

\* Sidenote: In principle, more info leads to more powerful tests. Parametric methods rely on stronger assumptions, so they utilize more info regarding population of interest  $\Rightarrow$  Parametric methods are typically more powerful than non-parametric methods.

## Sign Test for the Median

This test is similar to Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test, but uses less information, so it is less powerful. It only counts how many observations were below the hypothesized value of the population median, and how many are above. Like Wilcoxon Signed Rank, it ignores any data points exactly equal to that hypothesized value.

Hypotheses for Sign Test:  $H_0: \eta = \eta_0$   $\rightarrow$  some pre-specified constant  
 $H_a: \eta \neq \eta_0$  OR  $H_0: p = \frac{1}{2}$   $\bullet p = \text{proportion of successes}$   
 $H_a: p \neq \frac{1}{2}$   $\downarrow$   
 scores that are above certain value  $\eta_0$ .

Test Statistic for Sign Test:

$X = \# \text{ successes}$

p-value and Conclusions

p-value is calculated based on binomial distribution.



$p\text{-val} = \sum P_i$  (two-sided)  
 $P_i$  (one-sided)  
 $1 - P_i$  (one-sided "<")

eg. 10, 7, 6, 9, 8, 11, 17.

Test for  $H_0: \eta = 8$

$H_a: \eta \neq 8$

$\Leftrightarrow$  Test for  $H_0: p = \frac{1}{2}$  where

$H_a: p \neq \frac{1}{2}$   $p = \text{prop}$

of values that are larger than 8 in population

Example: Revisit the Turkish and Colombian coffee example and conduct the Sign Test for the Median

$H_0: \eta_d = 0$

$H_0: p = 1/2$

$H_a: \eta_d \neq 0$

OR

$H_a: p \neq 1/2$

$\eta_d = \text{median diff in population}$

$p = \text{prop of succ in population}$   
 $\text{succ} = \text{positive DIFF}$

TS:  $X = 7$

p-val:  $\text{Bin}(10, \frac{1}{2})$



$[P(7) + P(8) + P(9) + P(10)] \times 2$

$= \left[ \binom{10}{7} + \binom{10}{8} + \binom{10}{9} + \binom{10}{10} \right] \times \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^{10} \times 2$

$\binom{10}{3} = \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8}{3 \times 2 \times 1} = 120$

$= 0.3438 \rightarrow \text{Fail to rej } H_0$

Conclusions: We do not have enough evidence to say there is a SIG <sup>(median)</sup> DIFF in strength of T+C coffees

Signed Test is weaker (less powerful) than Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test.

## More about p-value: Binomial Distribution

The binomial distribution gives probabilities for the number of successes observed in  $n$  Bernoulli trials, each with success probability  $p$ .

Change the values of  $n$  and  $p$  to see how the shape of the distribution changes. Hover over a bar in the graph to see the probability for the corresponding number of successes, or consult the table below.

Number of Bernoulli Trials ( $n$ ):



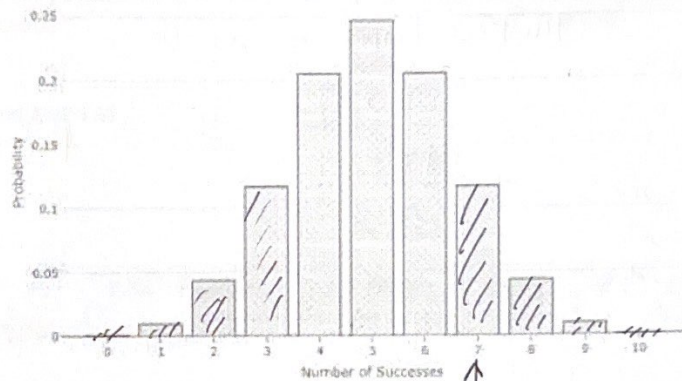
Probability of Success ( $p$ ):



Probability Table:

$x$	$P(X = x)$
0	0.0010
1	0.0098
2	0.0439
3	0.1172
4	0.2051
5	0.2461
6	0.2051
7	0.1172
8	0.0439
9	0.0098
10	0.0010

The Binomial Distribution with  $n = 10$  and  $p = 0.5$   
Mean = 5, Standard Deviation = 1.58



$$p\text{-val} = [P(7) + P(8) + P(9) + P(10)] \times 2$$



## Kruskal-Wallis H-Test

The Kruskal-Wallis H-test is a nonparametric alternative to ANOVA for comparing means of three or more **independent** groups. With the K-W test, we want to see if all the treatments have the same **distribution** of response variable in the population. Since the distributions may be skewed, we should again use median as the measure of center. *not normal*

How do the assumptions differ from ANOVA?

### ANOVA

- SRS
- Normal distribution of response variable in population for each group
- Equal variances

### K-W

- SRS
- min 5 obs per group

Hypotheses for the Kruskal-Wallis H-test:

$H_0$ : Response variable in population has the same median/distribution for all groups

$H_a$ : Some DIFF / at least one DIFF / Not all same

Kruskal-Wallis Test Statistic:

Notations:  $y_{ij}$  = Response for observation  $j$  in group  $i$

$R_{ij}$  = Rank of observation  $j$  in group  $i$

$g$  = # groups

$n_i$  = # obs group  $i$

$N$  = total # obs

p-value and Conclusions:

$\bar{R}_i$  = avg rank group  $i$

$\bar{R}$  = avg of all ranks

Group 1	Group 2	...	Group $g$
$y_{11}(R_{11})$	$y_{21}(R_{21})$	...	$y_{g1}(R_{g1})$
$y_{12}(R_{12})$	$y_{22}(R_{22})$	...	$y_{g2}(R_{g2})$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$y_{1n_1}(R_{1n_1})$	$y_{2n_2}(R_{2n_2})$	...	$y_{gn_g}(R_{gn_g})$



### Compute Kruskal Wallis TS:

- Rank all obs from the smallest to the largest

- Compute  $\bar{R}_i$  and  $\bar{R}$

where  $\bar{R}_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} R_{ij}$  and  $\bar{R} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^g \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} R_{ij}$

- If having ties, compute the adjustment factor D:

$$D = 1 - \frac{\sum (t^3 - t)}{(N-1)N(N+1)}$$

where  $t$  is the number of ties for each rank value.

- TS:  $H = \frac{12}{N(N+1)} \sum_{i=1}^g n_i (\bar{R}_i - \bar{R})^2$

If no ties,  $H$  is the TS; otherwise, the TS is  $\frac{H}{D} \triangleq H_{adj}$

### Remarks:

$$(a_n - a_{n-1} = a_{n-1} - a_{n-2} = \dots = a_2 - a_1)$$

- Recall for an arithmetic sequence  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ , the sum

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \frac{(a_1 + a_n)n}{2}. \text{ So, it follows that}$$

$$\bar{R} = \frac{1}{N} \# \text{Total ranks} = \frac{1}{N} (1 + 2 + \dots + N) = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \frac{(N+1)N}{2} = \frac{N+1}{2}.$$

- $\sum (t^3 - t)$ : e.g. Say we have ranks 2, 2, 2, 4, 5.5, 5.5.

For 2, three values are in a tie, so  $t=3$  and  $t^3 - t = 3^3 - 3 = 24$

For 4, no tie

For 5.5, two values are in a tie, so  $t=2$  and  $t^3 - t = 2^3 - 2 = 6$

So,  $\sum (t^3 - t) = 24 + 6 = 30$ .

- Since  $\bar{R} = \frac{N+1}{2}$ , we can rewrite  $H$  as  $H = \frac{12}{N(N+1)} \sum_{i=1}^g n_i (\bar{R}_i - \frac{N+1}{2})^2$

### Simplified procedure.

- Rank all obs from the smallest to the largest

- $H = \frac{12}{N(N+1)} \sum_{i=1}^g n_i (\bar{R}_i - \frac{N+1}{2})^2$ , where  $\bar{R}_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} R_{ij}$

If no ties, this is the TS; otherwise, proceed.

- $D = 1 - \frac{\sum(t^3 - t)}{(N-1)N(N+1)}$ , where  $t$  is the number of ties for each rank value.

$$\Rightarrow H_{adj} = \frac{H}{D}$$