# lab12

### April 18, 2017

# 1 Lab 12: Hypothesis Testing

#### 2 0. Intro

Welcome to Lab 12!

Today's lab will review the idea of hypothesis testing using random permutations. This technique is described in the Permutation chapter of the textbook and is used often in practice.

#### Administrative details Lab submissions are due by Friday, April 15 at 7:00 PM.

As usual, if you attend lab section and make a good effort but don't finish during the 2 hours, let your TA know, and you'll get full credit for the lab. If you do that, please finish the lab on your own time (or in office hours, of course).

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In [43]: # Run this cell, but please don't change it.
       # These lines import the Numpy and Datascience modules.
       import numpy as np
       from datascience import *
       # These lines do some fancy plotting magic.
       import matplotlib
       %matplotlib inline
       import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
       plt.style.use('fivethirtyeight')
       import warnings
       warnings.simplefilter('ignore', FutureWarning)
       # These lines load the tests.
       from client.api.assignment import load_assignment
       lab12 = load_assignment('lab12.ok')
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# 3 1. Comparing Samples

Many studies generate a table that describes multiple attributes for each element in a sample of a population. One important step in studying some aspect of the world via such a sample is to identify associations. An association between a *treatment* attribute and an *outcome* attribute in a population is any relation between them: the outcome varies in some way with the treatment.

In a random sample, the outcome may appear associated with the treatment because there is in fact an association in the population, or simply because the sample happened to come out that way. The purpose of statistical hypothesis testing is to account quantitatively for the possibility that two attributes may appear related in a sample even though they are not related in the population.

In this lab, we will review the *permutation test* techique from lecture and further investigate the dataset of married couples and unmarried partners to identify associations. The data are based on a study conducted in 2010 under the auspices of the National Center for Family and Marriage Research.

The rows describe individual people who all participate in a two-person heterosexual relationship. The columns describe: - ID: An identifier for each couple - Gender: The self-reported sex of each individual - Marital Status: Whether the person is married to the individual with the same ID - Relationship Rating: How satisfied is the person with her/his relationship? 1 is most satisfied; 5 is least satisfied - Age: Age in years - Education: Self-reported highest level of education achieved - Household Income: Self-reported household income in a range of dollars - Employment Status: Employment situation at the time the survey was collected

```
In [44]: couples = Table.read_table('couples.csv')
         couples
Out [44]: ID
               | Gender | Marital Status | Relationship Rating | Age
                                                                         | Education
                      | married
                                          1 1
                                                                  | 51
               | male
                                                                         | Bachelor's o
               | female | married
         0
                                          1 1
                                                                  1 53
                                                                         | High school
                                                                         | Associate de
         1
               | male | married
                                          | 1
                                                                    57
         1
               | female | married
                                            1
                                                                    57
                                                                         | High school
         2
               | male | married
                                            1
                                                                    60
                                                                         | Bachelor's o
               | female | married
                                            1
                                                                    57
                                                                         | Some college
         3
               | male | married
                                          1 1
                                                                  1 62
                                                                         | High school
         3
               | female | married
                                          | 1
                                                                  1 59
                                                                         | High school
                                          | 2
         4
               | male | married
                                                                  1 53
                                                                         | Some college
               | female | married
                                          | 2
                                                                         | Some college
                                                                  | 61
             (2056 rows omitted)
```

Here are some statistics about this data set.

```
Number of unique Relationship Rating values: 5
Number of unique Age values: 47
Number of unique Education values: 13
Number of unique Household Income values: 20
Number of unique Employment Status values: 7
```

### 3.1 1.1. Contingency Tables

Before conducting a statistical test for whether a sample association is likely to be due to chance (as opposed to an association in the population), we can use visualization to identify some possible associations.

**Question 1.1.1.** Assign ratings\_by\_gender to a 5-row table that has the following three columns. - **Relationship Rating**: The rating of an individual - **female**: The count of all females who gave that rating - **male**: The count of all males who gave that rating

*Hint*: The final table should look like this:

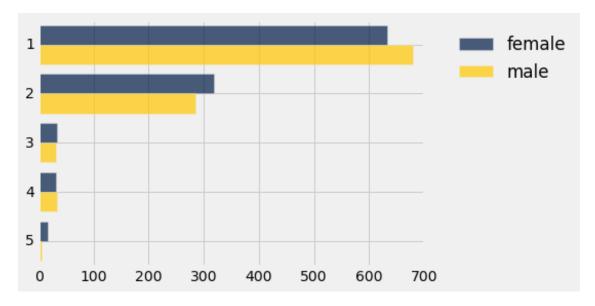
female	male
	female

*Hint 2:* The Permutation chapter of the textbook describes a method for making contingency tables like this one.

```
In [117]: ratings_by_gender = couples.pivot("Gender", "Relationship Rating")
         ratings_by_gender
Out[117]: Relationship Rating | female | male
                              | 633
                                      1 680
          2
                              | 318
                                      284
          3
                              1 34
                                      1 31
                                     | 33
                              1 32
                              1 16
                                    1 5
In [118]: _ = lab12.grade("q111")
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Test summary
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Now run the next cell to see the two distributions of relationship ratings for females and males. (Remember that 1 is the best rating and 5 is the worst.)





Question 1.1.2. Assign rating\_difference to a 4-row table that has the following three columns.

- **Rating Difference**: The difference between the relationship ratings given by the two members of the same couple
- married: The number of married couples who reported that rating difference
- partner: The number of *unmarried couples* (partners) who reported that rating difference

The diffs table defined for you provides part of the solution, but you must figure out how to use it.

*Hint*: The np.ptp function takes a list of values and returns the maximum minus the minimum. The acronym "ptp" stands for *peak to peak*. The final table should look like this:

married	partner
	married

```
In [49]: # The following table should be helpful. Either read the code
         # or print out part of the table to see what it is.
         diffs = couples.select(['ID', 'Marital Status', 'Relationship Rating']).gr
         diffs
         # You fill in this part:
         rating_difference= diffs.pivot("Marital Status", "Relationship Rating ptp"
         rating_difference
Out [49]: Rating Difference | married | partner
                           I 518
                                 | 186
         1
                           1 194
                                   | 79
         2
                           | 18
                                   1 20
                                   1 6
                          | 12
In [50]: _ = lab12.grade("g112")
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Test summary
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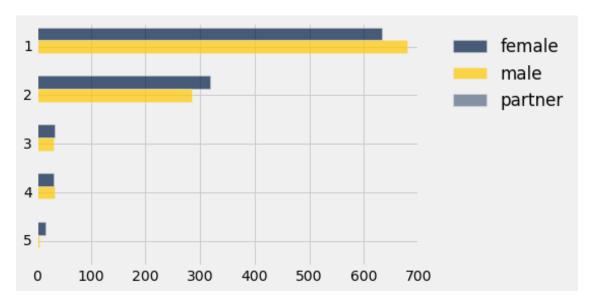
Question 1.1.3. Complete the function proportions that takes a table and a list of labels for columns containing counts. It returns a table with the same number of columns and rows, but with counts replaced by proportions and formatted as percentages for each count\_label.

*Hint*: Use table = table.with\_column(label, ...) with an existing label to create a new table with one of the columns replaced.

*Hint* 2: Recall that table.set\_format(<column name>, PercentFormatter(0)) will set the format of a column to percentages (with 0 decimal places).

```
In [111]: def proportions(table, count_labels):
              for label in count_labels:
                  column = table.column(label)/sum(table.column(label))
                  table = table.with_column(label, column)
                  table.set_format(label, PercentFormatter(0))
              return table
          proportions(rating_difference, ['married', 'partner'])
Out[111]: Rating Difference | married | partner
                            1 70%
                                     1 64%
                                     | 27%
          1
                            1 26%
          2
                            1 2%
                                     1 7%
          3
                            1 2%
                                     1 2%
```

In [53]: proportions(rating\_difference, ['married', 'partner']).barh(0)



**Question 1.1.4.** Do married couples in our sample rate their relationship higher than unmarried partners? Draw a bar chart to compare the **proportion** of different relationship ratings given by people in these two types of relationships.

Hint: The proportion in the partner column for relationship rating of 2 should be 39%

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In [54]: ...
Out[54]: Ellipsis
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**Question 1.1.5.** Do **females** in the highest income category rate their relationship higher than females in other income categories? Draw a bar chart to compare the **proportion** of different relationship ratings given by females in the highest income category and females in all other brackets. *Hint*: The proportion in the highest income column for relationship rating 2 should be 29%.

```
In [119]: # In our solution, we found it useful to first make a table of the female
females = couples.where("Gender", "female")
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# highest income category.
      high_income_females = females.where("Household Income", "175,000 or more'
      # Then we made the bar chart here.
      high income females
      # high_income_females
    ValueError
                                               Traceback (most recent call last)
    <ipython-input-119-15d12d7c2e34> in <module>()
      5 high_income_females = females.where("Household Income", "175,000 or mon
      6 # Then we made the bar chart here.
---> 7 high_income_females.bar("Household Income")
      9 # high_income_females
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.5/site-packages/datascience/tables.py in bar(self, o
   1663
                        axis.set_xticklabels(tick_labels, stretch='ultra-conder
   1664
-> 1665
                self._visualize(column_for_categories, labels, xticks, overlay,
   1666
   1667
            def barh(self, column_for_categories=None, select=None, overlay=Tru
    /opt/conda/lib/python3.5/site-packages/datascience/tables.py in _visualize
                        raise ValueError("The column '{0}' contains non-numeric
   1827
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                            "values. A plot cannot be drawn for this column."
-> 1829
                            .format(label))
   1830
   1831
                n = len(y_labels)
    ValueError: The column 'Gender' contains non-numerical values. A plot cannot
```

# ...then a copy of that table with a column saying whether they were in

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## 3.2 1.2. Comparing distributions

A comparison between two bar charts can be summarized by a single number in various ways. The two we have considered in lecture are the *total variation distance* and the *chi-squared statistic*, both described in the textbook chapter on Distance Between Distributions.

The tvd function (from the textbook) below computes the total variation distance between the distributions of two conditions.

```
In [81]: # Just run this cell.
         def tvd(t, conditions, values):
             """Compute the total variation distance
             between proportions of values under two conditions.
                        (Table) -- a table
             conditions (str) -- a column label in t; should have only two category
             values (str) -- a column label in t
             .....
             counts = t.pivot(conditions, values)
             categoryA = np.array(counts.labels).item(1)
             categoryB = np.array(counts.labels).item(2)
             props = proportions(counts, [categoryA, categoryB])
             a = props.column(1)
             b = props.column(2)
             return 0.5*sum(abs(a - b))
         tvd(couples, 'Gender', 'Relationship Rating')
Out[81]: 0.046466602129719287
```

**Question 1.2.1.** Assign diff\_tvd to the total variation distance between the distributions of rating differences for married couples and unmarried partners.

*Hint:* You can use the diffs table from question 1.1.2.

For practice, let's consider a third notion of the difference between two distributions: the maximum deviation. This is just the *biggest* difference (in absolute value) between any two of the bars when we make bar charts of the two distributions. (Note that we don't divide by 2 like we do when we compute the total variation distance.)

**Question 1.2.2.** Define the max\_deviation function, which takes the same inputs as tvd but computes the maximum deviation between the two distributions, instead of the total variation.

```
In [86]: def max_deviation(t, conditions, values):
            """Compute the maximum difference for any value
            between proportions of values under two conditions.
                      (Table) -- a table
            conditions (str) -- a column label in t; should have only two category
            values (str) -- a column label in t
            n n n
            counts = t.pivot(conditions, values)
            categoryA = np.array(counts.labels).item(1)
            categoryB = np.array(counts.labels).item(2)
            props = proportions(counts, [categoryA, categoryB])
            a = props.column(1)
            b = props.column(2)
            return max (abs (a - b))
        #max_deviation(couples, 'Gender', 'Relationship Rating')
        max_deviation(couples, 'Gender', 'Relationship Rating')
Out[86]: 0.045498547918683463
In [85]: _ = lab12.grade("q122")
Running tests
Test summary
   Passed: 1
   Failed: 0
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## 4 2. Random Permutations

There is no single threshold for a high (or low) total variation distance. Instead, we compare the observed test statistic to a distribution that is generated empirically by randomly permuting the values in the data.

The purpose of this comparison is to help us choose between two hypotheses:

*Null hypothesis*: The observed difference between distributions for two conditions is due to chance because we sampled at random to collect the data.

*Alternative hypothesis*: The observed difference is not due to chance, but instead due to an association in the population.

Both hypotheses assume that the data was in fact sampled at random from the population. A permutation test generates samples that look like the samples we'd see if the null hypothesis were true.

The online textbook provides an implementation of a permutation test using total variation distance as the test statistic. Below, you will extend it to other test statistics.

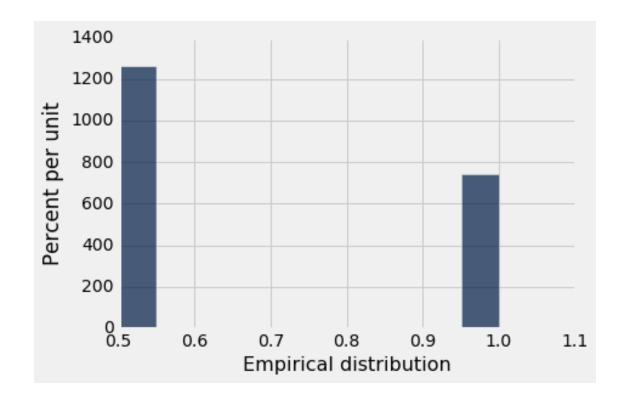
Question 2.1. Complete the implementation of permutation\_test, which is a generalization of permutation\_tvd from the textbook, but takes an additional argument f, a distance function of three arguments such as tvd or chi2. Some of the lines left blank below do not need to be changed from the original implementation, but some do.

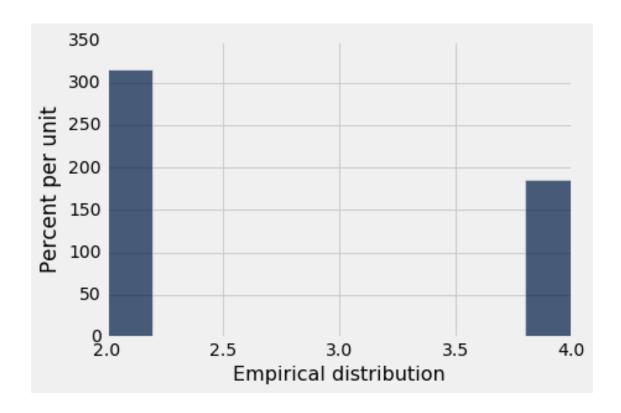
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In [99]: def permutation_test(original, conditions, values, f):
             Perform a permutation test of whether
             the distribution of values for two conditions
             is the same in the population,
             using the function f to compute the test statistic.
             original is a Table with two columns. The value of the argument
             conditions is the name of one column, and the value of the argument
             values is the name of the other column. The conditions table should
             have only 2 possible values corresponding to 2 categories in the
             data.
             The values column is shuffled many times, and the data are grouped
             according to the conditions column. The test statistic
             between the proportions values in the 2 categories is computed.
             Then we draw a histogram of all those statistics. This shows us
             how the statistic between the two distributions would vary from
             chance, regardless of the conditions.
             # Note: 200 repetitions is a little low. We've used that number
             # so you don't have to wait too long when you run your code, but
             # if you're concerned about the accuracy of the resulting P-value,
             # feel free to increase it.
             repetitions = 200
             stats = []
             for i in np.arange(repetitions):
                 shuffled = original.sample()
                 combined = Table().with_columns([
                         conditions, original.column(conditions),
                                  shuffled.column(values)
                         values,
                     1)
                 stats.append(f(combined, conditions, values))
             observation = f(original, conditions, values)
             p_value = np.count_nonzero(stats >= observation) / repetitions
             print("Observation:", observation)
             print("Empirical P-value:", p_value)
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Table([stats], ['Empirical distribution']).hist()
In [100]: _ = lab12.grade("q21")

Running tests

Test summary
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   Failed: 0
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### 4.1 2.1. Hypothesis Tests

Each hypothesis test has four steps.

**Step 1** is to state the null and alternative hypotheses. For example, if we are intereted in whether married and unmarried couples rate their relationships differently, we would state the following:

*Null hypothesis:* The difference between how married and unmarried couples rate their relationships is due to the randomness introduced by sampling the data from the population

The alternative is an explanation that is exclusive of the null hypothesis: something is going on more than just random chance from sampling.

Alternative hypothesis: The difference between how married and unmarried couples rate their relationships is not due to chance, but instead due to an association in the population.

**Step 2** is to select a test statistic for evaluating the null hypothesis and compute it on our observed data. The test statistic should be something that generally looks one way if the null hypothesis is true and another way if the alternative hypothesis is true.

*Test statistic:* The total variation distance between the distributions of relationship ratings for two conditions: married and unmarried couples.

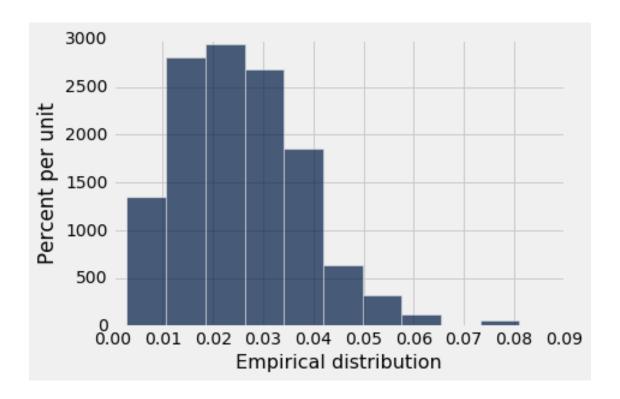
```
In [101]: tvd(couples, 'Marital Status', 'Relationship Rating')
Out[101]: 0.19107131278887746
```

**Step 3** is to estimate the probability distribution of this statistic under the null hypothesis. Given only a sample, we can't draw new samples directly from the population. Instead, we randomly permute the pairings of conditions and values to see how the test statistic would vary for

a sample of the given size, the split between conditions, and the observed proportions of values.

In [102]: permutation\_test(couples, 'Marital Status', 'Relationship Rating', tvd)

Observation: 0.191071312789 Empirical P-value: 0.0



**Step 4** is to interpret the result and draw a conclusion. A P-value of 0.05 or below is conventionally called "statistically significant" and a P-value of 0.01 or below is conventionally called "highly statistically significant", although these thresholds are arbitrary.

**Question 2.1.1.** Assign married\_couples\_reject\_null to either True or False to express whether we should reject the null hypothesis that the difference between how married and unmarried couples rate their relationships is due to the randomness introduced by sampling the data from the population, using a maximum p-value of 0.01.

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Test summary
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Question 2.1.2. Assign high\_income\_females\_reject\_null to the result of an expression that determines whether we should reject the null hypothesis that the difference between how females in the highest income category and females in all other categories rate their relationship is due to the randomness introduced by sampling the data from the population. Use a maximum p-value of 0.01. Does it matter whether you use tvd or max\_deviation as your test statistic?