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Statistics for laboratory scientists II

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Logistics

Lectures: MWF 10:30-11:30 (W2033 SPH)

Discussion/lab: W 1:30-3:30 (W3025 first half; W2033 second half)

Office hours: **Karl**: MF 1:30-2:30 (E3612 SPH)

Qing: by appointment (E3035 SPH)

Textbooks: Samuels & Witmer (2002) Statistics for the life sciences

Gonick & Smith (1993) The cartoon guide to statistics.

[recommended]

Dalgaard (2002) Introductory statistics with R statistics.

[recommended]

Grading

Grade based on:

- 3 Computer labs (67%)
- 1 Final project (33%)

Other work:

- Homework
- Reading assignments
- Deep and careful thought
- Discussions

Final project

- Obtain some real experimental data.
- Analyze the data
- Write a 4–8 page double-spaced paper describing the data, the goal, your analysis, and your results.
 - (Use the usual Introduction Methods Results Discussion format.)

This term

- Goodness of fit
- Contingency tables
- Analysis of variance (Anova)
- More on multiple comparisons
- Linear regression
- More on design of experiments
- . . .

Goodness of fit - 2 classes

Α	В	
78	22	

Do these data correspond reasonably to the proportions 3:1?

We could use what we learned last term...

During the previous quarter we discussed several options for testing $p_A = 0.75$:

- Exact p-value
- Normal approximation
- Randomization test

Goodness of fit - 3 classes

AA	AB	BB
35	43	22

Do these data correspond reasonably to the proportions 1:2:1?

The likelihood-ratio test (LRT)

Back to the first example:

We want to test $H_0: (p_A, p_B) = (\pi_A, \pi_B)$ versus $H_a: (p_A, p_B) \neq (\pi_A, \pi_B)$.

MLE under H_a : $\hat{p}_A = n_A/n$ where $n = n_A + n_B$.

Likelihood under H_a : $L_a = Pr(n_A|p_A = \hat{p}_A) = \binom{n}{n_A} \times \hat{p}_A^{n_A} \times (1 - \hat{p}_A)^{n-n_A}$

Likelihood under H_0 : $L_0 = Pr(n_A|p_A = \pi_A) = \binom{n}{n_A} \times \pi_A^{n_A} \times (1 - \pi_A)^{n-n_A}$

Likelihood ratio test statistic: LRT = $2 \times \ln (L_a/L_0)$

If H₀ is true, then LRT follows a χ^2 (df=1) distribution (approximately).

Likelihood-ratio test for the example

We observed $n_A = 78$ and $n_B = 22$.

 $H_0: (p_A, p_B) = (0.75, 0.25)$

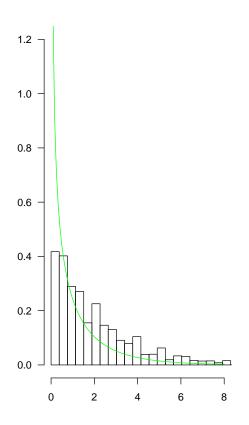
 $H_a:(p_A,p_B)\neq (0.75,0.25)$

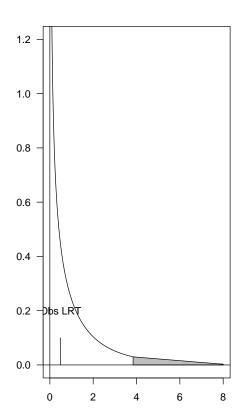
$$L_a = Pr(n_A = 78 \mid p_A = 0.78) = {100 \choose 78} \times 0.78^{78} \times 0.22^{22} = 0.096.$$

$$L_0 = Pr(n_A=78 \mid p_A=0.75) = {100 \choose 78} \times 0.75^{78} \times 0.25^{22} = 0.075.$$

LRT = 2 × In (L_a/L₀) = 0.49. Using a χ^2 (df=1) distribution, we get a p-value of 0.48.

We therefore have no evidence against the hypothesis $(p_A, p_B) = (0.75, 0.25)$.





A little math ...

$$n = n_A + n_B, \quad n_A^0 = \text{E}[n_A \mid H_0] = n \times \pi_A, \quad n_B^0 = \text{E}[n_B \mid H_0] = n \times \pi_B.$$

Then
$$L_a/L_0 = \left(\frac{n_A}{n_A^0}\right)^{n_A} \times \left(\frac{n_B}{n_B^0}\right)^{n_B}$$
.

Or equivalently
$$LRT = 2 \times n_A \times ln \left(\frac{n_A}{n_A^0} \right) + 2 \times n_B \times ln \left(\frac{n_B}{n_B^0} \right).$$

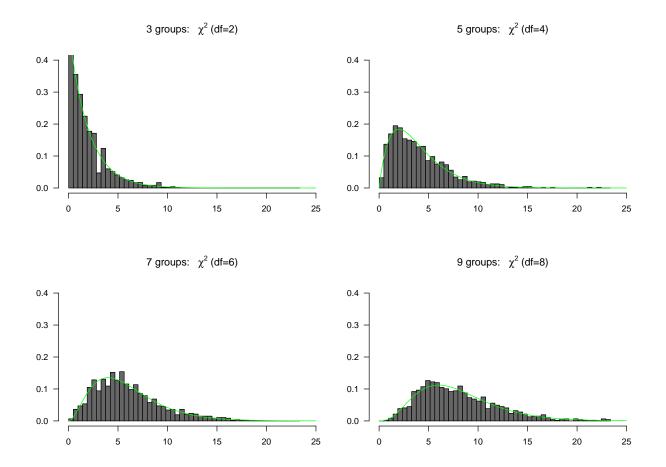
Why do this?

Generalization to more than two groups

If we have k groups, then the likelihood ratio test statistic is

LRT =
$$2 \times \sum_{i=1}^{k} n_i \times In \left(\frac{n_i}{n_i^0}\right)$$

If H₀ is true, LRT $\sim \chi^2$ (df=k-1).

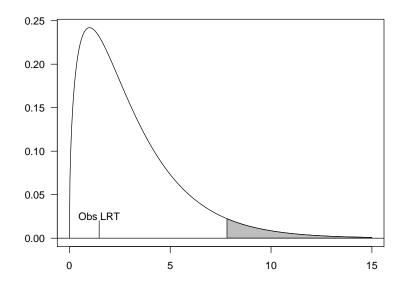


Example

In a dihybrid cross of tomatos we expect the ratio of the phenotypes to be 9:3:3:1. In 1611 tomatos, we observe the numbers 926, 288, 293, 104. Do these numbers support our hypothesis?

Phenotype	n _i	n _i 0	n_i/n_i^0	$n_i \times ln(n_i/n_i^0)$
Tall, cut-leaf	926	906.2	1.02	20.03
Tall, potato-leaf	288	302.1	0.95	-13.73
Dwarf, cut-leaf	293	302.1	0.97	-8.93
Dwarf, potato-leaf	104	100.7	1.03	3.37
Sum	1611			0.74

Results



The test statistics LRT is 1.48. Using a $\chi^2(df=3)$ distribution, we get a p-value of 0.69. We therefore have no evidence against the hypothesis that the ratio of the phenotypes is 9:3:3:1.

The chi-square test

There is an alternative technique. The test is called the chi-square test, and has the greater tradition in the literature. For two groups, calculate the following:

$$X^2 = \frac{(n_A - n_A^0)^2}{n_A^0} + \frac{(n_B - n_B^0)^2}{n_B^0}$$

If H_0 is true, then X^2 is a draw from a $\chi^2(df=1)$ distribution (approximately).

Example

In the first example we observed $n_A = 78$ and $n_B = 22$. Under the null hypothesis we have $n_A^0 = 75$ and $n_B^0 = 25$. We therefore get

$$X^2 = \frac{(78-75)^2}{75} + \frac{(22-25)^2}{25} = 0.12 + 0.36 = 0.48.$$

This corresponds to a p-value of 0.49. We therefore have no evidence against the hypothesis $(p_A, p_B) = (0.75, 0.25)$.

Note: using the likelihood ratio test we got a p-value of 0.48.

Generalization to more than two groups

As with the likelihood ratio test, there is a generalization to more than just two groups.

If we have k groups, the chi-square test statistic we use is

$$X^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \frac{(n_{i} - n_{i}^{0})^{2}}{n_{i}^{0}} \sim \chi^{2}(df=k-1)$$

Tomato example

For the tomato example we get

$$X^{2} = \frac{(926-906.2)^{2}}{906.2} + \frac{(288-302.1)^{2}}{302.1} + \frac{(293-302.1)^{2}}{302.1} + \frac{(104-100.7)^{2}}{100.7}$$
$$= 0.43 + 0.65 + 0.27 + 0.11 = 1.47$$

Using a χ^2 (df=3) distribution, we get a p-value of 0.69. We therefore have no evidence against the hypothesis that the ratio of the phenotypes is 9:3:3:1.

Note: using the likelihood ratio test we also got a p-value of 0.69.