

Mathematical Statistics

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NON-PARAMETRIC TESTS

Plan for Today

1. Goodness-of-fit tests

- Kolmogorov test
- Kolmogorov-Smirnov (two samples)
- Kolmogorov-Lilliefors
- chi-square goodness-of-fit

2. Tests of independence

- chi-square test



Non-parametric tests

- we check whether a random variable fits a given distribution (goodness-of-fit tests).
- we check whether random variables have the same distribution
- we check whether variables/characteristics are independent (test of independence)



Kolmogorov goodness-of-fit test

Model: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are an IID sample from distribution with CDF F .

$$H_0: F = F_0 \quad (F_0 \text{ specified})$$

$$H_1: \neg H_0 \quad (\text{i.e. the CDF is different})$$

If F_0 is continuous, we use the statistic

$$D_n = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |F_n(t) - F_0(t)| = \max\{D_n^+, D_n^-\}$$

where

$$D_n^+ = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \left| \frac{i}{n} - F_0(x_{i:n}) \right|, \quad D_n^- = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \left| F_0(x_{i:n}) - \frac{i-1}{n} \right|$$

and $F_n(t)$ – n -th empirical CDF



Kolmogorov goodness-of-fit test – cont.

The test: we reject H_0 when:

$$D_n > c(\alpha, n)$$

for a critical value $c(\alpha, n)$.

Theorem. If H_0 is true, the distribution of D_n does not depend on F_0 .

Problem: This distribution needs tables, for each different n .

Theorem. In the limit

$$P(\sqrt{n}D_n \leq d) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} K(d) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} (-1)^k e^{-2k^2 d^2}$$

the approximation may be used for $n \geq 100$



Kolmogorov goodness-of-fit test – cont. (2)

Tables of the asymptotic distribution $K(d)$

$1-\alpha$	0.8	0.9	0.95	0.99
quantile of $K(d)$	1.07	1.22	1.36	1.63
$c(n, \alpha)$ for $n \geq 100$	$1.07/\sqrt{n}$	$1.22/\sqrt{n}$	$1.36/\sqrt{n}$	$1.63/\sqrt{n}$



Kolmogorov goodness-of-fit test – example

Does the sample

0.4085 0.5267 0.3751 0.8329 0.0846

0.8306 0.6264 0.3086 0.3662 0.7952

come from a uniform distribution $U(0,1)$?



Kolmogorov goodness-of-fit test – example cont.

$X_{i:10}$	$(i-1)/10$	$i/10$	$i/10 - F(X_{i:10})$	$F(X_{i:10}) - (i-1)/10$
0.0846	0	0.1	0.0154	0.0846
0.3086	0.1	0.2	-0.1086	0.2086
0.3662	0.2	0.3	-0.0662	0.1662
0.3751	0.3	0.4	0.0249	0.0751
0.4085	0.4	0.5	0.0915	0.0085
0.5267	0.5	0.6	0.0733	0.0267
0.6264	0.6	0.7	0.0736	0.0264
0.7952	0.7	0.8	0.0048	0.0952
0.8306	0.8	0.9	0.0694	0.0306
0.8329	0.9	1	0.1671	-0.0671

$$D_n = 0.2086 \quad c(10; 0.9) = 0.369$$

→ no grounds to reject the null hypothesis that the distribution is uniform



Kolmogorov-Smirnov test of equality of distributions

Model: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are an IID sample from a distribution with CDF F , Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_m are an IID sample from a distribution with CDF G .

$$H_0: F = G$$

$$H_1: \neg H_0 \quad (\text{i.e. the CDF functions/distributions differ})$$

If F (and G) is continuous, we test with

$$D_{n,m} = \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |F_n(t) - G_m(t)|$$

where $F_n(t)$ – n -th empirical CDF for the first sample, and $G_m(t)$ – m -th empirical CDF for the second sample

Kolmogorov-Smirnov test of equality of distributions – cont.

The test: we reject H_0 if:

$$D_{n,m} > c(\alpha, n, m)$$

for a critical value $c(\alpha, n, m)$.

Theorem. If H_0 is true, the distribution of $D_{n,m}$ does not depend on F (or G).

Theorem. In the limit

$$P\left(\sqrt{\frac{nm}{n+m}} D_{n,m} \leq d\right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty, m \rightarrow \infty} K(d) = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{+\infty} (-1)^k e^{-2k^2 d^2}$$

the approximation is OK for $n, m \geq 100$



Kolmogorov-Lilliefors goodness-of-fit test

Model: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are an IID sample from a distribution with CDF F .

H_0 : F is a CDF of a normal distribution
(with unknown parameters)

H_1 : $\neg H_0$ (i.e. the distribution is not normal)

We test with

$$D_n = \max\{D_n^+, D_n^-\}$$

where

and $D_n^+ = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \left| \frac{i}{n} - z_i \right|$, $D_n^- = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \left| z_i - \frac{i-1}{n} \right|$

$$z_i = \Phi\left(\frac{X_{i:n} - \bar{X}}{S}\right)$$



$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i,$$

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$$

Kolmogorov-Lilliefors goodness-of-fit test – cont.

The test: we reject H_0 if:

$$D_n > D_n(\alpha)$$

for a critical value $D_n(\alpha)$.

Theorem. If H_0 is true, the distribution of D_n does not depend on the parameters of the normal distribution.

Problem: we need tables and do not know the analytical form of this distribution...

Used for small samples ($n \leq 30$), when it performs better than the chi-square test



Kolmogorov-Lilliefors goodness-of-fit test – critical values

Sample Size N	Level of Significance for $D = \text{Max } F^*(X) - S_N(X) $				
	.20	.15	.10	.05	.01
4	.300	.319	.352	.381	.417
5	.285	.299	.315	.337	.405
6	.265	.277	.294	.319	.364
7	.247	.258	.276	.300	.348
8	.233	.244	.261	.285	.331
9	.223	.233	.249	.271	.311
10	.215	.224	.239	.258	.294
11	.206	.217	.230	.249	.284
12	.199	.212	.223	.242	.275
13	.190	.202	.214	.234	.268
14	.183	.194	.207	.227	.261
15	.177	.187	.201	.220	.257
16	.173	.182	.195	.213	.250
17	.169	.177	.189	.206	.245
18	.166	.173	.184	.200	.239
19	.163	.169	.179	.195	.235
20	.160	.166	.174	.190	.231
25	.149	.153	.165	.180	.203
30	.131	.136	.144	.161	.187
Over 30	.736	.768	.805	.886	1.031
	\sqrt{N}	\sqrt{N}	\sqrt{N}	\sqrt{N}	\sqrt{N}

Source: H. Lilliefors

Chi-square goodness-of-fit test

Model: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are an IID sample from a discrete distribution with k values (1, ..., k).

H_0 : the distribution probabilities are equal to

i	1	2	3	...	k
$P(X=i)$	p_1	p_2	p_3	...	p_k

$H_1: \neg H_0$ (i.e. the distribution is different)

If the results of the experiment are

i	1	2	3	...	k
N_i	N_1	N_2	N_3	...	N_k

value
labels

where N_i denotes the number of outcomes

equal to i :

$$N_i = \sum_{j=1}^n 1_{X_j=i}$$

Chi-square goodness-of-fit test – cont.

General form of the test:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(\text{observed value} - \text{expected value})^2}{\text{expected value}}$$

here:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(N_i - np_i)^2}{np_i}$$

Theorem. If H_0 is true, the distribution of the χ^2 statistic converges to a chi-square distr with $k-1$ degrees of freedom $\chi^2(k-1)$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$

Procedure: we reject H_0 if $\chi^2 > c$, where $c = \chi^2_{1-\alpha}(k-1)$ is a quantile of rank $1-\alpha$ from a chi-square distr with $k-1$ degrees of freedom



Chi-square goodness-of-fit test – example

Is a die symmetric? For a significance level $\alpha=0.05$
 $n=150$ tosses. Results:

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
N_i	15	27	36	17	26	29

$$H_0: (N_1, N_2, N_3, N_4, N_5, N_6)$$

$$\sim \text{Mult}(150, 1/6, 1/6, 1/6, 1/6, 1/6)$$

$$H_1: \neg H_0$$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(15 - 25)^2}{25} + \frac{(27 - 25)^2}{25} + \frac{(36 - 25)^2}{25} + \frac{(17 - 25)^2}{25} + \frac{(26 - 25)^2}{25} + \frac{(29 - 25)^2}{25}$$
$$= 12.24$$

$$\chi^2_{1-0.05}(5) \approx 11.7 \rightarrow \text{we reject } H_0.$$



Chi-square goodness-of-fit test – distribution with an unknown parameter.

Model: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are an IID sample from a discrete distribution with k values $(1, \dots, k)$.

H_0 : distribution probabilities are equal to

i	1	2	3	...	k
$P(X=i)$	$p_1(\theta)$	$p_2(\theta)$	$p_3(\theta)$...	$p_k(\theta)$

where θ is an unknown parameter of dimension d .

$H_1: \neg H_0$ (i.e. the distribution is different)



Chi-square goodness-of-fit test – distribution with an unknown parameter, cont.

Test statistics are constructed like in the previous case, with the expected values calculated using ML estimators of the parameter θ . Only the number of degrees of freedom changes:

Theorem. If H_0 is true, the distribution of the χ^2 statistic converges to a chi-square distribution with $k-d-1$ degrees of freedom $\chi^2(k-d-1)$ for $n \rightarrow \infty$



Chi-square goodness-of-fit test – version for continuous distributions

Kolmogorov tests are better, but the chi-square test may also be used

Model: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are an IID sample from a continuous distribution.

H_0 : The distribution is given by F

H_1 : $\neg H_0$ (i.e. the distribution is different)

It suffices to divide the range of values of the random variable into classes and count the observations. The expected values are known (result from F). Then: the chi-square test.



Chi-square goodness-of-fit test – practical notes

- ❑ The test should be used for large samples only.
- ❑ The expected counts can't be too small (<5). If they are smaller, observations should be grouped.
- ❑ The classes in the „continuous” version may be chosen arbitrarily, but it is best if the theoretical probabilities are balanced.



Chi-square test of independence

Model: $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$ are an IID sample from a two-dimensional distribution with $r \cdot s$ values (denoted by the set $\{1, \dots, r\} \times \{1, \dots, s\}$).

Let the theoretical distribution be

$$p_{ij} = P(X = i, Y = j) \quad i = 1, \dots, r \quad j = 1, \dots, s$$

Denote

$$p_{i\bullet} = \sum_{j=1}^s p_{ij}, \quad p_{\bullet j} = \sum_{i=1}^r p_{ij}$$

We want to verify independence of X and Y :

$$H_0: p_{ij} = p_{i\bullet} \cdot p_{\bullet j} \quad i = 1, \dots, s, \quad j = 1, \dots, r$$

$$H_1: \neg H_0$$



Chi-squared test of independence – cont.

The empirical distribution may be summarized by a table (so-called contingency table, or crosstab)

$i \setminus j$	1	2	...	s	$N_{i\bullet}$
1	N_{11}	N_{12}		N_{1s}	$N_{1\bullet}$
2	N_{21}	N_{22}		N_{2s}	$N_{2\bullet}$
...					
r	N_{r1}	N_{r2}		N_{rs}	$N_{r\bullet}$
$N_{\bullet j}$	$N_{\bullet 1}$	$N_{\bullet 2}$		$N_{\bullet s}$	n

Chi-squared test of independence – cont. (2)

This is a special case of a goodness-of-fit test with $(r-1) + (s-1)$ parameters to be estimated:

The test statistic:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^s \frac{(N_{ij} - N_{i\bullet}N_{\bullet j}/n)^2}{N_{i\bullet}N_{\bullet j}/n}$$

has a chi-square distribution with $(r-1)(s-1)$ degrees of freedom (if H_0 is true)



Chi-squared test of independence – example

We verify independence of political and musical preferences, at signif. level $\alpha = 0.05$

	Support X	Do not support X	Total
Listen to jazz	25	10	35
Listen to rock	20	20	40
Listen to hip-hop	15	10	25
Total	60	40	100

$$\begin{aligned}\chi^2 &= \frac{(25 - 60 * 35/100)^2}{60 * 35/100} + \frac{(20 - 60 * 40/100)^2}{60 * 40/100} + \frac{(15 - 60 * 25/100)^2}{60 * 25/100} \\ &\quad + \frac{(10 - 40 * 35/100)^2}{40 * 35/100} + \frac{(20 - 40 * 40/100)^2}{40 * 40/100} + \frac{(10 - 40 * 25/100)^2}{40 * 25/100} \\ &\approx 3.57\end{aligned}$$

$$\chi^2_{1-0.05}((2-1)(3-1)) = \chi^2_{0.95}(2) \approx 5.99$$

→ no grounds to reject H_0 .



