\theta}(\delta)}$ 
  - $\text{eff}_{\theta}(\delta) = \text{Corr}_{\theta}[\delta(X), \nabla_{\theta} l(\theta; X)]^2$ 
    - Disguised as the correlation between the estimator and score function
  - “an estimator achieves the Cramér-Rao lower bound to the extent that it is correlated with the score function”
- [Location Family] Let  $X$  be an absolutely continuous random variable. The family of distributions  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta}: \theta \in \mathbb{R}\}$  where  $P_{\theta}$  is the distribution of  $\theta + X$  is a location family.
  - i.e. the parameter  $\theta$  specifies the mean
  - If  $X$  has density  $f(x)$ , then  $P_{\theta}$  has density  $p_{\theta}(x) = f(x - \theta)$
  - $\mathcal{I}(\theta) = \int \left( \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} \right)^2 dx$  is constant i.e. does not vary with  $\theta$

### Theorems (Variance Bounds)

- [Hammersley-Chapman-Robbins] Let  $\delta$  be an unbiased estimator. Then:  $\text{Var}_{\theta}[\delta] \geq \frac{(g(\theta + \Delta\theta) - g(\theta))^2}{\mathbb{E}_{\theta} \left[ \left( \frac{p_{\theta + \Delta\theta}(X)}{p_{\theta}(X)} - 1 \right)^2 \right]} \approx \frac{(g'(\theta))^2}{\mathbb{E}_{\theta}[(\partial_{\theta} \log p_{\theta}(X))^2]}$ 
  - Prove by Cauchy-Schwarz and picking  $\psi = \frac{p_{\theta + \Delta\theta}(X)}{p_{\theta}(X)} - 1$
- [Cramér-Rao 4.9] Let  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\delta(X) \in \mathbb{R}$  be an unbiased estimator for  $g(\theta) \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then  $\text{Var}_{\theta}[\delta(X)] \geq \frac{(\nabla_{\theta} g(\theta))^2}{\mathcal{I}(\theta)}$ 
  - $\nabla_{\theta} g(\theta) = \text{Cov}_{\theta}[\delta(X), \nabla_{\theta} l(\theta; X)]$
  - Lower bound on the variance of an unbiased estimator  $\delta(X)$
- [Cramér-Rao 4.9] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta}: \theta \in \Theta\}$  be a dominated family with  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}$  open and densities  $p_{\theta}$  differentiable w.r.t  $\theta$ . Provided  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\mathcal{S}] = 0$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\delta^2] < \infty$  and  $g'(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\delta \mathcal{S}]$   $\forall \theta \in \Theta$ , then  $\text{Var}_{\theta}[\delta(X)] \geq \frac{(\nabla_{\theta} g(\theta))^2}{\mathcal{I}(\theta)}$
- [Cramér-Rao Multivariate] Let  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $\delta(X) \in \mathbb{R}$  be an unbiased estimator for  $g(\theta) \in \mathbb{R}$

- $\mathbb{E}_\theta[\nabla_\theta \log p_\theta(X)] = 0$
- $\text{Var}_\theta[\delta] \geq (\nabla g(\theta))^T (\mathcal{I}(\theta))^{-1} \nabla g(\theta)$
- [Exponential Family]  $p_\eta(x) = e^{\eta^T T(x) - A(\eta)} h(x)$ 
  - $\mathcal{S}(\eta) = T(X) - \nabla_\eta A(\eta)$
  - $\mathcal{I}(\eta) = \text{Var}_\eta[T(X)] = \nabla_\eta^2 A(\eta)$
  - [Cramér-Rao] Let  $\mu = \nabla_\eta A(\eta)$ , then  $\text{Var}_\mu[\delta] \geq \text{Var}_\mu[T]$ 
    - *Prove by transformation of Fisher information*

# Bayes Estimation

## Definitions

- [Notation]
  - $\lambda(\theta)$ : prior density
  - $P_\theta$ : conditional distribution of  $X$  given  $\Theta = \theta$  i.e.  $X|\Theta = \theta \sim P_\theta$
  - $R(\theta, \delta(X)) = \mathbb{E}[L(\theta; \delta(X)) | \Theta = \theta] = \int_{\mathcal{X}} L(\theta; \delta(x)) dP_\theta(x)$
  - $\lambda(\theta)p_\theta(x)$ : joint density
  - $p_\theta(x) \approx \mathbb{P}[X = x | \Theta = \theta]$
  - $p(x)$ : marginal density  $\approx \mathbb{P}[X = x]$ 
    - $p(x) = \int_{\Theta} \lambda(\theta)p_\theta(x) d\theta$
  - $\lambda(\theta|X)$ : posterior density i.e. density of  $\Theta$  given  $X$ 
    - $\lambda(\theta|X = x) = \frac{\lambda(\theta)p_\theta(x)}{p(x)}$
  - $\Lambda$ : prior distribution; probability measure on  $\Theta$  i.e.  $\Theta \sim \Lambda$
  - The expectation is taken over the posterior density  $\Theta|X$
- [Bayes Risk] Let  $\delta$  be an estimator and  $\Lambda$  be a probability distribution on  $\Theta$ . Then, the Bayes risk is the expected risk over  $\Theta$ :  $r_\Lambda = \mathbb{E}[R(\Theta, \delta(X))] = \int_{\Theta} R(\theta, \delta(X)) d\Lambda(\theta) = \int_{\Theta} \mathbb{E}[L(\theta; \delta(X))] d\Lambda(\theta) = \int_{\Theta} \int_{\mathcal{X}} L(\theta; \delta(x)) dP_\theta(x) d\Lambda(\theta)$
- [Bayes Estimator] A Bayes estimator is an estimator that minimises Bayes risk:  $\delta_\Lambda(X) = \arg \min_{\delta(X)} \int_{\Theta} R(\theta, \delta(X)) d\Lambda(\theta) = \arg \min_{\delta} \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim \Theta} [R(\theta, \delta(X))]$ 
  - $\delta_\Lambda(x) = \arg \min_v \mathbb{E}_{\theta \sim \Lambda(\theta|X)} [L(\theta, v)] = \arg \min_v \int L(\theta, v) \lambda(\theta|x) d\theta$
  - *Prove by Fubini's theorem*
- [Posterior Risk] The posterior risk is the conditional expected loss:  $\mathbb{E}[L(\theta; \delta)|X = x] = \int_{\Theta} L(\theta, \delta(x)) \lambda(\theta|x) d\theta$ 
  - i.e. given data  $X = x$ , returns the expected loss over parameter space using the posterior distribution  $\Lambda(\theta|X)$
- [Conjugate Distribution] The prior distribution  $\Lambda(\theta)$  and posterior distribution  $\Lambda(\theta|X)$  are conjugate distributions if they are in the same probability distribution family.
  - [Conjugate Prior] If the prior distribution  $\Lambda(\theta)$  and posterior distribution  $\Lambda(\theta|X)$  are conjugate distributions, then  $\Lambda(\theta)$  is a conjugate prior for the likelihood function  $P_\theta(X)$
- [Empirical Bayes] Data used to estimate parameters of the prior distribution.
  - i.e. as compared to standard Bayesian methods where prior distribution is fixed
- [James-Stein Estimator] Let  $X \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Then, the James-Stein estimator is:  $\delta_{JS}(X) = \left(1 - \frac{d-2}{\|X\|^2}\right) X$

## Theorems

- [7.1] Let  $\Theta \sim \Lambda$ ,  $X|\Theta = \theta \sim P_\theta$  and  $L(\theta; \delta) \geq 0 \forall \theta \in \Theta, \delta$ . Then  $\delta_\Lambda$  is a Bayes estimator if:
  - $\mathbb{E}[L(\theta; \delta_0)] < \infty$  for some  $\delta_0$
  - For a.e.  $x$ ,  $\delta_\Lambda(x) = \arg \min_d \mathbb{E}[L(\theta; d)|X = x]$
- For  $L(\theta; \delta) = (g(\theta) - \delta(X))^2$ ,  $\delta_\Lambda(X) = \mathbb{E}[g(\theta)|X]$ 
  - i.e. the Bayes estimator is just the posterior mean
  - $\delta_\Lambda(x) = \int_{\Theta} g(\theta) \lambda(\theta|x) d\theta$
  - *Prove by dominated convergence theorem*
- [Stein]
  - Let  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  and  $h: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  differentiable and  $\mathbb{E}[|h'(X)|] < \infty$ , then  $\mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)h(X)] = \sigma^2 \mathbb{E}[h'(X)]$ 
    - *Prove by Fubini with  $h(x) = \int_0^x h'(y) dy$*



- Let  $X \sim N_d(\mu, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_d)$  and  $h: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  differentiable and  $\mathbb{E}[\|Dh(X)\|_F] < \infty$ , then
 
$$\mathbb{E}[(X - \mu)^T h(X)] = \sigma^2 \mathbb{E}[\text{tr}(Dh(X))] = \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^d \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{\partial h_i}{\partial x_i}(X)\right]$$

- Prove by law of iterated expectation and 1D Stein

- [11.3] Let  $X_1, \dots, X_d$  independent with  $X_i \sim N(\theta_i, d)$ . Let  $\delta(X)$  be an estimator for  $\theta$  and  $h(X) := X - \delta(X)$ . Assuming  $h$  is differentiable and  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Dh(X)\|_F] < \infty$ , define  $\hat{R} := d + \|h(X)\|^2 - 2\text{tr}(Dh(X))$ . Then  $R(\theta, \delta) = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\|\delta(X) - \theta\|^2] = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\hat{R}]$ .
- [Gaussian Sequence Model]  $X \sim N_d(\theta, \mathbb{I}_d)$
- [Stein's Unbiased Risk Estimator] Let  $\delta(X)$  be an estimator for the Gaussian sequence model. Let  $h(X) = X - \delta(X)$ . Assuming  $\sigma^2 = 1$ ,  $\hat{R}(X) = d + \|h(X)\|^2 - 2\text{tr}(Dh(X))$  is an unbiased estimator for the risk  $R(\theta; \delta) = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\|\delta(X) - \theta\|^2]$ .

### Markov Chain Monte Carlo

- [Metropolis-Hasting Algorithm]
  - [Set Up] Goal: construct a Markov chain with stationary distribution  $\pi_i$  proportional to the posterior  $\lambda(\theta|X)$ 
    - Allows sampling from the posterior  $\pi$
  - $\theta; \theta^{(t)}$ : parameters; parameter at time step  $t$
  - $Q(\theta^{(j)}|\theta^{(i)})$ : transition kernel / proposal distribution; probability of suggesting to go to  $\theta^{(j)}$  from  $\theta^{(i)}$
  - $a(\theta^{(j)}|\theta^{(i)})$ : acceptance probability i.e. probability that you adopt the suggestion
    - $a(\theta^{(j)}|\theta^{(i)}) = \min\left\{1, \frac{\lambda(\theta^{(j)}|X) Q(\theta^{(i)}|\theta^{(j)})}{\lambda(\theta^{(i)}|X) Q(\theta^{(j)}|\theta^{(i)})}\right\}$
  - [Algorithm]
    - Set  $\theta^{(0)}$  to a feasible initial value
    - For  $t$  in  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ :
      - Sample  $y \sim Q(y|\theta^{(t-1)})$  (the proposed value for  $\theta^{(t)}$ )
      - Compute  $A \leftarrow \min\left(1, \frac{\pi(y)Q(\theta^{(t-1)}|y)}{\pi(\theta^{(t-1)})Q(y|\theta^{(t-1)})}\right)$  (the acceptance probability)
      - Set  $\theta^{(t)} \leftarrow \begin{cases} y & \text{w.p. } A \\ \theta^{(t-1)} & \text{w.p. } 1 - A \end{cases}$
- [Gibbs Sampler] Let  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$ 
  - [Algorithm]
    - Initialise  $\theta \leftarrow \theta^{(0)} \in \mathbb{R}^d$
    - For  $t$  in  $\{1, \dots, T\}$ :
      - For  $j$  in  $\{1, \dots, d\}$ :
        - Sample  $\theta_j \sim \lambda(\theta_j|\theta_1, \dots, \hat{\theta}_j, \dots, \theta_d)$  # coordinate-wise update
      - Record  $\theta^{(t)} \leftarrow \theta$

### Miscellaneous

- [Beta Distribution]  $\theta \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$ 
  - $\lambda(\theta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1}, \theta \in (0, 1)$
  - $\mathbb{E}[\theta] = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$
  - $\int_0^1 \theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1} d\theta = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}$



# Minimax Estimation

## Definitions

- [Minimax Risk] The minimax risk is  $r^* = \inf_{\delta} \sup_{\theta} R(\theta; \delta)$
- [Minimax Estimator]  $\delta^*$  is the minimax estimator if  $\delta^* = \arg \inf_{\delta} \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta; \delta)$ 
  - i.e.  $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta; \delta^*) \leq \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta; \delta) \forall \delta$
  - i.e.  $\delta^*$  minimises the maximum risk
- [Least Favourable Prior] The least favourable prior is a prior distribution  $\Lambda^* = \arg \max_{\Lambda} r_{\Lambda} = \arg \max_{\Lambda} \int_{\Theta} R(\theta; \delta_{\Lambda}) d\Lambda(\theta)$ 
  - i.e.  $r_{\Lambda^*} \geq r_{\Lambda} \forall \Lambda$  i.e.  $\Lambda^*$  has the highest Bayes risk out of all prior distributions
  - Risk of least favourable prior is the best lower bound for minimax risk
- [Least Favourable Prior Sequence] Let  $\{\Lambda_n\}_n$  be a sequence of priors with minimal average risks  $\{r_{\Lambda_n}\}_n$  where  $r_{\Lambda_n} = \inf_{\delta} \int_{\Theta} R(\theta; \delta) d\Lambda_n(\theta)$ .  $\{\Lambda_n\}_n$  is a least favourable prior sequence if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_{\Lambda_n} = r < \infty$  with  $r \geq r_{\Lambda'}$  for any other prior distribution  $\Lambda'$ .
  - i.e. the limit of the Bayes risk is highest among all Bayes risk
- [Residual Sum of Squares]  $RSS(\hat{\mu}, Y)$
- [Expected Prediction Error]  $EPE(\mu, \hat{\mu})$
- [Effective Degrees of Freedom]  $DF(\mu, \hat{\mu}) = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \mathbb{E}[EPE - RSS]$

## Theorems

- Let  $\Lambda$  be a proper prior and  $\delta_{\Lambda}$  be the Bayes estimator. The Bayes risk  $r_{\Lambda}$  of any proper prior  $\Lambda$  is less than the minimax risk  $r^*$  i.e.  $r_{\Lambda} = \int_{\Theta} R(\theta; \delta_{\Lambda}) d\Lambda(\theta) = \inf_{\delta} \int_{\Theta} R(\theta; \delta) d\Lambda(\theta) \leq \inf_{\delta} \int_{\Theta} \sup_{\theta} R(\theta; \delta) d\Lambda(\theta) = \inf_{\delta} \sup_{\theta} R(\theta; \delta) = r^*$ 
  - "A minimax estimator is a Bayes estimator for the worst possible prior"
- [1.4] Let  $\Lambda$  be a prior distribution on  $\Theta$ . If  $r_{\Lambda} = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta; \delta_{\Lambda})$ , then:
  - $\delta_{\Lambda}$  is minimax
  - $\Lambda$  is least favourable
  - If  $\delta_{\Lambda}$  is the unique Bayes estimator for  $\Lambda$  a.s., then it is also the unique minimax estimator
- [1.5] Let  $\delta_{\Lambda}$  be a Bayes estimator. If  $\delta_{\Lambda}$  has constant risk, then it is also the minimax estimator, and  $\Lambda$  is the least favourable prior.
- [1.6] Let  $\Theta_{\Lambda} = \left\{ \theta : R(\theta, \delta_{\Lambda}) = \sup_{\theta' \in \Theta} R(\theta'; \delta_{\Lambda}) \right\}$ . Then  $\delta_{\Lambda}$  is minimax if and only if  $\Lambda(\Theta_{\Lambda}) = 1$ 
  - $\Theta_{\Lambda}$  is the set of parameters for which  $\delta_{\Lambda}$  attains maximum
- [1.12] Suppose  $\{\Lambda_n\}_n$  is a sequence of priors and  $\delta$  is an estimator that achieves  $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} R(\theta, \delta) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_{\Lambda_n}$ . Then:
  - $\delta$  is minimax
  - $\{\Lambda_n\}_n$  is least favourable

## Exam

- Typically, just express Bayes risk in integral form and bound the integrand

# Hypothesis Testing

## Definitions

- [Set-up]
  - [Model]  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$
  - [Null]  $H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$ 
    - Generally represents the status quo
  - [Alternate]  $H_1: \theta \in \Theta_1$
- [Critical Function] Describes behaviour of test on sample  $X$ :  $\phi(X) = \begin{cases} 0 \\ \text{Bernoulli}(\gamma) \\ 1 \end{cases}$
- [Rejection Region]  $\mathcal{R}(\phi) = \{x \in \mathcal{X}: \phi(x) = 1\}$ 
  - a.k.a critical region
  - $x \in \mathcal{R} \Rightarrow$  "accept"  $H_1$
- [Acceptance Region]  $\mathcal{A}(\phi) = \{x \in \mathcal{X}: \phi(x) < 1\}$ 
  - $x \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow$  "accept"  $H_0$
- [Power Function] The power function of a test  $\phi$  is a function  $\beta_\phi: \Theta \rightarrow [0,1]$  with  $\beta_\phi(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\phi(X)] = P_\theta[\phi(X) = 1]$ 
  - i.e. probability of rejecting  $H_0$  given  $\theta$
  - The power function is a measure of performance of test  $\phi$
- [Level- $\alpha$  Test] A test  $\phi(X)$  is a level- $\alpha$  test if  $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta_\phi(\theta) \leq \alpha$  i.e. maximum probability of rejecting null hypothesis, given that null hypothesis is correct
  - $\alpha$  is the significance level a.k.a. worst probability of wrongfully rejecting  $H_0$
  - Ubiquitous choice is  $\alpha = 0.05$
  - $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta_\phi(\theta)$  also known as Type I error rate
- [Simple] A hypothesis is simple if it is a sub-model that contains a single distribution e.g.  $\Theta_0 = \{\theta_0\}$ 
  - i.e. it completely specifies the distribution of the data
- [Composite] A composite hypothesis is one that is not simple
- [Identifiable] Model  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$  is identifiable if  $\theta_1 \neq \theta_2 \Rightarrow P_{\theta_1} \neq P_{\theta_2}$
- [Monotone Likelihood Ratio] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}\}$  be an identifiable model with densities  $p_\theta$ . Let  $T(X) \in \mathbb{R}$  be a statistic. Then  $\mathcal{P}$  has monotone likelihood ratios in  $T(X)$  if  $\frac{p_{\theta_2}(x)}{p_{\theta_1}(x)}$  is a non-decreasing function of  $T(x) \forall \theta_1 < \theta_2$ 
  - $T(x_1) \leq T(x_2) \Rightarrow \frac{p_{\theta_2}(x_1)}{p_{\theta_1}(x_1)} \leq \frac{p_{\theta_2}(x_2)}{p_{\theta_1}(x_2)}$
- [Stochastically Increasing] A real-valued statistic  $T(X)$  is stochastically increasing in  $\theta$  if  $\mathbb{P}_\theta[T(X) \leq t]$  is non-decreasing in  $\theta \forall t$ 
  - $\theta_1 \leq \theta_2 \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{\theta_1}[T(X) \leq t] \leq \mathbb{P}_{\theta_2}[T(X) \leq t]$
- [Uniformly Most Powerful] A test  $\phi^*$  is uniformly most powerful if  $\phi^*(X)$  has level  $\alpha$  and any other level  $\alpha$  test  $\phi(X)$ , we have  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[\phi^*(X)] \geq \mathbb{E}_\theta[\phi(X)] \forall \theta \in \Theta_1$ 
  - i.e.  $\phi^*$  has the most power on rejection region across level  $\alpha$  tests.
- [Unbiased] A test  $\phi(X)$  is unbiased if  $\beta_\phi(\theta) \geq \alpha \forall \theta \in \Theta_1$  and  $\beta_\phi(\theta) \leq \alpha \forall \theta \in \Theta_0$ 
  - i.e. want  $\phi(X)$  to have at least power  $\alpha$  in the rejection region and at most power  $\alpha$  in acceptance region
  - For  $\theta \in \partial\Theta_1 \cup \partial\Theta_2$ , typically  $\beta_\phi(\theta) = \alpha$
- [Uniformly Most Powerful Unbiased] UMPU
- [Inadmissible] A test  $\hat{\phi}$  is inadmissible if  $\exists$  a competing test  $\phi$  with better power function i.e.  $\beta_{\hat{\phi}}(\theta) \geq \beta_\phi(\theta) \forall \theta \in \Theta_0$  and  $\beta_{\hat{\phi}}(\theta) \leq \beta_\phi(\theta) \forall \theta \in \Theta_0$  with strict inequality for at least one  $\theta \in \Theta_0 \cup \Theta_1$
- [ $p$ -value] The  $p$ -value of a test  $\phi$  is the  $\alpha$ -level at which  $\phi$  barely rejects

- $p(x) = \inf_{\alpha} \{ \phi_{\alpha}(x) = 1 \}$
- $p(x) \leq \alpha \Leftrightarrow \phi_{\alpha'}(x) = 1 \forall \alpha' > \alpha$
- Note  $(\phi_{\alpha}(X))_{\alpha}$  are tests s.t.:
  - $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\phi_{\alpha}(X)] = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \mathbb{P}_{\theta}[\phi_{\alpha}(X) = 1] \leq \alpha$  i.e.  $\phi_{\alpha}$  is test of significance  $\alpha$
  - Increasing w.r.t.  $\alpha$  i.e.  $\alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2 \Rightarrow \phi_{\alpha_1}(x) \leq \phi_{\alpha_2}(x)$ 
    - $R_{\alpha_1} \subset R_{\alpha_2}$
- [Confidence Set] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta}: \theta \in \Theta\}$ . Then  $C(X)$  is a  $1 - \alpha$  confidence set for  $g(\theta)$  if  $P_{\theta}[C(X) \ni g(\theta)] \geq 1 - \alpha \forall \theta \in \Theta$ .
  - i.e. no matter which  $\theta \in \Theta$ , probability that  $C(X)$  covers  $g(\theta)$  is at least  $1 - \alpha$
  - Note:  $g(\theta)$  is fixed under  $P_{\theta}$ ;  $C(X)$  is a random set
  - $P_{\theta}[C(X) \ni g(\theta)|X] \in \{0,1\}$  since there are no more randomness
- [Duality] Fix  $\alpha \in (0,1)$  i.e.  $C(X)$  and  $(\phi_a)_a$  are sets and tests created w.r.t.  $\alpha$ 
  - Let  $(\phi_a)_a$  be a family of non-randomised level- $\alpha$  tests indexed by  $a \in g(\Theta)$ , where  $\phi_a(X)$  tests for  $H_0: g(\theta) = a$  and  $H_1: g(\theta) \neq a$ . This gives rise to the confidence set  $C(X) = \{a: X \in \mathcal{A}(\phi_a)\} = \{a: \phi_a(X) = 0\}$
  - Let  $C(X)$  be a  $1 - \alpha$  confidence set for  $g(\theta)$ . Then, construct the family of tests  $(\phi_a)_a$  where  $\phi_a(X) = \mathbb{1}\{a \notin C(X)\}$  is a level- $\alpha$  test for  $H_0: g(\theta) = a$  and  $H_1: g(\theta) \neq a$
  - $g(\theta) \in C(X) \Leftrightarrow P_{\theta}[X \in \mathcal{A}(\phi_{g(\theta)})] \geq 1 - \alpha$
- [Confidence Intervals]
  - Lower confidence interval: invert right tailed test of  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$  vs  $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$
  - Upper confidence interval: invert left tailed test of  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$  vs  $H_1: \theta < \theta_0$
  - Equal-tailed confidence interval: invert the (equal) two-tailed test of  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$  vs  $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$ . Also, can compute via intersection of lower and upper confidence interval for  $\frac{\alpha}{2}$  respectively
- [Unbiased] Let  $\theta \in \Theta$  be an unknown parameter. Let  $\Theta' \subset \Theta$  be a subset that does not contain the true parameter  $\theta$  and  $1 - \alpha$  be a given confidence level. A  $1 - \alpha$  confidence set  $C(X)$  is  $\Theta'$ -unbiased if  $\mathbb{P}[\theta' \in C(X)] \leq 1 - \alpha \forall \theta' \in \Theta'$
- [Uniformly Most Accurate Unbiased] Let  $C(X)$  be a  $\Theta'$ -unbiased confidence set with confidence coefficient  $1 - \alpha$ . If  $\mathbb{P}[\theta' \in C(X)] \leq \mathbb{P}[\theta' \in C_1(X)] \forall \theta' \in \Theta' \forall C_1(X)$  that is  $\Theta'$ -unbiased  $1 - \alpha$  confidence set, then  $C(X)$  is  $\Theta'$ -uniformly most accurate unbiased.

### One-sided Test

- [One-sided Test] Given a family of models  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta}: \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}\}$  and  $\theta_0 \in \Theta$ , want to test:
  - $H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$
  - $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$
- [Likelihood Ratio Test]
  - Define  $L(x) = \frac{\mathbb{P}_1[x]}{\mathbb{P}_0[x]}$
  - Critical function of the form  $\phi^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & L(x) > c \\ \text{Bernoulli}(\gamma), & L(x) = c \text{ where } (c, \gamma) \text{ chosen} \\ 0, & L(x) < c \end{cases}$ 
    - s.t.  $\beta_{\phi^*}(\theta_0) = \mathbb{E}_0[\phi^*(X)] = \alpha$
- [Type I Error]  $P_{\theta_0}[\phi(X) = 1]$ 
  - Rejecting the null hypothesis when it is indeed true
- [Type II Error]  $P_{\theta_1}[\phi(X) = 0]$ 
  - Failing to reject the null hypothesis
- [Neyman Pearson 12.2] Let  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ . Then,  $\exists$  likelihood ratio test  $\phi_{\alpha}$  with significance level  $\alpha$ .  $\phi_{\alpha}$  is optimal (maximises  $\beta(\theta_1)$ ) among all other tests  $\phi$  with significance level at most  $\alpha$

- [12.3] For another other test  $\phi$  that is optimal at significance level  $\alpha$ ,  $\phi = \phi_\alpha$  i.e.  $\phi$  must be the likelihood ratio test
- [12.9] Suppose that  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}\}$  has monotone likelihood ratios. Then:
  - The likelihood ratio test  $\phi^*(X)$  is uniformly most powerful for testing  $H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0$  vs  $H_1: \theta > \theta_0$  and has level  $\alpha = \mathbb{E}_{\theta_0}[\phi^*(X)]$ 
    - $\phi^*(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & T(x) > c \\ \gamma, & T(x) = c \\ 0, & T(x) < c \end{cases}$
  - The power function  $\beta_{\phi^*}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\phi^*(X)]$  is nondecreasing in  $\theta$
  - If  $\theta' < \theta_0$ , the test  $\phi^*$  minimises  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta'}[\phi(X)]$  among all tests  $\phi$  with  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0}[\phi(X)] = \alpha = \mathbb{E}_{\theta_0}[\phi^*(X)]$ 
    - i.e. the likelihood ratio test not only maximises power for  $\theta > \theta_0$ , it also minimises power for  $\theta < \theta_0$

### Two-sided Tests

- [Point Null] Given a family of models  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}\}$  and  $\theta_0 \in \Theta$ , want to test:
  - $H_0^{(P)}: \theta = \theta_0$
  - $H_1^{(P)}: \theta \neq \theta_0$
- [Interval Null] Given a family of models  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}\}$  and  $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in \Theta$ , want to test:
  - $H_0^{(I)}: \theta \in [\theta_1, \theta_2]$
  - $H_1^{(I)}: \theta \notin [\theta_1, \theta_2]$
- [ $\mathcal{C}_m$ ] Let  $\mathcal{C}_m$  denote the class of level- $\alpha$  tests  $\phi$  s.t.  $\beta'_\phi(\theta_0) = m$
- [Two-Sided Test] A test  $\phi$  is two-sided if  $\exists t_1, t_2$  with  $t_1 < t_2$  s.t.
 
$$\phi(X) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in (-\infty, t_1) \cup (t_2, \infty) \\ 0, & x \in [t_1, t_2] \end{cases}$$
- [Equal-Tailed Test]  $\mathbb{P}_{\theta_0}[T(X) < c_1] = \mathbb{P}_{\theta_0}[T(X) > c_2] = \frac{\alpha}{2}$
- [UMP One-Sided] Let  $\phi_+$  and  $\phi_-$  denote the UMP one-sided tests of level  $\alpha$ .
  - Define  $m_+ := \beta'_{\phi_+}(\theta_0)$  and  $m_- := \beta'_{\phi_-}(\theta_0)$
- [12.17] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$ . Suppose  $T(X)$  be sufficient for the model. Then, for any test  $\phi(X)$ , the test  $\psi(T) = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\phi(X)|T]$  has the same power function as  $\phi$  i.e.  $\beta_\psi(\theta) = \beta_\phi(\theta) \forall \theta \in \Theta$ 
  - *Prove by law of iterated expectation*
- [12.20] Let  $\eta$  be differentiable at  $\theta$  and  $\theta \in \text{int}(\Theta)$ , then  $\beta'(\theta) = \eta'(\theta)\mathbb{E}_\theta[T\phi] - B'(\theta)\beta(\theta)$ 
  - *Prove by differentiating (by applying dominated convergence theorem)*
- [12.22] Assume  $X \sim e^{\eta(\theta)T(x) - A(\theta)}h(x)$  and  $\theta_0 \in \text{int}(\Theta)$  and  $\eta$  differentiable and strictly increasing with  $0 < \eta'(\theta_0) < \infty$ . Then  $\forall m \in (m_-, m_+)$ ,  $\exists$  a two-sided level- $\alpha$  test  $\phi^*$  s.t.  $\beta'_{\phi^*}(\theta_0) = m$ .  $\phi^*$  is uniformly most powerful across all level- $\alpha$  tests with derivative constrained at  $\theta_0$ 
  - i.e. if there is another level- $\alpha$  test  $\psi$  s.t.  $\beta'_\psi(\theta_0) = m$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[\psi] \leq \mathbb{E}_\theta[\phi^*] \forall \theta \in \Theta$
  - [12.23] If  $\phi^*$  is a two-sided test testing for  $H_0: \theta \in [\theta_1, \theta_2]$  and  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_1}[\phi^*] = \alpha_1$  and  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_1}[\phi^*] = \alpha_2$ . Then  $\phi^*$  is uniformly most powerful among all tests with  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_1}[\phi] = \alpha_1$  and  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_1}[\phi] = \alpha_2$
- [12.26] Assume  $X \sim e^{\eta(\theta)T(x) - A(\theta)}h(x)$  and  $\theta_0 \in \text{int}(\Theta)$  and  $\eta$  differentiable and strictly increasing with  $0 < \eta'(\theta_0) < \infty$ . Then  $\exists$  two-sided level- $\alpha$  test  $\phi^*$  with  $\beta'_{\phi^*}(\theta_0) = 0$ .  $\phi^*$  is uniformly most powerful testing  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$  vs  $H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$  among all unbiased tests with level- $\alpha$ .
  - Any two-sided test  $\phi^*$  with level- $\alpha$  that is uncorrelated with  $T$  is uniformly most powerful unbiased.

- [Lecture 12.26] Assume  $X_i \sim e^{\theta^T T(x) - A(\theta)} h(x)$ . Then the unbiased test that rejects extreme values of the sufficient statistic  $\sum_{i=1}^n T(x_i)$  with significance level  $\alpha$  is UMP among all unbiased test (UMPU)
  - For  $H_0^{(P)}$ , the UMPU test can be found by solving for  $c_i, \gamma_i, i \in \{1, 2\}$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0}[\phi(X)] = \alpha$ ,  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0}[(\sum_{i=1}^n T(x_i))(\phi(X) - \alpha)] = 0$
  - For  $H_0^{(I)}$ , the UMPU test can be found by solving for  $c_i, \gamma_i, i \in \{1, 2\}$  such that  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_1}[\phi(X)] = \mathbb{E}_{\theta_2}[\phi(X)] = \alpha$
  - $\phi(X) = \begin{cases} 1, & T(x) \in (-\infty, c_1) \cup (c_2, \infty) \\ \gamma_i, & T(X) = c_i \\ 0, & T(X) \in (c_1, c_2) \end{cases}$

### Nuisance Parameters

- [ $\alpha$ -Similar] A test  $\phi$  is  $\alpha$ -similar if  $\beta_\phi(\theta)$  is continuous and  $\beta_\phi(\theta) = \alpha \forall \theta \in \bar{\Theta}_0 \cap \bar{\Theta}_1$ 
  - i.e. its power function is  $\alpha$  on the common boundary of  $\Theta_0$  and  $\Theta_1$
  - Warning:  $\alpha$  need not be the level of test  $\phi$
- [Neyman Structure] Let  $T(X)$  be sufficient for the subfamily  $\mathcal{P}' = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Omega\} \subset \mathcal{P}$ . Then an  $\alpha$ -similar test  $\phi$  has Neyman structure if  $\mathbb{E}_\theta[\phi|T = t] = \alpha$  for a.e.  $t \forall \theta \in \Omega$
- [13.3] Let  $\phi^*$  be  $\alpha$ -similar and is of level- $\alpha$  and UMP among all  $\alpha$ -similar tests. Then  $\phi^*$  is unbiased and uniformly most powerful among all unbiased tests
  - The unbiased test need not be of level- $\alpha$
- [13.5] Let  $T$  be complete and sufficient for  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}\}$ . Then every similar test has Neyman structure.
- [Set Up]
  - [Model]  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_{\theta, \lambda}: (\theta, \lambda) \in \Theta\}$ ,  $\theta$ : parameter of interest;  $\lambda$ : nuisance parameter
  - [Null]  $H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$
  - [Alternate]  $H_1: \theta \in \Theta_1$
- [13.6] Let  $\theta, \theta_0 \in \mathbb{R}, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^r, (\theta, \lambda) \in \Omega$  open. Assume  $\mathcal{P}$  is a full-rank exponential family with densities  $P_{\theta, \lambda}(x) = e^{\theta^T T(x) + \lambda^T U(x) - A(\theta, \lambda)} h(x)$ , where  $\theta$  is parameter of interest and  $\lambda$  is nuisance parameter.
  - [One-Sided] To test  $H_0: \theta \leq \theta_0, H_1: \theta > \theta_0, \exists$  a UMPU test  $\phi^*(X) = \psi(T(X), U(X))$ 

$$\text{where: } \psi(t, u) = \begin{cases} 1, & t > c(u) \\ \text{Bernoulli}(\gamma), & t = c(u) \text{ with } \gamma(u), c(u) \text{ chosen s.t.} \\ 0, & t < c(u) \end{cases}$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0}[\phi^*(X)|U(X) = u] = P_{\theta_0}[T(X) > c(u)|U(X) = u] = \alpha$$
  - [Point Null] To test  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0, H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0, \exists$  a UMPU test  $\phi^*(X) = \psi(T(X), U(X))$ 

$$\text{where: } \psi(t, u) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \in (-\infty, c_1(u)) \cup (c_2(u), \infty) \\ \text{Bernoulli}(\gamma), & t \in \{c_1(u), c_2(u)\} \\ 0, & t \in (c_1(u), c_2(u)) \end{cases} \quad \text{with } \gamma(u), c(u) \text{ chosen}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mathbb{E}_{\theta_0}[\phi^*(X)|U(X) = u] = \alpha, \mathbb{E}_{\theta_0}[T(X)(\phi^*(X) - \alpha)|U(X) = u] = 0$$
- [One Sample  $t$ -Test] Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . Test  $H_0: \mu = 0$  vs  $H_1: \mu \neq 0$ 
  - $\bar{X} \perp S_X^2$

### $t$ -Test

- [Set Up]  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ 
  - $H_0: \mu \leq 0$
  - $H_1: \mu > 0$
- $\frac{\bar{X}}{\|X\|} \perp \|X\|^2$  (Basu)
- Reject  $H_0$  if  $\frac{\sqrt{(n-1)n}\bar{X}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \frac{1}{n}\bar{X}^2}} > t_{1-\alpha}$

$$\circ \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\frac{s_X}{\sqrt{n}}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

### Permutation Test

- [Set Up] Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n_a} \sim P$  and  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{n_b} \sim Q$ 
  - $H_0: P = Q$
  - $H_1: P \neq Q$
- [Assumption] Exchangeability i.e.  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is equal in distribution to  $(X_{\pi(1)}, \dots, X_{\pi(n)})$  for all permutations  $\pi$ .
- Let  $T(X, Y) = \bar{X} - \bar{Y}$ . Let  $T_0 = T(X, Y)$ .
- For  $i \in \{1, \dots, B\}$ , obtain  $(X_i, Y_i) = \pi(X, Y)$  and  $T_i = T(X_i, Y_i)$
- Reject  $H_0$  if  $T_0$  falls in the upper  $\alpha$  quantile (i.e. among the top  $\alpha(B + 1)$  test statistic) of the Monte-Carlo distribution of  $T$ .

# General Linear Models

## Definitions

- [Exponential Family]  $Y_i \sim p_{\eta_i}(y) = e^{\eta_i y - A(\eta_i)} h(y)$ 
  - $\eta$  is the predictor
  - $\mu(\eta) = \nabla_{\eta} A(\eta)$
- [Response]  $Y$  the random component
- [Covariates / Regressors] The systematic component of GLM i.e.  $x_1, x_2, \dots$
- [Linear Predictor]  $\eta_i = \beta^T x_i$
- [Link Function] A link function is a smooth and invertible function  $g$  mapping the expectation of the response  $\mu_i = \mathbb{E}[Y_i]$  to the predictor  $\eta_i$ 
  - $g(\mu_i) = \eta_i$
  - Links the random and the systematic components
- [Mean Function] The mean function  $g^{-1}$  is the inverse of the link function
  - $g^{-1}$  is the conditional expectation of the response variable  $g^{-1}(\eta_i) = \mu_i$
  - $= \mathbb{E}_{\eta_i}[Y_i]$

## Distributions

- [ $\chi^2$  Distribution] Let  $Z_1, \dots, Z_d \sim N(0,1)$  and  $V = \sum_{i=1}^d Z_i^2 = \|Z\|^2$ . Then  $V \sim \chi_d^2$ .
  - $\mathbb{E}[V] = d$
  - $\text{Var}[V] = 2d$
  - $\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{1}{V}\right] = \frac{1}{d-2}$
  - $\text{Var}\left[\frac{1}{V}\right] = \frac{2}{(d-2)^2(d-4)}$
  - $\frac{n-1}{\sigma^2} S_X^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$
- [ $t$  Distribution] Let  $Z \sim N(0,1)$ ,  $V \sim \chi_d^2$ . Then  $\frac{Z}{\sqrt{\frac{V}{d}}} \sim t_d$ 
  - $\frac{(\bar{X}-\mu)}{\frac{S_X}{\sqrt{n}}} \sim t_{n-1}$
  - $t_d \rightarrow N(0,1)$  in distribution as  $d \rightarrow \infty$
  - Fatter tails
- [ $F$  Distribution] Let  $V_1 \sim \chi_{d_1}^2$  and  $V_2 \sim \chi_{d_2}^2$  be independent. Then  $\frac{\frac{V_1}{d_1}}{\frac{V_2}{d_2}} \sim F_{d_1, d_2}$ 
  - If  $d_2 \gg d_1$ , then  $F_{d_1, d_2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{d_1} \chi_{d_1}^2$  in distribution
  - $t_d^2 \sim F_{1, d}$
- [Facts]
  - [Cochran's Theorem] Let  $Z_1, \dots, Z_n \sim N(0,1)$  i.i.d., then  $\sum_{i=1}^n (Z_i - \bar{Z})^2 \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$
  - [Sample Variance Properties]
    - $S_X^2 := \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$
    - $\bar{X} \perp S_X^2$
    - $(n-1)S_X^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 = \|X\|^2 - n\bar{X}^2$

## Canonical Linear Model

- Let  $Z = \begin{bmatrix} Z_0 \\ Z_1 \\ Z_r \end{bmatrix} \sim N\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mu_0 \\ \mu_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_n\right)$  with  $Z \in \mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{d_0+d_1+d_r}$
- Test
  - $H_0: \mu_1 = 0$
  - $H_1: \mu_1 \neq 0$
- Density:  $P_{\mu_0, \mu_1, \sigma}(z) \propto e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|z\|^2 + \frac{\mu_0^T z_0}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu_1^T z_1}{\sigma^2}}$
- Case #1 (z-test):  $\sigma^2$  known,  $d_1 = 1$



- Nuisance parameter:  $\frac{\mu_0^T Z_0}{\sigma^2}$ 
  - Condition on  $Z_0$  but  $Z_1$  independent of  $Z_0$  anyways
- Reject extreme values of  $\frac{Z_1}{\sigma}$
- $\frac{Z_1}{\sigma} \sim N(0,1)$  under  $H_0$
- $\phi^*(Z) = \begin{cases} 1, & \left| \frac{Z_1}{\sigma} \right| > c \\ 0, & \left| \frac{Z_1}{\sigma} \right| \leq c \end{cases}$
- Case #2 ( $\chi^2$ -test):  $\sigma^2$  known,  $d_1 \geq 1 \Rightarrow$ 
  - Reject extreme values of  $\frac{\|Z_1\|^2}{\sigma^2}$
  - $\frac{\|Z_1\|^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{d_1}^2$  under  $H_0$
- Case #3 ( $t$ -test):  $\sigma^2$  unknown,  $d_1 = 1$ 
  - Nuisance parameters:  $-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|Z\|^2 + \frac{\mu_0^T Z_0}{\sigma^2}$
  - Reject extreme values of  $\frac{Z_1}{\|Z\|}$ 
    - Equivalently, reject extreme values of  $\frac{Z_1}{\sqrt{\frac{\|Z_r\|^2}{d_r}}}$
  - $\frac{Z_1}{\sqrt{\frac{\|Z_r\|^2}{d_r}}} \sim t_{d_r}$  under  $H_0$
- Case #4 ( $F$ -test):  $\sigma^2$  unknown,  $d_1 \geq 1$ 
  - Reject extreme values of  $\|Z_1\|^2$ 
    - Equivalently, reject extreme values of  $\frac{\|Z_1\|}{\|Z_r\|}$
  - $\frac{\frac{\|Z_1\|^2}{d_1}}{\frac{\|Z_r\|^2}{d_r}} \sim F_{d_1, d_r}$

### General Linear Model

- $Y \sim N_n(\theta, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_n)$
- Test the following hypotheses, where  $\Theta_0 \subset \Theta_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  are linear subspaces
  - $H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$
  - $H_1: \theta \in \Theta_1$
- Let  $Q = [Q_0 \quad Q_1 \quad Q_r] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  orthonormal, where  $Q_0$  is a basis for  $\Theta_0$ ,  $[Q_0 \quad Q_1]$  is a basis for  $\Theta_1$  and  $Q$  is a basis for  $\Theta$ 
  - $Q^T Y \sim N_n(Q^T \theta, \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_n)$
- Reduces to the following hypothesis:
  - $H_0: Q_1^T \theta = 0$
  - $H_1: Q_1^T \theta \neq 0$

### Linear Regression

- $\|Q_1^T Y\|^2 = RSS_0 - RSS$
- $\|Q_1^T Y\|^2 + \|Q_r^T Y\|^2 = RSS_0$
- [F-Statistic]  $\frac{\frac{\|Z_1\|^2}{d_1}}{\frac{\|Z_r\|^2}{d_r}} = \frac{RSS_0 - RSS}{RSS} \cdot \frac{d_r}{d_1}$

# Asymptotic Theory

## Definitions

- [Convergence]  $X_n \in \mathbb{R}^d, c \in \mathbb{R}^d$ 
  - [Convergence in Probability]  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} c$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}[\|X_n - c\| > \epsilon] = 0 \forall \epsilon > 0$
  - [Convergence in Distribution]  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{d} X$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[f(X_n)] = \mathbb{E}[f(X)] \forall$  bounded, continuous  $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ 
    - If  $d = 1$ , then equivalent definition is  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}[X_n \leq x] = \mathbb{P}[X \leq x] \forall x$
- [Consistent] Let  $(\mathcal{P}_n)_n$  be a sequence of models (i.e.  $\mathcal{P}_n = \{P_{n,\theta}: \theta \in \Theta\}$ ). Then, a sequence of estimators  $(\delta_n(X_n))_n$  where  $X_n \sim P_{n,\theta}$  is consistent for  $g(\theta)$  if  $(\delta_n(X_n))_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}_\theta} g(\theta) \forall \theta \in \Theta$ 
  - For each  $\theta \in \Theta$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}_\theta[|\delta_n(X_n) - g(\theta)| > \epsilon] = 0 \forall \epsilon > 0$
  - As  $n$  grows, the upgraded estimator  $\delta_n$  converges to the actual estimand under the true model
- [Maximum Likelihood Estimator] Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta: \theta \in \Theta\}$  be a dominated family. Then  $\hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}}(X) = \arg \max_{\theta \in \Theta} p_\theta(X) = \arg \max_{\theta \in \Theta} l(\theta; X)$ 
  - MLE for  $g(\theta)$  is  $g(\hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}})$
- [Asymptotic Relative Efficiency] Let  $\hat{\theta}^{(1)}, \hat{\theta}^{(2)}$  be asymptotically normal with  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}^{(i)} - \theta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma_i^2)$ , then the asymptotic relative efficiency of  $\hat{\theta}^{(2)}$  w.r.t.  $\hat{\theta}^{(1)}$  is  $\frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2}$ 
  - If  $\frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2} = \gamma < 1$ , then using  $\hat{\theta}^{(2)}$  is asymptotically equivalent to using  $\hat{\theta}^{(1)}$  but throwing away  $1 - \gamma$  of data.
- [Asymptotically Efficient] An estimator  $\hat{\theta}_n$  is asymptotically efficient if  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) \xrightarrow{P_\theta} N(0, (J_1(\theta))^{-1})$ 
  - i.e. achieves the Cramér-Rao lower bound
  - If  $\hat{\theta}_n$  is asymptotically efficient, then  $\sqrt{n}(g(\hat{\theta}_n) - g(\theta)) \xrightarrow{P_\theta} N(0, (\nabla g)^T (J_1(\theta))^{-1} (\nabla g))$
- [Kullback-Leibler Divergence]  $D_{KL}(\theta_0 || \theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\theta_0} \left[ \log \left( \frac{p_{\theta_0}(X)}{p_\theta(X)} \right) \right]$ 
  - $D_{KL}(\theta_0 || \theta) > 0$  unless  $p_{\theta_0} = p_\theta$

## Tools (Large Sample Theory)

- $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} c$  if and only if  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{d} \delta_c$
- [WLLN] If  $\mathbb{E}[\|X_n\|] < \infty, \mathbb{E}[X_n] = \mu$ , then  $(\bar{X}_n)_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} \mu$
- [Central Limit Theorem] If  $\mathbb{E}[X_n] = \mu, \text{Var}[X_n] = \Sigma$ , then  $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \Sigma)$ 
  - $\bar{X}_n \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{1}{n}\Sigma\right)$
- [Continuous Mapping Theorem] Let  $f$  be continuous and  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be random variables.
  - If  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ , then  $f(X_n) \xrightarrow{d} f(X)$
  - If  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} c$ , then  $f(X_n) \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} f(c)$
- [Slutsky] Let  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{d} X, Y_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} c$ . Then:
  - $(X_n + Y_n)_n \xrightarrow{d} X + c$
  - $(X_n Y_n)_n \xrightarrow{d} cX$
  - $\left(\frac{X_n}{Y_n}\right)_n \xrightarrow{d} \frac{X}{c}$  for  $c \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$

- [Delta Method] Assume  $\sqrt{n}(X_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $f(x)$  differentiable at  $x = \mu$ , then  $\sqrt{n}(f(X_n) - f(\mu)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2 f'(\mu)^2)$
- [Multivariate Delta Method] Assume  $\sqrt{n}(X_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N_d(0, \Sigma)$  and  $f: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$  differentiable at  $x = \mu$ , then  $\sqrt{n}(f(X_n) - f(\mu)) \xrightarrow{d} N_k(0, (Df)\Sigma(Df)^T)$
- [Method of Moments]
- [Good Event Bad Event Lemma 9.15] Suppose  $(Y_n) \xrightarrow{d} Y$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}[B_n] = 1$ , then for arbitrary  $(Z_n)_n$ ,  $Y_n \mathbb{1}_{B_n} + Z_n \mathbb{1}_{B_n^c} \xrightarrow{d} Y$ 
  - To show convergence in distribution, only care about events with probabilities that converge to 1

### Weak Law (Definitions)

- [ $C(\Theta)$ ] Let  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p$  be compact. Then  $C(\Theta)$  is the space of continuous functions on  $\Theta$ .
- [Random Function] Let  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^p$  be compact. Define  $(X_n)_n$  to be a source of randomness i.i.d. and  $W_i(\theta) = h(\theta, X_i)$  where  $h(\cdot, x) \in C(\Theta) \forall x$ . Then  $(W_n)_n$  is a sequence of random functions.
- [ $L^\infty$  Norm] Let  $w \in C(\Theta)$ , then  $\|w\|_\infty = \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |w(\theta)|$
- [Convergence in  $L^\infty$ ] Let  $(w_n)_n, w \in C(K)$ . Then  $w_n \rightarrow w$  in  $L^\infty$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|w_n - w\|_\infty = 0$
- [Banach Space] A Banach space is a complete normed vector space.
- [Dense] Let  $B \subset A$ . Then  $B$  is dense in  $A$  if  $\forall x \in A, \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists y \in B$  s.t.  $\|x - y\| < \epsilon$
- [Separable] A space is separable if it has a countable dense subset.

### Weak Law (Theorems)

- [ $(C(\Theta), L^\infty)$ ] Let  $\Theta$  be compact.
  - $(C(\Theta), L^\infty)$  is a Banach space (a complete, linear space equipped with a norm)
  - $(C(\Theta), L^\infty)$  is separable
- [Dini] Let  $(f_n)_n \rightarrow f$  monotonously pointwise on compact space  $K$ . If  $f$  is also continuous, then the convergence is uniform.
- [9.1] Let  $\Theta$  be compact and  $W$  be a random function in  $C(\Theta)$ . Let  $\mu: \Theta \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\mu(\theta) = \mathbb{E}[W(\theta)]$ . Assuming that  $\mathbb{E}[\|W\|_\infty] < \infty$ , then:
  - $\mu$  is continuous (*prove via dominated convergence theorem*)
  - $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sup_{\theta': \|\theta' - \theta\| < \epsilon} |W(\theta') - W(\theta)| \right] = 0$  (*prove via Dini*)
    - i.e. uniform convergence of expected difference between close-by points
- [9.2] Let  $\Theta$  be compact and  $(W_n)_n \in C(\Theta)$  i.i.d. with mean  $\mu$  (i.e.  $\mu(\theta) = \mathbb{E}[W(\theta)]$ ) and  $\mathbb{E}[\|W_i\|_\infty] < \infty$ . Let  $\bar{W}_n = \frac{W_1 + \dots + W_n}{n}$ . Then  $\|\bar{W}_n - \mu\|_\infty \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} 0$ 
  - $\forall \epsilon > 0, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left[ \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} \|\bar{W}_n(\theta) - \mu(\theta)\| > \epsilon \right] = 0$
  - This upgrades convergence in probability due to WLLN. Actually, it can be upgraded to convergence almost surely
- [9.4] Let  $\Theta$  be compact. Let  $(G_n)_n \in C(\Theta)$  be random functions and  $\|G_n - g\|_\infty \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} 0$  with  $g \in C(\Theta)$  be a nonrandom function.
  - Let  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} x^*$  where  $x^* \in \Theta$  is a constant, then  $(G_n(X_n))_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} g(x^*)$
  - Let  $g$  achieve maximum at unique point  $x^*$  and  $(X_n)_n$  are random variables maximising  $G_n$  i.e.  $G_n(X_n) = \sup_{X \in \Theta} G_n(X)$ , then  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} x^*$
  - Let  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}$  and  $g(x) = 0$  has a unique solution  $x^*$ . If  $(X_n)_n$  are random variables s.t.  $G_n(X_n) = 0$ , then  $(X_n)_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} x^*$

- Upshot: Uniform convergence allows for convergence in probability of sequences, maxima and solutions
- [Consistency of  $\hat{\theta}_n$  9.9] Let  $\Theta$  be compact and  $\mathcal{P}$  be an identifiable model with densities  $p_\theta$  continuous in  $\theta$ . Suppose  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0} [\|\log p_\theta - \log p_{\theta_0}\|_\infty] < \infty$  and. Then, under  $P_{\theta_0}$ ,  $\hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} \theta$ .
  - $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0} [\|\log p_\theta - \log p_{\theta_0}\|_\infty] < \infty$  is equivalent to  $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0} \left[ \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |\log p_\theta - \log p_{\theta_0}| \right] < \infty$
  - i.e. MLE  $\hat{\theta}_n$  is consistent
  - *Prove via: KL divergence guarantees uniqueness of maximum, then apply (9.2) and (9.4)*
- [Consistency of  $\hat{\theta}_n$  9.11] Let  $\Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathcal{P}$  be an identifiable model with densities  $p_\theta$  continuous in  $\theta$  and  $p_\theta(x) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\|\theta\| \rightarrow \infty$ . Suppose:
  - $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0} [\|(\log p_\theta - \log p_{\theta_0}) \mathbb{1}_K\|_\infty] = \mathbb{E}_{\theta_0} \left[ \sup_{\theta \in K} |\log p_\theta - \log p_{\theta_0}| \right] < \infty \quad \forall K \subset \Theta \text{ compact.}$
  - $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0} \left[ \sup_{\theta: \|\theta\| > M} |\log p_\theta - \log p_{\theta_0}| \right] < \infty$  for some  $M > 0$
 Then, under  $P_{\theta_0}$ ,  $\hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} \theta$ .
  - *Prove via considering the ball  $\overline{B_r(\theta_0)}$  and showing  $\mathbb{P}[\hat{\theta}_n \notin \overline{B_r(\theta_0)}] \rightarrow 0$ , then using good-event-bad-event lemma*
- [Asymptotic Efficiency of MLE 9.14] Assume the following conditions:
  - $(X_i)_i$  i.i.d. with common density  $p_{\theta_0}$  with  $\theta_0 \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^d$
  - The MLE estimator  $\hat{\theta}_n$  is consistent i.e.  $\hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} \theta$
  - $\exists \epsilon > 0$  s.t.  $\overline{B_\epsilon(\theta_0)} = \{\theta: \|\theta - \theta_0\| < \epsilon\} \subset \Theta$  and:
    - $\nabla_\theta^2 l(\theta; x)$  exists (i.e.  $l$  is twice differentiable in  $\theta \forall x$ )
    - $\mathbb{E}_{\theta_0} \left[ \sup_{\theta \in \overline{B_\epsilon(\theta_0)}} \|\nabla_\theta^2 l(\theta; x)\| \right] < \infty$
  - Sufficient regularity to interchange derivatives and integrals (e.g.  $\frac{\partial^3 l}{\partial \theta^3}$  bounded)
 Then,  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, (\mathcal{I}_1(\theta_0))^{-1})$  under  $P_{\theta_0}$  (i.e. MLE achieves asymptotic efficiency)
  - *Eventually,  $\{\hat{\theta}_n \notin \overline{B_\epsilon(\theta_0)}\}$  is a measure 0 event. Prove by Taylor expanding  $\nabla_\theta l_n(\hat{\theta}_n)$  around  $\theta_0$  and use tools.*

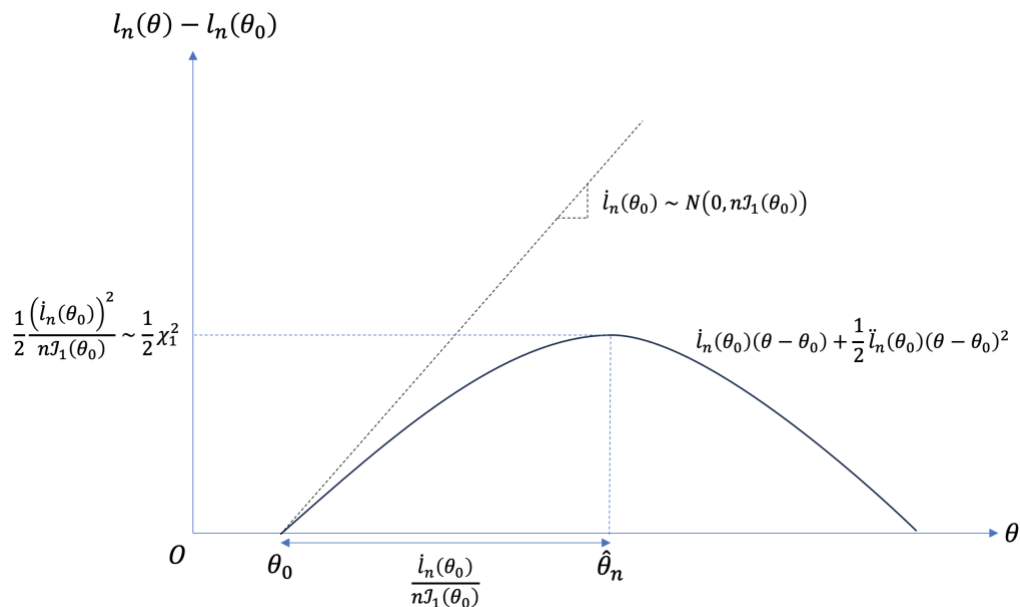
### Likelihood Manipulations

- $l_n(\theta) - l_n(\theta_0)$  is a minimal sufficient statistic (log of likelihood ratio)
- $l_n(\theta) - l_n(\theta_0) \approx \dot{l}_n(\theta_0)(\theta - \theta_0) + \frac{1}{2} \ddot{l}_n(\theta_0)(\theta - \theta_0)^2 \approx$
- $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \dot{l}_n(\theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \mathcal{I}_1(\theta_0))$
- $\frac{1}{n} \ddot{l}_n(\theta_0) \xrightarrow{p_{\theta_0}} -\mathcal{I}_1(\theta_0)$
- $\ddot{l}_n(\theta_0) = -\mathcal{J}_n = -n\mathcal{J}_1$
- $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \mathcal{I}_1(\theta_0)^{-1})$

### Three Musketeers

- [Score Test]
  - [Score Statistic]  $\dot{l}_n(\theta_0) \sim N(0, n\mathcal{J}_1(\theta_0))$
  - $(\mathcal{J}_n(\theta_0))^{-\frac{1}{2}} \nabla_\theta l_n(\theta_0; X) \xrightarrow{d} N_d(0, \mathbb{I}_d)$
  - $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ 
    - $(d > 1)$  Reject  $H_0$  if  $\left\| \mathcal{J}_n(\theta_0)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \nabla_\theta l_n(\theta_0; X) \right\|_2^2 > \chi_d^2(\alpha)$
    - $(d = 1)$  Reject  $H_0$  if  $\left| \frac{\dot{l}_n(\theta_0)}{\sqrt{\mathcal{J}_n(\theta_0)}} \right| > Z\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$  (can do 1-sided or 2-sided test)

- Score Test prioritises alternatives close to  $\theta_0$
- [Wald Test]
  - [Wald Statistic]  $\frac{i_n(\theta_0)}{nJ_1}$
  - Let  $\hat{\theta}_n$  be an estimator s.t.  $\frac{1}{n}\hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow{P_{\theta_0}} \theta_0$ 
    - $\hat{J}_n = nJ_1(\hat{\theta}_n)$
    - [Observed Fisher Information]  $\hat{J}_n = -\nabla^2 l_n(\hat{\theta}_n; X)$
  - $\left\| \hat{J}_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) \right\|^2 \xrightarrow{d} \chi_d^2$
  - $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$ 
    - Reject  $H_0$  if  $\left\| \hat{J}_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta_0) \right\|^2 > \chi_d^2(\alpha)$
  - [Confidence Interval]  $(\hat{\theta}_n)_j \sim N((\theta_0)_j, (J_n(\theta_0)^{-1})_{jj})$ 
    - $\left( (\hat{\theta}_n)_j - \sqrt{(\hat{J}_n^{-1})_{jj}} Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}, (\hat{\theta}_n)_j + \sqrt{(\hat{J}_n^{-1})_{jj}} Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \right)$
  - [Confidence Ellipsoid]
- [Generalised Likelihood Ratio Test]
  - $2(l_n(\hat{\theta}_n) - l_n(\theta_0)) \xrightarrow{d} \chi_d^2$
  - $H_0: \theta = \theta_0, H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$ 
    - Reject  $H_0$  if  $\left\| 2(l_n(\hat{\theta}_n) - l_n(\theta_0)) \right\|^2 > \chi_d^2(\alpha)$
  - $H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0, H_1: \theta \in \Theta \setminus \Theta_0$  where  $\Theta_0$  is a  $d$ -dimensional manifold
    - If  $\theta_0 \in \text{relint}(\Theta_0)$ , then  $\hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow{P_{\theta_0}} \theta_0$
    - $2(l_n(\hat{\theta}_n) - l_n(\theta_0)) \xrightarrow{d} \chi_{d-d_0}^2$
    - Reject  $H_0$  if  $\left\| 2(l_n(\hat{\theta}_n) - l_n(\theta_0)) \right\|^2 > \chi_{d-d_0}^2(\alpha)$



### Miscellaneous Tests

- [Pearson  $\chi^2$  Test]  $N = (N_1, \dots, N_d) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n, (\pi_1, \dots, \pi_d))$ 
  - $H_0: \pi = \pi_0, H_1: \pi \neq \pi_0$  (Score test in disguise)
  - [Test Statistic]  $\sum_{i=1}^d \frac{(N_i - n(\pi_0)_i)^2}{n(\pi_0)_i} \xrightarrow{d} \chi_{d-1}^2$

# Bootstrapping

## Definitions

- [Set-up]
  - $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \mathcal{P}$
  - [Functional / Parameter]  $\theta(\mathcal{P})$ 
    - Given a distribution  $\mathcal{P}$ , can evaluate  $\theta$
  - [Empirical Distribution]  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{X_i}$ 
    - Recall that distribution is just push-forward measure
    - $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n(A) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}\{X_i \in A\}$
    - Bootstrap is just sampling from  $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n$  with replacement
  - [Plug-in Estimator] The plug-in estimator for  $\theta(\mathcal{P})$  is:  $\theta(\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n)$
  - [Standard Error] Let  $\hat{\theta}_n := \hat{\theta}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  denote an estimator for  $\theta(\mathcal{P})$  after  $n$  observations. The standard error is:  $se_{\mathcal{P}}(\hat{\theta}_n) := \sqrt{\text{Var}_{\mathcal{P}}[\hat{\theta}_n]}$ . An estimate for the standard error is  $\hat{se}(\hat{\theta}_n) := \sqrt{\text{Var}_{\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}[\hat{\theta}_n]}$ 
    - $\text{Var}_{\mathcal{P}}[\hat{\theta}_n] = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mathcal{P}} \left[ (\hat{\theta}_n(X) - \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mathcal{P}}[\hat{\theta}_n(X)])^2 \right]$
    - $\text{Var}_{\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}[\hat{\theta}_n] = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n} \left[ (\hat{\theta}_n(X) - \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}[\hat{\theta}_n(X)])^2 \right]$
    - Typically, use Monte-Carlo to calculate
- [Bias Correction]
  - [True Bias]  $\text{Bias}_{\mathcal{P}}[\hat{\theta}_n] = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mathcal{P}}[\hat{\theta}_n(X)] - \theta(\mathcal{P})$ 
    - Cannot compute since do not know  $\mathcal{P}$
  - [Estimate]  $\text{Bias}_{\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}[\hat{\theta}_n] = \mathbb{E}_{X \sim \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}[\hat{\theta}_n(X)] - \theta(\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n)$ 
    - Can compute via Monte Carlo
- [Estimation Error] Let  $\hat{\theta}_n(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  be an estimator after  $n$  observations. Then, the estimation error is:  $R_n(X, \mathcal{P}) := \hat{\theta}_n(X) - \theta(\mathcal{P})$ 
  - Remark: not a statistic, since it depends on  $\mathcal{P}$
  - $\mathbb{E}_{X \sim \mathcal{P}}[R_n(X, \mathcal{P})] = \text{Bias}_{\mathcal{P}}[\hat{\theta}_n]$
  - $\mathbb{E}_{X \sim \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}[R_n(X, \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n)] = \text{Bias}_{\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}[\hat{\theta}_n]$
  - Other possible definitions include:
    - $R_n(X, \mathcal{P}) := \frac{\hat{\theta}_n(X) - \theta(\mathcal{P})}{\theta(\mathcal{P})}$
    - $R_n(X, \mathcal{P}) := \frac{\hat{\theta}_n(X) - \theta(\mathcal{P})}{\hat{\sigma}(X)}$ , where  $\hat{\sigma}$  is some estimate of standard error of  $\hat{\theta}_n$ 
      - e.g.  $\hat{\sigma}(X) := \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$
- [Confidence Interval] Let  $\theta(\mathcal{P})$  be a parameter and  $\hat{\theta}_n(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  be an estimator for  $\theta$  after  $n$  observations.
  - Define  $G_{n,\mathcal{P}}(r) = \mathbb{P}_{X \sim \mathcal{P}}[R_n(X, \mathcal{P}) < r] = \mathbb{P}_{X \sim \mathcal{P}}[\hat{\theta}_n(X) - \theta(\mathcal{P}) < r]$ 
    - $G_{n,\mathcal{P}}(r)$  is the CDF of  $R_n(X, \mathcal{P})$
  - Define  $\hat{r}_1 := G_{n,\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}^{-1}\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$  and  $\hat{r}_2 := G_{n,\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}^{-1}\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$ 
    - $[\hat{r}_1, \hat{r}_2]$  are the  $(1 - \alpha)$  quantile of the estimation error
  - Then, the  $(1 - \alpha)$ -confidence interval for  $\theta(\mathcal{P})$  given  $n$  observations is:  $C_{n,\alpha} = [\hat{\theta}_n - \hat{r}_2, \hat{\theta}_n - \hat{r}_1]$
- [Coverage Probability] Define the coverage probability of confidence interval  $C_{n,\alpha}$  as:  $\gamma_{n,\mathcal{P}}(\alpha) := \mathbb{P}_{X \sim \mathcal{P}}[\theta(\mathcal{P}) \in C_{n,\alpha}]$ 
  - For  $C_n = C_{n,\alpha}$ ,  $\gamma_{n,\mathcal{P}}(\alpha) = \mathbb{P}_{X \sim \mathcal{P}}[\theta(\mathcal{P}) \in [\hat{\theta}_n - \hat{r}_2, \hat{\theta}_n - \hat{r}_1]]$

- Estimate coverage probability via:  $\gamma_{n,\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n}(\alpha) = \mathbb{P}_{X \sim \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n} [\theta(\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n) \in [\hat{\theta}_n - \hat{r}_2, \hat{\theta}_n - \hat{r}_1]]$
- Remark: This could be difference from  $1 - \alpha$  due to dependency on  $n$  by  $C_{n,\alpha}$
- [Double Bootstrap]
  - [Idea]
    - First round of bootstrap to get empirical distribution for second round of bootstrap
    - Second round of bootstrap for constructing CDF of estimation error
    - Each iteration of first round of bootstrap gives a collection of  $(1 - \alpha)$  confidence intervals. Each collection is used to get coverage probability.
  - [Algorithm]
    - For  $a$  in  $\{1, \dots, A\}$ :
      - Sample  $X_1^{*a}, \dots, X_n^{*a} \sim \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n$  # first layer of bootstrap
      - $\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n^{*a} \leftarrow \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \delta_{X_i^{*a}}$  # get empirical distribution formula
      - For  $b$  in  $\{1, \dots, B\}$ :
        - Sample  $X_1^{**a,b}, \dots, X_n^{**a,b} \sim \hat{\mathcal{P}}_n^{*a}$  # second layer of bootstrap
        - $R_n^{**a,b} \leftarrow \frac{\hat{\theta}_n(X^{**a,b}) - \theta(\hat{\mathcal{P}}^{*a})}{\hat{\sigma}(X^{**a,b})}$
      - $\hat{G}_n^{*a} \leftarrow \text{cdf}(R_n^{**a,1}, \dots, R_n^{**a,B})$
      - For  $\alpha \in \text{grid}$ :
        - $c_{n,\alpha}^{*a} \leftarrow [\hat{\theta}_n^{*a} - \hat{\sigma}^{*a} r_2(\hat{G}_n^{*a}), \hat{\theta}_n^{*a} - \hat{\sigma}^{*a} r_1(\hat{G}_n^{*a})]$
    - For  $\alpha \in \text{grid}$ :
      - $\hat{\gamma}(\alpha) \leftarrow \frac{1}{A} \sum_{a=1}^A \mathbb{1}\{C_{n,\alpha}^{*a} \ni \theta(\hat{\mathcal{P}}_n)\}$
    - $\hat{\alpha} \leftarrow \hat{\gamma}^{-1}(1 - \alpha)$

## Diagram

