

# Confidence Interval

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## Interpretation of the CI

A  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  CI of  $\theta$  based on the random sample  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is  $[T_1, T_2]$



If we repeatedly draw samples from the underlying distributions, then the random interval  $[T_1, T_2]$  contains the true value of  $\theta$  approximately  $\underbrace{100(1-\alpha)\%}_{\text{CI}}$  cases.

$\alpha = 0.05$  Then  $100(1-\alpha)\% = 95\%$

The random interval  $[T_1, T_2]$  contains the true value of  $\theta$  approximately 95% of the times when random sample are repeatedly from the underlying distribution.

# 1) Testing for $\mu$ when $\sigma^2$ is known

~~Comparison~~ Here the concerned test statistic is

$$T = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} \sim Z = N(0, 1)$$

To get 95% C.I, we have  $[\alpha = 0.05]$  significance level

$$Pr(-z_{\alpha/2} < T < z_{\alpha/2}) = 0.95 = (1 - \alpha)$$

$$Pr\left(-z_{\alpha/2} < \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} < z_{\alpha/2}\right) = 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Interval is } -z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} < (\bar{X} - \mu) < z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\bar{X} - z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}_{T_1} < \mu < \underbrace{\bar{X} + z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}_{T_2}$$

$\therefore [T_1, T_2]$  serves as the  $(1 - \alpha) 100\%$  confidence interval for  $\mu$ .

2) Testing for  $\mu$  when  $\sigma^2$  is unknown

Comparison value be  $\mu'$

Here the concerned test statistic is

$$T = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu')}{S}$$

where

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$$

$$\text{and } \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

So  $T \sim t_{n-1}$

To get 95% CI, we have

$$P\left(-t_{n-1, \alpha/2} < \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{S} < t_{n-1, \alpha/2}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\therefore \bar{X} - t_{n-1, \alpha/2} \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu < \bar{X} + t_{n-1, \alpha/2} \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\downarrow$$
$$T_1 < \mu < T_2$$

Then  $[T_1, T_2]$  serves as the  $(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence interval for  $\mu$ .

- Population with low variation leads to similar samples with lower variation leads to narrow CI.

3) Testing for  $\sigma^2$  when  $\mu$  is known  $= (\mu_0)$

$X \sim N(\mu_0, \sigma^2)$ . Comparison value ~~value~~  $(\sigma_0)^2$

Define  $s^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \mu_0)^2$

We know  $\frac{ns^2}{(\sigma_0)^2} \sim \chi_n^2$

Suppose our CI is  $1-\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$   
then we have,

$$P_n \left\{ \chi_{n, 1-\alpha/2}^2 < \frac{ns^2}{(\sigma_0)^2} < \chi_{n, \alpha/2}^2 \right\} = 1-\alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ns^2}{\chi_{n, \alpha/2}^2} < (\sigma_0)^2 < \frac{ns^2}{\chi_{n, 1-\alpha/2}^2} \text{ is the}$$

CI interval for  $\sigma^2$

$$\text{let } T_1 = \frac{ns^2}{\chi_{n, \alpha/2}^2} \quad T_2 = \frac{ns^2}{\chi_{n, 1-\alpha/2}^2}$$

$(T_1, T_2)$  is CI for  $\sigma^2$  when  $\mu$  is known.

4) Testing for  $\sigma^2$  when  $\mu$  is unknown.

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 $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  where  $\mu$  is unknown. let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be  $n$  iid samples of  $X$   
 $\bar{X} := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$

Define  $s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2$

Consider the test statistic  $T = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$

Consider the confidence coefficient to be  $(1-\alpha)$ .  
 $0 < \alpha < 1$ .

then  $P_n \{ \chi_{n-1}^2; 1-\alpha/2 < T < \chi_{n-1}^2; \alpha/2 \} = (1-\alpha)$

$\Rightarrow$  The interval is  $\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\chi_{n-1}^2; \alpha/2} < \sigma^2 < \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\chi_{n-1}^2; 1-\alpha/2}$

is the CI for  $\sigma^2$

5) Testing for difference of  $(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$

$$X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$$

$$Y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$$

$$T_1, \dots, T_{n_2} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} Y$$

(a) when  $\sigma_1^2$  and  $\sigma_2^2$  are known.

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n_1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} X_i \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n_2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} Y_i \right)$$

$$\text{test statistic } T = \frac{(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim Z \equiv N(0,1)$$

$T_{obs}$  uses  $(\mu_1', \mu_2')$  the comparison values.

Suppose the confidence coefficient be  $1-\alpha$ , ( $0 < \alpha < 1$ )

$$\text{Then } \Pr \left\{ -Z_{\alpha/2} < T < Z_{\alpha/2} \right\} = 1-\alpha$$

$\Rightarrow$  The interval is

$$-Z_{\alpha/2} u < (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2) < u Z_{\alpha/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - u Z_{\alpha/2} < \mu_1 - \mu_2 < (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) + u Z_{\alpha/2}$$

$$\text{Hence } T_1 = (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - u Z_{\alpha/2}$$

$$T_2 = (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) + u Z_{\alpha/2}$$

Thus  $(T_1, T_2)$  is the interval serves  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  CI for  $(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$

(b) when  $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2$  are unknown

By assumption of homoscedasticity, assume  $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = \sigma^2$  though unknown

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n_1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (X_i) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n_2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} Y_i \right)$$

$$S_X^2 = \frac{1}{n_1-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \quad \text{and} \quad S_Y^2 = \frac{1}{n_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

$$\text{let } S^2 = \frac{(n_1-1) S_X^2 + (n_2-1) S_Y^2}{n_1+n_2-2} \quad \text{let } S \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} = s$$

$$\text{Consider the test statistic } T = \frac{(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{S \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \sim t_{n_1+n_2-2}$$

Consider the confidence coefficient to be  $(1-\alpha)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$

Then

5) Testing for difference of  $(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$

$$X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$$

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$$\text{test statistic } T = \frac{(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim Z \equiv N(0,1)$$

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$$Pr \left\{ -Z_{\alpha/2} < T < Z_{\alpha/2} \right\} = 1-\alpha$$

$\Rightarrow$  The interval is

$$-Z_{\alpha/2} \cdot u < (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2) < u Z_{\alpha/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - u Z_{\alpha/2} < \mu_1 - \mu_2 < (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) + u Z_{\alpha/2}$$

$$\text{Hence } T_1 = (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - u Z_{\alpha/2}$$

$$T_2 = (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) + u Z_{\alpha/2}$$

Thus  $(T_1, T_2)$  is the interval serves  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  CI interval for  $(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$

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$$s_x^2 = \frac{1}{n_1-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \quad \text{and} \quad s_y^2 = \frac{1}{n_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

$$\text{let } s^2 = \frac{(n_1-1) s_x^2 + (n_2-1) s_y^2}{n_1+n_2-2} \quad \text{let } s \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} = s'$$

$$\text{Consider the test statistic } T = \frac{(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{s' \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \sim t_{n_1+n_2-2}$$

Consider the confidence coefficient to be  $(1-\alpha)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$

Then

$$P\left\{ -t_{n_1+n_2-2; \alpha/2} < T < t_{n_1+n_2-2; \alpha/2} \right\} = 1 - \alpha$$

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⇒ Interval is

$$-t_{n_1+n_2-2; \alpha/2} < \frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{S'} < t_{n_1+n_2-2; \alpha/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - S' t_{n_1+n_2-2; \alpha/2} < (\mu_1 - \mu_2) < (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) + S' t_{n_1+n_2-2; \alpha/2}$$

let  $T_1 = \bar{X} - \bar{Y} - S' t_{n_1+n_2-2; \alpha/2}$  and

$T_2 = \bar{X} - \bar{Y} + S' t_{n_1+n_2-2; \alpha/2}$ . Then the interval  $(T_1, T_2)$  that serves  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  CI for  $(\mu_1 - \mu_2)$ .



6/ Testing for  $\sigma_1/\sigma_2$

$$X_1, \dots, X_{n_1} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} X \quad \text{where } X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$$

$$Y_1, \dots, Y_{n_2} \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} Y \quad \text{where } Y \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$$

(a) When  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  is known

let  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_X$  and  $\sigma_2 = \sigma_Y$

$$\text{let } \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n_1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} X_i \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n_2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} Y_i \right)$$

$$\text{and } S_X^2 = \frac{1}{n_1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \quad \text{and} \quad S_Y^2 = \frac{1}{n_2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

Consider the test statistic

$$T = \frac{S_X^2 / \sigma_X^2}{S_Y^2 / \sigma_Y^2} = \frac{(n_1) S_X^2 / \sigma_X^2 / (n_1)}{(n_2) S_Y^2 / \sigma_Y^2 / (n_2)} \sim F_{n_1, n_2}$$

$\therefore$  Consider the confidence coefficient as  $(1-\alpha)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$

$$\text{then } \Pr \left( F_{n_1, n_2, 1-\alpha/2} < T < F_{n_1, n_2, \alpha/2} \right) = 1-\alpha$$

$\Rightarrow$  the interval is  $F_{n_1, n_2, 1-\alpha/2} < \frac{S_X^2}{S_Y^2} \cdot \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{\sigma_X^2} < F_{n_1, n_2, \alpha/2}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{S_X^2 / S_Y^2}{F_{n_1, n_2, \alpha/2}} < \frac{\sigma_X^2}{\sigma_Y^2} < \frac{S_X^2 / S_Y^2}{F_{n_1, n_2, 1-\alpha/2}}$$

$\parallel$   $\parallel$   
 $T_1$   $T_2$

Then the interval  $[T_1, T_2]$  serves  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence for  $\frac{\sigma_X^2}{\sigma_Y^2}$

(b) when  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  is unknown

$$\text{let } \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n_1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} X_i$$

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n_2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} Y_i$$

$$\text{and } S_X^2 = \frac{1}{n_1-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \quad \text{and } S_Y^2 = \frac{1}{n_2-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

Now consider the test statistic,  $T = \frac{S_X^2}{S_Y^2} \cdot \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{\sigma_X^2}$

where  $T \sim F_{n_1-1, n_2-1}$

Consider the confidence coefficient  $(1-\alpha)$   $0 < \alpha < 1$ , then

$$\text{Pr} \left\{ F_{n_1-1, n_2-1; 1-\alpha/2} < T < F_{n_1-1, n_2-1; \alpha/2} \right\} = 1-\alpha$$

So the interval is,

$$\frac{(S_X^2/S_Y^2)}{F_{n_1-1, n_2-1; \alpha/2}} < \frac{\sigma_X^2}{\sigma_Y^2} < \frac{(S_X^2/S_Y^2)}{F_{n_1-1, n_2-1; 1-\alpha/2}}$$

$\parallel$   $\parallel$

$T_1$   $T_2$

Then the interval  $[T_1, T_2]$  is a series  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence for  $\frac{\sigma_X^2}{\sigma_Y^2}$