

Further Hypotheses Testing

The UMP tests do not exist for a wide variety of problems and restricted families are considered. A procedure leads to tests that have some desirable large-sample properties is needed [LR test].

Def.: For testing H_0 against H_1 , a test of the form: reject H_0 iff $\lambda(\underline{x}) < c$, where c is a constant and

$$\lambda(\underline{x}) = \frac{\sup_{\theta \in H_1} f_{\theta}(\underline{x})}{\sup_{\theta \in H_0} f_{\theta}(\underline{x})} \text{ is called LRT}$$

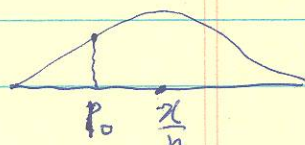
where c is determined by $\alpha = \sup_{\theta \in H_0} P_{\theta}(\underline{x} : \lambda(\underline{x}) < c)$

Notes

- ① For given α ($0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$), nonrandomized Neyman-Pearson and LRT of a simple hypothesis against simple hypothesis exist and they are equivalent.
- ② For testing $\theta \in (H_0)$ against $\theta \in (H_1)$, the LRT is a function of every sufficient statistic for θ [it follows by factorization theorem].

Example: $X \sim B(n, p)$. Wish to test $H_0: p \leq p_0$ vs. $H_1: p > p_0$

$$\lambda(x) = \frac{\sup_{p \leq p_0} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}}{\sup_{0 \leq p \leq 1} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}}$$



$$f(x) = p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \Rightarrow \text{it achieves its max. at } p = \frac{x}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{0 \leq p \leq 1} \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} = \binom{n}{x} \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^x \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^{n-x}$$

$$\sup_{p \leq p_0} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} = \begin{cases} p_0^x (1-p_0)^{n-x} & \text{if } p_0 < \frac{x}{n} \\ \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^x \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^{n-x} & \text{if } p_0 \geq \frac{x}{n} \end{cases}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\lambda(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{p_0^x (1-p_0)^{n-x}}{\left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^x \left(1 - \frac{x}{n}\right)^{n-x}} & \text{if } p_0 < \frac{x}{n} \text{ (or } x > np_0) \\ 1 & \text{if } p_0 \geq \frac{x}{n} \text{ (or } x \leq np_0) \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \left(\frac{p_0}{x/n}\right)^x \left(\frac{1-x/n}{1-p_0}\right)^{n-x} \cdot \text{const.} & \text{if } p_0 < \frac{x}{n} \\ 1 & \text{if } p_0 \geq \frac{x}{n} \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow \lambda(x) \leq 1$ for $x > np_0$ and
 $\lambda(x) = 1$ for $x \leq np_0$.

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(x) < c \Leftrightarrow x > c' \text{ with } \alpha = \sup_{p \leq p_0} P(X > c')$$

Example: Consider the problem of testing $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ against $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$ in a sampling from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ where μ & σ^2 are unknown.

In this case,

$$\mathbb{H}_0 = \{(\mu_0, \sigma^2) : \sigma^2 > 0\}$$

$$\mathbb{H}_1 = \{(\mu, \sigma^2) : -\infty < \mu < \infty, \sigma^2 > 0\}$$

$$\sup_{\theta \in \mathbb{H}_0} f_{\theta}(x) = \sup_{\sigma^2 > 0} \left[\frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma)^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum (x_i - \mu_0)^2} \right]$$

- The MLE of σ^2 when sampling from $N(\mu_0, \sigma^2)$

$$\log L(x) = -n \log \sigma - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum (x_i - \mu_0)^2$$

$$-\frac{n}{\sigma} + \frac{1}{\sigma^3} \sum (x_i - \mu_0)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_0^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu_0)^2}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\theta} f(x) = L(\mu_0, \hat{\sigma}_0^2) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^n \hat{\sigma}_0^n} e^{-\frac{n}{2}}$$

- Under H_0 (unrestricted estimation): The MLEs of μ & σ^2 when both μ & σ^2 are unknown,

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{x}, \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\theta \in H_0} f(x) = \sup_{\mu, \sigma^2} \left[\frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi})^n \sigma^n} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum (x_i - \mu)^2} \right]$$

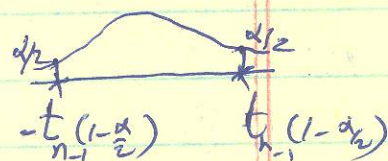
$$= \frac{1}{(2\pi/n)^{n/2}} \left[\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \right]^{n/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(x) = \left[\frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{\sum (x_i - \mu_0)^2} \right]^{n/2} = \left[\frac{1}{1 + \frac{n(\bar{x} - \mu_0)^2}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}} \right]^{n/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{LRT is to rej. } H_0 \text{ if } \lambda(x) < c \Leftrightarrow \frac{n(\bar{x} - \mu_0)^2}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} > c'$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sqrt{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}} \right| > c' \Leftrightarrow \left| \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{x} - \mu_0)}{s} \right| > c^*, \quad s^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$$

where $\frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{x} - \mu_0)}{s} \sim t_{n-1}$



$$c^* = t_{n-1}^{(1-\frac{\alpha}{2})}$$

Note: This test is also UMP unbiased test.

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Theorem: Under some regularity conditions on $f_{\theta}(\underline{x})$, $-2 \log \lambda(\underline{x})$ is asymptotically χ_r^2 , $r = \#$ of indep. parameters in H_1
- $\#$ of indep. parameters in H_0

Previous example: $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ vs. $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$

$$\lambda(\underline{x}) = \left\{ 1 + \frac{n(\bar{x} - \mu_0)^2}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \right\}^{-n/2}$$

Under H_0 : $\#$ of parameters unspecified (namely σ^2) = 1

Under H_1 : $\#$ of parameters unspecified (namely μ, σ^2) = 2

$$\Rightarrow -2 \log \lambda(\underline{x}) = n \log \left\{ 1 + \frac{n(\bar{x} - \mu_0)^2}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \right\}$$
$$\xrightarrow{D} \chi_{2-1}^2 = \chi_1^2$$

Confidence Estimation

For given α ($0 < \alpha < 1$) if $P(\underline{\theta} \in S(\underline{x})) \geq 1 - \alpha, \forall \underline{\theta} \in \Omega$, then $S(\underline{x})$ is $(1-\alpha)$ confidence region. Note $\underline{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$

For $k=1$, the lower conf. bdd (LCB) is $S(\underline{x}) = \{\theta: \theta \geq \underline{\theta}(\underline{x})\}$
 = upper = (UCB) is $S(\underline{x}) = \{\theta: \theta \leq \bar{\theta}(\underline{x})\}$

If $S(\underline{x})$ is of the form $S(\underline{x}) = (\underline{\theta}(\underline{x}), \bar{\theta}(\underline{x}))$, we will call it confidence interval (CI) at confidence level $1-\alpha$, provided $P(\underline{\theta}(\underline{x}) < \theta < \bar{\theta}(\underline{x})) \geq 1-\alpha, \forall \theta$.

Example: Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, where σ^2 is known. The Pivot Statistic is $V = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$. Its dist. is free of μ .

$$1-\alpha = P\left(-z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} < \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma} < z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\right)$$

$$= P\left(\bar{X} - z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu < \bar{X} + z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\alpha)\% \text{ C-I for } \mu \text{ is } \left(\bar{X} - z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

If σ is unknown, $V_1 = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{S}$, $V_2 = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}$ are pivots

$$V_1 = \frac{(\bar{X} - \mu)/\sigma/\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}/(n-1)}} \equiv \frac{N(0,1)}{\sqrt{\chi_{n-1}^2/(n-1)}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

$$V_2 = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$

$$\text{C.I. for } \mu: \left(\bar{X} - t_{n-1}(1-\alpha/2) \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + t_{n-1}(1-\alpha/2) \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{C.I. for } \sigma^2: 1-\alpha &= P\left(\chi_{n-1}^2(\alpha/2) < \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} < \chi_{n-1}^2(1-\alpha/2) \right) \\ &\Rightarrow \left(\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi_{n-1}^2(1-\alpha/2)}, \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\chi_{n-1}^2(\alpha/2)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Theorem: If $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim}$ from continuous dist. $F(x; \theta)$. If $F(x; \theta)$ is monotone in θ , then the statistic $Q = -2 \sum \log F(X_i; \theta)$ is a pivotal.

$$\begin{aligned} F(X; \theta) \sim U(0,1) &\Rightarrow -2 \log F(X; \theta) \sim \chi_2^2 \\ &\Rightarrow Q \sim \chi_{2n}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Example: Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} U(0, \theta)$. Find $(1-\alpha)100\%$ C.I. for θ

- $T = X_{(n)}$ MLE of θ
- $\frac{X_{(n)}}{\theta} \sim \text{Beta}(n, 1)$ since $P(X_{(n)} \leq y) = P(X_1 \leq y, \dots, X_n \leq y) = [F(y)]^n = \left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^n, 0 < y < \theta$

$$G(t) = \left(\frac{t}{\theta}\right)^n \Rightarrow G(T) = \left(\frac{T}{\theta}\right)^n \sim U(0,1)$$

- Consider $1-\alpha = P(A \leq Q \leq B)$

$$= P\left(\frac{\alpha}{2} \leq \left(\frac{T}{\theta}\right)^n \leq 1-\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$$

$$= P\left(\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)^{1/n} \leq \frac{T}{\theta} \leq (1-\frac{\alpha}{2})^{1/n}\right)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{T}{(1-\frac{\alpha}{2})^{1/n}} < \theta < \frac{T}{(\frac{\alpha}{2})^{1/n}}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{T}{(1-\frac{\alpha}{2})^{1/n}}, \frac{T}{(\frac{\alpha}{2})^{1/n}} \right) \text{ is } (1-\alpha)100\% \text{ C.I. for } \theta.$$

Example: Let $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim$ i.i.s. $\text{Exp}(\theta)$ - Find $(1-\alpha)100\%$ C.I. for θ

$$F(x|\theta) = 1 - e^{-x/\theta}$$
$$1 - F(x|\theta) = e^{-x/\theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q = -2 \sum \log(1 - F(X_i|\theta)) = \frac{2}{\theta} \sum X_i \sim \chi^2_{2n}$$

$$1 - \alpha = P(\chi^2_{2n}(\alpha/2) \leq \frac{2 \sum X_i}{\theta} \leq \chi^2_{2n}(1 - \alpha/2))$$

$$= P\left(\frac{2 \sum X_i}{\chi^2_{2n}(1 - \alpha/2)} < \theta < \frac{2 \sum X_i}{\chi^2_{2n}(\alpha/2)}\right)$$

Example: Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim$ i.i.s. $f(x|\theta) = \theta x^{\theta-1}, 0 < x < 1, \theta > 0$. Obtain $(1-\alpha)100\%$ C.I. for θ .

$$L = \theta^n (\prod X_i)^{\theta-1} \Rightarrow \log L \propto -n \log \theta + (\theta-1) \sum \log X_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta} = \frac{n}{\sum -\log X_i}$$

- $\gamma = \theta \sum -\log X_i \stackrel{D}{=} G(n, 1) \Rightarrow 2\theta \sum -\log X_i \sim \chi^2_{2n}$ "Pivot"

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\chi^2_{2n}(\alpha/2)}{2 \sum -\log X_i}, \frac{\chi^2_{2n}(1 - \alpha/2)}{2 \sum -\log X_i}\right) \text{ is } (1-\alpha)100\% \text{ C.I. for } \theta.$$

? Can we obtain asymptotic C.I.?

Large Sample Theory

Def.: $T_n \xrightarrow{P} c$ iff $P(|T_n - c| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. A sequence of estimators S_n of $g(\theta)$ is consistent if for every $\theta \in \Theta$,
 $S_n \xrightarrow{P} g(\theta)$.

Lemma: A sufficient condition for T_n to converge in probability to c is that $E(T_n - c)^2 \rightarrow 0$

Proof: $P(|T_n - c| > \varepsilon) \leq \frac{E(T_n - c)^2}{\varepsilon^2} \rightarrow 0$ "Chebyshev's Inequality"

Theorem:

(i) Let S_n be a seq. of estimators of $g(\theta)$ with risk, $R(\theta, S_n)$ where $R(\theta, S_n) = E(S_n - \theta)^2$. Then $R(\theta, S_n) \rightarrow 0, \forall \theta \Rightarrow S_n$ is consistent for $g(\theta)$.

(ii) Equivalent to the above result, S_n is consistent if $b_n(\theta) \rightarrow 0$ and $\text{Var}(S_n) \rightarrow 0, \forall \theta$ where b_n is the bias of S_n .

(iii) In particular, S_n is consistent if it is unbiased for each n and if $\text{Var}(S_n) \rightarrow 0, \forall \theta$.

Example: $X_1, \dots, X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim}$ some dist. with finite mean μ and $\text{Var. } \sigma^2$

$$S_n^2 = \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1} = \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n} \xrightarrow[\text{WLLN}]{P} 1 \cdot E(X_i - \bar{X})^2$$

$$= \text{Var}(X_i) + \text{Var}(\bar{X}) - 2 \text{Cov}(X_i, \bar{X})$$

$$= \sigma^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{n} - \frac{2}{n} \sigma^2 = \sigma^2 - \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \rightarrow \sigma^2$$

$\Rightarrow S_n^2$ is a consistent estimator of σ^2 .

Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

Let X_i ($i=1, \dots, n$) be iid with $E X_i = \xi$ & $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 < \infty$.
Then $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \xi) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \sigma^2)$ or $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \xi) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1)$.

Theorem: If $T_n \xrightarrow{D} T$ and A_n & B_n tend in probability to a & b , respectively, then $A_n + B_n T_n \xrightarrow{D} a + b T$.

Theorem: If $\sqrt{n}(T_n - \theta) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \tau^2)$, then
 $\sqrt{n}(f(T_n) - f(\theta)) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \tau^2 [f'(\theta)]^2)$
provided $f'(\theta)$ exists & is not zero (Delta method).

Example: Let X_1, \dots, X_n iid $N(\theta, \sigma^2)$,
 $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X} - \theta) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \sigma^2)$ by CLT
 $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}^2 - \theta^2) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, \sigma^2 \cdot (4\theta^2))$ Delta method

Multivariate CLT: Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be iid with mean $\underline{\xi} = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_r)$ and covariance matrix $\underline{\Sigma} = (\sigma_{ij})$, where $X_i = (X_{i1}, \dots, X_{ir})$. Then
 $[\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_1 - \xi_1), \dots, \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_r - \xi_r)] \xrightarrow{D} MN(\underline{0}, \underline{\Sigma})$

Asymptotic optimality

- $\sqrt{n}(\delta_n - g(\theta)) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, v)$
By Cramer-Rao (CR) bound, $\text{Var}(\delta_n) \geq \frac{[g'(\theta)]^2}{n I_1(\theta)}$
for any unbiased estimate of $g(\theta)$.
- If $\exists \delta_n \Rightarrow \text{Var}(\delta_n) = [g'(\theta)]^2 / n I_1(\theta)$, then δ_n is asymptotically efficient
- If $g(\theta) = \theta$, $v(\theta) \geq \frac{1}{n I_1}$, where I_1 is the information in X_1 about θ .
 $I_1(\theta) = E \left[\frac{\partial \log p_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta} \right]^2$.

Information Inequalities

(H) $\mathbb{C} \subset \mathbb{R}$, $X \sim P_\theta$: common support

$$\frac{\dot{P}_\theta}{P_\theta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log P_\theta(x)$$

- $E\left[\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log P_\theta(x)\right] = 0$, since LHS = $\int x \frac{\dot{P}_\theta}{P_\theta} P_\theta dx = \int \dot{P}_\theta(x) dx = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \int P_\theta(x) dx = 0$
- If $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \log P_\theta(x)$ exists, $\forall x \in \text{support}$, $\theta \in \mathbb{H}$

$$E\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \log P_\theta(x)\right)^2 = -E\left(\frac{\partial^2 \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta^2}\right) = I_1(\theta)$$

$I_1(\theta)$ = Fisher inf. based on random sample of size n
 $= n I_1(\theta)$, where $I_1(\theta)$ is FI based on X_1 .

- To show $\text{Var}(S(x)) \geq \frac{[E S(x)]^2}{n I_1} = \frac{(g'(\theta))^2}{n I_1}$

$$\text{Corr}(S(x), \frac{\partial \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta}) \leq 1$$

$$(\text{LHS})^2 = \frac{\text{Cov}(S(x), \frac{\partial \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta})}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(S)} \sqrt{\text{Var}\left(\frac{\partial \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta}\right)}} = \frac{E\left[S(x) \cdot \frac{\partial \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta}\right]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(S)} \sqrt{\text{Var}\left(\frac{\partial \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta}\right)}}$$

$$E\left[S(x) \cdot \frac{\partial \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta}\right] = \int S(x) \cdot \frac{\dot{P}_\theta(x)}{P_\theta(x)} P_\theta(x) dx = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} E S(x)$$

$$\text{Var}\left(\frac{\partial \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta}\right) = E\left(\frac{\partial \log P_\theta(x)}{\partial \theta}\right)^2 = n I_1 = g''(\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{LHS} = \frac{(g'(\theta))^2}{n \text{Var}(S) \cdot I_1(\theta)} \leq 1 \Rightarrow \text{Var}(S(x)) \geq \frac{(g'(\theta))^2}{n I_1}$$

Asymptotic C.I.

Let $\hat{\theta}_n$ be MLE of θ based on n obs.'s. As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta}_n - \theta)$

$$\Rightarrow N(0, I_1^{-1}(\theta)) \Rightarrow \sqrt{n} I_1^{-1}(\hat{\theta}_n) (\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) \rightarrow N(0, 1)$$

$\sqrt{n} I_1^{-1}(\hat{\theta}_n) (\hat{\theta}_n - \theta)$ is called an approx. pivot.

$$\Rightarrow P(-z_{1-\alpha/2} \leq \sqrt{n} I_1^{-1}(\hat{\theta}_n) (\hat{\theta}_n - \theta) \leq z_{1-\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(\hat{\theta}_n - z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} I_1} \leq \theta \leq \hat{\theta}_n + z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} I_1}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

Example: Let X be either 1 or 2 according to the toss of a fair coin, and $Y|X=x \sim N(\theta, x)$.

$$\Rightarrow f_{\theta}(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi x}} e^{-\frac{1}{2x}(y-\theta)^2}$$

$$\log f_{\theta}(x, y) \propto -\frac{1}{2x}(y-\theta)^2 \Rightarrow I_1(\theta) = -E \frac{\partial^2 \log f}{\partial \theta^2} = E\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

If $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$ is a random sample from this dist., then

$$\log L = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(X_i, Y_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[-\frac{1}{2X_i} (Y_i - \theta)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi X_i) \right]$$

$$(\log L)' = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{Y_i - \theta}{X_i} = 0$$

$$(\log L)'' = -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{X_i}$$

$$\Rightarrow (1-\alpha)100\% \text{ C.I. for } \theta \text{ (asymptotic) is } \left(\hat{\theta}_n - z_{1-\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{4}{3n}}, \hat{\theta}_n + z_{1-\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{4}{3n}} \right)$$

OR $n \hat{I}_1(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{X_i}$

$\Rightarrow (1-\alpha)100\%$ approx. C.I. for θ is

$$\left(\hat{\theta}_n - z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{1}{\sum \frac{1}{X_i}}, \hat{\theta}_n + z_{1-\alpha/2} \frac{1}{\sum \frac{1}{X_i}} \right)$$