

Hypothesis Testing

1 Formulating hypothesis

We want to test whether new production line leads to a decrease in the average battery lifetime.

Null hypothesis H_0 : The mean battery life is unchanged

$$\mu = 500 \quad \sigma = 50$$

Alternate hypothesis: The mean battery lifetime has decreased

$$\mu < 500$$

This is a one-sided test since we are only concerned about the reduction of lifetime

2 Test statistic based on sample mean \bar{X}_n

$$\sigma = 50 \quad n = 20$$

Since n is reasonably large $Z \sim N$

$$\therefore Z = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

3 Critical value and rejection

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

We need to find value of z_α such that

$$P(Z < z_\alpha) = \alpha \\ = 0.05$$

From standard normal tables the critical value is

$$z_{0.05} = -1.645$$

which means that 5% of area under standard normal curve lies to the left of -1.645

\therefore Reject H_0 if $z < -1.645$

4 $\bar{X}_n = 480$

$$Z = \frac{480 - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{480 - 500}{50/\sqrt{20}}$$

$$= \frac{-20 \times \sqrt{20}}{50}$$

$$= -1.789$$

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Power function

$$\pi(\mu) = P(Z < -1.645 | \mu)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{\bar{X}_n - 500}{50/\sqrt{20}} < -1.645 | \mu\right)$$

$$= P\left(\bar{X}_n < 500 - 1.645 \times \frac{50}{\sqrt{20}} | \mu\right)$$

$$= P(\bar{X}_n < 481.61 | \mu)$$

$$\text{Standardizing} \Rightarrow \Phi\left(\frac{481.61 - \mu}{50/\sqrt{20}}\right)$$

$$= \Phi\left(\frac{481.61 - 470}{11.18}\right)$$

$$= 0.8508$$

$$= 85\%$$

6 P value is the probability of a test

$$Z = -1.789 \text{ under } H_0$$

$$P(Z < -1.789) = \Phi(-1.789) \approx 0.0368$$

$$\text{at } \alpha = 0.05 \quad p = 0.0368 < 0.05 \Rightarrow \text{reject}$$

$$\alpha = 0.01 \quad p = 0.0368 > 0.01 \Rightarrow \text{don't reject}$$

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~~For~~ 95% confidence

$$\bar{X}_n - Z_{0.05} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= 480 \pm 1.96 \cdot 11.18$$

$$= 480 \pm 21.91$$

\therefore Confidence interval is $[458.09, 501.91]$

Bayesian Statistics

Problem A

Part 1

a Given that prior information is modelled by a Beta distribution

$$\theta \sim \beta(\alpha, \beta) \quad \beta(\alpha, \beta) \Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}$$

\therefore Prior is given by

$$\frac{\theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1}}{B(\alpha, \beta)}$$

$$B(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}$$

Given $\alpha = 2$ $\beta = 8$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{\Gamma(2)\Gamma(8)}{\Gamma(10)} &= \frac{1!7!}{9!} \\ &= \frac{1! \times 7!}{9 \times 8 \times 7!} \\ &= 1/72 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Prior} = \frac{\theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1}}{1/72}$$

$$= 72\theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1}$$

$$= 72\theta (1-\theta)^7$$

b Expectation of θ

for $\beta(\alpha, \beta)$ Expectation is given by $\frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$

\therefore for $\theta \sim \beta(2, 8)$

$$\begin{aligned} E[\theta] &= \frac{2}{2+8} \\ &= \underline{\underline{0.2}} \end{aligned}$$

Part 2

a For a Bernoulli variable if θ is the probability of success then probability of failure is $(1-\theta)$ and

$$f(X=x_i|\theta) = \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Likelihood} &= \prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i} \\ &= \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \end{aligned}$$

b given $n=10$ and number of success = 3

$$\therefore f_{10}(x=3|\theta) = \theta^3 (1-\theta)^7$$

Part 3

a Posterior distribution = Prior \times Likelihood

$$= 72 \theta (1-\theta)^7 \theta^3 (1-\theta)^{n-s}$$

where s is the number of success
 n is the number of trials

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Posterior} &= 72 \theta^{1+s} (1-\theta)^{7+(n-s)} \\ &\propto \theta^{1+s} (1-\theta)^{7+(n-s)} \end{aligned}$$

$$n = 10 \quad s = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\propto \theta^{1+3} (1-\theta)^{7+7} \\ &\propto \theta^4 (1-\theta)^{14} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha - 1 &= 4 & \beta - 1 &= 14 \\ \alpha &= 5 & \beta &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{Posterior} \sim \mathcal{B}(5, 15)$$

b $E[\theta/x] = E[\mathcal{B}(5, 15)]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{5}{5+15} \\ &= \underline{\underline{0.25}} \end{aligned}$$

Part 4

a Predictive probability = $\int_0^1 P(x_{n+1}=1/\theta) \cdot \text{Prior}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prior} &\propto \frac{\theta(1-\theta)^7}{B(2,8)} \quad P(x_{n+1}=1/\theta) = \theta \\ &= \int_0^1 \theta \cdot \frac{\theta(1-\theta)^7}{B(2,8)} d\theta \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{\theta^2(1-\theta)^7}{B(2,8)} \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{B(3,8)}{B(2,8)} \end{aligned}$$

$$B(\alpha+1, \beta) = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta} B(\alpha, \beta)$$

$$\begin{aligned} B(2+1, 8) &= \frac{2}{2+8} B(2, 8) \\ &= 0.2 B(2, 8) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prob} &= \frac{0.2 B(2, 8)}{B(2, 8)} \\ &= \underline{\underline{0.2}} \end{aligned}$$

b

Part 5

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$$\text{Prior} \sim \phi(5, 15)$$

$$\text{Prior} = \frac{\theta^4 (1-\theta)^{14}}{B(5, 15)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} B(5, 15) &= \frac{\Gamma(5) \Gamma(15)}{\Gamma(20)} \\ &= \frac{4! \times 14!}{19 \times 17 \times 18 \times 16 \times 15 \times 14!} \\ &= \frac{24}{19 \times 17 \times 18 \times 16 \times 15} \\ &= \frac{1}{19 \times 17 \times 12 \times 15} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prior} &= 58140 \theta^4 (1-\theta)^{14} \\ &\propto \theta^4 (1-\theta)^{14} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Likelihood} = \theta^s (1-\theta)^{n-s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Posterior} &= \theta^4 (1-\theta)^{14} \theta^s (1-\theta)^{n-s} \\ &= \theta^{4+s} (1-\theta)^{14+(n-s)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Posterior} &\sim B(4+s+1, 14+(n-s)+1) \\ &\sim B(5+s, 15+n-s) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Predictive prob} &= \int_0^1 \theta \cdot \frac{\theta^4 (1-\theta)^{14}}{B(5, 15)} \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{\theta^5 (1-\theta)^{14}}{B(5, 15)} \\ &= \frac{B(6, 15)}{B(5, 15)} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{B(5+1, 15)}{B(5, 15)}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{5}{20} B(5, 15)}{B(5, 15)}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{0.25}}$$

Problem B

$$y_i = \phi(x_i)^T \theta_* + \varepsilon_i, \quad \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi(x_1)^T \\ \phi(x_2)^T \\ \vdots \\ \phi(x_n)^T \end{bmatrix} \theta_* + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \varepsilon_3 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y = \phi \theta_* + \varepsilon$$

For least square problem

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\theta} &= (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T y \\ &= (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T (\phi \theta_* + \varepsilon) \\ &= \underbrace{(\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \phi}_I \theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon \\ &= \theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[\hat{\theta}] &= E[\theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon] \\ &= E[\theta_*] + E[(\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon] \\ &= \theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T E[\varepsilon] \\ &= \theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \times 0 \\ &= \theta_* \end{aligned}$$

$E[\theta_*] = \theta_*$ since its a constant
 $E[\varepsilon] = 0$ because $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$
 mean = 0

$\therefore \hat{\theta}$ is an unbiased estimator

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\theta} &= (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T y \\
 &= (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T (\theta_* + \varepsilon) \\
 &= \theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\theta}) = E[(\hat{\theta} - E[\hat{\theta}])(\hat{\theta} - E[\hat{\theta}])^T]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\theta} - E[\hat{\theta}] &= (\theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon - \theta_*) \\
 (\hat{\theta} - E[\hat{\theta}])(\hat{\theta} - E[\hat{\theta}])^T &= (\theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon - \theta_*)(\theta_* + (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon - \theta_*)^T \\
 &= (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon [(\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon]^T \\
 &= (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon \varepsilon^T \phi (\phi^T \phi)^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cov}(\hat{\theta}) &= E[(\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \varepsilon \varepsilon^T \phi (\phi^T \phi)^{-1}] \\
 &= (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T E[\varepsilon \varepsilon^T] \phi (\phi^T \phi)^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\varepsilon \varepsilon^T] &= \text{cov}(\varepsilon) \\
 &= \sigma^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{cov}(\hat{\theta}) &= (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \phi^T \sigma^2 \phi (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \\
 &= \sigma^2 (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \underbrace{\phi^T \phi}_I (\phi^T \phi)^{-1} \\
 &= \sigma^2 (\phi^T \phi)^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

2 For computing OLS

$$\hat{\theta} = (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T y$$

The term $(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1}$ is critical for this calculation. Numerical instability arises when $(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1}$ is ill conditioned.

The condition number $k(\Phi^T \Phi)$ measures how sensitive matrix inversion is to small changes.

$$k(\Phi^T \Phi) = \frac{\lambda_{\max}}{\lambda_{\min}}$$

Low k value : well conditioned, stable inversion

High k value : ill conditioned, small errors in ϕ amplify into large errors in $\hat{\theta}$

given $n=50$ $d=45$

theoretically $\lambda_{\max} \approx (\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{d})^2$ for $\Phi^T \Phi$

$$\lambda_{\min} = (\sqrt{n} - \sqrt{d})^2$$

$$\lambda_{\max} = 189.86 \quad \lambda_{\min} = 0.13$$

$$k = \frac{189.86}{0.13} \\ \approx 1460$$

$k > 10^3 \Rightarrow$ ill conditioned

In order to tackle these problems of numerical instability we introduce regularization methods

Eg: Ridge regression which adds a penalty to loss function
biasing $\hat{\theta}$ towards zero

Principal component Analysis which projects ϕ to a k dimensional space thereby reducing dimensionality

Part c

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$$E[R[\hat{\theta}]] - \sigma^2 = \underbrace{\|E[\hat{\theta}] - \theta^*\|_2^2}_{\text{Bias}} + \underbrace{E[\|\hat{\theta} - E[\hat{\theta}]\|_2^2]}_{\text{Variance}}$$

Bias measures how far the average estimate $E[\hat{\theta}]$ is from the true θ^* . High bias oversimplifies the model i.e. underfit.

Variance measures how much $\hat{\theta}$ fluctuates around its mean. High variance occurs when the complex model overfit to the noise.

Trade off in model complexity

Low complexity model

- Low variance
- High bias: cause errors, misclassifications, etc

High complexity model

- High variance: sensitive to noise data
- Low bias

Optimal complexity

- Balanced bias and variance
- minimizes excess risk

Problem D

$$\Pi = \Phi(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T$$

$$\Pi^2 = \Phi(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \underbrace{\Phi^T \Phi}_{\mathbf{I}} (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T$$

$$= \Phi(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \mathbf{I} \Phi^T$$

$$= \Phi(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\Pi}}$$

$$\Pi^T = [\Phi(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T]^T$$

$$= (\Phi^T)^T [(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1}]^T \Phi^T$$

$$= \Phi [(\Phi^T \Phi)^T]^{-1} \Phi^T$$

$$= \Phi(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\Pi}}$$

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$$\hat{y} = \Phi \hat{\theta}$$

$$\hat{\theta} = (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T y \quad \Pi = \Phi(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \hat{y} &= \Phi(\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T y \\ &= \Pi y \end{aligned}$$