

Family-Wise Error Rate (function of V we like to control)

- The **family-wise error rate** is defined as the probability of committing a Type I Error in *any* of the M hypothesis tests.

$$FWER = \Pr(V \geq 1)$$

— at least 1 Type I error

- If each of the M tests are carried out with a significance level α , the FWER will be much greater than α

- Boole's inequality provides an upper bound:

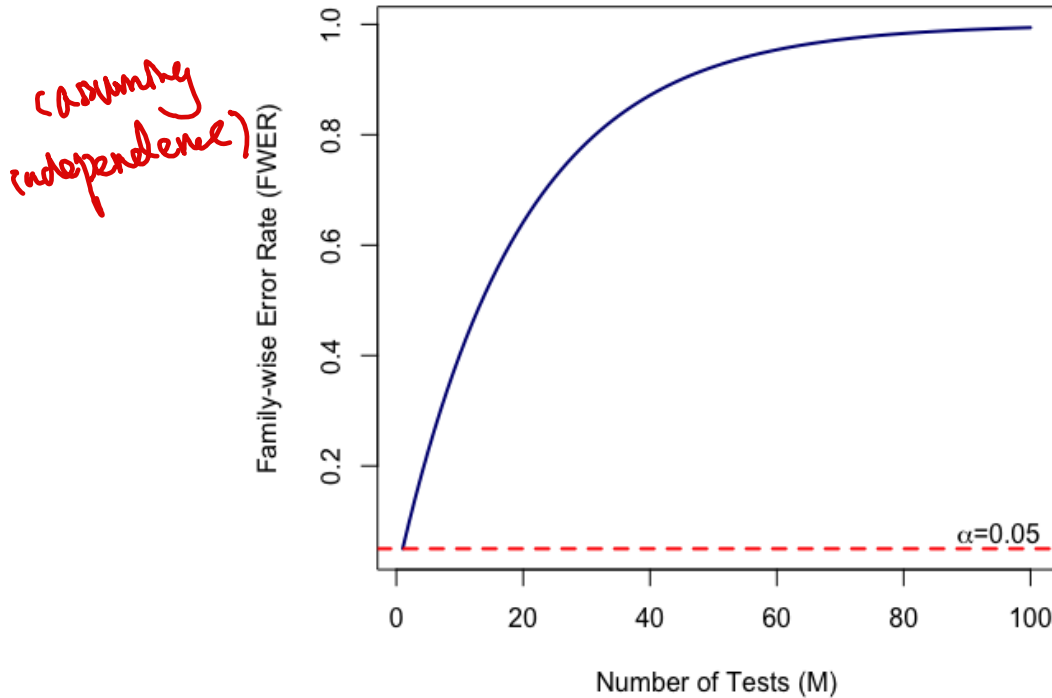
$$\begin{aligned} P(V \geq 1) &= P\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^M \text{Type I error on test } k\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^M P(\text{Type I error on test } k) = M\alpha \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

- If we're willing to assume that the M tests are independent then:

$$\begin{aligned} P(V \geq 1) &= 1 - P(V = 0) \\ &\quad \text{— no type I errors} \\ &= 1 - P\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^M \text{no type I error on test } k\right) \\ &= 1 - \prod_{k=1}^M (1 - \alpha) \\ &= 1 - (1 - \alpha)^M \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} FWER = 1$$

- This error rate, as a function of M is plotted below:



- A common value of M is $\binom{m}{2}$: the number of pairwise comparisons necessary to compare each condition to every other condition.
 - Example: $m = 5$

- Available to us are a variety of different statistical techniques that may be used to ensure the FWER does not exceed some threshold

$$FWER \leq \alpha^* \in [0, 1]$$

- **Some general notation:**

- Denote the M null hypotheses as: $H_{0,1}, H_{0,2}, \dots, H_{0,M}$
- Denote their corresponding p-values as: p_1, p_2, \dots, p_M

- **A specific example:**

- Suppose $M = 4$ hypotheses are tested and the resulting p-values are $p_1 = 0.015$, $p_2 = 0.029$, $p_3 = 0.008$, and $p_4 = 0.026$

The Bonferroni Correction

- This is the simplest method

- Reject $H_{0,k}$ if

$$p_k \leq \frac{\alpha^*}{M}$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots, M$

test all hypotheses with significance level $\frac{\alpha^*}{M}$

- The procedure ensures $FWER \leq \alpha^*$

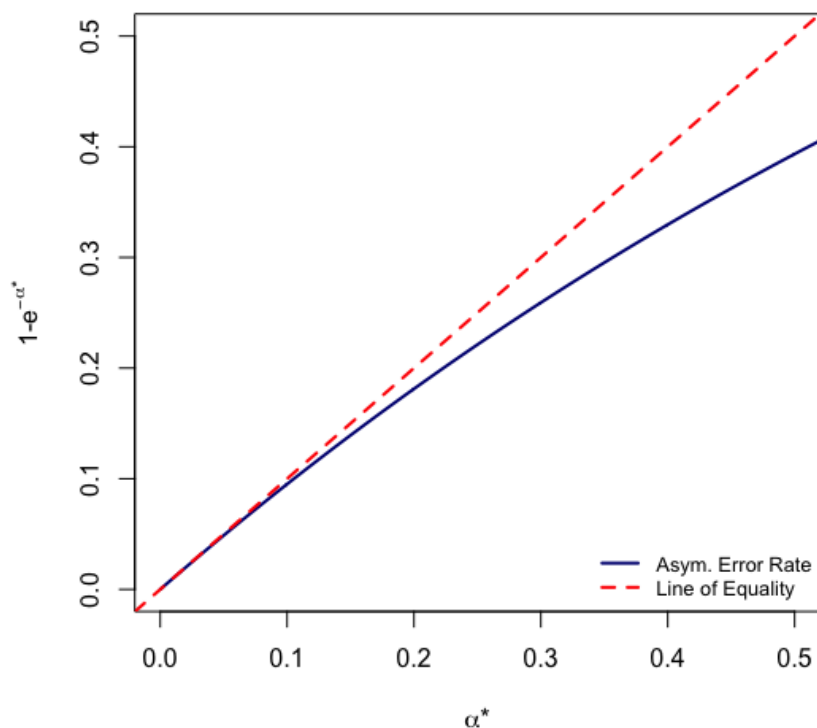
(Boole's Ineq.)

- When independence is assumed the Bonferroni-corrected FWER becomes $1 - (1 - \frac{\alpha^*}{M})^M$

indiv. Type 1 error under B.C.

$$\rightarrow 1 - e^{-\alpha^*}$$

$\approx \alpha^*$ for small α^*



- **Four-test Example:** $p_1 = 0.015, p_2 = 0.029, p_3 = 0.008, p_4 = 0.026$

– Suppose that we wish to ensure $FWER \leq \alpha^* = 0.05$

The Šidák Correction

$$FWER = \alpha^* = 1 - (1 - \alpha)^M$$

$$(1 - \alpha)^M = 1 - \alpha^* \implies \alpha = 1 - (1 - \alpha^*)^{\frac{1}{M}}$$

- This approach exploits the FWER formula derived when we assumed the M tests were independent.
- Reject $H_{0,k}$ if

$$p_k \leq 1 - (1 - \alpha^*)^{\frac{1}{M}}$$

for $k = 1, 2, \dots, M$

- This is actually not much different from the Bonferroni correction since

$$\frac{\alpha^*}{M} \stackrel{(\leq)}{\approx} 1 - (1 - \alpha^*)^{\frac{1}{M}}$$

– For instance, take $\alpha^* = 0.05$ and $M = 10$

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Holm's "Step-Up" Procedure

- The Bonferroni and Šidák corrections methods are very strict for large M
 - In these cases most null hypotheses will not be rejected

Type II error $\uparrow \uparrow$

- Ideally we would have an approach that is less strict but still controls the FWER at some α^*
- This is exactly what Holm's Procedure gives us!
 - Order the M p-values from smallest to largest:

$$p_{(1)}, p_{(2)}, \dots, p_{(M)}$$

where $p_{(k)}$ is the k^{th} smallest p-value.

- Starting from $k = 1$ and continuing incrementally, compare $p_{(k)}$ to $\frac{\alpha^*}{M - k + 1}$. Determine k^* the smallest value of k such that

$$p_{(k)} > \frac{\alpha^*}{M - k + 1}$$

- Reject the null hypotheses $H_{0,(1)}, \dots, H_{0,(k^*-1)}$ and do not reject $H_{0,(k^*)}, \dots, H_{0,(M)}$.

- What's really happening?

$p_{(1)} \text{ vs. } \frac{\alpha^*}{M}$
 $p_{(2)} \text{ vs. } \frac{\alpha^*}{M-1}$
 \vdots
 $p_{(k)} \text{ vs. } \frac{\alpha^*}{M-k+1}$
 \vdots
 $p_{(M)} \text{ vs. } \alpha^*$

compare each $p_{(k)}$ to a Bonferroni-corrected sig. level based on the number of remaining comparisons

- Proof that Holm's Procedure really does control FWER:

WTS: $\text{FWER} = P(U \geq 1) \leq \alpha^* \in [0, 1]$ for Holm's procedure

let $K_0 \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, M\}$ be the subset of indices for true H_0 's

$H_{0,(1)}, H_{0,(2)}, \dots, H_{0,(M-1)}, H_{0,(M)}$
 "rejection region"

sw. inside, there $\exists h \geq 1$ s.t. $\Rightarrow p_{(h)} \leq \frac{\alpha^*}{M-h+1}$
 $H_{0,(h)}$ is the 1st TRUE H_0 that was

REJECTED

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All $H_{0,i}$'s before $H_{0,(h)}$ are FALSE ($\# = h-1$)

Also, we must have $\underline{h-1 \leq M-M_0}$

$$\Leftrightarrow M_0 \leq M-h+1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{M_0} \geq \frac{1}{M-h+1}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{\alpha^*}{M_0} \geq \frac{\alpha^*}{M-h+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_{(h)} \leq \frac{\alpha^*}{M-h+1} \leq \frac{\alpha^*}{M_0}$$

Thus, $FWER = P(\exists K \in K_0 \text{ s.t. } P_K \leq \frac{\alpha^*}{M_0})$
(for Holm's)

$$= P(\bigcup_{K \in K_0} P_K \leq \frac{\alpha^*}{M_0})$$

$$\leq \sum_{K \in K_0} P(P_K \leq \frac{\alpha^*}{M_0})$$

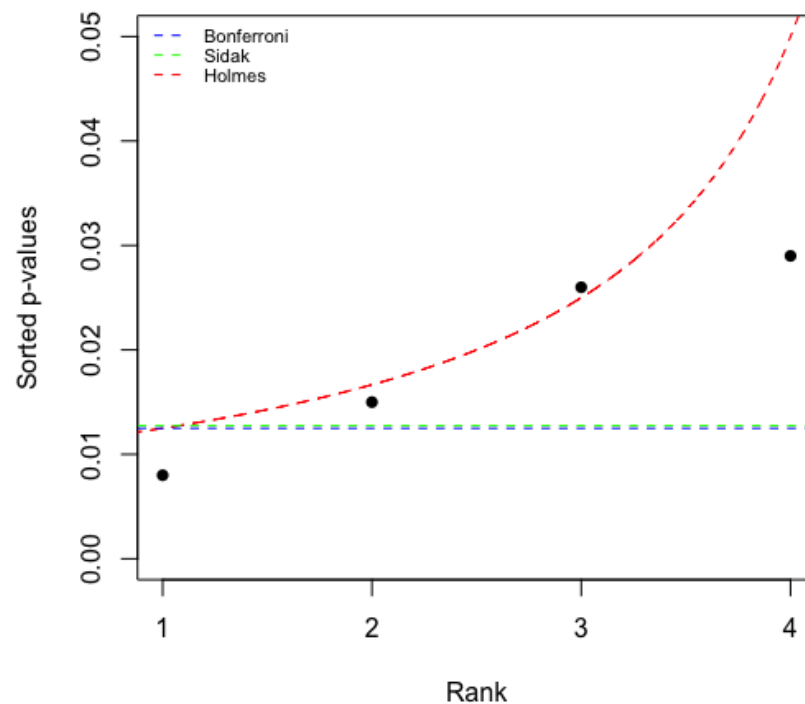
$$= \sum_{K \in K_0} \frac{\alpha^*}{M_0}$$

$$= M_0 \times \frac{\alpha^*}{M_0} = \alpha^*$$

→ p-values of true H₀'s
follow $UNIF(0,1)$
because how p-values
are defined
(upper tail cdf
of a null dist)

- **Four-test Example:** $p_1 = 0.015, p_2 = 0.029, p_3 = 0.008, p_4 = 0.026$
 - Suppose that we wish to ensure $FWER \leq \alpha^* = 0.05$

- The decision process for all three of these methods can be visualized by plotting the ordered p-values $p_{(k)}$ vs. their ranks $k = 1, 2, \dots, M$ and overlay the significance thresholds



- The Bonferroni correction is most strict, followed by the Šidák correction, then by Holm's procedure.

Adjusted p-values (inflate the p-values or shrink the threshold)

- So far we have framed each of the correction procedures above as an adjustment to the significance threshold against which each p-value is compared.
- Alternatively (and equivalently) we could invert this process and frame the decision in terms of a comparison of adjusted p-values to α^*
- This is more familiar
 - We just need to adjust our p-values first
- The decisions made with the following adjusted p-values are identical to that achieved by comparing unadjusted p-values to the methods' adjusted significance thresholds
 - Bonferroni: Reject $H_{0,k}$ if $p_k^* \leq \alpha^*$ where

$$p_k^* = Mp_k$$

- Šidák: Reject $H_{0,k}$ if $p_k^* \leq \alpha^*$ where

$$p_k^* = 1 - (1 - p_k)^M$$

$(1 - p_k)^M = 1 - p_k^*$
 p_k is way smaller than p_k^*

- Holm: Reject $H_{0,(k)}$ if $p_{(k)}^* \leq \alpha^*$ where

$$p_{(k)}^* = \max_{j \leq k} \{p_{(j)}(M - j + 1)\}$$

$\alpha^* = 0.05$

k	$p_{(k)}$	$M - k + 1$	$p_{(k)} \times (M - k + 1)$	$p_{(k)}^*$	$\frac{\alpha^*}{M - k + 1}$	Reject?
1	0.008	4	0.032	0.032	0.013	Y
2	0.015	3	0.045	0.045	0.017	Y
3	0.026	2	0.052	0.052	0.025	N
4	0.029	1	0.029	0.052	0.050	N

Sample Size Determination

- So what does all of this mean for power analyses and sample size calculations?
- There is a tradeoff between significance level and power.
 - All else equal, reducing a test's significance level will increase the Type II Error rate and hence decrease power
 - Play around with [this interactive app](#) to gain comfort with this notion.
- Since all of our correction methods decrease the effective significance levels, the power of such tests is negatively impacted
- In order to maintain power at some pre-specified level, we must compensate by increasing the sample size
- Therefore, the more complicated your experiment (i.e., the more conditions it has), the larger your sample sizes will need to be
 - Such modifications can be accounted for when selecting a sample size
 - The significance level you use in your sample size calculations should be the adjusted one based on whichever correction method you use.
 - This is easier to do with *some* correction methods than others.

Optional Exercises:

- Proofs: 11, 12, 19
- R Analysis: 9, 14, 15, 16(f,g), 17(f,g,h), 23(g,h,k,l,m)
- Communication: 1(a), 1(b)

Primer on Logistic Regression

- Linear regression is an effective method of modeling the relationship between a single response variable (Y), and one or more explanatory variables (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p)
 - However, ordinary linear regression assumes that the response variable follows a normal distribution (i.e., $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$)
 - When the response variable is binary, this assumption is no longer valid
- When we have a binary response, the Bernoulli distribution (i.e., $Y \sim \text{BIN}(1, \pi)$) is a much more appropriate distributional assumption
 - But ordinary linear regression is no longer appropriate
 - Instead we use **logistic regression**

- In the context of a linear regression model, the model is formulated so that the expected response (given the values of the explanatory variables) is equated to the **linear predictor** $\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$:

$$E[Y|x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p] = \mu = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$$

- In the context of logistic regression we also want to relate the expected response to the linear predictor
 - But now $E[Y] = \pi \in [0, 1]$
 - And equating π and $\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$ does not make sense
- Instead we relate the linear predictor to $E[Y] = \pi$ through a monotonic differentiable **link function** that maps $[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
 - Logistic regression arises when this link function is chosen to be the **logit** function:

$$\log\left(\frac{\pi}{1 - \pi}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$$

- Inverting this yields the expected response (given the values of the explanatory variables):

$$E[Y|x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p] = \pi = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p}}$$

- To interpret β_0 we set each explanatory variable to zero (i.e., $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_p = 0$)
 - We see that β_0 is the **log-odds** that $Y = 1$ when $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_p = 0$
 - Equivalently, e^{β_0} is the **odds** that the response would equal 1 when $x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_p = 0$

- The interpretation of β_j , for $j = 1, 2, \dots, p$, is uncovered by considering the logistic regression equation for different values of x_j

- Let π_x be the value of π when $x_j = x$ and let π_{x+1} be the value of π when $x_j = x + 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \log\left(\frac{\pi_{x+1}}{1 - \pi_{x+1}}\right) - \log\left(\frac{\pi_x}{1 - \pi_x}\right) &= (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_j(x+1) + \dots + \beta_p x_p) \\ &\quad - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_j x + \dots + \beta_p x_p) \\ &= \beta_j \end{aligned}$$

- Thus:

$$\log\left(\frac{\pi_{x+1}}{1 - \pi_{x+1}} \bigg/ \frac{\pi_x}{1 - \pi_x}\right) = \beta_j$$

and so β_j is interpreted as a **log-odds ratio** comparing the odds that $Y = 1$ when $x_j = x + 1$ vs. when $x_j = x$ (all else being equal)

- Equivalently, e^{β_j} is interpreted as the **odds ratio**, comparing the odds that $Y = 1$ when $x_j = x + 1$ vs. when $x_j = x$ (all else being equal)

- Parameter estimation in a logistic regression model is typically carried out with **maximum likelihood estimation**

- This means that the $\hat{\beta}$'s are maximum likelihood estimates, whose corresponding estimators have nice properties, such as

$$\tilde{\beta} \sim N\left(\beta, \frac{1}{J(\beta)}\right)$$

- A consequence of this is that hypotheses of the form

$$H_0 : \beta_j = 0 \text{ vs. } H_A : \beta_j \neq 0$$

are done with *Z-tests* with test statistics given by

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j}{\text{SE}[\hat{\beta}_j]}$$

- In order to test hypotheses about several β 's being simultaneously equal to zero, we use *likelihood ratio tests*.