

Closed testing procedure:

Reject H_I iff $\forall J \supseteq I, \phi_J = 1$

Example

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} & & \underline{H_{1234}} & & & & \\ \underline{H_{123}} & \underline{H_{124}} & \underline{H_{134}} & \underline{H_{234}} & & & \\ \underline{H_{12}} & \underline{H_{13}} & \underline{H_{14}} & \underline{H_{23}} & \underline{H_{24}} & \underline{H_{34}} & \\ \underline{H_1} & \underline{H_2} & H_3 & H_4 & & & \end{array}$$

Underlined means "rejected by local test"

- H_1 is rejected by closed testing
- H_2 is not rejected
- H_{23} is rejected

Theorem 3.8 The closed testing procedure makes no false rejections with probability $1 - \alpha$.

In particular, $\text{FWER} \leq \alpha$.

Proof In order for there to be a false rejection, we must have $(\text{rejected } H_{I_0}) \phi_{I_0} = 1$ but $P(\phi_{I_0} = 1) \leq \alpha : \square$

Different choices for the local tests will yield different multiple testing procedures. Holm's procedure uses ϕ_I as the Bonferroni test

$$\phi_I = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \min_{i \in I} p_i \leq \frac{\alpha}{|I|} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\leq \alpha/|I|$$

$$P_{H_I}(\phi_I = 1) = P_{H_I}(\bigcup_{i \in I} \{p_i \leq \frac{\alpha}{|I|}\}) \leq \sum_{i \in I} P_{H_I}(p_i \leq \frac{\alpha}{|I|}) \leq \alpha \quad \checkmark$$

This is equivalent to the following procedure. step-down procedure:

Order the p-values $p_{(1)} \leq p_{(2)} \leq \dots \leq p_{(m)}$

1. If $p_{(1)} \leq \frac{\alpha}{m}$, reject $H_{(1)}$ and go to step 2, else accept $H_{(1)}, \dots, H_{(m)}$.

2. If $p_{(i)} \leq \frac{\alpha}{m-i+1}$, reject $H_{(i)}$ and go to step $(i+1)$, else accept $H_{(i)}, \dots, H_{(m)}$.

m. If $p_{(m)} \leq \alpha$ reject $H_{(m)}$, else accept $H_{(m)}$.

4.2 False Discovery Rate

Many more modern multiple testing procedures attempt to control the false discovery rate (FDR).

$$\text{FDR} = E(\text{FDP})$$

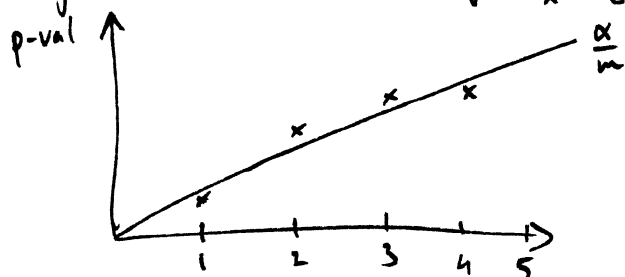
$$\text{FDP} = \frac{N_{01}}{\max(R, 1)} \quad (R=0 \Rightarrow \text{FDP}=0)$$

R = number of rejections

The Benjamini-Hochberg procedure (B-H) attempts to control the FDR at level α and works as follows.

$$\text{Let } \hat{k} = \max \{i : p_{(i)} \leq \frac{i\alpha}{m}\}$$

Reject $H_{(1)}, \dots, H_{(\hat{k})}$ or reject no hypotheses if \hat{k} not defined.



→ Reject $H_{(1)}, \dots, H_{(4)}$

Theorem 39 Suppose that $p_{(i)} : i \in I_0$ are independent and independent of $\{p_i : i \notin I_0\}$.

Then the B-H procedure has

$$\text{FDR} \leq \frac{\alpha m_0}{m} \leq \alpha.$$

Proof
$$\text{FDR} = \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{N_{01}}{\max(R, 1)} \right) = \sum_{r=1}^m \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{N_{01}}{r} \mathbb{1}_{\{R=r\}} \right)$$

$$= \sum_{r=1}^m \frac{1}{r} \mathbb{E} \left(\sum_{i \in I_0} \mathbb{1}_{\{p_i \leq \frac{\alpha r}{m}\}} \mathbb{1}_{\{R=r\}} \right)$$

For each $i \in I_0$, let R_i the number of rejections of a modified B-H applied to

$$p^{(i)} = \{p_1, \dots, p_{i-1}, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_m\}$$

with cut-off $\hat{k}_i = \max \{j : p_{(j)}^{(i)} \leq \frac{(j+1)\alpha}{m}\}.$

For $r=1, \dots, m$ and $i \in I_0$ observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \{p_i \leq \frac{\alpha r}{m}, R=r\} &= \{p_i \leq \frac{\alpha r}{m}, p_{(r)} \leq \frac{\alpha r}{m}, p_{(s)} > \frac{\alpha s}{m} \forall s > r\} \\ &= \{p_i \leq \frac{\alpha r}{m}, p_{(r-1)}^{(i)} \leq \frac{\alpha r}{m}, p_{(s-1)}^{(i)} > \frac{\alpha s}{m} \forall s > r\} \\ &= \{p_i \leq \frac{\alpha r}{m}, R_i = r-1\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{FDR} = \sum_{r=1}^m \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i \in I_0} \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(p_i \leq \frac{\alpha r}{m})}_{\leq \frac{\alpha r}{m}} \mathbb{P}(R_i = r-1)$$

$$\leq \frac{\alpha}{m} \sum_{i \in I_0} \underbrace{\sum_{r=1}^m \mathbb{P}(R_i = r-1)}_1 = \frac{\alpha m_0}{m} \leq \alpha \quad \square$$