

Let $\xi_1 \dots \xi_n \sim P$. iid obs.

consider $\min_{\theta \in S} \mathbb{E} f(\theta, \xi) = \min_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{E} [f_0(\theta, \xi) + I_S(\theta)]$, where $I_S(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t \in S \\ \infty & \text{if } t \notin S \end{cases}$

Denote. $\theta_0 = \operatorname{argmin}_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \mathbb{E} [f_0(\theta, \xi) + I_S(\theta)]$, $\theta_n \in \operatorname{argmin}_{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d} \bar{n}^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n f_0(\theta, \xi_i) + I_S(\theta)$.

A1.) $\xi \mapsto f_0(\theta, \xi)$ is continuous.

$\theta \mapsto f_0(\theta, \xi)$ is Lipschitz w/ modulus $\beta(\xi)$

where $\beta(\xi)$ is P_n -uniformly integrable for all $n \geq 1$.

A2) $P_n \xrightarrow{d} P$.

Lemma 4.3 [Clarke (1983)]

$|h(x_1, \xi) - h(x_2, \xi)| \leq \beta(\xi) \|x_1 - x_2\|$ for open subset $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$, $x_1, x_2 \in U$.

and $\mathbb{E} h(\bar{x}, \xi)$ for some $\bar{x} \in U$. Then.

$$\partial \mathbb{E} h(x, \xi) \subset \mathbb{E} \{ \partial h(x, \xi) \}$$

Equality holds when h is subdifferentially regular a.e.

Lemma 4.2 [Rockafellar (1979)]

$h_1, h_2 \in \text{ls.c}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and h_2 is locally Lipschitz

$$\partial(h_1 + h_2)(x) \subset \partial h_1(x) + \partial h_2(x).$$

Lemma 4.5 [Dupačová and Wets (1988)]

under A1 and A2,

$$\partial \mathbb{E} f(\theta, \xi) \subset \partial \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta, \xi) + \partial I_S(\theta)$$

$$\partial \bar{n}^{-1} \sum f(\theta, \xi_i) \subset \partial \bar{n}^{-1} \sum f_0(\theta, \xi_i) + \partial I_S(\theta)$$

For some. $V_n \in \partial \bar{\Sigma}(f_0 + t_S)(\theta_0, \xi_i)$ and $V \in \partial E(f_0 + t_S)(\theta_n, \xi)$

$$B1) \sqrt{n} [V_n(\theta_0, \xi) + V(\theta_n)] = op(1).$$

$$B2) \sqrt{n} [V_S(\theta_n) - V_S(\theta_0)] = op(1)$$

$$B3) \sqrt{n} V_n(\theta_0, \xi) \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma)$$

$$B4) \mathbb{E} f_0 \in C^2 \text{ and. Hessian } H \text{ is invertible.}$$

Thm 4.8

$$\text{Assume. } A1), A2), B1) - B4). \quad \sqrt{n}(\theta_n - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, H^{-1} \Sigma (H^{-1})^T)$$

Proof

$\theta \mapsto \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta, \xi) \in C^2$ and $\theta_n \rightarrow \theta_0$ then for n large,

$$\nabla \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta_n, \xi) - \nabla \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta_0, \xi) = H(\theta_n - \theta_0) + o(\|\theta_n - \theta_0\|)$$

By Lemma 4.5,

$$V(\theta) \in \partial \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta, \xi) \Rightarrow \exists V_0(\theta) \in \partial t_0(\theta) \text{ s.t. } V(\theta) = V_0(\theta) + V_S(\theta)$$

$$\text{In particular } 0 = V_0(\theta_0) + V_S(\theta_0)$$

$$\text{Similarly. } V_n(\theta) \in \partial \bar{\Sigma} f_0(\theta, \xi_i) \Rightarrow V_n(\theta) = V_{n,0}(\theta) + V_S(\theta).$$

$$\text{In particular } 0 = V_{n,0}(\theta_n) + V_S(\theta_n)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence. } & \sqrt{n} \left\{ \nabla \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta_n, \xi) - \nabla \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta_0, \xi) \right\} \\ &= \sqrt{n} \left\{ V(\theta_n) - V_S(\theta_n) - \cancel{V(\theta_0)} + V_S(\theta_0) \right\} \\ &= \sqrt{n} \left\{ V_n(\theta_0) + V(\theta_n) - V_n(\theta_0) + V_S(\theta_0) - V_S(\theta_n) \right\} \\ &= -\sqrt{n} V_n(\theta_0) + \sqrt{n} \{ V_n(\theta_0) + V(\theta_n) \} + \sqrt{n} \{ V_S(\theta_0) - V_S(\theta_n) \} \\ &\xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma) + op(1) + op(1). \end{aligned}$$

Thus.

$$\sqrt{n}(\theta_n - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, H^{-1} \Sigma (H^{-1})^T) + op(1)$$

Some comment on (B1)-(B3)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{B1)} \quad \sqrt{n} [V_n(\theta_0, \xi) + V(\theta_n)] &= \sqrt{n} \left\{ \bar{n}' \Sigma g(\theta_0, \xi_i) + \mathbb{E}[g(\theta_n, \xi)] \right\} \\ &= \sqrt{n} \left\{ \bar{n}' \Sigma g(\theta_0, \xi_i) - \mathbb{E}g(\theta_0, \xi) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - [\bar{n}' \Sigma g(\theta_n, \xi_i) - \mathbb{E}g(\theta_n, \xi)] \right\} \\ &= \sqrt{n} g(\theta_0, \cdot) - g(\theta_n, \cdot) \\ &\leq \sup_{\|\theta - \theta_0\| = r_n} | \sqrt{n} g(\theta_0, \cdot) - g(\theta, \cdot) | \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{B3)} \quad -\sqrt{n} V_n(\theta_0, \xi) &= -\sqrt{n} \cdot \bar{n}' \Sigma g(\theta_0, \xi_i) \\ &= -\sqrt{n} \cdot [\bar{n}' \Sigma g(\theta_0, \xi_i) - \mathbb{E}g(\theta_0, \xi_i)] \\ &\xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma) \quad \text{by CLT.} \end{aligned}$$

B2). requires constraint quantification.

Dupacova 1987.

$$\text{minimize. } \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta, \xi) \quad \text{sbj to. } A\theta \geq c \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d}, c \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1} \quad (m \text{ ineq. constraints})$$

$$\text{minimize. } \frac{1}{n} \sum f_0(\theta, \xi_i) \quad \text{sbj to. } A\theta \geq c$$

The corresponding Lagrangian is

$$L(\theta, \lambda) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta, \xi) - \lambda^T (A\theta - c) & \text{for } \lambda \geq 0. \\ \infty & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$L_n(\theta, \lambda) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n} \sum f_0(\theta, \xi_i) - \lambda^T (A\theta - c) & \text{for } \lambda \geq 0. \\ \infty & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Let $(\theta_0, \lambda_0), (\theta_n, \lambda_n)$ be saddle points of these programs.

$$\text{Then } 0 \in \partial_\theta L(\theta_0, \lambda_0) = \partial_\theta \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta_0) - A^T \lambda_0.$$

$$0 \in \partial_\lambda L(\theta_0, \lambda_0) = -(A\theta_0 - c)$$

$$\text{and. } 0 \in \partial_\theta L_n(\theta_n, \lambda_n) = \partial_\theta \frac{1}{n} \sum f_0(\theta_n, \xi_i) - A^T \lambda_n$$

$$0 \in \partial_\lambda L_n(\theta_n, \lambda_n) = -(A\theta_n - c)$$

Strict complementary conditions

$$\text{for all } k \in \{1, \dots, m\} \quad e_k^T \lambda_0 = 0 \iff \sum_{j=1}^d A_{kj} \theta_{0,j} > c_k.$$

(In words). $e_k^T \lambda_0$ must be strictly positive for active constraints.

$$\text{i.e., } \sum_{j=1}^d A_{kj} \theta_{0,j} = c_k. \quad (\text{boundary of the constraints})$$

Let $I \subseteq \{1, \dots, m\}$ be the indices of active constraints.

Under Strict complementary conditions,

$$\lambda_{n,i} = 0 \text{ for } i \notin I \text{ and } \sum_{j=1}^d A_{kj} \theta_{n,j} = c_k \text{ for } i \in I \text{ a.s.}$$

Then Dupacova 1987. treats the original problem as the "unconstrained" version.

$$L_I^n(\theta, \lambda_I) = n^{-1} \sum f_0'(\theta, \xi_i) - \sum_{k \in I} \lambda_k \left[\sum_{j=1}^d A_{kj} \theta_j - c_k \right].$$

Hence.

B1) - B3) must be proved for

changing $V_n(\theta_0)$ to $V_n(\theta_0) - A_I^T \lambda_{0I}$

$V_0(\theta_n)$ to $V_0(\theta_n) - A_I^T \lambda_{nI}$.

Asymptotic normality further requires A_I to be full row rank.

Related setting is

$$S = \left\{ \theta \mid g_i(\theta) = 0 \text{ } i \in I \text{ and } g_j(\theta) \leq 0 \text{ } j \in J \right\} \text{ for "smooth" } g.$$

Mangassarian-Fromovitz (1967) condition

Let θ_0 be a unique minimizer $\theta \mapsto \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta, \xi) + I_S(\theta)$.

Assume.

①. $\nabla g_i(\theta_0)$, $i \in I$ are linearly independent.

② $\exists w$ s.t. $w^T \nabla g_i(\theta_0) = 0$ $i \in I$, $w^T \nabla g_j(\theta_0) < 0$ $j \in J$

$$\text{For. } L(\theta, \lambda) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta, \xi) + \sum \lambda_i g_i(\theta) & \text{for } \lambda \geq 0. \\ \infty & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Second-order suff. cond

For all non-zero w that satisfies ②, and $w^T \nabla \mathbb{E} f_0(\theta_0, \xi) \leq 0$.

$$\max_{\lambda} w^T \nabla_{\lambda}^2 L(\theta_0, \lambda) w > 0.$$

Shapiro (1989) claims.

MF-condition + second-order sufficient condition
are not enough for asympt. normality.

He also considers Strict complementary conditions for asympt. normal.

example 1.

let $Z_1, \dots, Z_n \sim N(\theta_p, 1)$

Set up optimization under $\theta \geq 0$. s.t

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta, \lambda) &= E(Z - \theta)^2 - \lambda \theta \\ &= E(Z - \theta_p + \theta_p - \theta)^2 - \lambda \theta \\ &= 1 + (\theta_p - \theta)^2 - \lambda \theta. \end{aligned}$$

when $\theta_p = 0$ (boundary) and $\theta_0 = 0$.

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} L(\theta, \lambda) = -2(\theta_p - \theta) - \lambda = -\lambda. \quad \text{Hence } \lambda = 0.$$

$\Rightarrow$ Strict complementary cond. fails.

Recall $\sqrt{n}(\theta_n - \theta_0) = \sqrt{n}(\max(\bar{Z}, 0) - \theta_0)$ is half-normal.