

INFERENCE FOR ONE-WAY ANOVA

To test equality of means for different treatments, we can use the null hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_v$$

Rephrase:

1. In terms of effects: _____
2. In terms of differences of effects: _____
3. In terms of contrasts $\tau_i - \bar{\tau}$, where $\bar{\tau} = \frac{1}{v} \sum_{i=1}^v \tau_i$: _____

The *treatment degrees of freedom* is the number of equations needed to state the null hypothesis, in other words _____.

Alternate hypothesis: H_a : _____

One perspective on the test: Compare ssE under the *full* model (with all parameters) with the error sum of squares ssE_0 under the *reduced* model -- i.e., the one assuming H_0 is true.

To calculate ssE_0 : If H_0 is true, let τ be the common value of the τ_i 's. Then the reduced model is

- $Y_{it} = \mu + \tau + \varepsilon_{it}^0$
- $\varepsilon_{it}^0 \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$
- the ε_{it}^0 's are independent,

where ε_{it}^0 denotes the i^{th} error in the reduced model.

To find ssE_0 , we use least squares to minimize $g(m) = \sum_{i=1}^v \sum_{t=0}^{r_i} (y_{it} - m)^2$:

$$g'(m) = \sum_{i=1}^v \sum_{t=0}^{r_i} (-1)(y_{it} - m) = 0,$$

which yields estimate $\bar{y}..$ for $\mu + \tau$ -- that is, the least squares estimate of $\mu + \tau$ is $(\mu + \tau)^{\wedge} = \bar{y}..$ (By abuse of notation, we call this $\hat{\mu} + \hat{\tau}$). So

$$ssE_0 = \sum_{i=1}^v \sum_{t=0}^{r_i} (y_{it} - \bar{y}_{..})^2,$$

which can be shown (proof will be homework) to equal $\sum_{i=1}^v \sum_{t=0}^{r_i} y_{it}^2 - n(\bar{y}_{..})^2$

Note that ssE and ssE₀ can be considered as minimizing the same expression, but over different sets: ssE minimizes $\sum_{i=1}^v \sum_{t=0}^{r_i} (y_{it} - m - t_i)^2$ over the set of all v + 1-tuples

(m, t₁, t₂, ..., t_v), whereas ssE₀ can be considered as minimizing the same expression over the subset set where all t_i's are zero. Thus ssE₀ must be at least as large as ssE: ssE₀ ≥ ssE.

However, if H₀ is true, then ssE and ssE₀ should be about the same. This suggests the idea of using the ratio (ssE₀-ssE)/ssE as a test for the null hypothesis: If H₀ is true, this ratio should be small; so a large ratio would be reason to reject the null hypothesis.

The difference ssE₀-ssE is called the *sum of squares for treatment*, or *treatment sum of squares*, denoted ssT. Using the alternate expressions for ssE₀ and ssE, we have:

$$\begin{aligned} ssT = ssE_0 - ssE &= \sum_{i=1}^v \sum_{t=0}^{r_i} y_{it}^2 - n(\bar{y}_{..})^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^v \sum_{t=0}^{r_i} y_{it}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^v r_i (\bar{y}_{i\cdot})^2 \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^v r_i (\bar{y}_{i\cdot})^2 - n(\bar{y}_{..})^2 \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^v (y_{i\cdot})^2}{r_i} - \frac{(y_{..})^2}{n} \quad (\text{using definitions}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^v r_i (\bar{y}_{i\cdot} - \bar{y}_{..})^2 \quad (\text{homework}) \end{aligned}$$

This last expression can be considered as a "between treatments" sum of squares --- we are comparing each treatment sample mean $\bar{y}_{i\cdot}$ with the grand (overall) mean $\bar{y}_{..}$. By contrast, our denominator, $ssE = \sum_{i=1}^v \sum_{t=0}^{r_i} (y_{it} - \bar{y}_{i\cdot})^2$ is a "within treatments" sum of squares: it compares each value with the mean for the treatment group from which the value was obtained.

Using the model assumptions, it can be proved that:

- $ssE/\sigma^2 \sim \chi^2(n - v)$
- If H₀ is true, $ssT/\sigma^2 \sim \chi^2(v - 1)$

- If H_0 is true, then ssT and ssE are independent.

Thus

$$\frac{ssT/\sigma^2(v-1)}{ssE/\sigma^2(n-v)} \sim F_{v-1, n-v}.$$

Since $\frac{ssT/\sigma^2(v-1)}{ssE/\sigma^2(n-v)}$ simplifies to $\frac{ssT/(v-1)}{ssE/(n-v)}$, which we can calculate from our sample, we can use an F test, with test statistic $\frac{ssT/(v-1)}{ssE/(n-v)}$, to test our hypothesis.

Note: This isn't quite what we set out to do -- we originally wanted to use ssT/ssE . We had to introduce the "fudge factors" to get something that had a tractable distribution. However, we can look at $ssT/(v-1)$ and $ssE/(n-v)$ as we did in the equal-variance, two-sample t-test: $ssE/(n-v)$ is a pooled estimate of the common variance σ^2 , and if H_0 is true, then $ssT/(v-1)$ can be regarded as an estimate of σ^2 .

Notation: $ssT/(v-1)$ is called msT (*mean square for treatment* or *treatment mean square*) and $ssE/(n-v)$ is called msE (*mean square for error* or *error mean square*). So the test statistic is $F = msT/msE$.