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Goodness of Fit.

We are studying a multinomial experiment, possibly w/ categorical descriptions of possible outcomes.

The possible outcomes of the experiment will be categories which are **mutually exclusive and exhaustive**.

Represent the categories as events: A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k .

In our probabilistic model, the **parameters** are

$$p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k$$

$$\text{w/ } p_i = P[A_i] \text{ for } i=1,2,\dots,k.$$

Note: $p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_k = 1$ ★★

Repeat the same multinomial experiment n times independently.

Let X_i denote the number of times the outcome i occurred, for $i=1,2,\dots,k$.

Note: $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_k = n$ ★

For our test statistic:

$$Q^2 := \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(X_i - n \cdot p_i)^2}{n p_i} \approx \chi^2(\text{df} = k-1)$$

Works for $n p_i \geq 5$ for all $i=1,2,\dots,k$

Test Summary.

$$H_0: p_1 = p_1^*, p_2 = p_2^*, \dots, p_k = p_k^*$$

vs.

H_a : At least one of the population probabilities is different from its null value

$$(\exists i \in \{1, \dots, k\} p_i \neq p_i^*)$$

The χ^2 -test is always an upper-tailed one!

Let E_i denote the expected counts under the null, i.e.,

$$E_i = n \cdot p_i^*$$

Let O_i denote the observed counts.

The observed value of the test statistic:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i}$$

With R, we can calculate p-value: $1 - \text{pchisq}(\chi^2, df=k-1)$.

With a significance level α , find $\chi_{\alpha}^2 (df=k-1)$.

If $\chi^2 \geq \chi_{\alpha}^2 (df=k-1)$, then reject the null hypothesis.

If not, then fail to reject.

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Problem Set # 18Goodness of fit.

Problem 18.1. Gregor Almond, the local horticulturalist, grows 400 progeny from a cross of peas. The cross is hypothesised to have a ratio of 1 green to 7 yellow seeds. Suppose that the cross actually produces 360 yellow and 40 green seeded plants.

- { (i) Calculate the observed value of the test statistic.
- (ii) Using the χ^2 -tables, what would your decision be at the significance level $\alpha = 0.05$.
- (iii) Using R with the observed value of the test statistic, find the p-value.
- (iv) Using the command
`chisq.test()`
perform the χ^2 -test and provide the summary.
- (v) In this case, you can test the same hypotheses using the z -test. Do this for practice!

$$\underline{n=400}, \quad k=2$$

$$H_0: p_g = \frac{1}{8}, \quad p_y = \frac{7}{8}$$

vs.

$$H_a: \text{The color dist'n is different from the null.} \\ (\quad p_g \neq \frac{1}{8} \quad \text{or} \quad p_y \neq \frac{7}{8})$$

$$\text{The expected counts : } E_g = 400 \left(\frac{1}{8} \right) = 50 \text{ and } E_y = 350$$

$$\text{The observed counts : } O_g = 40 \quad \text{and} \quad O_y = 360$$

$$\Rightarrow q^2 = \frac{(50-40)^2}{50} + \frac{(350-360)^2}{350} = 2.285714$$

$$\alpha = 0.05 \rightarrow \chi^2_{0.05}(df = 2-1=1) = 3.841 \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Fail to} \\ \text{Reject!} \end{matrix}$$

$$p\text{-value: } 1 - p\text{chisq}(q^2, df=1) = 0.13057 > 0.05 = \alpha$$