

Course overview

1. Descriptive statistics

Cdf estimation: empirical cdf

survival function and the hazard function

Density estimation: vertically scaled histogram,

kernel density estimate, and steam-and-leaf plot

Q-Q plots and normal probability plots

Measures of location: sample mean \bar{X} ,

sample median \hat{M} , and α -trimmed mean \bar{X}_α

Measures of dispersion: sample variance s^2 , IQR, MAD

Skewness and kurtosis. Boxplots, outliers

2. Parameter estimation

Population parameters and sample parameters

point and interval estimates

Sampling distribution and sampling error

systematic and unsystematic errors

unbiased and consistent estimates

estimated standard error

Parametric statistical models

method of moments and ML method

Confident intervals exact and approximate

nonparametric CI for the population median

Parametric and non-parametric bootstrap

3. Hypotheses testing

Statistical hypotheses: simple and composite
one-sided and two-sided

Two types of error, error sizes: α and β

significance level and the P-value, two-sided P-value

exact and approximate null distributions

the power of the test, planning the sample size

Parametric and non-parametric one-sample tests

one-sample t -test, sign test, the signed rank test

the small-sample test for the proportion

large-sample tests for proportion and for mean

The duality of CI and hypotheses testing

4. Two or more samples

Two-sample t -test, Wilcoxon rank sum test

Simple linear regression model

least square estimates, normal equations

coefficient of determination

sample covariance, sample correlation

assessing the fit with residuals

CI and hypothesis testing concerning the slope β_1

model utility test of $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$

confidence bands for individual observations

Multiple regression model

adjusted coefficient of multiple determination

Anova tests

- the one-way layout F-test, Kruskal-Wallis test

- the two-way layout F-test, Friedman's test

Likelihood ratio tests and generalized LRT

- the power of test, optimal tests

- goodness-of-fit chi-square test, degrees of freedom

Categorical data: Fisher's exact test

- chi-square tests of homogeneity and of independence

- McNemar's test, odds ratio

Simultaneous confidence intervals

- Bonferroni's method and Tukey's method

5. Experimental design

Sampling with and without replacement

- finite population correction

Stratified random sampling

- optimal and proportional allocations

Two-sample tests: independent and paired samples

- double-blind, randomized controlled experiments

- confounding, Simpson's paradox

Anova tests: one-way layout and two-way layout

- randomized block design

Contingency tables

- independent samples or a cross-classified sample

- matched-pairs design

- prospective and retrospective studies

6. Decision theory and Bayesian inference

Risk function for a decision rule based on a loss function

minimax decision rules

Bayesian approach: prior and posterior distributions

Bayes risk and Bayes decision rule

Posterior risk and Bayes action

Conjugate priors

Beta and Dirichlet distributions, pseudocounts

Gamma distribution

Bayesian estimation: MAP and PME

credibility interval

Bayesian hypotheses testing and LRT