

Hypothesis Testing

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H_0 : statement 1
 H_1 : statement 2

真相只有一个, which one?

We have data X : $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$

A test is data-driven decision rule $D(x)$

$$D(x) \in \{ \text{Reject } H_0, \text{Accept } H_0 \}$$

A good test

Reject H_0 when H_0 false, accept H_0 when H_0 true

Example: A fair coin

X : outcome of coin toss $X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$, $p \in [0, 1]$

H_0 : $p = 0.5$

H_1 : $p \neq 0.5$

How to construct $D(x)$?

Suppose we have $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Ber}(p)$

An intuitive test

$$D(x) = \begin{cases} \text{reject } H_0 & |\bar{X}_n - 0.5| > c \\ \text{accept } H_0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

What $c =$?

If c too small, likely to reject H_0 when H_0 is true. type-I error

If c too large, likely to accept H_0 when H_0 is false. type-II error

It's impossible to get rid of type-I and type-II error, but we can calculate the probability of error.

Recall:

$$\text{size} = P(\text{type-I error})$$

$$\text{power} = 1 - P(\text{type-II error})$$

Next step:

given c , calculate size & power

$$n=10, c=0.15, D(x) = \begin{cases} \text{reject} & \text{if } |\bar{X}_n - 0.5| > 0.15 \\ \text{accept} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$P(\text{type-I error})$: $p=0.5$ $P(D(x) = \text{rejects})$

$$\bar{X}_n \in \{0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, \dots, 1\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(\text{reject}) &= P(|\bar{X}_n - 0.5| > 0.15) = P(\bar{X}_n \in \{0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, 1\}) \\ &= 1 - P(\bar{X}_n \in \{0.4, 0.5, 0.6\}) \\ &= 1 - P(\bar{X}_n = 0.4) - P(\bar{X}_n = 0.5) - P(\bar{X}_n = 0.6) \\ &= 1 - C_{10}^4 0.5^4 \cdot 0.5^6 - C_{10}^5 0.5^5 \cdot 0.5^5 - C_{10}^6 0.5^6 \cdot 0.5^4 \end{aligned}$$

Remark:

$P(\text{type-I error})$ depends on c .

eg: $c = 0.08$ ($n=10$) $\left| \bar{X}_n - 0.5 \right| > 0.08$ reject
 when $n=10$ $\left\{ \left| \bar{X}_n - 0.5 \right| < 0.08 \right\} = \{ \bar{X}_n = 0.5 \}$
 size $= 1 - P(\bar{X}_n = 0.5)$ $c \downarrow$ size \uparrow

$P(\text{type-II error})$

$p \neq 0.5$ $n=10$, $c=0.5$

$P(D(x) \text{ accepts}) = P(\bar{X}_n = 0.6) + P(\bar{X}_n = 0.5) + P(\bar{X}_n = 0.4)$
 $= C_6^{10} p^6 (1-p)^4 + C_5^{10} p^5 (1-p)^5 + C_4^{10} p^4 (1-p)^6$

Remark:

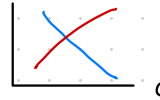
$P(\text{type-II error})$ depends on c $c \uparrow$ $P(\text{type-II error}) \uparrow$

Remark:

$P(\text{type-II error})$ depends on p

Remark:

There's a trade-off between $P(\text{type-I})$ & $P(\text{type-II})$



Problem of exact calculation:

when $n=1000$

$\binom{1000}{500} 0.5^{500} \cdot 0.5^{500}$

such term will appear

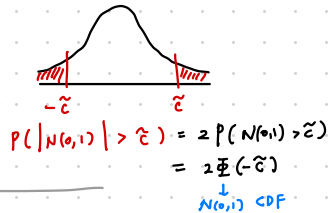
Error probability approximation with CLT

$T_n(\bar{X}_n - p) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, p(1-p)) \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - p)}{\sqrt{p(1-p)}} \approx N(0,1)$ by CLT $n \rightarrow \infty$

$P(\text{type-I error}) \quad P(D(x) = \text{reject}) = P\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}|\bar{X}_n - 0.5|}{\sqrt{0.5(1-0.5)}} > \frac{\sqrt{n}c}{\sqrt{0.5(1-0.5)}}\right)$

approximately $\approx P(|N(0,1)| > \frac{\sqrt{n}c}{0.5})$

$= 2\Phi\left(\frac{-\sqrt{n}c}{0.5}\right)$



When n large, given n, c

$P(\text{type-I error}) = 2\Phi\left(\frac{-\sqrt{n}c}{0.5}\right)$

When $n=1000$ want $P(\text{type-I}) = 0.05$

\Rightarrow solve $2\Phi(-2\sqrt{1000} \cdot c) = 0.05$

$\Phi(-2\sqrt{1000} \cdot c) = 0.025$

take $\Phi^{-1}(\cdot) \Rightarrow -2\sqrt{1000} \cdot c = \Phi^{-1}(0.025)$

$\Rightarrow c = \frac{\Phi^{-1}(-0.025)}{-2\sqrt{1000}}$

$= \frac{1.96}{2\sqrt{1000}} = \frac{1.96}{64} = 0.03 = 3\%$