

Overview

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Statistics 2 PSBE2-07

Exercises

Fisher Z Transformation

1. A regression model $Y_j = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_j + \varepsilon_j$ has $n = 11$ observations. The sample correlation between X and Y is 0.60. We test the null hypothesis $H_0 : \rho = 0$ (the true correlation between the X and Y variables is zero).
 - (a) What is the t -value to test the null hypothesis?
 - (b) What is the p -value to test the null hypothesis? Summarise your results of the test.
 - (c) What can you say about the results of the test with respect to the sample correlation coefficient?
2. A linear regression with 11 data points has an estimated β_1 of 4.5 and a sample correlation between the X and Y values of 0.60.
 - (a) What is the t -value to test the null hypothesis that the correlation ρ is zero? Summarise your results of the test.
 - (b) What is the t -value to test the null hypothesis that β_1 is zero? Summarise your results of the test.
 - (c) What is the standard error of the estimate of β_1 ? What does this tell you about the reliability of the t -test you performed, and how might you improve the test?
 - (d) How are these two tests similar/different?
3. X and Y are a bivariate normal distribution from which a sample of 40 observations is taken. The sample correlation between X and Y is 0.833. We test the null hypothesis $H_0 : \rho = 0.750$. The alternative hypothesis is $H_a : \rho_0 > 0.750$.
 - (a) What is the Fisher transform r_z of the random variable r of the correlation r between X and Y ?
 - (b) What is the Fisher transform of the observed correlation?
 - (c) What is the distribution of r_z ?
 - (d) What is the Fisher transform of the correlation ρ_0 assumed in the null hypothesis?
 - (e) What is the z -value to test this null hypothesis?
 - (f) What is the p -value for this test of the null hypothesis?
 - (g) What is the 95% confidence interval for the true value of the Fisher transform of the correlation?
 - (h) What is the 95% confidence interval for the true value of the correlation?
 - (i) Summarise your results of the previous parts.

4. Using the data set Album Sales (JASP>data library>regression>album sales), we have the following outputs:

Table 1: Descriptive Statistics

	sales	adverts
Valid	200	200
Missing	0	0
Mean	193.200	614.412
Std. Deviation	80.699	485.655
Minimum	10.000	9.104
Maximum	360.000	2271.860

Table 2: Model Summary

Model	R	R ²	Adjusted R ²	RMSE
1	0.578	0.335		65.991

Table 3: Coefficients

Model		Unstandardized	Standard Error	Standardized	t	p
1	(Intercept)	134.140	7.537			< .001
	adverts	0.096	0.010			< .001

- Fill in the missing values (highlighted lilac). Explain the steps you take to calculate the appropriate values.
- Perform a hypothesis test for correlation (there are two ways of doing this). State the null and alternative hypotheses, compute your statistic and summarise your findings.
- Compute the confidence interval for the correlation. Explain all intermediary steps.

Solutions

1. Recall:

$$t = \frac{\text{estimate} - \text{hypothesised value}}{\text{standard error of the estimate}}.$$

For this question, we have the hypothesised value $\rho_0 = 0$, estimate $r = 0.60$, and the standard error of r is $se_r = \sqrt{\frac{1-r^2}{n-2}}$. Assume that the alternative hypothesis is $H_A : \rho > 0$.

$$\implies t = \frac{(r - \rho_0) \sqrt{n-2}}{\sqrt{1-r^2}} = \frac{0.60\sqrt{9}}{\sqrt{0.64}} = \frac{0.6 \cdot 3}{0.8} = 2.25 \sim t_9 = 2.262 \implies p = \mathbb{P}(t_9 > 2.262) = 0.025502.$$

We reject the null hypothesis at a 5% level, i.e. the population correlation coefficient between variables X and Y is significantly greater than zero, and they are dependent.

2. The t -statistic for $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ is identical to the t -statistic for $H_0 : \rho = 0$; this question was meant to trick you. Sorry, not sorry ☹

You can use the answer to the previous question to determine the standard error for β_1 :

$$t = \frac{b_1 - \beta_1}{se_{\beta_1}} \implies 2.25 = \frac{4.5 - 0}{se_{\beta_1}} \implies se_{\beta_1} = \frac{4.5}{2.25} = 2.$$

We know that the standard error is always decreased by increasing our sample size.

3.

$$r_z = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1+r}{1-r}\right)}{2} = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1.833}{0.167}\right)}{2} = 1.198 \quad (1)$$

$$r_z \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\frac{\ln\left(\frac{1+\rho}{1-\rho}\right)}{2}, \frac{1}{n-3}\right) = \mathcal{N}\left(\frac{\ln\left(\frac{1.750}{0.250}\right)}{2}, \frac{1}{40-3}\right) = \mathcal{N}(0.973, 0.027) \quad (2)$$

$$\rho_{0z} = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{1.750}{0.250}\right)}{2} = 0.973 \quad (3)$$

$$z = (r_z - \rho_{0z}) \sqrt{n-3} = (1.198 - 0.973) \sqrt{37} = 1.368 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \quad (4)$$

$$p = \mathbb{P}(z > 1.368) = 0.085656 \quad (5)$$

$$\text{CI for } \rho_z: r_z \pm \frac{z^*}{\sqrt{n-3}} = 1.198 \pm \frac{1.645}{\sqrt{37}} = (0.928, 1.468) \quad (6)$$

$$\text{CI for } \rho: \left(\frac{e^{2 \cdot \text{LB}_{\rho_z}} - 1}{e^{2 \cdot \text{LB}_{\rho_z}} + 1}, \frac{e^{2 \cdot \text{UB}_{\rho_z}} - 1}{e^{2 \cdot \text{UB}_{\rho_z}} + 1}\right) = \left(\frac{e^{2 \cdot 0.928} - 1}{e^{2 \cdot 0.928} + 1}, \frac{e^{2 \cdot 1.468} - 1}{e^{2 \cdot 1.468} + 1}\right) = (0.730, 0.899) \quad (7)$$

We do not reject the null hypothesis at the 5% level as $p > 0.05$ and 0.75 is contained in the 90% confidence interval for ρ .

4. Stein's adjusted R^2

$$\bar{R}_S^2 = 1 - \left(\frac{n-1}{n-p-1}\right) \left(\frac{n-2}{n-p-2}\right) \left(\frac{n+1}{n}\right) [1 - R^2] \quad (8a)$$

Wherry's adjusted R^2

$$\bar{R}_W^2 = 1 - \left(\frac{n-1}{n-p-1}\right) [1 - R^2] \quad (8b)$$

$$\bar{R}_S^2 = 1 - \left(\frac{199}{198}\right) \left(\frac{198}{197}\right) \left(\frac{201}{200}\right) [1 - 0.578^2] = 0.324 \quad (9)$$

$$\bar{R}_W^2 = 1 - \left(\frac{199}{198}\right) [1 - 0.578^2] = 0.331 \quad (10)$$

$$t_{b_0} = \frac{143.14}{7.537} = 18.99; \quad t_{b_1} = \frac{0.096}{0.010} = 9.6. \quad (11)$$

The standardised slope coefficient in simple linear regression is equal to $r = 0.578$. The p -value for the slope coefficient indicates that the variables are significantly correlated, i.e. $H_0 : \rho = 0$ is rejected as this is equal to $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$. The 95% CI for ρ (two-sided alternative hypothesis) is (0.478, 0.664).