

Assumptions in hypothesis testing

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Randomness

Assumption

The samples are random subsets of larger populations

Consequence

- Sample is not representative of population

How to check this

- Understand how your data was collected
- Speak to the data collector/domain expert



¹ Sampling techniques are discussed in "Sampling in Python".

Independence of observations

Assumption

Each observation (row) in the dataset is independent

Consequence

- Increased chance of false negative/positive error

How to check this

- Understand how our data was collected

Large sample size

Assumption

The sample is big enough to mitigate uncertainty, so that the Central Limit Theorem applies

Consequence

- Wider confidence intervals
- Increased chance of false negative/positive errors

How to check this

- It depends on the test

Large sample size: t-test

One sample

- At least 30 observations in the sample

$$n \geq 30$$

n : sample size

Paired samples

- At least 30 pairs of observations across the samples

Number of rows in our data ≥ 30

Two samples

- At least 30 observations in each sample

$$n_1 \geq 30, n_2 \geq 30$$

n_i : sample size for group i

ANOVA

- At least 30 observations in each sample

$$n_i \geq 30 \text{ for all values of } i$$

Large sample size: proportion tests

One sample

- Number of successes in sample is greater than or equal to 10

$$n \times \hat{p} \geq 10$$

- Number of failures in sample is greater than or equal to 10

$$n \times (1 - \hat{p}) \geq 10$$

n : sample size

\hat{p} : proportion of successes in sample

Two samples

- Number of successes in each sample is greater than or equal to 10

$$n_1 \times \hat{p}_1 \geq 10$$

$$n_2 \times \hat{p}_2 \geq 10$$

- Number of failures in each sample is greater than or equal to 10

$$n_1 \times (1 - \hat{p}_1) \geq 10$$

$$n_2 \times (1 - \hat{p}_2) \geq 10$$

Large sample size: chi-square tests

- The number of successes in each group is greater than or equal to 5

$$n_i \times \hat{p}_i \geq 5 \text{ for all values of } i$$

- The number of failures in each group is greater than or equal to 5

$$n_i \times (1 - \hat{p}_i) \geq 5 \text{ for all values of } i$$

n_i : sample size for group i

\hat{p}_i : proportion of successes in sample group i

Sanity check

If the bootstrap distribution doesn't look normal, assumptions likely aren't valid

- Revisit data collection to check for **randomness**, **independence**, and **sample size**

Let's practice!
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Non-parametric tests

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Parametric tests

- z-test, t-test, and ANOVA are all **parametric** tests
- Assume a normal distribution
- Require sufficiently large sample sizes

Smaller Republican votes data

```
print(repub_votes_small)
```

	state	county	repub_percent_08	repub_percent_12
80	Texas	Red River	68.507522	69.944817
84	Texas	Walker	60.707197	64.971903
33	Kentucky	Powell	57.059533	61.727293
81	Texas	Schleicher	74.386503	77.384464
93	West Virginia	Morgan	60.857614	64.068711

Results with pingouin.ttest()

- 5 pairs is not enough to meet the sample size condition for the paired t-test:
 - At least 30 pairs of observations across the samples.

```
alpha = 0.01
import pingouin
pingouin.ttest(x=repub_votes_potus_08_12_small['repub_percent_08'],
               y=repub_votes_potus_08_12_small['repub_percent_12'],
               paired=True,
               alternative="less")
```

	T	dof	alternative	p-val	CI95%	cohen-d	BF10	power
T-test	-5.875753	4	less	0.002096	[-inf, -2.11]	0.500068	26.468	0.239034

Non-parametric tests

- Non-parametric tests avoid the parametric assumptions and conditions
- Many non-parametric tests use *ranks* of the data

```
x = [1, 15, 3, 10, 6]
```

```
from scipy.stats import rankdata  
rankdata(x)
```

```
array([1., 5., 2., 4., 3.])
```

Non-parametric tests

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Wilcoxon-signed rank test

- Developed by Frank Wilcoxon in 1945
- One of the first non-parametric procedures

Wilcoxon-signed rank test (Step 1)

- Works on the ranked absolute differences between the pairs of data

```
repub_votes_small['diff'] = repub_votes_small['repub_percent_08'] -  
                             repub_votes_small['repub_percent_12']  
  
print(repub_votes_small)
```

	state	county	repub_percent_08	repub_percent_12	diff
80	Texas	Red River	68.507522	69.944817	-1.437295
84	Texas	Walker	60.707197	64.971903	-4.264705
33	Kentucky	Powell	57.059533	61.727293	-4.667760
81	Texas	Schleicher	74.386503	77.384464	-2.997961
93	West Virginia	Morgan	60.857614	64.068711	-3.211097

Wilcoxon-signed rank test (Step 2)

- Works on the ranked absolute differences between the pairs of data

```
repub_votes_small['abs_diff'] = repub_votes_small['diff'].abs()  
print(repub_votes_small)
```

	state	county	repub_percent_08	repub_percent_12	diff	abs_diff
80	Texas	Red River	68.507522	69.944817	-1.437295	1.437295
84	Texas	Walker	60.707197	64.971903	-4.264705	4.264705
33	Kentucky	Powell	57.059533	61.727293	-4.667760	4.667760
81	Texas	Schleicher	74.386503	77.384464	-2.997961	2.997961
93	West Virginia	Morgan	60.857614	64.068711	-3.211097	3.211097

Wilcoxon-signed rank test (Step 3)

- Works on the ranked absolute differences between the pairs of data

```
from scipy.stats import rankdata
repub_votes_small['rank_abs_diff'] = rankdata(repub_votes_small['abs_diff'])
print(repub_votes_small)
```

	state	county	repub_percent_08	repub_percent_12	diff	abs_diff	rank_abs_diff
80	Texas	Red River	68.507522	69.944817	-1.437295	1.437295	1.0
84	Texas	Walker	60.707197	64.971903	-4.264705	4.264705	4.0
33	Kentucky	Powell	57.059533	61.727293	-4.667760	4.667760	5.0
81	Texas	Schleicher	74.386503	77.384464	-2.997961	2.997961	2.0
93	West Virginia	Morgan	60.857614	64.068711	-3.211097	3.211097	3.0

Wilcoxon-signed rank test (Step 4)

	state	county	repub_percent_08	repub_percent_12	diff	abs_diff	rank_abs_diff
80	Texas	Red River	68.507522	69.944817	-1.437295	1.437295	1.0
84	Texas	Walker	60.707197	64.971903	-4.264705	4.264705	4.0
33	Kentucky	Powell	57.059533	61.727293	-4.667760	4.667760	5.0
81	Texas	Schleicher	74.386503	77.384464	-2.997961	2.997961	2.0
93	West Virginia	Morgan	60.857614	64.068711	-3.211097	3.211097	3.0

- Incorporate the sum of the ranks for negative and positive differences

```
T_minus = 1 + 4 + 5 + 2 + 3
T_plus = 0
W = np.min([T_minus, T_plus])
```

```
0
```

Implementation with pingouin.wilcoxon()

```
alpha = 0.01
pingouin.wilcoxon(x=repub_votes_potus_08_12_small['repub_percent_08'],
                  y=repub_votes_potus_08_12_small['repub_percent_12'],
                  alternative="less")
```

	W-val	alternative	p-val	RBC	CLES
Wilcoxon	0.0	less	0.03125	-1.0	0.72

Fail to reject H_0 , since $0.03125 > 0.01$

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Non-parametric ANOVA and unpaired t-tests

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Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test

- Also know as the *Mann Whitney U test*
- A t-test on the ranks of the numeric input
- Works on unpaired data

Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test setup

```
age_vs_comp = stack_overflow[['converted_comp', 'age_first_code_cut']]
```

```
age_vs_comp_wide = age_vs_comp.pivot(columns='age_first_code_cut',  
                                       values='converted_comp')
```

```
age_first_code_cut    adult    child  
0          77556.0      NaN  
1           NaN    74970.0  
2           NaN  594539.0  
...          ...      ...  
2258         NaN    97284.0  
2259         NaN    72000.0  
2260         NaN  180000.0
```

```
[2261 rows x 2 columns]
```

Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test

```
alpha=0.01
```

```
import pingouin
pingouin.mwu(x=age_vs_comp_wide['child'],
             y=age_vs_comp_wide['adult'],
             alternative='greater')
```

	U-val	alternative	p-val	RBC	CLES
MWU	744365.5	greater	1.902723e-19	-0.222516	0.611258

Kruskal-Wallis test

Kruskal-Wallis test is to Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney test as ANOVA is to t-test

```
alpha=0.01
```

```
pingouin.kruskal(data=stack_overflow,  
                 dv='converted_comp',  
                 between='job_sat')
```

	Source	ddof1	H	p-unc
Kruskal	job_sat	4	72.814939	5.772915e-15

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Congratulations!

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Course recap

Chapter 1

- Workflow for testing proportions vs. a hypothesized value
- False negative/false positive errors

Chapter 2

- Testing differences in sample means between two groups using t-tests
- Extending this to more than two groups using ANOVA and pairwise t-tests

Chapter 3

- Testing differences in sample proportions between two groups using proportion tests
- Using chi-square independence/goodness of fit tests

Chapter 4

- Reviewing assumptions of parametric hypothesis tests
- Examined non-parametric alternatives when assumptions aren't valid

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