Nonparametric Statistical Methods

Corresponds to Chapter 14 of Tamhane and Dunlop

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Nonparametric Methods

- Most NP methods are based on ranks instead of original data
- Reference: Hollander & Wolfe, Nonparametric Statistical Methods

Histogram of 100 gamma(1,1) r.v.'s



Histogram of ranks of 100 r.v.'s



Parametric and Nonparametric Tests

Type of test	Parametric	Nonparametric
Single Sample	z and t tests	Sign test
		Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test
Two independent samples	z and t tests	Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test
		Mann Whitney U Test

Type of test	Parametric	Nonparametric
Several Independent Samples	ANOVA CRD	Kruskal-Wallace Test
Several Matched Samples	ANOVA RBD	Friedman Test
Correlation	Pearson	Spearman Rank Correlation
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Sign Test

- Inference on median (u) for a single sample, size n
- $H_0: u = u_0 vs. H_1 u \neq u_0$
- Count the number of $x_i{}^{\prime}s$ that are greater than u_0 and denote this s+
- The number of x_i 's less than u are s- = n s+
- Reject H_0 if s+ is large or if s- is small.
- Under H₀, s+ (and s-) has binomial(n,1/2) distribution
- Large sample z test

Histogram of thermostat data



Sign Test in S-Plus

> thermostat

[1] 202.2 203.4 200.5 202.5 206.3 198.0 203.7 200.8 201.3 199.0

> thermostat<200
[1] F F F F F T F F F T</pre>

> sum(thermostat<200)
[1] 2</pre>

> 2*pbinom(sum(thermostat<200),10,0.5)
[1] 0.109375</pre>

Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test

- Inference on median (u), single sample, size n
- Assumes population distribution is symmetric
- H₀: u=u₀ vs. H₁ u≠u₀
- $d_i = x_i u_0$
- Rank order |d_i|
- W+ = sum of ranks of positive differences
- W- = sum of ranks of negative differences
- $W_{max} = maximum (W+, W-)$
- Reject H_0 if W_{max} is large.
- Null Distribution see text
- Large sample z test

S-Plus wilcox.test for thermostat data

- > thermostat
 [1] 202.2 203.4 200.5 202.5 206.3 198.0 203.7 200.8
 201.3 199.0
- > sum(rank(abs(thermostat-200))[-c(6,10)])
 [1] 47
- > wilcox.test(thermostat,mu=200)

Exact Wilcoxon signed-rank test

```
data: thermostat
signed-rank statistic V = 47, n = 10, p-value =
    0.0488
alternative hypothesis: true mu is not equal to 200
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S-Plus parametric t-test for thermostat data

> t.test(thermostat, mu=200)

One-sample t-Test

data: thermostat t = 2.3223, df = 9, p-value = 0.0453 alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 200 95 percent confidence interval: 200.0459 203.4941 sample estimates: mean of x 201.77

Location-Scale Families

• See course textbook, page 575.

2 normal pdf's with location parameters = -1 and 1, scale parameter =1



Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test

- Inference on location of distribution of 2 independent random samples X and Y (e.g. from control and treatment population).
- Assume X~Y+∆
- $H_0: \Delta = 0 \text{ vs. } H_1: \Delta \neq 0$
- Rank all N = n1 + n2 observations
- W=sum of ranks assigned to the Y's (or X's, whichever has smaller sample size)
- Reject H₀ if W is extreme

Mann-Whitney U test

- Equivalent to Wilcoxon rank sum test
- Compare each x_i with each y_i.
- There are n_x*n_y such comparisons
- U= number of pairs in which $x_i < y_i$.
- Icbst W = U + $(n^{*}(n+1))/2$ (when no ties)
- Reject H_0 if U is extreme.

Boxplots of times to failure for control and stressed capacitors



S-Plus wilcox.test

> wilcox.test(cg, sg)

Exact Wilcoxon rank-sum test

data: cg and sg rank-sum statistic W = 95, n = 8, m = 10, p-value = 0.1011

alternative hypothesis: true mu is not equal to 0

S-Plus parametric t-test

> t.test(cg,sg)

```
Standard Two-Sample t-Test
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```
data: cg and sg
t = 1.8105, df = 16, p-value = 0.089
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-1.103506 14.018506
sample estimates:
mean of x mean of y
```

15.5375 9.08

Kolmogorov-Smirnov Tests

The Kolmogorov-Smirnov test detects differences in location, scale, skewness, or whatever (any differences between two distributions), uses two empirical cumulative distribution functions (step functions).

There is also a one-sample version for testing the distance between some observed data and a specified (ideal) distribution.



Histograms of 100 random normal (2,1) deviates and 100 random gamma(4,2) deviates



Kolmogorov-Smirnov Tests

> ks.gof(x,y)

```
Two-Sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov Test
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> ks.gof(y)

One sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov Test of Composite Normality

```
data: y
ks = 0.0969, p-value = 0.0216
alternative hypothesis: True cdf is not the normal distn. with
    estimated parameters
sample estimates:
    mean of x standard deviation of x
    1.865857 0.9421928
```

Kruskal-Wallis Test

- Inference for several independent samples
- Assume distributions of each of the samples differ only possibly in location.
- $X_{ij} = \theta + \tau_j + e_{ij}$.
- $H_0: \tau_1 = \tau_2 = ... = \tau_k$, vs. $H_1: \tau_i \neq \tau_j$ for some $i \neq j$
- Rank all $N=n_1+n_2..+n_a$ observations.
- Calculate rank sums and averages in each group
- Calculate KW test statistic=kw (see text)
- Reject H_0 for large values of kw
- For large n_i 's, null dist'n of kw χ^2_{a-1}

Test scores for four different teaching methods (page 582)

scm<-matrix(score,7,4)</pre>

> scm

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]
[1,]	14.06	14.71	23.32	26.93
[2,]	14.26	19.49	23.42	29.76
[3,]	14.59	20.20	24.92	30.43
[4,]	18.15	20.27	27.82	33.16
[5,]	20.82	22.34	28.68	33.88
[6,]	23.44	24.92	32.85	36.43
[7,]	25.43	26.84	33.90	37.04

Plot.factor(f(grp),score)



Ranks of Test Scores

```
> scmr<-matrix(rank(score),7,4)</pre>
```

> scmr

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]
[1,]	1	4.0	11.0	18
[2,]	2	6.0	12.0	21
[3,]	3	7.0	14.5	22
[4,]	5	8.0	19.0	24
[5,]	9	10.0	20.0	25
[6,]	13	14.5	23.0	27
[7,]	16	17.0	26.0	28

> tmp<-apply(scmr,2,sum)
> tmp
[1] 49.0 66.5 125.5 165.0

```
> (12/(28*29))*sum((tmp^2)/7)-3*29
[1] 18.13406
```

Kruskal-Wallis test in S-Plus

> kruskal.test(scm, col(scm))

Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test

data: scm and col(scm)
Kruskal-Wallis chi-square = 18.139, df = 3,
 p-value = 0.0004
alternative hypothesis: two.sided

ANOVA for test scores

Friedman Test

- Inference for several matched samples
- a treatments, b blocks
- $H_0: \tau_1 = \tau_2 = ... = \tau_k$, vs. $H_1: \tau_i \neq \tau_j$ for some $i \neq j$
- Rank observations separately within each block
- Calculate rank sums
- Calculate the Friedman statistic, fr (see text)
- Reject H_0 for large values of fr
- For b large, $fr \sim \chi^2_{a-1}$

Ranks within Blocks (rows)

```
> scmrb<-t(apply(scm,1,rank))</pre>
```

> scmrb

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]	[,4]
[1,]	1	2	3	4
[2,]	1	2	3	4
[3,]	1	2	3	4
[4,]	1	2	3	4
[5,]	1	2	3	4
[6,]	1	2	3	4
[7,]	1	2	3	4

> tmp<-apply(scmrb,2,sum)
[1] 7 14 21 28</pre>

```
> (12/(4*7*5))*sum(tmp^2)-3*7*5
[1] 21
```

Friedman test in S-Plus

- > friedman.test(scm, col(scm), row(scm))
- Friedman rank sum test
- data: scm and col(scm) and row(scm)
- Friedman chi-square = 21, df = 3, p-value = 0.0001
- alternative hypothesis: two.sided

ANOVA test score data with blocks

> summary(aov(score~f(grp)+f(blk)))

Df Sum of Sq Mean Sq F Value Pr(F) f(grp) 3 830.1914 276.7305 260.4768 5.220000e-015 f(blk) 6 397.6377 66.2729 62.3804 4.558276e-011 Residuals 18 19.1232 1.0624

Correlation Methods

- Pearson Correlation: measures only linear association.
- Spearman Correlation: correlation of the ranks
- Kendall's Tau: based on number of concordant and discordant pairs.

Kendall's Tau

- Assume: the n bivariate observations

 (X₁,Y₁),...,(X_n,Y_n) are a random sample from a continuous bivariate population.
- $H_0: X_i, Y_i$ are independent
- $H_0: F(x,y) = F(x)F(y)$
- Measure dependence by finding the number of concordant and discordant pairs.
- Population correlation coefficient: $\tau = 2*P\{X_2-X_1\}(Y_2-Y_1)>0\}-1$

Kendall's Tau

For $1 \le i < j \le n$:

$$Q((X_{i}, Y_{i}), (X_{j}, Y_{j})) = \begin{cases} 1, \text{ if } (X_{i} - X_{j})(Y_{i} - Y_{j}) > 0 \\ 0, \text{ if } (X_{i} - X_{j})(Y_{i} - Y_{j}) = 0 \\ -1, \text{ if } (X_{i} - X_{j})(Y_{i} - Y_{j}) < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$K = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} Q((X_i, Y_i), (X_j, Y_j))$$
$$\hat{\tau} = \frac{2K}{n(n-1)}$$

Kendall's Tau example

```
> m
    1 3 2 4
1 NA 1 1 1
2 NA NA -1 1
3 NA NA NA 1
4 NA NA NA NA NA
```

```
> 2*sum(m,na.rm=T)/12
[1] 0.66666667
```

```
> cor.test(c(1,2,3,4),c(1,3,2,4),method="k")
```

Kendall's rank correlation tau

```
data: c(1, 2, 3, 4) and c(1, 3, 2, 4)
normal-z = 1.3587, p-value = 0.1742
alternative hypothesis: true tau is not equal to 0
sample estimates:
```

tau

0.6666667





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Pearson Correlation

> cor.test(x,y,method="p")

Pearson's product-moment correlation

```
data: x and y
t = 2.9082, df = 8, p-value = 0.0196
alternative hypothesis: true coef is not
   equal to 0
sample estimates:
        cor
   0.7168704
```

Spearman Correlation

> cor.test(x,y,method="s")

Spearman's rank correlation

```
data: x and y
normal-z = 2.9818, p-value = 0.0029
alternative hypothesis: true rho is not
equal to 0
sample estimates:
rho
1
```

Kendall Correlaton

> cor.test(x,y,method="k")

Kendall's rank correlation tau

```
data: x and y
normal-z = 4.0249, p-value = 0.0001
alternative hypothesis: true tau is not
equal to 0
sample estimates:
tau
```

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Example - Environmental Data – Censored below LOD



Resampling Methods

- Parametric methods Inference based on assumed population distribution
- Resampling methods No assumption about functional form of population distribution.
- Permutation Tests 2 sample problem
- Jackknife Delete one observation at a time
- Bootstrap resample with replacement

Permulation Tests

- Goal: estimate difference in means (2 sample problem)
- $(x_1, x_2... x_{n1})$ and $(y_1, y_2... y_{n2})$ are independent samples drawn from F_1 and F_2 .
- H₀: F₁=F₂ => all assignments of labels x and y equally likely.
- Choose SRS of size n1 from n1+n2 observations and label as x, label rest as y.
- Calculate value of test statistic (e.g. difference in means) for each assignment -> permutation distribution.
- There are (n1+n2) choose (n1) possible distinct assignments (capacitor data set Ex14.7, n1=8, n2=10, number of assignments=43,758)

Jackknife

- Goal: estimate distribution and standard error of statistic (e.g. median or mean)
- Draw n samples of size n-1 from original sample, by deleting one observation at a time.
- Calculate m_i*=mean (median) from each sample

$$JSE(m) = \sqrt{\frac{n-1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (m_{j}^{*} - \overline{m}^{*})^{2}}$$

 JSE is exact for mean, not necessarily very good for median

Bootstrap

- Goal: estimate distribution, standard error, confidence interval of statistic (e.g. mean, median, correlation)
- Draw B samples of size n, with replacement, from original sample
- Calculate test statistics from each sample

$$BSE(m) = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{B} (m_j^* - \overline{m}^*)^2}{B-1}}$$

Swiss Data Set in S-Plus

Fertility Data for Switzerland in 1888 SUMMARY:

The swiss.fertility and swiss.x data sets contain fertility data for Switzerland in 1888. **ARGUMENTS:**

swiss.fertility

standardized fertility measure I[g] for each of 47 French-speaking provinces of Switzerland in approximately 1888.

swiss.x

matrix with 5 columns that contain socioeconomic indicators for the provinces: 1) percent of population involved in agriculture as an occupation; 2) percent of "draftees" receiving highest mark on army examination; 3) percent of population whose education is beyond primary school; 4) percent of population who are Catholic; and, 5) percent of live births who live less than 1 year (infant mortality).

SOURCE:

Mosteller and Tukey (1977). *Data Analysis and Regression.* Addison-Wesley. Unpublished data used by permission of Francine van de Walle. Population Study Center, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

Bootstrap estimates and CI for variance of education

```
> educ<-swiss.x[,3]</pre>
> var(educ)
[1] 92,45606
> educ.boot<-bootstrap(educ,var,trace=F)</pre>
> summary(educ.boot)
Call:
bootstrap(data = educ, statistic = var, trace = F)
Number of Replications: 1000
Summary Statistics:
    Observed Bias Mean
                              SE
var 92.46 -0.5972 91.86 39.14
Empirical Percentiles:
     2.5% 5% 95% 97.5%
var 29.98 36.26 165.3 175
```

Histogram of variance estimates obtained from 1000 bootstrap samples

var



QQ plot of variance estimates

var



Plot of LSAT scores by GPA for a sample of 15 schools



Bootstrap estimates and CI for correlation between LSAT and GPA

```
> law.boot<-bootstrap(law.data, cor(lsat,qpa), trace=F)</pre>
> summary(law.boot)
Call:
bootstrap(data = law.data, statistic = cor(lsat, qpa), trace = F)
Number of Replications: 1000
Summary Statistics:
     Observed Bias Mean
                                  SE
Param 0.7764 -0.00506 0.7713 0.1368
Empirical Percentiles:
       2.5% 5% 95% 97.5%
Param 0.449 0.5133 0.947 0.9623
BCa Confidence Limits:
        2.5% 5% 95% 97.5%
Param 0.2623 0.4138 0.9232 0.9413
```

Histogram of correlation estimates obtained from 1000 bootstrap samples

Param



QQ Plot of correlation estimates

Param



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S-Plus Stack-loss data set

- Stack-loss Data
- SUMMARY:
- The stack.loss and stack.x data sets are from the operation of a plant for the oxidation of ammonia to nitric acid, measured on 21 consecutive days.
- ARGUMENTS:
- stack.loss
 - percent of ammonia lost (times 10).
- stack.x
 - matrix with 21 rows and 3 columns representing air flow to the plant, cooling water inlet temperature, and acid concentration as a percentage (coded by subtracting 50 and then multiplying by 10).
- SOURCE:
- Brownlee, K.A. (1965). Statistical Theory and Methodology in Science and Engineering. New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
- Draper and Smith (1966). Applied Regression Analysis. New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
- Daniel and Wood (1971). Fitting Equations to Data. New York: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

S-Plus stack loss data set



Summary of stack loss regression

> summary(tmp)

```
Call: lm(formula = stack.loss ~ Air.Flow + Water.Temp + Acid.Conc., data =
   stack)
Residuals:
   Min
           10 Median 30
                             Max
 -7.238 -1.712 -0.4551 2.361 5.698
Coefficients:
              Value Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -39.9197 11.8960 -3.3557 0.0038
  Air.Flow 0.7156 0.1349 5.3066 0.0001
 Water.Temp 1.2953 0.3680 3.5196 0.0026
 Acid.Conc. -0.1521 0.1563 -0.9733 0.3440
Residual standard error: 3.243 on 17 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-Squared: 0.9136
F-statistic: 59.9 on 3 and 17 degrees of freedom, the p-value is 3.016e-009
Correlation of Coefficients:
          (Intercept) Air.Flow Water.Temp
 Air.Flow 0.1793
Water.Temp -0.1489 -0.7356
Acid.Conc. -0.9016
                     -0.3389
                             0.0002
```

Summary of stack loss bootstrap output

```
summary(stack.boot)
Call:
bootstrap(data = stack, statistic = coef(lm(stack.loss ~ Air.Flow
  + Water.Temp + Acid.Conc., stack)), trace = F)
Number of Replications: 1000
Summary Statistics:
           Observed
                        Bias
                                 Mean
                                         SE
(Intercept) -39.9197 0.5691396 -39.3505 9.3731
  Air.Flow 0.7156 0.0016734 0.7173 0.1777
Water.Temp 1.2953 -0.0264873 1.2688 0.4798
Acid.Conc. -0.1521 -0.0006978 -0.1528 0.1261
Empirical Percentiles:
              2.5%
                         5% 95% 97.5%
(Intercept) -56.0109 -53.4216 -21.92994 -18.75262
  Air.Flow 0.3903 0.4366 1.00261 1.04605
Water.Temp 0.4004 0.5131 2.07381 2.23633
Acid.Conc. -0.4285 -0.3740 0.03282 0.05912
```

Summary of stack loss bootstrap output

summary(stack.boot)

BCa Confidence Limits: 2.5% 5% 95% 97.5% (Intercept) -55.6465 -52.6606 -21.451125 -18.55810 Air.Flow 0.3266 0.4120 0.992007 1.01855 Water.Temp 0.5244 0.6193 2.264165 2.40956 Acid.Conc. -0.4629 -0.4101 -0.007724 0.04459

Correlation of Replicates:

	(Intercept)	Air.Flow	Water.Temp	Acid.Conc.
(Intercept)	1.00000	-0.17636	0.09902	-0.80236
Air.Flow	-0.17636	1.00000	-0.78822	-0.07635
Water.Temp	0.09902	-0.78822	1.00000	-0.24463
Acid.Conc.	-0.80236	-0.07635	-0.24463	1.00000

Histograms of regression coefficients



QQ Plots of regression coefficients

