Theoretical Hypothesis Testing

Week 5: Normality tests

Warm-up example

In a refrigerator manufacturing company, the breakdown times of a component are tested and 50 observation values are collected on a decade (ten-years) scale.

The production engineer wants to test whether the average breakdown time of this component is 5 years.

 H_0 :

 H_A :

Motivation Example

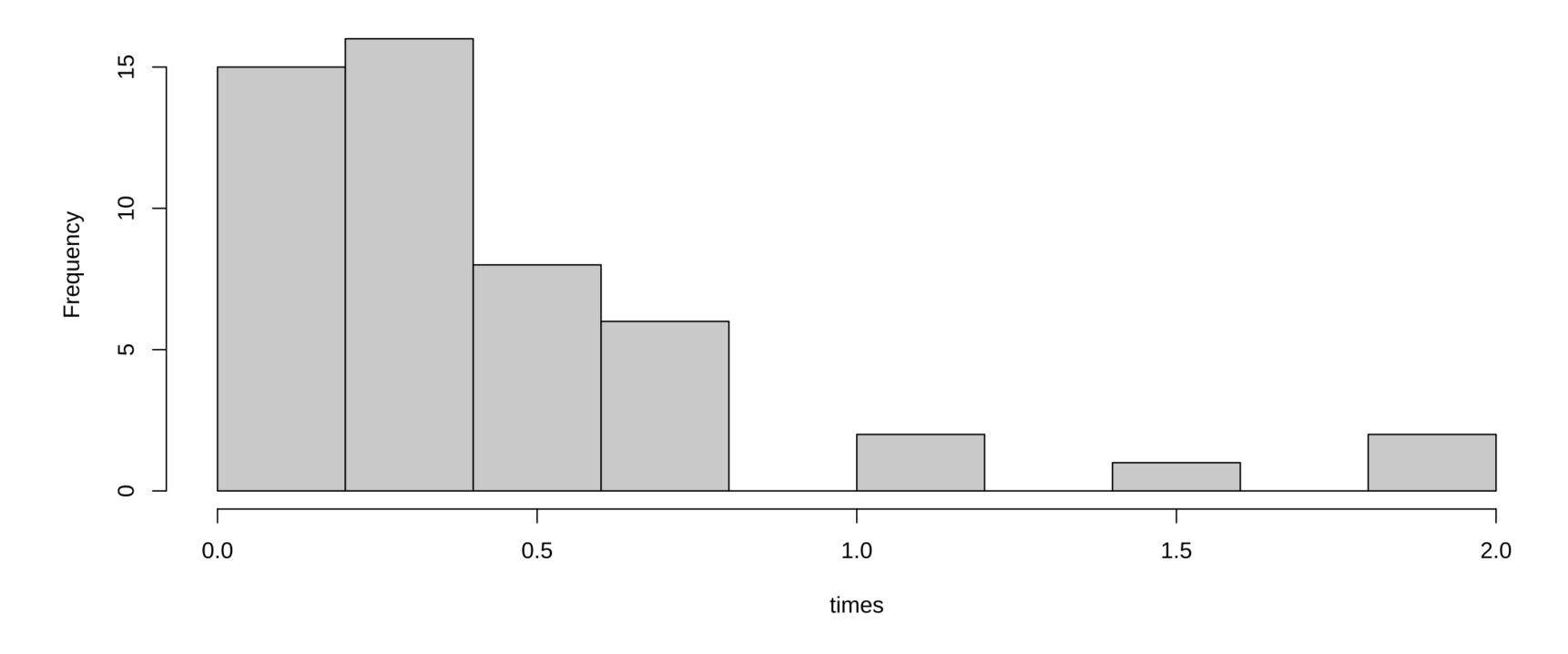
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times <-c(0.364, 0.137, 0.234, 0.381, 0.126, 0.355, 0.683,
          0.030, 0.077, 0.797, 0.292, 0.141, 0.258, 1.012, 0.687,
0.285,
          0.197, 0.096, 0.075, 1.817, 0.516, 0.652, 0.268, 0.403,
          0.485, 0.406, 0.351, 0.668, 1.023, 0.031, 0.076, 0.122,
          0.271, 0.402, 0.132, 0.263, 0.320, 1.930, 0.032, 0.492,
          0.265, 0.502, 0.220, 0.511, 0.377, 0.001, 0.029, 0.286,
          1.431, 0.642)
t.test(times, mu = 0.5)
One Sample t-test
data: times
t = -1.3123, df = 49, p-value = 0.1955
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0.5
95 percent confidence interval:
0.30514 0.54090
sample estimates:
mean of x
  0.42302
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Decision:

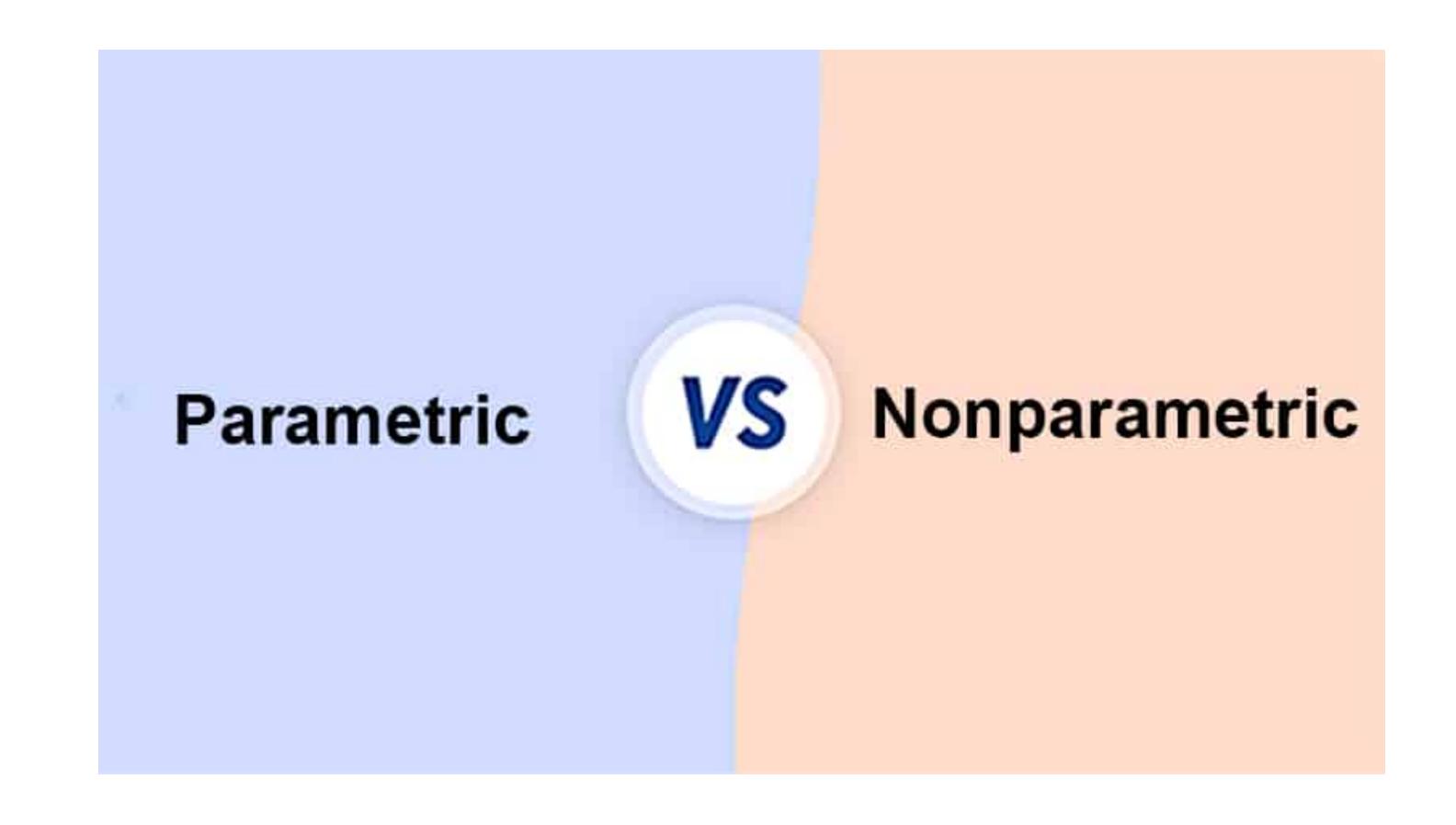
Interpretation:

Are you sure?

Histogram of times



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The church of normal distribution*



Normality tests

- Kolmogorov-Smirnov (Lilliefors) test
- Anderson-Darling test
- Shapiro-Wilk test
- Jarque-Bera test
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For more see the following papers:

[•] Berna Yazici & Senay Yolacan (2007) A comparison of various tests of normality, Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation, 77:2, 175-183, DOI: 10.1080/10629360600678310

[•] Mustafa Cavus, Berna Yazici & Ahmet Sezer (2021) Penalized power properties of the normality tests in the presence of outliers, Communications in Statistics - Simulation and Computation, DOI: 10.1080/03610918.2021.1938124

Normality test

- Normality tests are used to check whether the data follow the normal distribution.
- A normality test is a kind of goodness-of-fit test.
- There are many normality tests based on empirical distribution function or not.
- The hypotheses are:
 - $H_0: X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ The considered data (X) follows the normal distribution.
 - $H_A:X \nsim N(\mu,\sigma^2)$ The considered data does not follows the normal distribution.

Kolmogorov-Smirnov test

This test evaluates the greatest vertical distance between the EDF and the CDF of the standard normal distribution.

$$T_{KS} = \sup_{x} |F(x) - S_n(x)|$$

where $S_n(x)$ is the sample cumulative distribution function and F(x) is the cumulative distribution function of the null hypothesis. The null hypothesis is rejected when $T_{KS} > Z_{\alpha}$.

Anderson-Darling test

Anderson-Darling test is a modification of the Cramer-von-Mises* test and it gives more weight to the tails of the distribution.

$$T_{AD} = -n - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (2j - 1)(\ln F(x_{(i)} + \ln[1 - F(x_{(n-i+1)})]))$$

The null hypothesis is rejected when $T_{AD} > Z_{\alpha}$.

^{*} For more info about von-Mises, see https://twitter.com/mustafa_cavus/status/1476884521110970369?s=20&t=zR7hJrj68C0mZENPPLhpIA

Shapiro-Wilk test

Shapiro-Wilk test is based on expected value of order statistics from a standard normal distribution

$$T_{SW} = \frac{1}{D} \left[\sum_{i=1}^{m} a_i(x_{(n-i+1)}, x_{(i)}) \right]^2$$

where m = n/2 if n is even while m = (n - 1)/2 if n is odd. The values of T_{SW} lie between 0 and 1, and small values indicate that the departure from normality.

One sample non-parametric tests

- In this part, we deal with the question that if the median of a population differs from a predefined value.
- The most straightforward test is the sign test.
- However, if a symmetric distribution can be assumed the Wilcoxon signedrank test is a better alternative.

One-sample non-parametric tests

Tests if the location (median M) of a population differs from a specific value m_0 .

Hypotheses:

1.
$$H_0: M = M_0 \text{ vs. } H_A: M \neq M_0$$

2.
$$H_0: M \le M_0 \text{ vs. } H_A: M > M_0$$

3.
$$H_0: M \ge M_0 \text{ vs. } H_A: M < M_0$$

Wilcoxon signed-rank test

The one-sample Wilcoxon signed-rank test is non-parametric equivalent of the t-test.

$$T_W = \sum_{i=1}^{N} sign(X_i)R_i$$

where R_i is the rank of the observations. The null hypothesis is rejected when $T_W > T_{\alpha}$.

Two sample non-parametric tests

In this part, we deal with the question that if the median of two population equal to each other or the difference between them differs from a predefined value.

Hypotheses:

1.
$$H_0: M_1 = M_2 \text{ vs. } H_A: M_1 \neq M_2 \text{ (or } H_0: M_1 - M_2 = 0 \text{ vs. } H_A: M_1 - M_2 \neq 0 \text{)}$$

2.
$$H_0: M_1 \le M_2 \text{ vs. } H_A: M_1 > M_2 \text{ (or } H_0: M_1 - M_2 \le 0 \text{ vs. } H_A: M_1 - M_2 > 0)$$

3.
$$H_0: M_1 \ge M_2 \text{ vs. } H_A: M_1 < M_2 \text{ (or } H_0: M_1 - M_2 \ge 0 \text{ vs. } H_A: M_1 - M_2 < 0)$$

Two sample Wilcoxon signed-rank test

The two sample Wilcoxon signed-rank test is non-parametric equivalent of the two sample t-test.

$$T_{W2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} S(X_i, Y_j)$$

where S(X,Y)=1 if X>Y, $S(X,Y)=\frac{1}{2}$ if X=Y, and S(X,Y)=0 if X<Y. The null hypothesis is rejected when $T_{W2}>T_{\alpha}$.