

Big Data Fundamentals and Applications

Statistical Analysis (III)

Hypothesis Testing

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Introduction

- Before we introduce the inferential statistics, it is important to understand the fundamental concept of statistics, parametric and nonparametric, type I and type II error, reliability and validity, normality and independence, homoscedasticity and heteroscedasticity.
- Here, inferential statistics cover three sections: parametric statistics, nonparametric statistics, and correlation analysis.
- The following three slides demonstrate the road map/ cheat sheet/ decision tree of inferential statistics.



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Choice of Statistical Tests

Table 1 Choice of statistical test from paired or matched observation

Variable	Test
Nominal	McNemar's Test
Ordinal (ordered categories)	Wilcoxon
Quantitative (discrete or non-normal)	Wilcoxon
Quantitative (normal)	Paired t-test

Table 2 Parametric and nonparametric tests for comparing two or more groups

Parametric Test	Situation	Nonparametric Test
t-test	Two independent population	Wilcoxon rank sum test
t-test		Mann-Whitney U test
One way analysis of variance	Three or more populations	Kruskal Wallis test
Paired t-test	Paired population	Sign test
		Wilcoxon rank sign test
Pearson correlation	Correlation	Spearman correlation

Choice of Statistical Tests

Table 3 Choice of statistical test for independent observations

Input variable	Outcome variable						
		Nominal	Categorical (>2)	Ordinal	Quantitative Discrete	Quantitative Non-normal	Quantitative Normal
Nominal		χ^2 or Fisher's	χ^2	χ^2 -trend or Mann-Whitney	Mann-Whitney	Mann-Whitney or log-rank ^a	T-test
Categorical (>2)		χ^2	χ^2	Kruskal-Wallis ^b	Kruskal-Wallis ^b	Kruskal-Wallis ^b	ANOVA ^c
Ordinal		χ^2 -trend or Mann-Whitney	^e	Spearman rank	Spearman rank	Spearman rank	Spearman rank or Linear regression ^d
Quantitative Discrete		Logistic regression	^e	^e	Spearman rank	Spearman rank	Spearman rank or Linear regression ^d
Quantitative Non-normal		Logistic regression	^e	^e	^e	Plot data and Pearson or Spearman rank	Plot data and Pearson or Spearman rank and Linear regression
Quantitative Normal		Logistic regression	^e	^e	^e	Linear regression ^d	Pearson or Linear regression

^a If data are censored. ^b The Kruskal-Wallis test is used for comparing ordinal or non-Normal variables for more than two groups, and is a generalisation of the Mann-Whitney U test. ^c Analysis of variance is a general technique, and one version (one way analysis of variance) is used to compare Normally distributed variables for more than two groups, and is the parametric equivalent of the Kruskal-Wallis test. ^d If the outcome variable is the dependent variable, then provided the residuals (the differences between the observed values and the predicted responses from regression) are plausibly Normally distributed, then the distribution of the independent variable is not important. ^e There are a number of more advanced techniques, such as Poisson regression, for dealing with these situations. However, they require certain assumptions and it is often easier to either dichotomise the outcome variable or treat it as continuous.

Cheat Sheet

		Criterion / Measure / Dependent Variable			
		Categorical		Continuous	
		1 Variable, 2 Categories	1 Variable, >2 Categories	1 Variable	>1 Variable
Predictor / Covariate / Independent Variable	Categorical	χ^2 Test (Crosstabs → Statistics → <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chi-square)		Independent t Test (Compare Means → Independent-Samples)	
				Paired t Test (Compare Means → Paired Samples)	
				One-Way ANOVA (Compare Means → One-way ANOVA)	One-Way MANOVA (General Linear Model → Multivariate → Add Dependent Variables)
				Repeated Measures ANOVA (General Linear Model → Repeated Measures → Add Within-Sbj Factors)	Repeated Measures MANOVA (Repeated Measures ANOVA → Add Measures)
		Binomial Logistic Regression with Categorical Predictors (Regression → Binary Logistic → Categorical Covariates)	Multinomial Logistic Regression (Regression → Multinomial Logistic)	Factorial ANOVA (General Linear Model → Univariate → Add Fixed Factors)	Factorial MANOVA (One-Way MANOVA → Add Fixed Factors)
				Mixed-Design ANOVA (Repeated Measures ANOVA → Add Between-Sbj Factors)	Mixed-Design MANOVA (Mixed-Design ANOVA → Add Measures)
				One-Way ANCOVA (One-Way ANOVA → Add Covariates)	One-Way MANCOVA (One-Way MANOVA → Add Covariates)
	>1 Variable Mixed Categorical & Continuous				



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Hypothesis Testing

- A **statistical hypothesis test** is a method of statistical inference used to decide whether the data at hand sufficiently support a particular hypothesis. Hypothesis testing allows us to make probabilistic statements about population parameters.
- The usual line of reasoning is as follows:
 1. There is an initial research hypothesis of which the truth is unknown.
 2. The first step is to state the relevant **null** and **alternative hypotheses**. This is important, as mis-stating the hypotheses will muddy the rest of the process.
 3. The second step is to consider the **statistical assumptions** being made about the sample in doing the test; for example, assumptions about the **statistical independence** or about **the form of the distributions** of the observations. **This is equally important as invalid assumptions will mean that the results of the test are invalid.**

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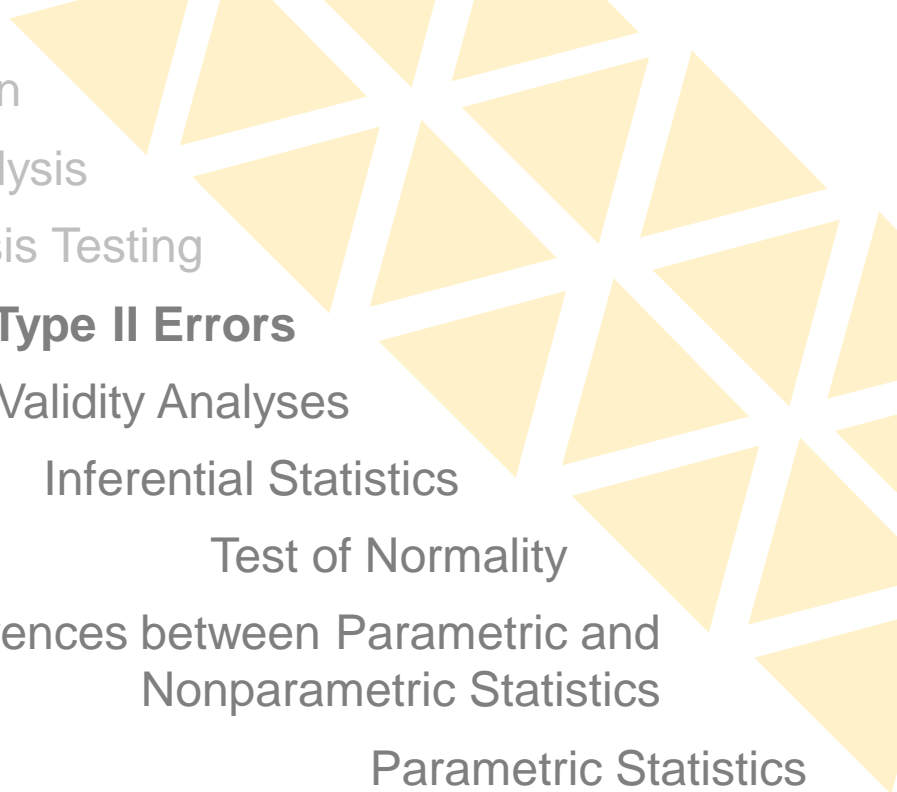
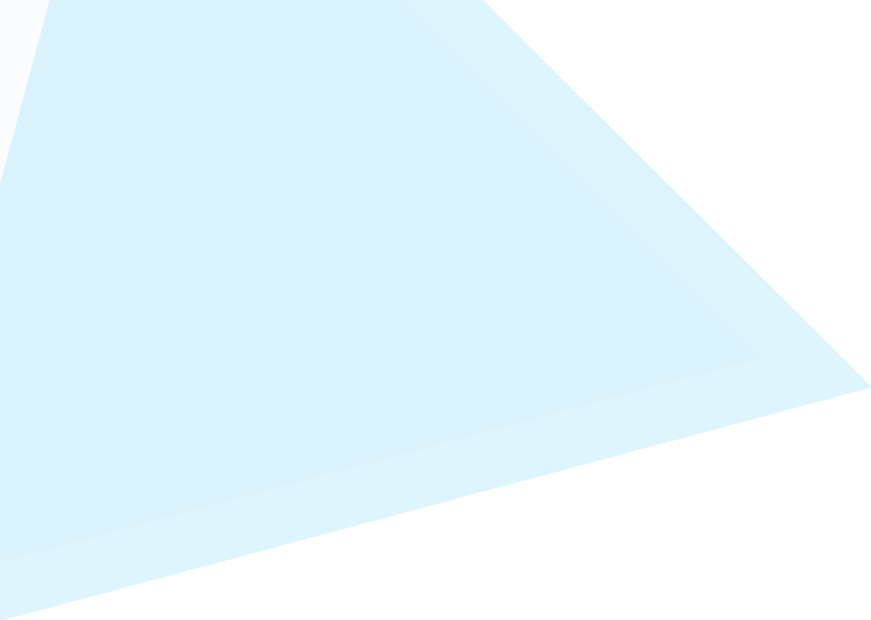
4. Decide which test is appropriate, and state the relevant **test statistic T** .
5. Derive the distribution of the test statistic under the null hypothesis from the assumptions. In standard cases this will be a well-known result. For example, the test statistic might follow a Student's t distribution with known degrees of freedom, or a normal distribution with known mean and variance. If the distribution of the test statistic is completely fixed by the null hypothesis we call the hypothesis simple, otherwise it is called composite.
6. Select a significance level (α), a probability threshold below which the null hypothesis will be rejected. Common values are 5% and 1%.

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7. The distribution of the test statistic under the null hypothesis partitions the possible values of T into those for which the null hypothesis is rejected—the so-called *critical region*—and those for which it is not. The probability of the critical region is α . In the case of a composite null hypothesis, the maximal probability of the critical region is α .
8. Compute from the observations the observed value t_{obs} of the t-test statistic.
9. Decide to either reject the null hypothesis in favor of the alternative or not reject it. The decision rule is to reject the null hypothesis H_0 if the observed value t_{obs} is in the critical region, and not to reject the null hypothesis otherwise.

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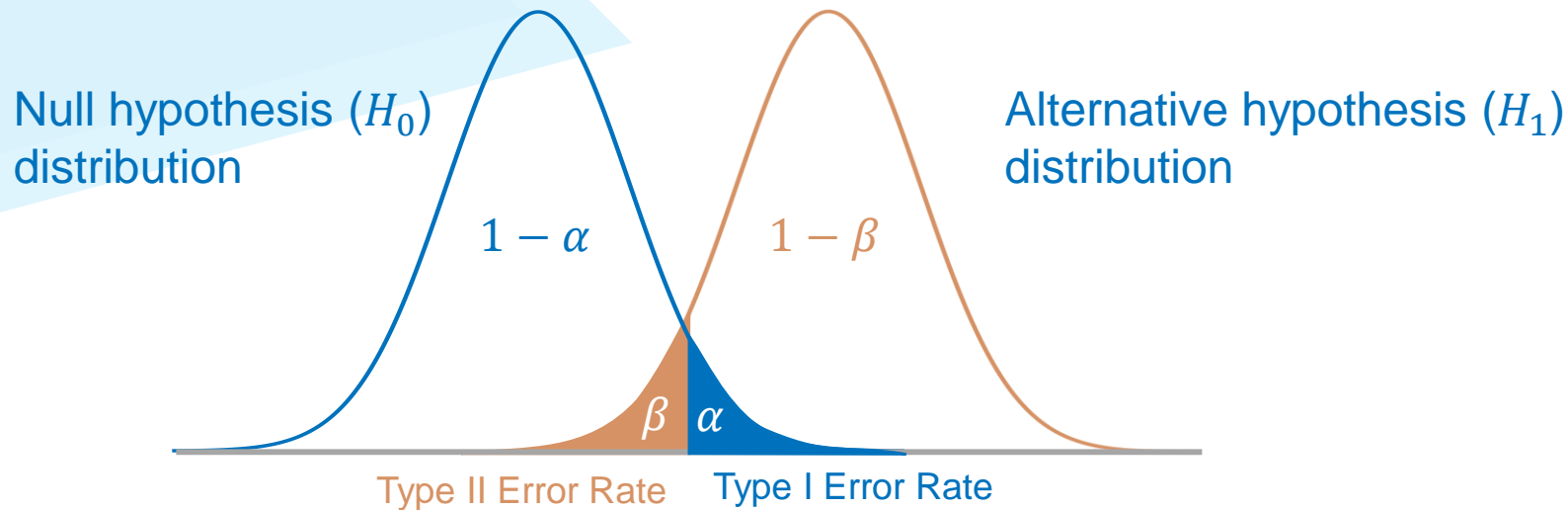
- A common alternative formulation of this process goes as follows:
 1. Compute from the observations the observed value t_{obs} of the test statistic T .
 2. Calculate the P value. This is the probability, under the null hypothesis, of sampling a test statistic at least as extreme as that which was observed (the maximal probability of that event, if the hypothesis is composite).
 3. Reject the null hypothesis, in favor of the alternative hypothesis, if and only if the p -value is less than (or equal to) the significance level (the selected probability) threshold (α), for example 0.05 or 0.01.



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Type I and Type 2 Errors

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		Actual	
		H_0 is False	H_0 is True
Prediction	Rejected H_0	Correct Decision True Positive <i>Probability = $1 - \beta$</i>	Type I Error False Positive <i>Probability = α</i>
	Accepted H_0	Type II Error False Negative <i>Probability = β</i>	Correct Decision True Negative <i>Probability = $1 - \alpha$</i>

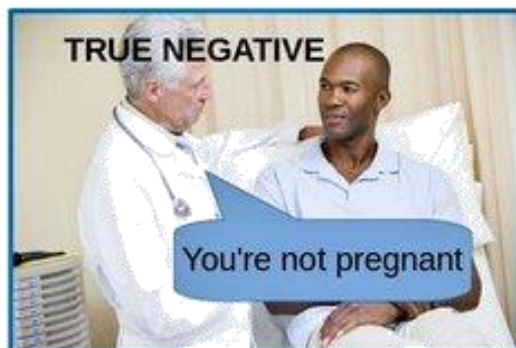
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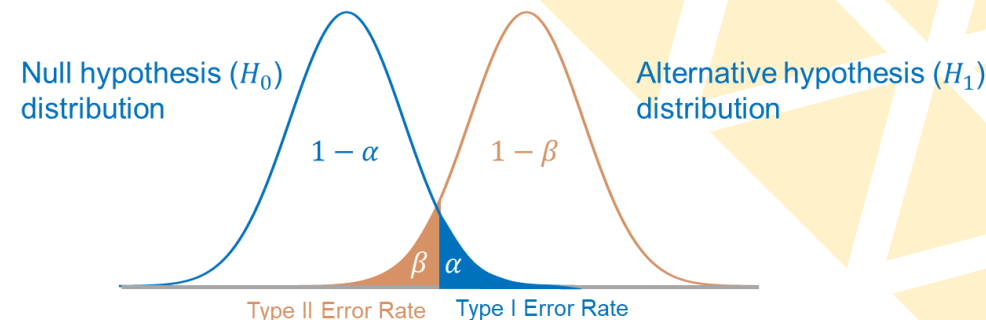
$\hat{Y} = 0$
NEGATIVE

$\hat{Y} = 1$
POSITIVE

$Y = 0$
NOT PREGNANT



$Y = 1$
PREGNANT



Hint: This is the "confusion matrix". We will use this matrix to demonstrate the fit performance of the model. The matrix calculates several metrics, such as recall, precision, F1 score, and precision.

Question Time

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask me.

The End

Thank you for your attention))