

Aim : Testing of hypothesis concerning the variance of population.

Experiment :

(i) Suppose that uniformity of a thickness of a part is used in a semiconductor is critical & that measurements of the thickness of a random sample of 18 such parts have the variance $(s^2) = 0.68$. The process is considered to be under control if the variation of thickness is given by $\sigma^2 > 0.36$. Assuming that the measurement constitute a random sample from a normal population. Test the $H_0 : \sigma^2 = 0.36$ against the alternative hypothesis $\sigma^2 > 0.36$ at 5% test of significance.

(ii) Weights in Kg of 10 students are given below
38, 40, 45, 53, 47, 43, 55, 48, 52, 49. Can we say that variance of the dist. of weights of all students from which the above sample was taken is equal to 20 square Kg at 5% level of significance.

Theory :

→ Testing the equality of population variance.

To test the H_0 that the variance of a normal pop. equals the given constant given a random sample of size 'n' from a normal pop. we shall have to test the H_0

$$H_0 : \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2$$

against

$$H_1 : \sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2 / \sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2 / \sigma^2 < \sigma_0^2$$

Here we use the theorem that if x_1 and x_2 are indep. n.v. x_1 has a chi square dist. with V_1 degree of freedom and $(x_1 + x_2)$ has a chi square dist. with $V > V_1$ df then x_2 has a chi square dist. with $V - V_1$ df thus the critical region for testing the H_0 against the two one-sided alternatives as

$$x^2 \geq x^2_{\alpha, (n-1)}$$

and $\chi^2 \leq \chi^2_{(1-\alpha), (n-1)}$ is obtained by using the test statistic $\chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2}$

Calculation :

Given

(i) $s^2 = 0.68$
 $n = 18$
 $\alpha = 0.05$
 $\sigma_0^2 = 0.36$

Test the $H_0 : \sigma^2 = 0.36$
 against $H_1 : \sigma^2 > 0.36$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2}$$

$$= \frac{17 \times 0.68}{0.36} = 32.111$$

$$\chi^2 = 32.111$$

Tabulated value $\chi^2_{0.05, 17} = 27.587$

Since calculated chi-square

$$\chi^2_{cal} > \chi^2_{0.05, 17}$$

(ii)

x_i	$x_i - \bar{x}$	$(x_i - \bar{x})^2$
38	-9	81
40	-7	49
45	-2	4
53	6	36
47	0	0
43	-4	16
55	8	64
48	1	1
52	5	25
49	2	4
470		280

$$\bar{x} = \frac{470}{10} = 47$$

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} (\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2)$$

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{9} \times 280$$

$$s^2 = 31.11$$

$\alpha = 0.05$ $n = 10$ $s^2 = 31.11$ $\sigma_0^2 = 20$

$H_0 : \sigma^2 = 20$
 against $H_1 : \sigma^2 > 20$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2}$$

$$= \frac{9 \times 31.11}{20}$$

$$\chi^2 = 14$$

Tabulated value

$$\chi^2_{(0.05, 9)} = 16.919$$

$$\therefore \chi^2_{cal} = 14 < \chi^2_{(0.05, 9)}$$

RESULT :

- We may reject the H_0 & conclude that the variance of a given sample is not equal to 0.36 i.e. the process used in manufacturing of the part must be revised.
- We may accept the H_0 and conclude that the variance of the dist. of weights of all student is equal to 20 square Kg.