

## Lecture 4 Inferences About Mean

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- In this lecture, we concern about the inference of a mean vector.
- Let us start with the one-sample  $t$ -test for a univariate normal population and consider the following hypothesis:

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0, \quad H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$$

- Suppose we collect a random sample  $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^n$  from the normal population with mean  $\mu$ . Then the test statistic is

$$t = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}}, \quad \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$$

- This test statistic follow  $t$ -distribution with degree of freedom  $(n-1)$  under the null hypothesis, i.e.  $t \stackrel{H_0}{\sim} t(n-1)$ .

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- Reject  $H_0$  when  $|t| > t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)$  at the confidence level of  $\alpha 100\%$ .
- This is equivalent to considering the  $F$  test statistic

$$F = t^2 = n(\bar{X} - \mu_0)s^{-2}(\bar{X} - \mu_0) \sim F(1, n-1)$$

- Note the region of rejecting  $H_0$  is

$$\mu_0 \in (-\infty, \bar{x} - t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)s/\sqrt{n}) \cup (\bar{x} + t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)s/\sqrt{n}, +\infty)$$

- Or equivalently, the  $(1 - \alpha)100\%$  confidence interval for  $\mu$  is

$$\mu \in [\bar{x} - t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)s/\sqrt{n}, \bar{x} + t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)s/\sqrt{n}]$$

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- Now we generalize the above  $F$  test statistic to multivariate case.
- Recall sample mean  $\bar{\mathbf{X}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum \mathbf{X}_i$  and sample covariance  $\mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (\mathbf{X}_i - \bar{\mathbf{X}})(\mathbf{X}_i - \bar{\mathbf{X}})^T$ .
- When the sample  $\mathbf{X}_{n \times p}$  is taken from multivariate normal, i.e.

$\mathbf{X}_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , we have

$$\bar{\mathbf{X}} \sim N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}/n), \quad (n-1)\mathbf{S} \sim W_{n-1}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}), \quad n(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \sim \chi_p^2.$$

- The the quadratic form  $T^2 = n(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_0)^T \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_0)$  is called *Hotelling's  $T^2$  statistic* which follows a  $F$ -distribution

$$T^2 = n(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_0)^T \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_0) \stackrel{H_0}{\sim} \frac{(n-1)p}{n-p} F(p, n-p)$$

- In general,  $T^2(p, n-1) = N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^T [W_{p,n-1}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma})/(n-1)]^{-1} N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ .

**Example 5.2 (Testing a multivariate mean vector with  $T^2$ )** Perspiration from 20 healthy females was analyzed. Three components,  $X_1$  = sweat rate,  $X_2$  = sodium content, and  $X_3$  = potassium content, were measured, and the results, which we call the *sweat data*, are presented in Table 5.1.

Test the hypothesis  $H_0: \mu' = [4, 50, 10]$  against  $H_1: \mu' \neq [4, 50, 10]$  at level of significance  $\alpha = .10$ .

Computer calculations provide

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.640 \\ 45.400 \\ 9.965 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.879 & 10.010 & -1.810 \\ 10.010 & 199.788 & -5.640 \\ -1.810 & -5.640 & 3.628 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{S}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} .586 & -.022 & .258 \\ -.022 & .006 & -.002 \\ .258 & -.002 & .402 \end{bmatrix}$$

We evaluate

$T^2 =$

$$\begin{aligned} 20 [4.640 - 4, 45.400 - 50, 9.965 - 10] & \begin{bmatrix} .586 & -.022 & .258 \\ -.022 & .006 & -.002 \\ .258 & -.002 & .402 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4.640 - 4 \\ 45.400 - 50 \\ 9.965 - 10 \end{bmatrix} \\ & = 20 [.640, -4.600, -.035] \begin{bmatrix} .467 \\ -.042 \\ .160 \end{bmatrix} = 9.74 \end{aligned}$$

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- Hotelling's  $T^2$  statistics is invariant to affine transformation. That is, if  $\mathbf{Y}_{p \times 1} = \mathbf{C}_{p \times p} \mathbf{X}_{p \times 1} + \mathbf{d}_{p \times 1}$  with  $\mathbf{C}$  nondegenerate, then

$$T_{\mathbf{Y}}^2 = T_{\mathbf{X}}^2$$

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- The above Hotelling's  $T^2$  test statistic can also be derived from likelihood ratio test (LRT),
- Recall the MLE  $\hat{\mu} = \bar{\mathbf{X}}$ ,  $\hat{\Sigma} = \frac{n-1}{n}\mathbf{S}$  of an MVN  $N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  is the maximum of

$$\max_{\mu, \Sigma} L(\mu, \Sigma) = (2\pi)^{np/2} |\hat{\Sigma}|^{-n/2} e^{-np/2}$$

where  $L(\mu, \Sigma) = (2\pi)^{np/2} |\Sigma|^{-n/2} \exp\{-\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}[(\mathbf{X} - \mu)\Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{X} - \mu)^T]\}$ .

- By similar argument of MLE for  $\hat{\Sigma}$ , we have

$$\max_{\Sigma} L(\mu_0, \Sigma) = (2\pi)^{np/2} |\hat{\Sigma}_0|^{-n/2} e^{-np/2}$$

where  $\hat{\Sigma}_0 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_0)(\mathbf{x}_i - \mu_0)^T = \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{X} - \mu_0)^T(\mathbf{X} - \mu_0)$ .



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- Now we consider the following statistic for LRT  $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$  against  $H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$ :

$$\Lambda = \frac{\max_{\Sigma} L(\mu_0, \Sigma)}{\max_{\mu, \Sigma} L(\mu, \Sigma)} = \left( \frac{|\hat{\Sigma}|}{|\hat{\Sigma}_0|} \right)^{n/2}$$

- The statistic  $\Lambda^{2/n}$  is called *Wilk's lambda*.
- Based on the MVN assumption, i.e.  $\mathbf{X}_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ , we have

$$\Lambda^{2/n} = \left[ 1 + \frac{T^2}{n-1} \right]^{-1}$$

- Hint: consider the determinant of  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} (n-1)\mathbf{S} & \sqrt{n}(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \mu_0) \\ \sqrt{n}(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \mu_0)^T & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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- We extend the concept of univariate *confidence interval* to a multivariate *confidence region*.
- Let  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \boldsymbol{\Theta}$  be a vector of unknown population parameter. A *confidence region (CR)* of  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  based on sample  $\mathbf{X}$  at  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  confidence level, denoted as  $R(\mathbf{X})$ , is defined as

$$\Pr[\boldsymbol{\theta} \in R(\mathbf{X})] = 1 - \alpha$$

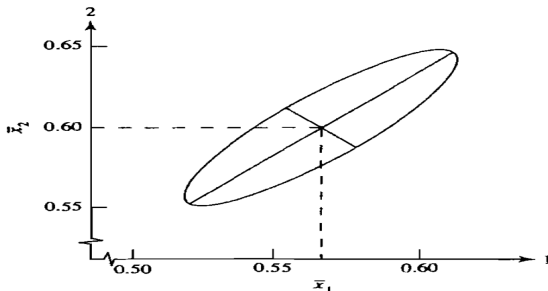
- Recall Hotelling's  $T^2 = n(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{S}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \sim \frac{(n-1)p}{n-p} F(p, n-p)$ .
- Therefore CR for  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  is computed based on

$$\Pr \left[ T^2 \leq \frac{(n-1)p}{n-p} F_{1-\alpha}(p, n-p) \right] = 1 - \alpha$$

- The CR of MVN mean vector  $\mu$  is determined by

$$(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \mu)^T \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \mu) = c^2 = \frac{(n-1)p}{n(n-p)} F_{1-\alpha}(p, n-p)$$

- This is an ellipsoid centered at  $\bar{\mathbf{X}}$  and having axes  $\pm \sqrt{\lambda_i} \mathbf{c} \mathbf{v}_i$  with eigen-pairs  $\{\lambda_i, \mathbf{v}_i\}$  of  $\mathbf{S}$ .



**Figure 5.1** A 95% confidence ellipse for  $\mu$  based on microwave-radiation data.

- CR is a joint statement of all the plausible values of population parameter, e.g. mean  $\mu$ .
- Often we are concerned about separate confidence statements holding simultaneously, i.e. *simultaneous confidence intervals (SCI)*.
- We consider a linear combination of random vector  $X \sim N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$ :  
 $Z = \mathbf{a}^T X \sim N(\mathbf{a}^T \mu, \mathbf{a}^T \Sigma \mathbf{a})$ .
- Given a random sample  $\mathbf{X}_{n \times p}$ , we have corresponding sample  $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{a}$ , and hence  $\bar{\mathbf{Z}} = \bar{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{a}$  and  $s_Z^2 = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{S} \mathbf{a}$ .
- Therefore, the  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  CI for  $\mu_Z = \mathbf{a}^T \mu$  can be obtained based on  
 $|t| = \left| \frac{\bar{\mathbf{Z}} - \mu_Z}{s_Z / \sqrt{n}} \right| \leq t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)$ :

$$\bar{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{a} - t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)\sqrt{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{S} \mathbf{a}/n} \leq \mu_Z \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{a} + t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)\sqrt{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{S} \mathbf{a}/n} \quad (*)$$

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- Note, the CI for the component mean, e.g.  $\mu_j$  can be obtained by setting  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{e}_j = \underbrace{[0, \dots, 0]_{j-1}}_{j-1}, 1, \underbrace{[0, \dots, 0]_{p-j}}_{p-j}^T$ .
- However, the confidence associated with all of the statements taken together is not  $1 - \alpha$ .
- It would be desirable to associate a 'collective' confidence coefficient of  $1 - \alpha$  with the CIs generated by any  $\mathbf{a}$ . For this purpose, we consider

$$\max_{\mathbf{a}} t^2 = \max_{\mathbf{a}} \frac{n(\mathbf{a}^T(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}))^2}{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{S} \mathbf{a}} = n(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{S}^{-1}(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) = T^2$$

- Therefore, SCI can be obtained based on the previous Hotelling's test statistics  $T^2 \sim \frac{(n-1)p}{n-p} F(p, n-p)$ .

- For  $j = 1, \dots, p$ , successfully choose  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{e}_j$  to obtain CI for  $\mu_j$  simultaneously:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \bar{\mathbf{X}}_1 - \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)p}{n(n-p)} F_{1-\alpha}(p, n-p) s_1} \leq \mu_1 \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}_1 + \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)p}{n(n-p)} F_{1-\alpha}(p, n-p) s_1} & & \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 \bar{\mathbf{X}}_j - \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)p}{n(n-p)} F_{1-\alpha}(p, n-p) s_j} \leq \mu_j \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}_j + \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)p}{n(n-p)} F_{1-\alpha}(p, n-p) s_j} & & \\
 \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\
 \bar{\mathbf{X}}_p - \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)p}{n(n-p)} F_{1-\alpha}(p, n-p) s_p} \leq \mu_p \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}_p + \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)p}{n(n-p)} F_{1-\alpha}(p, n-p) s_p} & & 
 \end{array}$$

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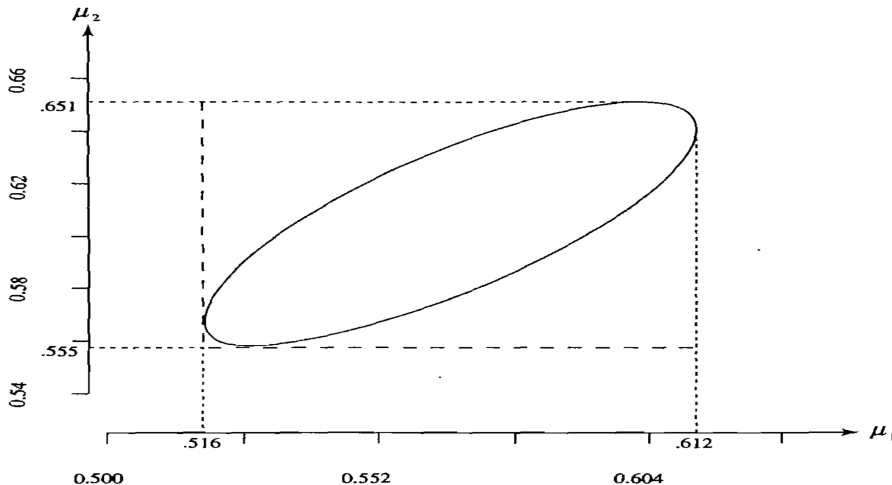
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**Figure 5.2** Simultaneous  $T^2$ -intervals for the component means as shadows of the confidence ellipse on the axes—microwave radiation data.



- For  $j = 1, \dots, p$ , successfully choose  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{e}_j$  in (\*) to obtain CI for  $\mu_j$  one at a time:

$$\bar{\mathbf{X}}_1 - t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)s_1/\sqrt{n} \leq \mu_1 \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}_1 + t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)s_1/\sqrt{n}$$

$$\vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots$$

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$$\vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots$$

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- What is the issue?

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- What is the issue?
- The probability of them holding simultaneously

$$\Pr[\bar{\mathbf{X}}_j - t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)s_j/\sqrt{n} \leq \mu_j \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}_j + t_{1-\alpha/2}(n-1)s_j/\sqrt{n}, 1 \leq j \leq p] = (1-\alpha)^p$$

- Often, we are concerned about a limited number,  $m$ , of linear combinations of means, i.e.  $\mathbf{a}_1^T \boldsymbol{\mu}, \dots, \mathbf{a}_m^T \boldsymbol{\mu}$ .
- Let  $C_i$  be the  $100(1 - \alpha_i)\%$  CI for  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \boldsymbol{\mu}$ , i.e.  $\Pr[\mathbf{a}_i^T \boldsymbol{\mu} \in C_i] = 1 - \alpha_i$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr[\mathbf{a}_i^T \boldsymbol{\mu} \in C_i, j = 1, \dots, p] &= 1 - \Pr[\exists i_0, \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{a}_{i_0}^T \boldsymbol{\mu} \notin C_{i_0}] \\ &\geq 1 - \sum_{i=1}^m \Pr[\mathbf{a}_i^T \boldsymbol{\mu} \notin C_i] = 1 - \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i \end{aligned}$$

- Specifically, setting  $\alpha_i = \frac{\alpha}{m}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m$  with  $m = p$  we get the SCI for means with confidence level (at least)  $1 - \alpha$ :

$$\bar{\mathbf{X}}_j - t_{1-\alpha/(2p)}(n-1)s_j/\sqrt{n} \leq \mu_j \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}_j + t_{1-\alpha/(2p)}(n-1)s_j/\sqrt{n}, \quad j = 1, \dots, p$$

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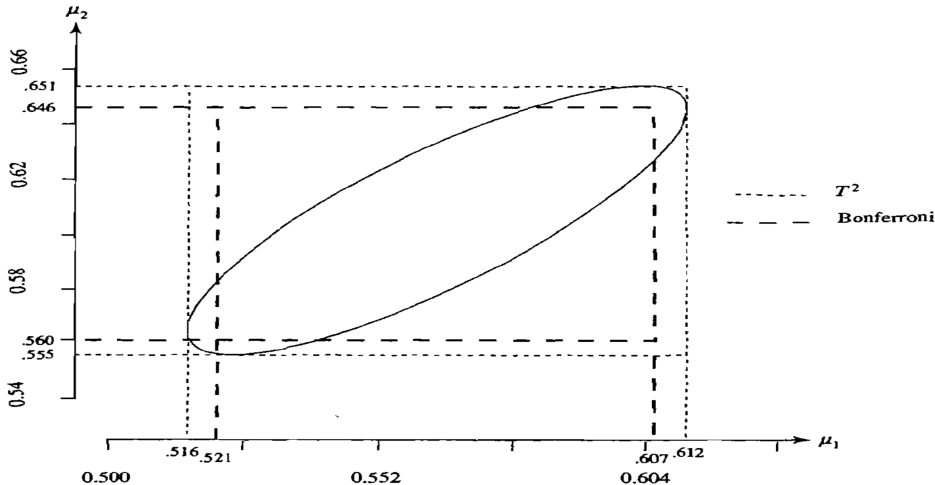
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**Figure 5.4** The 95%  $T^2$  and 95% Bonferroni simultaneous confidence intervals for the component means—microwave radiation data.

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- Recall that for a sample  $\mathbf{X}_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} (\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , we have for large  $n$

$$n(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \sim \chi_p^2.$$

- We can consider large sample inference of mean vector  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  regardless of the original distribution.
- Consider the hypothesis test  $H_0 : \boldsymbol{\mu} = \boldsymbol{\mu}_0$  against  $H_1 : \boldsymbol{\mu} \neq \boldsymbol{\mu}_0$  and reject  $H_0$  at the level of significance of  $\alpha$  if

$$n(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_0)^T \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_0) > \chi_{1-\alpha}^2(p)$$

- Alternatively, we can consider the (approximate)  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  CR of  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  based on

$$\Pr[n(\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{X}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq \chi_{1-\alpha}^2(p)] = 1 - \alpha$$

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- For  $\mathbf{X}_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} (\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , we can also consider the (approximate) SCI for  $\mu_Z = \mathbf{a}^T \boldsymbol{\mu}$  when  $n - p$  is large

$$\bar{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{a} - \sqrt{\chi_{1-\alpha}^2(p)}\sqrt{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{S}\mathbf{a}/n} \leq \mu_Z \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{a} + \sqrt{\chi_{1-\alpha}^2(p)}\sqrt{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{S}\mathbf{a}/n} \quad (*)$$

- We can consider the one-at-a-time confidence interval when  $n$  is large

$$\bar{\mathbf{X}}_j - z_{1-\alpha/2}^2 \sqrt{s_{jj}/n} \leq \mu_j \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}_j + z_{1-\alpha/2}^2 \sqrt{s_{jj}/n}, \quad j = 1, \dots, p$$

- The Bonferroni SCI is

$$\bar{\mathbf{X}}_j - z_{1-\alpha/(2p)}^2 \sqrt{s_{jj}/n} \leq \mu_j \leq \bar{\mathbf{X}}_j + z_{1-\alpha/(2p)}^2 \sqrt{s_{jj}/n}, \quad j = 1, \dots, p$$