

Q1. (a) F. Wilcoxon signed rank test is based on the distributions of X_1, \dots, X_n are symmetric about a common median.

(b) F. Under $H_0: \theta = 0$, then the Wilcoxon signed rank statistic has a symmetric distribution.

(c) T. Based on sign test, a $100(1-\alpha)\%$ confidence interval of θ is
 $(\theta_L, \theta_U) = (X_{(n+1-b_{\alpha/2})}, X_{(b_{\alpha/2})})$

Q2. (a) $B = \sum_{i=1}^8 I\{x_i > 0\} = 2$. Under $H_0: \theta = 0$, $B \sim \text{Bin}(8, 0.5)$.
 $\Pr(B \leq 2) = 0.1445 > 0.05$, accept $H_0: \theta = 0$

i.e. there is not sufficient evidence for $\theta < 0$ at 5% significance level.

(b)	X_1	X_2	X_3	X_4	X_5	X_6	X_7	X_8
X_i	-1	6	-20	-9	-18	-22	16	-28
ψ_i	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
R_i	3	(1)	6	2	5	7	(4)	8

$$T^+ = \sum_{i=1}^8 R_i \psi_i = 1 + 4 = 5$$

Outcomes	T^+	\Pr
$B=0$	0	$\frac{1}{256}$
(1)	1	$\frac{1}{256}$
(2)	2	$\frac{1}{256}$
(1,2), (3)	3	$\frac{2}{256}$
(1,3), (4)	4	$\frac{2}{256}$
(1,4), (2,3), (5)	5	$\frac{3}{256}$

$$\frac{1}{256} = \frac{1}{256}$$

$$\Pr(T^+ \leq 5) = \frac{10}{256} = 0.0391 < 0.05, \text{ reject } H_0: \theta = 0$$

i.e. there is sufficient evidence for $\theta < 0$ at 5% significance level.

Q3. (a) $B = \sum_{i=1}^{14} I\{z_i > 0\} = 10$, Under $H_0: \theta = 0$, $B \sim \text{Bin}(14, 0.5)$.

$$\text{The p-value is } \Pr(B \geq 10) = 0.0898$$

Use the continuity correction, $\Pr(B \geq 10) = \Pr(B > 9.5)$

$$B^* = \frac{B - 0.5n}{0.5\sqrt{n}} = \frac{9.5 - 0.5 \times 14}{0.5 \sqrt{14}} = 1.3363, B^* \sim N(0,1)$$

The approximation p-value is $\Pr(B^* \geq 1.3363) = 0.0907$

(b) $\hat{\theta} = \text{median}\{z_i, 1 \leq i \leq 14\} = \frac{1}{2}(z_{(7)} + z_{(8)}) = 80$

For $B \sim \text{Bin}(14, 0.5)$, $\Pr(B \geq 11) = 0.0287$, $\Pr(B \geq 12) = 0.0065$.

To achieve 95% confidence level, take $\alpha/2 = 0.025$, $\alpha = 0.05$

A $100(1-\alpha)\% = 95\%$ confidence interval of θ is

$$(\theta_L, \theta_U) = (z_{(1-\alpha/2)}, z_{(\alpha/2)}) = (-1.96, 1.96)$$

$$(c) \quad T^+ = \sum_{i=1}^n R_i \cdot \psi_i = 10.5 \times 2 + 14 + 9 + 12 + 2 + 4 + 5 + 13 + 7 = 87$$
$$E_0(T^+) = \frac{n(n+1)}{4} = 52.5, \quad \text{Var}_0(T^+) = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{24} - \frac{1}{48} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i(t_i-1)(t_i+1) = 253.625$$
$$T^* = \frac{T^+ - E_0(T^+)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}_0(T^+)}} = \frac{87 - 52.5}{\sqrt{253.625}} = 2.1663, \quad T^* \sim N(0,1)$$

The approximate p-value is $\Pr(T^* \geq 2.1663) = 0.0151$

$$(d) \quad M = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = 105, \quad \hat{\theta} = \text{median} \left\{ \frac{x_i + x_j}{2}, i \neq j \right\} = W_{(15)} = 122.5$$

$$C_{0.95} \approx E_0(T^+) - z_{0.025} \cdot \sqrt{\text{Var}_0(T^+)} = 52.5 - 1.96 \times \sqrt{253.625} = 21.2858$$

$$\text{Round } C_{0.95} = 21, \text{ then } (\theta_L, \theta_U) = (W_{(21)}, W_{(85)}) = (15, 237.5)$$

A approximate 95% confidence interval is $(\theta_L, \theta_U) = (15, 237.5)$

(e) Compare: The p-value based on sign test is larger than that based on wilcoxon signed rank test.

Comment: wilcoxon signed rank test provide a strict way to test the median of statistics, and sign test is a relatively rough way when compared to wilcoxon.

(f) Compare: The confidence interval of wilcoxon signed rank test is narrower than that of sign test

Comment: wilcoxon signed rank test give us a more accurate confidence interval than sign test in the same confidence level