

Lecture 21

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- 1 Introduce Fisher's exact test
- 2 Illustrate Monte Carlo version of test

Fisher's exact test

not assuming normality

- Fisher's exact test is "exact" because it guarantees the α rate, regardless of the sample size
- Example, chemical toxicant and 10 mice

	Tumor	None	Total
Treated	4	1	5
Control	2	3	5
Total	6	4	

- p_1 = prob of a tumor for the treated mice
- p_2 = prob of a tumor for the untreated mice

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- $H_0 : p_1 = p_2 = p$
- Can't use Z or χ^2 because SS is small
- Don't have a specific value for p

same

个处理: 当ss很小的时候
才会用 fisher

Fisher's exact test

- Under the null hypothesis every permutation is equally likely

- observed data

Treatment	:	T	T	T	T	T		C	C	C	C	C
Tumor	:	T	T	T	T	N		T	T	N	N	N

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Treatment	:	T	C	C	T	C	T	T	C	T	C
Tumor	:	N	T	T	N	N	T	T	T	N	T

5T 5C


6T 4N

- Fisher's exact test uses this null distribution to test the hypothesis that $p_1 = p_2$

Hyper-geometric distribution

- X number of tumors for the treated
- Y number of tumors for the controls
- $H_0 : p_1 = p_2 = p$
- Under H_0
 - $X \sim \text{Binom}(n_1, p)$
 - $Y \sim \text{Binom}(n_2, p)$
 - $X + Y \sim \text{Binom}(n_1 + n_2, p)$

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Handwritten diagram illustrating the hypergeometric distribution. A box is divided into four quadrants. The top-left quadrant contains 'n', the bottom-left contains 'z-x', the top-right contains 'n_1', and the bottom-right contains 'n_2'. Below the box is a red 'z'. To the right of the box is an arrow pointing to the expression $C_{n_1}^x \cdot C_{n_2}^{z-x}$. Above this expression is the text '只考虑第一列' (only consider the first column). Below the expression is the text 'C_{n_1+n_2}^z'.

$$P(X = x \mid X + Y = z) = \frac{\binom{n_1}{x} \binom{n_2}{z-x}}{\binom{n_1+n_2}{z}}$$

This is the hypergeometric pmf

$$P(X = x) = \binom{n_1}{x} p^x (1 - p)^{n_1 - x}$$

$$P(Y = z - x) = \binom{n_2}{z - x} p^{z - x} (1 - p)^{n_2 - z + x}$$

$$P(X + Y = z) = \binom{n_1 + n_2}{z} p^z (1 - p)^{n_1 + n_2 - z}$$

Continued

$$\begin{aligned}P(X = x \mid X + Y = z) &= \frac{P(X = x, X + Y = z)}{P(X + Y = z)} \\&= \frac{P(X = x, Y = z - x)}{P(X + Y = z)} \\&= \frac{P(X = x)P(Y = z - x)}{P(X + Y = z)}\end{aligned}$$

Plug in and finish off yourselves

Fisher's exact test

- More tumors under the treated than the controls
- Calculate an *exact* P-value
- Use the conditional distribution = hypergeometric
- Fixes both the row and the column totals
- Yields the same test regardless of whether the rows or columns are fixed
- Hypergeometric distribution is the same as the permutation distribution given before

Tables supporting H_a

- Consider $H_a : p_1 > p_2$

"one-sided"

- P-value requires tables as extreme or more extreme (under H_a) than the one observed
- Recall we are fixing the row and column totals
- Observed table

Table 1 =

4	1	5
2	3	5
6	4	

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margin 1/2*

- More extreme tables in favor of the alternative

Table 2 =

5	0	5
1	4	5
6	4	

margin fixed

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{Table 1}) &= P(X = 4 | X + Y = 6) \\ &= \frac{\binom{5}{4} \binom{5}{2}}{\binom{10}{6}} = 0.238 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{Table 2}) &= P(X = 5 | X + Y = 6) \\ &= \frac{\binom{5}{5} \binom{5}{1}}{\binom{10}{6}} = 0.024 \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{P\text{-value} = 0.238 + 0.024 = 0.262}$$

R code

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dat <- matrix(c(4, 1, 2, 3), 2)
fisher.test(dat, alternative = "greater")

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Treat Tumor
(4 1)
(2 3)

$$\hat{p}_1 = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\hat{p}_2 = \frac{2}{5}$$

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Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data

$$H_0: p_1 = p_2$$

data: dat

p-value = 0.2619

alt hypoth: true odds ratio is greater than 1

95 percent confidence interval:

0.3152217 Inf

sample estimates:

odds ratio

4.918388

- Two sided p-value = $2 \times$ one sided P-value
(There are other methods which we will not discuss)
- P-values are usually large for small n
- Doesn't distinguish between rows or columns
- The common value of p under the null hypothesis is called a nuisance parameter
- Conditioning on the total number of successes, $X + Y$, eliminates the nuisance parameter, p
- Fisher's exact test guarantees the type I error rate
- Exact unconditional P-value

$$\sup_p P(X/n_1 > Y/n_2; p)$$

Monte Carlo

- Observed table $X = 4$

Treatment : T T T T T C C C C C

Tumor : T T T T N T T N N N

- Permute the second row

8/22 Treatment : T T T T T C C C C C
Tumor : T N T N T T N N T T

- Simulated table $X = 3$
- Do over and over
- Calculate the proportion of tables for which the simulated $X \geq 4$
- This proportion is a Monte Carlo estimate for Fisher's exact P-value