

# HW3

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## 1 Problem

Find the relationship between the chi-square statistic  $X_{trend}^2$  and the regression coefficients from regressing  $\hat{p}_i$  on  $S_i$ .

## 2 Chi-Square Test for Trend in Binomial Proportions

Noticing an trend in the proportions with respect to group numbers, we would like to employ a specific test to detect such trends. For this purpose a score variable  $S_i$  is introduced to correspond to the  $i$ th group. The score variable can represent some particular numeric attribute of the group.

Suppose there are  $k$  groups and we want to test whether there is an increasing (or decreasing) trend in the proportion of “successes”  $p_i$  (the proportion of units in the first row of the  $i$ th group) as  $i$  increases.

Denote the number of successes in the  $i$ th group by  $x_i$ , the total number of units in the  $i$ th group by  $n_i$ , and the proportion of successes in the  $i$ th group by  $\hat{p}_i = \frac{x_i}{n_i}$ . Denote the total number of successes over all groups by  $x = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i$ , the total number of units over all groups by  $n = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i$ , the overall proportion of successes by  $\bar{p} = \frac{x}{n}$ , and the overall proportion of failures by  $\bar{q} = 1 - \bar{p}$ .

Category	1	2	...	$k$
Frequency	$x_1$	$x_2$	...	$x_k$
Total	$n_1$	$n_2$	...	$n_k$
Score	$S_1$	$S_2$	...	$S_k$

We wish to test the hypothesis

$H_0$ : There is no trend among the  $p_i$ 's.

$H_1$ : The  $p_i$  are an increasing or decreasing function of the  $S_i$ ,  
expressed in the form  $p_i = \alpha + \beta S_i$  for some constants  $\alpha, \beta$ .

The statistic is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_{trend}^2 &= \frac{\left[ \sum_{i=1}^k n_i (\hat{p}_i - \bar{p}) (S_i - \bar{S}) \right]^2}{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p}) \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k n_i S_i^2 - n \bar{S}^2 \right]} \\
 &= \frac{\left( \sum_{i=1}^k x_i S_i - x \bar{S} \right)^2}{\bar{p} \bar{q} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k n_i S_i^2 - n \bar{S}^2 \right]}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\bar{S} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{n_i}{n} S_i \quad \bar{p} = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{n_i}{n} p_i$$

### 3 Relationship

It is easy to see that

$$X_{trend}^2 = \frac{(\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{p})^2}{\frac{1}{n} \overline{pq} \mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S}}$$

where

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 - \bar{S} \\ S_2 - \bar{S} \\ \vdots \\ S_k - \bar{S} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{N} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n_1}{n} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{n_2}{n} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \frac{n_k}{n} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{p}_1 - \bar{p} \\ \hat{p}_2 - \bar{p} \\ \vdots \\ \hat{p}_k - \bar{p} \end{bmatrix}$$

Assumption:

1. Suppose that  $\bar{p}$  is the ground truth value of the proportion of successes in each Bernoulli trial with respect to the score  $\bar{S}$ .
2. Suppose that  $X_i \sim \text{Binomial}(n_i, \bar{p})$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ) and  $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n, \bar{p})$ , then

$$\text{Var}X = n\bar{p}\bar{q}$$

For random variable  $p$ , the proportion of successes in one group,

$$X = np$$

and therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}p &= \frac{1}{n} \overline{pq} \\ &\triangleq \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

We can describe the above as a regression problem,

$$\mathbf{p}_{k \times 1} = \mathbf{S}_{k \times 1} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{1 \times 1} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{k \times 1} \quad (1)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} &= \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 & \cdots & \varepsilon_k \end{bmatrix}^\top \sim N(0, \mathbf{N}^{-1} \sigma^2) \\ \sigma^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \overline{pq} \end{aligned}$$

The constant term can be ignored since by assumption 1, the regression line goes through  $(\bar{S} - \bar{S}, \bar{p} - \bar{p}) = (0, 0)$ .

To obtain the weighted least squares estimator of (1), first we let  $\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{N}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{p}$ ,  $\mathbf{S}' = \mathbf{N}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{S}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}' = \mathbf{N}^{\frac{1}{2}} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ , then it becomes an ordinary least square problem,

$$\mathbf{p}' = \mathbf{S}' \boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}' \quad (2)$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}' \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

This weighted least squares estimator of (1) is given by the ordinary least squares estimator of (2),

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{WLS} &= \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}'_{OLS} \\ &= (\mathbf{S}'^\top \mathbf{S}')^{-1} \mathbf{S}'^\top \mathbf{p}' \\ &= (\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S})^{-1} \mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{p} \\ &\sim N(\boldsymbol{\beta}, (\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S})^{-1} \mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} (\mathbf{N}^{-1} \sigma^2) \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S} (\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S})^{-1}) \\ &\stackrel{H_0}{\sim} N(0, (\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S})^{-1} \sigma^2)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, under  $H_0$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{\sigma} (\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S})^{\frac{1}{2}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} &= \frac{1}{\sigma} (\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S})^{\frac{1}{2}} (\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S})^{-1} \mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{p} \\ &\stackrel{H_0}{\sim} N(0, 1) \\ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S}) \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^2 &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \frac{(\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{p})^2}{\mathbf{S}^\top \mathbf{N} \mathbf{S}} \\ &\stackrel{H_0}{\sim} \chi^2(1)\end{aligned}$$

which gives the form of  $X_{trend}^2$ .

## 4 Rcode

The following results confirm the relationship.

```
x <- c(320, 1206, 1011, 463, 220)
n_list <- c(1742, 5638, 3904, 1555, 626)
n <- sum(n_list)
S <- c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
p <- x / n_list

p_all <- sum(p*n_list) / n
p_overall <- p - p_all
S_overall <- S - sum(S*n_list) / n
N <- diag(n_list / n)
Xtrend <- crossprod(S_overall, N %*% p_overall)^2 / (1/n * p_all * (1 - p_all) *
  crossprod(S_overall, N %*% S_overall))

# X2trend calculated by weighted least squares
cat('X2trend is ',Xtrend)
```

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## X2trend is 129.012
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# X2trend calculated by built-in function  
prop.trend.test(x, n_list, score = S)
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##
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```
## Chi-squared Test for Trend in Proportions
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```
## data: x out of n_list ,
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## using scores: 1 2 3 4 5
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## X-squared = 129.01, df = 1, p-value < 2.2e-16
```