

Hypothesis testing

$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} F_\theta$$



H_0 versus H_1 about θ

- Four possibilities in total

		Decision
		Do not reject H_0 Reject H_0
H_0	True	Correct Decision Type I Error
	False	Type II Error Correct Decision

- Type I error: reject H_0 when H_0 is true \rightsquigarrow false positive

- Type II error: do not reject H_0 when H_0 is false \rightsquigarrow false negative

$$t = \frac{1261.57 - 1200}{117.58/\sqrt{42}} = 3.39 \quad p = P(Z \geq 3.39) = 0.00035 \leq 0.05$$

Reject the null hypothesis at level 0.05!

Testing mean w/ known variance

$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} F, E[X_i] = \mu, \text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$$

$$\mathbb{P}_{H_0}(\text{reject } H_0) = \mathbb{P}_{H_0}(|\bar{X} - \mu_0| \geq C) = \mathbb{P}_{H_0}\left(\frac{|\bar{X} - \mu_0|}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \geq C\right) \approx 2\left(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{C\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right)\right)$$

$$\text{Setting } 2\left(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{C\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right)\right) = \alpha \Rightarrow \frac{C\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} = z_{\alpha/2} \Rightarrow C = z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\text{Reject } H_0 \text{ when } |\bar{X} - \mu_0| \geq z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

- Among a clinic's patients having high cholesterol levels of at least 240 mg/dl of blood serum, volunteers were recruited to test a new drug designed to reduce blood cholesterol
- A group of 10 volunteers were given the drug for 60 days
- Change of blood cholesterol levels were recorded
- Average change was a decrease of 3.4
- Sample standard deviation is 12.1

- Signals from the same star are independently received 20 times

Sample mean = 11.6

Significance level $\alpha = 0.05$

Do we reject the H_0 ?

- Test the hypothesis that the change in blood cholesterol was purely due to chance
- $H_0: \mu = 0$ versus $H_1: \mu \neq 0$
- Assume normal population
- Significance level $\alpha = 0.05$

$$|11.6 - 10| = 1.6 < z_{0.025} \times 4/\sqrt{20} = 1.75$$

$$|\bar{X} - \mu_0| = 3.4 > 8.66 = t_{0.0025} \frac{S}{\sqrt{10}}$$

Fail to reject the null hypothesis at level 0.05!

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Testing mean w/ known variance

Normal population or $n \geq 30$

Test on variance in the normal population

$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$H_0: \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2 \text{ versus } H_1: \sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2$$

$$\text{Recall that } \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{Under } H_0: \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma_0^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$

$$\text{Reject } H_0 \text{ if } \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma_0^2} \geq \chi_{n-1, \alpha/2}^2 \text{ or } \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma_0^2} \leq \chi_{n-1, 1-\alpha/2}^2$$

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Problem 1. (10 points.) A statistician is worried that a casino is loading a die so that it appears more often than $(1/6)$. To test this, the statistician rolls the die 144 times and get 32 ones. The statistician's null hypothesis is that the die is fair, and the alternative hypothesis is that the 1 shows up more often. The statistician calculates the z-score as

$$\frac{32 - 24}{\sqrt{144 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{5}{6}}} = 1.79$$

The statistician then obtains a one-sided p-value 0.037 and concludes that there is a 3.7% chance that the die is fair. Do you agree with this conclusion (i.e., do you agree with the interpretation of the p-value)? If not, what would you do differently?

Solution:

I do not agree with the interpretation of the p-value. The correct interpretation should be that if we were to repeatedly sample (rolling the die), we would expect to see a result like this or more extreme about 3.7% of the times if the null hypothesis is true. Given a significant level of $\alpha = 0.05$, I would conclude that there is enough evidence against the null hypothesis. I would reject the null hypothesis.

Problem 2. (25 points.) An experiment is planned to compare the mean of a control group to the mean of an independent sample of a group given a treatment. Suppose that there are to be $n = 25$ samples in each group. Suppose that the observations are approximately normally distributed and that the standard deviation of a single measurement in either group is $\sigma = 5$.

- With a significance level $\alpha = .05$, what is the rejection region of the test of the null hypothesis $H_0: \mu_x = \mu_y$ versus the alternative $H_1: \mu_x > \mu_y$?
- What is the power of the test in (a) if $\mu_x = \mu_y + 1$?
- How large should n be so that the test in (a) have a power of at least 0.95 when $\mu_x = \mu_y + 1$?
- What is the rejection region if the alternative is $H_A: \mu_T \neq \mu_A$? What is the power then if $\mu_T = \mu_A + 1$?

(Use the normal CDF $\Phi(\cdot)$ in your answer.)

Problem 3. (20 points.) Life threatening arrhythmias can be predicted from an electrocardiogram by measuring the lengths of QT intervals (the distance from the starts of the Q wave to the starts of the T wave). Suppose we wish to test whether two different calipers, A and B, have the same variability in their measurements. We use these two calipers to measure a set of 8 QT intervals, and the sample variances for the two calipers are 833 and 652, respectively.

- Test the hypothesis that the two calipers have different variances. Use $\alpha = 0.05$.
- Suppose the population standard deviation of caliper A is $\sigma_A = 1.1$ times as large as that of caliper B, σ_B ($\sigma_A = 1.1 \cdot \sigma_B$). What is the power of the test in (a)?

(You can use the CDF of the F-distribution $F_{v_1, v_2}(\cdot)$ in your answer, where v_1 and v_2 are the degrees of freedom of the F-distribution.)

Solution:

- We have $\text{Var}(\bar{Y} - \bar{X}) = \frac{2\sigma^2}{n} = 2$, and $E(\bar{Y} - \bar{X}) = 0$ under the null hypothesis.

So the rejection region is

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X}}{\sqrt{2/n}} > Z_\alpha$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \bar{Y} - \bar{X} > \sqrt{2/n} \cdot Z_\alpha = 2.32$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Power} &= P\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X}}{\sqrt{2/n}} > Z_\alpha | \mu_Y = \mu_X + 1\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X} - 1}{\sqrt{2/n}} > Z_\alpha - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}} | \mu_Y = \mu_X + 1\right) \\ &= P(N(0, 1) > Z_\alpha - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}}) \\ &= 1 - \Phi(Z_\alpha - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}}) \\ &= \Phi(-Z_\alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}}) \\ &= \Phi(-1.64 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/10}}) \\ &= \Phi(-1.64 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \\ &= \Phi(-0.93) \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Power} &= P\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X}}{\sqrt{2/n}} > Z_\alpha | \mu_Y = \mu_X + 1\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X} - 1}{\sqrt{2/n}} > Z_\alpha - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}} | \mu_Y = \mu_X + 1\right) \\ &= P(N(0, 1) > Z_\alpha - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}}) \\ &= 1 - \Phi(Z_\alpha - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}}) \\ &= 4\Phi(-Z_\alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}}) \end{aligned}$$

We want $\Phi(-Z_\alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}}) \geq 0.95$, taking the inverse we get

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi^{-1}\Phi(-Z_\alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}}) &= \Phi^{-1}(0.95) \\ -1.64 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}} &= 1.64 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/n}} &= 3.28 \\ n &> 53.9 \end{aligned}$$

(d) The new rejection region is

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X}}{\sqrt{2/n}} > Z_{1-\alpha/2}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X}}{\sqrt{2/n}} < Z_{\alpha/2}$$

Because we assume that

$$\sigma_A = 1.1 \cdot \sigma_B \rightarrow \frac{\sigma_A}{\sigma_B} = \frac{1}{1.1} \rightarrow \frac{\sigma_A^2}{\sigma_B^2} = \frac{1}{1.1^2}$$

We also know that

$$\frac{\sigma_A^2 / \sigma_A^2}{\sigma_B^2 / \sigma_B^2} \sim F_{v_1, v_2}$$

so we can say the power for this test is

$$1 - F_{v_1, v_2}\left(\frac{f_{1-\alpha/2}}{(1.1)^2}\right) = 1 - F_{v_1, v_2}\left(\frac{f_{1-\alpha/2}}{1.21}\right) \approx 1 - F_{7, 7}(3.13223)$$

for $F_{v_1, v_2}(\cdot)$ as the CDF function for the F-distribution with degrees of freedom $v_1 = 7$ and $v_2 = 7$.

	Before	After	After - Before
24.6	10.1	-14.5	
17.0	5.7	-11.3	
16.0	5.6	-10.4	
10.9	2.4	-7.6	
8.2	1.5	-6.7	
7.9	0.7	-7.2	
7.8	0.5	-7.3	
5.8	6.1	0.3	
5.4	4.7	-0.7	
5.1	3.0	-2.1	
4.7	2.9	-1.8	
Sample mean	10.1	4.58	-5.53
Sample SD	6.06	2.75	4.78

What can you conclude about the effect of captopril? State the assumptions you made in order to arrive at your conclusion.

Solution:

For this problem, we use a significance level = 0.05. First we state the hypotheses.

Null hypothesis: The treatment has no effect or positive effect on the amounts of urinary protein.

Alternative hypothesis: The treatment has a negative effect on the amounts of urinary protein.

Thus, let us compute the test statistic. Since the sample size is small and the variance is unknown, we use t-distribution here.

$$t = \frac{-5.53 - 0}{4.78/\sqrt{12}} = -4.01$$

Note that we are doing a one-sided test here. By the table for t-distribution, we know the rejection rule is

$$t_{1-\alpha, 6} = -1.796$$

Since $-4.01 < -1.796$, we reject the null hypothesis that the treatment has no effect or positive effect on the amounts of urinary protein.

$n \geq 30 \rightsquigarrow S \approx \sigma$

Two-sided test

- $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ versus $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0 \rightsquigarrow$ Reject H_0 when $|\bar{X} - \mu_0| \geq z_{\alpha/2}S/\sqrt{n}$

One-sided test

- $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$ versus $H_1: \mu > \mu_0 \rightsquigarrow$ Reject H_0 when $\bar{X} - \mu_0 \geq z_\alpha S/\sqrt{n}$

- $H_0: \mu \geq \mu_0$ versus $H_1: \mu < \mu_0 \rightsquigarrow$ Reject H_0 when $\bar{X} - \mu_0 \leq -z_\alpha S/\sqrt{n}$

- Cereal boxes are filled by a manufacturing company using a particular piece of equipment, which filled boxes according to a normal distribution with mean 368 grams and standard deviation 15 grams

- The piece of equipment fails and the manufacturing company orders a replacement.

- 25 cereal boxes produced by the new equipment are selected at random

- The sample standard deviation is computed to be 17.7 grams

- Test whether the standard deviation of the equipment has changed ($\alpha = 0.05$)

Is the average number of chips in a bag greater than 1200?

$$H_0 : \sigma^2 = 225 \text{ versus } H_1 : \sigma^2 \neq 225$$

- $\mu \approx$ the mean number of chips in a bag

$$H_0 : \mu \leq 1200 \text{ versus } H_1 : \mu > 1200$$

- Significance level $\alpha = 0.05$

- Rejection rule: reject H_0 when $\bar{X} - \mu_0 \geq z_{\alpha} S/\sqrt{n}$

$$\bar{X} - \mu_0 = 1261.57 - 1200 = 61.57 > 29.84 = z_{0.05} S/\sqrt{n}$$

Reject the null hypothesis at level 0.05!

$$\text{Reject } H_0 \text{ if } \frac{24 \times S^2}{225} \geq \chi^2_{24,0.025} \text{ or } \frac{24 \times S^2}{225} \leq \chi^2_{24,0.975}$$

$$\frac{24S^2}{225} = 33.418 \quad \chi^2_{24,0.975} = 12.401 \quad \chi^2_{24,0.025} = 39.364$$

Fail to reject H_0 at level 0.05

New power is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Power} &= P\left(\frac{\bar{Y}}{\sqrt{\frac{24S^2}{n}}} > Z_{\alpha/2} \mid \mu_Y = \mu_X + 1\right) + P\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X}}{\sqrt{\frac{24S^2}{n}}} < Z_{1-\alpha/2} \mid \mu_Y = \mu_X + 1\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X} - 1}{\sqrt{2}} > Z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \mid \mu_Y = \mu_X + 1\right) + P\left(\frac{\bar{Y} - \bar{X} - 1}{\sqrt{2}} < Z_{1-\alpha/2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \mid \mu_Y = \mu_X + 1\right) \\ &= P\left(N(0, 1) > Z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) + P\left(N(0, 1) < Z_{1-\alpha/2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \\ &= 1 - \Phi(Z_{\alpha/2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) + \Phi(Z_{1-\alpha/2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \end{aligned}$$

Table 7.6 Level α Tests on σ^2 (Test Statistic: $\chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2}$)

Testing Problem	Hypotheses	Reject H_0 if	P-value
Upper One-Sided	$H_0: \sigma^2 \leq \sigma_0^2$ vs. $H_1: \sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2$	$\chi^2 > \chi^2_{n-1,\alpha}$ $\iff s^2 > \frac{\sigma_0^2 \chi^2_{n-1,\alpha}}{n-1}$	$P_U = P(\chi^2_{n-1} \geq \chi^2)$
Lower One-Sided	$H_0: \sigma^2 \geq \sigma_0^2$ vs. $H_1: \sigma^2 < \sigma_0^2$	$\chi^2 < \chi^2_{n-1,1-\alpha}$ $\iff s^2 < \frac{\sigma_0^2 \chi^2_{n-1,1-\alpha}}{n-1}$	$P_L = P(\chi^2_{n-1} \leq \chi^2)$
Two-Sided	$H_0: \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$ vs. $H_1: \sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2$	$\chi^2 > \chi^2_{n-1,\alpha/2}$ or $\chi^2 < \chi^2_{n-1,1-\alpha/2}$ $\iff s^2 > \frac{\sigma_0^2 \chi^2_{n-1,\alpha/2}}{n-1}$ or $s^2 < \frac{\sigma_0^2 \chi^2_{n-1,1-\alpha/2}}{n-1}$	$2 \min(P_U, P_L) = 1 - P_U$

Comparing variances

$$\frac{S_1^2/\sigma_1^2}{S_2^2/\sigma_2^2} \sim F_{n-1, m-1}$$

- Testing $H_0: \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$ versus $H_1: \sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$

$$\frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} > f_{n-1, m-1, \alpha/2} \text{ or } \frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} < f_{n-1, m-1, 1-\alpha/2}$$

Test the null hypothesis that the educational level distribution of grand jurors is the same as that of the population (i.e., the county %). Use a 5% significance level.

Solution:

First we state the hypotheses.

Null hypothesis: The educational level distribution of grand jurors is the same as that of the population.

Alternative hypothesis: At least one level of the educational level distribution of grand jurors is different from that of the population.

Firstly, we compute the expected counts of each education level.

Elementary: $62 \times 0.05 = 17.61$

Secondary: $62 \times 48.5\% = 30.07$

Some college: $62 \times 11.9\% = 7.38$

College degree: $62 \times 11.2\% = 6.94$

Then, we compute the chi-square test statistic,

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(17.61 - 17.0)^2}{17.0} + \frac{(30.07 - 30.7)^2}{30.7} + \frac{(7.38 - 6.94)^2}{6.94} = 142.12$$

The rejection rule is

$$\chi^2_{0.05} = 7.81$$

Thus, we reject the null hypothesis.

Is there a relationship between blood type and propensity to have peptide uric? Use $\alpha = 0.05$.

Chi-Square Test

H0: There is no relationship between blood type and propensity to have peptide uric.

(i.e. Blood type and the propensity to have peptide uric are independent of one another.)

H1: There exists a relationship between blood type and propensity to have peptide uric.

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• Original Table (with row and column totals)

	Control	Peptide Uric
Group A	4219	579
Group O	4578	911

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Is there a relationship between blood type and propensity to have peptide uric? Use $\alpha = 0.05$.

Solution: