

CORRELATION

Proxy variables

Variables used in place of some unmeasurable qty of interest; highly correlated with this unmeasurable qty

PEARSON'S CORRELATION COEFFICIENT

$$r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n Z_x Z_y}{n} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{n \sigma_x \sigma_y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

$$r_{\text{sample}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{n-1}$$

$$r(A+BX, C+DY) = \begin{cases} -r(x, y) & \text{if } \text{sign}(B) \neq \text{sign}(D) \\ r(x, y) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$r^2 = R^2 \text{ score (coefficient of determination)}$$

$$r \in [-1, 1]$$

r may be zero even when there is a **strong non-linear relationship**

HYPOTHESIS TEST

Let ρ be the population corr. coefficient

$$H_0: \rho = 0$$

$$H_A: \rho \neq 0$$

Sampling distribution of r :

approx. **t-distribution**

(n-2) dof } we are estimating two means

$$\mu = \rho$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1-r^2}{n-2}}$$

Test statistic:

$$t = \frac{r - \rho}{\sqrt{\frac{1-r^2}{n-2}}}$$

$$\xrightarrow[\text{H}_0]{\rho=0}$$

$$t = r \sqrt{\frac{n-2}{1-r^2}}$$

SPEARMAN'S RANK CORRELATION

ordinal!

$$r_s = 1 - \frac{6 \sum_{i=1}^n D_i^2}{n(n^2-1)}$$

$D_i = x_i - y_i$
difference in rank
for case i under x, y

Same sampling distribution:

$$\mu = \rho_s \quad \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1-\rho_s^2}{n-2}} \quad \text{df} = n-2$$

POINT BI-SERIAL CORRELATION

continuous \leftrightarrow binary

X : continuous Y : dichotomous (binary)

① Group X based on $Y \begin{cases} X_0 \\ X_1 \end{cases}$

② Calculate means $\begin{cases} \bar{x}_0 \\ \bar{x}_1 \end{cases}$

③ Let $n_0 = |X_0|$, $n_1 = |X_1|$, $s_x \rightarrow$ std deviation of whole X

$$r_b = \frac{\bar{x}_0 - \bar{x}_1}{s_x} \sqrt{\frac{n_0 n_1}{n(n-1)}}$$

$$s_x = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}}$$

Same results as if you used Pearson's

Sampling distribution same

PHI COEFFICIENT

binary \leftrightarrow binary

Create **contingency table**

	$Y=0$	$Y=1$	Total
$X=0$	N_{00}	N_{01}	$N_{0\cdot}$
$X=1$	N_{10}	N_{11}	$N_{1\cdot}$
Total	$N_{\cdot 0}$	$N_{\cdot 1}$	

$$\phi = \frac{\text{prod}(\text{agree}) - \text{prod}(\text{disagree})}{\sqrt{\text{prod}(\text{row/col totals})}}$$

$$\phi = \frac{N_{11} N_{00} - N_{10} N_{01}}{\sqrt{N_{0\cdot} N_{1\cdot} N_{\cdot 0} N_{\cdot 1}}} \quad \frac{11:00 - 10:01}{\text{root}(\text{totals})}$$