

ST544, Spring 2020

Final, due by 5:00pm on 5/5/2020

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Some quantiles from the standard normal distribution:

	$\alpha = 0.01$	$\alpha = 0.0125$	$\alpha = 0.025$	$\alpha = 0.05$	$\alpha = 0.10$
z_α	2.326	2.241	1.960	1.645	1.282

Some critical values from χ^2 distributions

df	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$\chi^2_{0.05,df}$	3.841	5.991	7.815	9.488	11.070	12.592	14.067	15.507
$\chi^2_{0.025,df}$	5.024	7.378	9.348	11.143	12.833	14.449	16.013	17.535
$\chi^2_{0.01,df}$	6.635	9.210	11.345	13.277	15.086	16.812	18.475	20.090

Instruction: This is a take-home exam. It is open-book and open-note. However, you are expected to work independently. When you are asked to fit a model to a data set, please provide your SAS code and relevant output to justify your answer. The exam is due by 5:00pm on 5/5. Please make your exam one single file (with the format lastname-st544-final.pdf) and submit it on moodle or email it to me.

1. (50 pts) Data set `findata1.txt` contains longitudinal data from 150 patients with certain disease randomized to a new and the standard treatments. It has four variables `id`, `y`, `trt`, `time`, where `id` is the patient ID, `y` = 1/0 is the binary outcome indicating whether or not the disease is under control at `time`, time in months (1,2,3) from treatment initiation, and `trt` is the treatment indicator (1=new treatment, 0=standard treatment). Do the following:

- (a) (10 pts) Let $\pi(trt, time) = P[Y = 1|trt, time]$. Fit the following model using the GEE method with the unstructured working correlation matrix for Y :

$$\text{logit}\{\pi(trt, time)\} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 trt + \beta_2 time + \beta_3 trt \times time.$$

Report the estimates of β 's.

- (b) (10 pts) From the fitted model, estimate the following odds-ratio at time=1,2,3 months between the new and standard treatments:

$$\theta(time) = \frac{\pi(trt = 1, time)/\{1 - \pi(trt = 1, time)\}}{\pi(trt = 0, time)/\{1 - \pi(trt = 0, time)\}}.$$

Describe the treatment effects based on these odds-ratio estimates.

- (c) (5 pts) The estimated correlation matrix indicates that the underlying correlation matrix is not exchangeable. However, if you use an exchangeable working correlation matrix, will you get invalid inference? Why?
- (d) (15 pts) Define $\pi_i(trt, time) = P[Y_i = 1|trt, time, b_i]$ for subject i and fit the following generalized linear mixed model

$$\text{logit}\{\pi_i(trt, time)\} = \beta_0 + b_i + \beta_1 trt + \beta_2 time + \beta_3 trt \times time$$

where $b_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$. Interpret the time effect (odds-ratio of disease being under control with one month increase of time) for subject i if he/she was assigned to the standard treatment, or if he/she was assigned to the new treatment. Which treatment is better?

- (e) (10 pts) What is the estimate of σ^2 from the previous model? Interpret this estimate. Explain why the estimates of β 's from the above two models are very different or close.

2. (50 pts) In a matched case-control study to investigate the association of smoking and lung cancer, each of 112 lung cancer patients was matched (with respect to age and gender) with a control (free of lung cancer) and their smoking status was ascertained. The data is presented in the following:

		Smoking status for cases	
		Yes (1)	No (0)
Smoking status for controls	Yes (1)	26	20
	No (0)	44	22

Denote $Y = 1/0$ for lung cancer/control, $X = 1/0$ for smoking/non-smoking, Z =matched pair.
Do the following:

- (a) (10 pts) Conduct the CMH test for $H_0 : X \perp Y|Z$ at significance level 0.05.
- (b) (10 pts) For the above table, conduct the McNemar's test at the 0.05 level. What is the null hypothesis in this case?
- (c) (10 pts) Ignore the matching, collapse the data across pairs and get the following table:

		Lung cancer	
		Yes (1)	No (0)
Smoking status	Yes (1)	70	46
	No (0)	42	66

Treat the data as if it is from a multinomial sampling, find an estimate of θ_{XY} and a 95% CI for θ_{XY} .

- (d) (5 pts) Argue why the previous estimate and CI may not be valid.
- (e) (15 pts) Let $\pi(x, k) = P(Y = 1|x, pair = k)$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, 112$ and assume the following model

$$\text{logit}\{\pi(x, k)\} = \beta_k + \beta x.$$

Estimate e^β and its 95% CI estimate using the conditional logistic regression approach. Interpret the estimate of e^β . Test $H_0 : X \perp Y|Z$ at significance level 0.05 using the conditional logistic regression approach. Is it consistent with the CMH test?

- 3. (50 pts) The following table presents results from four top tennis players in one year:

Winner	Loser			
	A	B	C	D
A	.	1	7	8
B	8	.	3	9
C	3	2	.	0
D	2	3	2	.

Do the following:

- (a) (10 pts) Fit the Bradley-Terry model to the above data. Report the estimates of parameters in the model. Does the model fit the data well? Show the calculation of df for the deviance.

- (b) (10 pts) Show that the Bradley-Terry model implies that if player i is better than player j , player j is better than player k , then player i is better than player k (here “player i is better than player j ” means that player i wins player j with a probability > 0.5 , etc.)
- (c) (5 pts) Rank the players according to their winning probabilities.
- (d) (10 pts) Find a 95% CI for the winning probability of player A against player D.
- (e) (15 pts) Find a 95% CI for the winning probability of player A against player C.
4. (50 pts) Consider the data from 120 subjects in placebo group of the insomnia study (page 285 of the textbook):

		Y_2			
		< 20	$20 - 30$	$30 - 60$	> 60
Y_1	< 20	7	4	2	1
	$20 - 30$	14	5	1	0
	$30 - 60$	6	9	18	2
	> 60	4	11	14	22

Do the following:

- (a) (10 pts) Ignore the ordinal scale of the table, test marginal homogeneity of the underlying probability table at the significance level 0.05.
- (b) (10 pts) Repeat (a) by taking into account the ordinal scale.
- (c) (10 pts) Using score 10, 25, 45, 75 (intended for the actual *time to falling asleep*) for the 4 four categories, test the null hypothesis that Y_1 and Y_2 have the same mean score at the significance level 0.05. What is the average increase/decrease in *time to falling asleep*?
- (d) (10 pts) Conduct the Pearson χ^2 test for a symmetric underlying probability table.
- (e) (10 pts) Suppose we are interested in the probability that the *time to falling asleep* two weeks later is shorter than that at the baseline, i.e., $\pi = P[Y_2 < Y_1]$. Estimate π and construct a 95% CI for π .