# AMS 572 Data Analysis I Inference on two sample proportions

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## Inference on two proportions

- ► Small sample sizes
  - ► Fisher's exact test
- ► Large sample sizes
  - normal approximation to the binomial
  - $\sim \chi^2 \text{ test}$

## Inference on two proportions

- $X \sim \text{Binomial}(n_1, p_1), Y \sim \text{Binomial}(n_2, p_2)$
- ▶ Put data in 2 x 2 table

	Success	Failure	
Sample 1	$n_{11} = x$	$n_{12} = n_1 - x$	$n_1$
Sample 2	$n_{21} = y$	$n_{22} = n_2 - y$	$n_2$
	m = x + y	n-m	n

Hypotheses

$$H_0: p_1 = p_2$$

versus

$$H_a: p_1 > p_2 \text{ or } H_a: p_1 < p_2 \text{ or } H_a: p_1 \neq p_2$$

## Fisher's Exact Test

- ▶ Assume margins  $m, n m, n_1, n_2$  fixed
- ▶ Then once we know  $n_{11} = x$ , the other values  $n_{12}$ ,  $n_{21}$ , and  $n_{22}$  are immediately determined
- ▶ Under  $H_0$ , can show

$$\Pr[X = k | X + Y = m] =$$

### Fisher's Exact Test

- ▶ To compute p-values, consider all 2 x 2 tables possible given the observed margins
- ▶ One tailed p-value: sum the probabilities of the observed table and all tables more extreme than the observed table in the direction of  $H_a$
- ➤ Two tailed p-value: sum the probabilities of tables that are more extreme in both directions than the observed table, given the fixed margins

### Fisher's Exact Test

1. One tailed test:  $H_0: p_1 = p_2 \text{ vs } H_a: p_1 > p_2$ 

p-value = 
$$p_U = P(X \ge x | X + Y = m) = \sum_{k=x}^{\min(m,n_1)} \frac{\binom{n_1}{k}\binom{n_2}{m-k}}{\binom{n}{m}}$$

2. One tailed test:  $H_0: p_1 = p_2 \text{ vs } H_a: p_1 < p_2$ 

p-value = 
$$p_L = P(X \le x | X + Y = m) = \sum_{k=\max(0,m-n_2)}^{x} \frac{\binom{n_1}{k}\binom{n_2}{m-k}}{\binom{n}{m}}$$

3. Two tailed test:  $H_0: p_1 = p_2 \text{ vs } H_a: p_1 \neq p_2$ 

$$p$$
-value =  $2 \min(p_L, p_U)$ 

is the formula presented in your textbook. A pitfall of this approach is that the value can exceed 1. Alternative approaches of defining two-sided p-value can be found in page 92 of Categorical Data Analysis (Agresti) (See the next Example).

Example: The result of a randomized clinical trial for comparing Prednisone and Prednisone+VCR drugs, is summarized below. Test if the success and failure probabilities are the same for the two drugs.

Drug	Success	Failure	Row total
Pred	14	7	$n_1 = 21$
PVCR	38	4	$n_2 = 42$
	m = 52	n-m=11	n=63

Solution:

$$\begin{cases} H_0: p_1 = p_2 \\ H_a: p_1 \neq p_2 \end{cases}$$

$$p_L = \sum_{k=\max(0,52-42)}^{14} \frac{\binom{21}{k}\binom{42}{52-k}}{\binom{63}{52}} = \sum_{k=10}^{14} \frac{\binom{21}{k}\binom{42}{52-k}}{\binom{63}{52}} \approx 0.0253$$

Note: This is example 9.8 of your textbook. The p-value given in your textbook value is incorrect

If we define two-sided p-value as= 2(0.0253) = 0.0506, we do not reject  $H_0$ . This p-value is different from the p-value SAS/R output. We will present the method of obtaining exact two sided p-value in the following slides.

- 1. The two sided p-value is defined as the sum of probabilities for those tables having a test statistic greater than or equal to the value of the observed test statistic.
- 2. For the Prednisone example, list all possible tables with fixed margins  $n_1 = 21, n_2 = 42, m = 52, n m = 11$ . There are 12 possible tables corresponding to possible values of x = 10, 11, ..., 21. Note that our observed x = 14. Compute P(X = x | X + Y = 52) for each possible x values.
- 3. The two sided p-value can be obtained by adding all probabilities  $\leq P(X=14|X+Y=52)$

```
> prob <- function(x){</pre>
choose(21,x)*choose(42,52-x)/choose(63,52)
}
> ### list all the possible values of x for fixed margin ###
> tab <- cbind(10:21,prob(10:21))
> colnames(tab) < c('x','p(X=x|X+Y=52)')
> tab
       x p(X=x|X+Y=52)
 [1,] 10 5.727859e-07
 [2,] 11 2.405701e-05
 [3,] 12 4.109739e-04
 [4,] 13 3.793605e-03
 [5,] 14 2.113580e-02
 [6,] 15 7.496164e-02
 [7,] 16 1.733488e-01
 [8,] 17 2.622083e-01
 [9,] 18 2.549247e-01
[10,] 19 1.520603e-01
[11,] 20 5.017991e-02
[12.] 21 6.951330e-03
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1. The two sided p-value is given by  $\sum_{x\in C}P(X=x|X+Y=52) \text{ where } C=\{10,11,12,13,14,21\} \text{ which is equal to } 0.0323.$ 

2. NOTE: In SAS, you can actually infer the one sided Fisher's exact p-value from the output below. The "left-sided" p-value corresponds to the alternative that the obtained frequency of cell (1,1) of SAS 2×2 table, that is 4 is the maximal value. In other words, the proportion of failure in PVCR is lower than proportion of failure in Prednisone, equivalently the proportion of success in Prednisone is lower than proportion of success in PVCR

Fisher's Exact Test
Cell (1,1) Frequency (F) 4
Left-sided Pr <= F 0.0254
Right-sided Pr >= F 0.9958

```
Data trial;
input drug $ outcome$ count;
datalines;
pred S 14
pred F 7
PVCR S 38
PVCR F 4
run;
proc freq data=trial;
tables drug*outcome/chisq;
weight count;
run;
```

# SAS Output

### The FREQ Procedure

### Table of drug by outcome

drug	outcome			
Frequency Percent Row Pct Col Pct	F S		Total	
PVCR	4 6.35 9.52 36.36		42 66.67	
pred	7 11.11 33.33 63.64	14 22.22 66.67 26.92	21 33.33	
Total	11 17.46	52 82.54	63 100.00	

# SAS Output

Statistics for Table of drug by outcome

Statistic	DF	Value	Prob
Chi-Square Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square Continuity Adj. Chi-Square Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square Phi Coefficient Contingency Coefficient Cramer's V	1 1 1	5.5070 5.2010 3.9788 5.4196 -0.2957 0.2835 -0.2957	0.0189 0.0226 0.0461 0.0199

WARNING: 25% of the cells have expected counts less than 5. Chi-Square may not be a valid test.

#### Fisher's Exact Test

Cell (1,1) Frequency (F)	4
Left-sided Pr <= F	0.0254
Right-sided Pr >= F	0.9958
Table Probability (P)	0.0211
Two-sided Pr <= P	0.0323

Sample Size = 63

```
> obs \leftarrow matrix(c(14,7,38,4),nrow=2,byrow=T)
> fisher.test(obs)
Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data
data:
     obs
p-value = 0.03232
alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1
95 percent confidence interval:
 0.03998108 1.00410538
sample estimates:
odds ratio
0.2166817
```

# Inference on two proportions, large samples

- $\blacktriangleright$  If X and Y are large, we can use the normal distribution
- $\blacktriangleright$  Let X and Y be the number of successes sample 1 and sample 2, respectively.
- ▶ Point estimators  $\hat{p}_1 = X/n_1$ ,  $\hat{p}_2 = Y/n_2$ ,  $\hat{p}_1 \hat{p}_2 = X/n_1 Y/n_2$
- ▶ The CLT shows that if  $n_i$  is large

# Inference on two proportions, large samples

▶ If samples are independent and  $p_i$  known for i = 1, 2, it follows

$$\frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 - (p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{p_1(1 - p_1)}{n_1} + \frac{p_2(1 - p_2)}{n_2}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

▶ This approximation is good if  $n_i p_i (1 - p_i) \ge 10$  for i = 1, 2

# Inference on two proportions, large samples

▶ If samples are independent and  $p_i$  unknown for i = 1, 2, Slutsky/CLT imply

$$Z^* = \frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 - (p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1-\hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1-\hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

for sufficiently large  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  (rule of thumb:  $n_i\hat{p}_i(1-\hat{p}_i)\geq 10$  for i=1,2)

# Confidence interval for $p_1 - p_2$ for large samples

$$\begin{aligned} 1-\alpha &= P\left(-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq Z^* \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}\right) \\ &= P\left(\widehat{p}_1 - \widehat{p}_2 - z_{\alpha/2}S \leq p_1 - p_2 \leq \widehat{p}_1 - \widehat{p}_2 + z_{\alpha/2}S\right) \\ \text{where } S &= \sqrt{\frac{\widehat{p}_1(1-\widehat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\widehat{p}_2(1-\widehat{p}_2)}{n_2}} \end{aligned}$$

 $100(1-\alpha)\%$  large samples CI for  $p_1 - p_2$ :

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \pm z_{\alpha/2} S$$

# Hypothesis test on $p_1$ and $p_2$ for large samples

- Suppose  $H_0: p_1 p_2 = \Delta$
- ► Test statistic

$$Z_0 = \frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 - \Delta}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1-\hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1-\hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1) \text{ under } H_0$$

▶ For  $\Delta = 0$ , this reduces to  $H_0: p_1 = p_2$ . One may use the pooled proportion in the denominator

and the test statistic

## Hypothesis test on $p_1$ and $p_2$ for large samples

- 1. One tailed  $H_0: p_1 p_2 = \Delta \text{ vs } H_1: p_1 p_2 > \Delta$ 
  - ▶ At significance level  $\alpha$ , reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_a$  if  $Z_0 \geq z_{\alpha}$
  - ▶ Alternatively, if p-value=  $P(Z_0 \ge z_0|H_0) \le \alpha$ , reject  $H_0$
- 2. One tailed  $H_0: p_1 p_2 = \Delta \text{ vs } H_1: p_1 p_2 < \Delta$ 
  - ▶ At significance level  $\alpha$ , reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_a$  if  $Z_0 \leq -z_\alpha$
  - ▶ Alternatively, if p-value=  $P(Z_0 \le z_0|H_0) \le \alpha$ , reject  $H_0$
- 3. Two tailed  $H_0: p_1-p_2=\Delta$  vs  $H_1: p_1-p_2\neq \Delta$ 
  - At significance level  $\alpha$ , reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_a$  if  $|Z_0| \geq z_{\alpha/2}$
  - Alternatively, if p-value=  $P(|Z_0| \ge |z_0||H_0) = 2P(Z_0 \ge |z_0||H_0) \le \alpha$ , reject  $H_0$

Example 1. A random sample of Democrats and a random sample of Republicans were polled on an issue. Of 200 Republicans, 90 would vote yes on the issue; of 100 democrats, 58 would vote yes. Let  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  denote respectively the proportions of all Democrats or all Republicans who would vote yes on this issue.

- (a) Construct a 95% confidence interval for  $p_1 p_2$
- (b) Can we say that more Democrats than Republicans favor the issue at the 1% level of significance? Report the p-value.

# Inference on two proportions: $\chi^2$ test

- Alternative test of  $H_0: p_1 = p_2$  is  $\chi^2$  test
- ► Recall 2 x 2 table

	Success	Failure	
Sample 1	$n_{11} = x$	$n_{12} = n_1 - x$	$n_1$
Sample 2	$n_{21} = y$	$n_{22} = n_2 - y$	$n_2$
	$m_1 = x + y$	$m_2 = n - m_1$	n

▶ It can be shown that under  $H_0$ , the statistic

$$X^2 = \frac{n(n_{11}n_{22} - n_{12}n_{21})^2}{n_1n_2m_1m_2} \sim \chi_1^2$$

▶ Rejection region for  $H_a: p_1 \neq p_2$ 

$$C_{\alpha} = \{X^2 : X^2 \ge \chi^2_{1,\alpha,U}\}$$

# Inference on two proportions: $\chi^2$ test

- ▶ Aka "Pearson" chi-square statistic
- ► Equivalent form

$$X^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} \frac{(n_{ij} - En_{ij})^{2}}{En_{ij}}$$

where  $E(n_{ij}) = n_i m_j / n$ 

• We will see this again for  $r \times c$  tables

# Inference on two proportions: Summary

- ▶ For small samples, use Fisher's Exact Test
- ▶ For large samples and two tailed test  $H_a: p_1 \neq p_2$ , use  $\chi^2$  or Z test, i.e., rejection region

$$C_{\alpha} = \{X^2 : X^2 > \chi^2_{1,\alpha,U}\} \text{ or } C_{\alpha} = \{z : |z| > z_{\alpha/2}\}$$

▶ For large samples and one tailed test  $H_a: p_1 < p_2$  or  $H_a: p_1 > p_2$ , use Z test, i.e., rejection region

$$C_{\alpha} = \{z : z < -z_{\alpha}\} \text{ or } C_{\alpha} = \{z : z > z_{\alpha}\}$$

### Matched or Paired Observations

- ▶ In some studies, subjects occur naturally in pairs or matches; e.g., twins or response under two conditions
- ▶ If we want to compare binary responses in matched pairs, the assumption of independence is violated

## Matched or Paired Observations: McNemar's test

► The data are of the form

	Condition 2 response	
Condition 1 response	Yes	No
Yes	a	b
No	С	d

▶ Let A, B, C, D be the random variables corresponding to the observed counts a, b, c, d

$$A + B + C + D = n$$
, and  $p_A + p_B + p_C + p_D = 1$ 

Then  $(A, B, C, D) \sim$ 

## Matched or Paired Observations: McNemar's test

- ▶ Response rate under condition 1 is  $p_1 = p_A + p_B$
- ▶ Response rate under condition 2 is  $p_2 = p_A + p_C$
- ▶ Consider  $H_0: p_1 = p_2$  (no difference between response rate between the two conditions)

$$p_1 = p_2 \Leftrightarrow$$

▶ The test statistic for comparing  $p_1$  to  $p_2$  (or equivalently  $p_B$  to  $p_C$ ) can be derived using the conditional distribution of

$$B|B+C=m \sim B\left(m, p=\frac{p_B}{p_B+p_C}\right)$$

Thus  $H_0: p_1 = p_2 \Leftrightarrow H_0: p = 1/2$ 

► This is the McNemar's test

### McNemar's Test

1. One tailed test:  $H_0: p_1 = p_2 \text{ vs } H_a: p_1 > p_2$  or  $H_0: p = 1/2 \text{ vs } H_a: p > 1/2$ 

p-value = 
$$p_U = P(B \ge b|B + C = m) = \sum_{i=1}^{m} {m \choose i} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^m$$

2. One tailed test:  $H_0: p_1 = p_2 \text{ vs } H_a: p_1 < p_2$  or  $H_0: p = 1/2 \text{ vs } H_a: p < 1/2$ 

p-value = 
$$p_L = P(B \le b|B+C=m) = \sum_{i=0}^{b} {m \choose i} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^m$$

3. Two tailed test:  $H_0: p_1 = p_2 \text{ vs } H_a: p_1 \neq p_2$  or  $H_0: p = 1/2 \text{ vs } H_a: p \neq 1/2$ 

p-value = 
$$2 \min(p_L, p_U)$$

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is the formula presented in your textbook. A pitfall of this approach is that the value can exceed 1. Alternative approach is by summing all the probabilities  $\leq P(B=b|B+C=m)$  (Similar to two tailed exact

Example: A preference poll of a panel of 75 voters was conducted before and after a TV debate during the campaign for the 1980 presidential election between Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan. Test whether there was a significant shift from Carter as a result of the TV debate.

	Preference after	
Preference before	Carter	Reagan
Carter	28	13
Reagan	7	27

```
Data election;
input before $ after $ count;
datalines;
Carter Carter 28
Carter Reagan 13
Reagan Reagan 27
Reagan Carter 7
run;
proc freq data=election;
exact agree;
tables before*after/agree;
weight count;
run;
```

# SAS Output

### The FREQ Procedure

Table of before by after

before	after		
Frequenc	У		
Percent			
Row Pct			
Col Pct	Carter	Reagan	Total
Carter	28	13	41
	37.33	17.33	54.67
	68.29	31.71	
	80.00	32.50	
Reagan	7	27	34
Ü	9.33	36.00	45.33
	20.59	79.41	
	20.00	67.50	
Total	35	5 40	75
	46.67	53.33	100.00

## SAS Output

#### Statistics for Table of before by after

#### McNemar's Test

Statistic (S) 1.8000 DF Asymptotic Pr > S 0.1797 Exact Pr >= S 0.2632

> The SAS System The FREQ Procedure

### Statistics for Table of before by after

#### Simple Kappa Coefficient

Kappa (K) 0.4700 0.1003 ASE 95% Lower Conf Limit 0.2734 95% Upper Conf Limit 0.6666

### Test of HO: Kappa = 0

ASE under HO 0.1140 4.1225 One-sided Pr > Z <.0001 Two-sided Pr > |Z| <.0001

### Exact Test

One-sided Pr >= K <.0001 Two-sided Pr >= |K| <.0001

## R Code and Output

```
> obs < matrix(c(28,13,7,27),nrow=2,byrow=T)
> rownames(obs) = colnames(obs) <- c('Carter', 'Reagan')</pre>
> names(dimnames(obs)) <- c('Before', 'After')</pre>
> mcnemar.test(obs)
McNemar's Chi-squared test with continuity correction data: obs
data:
McNemar's chi-squared = 1.25, df = 1, p-value = 0.2636
> mcnemar.test(obs,correct=FALSE)
McNemar's Chi-squared test
data:
      obs
McNemar's chi-squared = 1.8, df = 1, p-value = 0.1797
```

```
> library(exact2x2)
> exact2x2(obs,paired=TRUE,alternative='greater')
Exact McNemar-type test
data:
     obs
b = 13, c = 7, p-value = 0.1316
alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is greater than 1
95 percent confidence interval:
 0.7920039
                 Tnf
sample estimates:
odds ratio
  1.857143
```