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Lecture 12

Statistics III., Hypothesis Testing

1. Hypothesis Testing

Definition

Let $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n)$ be a sample with joint distribution function $\mathbb{F}(\cdot, \vartheta)$, where $\vartheta \in \Theta$ is the unknown parameter. We partition the parameter space Θ into two parts Θ_0 and Θ_1 such that $\Theta_0 \cup \Theta_1 = \Theta$.

Null hypothesis $H_0: \vartheta \in \Theta_0$;

Alternative hypothesis $H_1: \vartheta \in \Theta_1$.

If $\vartheta \in \Theta_0 \cap \Theta_1$, then the decision is made randomly.

Definition

Keeping the previous notation

Simple null hypothesis H_0 , if $\Theta_0 = \{\vartheta_0\}$, i.e. $\vartheta = \vartheta_0$;

Alternative hypothesis H_1 , if $\Theta_1 = \Theta \setminus \{\vartheta_0\}$, i.e. $\vartheta \neq \vartheta_0$.

2. Decision, Significance Level, Type I and Type II Error

Critical Region

The sample space

$\chi = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \mid x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \text{ are sample realizations}\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$
is divided into two disjoint sets $\chi = C \cup \bar{C}$, where the set C is said to be the **critical region**.

- If $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in C$, then we reject H_0 ,
- If $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \bar{C}$, then we accept H_0 .

Definition

The significance level of the test is α , if

$$\mathbb{P}(\xi) \in C \mid H_0 \leq \alpha.$$

If we make a decision we can make errors.

- **Type I error** is the probability that we reject H_0 although it is true, that is, the Type I error is the probability

$$\mathbb{P}(\xi) \in C \mid H_0.$$

- **Type II error** is the probability that we accept H_0 although it is false, that is, the Type II error is the probability

$$\mathbb{P}(\xi) \in \bar{C} \mid H_1.$$

Power Function, Consistent Power Function

Definition

The function $W : \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ($W = W(C, \vartheta, n)$) defined by

$$W(\vartheta) = \mathbb{P}(\{\xi \in C \mid \vartheta\}) \quad (\vartheta \in \Theta)$$

is called the **power function corresponding to the critical region** C , where $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n)$ is the independent sample.

Definition

The power function W corresponding to the critical region C is called **consistent** if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} W(\vartheta) = 1 \quad (\vartheta \in \Theta_1).$$

Unbiased Test at Level α , More Powerful Tests

Definition

A test is called **unbiased at level α** if

$$\mathbb{P}(\xi \in C \mid \vartheta) \leq \alpha \quad (\vartheta \in \Theta_0),$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\xi \in C \mid \vartheta) \geq \alpha \quad (\vartheta \in \Theta_1),$$

Definition

Among the level α tests defined by the critical regions C_1 and C_2 , we say that C_1 is **more powerful than C_2** if

$$\mathbb{P}(\xi \in C_1 \mid \vartheta) \geq \mathbb{P}(\xi \in C_2 \mid \vartheta) \quad (\vartheta \in \Theta),$$

that is, for every $\vartheta \in \Theta$, the power function corresponding to C_1 is greater than or equal to the power function corresponding to C_2 .

2. Classical Tests for the Expected Value

Classical Tests for the Expected Value

- one-sample u-test;
- one-sample t-test;
- two-sample u-test;
- two-sample t-test (For this, the two unknown theoretical variances must be equal, which is checked using the F-test.)

2.1. One-sample u-test

One-sample u-test

Let $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ be an independent sample, where σ^2 is known, and $\mu_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ is a given number:

The simple null and alternative hypothesis:

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0;$$

$$H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0.$$

The decision:

1. We assume that $\mu = \mu_0$, we have that

$$\frac{\bar{\xi} - \mu_0}{\sigma} \sqrt{n} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

2. As in the construction of confidence intervals, we need to determine the value of u such that

$$\mathbb{P}\left(-u < \frac{\bar{\xi} - \mu}{\sigma} \sqrt{n} < u, \mid \mu = \mu_0\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

that is, the appropriate value of u can be calculated from

$$\Phi(u) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}.$$

3. Based on the sample, we calculate

$$u_{\text{obs}} := \frac{\bar{\xi} - \mu_0}{\sigma} \sqrt{n}.$$

4. Decision: If $|u_{\text{obs}}| < u$ (obs = observed), then we accept the null hypothesis H_0 ; otherwise, we reject it H_0 .

2.2. One-sample t-test

One-sample t-test

Let $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ be an independent sample, where σ^2 is unknown, and $\mu_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ is a given number.

The simple null and alternative hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0;$$

$$H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0.$$

Decision:

1. We assume that $\mu = \mu_0$ and have

$$\frac{\bar{\xi} - \mu_0}{s_n^*} \sqrt{n} \sim t_{n-1}$$

One-sample t-test

2. In the same way as constructing confidence intervals, we need to determine the t value for which

$$\mathbb{P} \left(-t \frac{\bar{\xi} - \mu_0}{s_n^*} \sqrt{n} < t, \mid \mu = \mu_0 \right) = 1 - \alpha,$$

that is, if \mathbb{F} denotes the cumulative distribution function of a t_{n-1} random variable, then we look for the t value satisfying

$$\mathbb{F}(t) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \quad \left(\text{or } G(t) = \frac{\alpha}{2} \right).$$

3. Based on the sample, we calculate

$$t_{\text{obs}} := \frac{\bar{\xi} - \mu_0}{s_n^*} \sqrt{n}$$

(obs = observed).

4. The decision is made as follows: if $|t_{\text{obs}}| < t$, we accept the null hypothesis H_0 ; otherwise, we reject it.

2.3 Two-sample u-test

Two-sample u-test

Given $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_m \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma^2)$ and $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$ independent samples. (The ξ_i and η_j are also independent from each other.)

The simple null and alternative hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2;$$

$$H_1 : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2.$$

Decision:

1. Assuming $\mu = \mu_0$, we have

$$\frac{\bar{\xi} - \bar{\eta}}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{mn}{m+n}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1).$$

Two-sample u-test

2. We find the u value for which

$$\mathbb{P} \left(-u < \frac{\bar{\xi} - \bar{\eta}}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{mn}{m+n}} < u \mid \mu = \mu_0 \right) = 1 - \alpha,$$

that is,

$$\Phi(u) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}.$$

3. Based on the sample, we calculate

$$u_{\text{obs}} := \frac{\bar{\xi} - \bar{\eta}}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{mn}{m+n}}$$

4. The decision is made as follows: if $|u_{\text{obs}}| < u$, we accept the null hypothesis H_0 , otherwise we reject it.

2.4 Two-sample t-test

Two-sample t-test

Given $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_m \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma^2)$ and $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \sigma^2)$ independent samples (where ξ_i and η_j are also independent of each other). (It is important that the samples come from distributions with a common variance.)

The simple null and alternative hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2;$$

$$H_1 : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2.$$

Decision:

1. If $\mu_1 = \mu_2$, then

$$\frac{\bar{\xi} - \bar{\eta}}{\sqrt{\frac{(m-1)s_m^* + (n-1)s_n^{*2}}{m+n-2}}} \sqrt{\frac{mn}{m+n}} \sim t_{m+n-2}.$$

Two-sample t-test

2. Find the t value for which

$$\mathbb{F}(t) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}, \quad \left(\text{or } G(t) = \frac{\alpha}{2}\right).$$

3. Based on the sample, calculate

$$t_{\text{obs}} := \frac{\bar{\xi} - \bar{\eta}}{\sqrt{\frac{(m-1)s_m^* + (n-1)s_n^{*2}}{m+n-2}}} \sqrt{\frac{mn}{m+n}}$$

4. If $|t_{\text{obs}}| < t$, then we accept the null hypothesis H_0 ; otherwise, we reject it.

2.5. F-test

F-próba

Legyen $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_m \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ és $\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots, \eta_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2)$.

$$H_0 : \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2;$$

$$H_1 : \sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2.$$

Statistic:

$$f = \frac{ns_n^2}{ms_m^2} \sim F_{m-1, n-1} \quad \text{ha} \quad ns_n^2 > ms_m^2.$$

Let \mathbb{F} denote the cumulative distribution function of the $F_{m-1, n-1}$ distribution. The values x_a and x_f are determined so that

$$\mathbb{F}(x_f) - \mathbb{F}(x_a) = 1 - \alpha,$$

which is difficult to realize exactly. Instead, we can restrict to

$$\mathbb{F}(x_f) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}, \quad \mathbb{F}(x_a) = \frac{\alpha}{2},$$

or (depending on the table)

$$G(x_f) = \frac{\alpha}{2}, \quad G(x_a) = \frac{\alpha}{2}.$$

If $x_a < f_{\text{obs}} < x_f$, then H_0 is accepted; otherwise, it is rejected.

3. Test for the Variance

χ^2 Test

Given $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ independent sample.

$H_0 : \sigma = \sigma_0;$

$H_1 : \sigma \neq \sigma_0.$

Statistic:

$$\frac{ns_n^2}{\sigma_0^2} \sim \chi_m^2, \quad \text{provided that } \sigma = \sigma_0.$$

Let \mathbb{F} denote the χ_{n-1}^2 cumulative distribution function. Determine x_a, x_f such that

$$\mathbb{F}(x_f) - \mathbb{F}(x_a) = 1 - \alpha,$$

it suffices that

$$\mathbb{F}(x_f) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}, \quad \mathbb{F}(x_a) = \frac{\alpha}{2}.$$

In the table, $\mathbb{F}(x) + G(x) = 1$, so $G(x_f) = \frac{\alpha}{2}$, $G(x_a) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}$.

Decision:

If $x_a < \chi < x_f$, then accept H_0 ; otherwise, reject it.

4. Goodness-of-Fit Test

Goodness-of-Fit Test

Let $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n$ be an independent sample. With distribution function \mathbb{F} .

$$H_0 : \mathbb{F} = \mathbb{F}_0;$$

$$H_1 : \mathbb{F} \neq \mathbb{F}_0.$$

Divide the real line into k parts with breakpoints

$$-\infty = a_0 < a_1 < a_2 < \dots < a_{k-1} < a_k = +\infty$$

$$\mathbb{P}(a_{i-1} \leq \xi < a_i) = \mathbb{F}_0(a_i) - \mathbb{F}_0(a_{i-1}) = p_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, k)$$

Based on the sample, we know that η_i sample elements fall into the i -th interval. Then

$$\chi := \mathbb{F}(1 - \alpha) = G(\alpha);$$

where \mathbb{F} denotes the distribution function of a chi-square distribution with $k - 1$ degrees of freedom, and $G(x) = 1 - \mathbb{F}(x)$ ($x \in \mathbb{R}$) is defined accordingly.

Goodness-of-Fit Test

Let

$$\chi_{\text{obs}} := \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(\eta_i - np_i)^2}{np_i}.$$

Decision:

We accept H_0 if $\chi < \chi_{\text{obs}}$, otherwise we reject it.

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