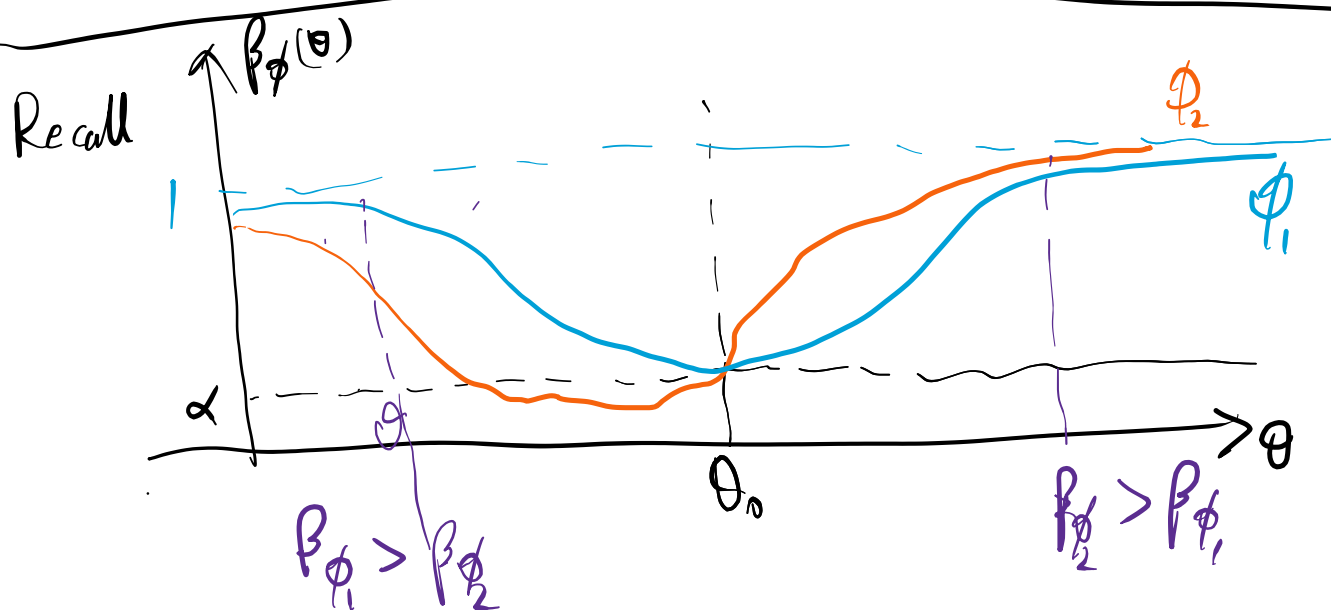


Homework 1 due 10/10

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Unbiased test: $\beta_\phi(\theta) \geq \alpha \quad (\forall \theta \in \Theta)$
 (blue curve)

Analogous to unbiased estimation

$$E_\theta[|\hat{\theta} - \theta|^2] \leq E_{\theta'}[|\hat{\theta} - \theta'|^2] \quad (\forall \theta' \in \Theta)$$

UMPU test: uniformly most powerful among unbiased tests

We restrict our attention to exponential families.

$$p_\eta(x) = \exp(\eta \cdot T(x) - A(\eta)) \cdot h(x).$$

Test : $H_0: \eta = \eta_0$ vs. $H_1: \eta \neq \eta_0$.

Unbiasedness $\Leftrightarrow P_\phi(\cdot)$ minimized at η_0

$$\Leftrightarrow \left. \frac{d}{d\eta} \mathbb{E}_\eta[\phi(X)] \right|_{\eta=\eta_0} = 0$$

$$\text{cov}_{\eta_0}(T(X), \phi(X)) = \mathbb{E}_{\eta_0}[(T(X) - \mathbb{E}(T(X)))\phi(X)]$$

(Intuitively, you need two equations to solve out the two thresholds.)

Want to construct

$$\phi^*(X) = \begin{cases} 0 & T(X) \in (c_1, c_2) \\ 1 & T(X) \geq c_2 \text{ or } T(X) < c_1 \\ \gamma_i & T(X) = c_i \text{ for } i=1,2. \end{cases}$$

by solving $\mathbb{E}_{\eta_0}[\phi^*(X)] = \alpha$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\eta_0}[T(X)(\phi^*(X) - \alpha)] = 0.$$

Thm: Suppose $\eta_0 \in \text{int } \eta(\Theta)$

$\forall \alpha \in (0,1), \exists \phi^*$ satisfying the equations.

and ϕ^* is UMPU.

(Proof based on generalized NP lemma).

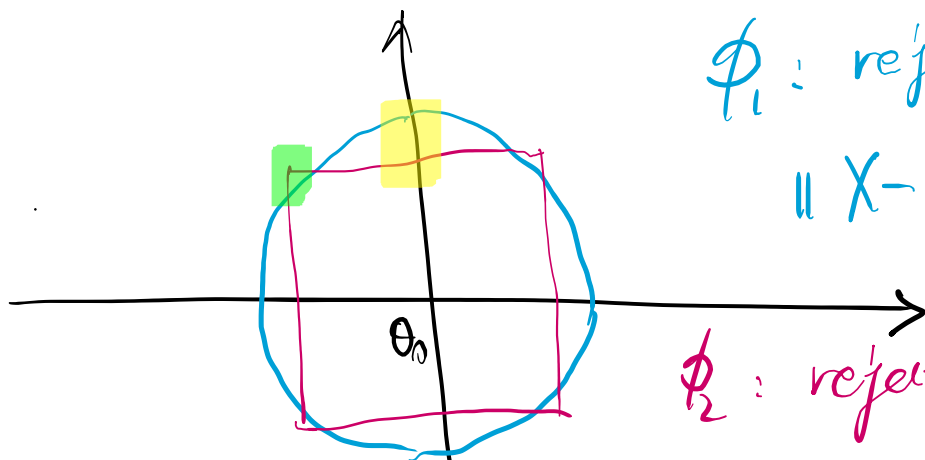
Multivariate testing.

$$X \sim N(\theta, \sigma^2 I_d) \quad (d \geq 2)$$

$$H_0: \theta = \theta_0$$

$$H_1: \theta \neq \theta_0$$

eg $d=2$



ϕ_1 : reject when

$$\|X - \theta_0\|_2 \geq \varepsilon_1$$

ϕ_2 : reject when

$$\|X - \theta_0\| \geq \varepsilon_2.$$

Cannot compare uniformly.

"minimax testing".

$$H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0$$

$$H_1: \theta \in \Theta_1(\varepsilon) = \Theta_1 \cap \{\theta: \text{dist}(\theta, \Theta_0) \geq \varepsilon\}$$

(distance up to user's choice)

$$R_{\epsilon}(\phi) := \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[\phi(X)] + \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_1(\epsilon)} \mathbb{E}_{\theta}[-\phi(X)].$$

Question: find an optimal ϕ^*

s.t. achieve $R_{\epsilon}(\phi) \leq \delta$ (user specified)
with smallest possible ϵ .

(Intuition: detect signal at minimal possible signal strength).

eg. $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\theta, 1)$.

$H_0: \theta = 0$ vs. $H_1: \theta \neq 0$.

$$\Sigma_n^* = \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (c \text{ is a constant depending on } \delta).$$

$X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\theta, I_d)$.

$H_0: \theta = 0$ vs. $H_1: \theta \neq 0$.

$$H_1(\epsilon): \|\theta\|_2 \geq \epsilon.$$

First attempt: $\hat{\theta}_n := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$.

$$\|\hat{\theta}_n - \theta\|_2 \leq c \sqrt{\frac{d}{n}} \quad \text{w.h.p.}$$

When $\|\theta\|_2 \geq 3c \sqrt{\frac{d}{n}}$, we have

$$\theta \in \Theta(\varepsilon): \|\hat{\theta}_n\|_2 \geq \|\theta\|_2 - \|\hat{\theta}_n - \theta\|_2 \geq 2c \sqrt{\frac{d}{n}} \quad \text{w.h.p.}$$

$$\theta \in \Theta_0: \|\hat{\theta}_n\|_2 \leq c \sqrt{\frac{d}{n}} \quad \text{w.h.p.}$$

Conjecture: $\varepsilon_n = \sqrt{\frac{d}{n}}$ is minimax?

Thm: the minimax testing radius is

$$\varepsilon_n^* \asymp \frac{d^{1/4}}{n^{1/2}}.$$

Proof: Part I: construct a test to achieve this.

$$Y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N(\theta, I_d/n).$$

$$\phi(x) = \mathbb{I} \{ \|Y\|_2 \geq \text{threshold} \}.$$

$$\mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Y\|_2^2] = \frac{d}{n} + \|\theta\|_2^2$$

$$\text{Var}_\theta(\|Y\|_2^2) = \sum_{j=1}^d \text{Var}_\theta(Y_j^2)$$

$$= \frac{4}{n} \|\theta\|_2^2 + \frac{2d}{n^2}$$

Fluctuations in $\|Y\|_2^2 \ll$ magnitude of $\|Y\|_2^2$.

Let $C(a) = \mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Y\|_2^2] + a \cdot \sqrt{\text{Var}_\theta(\|Y\|_2^2)}$
 (high-prob bound for $\|Y\|_2^2$ under H_0)

$$= \frac{d}{n} + a \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2d}{n^2}}$$

By choosing $\phi(X) = \mathbb{1}_{\|Y\|_2^2 \geq C(a)}$, we have.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_\theta[\phi(X)] &= \mathbb{P}\left(\|Y\|_2^2 \geq \mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Y\|_2^2] + a \cdot \sqrt{\text{Var}_\theta(\|Y\|_2^2)}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{a^2} \quad (\text{by Chebyshev}) \end{aligned}$$

For $\theta \neq 0$,

$$\mathbb{E}_\theta[1 - \phi(X)] = \mathbb{P}_\theta(\|Y\|_2^2 \leq C)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}_\theta \left(\|Y\|_2^2 - \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Y\|_2^2]}_{\frac{d}{n} + a\sqrt{\frac{2d}{n^2}} - \mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Y\|_2^2]} \leq \frac{d}{n} + a\sqrt{\frac{2d}{n^2}} - \mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Y\|_2^2] \right)$$

$$\mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Y\|_2^2] = \frac{d}{n} + \|\theta\|_2^2$$

$$= \mathbb{P}_\theta \left(\|Y\|_2^2 - \mathbb{E}_\theta[\|Y\|_2^2] \leq a\sqrt{\frac{2d}{n^2}} - \|\theta\|_2^2 \right)$$

(for $\|\theta\|_2 \geq \sqrt{a} \frac{(2d)^{1/4}}{n^{1/2}}$, by Chebyshev)

$$\leq \frac{\frac{4}{n}\|\theta\|_2^2 + \frac{2d}{n^2}}{\left(\|\theta\|_2^2 - a\sqrt{\frac{2d}{n^2}} \right)^2}$$

(want to)

$$\leq \frac{1}{a^2}.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \|\theta\|_2^2 - a\sqrt{\frac{2d}{n^2}} \geq a\sqrt{\frac{4}{n}\|\theta\|_2^2 + \frac{2d}{n^2}}.$$

Solve for $\|\theta\|_2^2$. we require

$$\|\theta\|_2^2 \geq C'(a) \cdot \frac{\sqrt{d}}{n}.$$

So for this test,

$$\mathbb{E}_0[\phi(X)] + \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_1(\varepsilon)} \mathbb{E}_\theta[1 - \phi(X)] \leq \frac{2}{\alpha^2}$$

whenever $\varepsilon \geq \sqrt{C'(a)} \cdot \frac{d^{1/4}}{n^{1/2}}$

Part II: lower bound.

For any test ϕ , we want to show

$$\mathbb{E}_0[\phi(X)] + \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_1(\varepsilon)} \mathbb{E}_\theta[1 - \phi(X)] \geq \frac{2}{3}.$$

when $\varepsilon \leq C_1 \frac{d^{1/4}}{n^{1/2}}.$

First attempt: choose $\theta_1 \in \Theta_1(\varepsilon)$

$$H_0: \theta = 0 \quad \text{vs.} \quad H_1: \theta = \theta_1.$$

Essentially 1-dim.

$$\phi(X) = \mathbb{I} \left\{ \frac{\bar{X}_n^T \theta_1}{\|\theta_1\|_2} \geq \text{threshold} \right\}.$$

radius $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}.$

$$\mathbb{E}_0[\phi(X)] + \sup_{\theta \in \Theta_1(\varepsilon)} \mathbb{E}_\theta[1 - \phi(X)]$$

$$\geq \mathbb{E}_0[\phi(X)] + \int \mathbb{E}_\theta[1 - \phi(X)] \pi(d\theta)$$

$$\left(\text{for } \pi \text{ s.t. } \text{supp}(\pi) \subseteq \Theta_1(\varepsilon) \right)$$

This corresponds to type I + type II error for

$$H_0: \theta = 0 \quad \text{v.s.} \quad H_1': \theta \sim \pi.$$

(under H_1' , observations follow mixture of products)

Construction of π

$$\bullet \text{ Uniform on } \varepsilon \cdot S^{d-1} = \{ \theta : \|\theta\|_2 = \varepsilon \}.$$

(this works, but calculation is complicated)

$$\bullet \pi = \text{Unif} \left(\left\{ \frac{\pm \varepsilon}{\sqrt{d}}, \frac{\pm \varepsilon}{\sqrt{d}}, \dots, \frac{\pm \varepsilon}{\sqrt{d}} \right\} \right)$$

i.e. each coordinate indep choosing

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{d}} \text{ or } \frac{-\varepsilon}{\sqrt{d}} \text{ w.p. } \frac{1}{2}.$$

2d. corner points of d -hypercube.

From last lecture.

$$\mathbb{E}_0[\phi(X)] + \mathbb{E}_{H_1}[-\phi(X)]$$

$$\geq 1 - d_{TV}(P_0, P_1)$$

went to be $< 1/3$

(where P_1 is the prob distr of obs under H_1')

$$d_{TV}(P_0, P_1) = \mathbb{E}_{P_0} \left[\left| \frac{dP_1}{dP_0}(X) - 1 \right| \right].$$

(Cauchy-Schwarz)

$$\leq \sqrt{\mathbb{E}_{P_0} \left[\left| \frac{dP_1}{dP_0}(X) - 1 \right|^2 \right]}$$

$$= \sqrt{\mathbb{E}_{P_0} \left[\left| \frac{dP_1}{dP_0}(X) \right|^2 \right] - 1} = \chi^2(P_1 \| P_0).$$

$$L(X_1^n) = \frac{dP_1}{dP_0}(X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

$$= \frac{\mathbb{E}_{z \sim \text{Unif}(\pm 1)^d} \left[\exp \left(\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \|X_i - \frac{\varepsilon z}{\sqrt{d}}\|_2^2 \right) \right]}{\exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \|X_i\|_2^2 \right)}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{z \sim \text{Unif}(\pm 1)^d} \left[\exp \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{d}} \cdot n \bar{X}_n^T z - \frac{\varepsilon^2 n}{2} \right) \right]$$

(here, we treat $X_1, \dots, X_n$ as deterministically)

Now we take 2nd moment

$$\mathbb{E}_0 \left[L(X_1^n)^2 \right] = \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\left| \mathbb{E} \left[\dots \|X_1^n\|^2 \right] \right| \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_0 \mathbb{E}_{z, z' \sim \text{Unif}(\pm 1)^d} \left[\exp \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{\sqrt{d}} n \bar{X}_n^T (z + z') - \varepsilon^2 n \right) \right]$$

(MGF of Gaussian)

$$= \mathbb{E}_{z, z' \sim \text{Unif}(\pm 1)^d} \left[\exp \left(\frac{n \varepsilon^2}{2d} \|z + z'\|_2^2 - n \varepsilon^2 \right) \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{z, z'} \left[\exp \left(\frac{n \varepsilon^2}{d} z^T z' \right) \right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \exp \left(\frac{n \varepsilon^2}{d} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \exp \left(-\frac{n \varepsilon^2}{d} \right) \right)^d$$

$$\leq \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{n\varepsilon^2}{d}\right)^2 \cdot d\right)$$

$$= \exp\left(\frac{n^2 \varepsilon^4}{2d}\right)$$

(want to)

$$\leq \frac{10}{9}$$

Solve for ε .

$$\varepsilon \leq \frac{d^{1/4}}{\log^{1/2} n}$$

Generally, $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{I v.s. mixture} \\ \text{mixture v.s. mixture} \end{array} \right\}$ lower bound construction.

Back to estimation.

Def (M-estimation / ERM / SAA)

$$\hat{\theta}_n := \underset{\theta \in \Theta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \quad \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(\theta; X_i)$$

(sometimes w/ regularization)

Population-level loss function:
(assuming $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \mathcal{P}$)

$$F(\theta) := \mathbb{E}[f(\theta; X)]$$

$$\theta^* = \operatorname{argmin} \{ F(\theta) \}.$$

Criteria of evaluation.

- $F(\hat{\theta}_n) - F(\theta^*)$ (fine value)
- $\|\hat{\theta}_n - \theta^*\|$ (param estimation)

e.g. MLE, regression, classification, ...

$$F_n(\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(\theta; X_i)$$

By LLN / concentration ineq.

$$|F_n(\theta) - F(\theta)| \begin{cases} \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} 0 \\ \leq O\left(\sqrt{\frac{\log(1/\delta)}{n}}\right) \end{cases} \quad (\text{in bounded case}).$$

(for fixed θ)

$$F(\hat{\theta}_n) - F(\theta^*)$$

$$= \underbrace{(F(\hat{\theta}_n) - F_n(\hat{\theta}_n))}_{\text{hard}} + \underbrace{(F_n(\hat{\theta}_n) - F_n(\theta^*))}_{\leq 0} + \underbrace{(F_n(\theta^*) - F(\theta^*))}_{\text{easy}}$$

$(F - F_n)$ evaluated at random $\hat{\theta}_n$
depending on F_n

$$|F(\hat{\theta}_n) - F_n(\hat{\theta}_n)| \leq \sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |F(\theta) - F_n(\theta)|.$$

We need ULLN

$$\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} |F(\theta) - F_n(\theta)| \xrightarrow{p} 0.$$

"empirical process".

"empirical process theory" aims at

- uniform convergence

- Non-asymptotic bounds.

- Limiting distribution

of empirical processes (and their suprema).

Assuming ULLN, we have

$$F(\hat{\theta}_n) \rightarrow F(\theta^*).$$

For parameter estimation, need assumption

Corollary: suppose $\forall \varepsilon > 0$,

$$\inf_{\|\theta - \theta^*\| \geq \varepsilon} F(\theta) > F(\theta^*).$$

then ULLN implies $\hat{\theta}_n \xrightarrow{P} \theta^*$.

Proof: suppose $\inf_{\theta} F(\theta) \geq F(\theta^*) + \delta$ for some $\delta > 0$

$$\mathbb{P}(\|\hat{\theta}_n - \theta^*\| > \varepsilon) \leq \mathbb{P}(F(\hat{\theta}_n) \geq F(\theta^*) + \delta) \xrightarrow{P} 0.$$

When does ULLN hold true?

- $|\mathcal{H}| < +\infty.$

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\sup_{\theta \in \mathcal{H}} |F_n(\theta) - F(\theta)| > \varepsilon\right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{\theta \in \mathcal{H}} \mathbb{P}\left(|F_n(\theta) - F(\theta)| > \varepsilon\right) \rightarrow 0.$$

For infinite/cts $\mathbb{H}$. Idea: discretization.

• "covering #".

Given set K , metric ρ , $\varepsilon > 0$.

$$N(K; \rho, \varepsilon) := \min \left\{ N : \exists \{ \theta_i \}_{i=1}^N \subseteq K, \text{ s.t. } K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^N B_\rho(\theta_i, \varepsilon) \right\}$$

• "Packing #"

$$M(K; \rho, \varepsilon) = \max \left\{ M : \exists \{ \theta_i \}_{i=1}^M \subseteq K \text{ s.t. } \rho(\theta_i, \theta_j) \geq \varepsilon \right\}.$$

Thm (duality)

$$M(K; \rho, 2\varepsilon) \leq N(K; \rho, \varepsilon) \leq M(K; \rho, \varepsilon).$$