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Lecture 8: Hypothesis testing part II Statistical Methods for Data Science

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- p-hacking
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 - z-test
 - One-sample t-test
 - Two-sample t-test
 - Paired t-test
 - Binomial test
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Learning outcome

- Be able to explain the concept of p-hacking
- Be able to explain the following hypothesis tests
 - One-sample and two-sample z-test
 - One-sample and two-sample t-test
 - Paired t-test
 - Binomial test (exact, approximate)
 - McNemar's test (exact, approximate)

For each of these tests, be able to describe the typical set up for the experiment, the general purpose of the test, data produced by the experiment, random variables, parameter of interest, null hypothesis, alternative hypothesis, test statistic, null distribution, the computation of *p*-value

 Be able to compare two classifiers using the paired t-test and McNemar's test for different scenarios



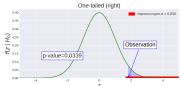


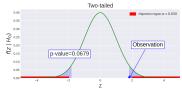
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Recall: one-tailed vs two-tailed tests

- p-value indicates how "surprising" the observation is
- "Surprising" observation usually means potential novelty
- In one of the examples from the previous lecture, we have shown that we reject
 the null hypothesis for the one-tailed test and we fail to reject the null
 hypothesis for the two-tailed test given the same significance level





- In this example, if we use the two-tailed test, we will not claim that we have observed potential novelty with the experiment, whereas if we use the one-tailed test, we claim that we do observe potential novelty
- The conclusion we draw depends on which test we conduct





Variation of the p-value

- p-value is computed from data
- Data is random p-value is random
- With the same experiment set up, if we switch to a different sample, *p*-value will be different



p-hacking

- Many factors can result in a different p-value
- p-hacking refers to situations where researchers are trying multiple things until they get the desired result
- This action can be a conscious decision, a subconscious decision or even an unconscious action
- p-hacking can be tricky to identify
- Suggestions to avoid p-hacking, e.g. one should always report effect sizes and confidence intervals
- Reference:
 - https://www.nature.com/news/ scientific-method-statistical-errors-1.14700
 - Why Most Published Research Findings Are False?









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- For each hypothesis test, the purpose of the Python code snippet is to provide a
 better understanding of the calculation; in practice, there are alternative libraries and
 built-in functions for these tests that might result in a more compact implementation





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- p-value
 - Definition: an expression of p-value in terms of a probability
 - Python: code snippet to illustrate the computation of the p-value (see page 10)





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One-sample z-test

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- Data: x_1, \dots, x_N , e.g. blood pressure after taking a new drug
- Random variable and assumption: X_1, \dots, X_N
 - Xi i.i.d.
 - X_i Gaussian or large N (CLT)
 - X_i standard deviation σ known
- Parameter of interest: μ
- Parameter estimate: \bar{x} , $\bar{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2/N)$
- Hypotheses H_0 and H_A : given c a constant

 H_0 :

 $H_A: \mu \neq c$

 $\mu = c$





One-sample z-test (cont.)

Test statistic:

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Null distribution: standard normal distribution

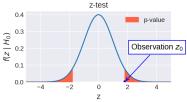
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Two-sample z-test

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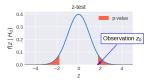
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Test statistic:

$$z_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y} - c}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{N_X} + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{N_Y}}}$$

Hint: $\bar{X} - \bar{Y} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_X - \mu_Y, \sigma_X^2/N_X + \sigma_Y^2/N_Y\right)$

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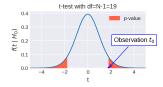
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$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - c}{s / \sqrt{N}}$$

where $s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$ is the sample standard deviation

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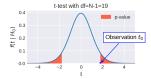
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$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y} - c}{\sqrt{\frac{s_X^2}{N_X} + \frac{s_Y^2}{N_Y}}}$$

with degree of freedom $\frac{\textit{df}}{\frac{s_X^2/N_X + s_Y^2/N_Y)^2}{(\frac{s_X^2}{N_Y})^2/(N_X - 1) + (\frac{s_Y^2}{N_Y})^2/(N_Y - 1)}}$

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 - The result contains two samples with continuous numerical values
- Purpose: to test if two alternative options have different effects by testing if the mean of the difference between two results differs from a predefined constant
- Data: x₁,..., x_N, y₁,..., y_N
 Random variable and assumption: X₁,..., X_N, Y₁,..., Y_N
 - $X_i Y_i$ iid
 - $X_i Y_i \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_{X-Y}, \sigma_{X-Y}^2\right)$ with unknown standard deviation
- Parameter of interest: μ_{X-Y}
- Parameter estimate: $m_{X-Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i y_i)$
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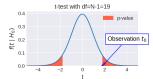
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where
$$s_{X-Y} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - y_i - m_{X-Y})^2}$$

- Null distribution:
 - ullet Student-t distribution with degree of freedom N-1
 - Python: stats.t.pdf(t, df = N 1)
- p-value:
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Let's design experiments for running the one-sample t-test, two sample t-test and paired t-test



Test 1: one-sample t-test

- Statement: drug E does not increase the average sleeping hours of people with insomnia; for the one-sample t-test, the average sleeping hours of people with insomnia is a constant - we need to know it in advance - 4.5 hours
- Experiment: let N = 40 people with insomnia take drug E and observe their amount of sleep
- Data: x_1, \dots, x_N the sleeping hours of people who have taken drug E; random variable X_1, \dots, X_N i.i.d.
- Parameter of interest: the mean value μ ; estimate: sample mean

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{x} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i$$

• Null hypothesis H_0 : H_0 : $\mu = 4.5$





Test 1: one-sample t-test (cont.)

Test statistic:

$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - 4.5}{s/\sqrt{N}}$$

where
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- Null distribution:
 - Student-t distribution with degree of freedom df = N 1
 - Python: stats.t.pdf(t, df = N 1)
- Alternative hypothesis H_A : H_A : $\mu \neq 4.5$ two tailed test
- Significance level α : set to 0.05



Test 1: one-sample t-test (cont.)

• Run the experiment and collect data

```
# Data in this example is generated using the following command
N = 40
x = stats.norm.rvs(loc=5.2, scale=1.2, size=N, random_state=1)
>> x = [7.14921444 4.4658923 4.5661939 3.91243765]
        6.23848916 2.43815356 7.29377412 4.28655172
        5.58284692 4.90075555 6.95452952 2.72783115
        4.81309936 4.73913477 6.56052333 3.88013048
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        4.37539276 4.18575323 4.39450464 5.18480248
        3.85922758 5.48129884 7.19176261 6.09045299]
\Rightarrow \bar{x} = 5.092
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Test 1: one-sample t-test (cont.)

- Compute the test statistic *t*₀ from data:
 - First, estimate the nuisance parameter the parameter that is not the parameter of interest: standard deviation

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \bar{x})^2} = 1.172$$

Then compute the test statistic

$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - 4.5}{s/\sqrt{N}} = \frac{5.09 - 4.5}{1.32/\sqrt{40}} = 3.197$$



Test 1: one-sample t-test (cont.)

• Compute the *p*-value:

$$p = 2 \min(P(T \le t_0 \mid H_0), P(T \ge t_0 \mid H_0)) = 0.003$$

• $p < \alpha$: reject H_0

Test 1: one-sample t-test (cont.)

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• $p < \alpha$: reject H_0

Example implementation in Python: $stats.ttest_1samp(x, 4.5)$

x is specified on page 29

Test 2: two-sample t-test

- Statement: drug E does not increase the average sleeping hours of people with insomnia
- Experiment: let $N_X = 40$ people with insomnia take drug E and observe their amount of sleep; observe the sleeping hours of $N_Y = 50$ people with insomnia without taking drug E
- Data:
 - x_1, \dots, x_{N_X} sleeping hours of people with insomnia who have taken drug E; random variable X_1, \dots, X_{N_X} i.i.d.
 - y_1, \dots, y_{N_Y} sleeping hours of people with insomnia who have not taken drug E; random variable Y_1, \dots, Y_{N_Y} i.i.d.
 - X_i and Y_j independent, for $i=1,\cdots,N_X$, $j=1,\cdots,N_Y$



Test 2: two-sample t-test (cont.)

- Parameter of interest:
 - The mean value of the sleeping hours of people with insomnia after taking drug E μ_E ; estimate: sample mean $\hat{\mu}_E = \bar{x} = \frac{1}{N_Y} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$
 - The mean value of the sleeping hours of people with insomnia without taking drug E μ_0 ; estimate: sample mean $\hat{\mu}_0 = \bar{y} = \frac{1}{N_V} \sum_{i=1}^{N_V} y_i$
- Null hypothesis H_0 : H_0 : $\mu_E \mu_0 = 0$
- Test statistic:

$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{\sqrt{\frac{s_X^2}{N_X} + \frac{s_Y^2}{N_Y}}}$$

with degree of freedom $\frac{df}{df} = \frac{(s_X^2/N_X + s_Y^2/N_Y)^2}{(\frac{s_X^2}{N_X})^2/(N_X - 1) + (\frac{s_Y^2}{N_Y})^2/(N_Y - 1)}$, where

$$s_x = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_X - 1} \sum_{i=1}^{N_X} (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$
 and $s_Y = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_Y - 1} \sum_{i=1}^{N_Y} (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$

Test 2: two-sample t-test (cont.)

- Null distribution:
 - Student-t distribution with degree of freedom df = df (cf. page 33)
 - Python: stats.t.pdf $(t, df = \mathbf{df})$
- Alternative hypothesis H_A : H_A : $H_E \mu_0 \neq 0$ two tailed test
- Significance level α : set to 0.05



Test 2: two-sample t-test (cont.)

```
    Run the experiment and collect data: x is the same data as page 29
    # Data y in this example is generated using the following command
```

y = stats.norm.rvs(loc=4.5, scale=0.9, size=50, random_state=2)

$$4.99630864\ 6.56298721\ 4.53738545\ 3.4938671\ 4.98515249$$

Parameter estimate:

- Parameter of interest: $\bar{x} = 5.092$, $\bar{y} = 4.374$
- Nuisance parameter:

$$s_X = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_X - 1} \sum_{i=1}^{N_X} (x_i - \bar{x})^2} = 1.172, \ s_Y = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_Y - 1} \sum_{i=1}^{N_Y} (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = 0.946$$





Test 2: two-sample t-test (cont.)

- ullet Compute the test statistic t_0 from data:
 - Then compute the test statistic

$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{\sqrt{\frac{s_X^2}{N_X} + \frac{s_Y^2}{N_Y}}} = 3.142$$

• Compute the *p*-value:

$$p = 2 \min(P(T \le t_0 \mid H_0), P(T \ge t_0 \mid H_0)) = 0.002$$

• $p < \alpha$: reject H_0





Test 2: two-sample t-test (cont.)

- In this two-sample t-test, we do not assume equal variance for X_i and Y_j ; this type of two-sample t-test is also called Welch's t-test
- Example implementation in Python:

```
stats.ttest ind(x, y, equal var=False)
```

where equal $_var=False$ means we do not assume equal variance for x and y

Test 3: paired t-test

- Statement: drug E does not increase the average sleeping hours of people with insomnia
- Experiment: let N = 40 people with insomnia take drug E and observe their amount of sleep before and after taking drug E
- Data: let z_1, \dots, z_N and x_1, \dots, x_N be the sleeping hours of people before and after taking drug E, respectively; random variable $X_1 Z_1, \dots, X_N Z_N$ i.i.d.
- Parameter of interest: the mean value of the difference μ_{X-Z} ; estimate: sample mean $\hat{\mu}_{X-Z} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i z_i$
- Null hypothesis H_0 : H_0 : $\mu_{X-Z} = 0$



Test 3: paired t-test (cont.)

Test statistic:

$$t_0 = \frac{\hat{\mu}_{X-Z}}{s_{X-Z}/\sqrt{N}}$$

where
$$s_{X-Z} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - z_i - \hat{\mu}_{X-Z})^2}$$

- Null distribution:
 - Student-t distribution with degree of freedom df = N 1
 - Python: stats.t.pdf(t, df = N 1)
- Alternative hypothesis H_A : H_A : $H_{X-Z} \neq 0$ two tailed test
- Significance level α : set to 0.05



Test 3: paired t-test (cont.)

```
• Run the experiment and collect data: x is the same data as page 29
```

Data z in this example is generated using the following command N = 40

z = stats.norm.rvs(loc=4.5, scale=0.9, size=N, random_state=0)

>> z = [6.08764711 4.86014149 5.38086419 6.51680388 6.18080219

3.62044991 5.35507958 4.36377851 4.40710303 4.86953865

4.62963921 5.80884616 5.18493395 4.60950751 4.89947691

4.80030689 5.84467117 4.31535756 4.78176093 3.73131383

2.20230917 5.08825674 5.27799258 3.83205148 6.54277916

3.19107089 4.54118267 4.33153453 5.87950129 5.82242289

4.63945268 4.84034627 3.70099283 2.71728318 4.18687907

4.64071407 5.60726161 5.58214186 4.15140586 4.22792752]

Parameter estimate:

- Parameter of interest: $\Rightarrow \hat{\mu}_{X-Z} = 0.311$
- Nuisance parameter: $s_{X-Z} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i z_i \hat{\mu}_{X-Z})^2} = 1.313$





Test 3: paired t-test (cont.)

• Compute the test statistic t_0 from data:

$$t_0 = \frac{\hat{\mu}_{X-Z}}{s_{X-Z}/\sqrt{N}} = 1.499$$

• Compute the *p*-value:

$$p = 2 \min(P(T \le t_0 \mid H_0), P(T \ge t_0 \mid H_0)) = 0.142$$

• $p > \alpha$: fail to reject H_0



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Example implementation in Python: $stats.ttest_rel(x, z)$



Exercise 2

One of the tests you have designed is a two-sample test. After the
experiments, you realized the test subjects being selected in the
second group are parents or siblings of the first group. Would that be
a problem? Can you still use the result somehow?



Exercise 2

- One of the tests you have designed is a two-sample test. After the
 experiments, you realized the test subjects being selected in the
 second group are parents or siblings of the first group. Would that be
 a problem? Can you still use the result somehow?
- Solution:
 - The two-sample test is the two-sample t-test (cf. page 32); cannot use the result as it is since the two samples are not independent
 - As a potential solution, we can match related subjects in the first group and the second group to create a paired data set $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N)$, i.e. x_i and y_i in each pair are related to each other
 - Apply the paired t-test on the new data set $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_N, y_N)$





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Binomial distribution

- Discrete distribution
- Applies to discrete numerical data the number of success from n independent Bernoulli trials with probability of success p
- PMF:
 - Equation

$$f_X(k \mid n, p) = P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}, \ k = 0, \dots, n, \ p \in [0, 1]$$

where $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$ is the binomial coefficient (n choose k)

- Shape
 - When p = 0.5, the PMF is symmetric
 - When $p \neq 0.5$, the PMF is asymmetric



Parameters: p and n: n is typically known





(exact) Binomial test

- Typical set up for the experiment:
 - One sample of independent test subjects, e.g. one sample of independent patients
 - Run the same experiment on all subjects from the sample and collect the outcomes,
 e.g. give a new drug to a sample of patients and measure how many patients are cured
 - The result contains one sample with nominal categorical values with two categories, which is then summarized into one discrete numerical value - the number of "success"
- Purpose: to test if the proportion of "success" differs from a predefined constant
- Data: N independent Bernoulli trials with k_0 "success", e.g. the number of cured patients within the sample of size N
- Random variable and assumption: K ~ Binomial(N, p) with known N and unknown success rate p
- Parameter of interest: p
- Parameter estimate: $\hat{p} = \frac{k_0}{N}$
- Null hypothesis: given π a constant,

$$H_0: p = \pi$$





(exact) Binomial test (cont.)

- Test statistic: k₀
- Null distribution:

$$P(X=k) = \binom{N}{k} \pi^{k} (1-\pi)^{N-k}$$

- Binomial distribution with parameters N and π
- Python: stats.binom.pmf(k, N, π)
- As discussed in the disclaimer (cf. page 10), we only introduce the following scenarios:
 - One-tailed (left) binomial test with any $\pi \in (0,1)$
 - ullet One-tailed (right) binomial test with any $\pi \in (0,1)$
 - ullet Two-tailed binomial test with $\pi=$ 0.5, where the null distribution is symmetric





(exact) One-tailed (left) binomial test

• Hypotheses H_0 and H_A :

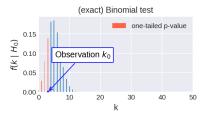
$$H_0: p = \pi$$

 $H_A: p < \pi$

p-value:

• Definition: $p = P(K \le k_0 \mid H_0)$

• Python: stats.binom.cdf(k_0 , n=N, p= π)



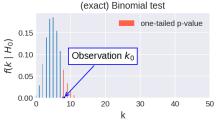
(exact) One-tailed (right) binomial test

• Hypotheses H_0 and H_A :

$$H_0: p = \pi$$

 $H_A: p > \pi$

- p-value:
 - Definition: $p = P(K \ge k_0 \mid H_0)$
 - Python: 1- stats.binom.cdf($k_0, n=N, p=\pi$) + stats.binom.pmf($k_0, n=N, p=\pi$)







(exact) Two-tailed binomial test

• Hypotheses H_0 and H_A :

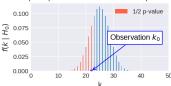
$$H_0: p = 0.5$$

 $H_A: p \neq 0.5$

p-value:

- Definition: $p = 2 \min (P(K \le k_0 \mid H_0), P(K \ge k_0 \mid H_0))$
- Python:
 - $c = \text{stats.binom.cdf}(k_0, n = N, p = 0.5)$
 - $2 * min(c, 1 c + stats.binom.pmf(k_0, n = N, p = 0.5))$

(exact) two-tailed Binomial test with p = 0.5







(large N) Binomial test

Same set up as page 45, but with large N

Test statistic:

$$z_0 = \frac{k_0 - N\pi}{\sqrt{N\pi(1-\pi)}}$$

Null distribution: standard normal distribution

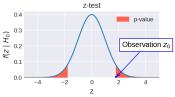
• PDF:
$$f(z \mid H_0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}$$

Python: stats.norm.pdf(z, 0, 1)

p-value:

• Definition: $p = 2 \min (P(Z \le z_0 \mid H_0), P(Z \ge z_0 \mid H_0))$

• Python: $2 * min(stats.norm.cdf(z_0, 0, 1), 1-stats.norm.cdf(z_0, 0, 1))$







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McNemar's test

- Typical set up for the experiment:
 - One sample of independent test subjects, e.g. one sample of independent patients
 - Within the sample, there are two groups; each subject belongs to one and only one group, e.g. within
 the sample of patients, we have one group with high blood pressure and another group with normal
 blood pressure
 - Run two sets of experiments A and B on all test subjects from the sample and collect the outcomes, e.g. measure the blood pressure (hight or normal) of the patients before giving them a new drug (experiment A); measure the blood pressure (hight or normal) of the patients after giving them the new drug (experiment B)
 - The result contains one sample with nomimal categorical values with two categories measured from each test subject, e.g. high blood pressure and normal blood pressure
- Purpose: to test if an action have different effects on two different groups
- Data: N independent Bernoulli trials with outcomes x_1, \dots, x_N and y_1, \dots, y_N for the two experiments, respectively; $x_i, y_i \in \{0, 1\}$

	$x_i = 0$	$x_i = 1$	
$y_j = 0$	n ₀₀	n ₁₀	$n_{00} + n_{10}$
$y_j = 1$	n ₀₁	n ₁₁	$n_{01} + n_{11}$
	$n_{00} + n_{01}$	$n_{10} + n_{11}$	N

where n_{mn} is the count of $x_i = m$ and $y_j = n$

• Random variable and assumption: i.i.d. $X_i \sim Bernoulli(p_X)$ and i.i.d. $Y_i \sim Bernoulli(p_Y)$

McNemar's test (cont.)

Example

- A company is trying to determine the effectiveness of a drug on lowering blood pressure
- The company tested the drug on a sample of 229 independent patients
- There are two groups within this sample: a high blood pressure group (105 patients) and a normal blood pressure group (124 patients); each patient belongs to one and only one of these two groups
- The blood pressure of each patient is measured before (to determine the group) and after (to determine the effect) taking the drug
- The data is summarized as follows:

	Before (high blood pressure)	Before (normal blood pressure)	
After (high blood pressure)	90	15	105
After (normal blood pressure)	22	102	124
	112	117	229





(small discordance $n_{01} + n_{10}$) McNemar's test (cont.)

Parameter of interest: discordance

$$p = \min(P(X_i = 0, Y_i = 1 \mid X_i \neq Y_i), P(X_i = 1, Y_i = 0 \mid X_i \neq Y_i))$$

- Parameter estimate: $\hat{p} = \frac{\min(n_{01}, n_{10})}{n_{01} + n_{10}}$
- Hypotheses H_0 and H_A :

$$H_0: p = 0.5$$

$$H_A: p \neq 0.5$$

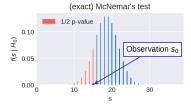
- H_0 : the drug does not have any effect on blood pressure control
- H₁: the drug has effect on blood pressure control





(small discordance $n_{01}+n_{10}$) McNemar's test (cont.)

- Test statistic: $s_0 = \min(n_{01}, n_{10})$
- Null distribution:
 - Binomial distribution with parameters $(n_{01} + n_{10}, 0.5)$
 - Python: stats.binom.pmf(s, $n_{01} + n_{10}$, 0.5)
- p-value:
 - Definition: $p = 2P(S \le s_0 \mid H_0)$
 - Python: $2 * stats.binom.cdf(s_0, n_{01} + n_{10}, 0.5)$







(large discordance $n_{01} + n_{10}$) McNemar's test

Same set up as page 52, but with large $n_{01} + n_{10}$, e.g. $n_{01} + n_{10} > 25$

- Parameter of interest: discordance (note: it is different from the previous definition (cf. page 54)) $p_{01} = P(X = 0, Y = 1)$ and $p_{10} = P(X = 1, Y = 0)$
- Parameter estimate: $\hat{p}_{01} = \frac{n_{01}}{N}$ and $\hat{p}_{10} = \frac{n_{10}}{N}$
- Hypotheses H_0 and H_A :

$$H_0: p_{01} = p_{10}$$

 $H_A: p_{01} \neq p_{10}$

Test statistic:

$$s_0 = \frac{\left(|n_{01} - n_{10}| - 1\right)^2}{n_{01} + n_{10}}$$

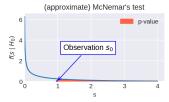
Note: "-1" is called the continuity correction (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Continuity_correction)





(large discordance $n_{01} + n_{10}$) McNemar's test (cont.)

- Null distribution:
 - Chi-squared distribution with df = 1
 - Python: stats.chi2.pdf(s, df = 1)
- p-value:
 - Definition: $P(S \ge s_0 \mid H_0)$
 - Python: 1-stats.chi2.cdf(s_0 , df = 1)



Exercise 3

• Run both the exact McNemar's test and the approximate McNemar's test on the data set provided on page 53



Test 1: exact McNemar's test

- Data: contingency table
 - n_{01} : high blood pressure $\stackrel{\mathsf{take}\ \mathsf{drug}}{\longrightarrow}$ normal blood pressure
 - ullet n_{10} : normal blood pressure $\overset{\mathsf{take}\ \mathsf{drug}}{\to}$ high blood pressure
 - We want to test if there is a difference between $\frac{n_{01}}{n_{01}+n_{10}}$ and $\frac{n_{10}}{n_{01}+n_{10}}$
- Parameter estimate: $\hat{\rho} = \frac{\min(n_{01}, n_{10})}{n_{01} + n_{10}}$
- Hypotheses H_0 and H_A :

$$H_0: p = 0.5$$

$$H_A: p \neq 0.5$$

- Significance level α : 0.05
- Collected data: $n_{01} = 22$, $n_{10} = 15$
- Test statistic: $s_0 = \min(n_{01}, n_{10}) = \min(22, 15) = 15$





Test 1: exact McNemar's test (cont.)

- Null distribution:
 - Binomial distribution with parameters $(n_{01} + n_{10}, 0.5)$
 - Python: stats.binom.pmf(s, $n_{01} + n_{10}$, 0.5)
- *p*-value: $2P(S \le 15 \mid H_0) = 0.3239$
- p-value > α : fail to reject H_0



Test 1: exact McNemar's test (cont.)

- Null distribution:
 - Binomial distribution with parameters $(n_{01} + n_{10}, 0.5)$
 - Pvthon: stats.binom.pmf(s, $n_{01} + n_{10}$, 0.5)
- p-value: $2P(S < 15 \mid H_0) = 0.3239$
- p-value > α : fail to reject H_0

Example implementation in Python:

```
from statsmodels.stats import contingency_tables
contingency_tables.mcnemar(table=[[n00, n10], [n01, n11]],
                           exact=True)
```

Args:

- table: the contingency table
- exact=True: exact test





Test 2: approximate McNemar's test

- Data: contingency table
 - n_{01} : high blood pressure $\overset{\mathsf{take}\ \mathsf{drug}}{\to}$ normal blood pressure
 - ullet n_{10} : normal blood pressure $\overset{\mathsf{take}\ \mathsf{drug}}{\to}$ high blood pressure
 - We want to test if there is a difference between $\frac{n_{01}}{N}$ and $\frac{n_{10}}{N}$
- Parameter estimate: $\hat{p}_{01} = \frac{n_{01}}{N}$ and $\hat{p}_{10} = \frac{n_{10}}{N}$
- Hypotheses H_0 and H_A :

$$H_0: p_{01} = p_{10}$$

 $H_A: p_{01} \neq p_{10}$

- Significance level: $\alpha = 0.05$
- Collected data: $n_{01} = 22$, $n_{10} = 15$, $n_{00} = 90$, $n_{11} = 102$
- Test statistic:

$$s_0 = \frac{(|n_{01} - n_{10}| - 1)^2}{n_{01} + n_{10}} = \frac{(|22 - 15| - 1)^2}{22 + 15} = 0.973$$





Test 2. approximate McNemar's test (cont.)

- Null distribution:
 - Chi-squared distribution with df = 1
 - Python: stats.chi2.pdf(s, df = 1)
- **p-value**: $P(S \ge s_0 \mid H_0) = P(S \ge 0.973 \mid H_0) = 0.324$
- p-value > α : fail to reject H_0



Binomial test McNemar's test

Test 2. approximate McNemar's test (cont.)

- Null distribution.
 - Chi-squared distribution with df = 1
 - Python: stats.chi2.pdf(s, df = 1)
- p-value: $P(S \ge s_0 \mid H_0) = P(S \ge 0.973 \mid H_0) = 0.324$
- p-value > α : fail to reject H_0

Example implementation in Python:

```
from statsmodels.stats import contingency_tables
contingency_tables.mcnemar(table=[[n00, n10], [n01, n11]],
                           exact=False.
                           correction=True)
```

Args:

- table: the contingency table
- exact=False: approximate test
- correction=True: continuity correction (cf. page 56)





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K-fold cross validation

- Classifiers: A and B
- Data: evaluation metric; continuous numerical data, e.g. accuracies p_1^A, \dots, p_K^A and p_1^B, \cdots, p_K^B on the K validation sets

	fold 1	fold 2	 fold K
classifier A	p_1^A	p_2^A	 p_K^A
classifier B	p_1^B	p_2^B	 p_K^B
$p_i^A - p_i^B$	$p_{1}^{A} - p_{1}^{B}$	$p_{2}^{A}-p_{2}^{B}$	 $p_K^A - p_K^B$

- Random variable and assumption: P₁^A, ..., P_K^A, P₁^B, ..., P_K^B

 - $P_i^A P_i^B$ i.i.d. $P_i^A P_i^B \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mu_{A-B}, \sigma_{A-B}^2\right)$ with unknown standard deviation
- Parameter of interest: μ_{A-B}
- Parameter estimate: $m_{A-B} = \frac{1}{\kappa} \sum_{i=1}^{K} (p_i^A p_i^B)$
- Hypotheses H₀ and H_A:

$$H_0: \mu_{A-B} = 0$$

$$H_A: \mu_{A-B} \neq 0$$

- Test statistic: $t = \frac{m_{A-B}}{s_{A-B}/\sqrt{K}}$, where $s_{A-B} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{K-1}\sum_{i=1}^{K}\left(p_i^A p_i^B m_{A-B}\right)^2}$
- Hypothesis test: paired t-test





Training-validation split and leave-one-out cross validation

- Classifiers: A and B
- Data: classifiers A and B tested on the validation data; the outcome x_i^A and x_i^B can be either correct (0) or incorrect (1); nominal categorical data with two categories correct or incorrect

	classifier A correct	classifier A incorrect	
classifier B correct	n_{00} =count(A correct, B correct)	n_{10} =count(A incorrect, B correct)	
classifier B incorrect	n_{01} =count(A correct, B incorrect)	n_{11} =count(A incorrect, B incorrect)	

- Random variable and assumption: $X_i^A \sim Bernoulli(p_A), X_i^B \sim Bernoulli(p_B)$
- Test statistic:
 - Small discordance (e.g. $n_{01} + n_{10} < 25$): $s_0 = \min(n_{01}, n_{10})$
 - Large discordance: $s_0 = \frac{(|n_{01} n_{10}| 1)^2}{n_{01} + n_{02}}$
- Hypothesis test: McNemar's test
- Note: why McNemar's test? One consideration while developing hypothesis test is to have a reasonably low type I error





Exercise 4

- You have a labeled data set $\mathcal{D} = \{(x_1, y_1), \cdots, (x_N, y_N)\}$
- You developed two classifiers using the 10-fold validation
- Construct a table of the resulting F1 scores for these two classifiers
- Design a hypothesis test to compare these two classifiers



Exercise 5

- You have a labeled data set $\mathcal{D} = \{(x_1, y_1), \cdots, (x_N, y_N)\}$
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What is A/B testing?

- A/B testing refers to the methodology for testing two variants of the same type of product
- It is widely used for improving marketing strategies
- Example:
 - Web design: a company would like to increase the number of their subscribers by testing a new design for the "subscribe" button on their web page
 - Product pricing: a company would like to introduce a new product to the market; they compare two potential prices to see which one maximizes their sales while maintaining a reasonable margin



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- The Bayes' rule







I heard my name again!



