

Chapter 03 Likelihood - Based Tests and Confidence Regions

Part 05

3.2.7 Score Statistic for Multinomial Data

Suppose a r.v. X following $P(X=x_i) = p_i$ with $\sum_{i=1}^k p_i = 1$.

Test $H_0: p_i = p_{i0}$ v.s. $H_1: p_i \neq p_{i0}$ for at least one i . The goodness-of-fit test statistic is

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i} \quad \text{with } E_i = n p_{i0}$$

This statistic is actually a Score statistic.

Proof. Suppose $(N_1, \dots, N_k) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n; p_1, \dots, p_k)$.

Let $p = (p_1, \dots, p_{k-1})^T$, then

$$L(p|N_1, \dots, N_k) = \frac{n!}{N_1! \cdots N_k!} p_1^{N_1} \cdots p_{k-1}^{N_{k-1}} (1 - p_1 - \cdots - p_{k-1})^{N_k}$$

$$L(p) = \log \left(\frac{n!}{N_1! \cdots N_k!} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} N_i \log p_i + N_k \log (1 - p_1 - \cdots - p_{k-1})$$

$$\frac{\partial L(p)}{\partial p_j} = \frac{N_j}{p_j} - \frac{N_k}{1 - \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} p_i}, \quad j = 1, \dots, k-1$$

$$S(p) = \left(\frac{N_1}{p_1} - \frac{N_k}{p_k}, \dots, \frac{N_{k-1}}{p_{k-1}} - \frac{N_k}{p_k} \right)^T$$

Example 2.13 derived $I_T^{-1}(P_1, \dots, P_{k-1}) = \frac{1}{n} [\text{diag}(P) - PP^T]$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \begin{bmatrix} P_1(1-P_1) & -P_1P_2 & \cdots & -P_1P_{k-1} \\ -P_2P_1 & P_2(1-P_2) & & -P_2P_{k-1} \\ \vdots & & & \\ -P_{k-1}P_1 & \cdots & P_{k-1}(1-P_{k-1}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T_S = S^T(\tilde{P}) [I_T(\tilde{P})]^{-1} S(\tilde{P})$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \{ S^T(\tilde{P}) \text{diag}(P) S(\tilde{P}) - S^T(\tilde{P}) P P^T S(\tilde{P}) \}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \left(\frac{N_i}{\tilde{P}_i} - \frac{N_k}{\tilde{P}_k} \right)^2 \tilde{P}_i - \left[\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \left(\frac{N_i}{\tilde{P}_i} - \frac{N_k}{\tilde{P}_k} \right) \tilde{P}_i \right]^2 \right\}$$

The upper summation limit is set to k rather than $k-1$ because the k th summands are identically 0.

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{N_i}{\tilde{P}_i} - \frac{N_k}{\tilde{P}_k} \right)^2 \tilde{P}_i - \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{N_i}{\tilde{P}_i} - \frac{N_k}{\tilde{P}_k} \right) \tilde{P}_i \right]^2 \right\}$$

$$\text{Let } \alpha_i = \frac{N_i}{\tilde{P}_i} - \frac{N_k}{\tilde{P}_k} \quad \alpha_i \tilde{P}_i = N_i - \frac{N_k \cdot \tilde{P}_i}{\tilde{P}_k}$$

↙

$$= \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i^2 \tilde{P}_i - \left[\sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i \tilde{P}_i \right]^2 \right\} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k \left[\alpha_i - \sum_{j=1}^k \alpha_j \tilde{P}_j \right]^2 \tilde{P}_i$$

↙ $\sum_{i=1}^k (N_i - \frac{N_k}{\tilde{P}_k} \tilde{P}_i)$

This allows to invoke the variance equality

$$= n - \frac{N_k \sum_{i=1}^k \tilde{P}_i}{\tilde{P}_k}$$

$$\sum \alpha_i^2 \tilde{P}_i - (\sum \alpha_i \tilde{P}_i)^2 = \sum (\alpha_i - \sum \alpha_j \tilde{P}_j)^2 \tilde{P}_i$$

$$= n - \frac{N_k}{\tilde{P}_k}$$

$$EX^2 - (EX)^2 = \text{Var}(X)$$

$$= E[X - E(X)]^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k \left[\left(\frac{N_i}{\hat{p}_i} - \frac{N_k}{\hat{p}_k} \right) - (n - \cancel{\frac{N_k}{\hat{p}_k}}) \right]^2 \hat{p}_i$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k \left[\frac{N_i}{\hat{p}_i} - n \right]^2 \hat{p}_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{N_i}{\hat{p}_i} - \frac{n \hat{p}_i}{\hat{p}_i} \right)^2 \hat{p}_i$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(N_i - n \hat{p}_i)^2}{n \hat{p}_i}$$

Here we used the fact that if $P(X=a_i) = p_i$, $i=1, \dots, k$, then

$$E(X^2) - E^2(X) = \text{Var}(X) = E[(X - E(X))^2].$$

Note that under H_0 , $\hat{p} = p_0 = (p_{01}, \dots, p_{0k})^\top$.