

4.1 Complete the proof of Proposition 4.2.1.

Solution. We need to show that

$$\inf_{\alpha \in (0,1)} (\alpha + 1 - \Phi(\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2 - \xi_{1-\alpha})) = 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2\right)$$

Because the expression on the RHS we are taking the infimum over is differentiable we can find a minimum by solving the first order conditions (setting the derivative to zero). Since the infimum is a value that is attained it coincides with the minimum.

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} (\alpha^* + 1 - \Phi(\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2 - \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*))) = 0$$

The chain rule gives us:

$$- \Phi'(\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2 - \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*)) * - (\Phi^{-1})'(1 - \alpha^*) * -1 = -1$$

By the Inverse Function theorem:

$$\frac{\Phi'(\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2 - \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*))}{\Phi'(\Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*))} = 1$$

By the Fundamental theorem of Calculus

$$\frac{\varphi(\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2 - \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*))}{\varphi(\Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*))} = 1$$

where φ is the pdf of a standard Normal rv. Now we can easily solve for the minimum:

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left[(\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2 - \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*))^2 - (\Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*))^2\right]\right] = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left[(\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2)^2 - 2\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2 \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*)\right]\right] = 1 \\ \Leftrightarrow & \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha^*) = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus it indeed follows that

$$\alpha^* = 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{n}\|f_1 - f_0\|_2\right)$$

It can analogously be shown that the second order derivative is positive thus we indeed have a minimum. □

4.2 Proof the claims about the C^β - and L^2 -norms of the smooth bump function f_σ in Example 4.2.3

Solution.

$$f_\sigma(x) = \sigma^\beta K\left(\frac{x-1/2}{\sigma}\right), \quad x \in (0, 1) \quad \text{and } K \text{ is } C^\infty \text{ and has compact support.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_\sigma\|_2^2 &= \int_{(0,1)} f_\sigma(x)^2 \, d\lambda = \int_0^1 \left[\sigma^\beta K\left(\frac{x-1/2}{\sigma}\right) \right]^2 dx \\ &= \sigma^{2\beta} \int_0^1 \left[K\left(\frac{x-1/2}{\sigma}\right) \right]^2 dx \\ &= \sigma^{2\beta+1} \int_{-1/2\sigma}^{1/2\sigma} K^2(u) \, du, \quad \text{substitution } u = \frac{x-1/2}{\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

Due to the compactness of support of K the integral is finite thus indeed the smooth spike is consistently detectable if and only if $n\sigma^{2\beta+1}$ tends to infinity.

$$\|f_\sigma\|_{C^\beta} = \max_{k \leq \beta} \|f_\sigma^{(k)}\|_\infty + \sup_{s \neq t} \frac{|f_\sigma^\beta(t) - f_\sigma^\beta(s)|}{|t-s|^{(\beta-\beta)}}$$

In order to bound the norm we look at both terms separately. Note that for the k -th derivative of the bump function ($k \leq \beta$) it holds that:

$$f_\sigma^{(k)} = \sigma^{(\beta-k)} K^{(k)}\left(\frac{x-1/2}{\sigma}\right)$$

All derivatives of K are continuous and defined on a compact set thus have a global maximum and can thus be bounded. By assumption σ is close to zero and now it follows that the first term of the Holder norm is bounded.

For the second term in the Holder norm we get the following:

$$\sup_{s \neq t} \frac{|f_\sigma^\beta(t) - f_\sigma^\beta(s)|}{|t-s|^{(\beta-\beta)}} = \sup_{s \neq t} \frac{\left| \sigma^{\beta-\beta} \left[K^\beta\left(\frac{t-\frac{1}{2}}{\sigma}\right) - K^\beta\left(\frac{s-\frac{1}{2}}{\sigma}\right) \right] \right|}{|t-s|^{(\beta-\beta)}}$$

Because K is C^∞ it is also Holder continuous thus for some constant C :

$$\left| K^\beta\left(\frac{t-\frac{1}{2}}{\sigma}\right) - K^\beta\left(\frac{s-\frac{1}{2}}{\sigma}\right) \right| \leq C \frac{|t-s|^{(\beta-\beta)}}{\sigma^{\beta-\beta}}$$

Thus it follows that the second term in the Holder norm is bounded by C . Thus we see that both components of this norm are bounded and $\|f_\sigma\|_{C^\beta}$ is therefore bounded. \square