

Example 5.13 $X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda)$, i.i.d.

from exple 5.8. $\hat{\lambda}_{ML} = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)^{-1}$. $\frac{d^2 l}{d\lambda^2} = -\frac{n}{\lambda^2}$

$$I(\lambda) = E\left[-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \lambda^2} l(\lambda; X)\right] = E\left[-\left(-\frac{n}{\lambda^2}\right)\right] = \frac{n}{\lambda^2}$$

so $\hat{\lambda}_{ML} \overset{\text{approx.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\lambda, (I(\lambda))^{-1}) = \mathcal{N}\left(\lambda, \frac{\lambda^2}{n}\right)$

So, the 95% confidence interval will be

$$\left(\hat{\lambda} - \frac{2\hat{\lambda}}{\sqrt{n}}, \hat{\lambda} + \frac{2\hat{\lambda}}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = \left(\hat{\lambda}\left(1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{n}}\right), \hat{\lambda}\left(1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right)$$

Alternatively: $\sum X_i \sim \text{Gam}(n, \lambda)$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i \sim \text{Gam}(n, \lambda n)$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i\right)^{-1} \sim \text{IGam}(\dots)$$