

Problem1

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Goal: Probability of Covid Given Test Pool Is Positive.

2 Introduction

How it works:

N = Number of people in a test pool.

p = Percentage chance an individual has covid given a test was done, a number.

P(A) = Probability an individual has Covid given a Test was done = p.

P(B) = Probability the test pool is postive.

P(A|B) = The probability an individual tests positive for covid given the test pool is positive.

P(B|A) = The probability the test pool is positive given an individual tests positive in the test pool = 1, because if the individual in the test pool tests postive the whole pool will test positive.

P(Ac) = Probability an individual does not have a positive Covid test result.

P(B|Ac) = The probability a test pool is postiive given the individual does not have covid, meaning 1 to N-1 people in the pool have covid but not A.

The goal of this work is to calculate P(A|B), the probability an individual tests positive for covid given the test pool is positive.

Using Bayes Theorem:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B|A)P(A)+P(B|Ac)P(Ac)}$$

Now, P(B|A) = 1 as previously stated, P(A) = p, and P(Ac) = 1 - P(A) = 1 - p. Thus, this reduces to:

$$P(A|B) = \frac{p}{p+P(B|Ac)(1-p)}$$

Now, P(B|Ac) can be calculated using the binomial distribution, which will give us the probability of x sucesses given a probability p, and a number of trials N.

Binomial Probability: $P(x; p, n) = \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!}p^x(1-p)^{n-x}$

This equation is embeded in the Tensorflow probability binomial distribution function which was used. The results were summed for x = 1 to N-1 sucesses.

Now, essentially we can calculate the probability an individual tests positive for Covid given the test pool had a positive result using only p (the probability an individual has covid given a test for covid) and N (the number of people in a test pool).

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[1]: import tensorflow_probability as tfp
import numpy as np
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State N , the number of people in a test pool, and p , the probability of an individual testing positive for Covid given a test was conducted.

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[2]: N = 12 # Number of people in a test pool
p = 0.05 # Probability of an individual testing positive for Covid
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Create a tensorflow probability binomial distribution.

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[3]: X = tfp.distributions.Binomial(N, logits=None, probs=p)
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Below, I calculate the probability your result is positive given a positive test pool result.

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[4]: # AB is the probability of a positive test for you given the test pool was
    ↪ positive.
    # BAc is the Probability 1 to N-1 people test positive but not you in your test
    ↪ pool.
    BAc = 0
    for i in range(1,N-1):
        BAc = BAc + X.prob(i)
    AB = p/(p+(BAc*(1-p)))

[5]: print(AB)
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tf.Tensor(0.10274155, shape=(), dtype=float32)
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The probability an individual tests positive for covid given the test pool tested positive for covid is 10.27% with an infection percent of 5% and a test pool of 12 people.

3 References

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