

STA532 - hw10 sample solution

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1. (a)  $p_i$  admits the representation:  $p_i = x_i z_i + u_i(1-z_i)$ , where  $x_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} p_i$ ,  $z_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Ber}(\gamma)$ ,  $u_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{unif}(0,1)$ , and  $x_i, z_i, u_i$  are independent.

By law of total probability,

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(p_i < \frac{\alpha}{m}) &= \Pr(p_i < \frac{\alpha}{m} | z=1) \Pr(z=1) + \Pr(p_i < \frac{\alpha}{m} | z=0) \Pr(z=0) \\ &= \Pr(x_i < \frac{\alpha}{m}) \cdot \gamma + \Pr(u_i < \frac{\alpha}{m}) (1-\gamma) \\ &= F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \gamma + \frac{\alpha}{m} (1-\gamma)\end{aligned}$$

(b). With Bonferroni method,  $H_0$  is rejected if at least one  $p_i < \frac{\alpha}{m}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(\min_{1 \leq i \leq m} p_i < \frac{\alpha}{m}) &= 1 - \Pr(\min_{1 \leq i \leq m} p_i \geq \frac{\alpha}{m}) = 1 - \Pr(\bigcap_{i=1}^m \{p_i \geq \frac{\alpha}{m}\}) \\ &= 1 - \Pr(p_1 \geq \frac{\alpha}{m})^m \quad (\text{by iid.}) \\ &= 1 - [1 - F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \gamma - \frac{\alpha}{m} (1-\gamma)]^m\end{aligned}$$

$$(c). [1 - F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \gamma - \frac{\alpha}{m} (1-\gamma)]^m = \exp \{ m \log (1 - F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \gamma - \frac{\alpha}{m} (1-\gamma)) \}$$

For large  $m$ ,  $F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \approx 0$ ,  $\frac{\alpha}{m} \approx 0$ , so  $\log(1 - F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \gamma - \frac{\alpha}{m} (1-\gamma)) \approx -F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \gamma - \frac{\alpha}{m} (1-\gamma)$

$$\Pr(\min_{1 \leq i \leq m} p_i < \frac{\alpha}{m}) \approx 1 - \exp \{ -F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \cdot m \gamma - \alpha (1-\gamma) \}$$

(d) Since  $F_1(\cdot)$  is weakly increasing, prob of rejection increases as  $\alpha$  increases.

$$\text{Note } -F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) \cdot m \gamma - \alpha (1-\gamma) = -m(F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) - \frac{\alpha}{m}) \gamma - \alpha,$$

therefore, when  $F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) < \frac{\alpha}{m}$ , prob of rejection increases as  $\gamma$  decreases;

when  $F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) = \frac{\alpha}{m}$ , prob of rejection does not change with  $\gamma$ ;

when  $F_1(\frac{\alpha}{m}) > \frac{\alpha}{m}$ , prob of rejection increases as  $\gamma$  increases.

$\alpha$  is proportional to the decision boundary, when  $\alpha$  becomes larger, it is more likely for  $p_i$ 's to be less than the threshold, i.e., one of the hypothesis is rejected.

$\gamma$  controls the likelihood of  $p_i$  drawn from the alternative. If the alternative has more prob mass below the threshold than the null, that is, when  $p_i$  is drawn from the alternative,  $p_i$  is more likely to be rejected than when it is drawn from the null.

$$(c). F_1\left(\frac{\alpha}{m}\right) > \frac{\alpha}{m} \text{ and } m(F_1\left(\frac{\alpha}{m}\right) - \frac{\alpha}{m}) \rightarrow \infty$$

2. Under the null,  $\sum_{i=1}^m Y_i^2 \sim \chi_m^2$ , reject the null if  $\sum_{i=1}^m Y_i^2 > Q(\chi_m^2, 1-\alpha)$  where  $Q(\chi_m^2, 1-\alpha)$  denotes the  $(1-\alpha)^{\text{th}}$  quantile of  $\chi_m^2$ .

- Under the null, p-value for observation  $Y_i \sim N(0, 1)$  is  $p_i = 2(1 - \Phi(|Y_i|))$ , Using Bonferroni method, reject the null if any  $p_i < \frac{\alpha}{m}$
- Fisher's procedure is to reject the null if  $-2 \sum_{i=1}^m \log p_i > Q(\chi_{2m}^2, 1-\alpha)$  where  $Q(\chi_{2m}^2, 1-\alpha)$  denotes the  $(1-\alpha)^{\text{th}}$  quantile of  $\chi_{2m}^2$ .

In (a), many minor effects.

In (b), needle in a haystack.

Simulation results are in the R script.

$$3. (\text{a}) L(\{\theta_i\}) \propto e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m (Y_i - \theta_i)^2}$$

MLEs of  $\{\theta_i\}$  are  $\hat{\theta}_i = Y_i$

(b) Denote the values of hypothesis H as  $\{\theta_{0,i}\}$ .

Likelihood ratio between  $\{\theta_i\}$  v.s.  $\{\theta_{0,i}\}$  is

$$LR(\{\theta_i\}, \{\theta_{0,i}\}) = \frac{L(\{\theta_i\})}{L(\{\theta_{0,i}\})} = e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m (\theta_i^2 - 2\gamma_i \theta_i)}$$

Then  $-2 \log LR(\{\theta_i\}, \{\theta_{0,i}\}) = \sum_{i=1}^m \theta_i(\theta_i - 2\gamma_i)$ .

Now replace  $\{\theta_i\}$  with their MLE,  $-2 \log LR(\{\hat{\theta}_i\}, \{\theta_{0,i}\}) = -\sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i^2$

Note, under  $H_0$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i^2 \sim \chi_m^2$  as  $\gamma_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ .

Also note we reject  $H_0$  for large values of  $LR(\{\hat{\theta}_i\}, \{\theta_{0,i}\})$ .

Then, we reject  $H_0$  if  $\sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i^2 > Q(\chi_m^2, 1-\alpha)$  where  $Q(\chi_m^2, 1-\alpha)$  denotes  $(1-\alpha)^{th}$  quantile of  $\chi_m^2$ . This procedure is level- $\alpha$ .

(c). (i). For some  $u \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\Pr(P_j < u) = \Pr(2\Phi(-|\gamma_j|) < u)$

$$= \Pr(|\gamma_j| > \Phi^{-1}(1-\frac{u}{2}))$$

$$= 2\Pr(|\gamma_j| > \Phi^{-1}(1-\frac{u}{2})) \quad \text{note } \gamma_j \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$= u.$$

(ii) Let  $E_j = \{H_j \text{ is rejected at level } \alpha/m\}$ , then  $\Pr(E_j | H_j) = \frac{\alpha}{m}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\bigcup_{j=1}^m E_j | H_0) &\leq \sum_{j=1}^m \Pr(E_j | H_0) \quad \text{union bound, Boole's inequality} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\alpha}{m} = \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

4. (a). With the knowledge of  $\gamma$  and  $b$ , we can compute the marginal CDF of p-values

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(P_i < t) &= \Pr(P_i < t | H_0) \Pr(H_0) + \Pr(P_i < t | H_1) \Pr(H_1) \\ &= t \cdot (1-\gamma) + (b \int_0^t (1-x)^{b-1} dx) \cdot \gamma \\ &= t \cdot (1-\gamma) + (1-(1-t)^b) \gamma \end{aligned}$$

Then BH FDR control finds maximum  $t$  s.t.  $\frac{t}{t(1-\gamma) + (1-(1-t)^b) \gamma} \leq \alpha$ .

As  $\gamma$  is known, null proportion  $1-\gamma$  is known, and we can exactly control FDR by choosing the maximum  $t_\alpha$  s.t.  $\frac{t_\alpha(1-\gamma)}{t_\alpha(1-\gamma) + (1-(1-t_\alpha)^b) \gamma} \leq \alpha$ .

The modified BH procedure is to reject  $H_i$ 's whose p-val  $p_i < t_\alpha$ .

Note when  $b=1$ ,  $P_0 = P_i$  and  $\gamma = 0$ , all discoveries are "false", it's impossible to do FDR control at level  $\alpha < 1$ .

(b). Let  $H \sim \text{Ber}(\gamma)$ . If  $H=1$ ,  $p_i \sim P_i$ ; if  $H=0$ ,  $p_i \sim P_0$ .

By law of total expectation:

$$\mathbb{E}[P_i] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[P_i|H]] = \mathbb{E}(p_i|H=0) \cdot P_r(H=0) + \mathbb{E}(p_i|H=1) \cdot P_r(H=1) = (1-\gamma)\frac{1}{2} + \gamma \cdot \frac{1}{b+1}$$

By law of total variance:  $V(P_i) = \mathbb{E}[V(P_i|H)] + V[\mathbb{E}(P_i|H)]$ .

$$V(P_i|H=0) = \frac{1}{12}, \text{ as } p_i|H=0 \sim \text{unif}[0,1];$$

$$V(P_i|H=1) = \frac{b}{(b+1)^2(b+2)}, \text{ as } p_i|H=1 \sim \text{Beta}(1,b)$$

$$\text{Then } \mathbb{E}[V(P_i|H)] = V(p_i|H=0)P_r(H=0) + V(p_i|H=1)P_r(H=1) = \frac{1-\gamma}{12} + \frac{\gamma b \gamma}{(b+1)^2(b+2)}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(P_i|H=0) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad \mathbb{E}(p_i|H=1) = \frac{1}{b+1}$$

$$\mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{E}[P_i|H])^2] = [\mathbb{E}(p_i|H=0)]^2 P_r(H=0) + [\mathbb{E}(p_i|H=1)]^2 P_r(H=1) = \frac{1}{4}(1-\gamma) + \frac{1}{(b+1)^2} \gamma$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(\mathbb{E}(P_i|H)) &= \mathbb{E}[(\mathbb{E}(P_i|H))^2] - (\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}(P_i|H)])^2 = \frac{1}{4}(1-\gamma) + \frac{1}{(b+1)^2} \gamma - \left(\frac{1-\gamma}{2} + \gamma \cdot \frac{1}{b+1}\right)^2 \\ &= \gamma(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{b}{(b+1)^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{To sum up, } V(P_i) = \frac{1-\gamma}{12} + \frac{\gamma b \gamma}{(b+1)^2(b+2)} + \gamma(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{b}{(b+1)^2}\right)$$

By method of moment, estimator  $(\hat{\gamma}, \hat{b})$  for  $(\gamma, b)$  solves

$$\begin{cases} (1-\gamma)\frac{1}{2} + \gamma \cdot \frac{1}{b+1} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m p_i; \\ \frac{1-\gamma}{12} + \frac{\gamma b \gamma}{(b+1)^2(b+2)} + \gamma(1-\gamma) \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{b}{(b+1)^2}\right) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (p_i - \bar{p}_m)^2 \end{cases}$$

Therefore, when  $\gamma$  and  $b$  are unknown, choose the maximum  $t$  s.t.  
 $\frac{t(1-\gamma)}{t(1-\gamma) + (1-(1-t)\gamma)\gamma} \leq \alpha$ . Denote the solution as  $t^*$ .

The modified B-H procedure is to reject  $H_0$ 's whose p-val  $p_i < t^*$ .

(\*) See the attached R script.