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Introduction to Data Analytics

Project Report

Topic 1 : Hypothesis testing to infer a population mean

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1 Problem Statement

Reference: MOVIE data

- a) Calculate population mean from all the movies up to 2016 on imdb_score.
- b) Collect a sample of all the movies in the year 2017.
- c) Test the hypothesis that “Popularity of films increases”.

To test the hypothesis consider following:

- i. Population standard deviation is known.
- ii. Population standard deviation is unknown

2 Understanding the theory

- Given a dataset with 5000 movies over the years 1916 to 2016, we are supposed to predict whether the popularity of films in general are increasing or not.
- We could use the imdb score a.k.a ratings and apply z-test if the population standard deviation is known or apply t-test if the population standard deviation is unknown.
- The null hypothesis will be
H0: Mean rating of 2017 \leq Population Mean
H1: Mean rating of 2017 $>$ Population Mean
- This is in fact just an one tailed test with null hypothesis
H0: Mean rating of 2017 = Population Mean
H1: Mean rating of 2017 $>$ Population Mean

3 Implementation of the project

- **Step 1: Collecting the data**
The movie dataset has been downloaded from the given kaggle metadata as a .csv file.
The sample of 100 movies in the year 2017 was collected using web scrapping with the columns Movie Title, Release Year and Ratings.
- **Step 2: Data Pre-processing**
Only the required columns are selected from the metadata and the rows are removed if null values are found in any of the selected columns.
- **Step 3: Finding the mean and standard deviation of imdb scores**
The mean and standard deviation of ratings in both the metadata and movies of the year 2017 are calculated.
- **Step 4: Testing the Hypothesis** – Population standard deviation is known
Since the population standard deviation is known we could use z-test to test the hypothesis.

H0:Popularity of films has not increased
H1:Popularity of films has increased

Level of significance is taken to be 5% i.e. $\alpha = 0.05$

The critical value is 1.645 from the z-test statistical table. We reject the Hypothesis if z is less than the critical value.

$$z = (\bar{X} - \mu) / (\sigma / \sqrt{n})$$

- **Step 5: Testing Hypothesis** – Population standard deviation is unknown
Since the population standard deviation is unknown we could use t-test to test the hypothesis.

H0:Popularity of films has not increased

H1:Popularity of films has increased



Level of significance is taken to be 5% i.e. $\alpha = 0.05$

Degree of Freedom is $100 - 1 = 99$ (sample size, $n=100$)

The critical value is 1.660 from the t-test statistical table. We reject the Hypothesis if t is less than the critical value.

$$t = (\bar{X} - \mu) / (s / \sqrt{n})$$

4 Data and Values

Data	
▶ movie_2017	100 obs. of 4 variables 
▶ movie_metadata	4935 obs. of 28 variables 
Values	
alpha	0.05
critical_value_t	1.66
critical_value_z	1.645
degree_of_freedom	99
i	100L
len_movie_2017	100L
len_movie_metadata	4935L
mean_2017	6.741
pop_mean	6.41758865248226
pop_sd	1.1144872019889
score	num [1:100] 8.1 7.9 7.6 7.4 7.8 6.9 7.4 7.7 8 7.3 ...
sd_2017	0.251831292733846
sum_score	674.1
sum_sq_score	106.3419

5 Outputs

t	12.8423812627426
z	2.90188480352742

6 Conclusion

The values of both z and t are greater than their critical values respectively. Therefore, we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that the "popularity of films are increasing".