MATH 204 - ASSIGNMENT 3

Please Hand in Assignment in the Lecture on Friday 30th March.

For this assignment, all calculations can be done by hand with a calculator. However, you may use SPSS or other statistics packages.

1. The following data relate to a study of the relationship between chronic coughing and cigarette smoking in a cohort of n = 2847 twelve year old boys

Reference: Effect of children's and parents' smoking on respiratory symptoms. M Bland, BR Bewley, V Pollard and MH Banks, *Archives of Disease in Childhood*, Vol **53**, 100-105, 1978.

	Sm	Total		
	Non-smoker	Occasional	Regular	
Cough No cough	266 1037	395 977	80 92	741 2106
Total	1303	1372	172	2847

For this $r \times c$ table (r = 2, c = 3), we wish to test the null hypothesis of **independence** between the row and column factors.

(a) Form the table of **expected values** under the null hypothesis with entries \hat{n}_{ij} given by the formula

$$\widehat{n}_{ij} = \frac{n_i \cdot n_{.j}}{n}$$
 $i = 1, 2, j = 1, 2, 3.$

where

 n_i is the row total for row i

 $n_{.j}$ is the column total for column j.

2 Marks

(b) Compute the Chi-squared statistic

$$X^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{3} \frac{(n_{ij} - \widehat{n}_{ij})^{2}}{\widehat{n}_{ij}}$$

2 Marks

(c) Complete the test at the $\alpha=0.05$ significance level of the null hypothesis, recalling that if the independence hypothesis is true, $X^2 \sim \text{Chi-squared}((r-1)(c-1))$.

2 Marks

(d) An alternative test statistic is the **Likelihood Ratio** test statistic, LR, given by

$$LR = 2\sum_{i=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{3} n_{ij} \log(n_{ij}/\widehat{n}_{ij})$$

(where \log is natural \log , or \ln). Under the null hypothesis of independence, this test statistic also has an approximate Chi-squared((r-1)(c-1)) distribution.

Report the result of the test of independence using LR. Test at the $\alpha=0.05$ significance level.

4 Marks

2. In the following case-control study, the relationship between the single factor (tonsillectomy surgery) and disease status (Hodgkin's disease case or healthy control) was investigated.

Reference: Tonsillectomy history in Hodgkin's disease, S.K. Johnson and R.E. Johnson, *New England Journal of Medicine*, Vol **30**;287(22), pp 1122-51972.

	Hodgkin's Disease		Total
Tonsillectomy	Yes	No	
Yes	90	165	255
No	84	307	391
Total	174	472	646

Using the log odds ratio and its standard error

$$\log \widehat{\psi} = \log \left(\frac{n_{11} \ n_{22}}{n_{12} \ n_{21}} \right) \qquad \text{s.e.} (\log \widehat{\psi}) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_{11}} + \frac{1}{n_{12}} + \frac{1}{n_{21}} + \frac{1}{n_{22}}}$$

and the test statistic Z

$$Z = \frac{\log \widehat{\psi}}{\text{s.e.}(\log \widehat{\psi})}$$

test for an association between the factor and disease status. Use the result that under the hypothesis of no association, $Z \sim N(0,1)$ (see p 894, McClave and Sincich for Normal tables).

4 Marks

3. **The Mann-Whitney-Wilcoxon** (**MWW**) two-sample test is the non-parametric equivalent of the two-sample *t*-test. It is used to test the equality of the population medians for the two populations from which samples are drawn.

The test proceeds as follows: suppose that samples from populations 1 and 2 are available. Let the sample sizes be n_1 and n_2 , and the individual samples be $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_{n_1}$ and $y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_{n_2}$.

- (i) List all the data in ascending order, noting which population each value is drawn from.
- (ii) Assign numbers (termed ranks) $1, 2, ..., n_1 + n_2$ to the ordered sampled values, and compute the quantity R_2 , the sum of the ranks for sample values from **population 2**.
- (iii) Form the test statistic Z by first computing

$$U = R_2 - \frac{n_2}{2}(n_2 + 1)$$

then computing

$$Z = \frac{U - \frac{n_1 n_2}{2}}{\sqrt{\frac{n_1 n_2 (n_1 + n_2 + 1)}{12}}}$$

If the null hypothesis of equal population medians is **true**, $Z_1 \sim N(0,1)$.

Use the MWW procedure to test for equality of medians for the following two samples: the data are measurements of permeability constants of a placental membrane at full term (Pop 1.) and between 12 to 26 weeks of pregnancy (Pop 2.) Test the hypothesis at the $\alpha=0.05$ level.

Pop. 2: 12-26 Weeks 1.15, 0.88, 0.90, 0.74, 1.21

Note that this test is available in SPSS under the menus

Analyze \rightarrow *Nonparametric tests* \rightarrow 2 *Independent samples*

6 Marks

SPSS OUTPUT FOR ASSIGNMENT 3

Q1: CHI-SQUARED TEST

Cough reported * Smoking Status Crosstabulation

			Smoking Status			
			Non-smoker	Occasional	Regular	Total
Cough reported	No	Count	1037	977	92	2106
		Expected Count	963.9	1014.9	127.2	2106.0
	Yes	Count	266	395	80	741
		Expected Count	339.1	357.1	44.8	741.0
Total		Count	1303	1372	172	2847
		Expected Count	1303.0	1372.0	172.0	2847.0

Chi-Square Tests

	Value	df	Asymp. Sig. (2-sided)
Pearson Chi-Square	64.247(a)	2	.000
Likelihood Ratio	61.013	2	.000
Linear-by-Linear Association	59.449	1	.000
N of Valid Cases	2847		

a 0 cells (.0%) have expected count less than 5. The minimum expected count is 44.77.

Q3: Mann-Whitney Test

Ranks

	рор	N	Mean Rank	Sum of Ranks
perm	Full term	10	9.00	90.00
	12-26 Weeks	5	6.00	30.00
	Total	15		

Test Statistics(b)

	perm
Mann-Whitney U	15.000
Wilcoxon W	30.000
Z	-1.225
Asymp. Sig. (2-tailed)	.221
Exact Sig. [2*(1-tailed Sig.)]	.254(a)

a Not corrected for ties.

b Grouping Variable: pop