Fact Sheet - Statistics and Distributions

Given a population its mean value is denoted μ_X and its standard deviation is denoted by σ_X

Given a sample from a population the mean(average) of the sample values is denoted by \overline{X} and the sample deviation is denoted by S where $S = (\sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i - \overline{X})^2)/(N-1)$.

If sampling from finite populations without replacement use the *finite population correction factor* $f = \sqrt{\frac{P-N}{P-1}}$ where P is the size of the population and N the size of the sample, especially when the sample is 5 per cent or more of the population.

Sample Means - knowing population standard deviation σ_X

$$Z = (\overline{X} - \mu_X) / \frac{\sigma_X}{\sqrt{N}}$$

is N(0,1)- distributed.

Sample Proportions - knowing p the population proportion and p_s the sample proportion $(Np \ge 5 \text{ and } Nq \ge 5)$.

$$Z = (p_s - p) / (\sqrt{\frac{pq}{N}})$$

is N(0,1)-distributed - here q=1-p

Sample Means - knowing population standard deviation σ_X and using finite population correction factor f

$$Z = (\overline{X} - \mu_X) / \frac{\sigma_X \cdot f}{\sqrt{N}}$$

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Sample Proportions - knowing p the population proportion and p_s the sample proportion $(Np \ge 5 \text{ and } Nq \ge 5)$ and using finite population correction factor f.

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Hypothesis Testing

Hypothesis test for the mean - assuming σ_X is known.

$$Z = (\overline{X} - \mu_X) / (\frac{\sigma_X}{\sqrt{N}})$$

is N(0,1), where N is the sample size.

Hypothesis text for the mean without knowledge of the population deviation - knowing $S = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i - \overline{X})^2)/(N-1)$ instead.

$$t_{N-1} = (\overline{X} - \mu_X) / \frac{S}{\sqrt{N}}$$

ist-distributed, with N-1 degrees of freedom

Hypothesis Testing for Proportion of One Sample assuming sample is large enough $(Np \ge 5 \text{ and } Nq \ge 5)$

$$Z = (p_S - p) / (\sqrt{\frac{pq}{N}})$$

is approximately N(0,1)-distributed. Here p_s stands for the sample proportion.

Hypothesis testing on differences between quantitative variables

Testing for the difference between the means of two independent populations having equal known variances.

$$Z = \frac{(\overline{X_1} - \overline{X_2}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{N_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{N_2}}}$$

is N(0,1)-distributed, assuming that the two populations have equal variances and sufficiently large sample sizes.

Testing for the difference between the means of two independent normally distributed populations having equal variances (though unknown). We assume we have only sample values $\overline{X_1}$, $\overline{X_2}$, S_1 , S_2 , sample averages and sample deviations respectively and sample sizes N_1 , N_2 , respectively.

Then

$$t = \frac{(\overline{X_1} - \overline{X_2}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{S_p^2(\frac{1}{N_1} + \frac{1}{N_2})}}$$

where

$$S_P^2 = \frac{(N_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (N_2 - 1)S_2^2}{N_1 + N_2 - 2}$$

is $t_{N_1+N_2-2}$ -distributed with N_1+N_2-2 degrees of freedom

Testing a hypothesis about a **population variance**. For a sample of size N the following statistic

$$\chi_{N-1}^2 = \frac{(N-1)S^2}{\sigma_X^2}$$

is χ^2_{N-1} -distributed with N-1 degrees of freedom Two-tailed test regarding σ^2_X would be $H_0: \sigma^2_X = \sigma^2_0$

Testing equality of variances σ_1^2 and σ_2^2 from two independent populations.

The statistic

$$F_{N_1-1,N_2-1} = \frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2}$$

is F-distributed with $N_1 - 1, N_2 - 1$ degrees of freedom in the numerator and denominator respectively.

Two-tailed test - H_0 : $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$

Right hand rejection tail : H_0 : $\sigma_1^2 \le \sigma_2^2$

Left hand rejection tail : $H_0: \sigma_1^2 \geq \sigma_2^2$

Testing differences between proportions from two independent populations that have a certain characteristic- for large sample sizes. The statistic

$$Z = \frac{(p_{s_1} - p_{s_2}) - (p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{\overline{p}.\overline{q}(\frac{1}{N_1} + \frac{1}{N_2})}}$$

is N(0,1), where $\bar{p} = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{N_1 + N_2}, \bar{q} = 1 - \bar{p}$ and p_{s_i} is the sample proportion from population i, and X_i is the number of elements in the i-th sample that have the characteristic of interest, and N_i is the size of sample i.

Testing for differences between k Proportions

For a contingency table with R rows and C columns of frequency of occurrence information the statistic

$$\chi^2 = \sum \sum \frac{(f_O - f_t)^2}{f_t}$$

is chi-squared distributed with (R-1)(C-1) degrees of freedom, where f_O is an observed frequency (an entry in the contingency table) and f_t is a theoretical frequency in the corresponding postion, computed under the assumption that there is no difference in proportions - using a pooled estimate.

Linear Regression Equation and Normal Equations

To fit the regression line given by the equation below

$$\hat{Y}_i = b_0 + b_1 X_i$$

solve for the parameters b_0 and b_1 by solving the normal equations below

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} Y_i = nb_0 + b_1 \sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i$$

and

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i Y_i = b_0 \sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i + b_1 \sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i^2$$

Correlation

Sample correlation coefficient

$$r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i Y_i - \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^{N} (X_i)(\sum_{i=1}^{N} (Y_i)}{N}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i^2 - \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^{N} X_i)^2}{N}}} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{N} Y_i^2 - \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^{N} Y_i)^2}{N}}}$$

Test Statistic for Determining if there is Correlation

H0: There is no correlation $\rho=0$ - where $\rho=$ the population correlation coefficient

H1: There is correlation $\rho \neq 0$

Use the fact that the following statistic is

$$t_{n-2} = \frac{r}{\sqrt{\frac{1-r^2}{n-2}}}$$

t-distributed with n-2 degrees of freedom, where r is the sample correlation coefficient.

ANOVA - Analysis of Variance - One Way

Total Variation:

$$SST = \sum_{j=1}^{c} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} (X_{ij} - \overline{\overline{X}})^2$$

where c is the number of groups and n_j is the number of items in the jth group.

The Total variation is composed of the Between-group variation (SSB) and the Within group variation (SSW)

where $SSB = \sum_{j=1}^{c} n_j (\overline{X_j} - \overline{\overline{X}})^2$ and $\overline{X_j}$ is the sample mean of group j, and $\overline{\overline{X}}$ is the grand mean. Then

$$F = \frac{(MSB)}{(MSW)} = \frac{\frac{SSB}{c-1}}{\frac{SSW}{n-c}}$$

is $F_{c-1,n-c}$ -distributed.

Computational Formulae for ANOVA -

$$SSB = \sum_{j=1}^{c} \frac{T_j^2}{n_j} - \frac{(GT)^2}{n}$$

where GT is the grand total and

$$SST = \sum_{j=1}^{c} \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} X_{ij}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^{c} \frac{T_j^2}{n_j}$$

NONPARAMETRIC METHODS

Wald Wolfowitz One-Sample Runs Test for Randomness The following is N(0,1)-distributed-

$$Z = \frac{U - \left(\frac{2n_1n_2}{n} + 1\right)}{\sqrt{\frac{2n_1n_2(2n_1n_2 - n)}{n^2(n-1)}}}$$

where U is the total number of runs, n_1 is the number of successes in sample, n_2 is the number of failures in sample and $n = n_1 + n_2$ is the sample size.

Wilcoxon Signed-Ranks Test For n > 20 the following test statistic is approximately N(0, 1)-distributed:

$$Z = \frac{W - (\frac{n(n+1)}{4})}{\sqrt{\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{24}}}$$

where $W = \sum_{i=1}^{n} R_i^{(+)}$ is the sum of positive ranks.

Wilcoxon Rank-Sum Test The following is approximately N(0,1)-distributed for large sample sizes $(n_1 \ge 10 \text{ and } n_2 \ge 10)$

$$Z = \frac{T_1 - \frac{n_1(n+1)}{2}}{\sqrt{\frac{n_1 n_2(n+1)}{12}}}$$

where T_1 is the sum of the ranks assigned to the n_1 observations in the first sample

Kruskal-Wallis Test for c Independent Samples

The following statistic is approximately χ^2 -distributed with (c-1) degrees of freedom (when the sample sizes in each group are greater then 5)

$$H = \left(\frac{12}{n(n+1)} \sum_{j=1}^{c} \frac{T_j^2}{n_j}\right) - 3(n+1)$$

where n is the total number of observations over the combined samples, $n = n_1 + n_2 + n_3 + ... + n_c$, n_j is the number of observations in the jth sample and T_j^2 is the square of the sum of the ranks assigned to the jth sample.

Friedman's Rank test for c Related Samples

The following statistic is approximately χ^2 -distributed with c-1 degrees of freedom (when the number of blocks is greater than five)

$$F_R = \frac{12}{nc(c+1)} \sum_{j=1}^{c} R_j^2 - 3n(c+1)$$

where R_j^2 is the square of the rank total for group j, n is the number of independent blocks, and c is the number of groups.

Spearman's Rank-Correlation Procedure The following statistic is approximately N(0, 1)-distributed when the sample size n is not very small

$$Z = r\sqrt{n-1}$$

where

$$r_s = 1 - \frac{6\sum_{i=1}^n d_{R_i}^2}{n(n^2 - 1)}$$

and $d_{Ri} = R_{X_i} - R_{Y_i}$, the rank difference scores