Math 362: Mathematical Statistics II

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The Friedman Test

What is the nonparametric counterpart for the two-way ANOVA?

Setup Suppose that $k \geq 2$ independent sample of size $n_1, \cdots, n_k$ are drawn from k

identically shaped and scaled pdfs,
except for possibly different medians.

Assume that $n_1 = \cdots = n_k$.

Samples can be further partitioned into b blocks.

Let $\widetilde{\mu}_1, \cdots, \widetilde{\mu}_k$ be the medians.

Test $H_0 : \widetilde{\mu}_1 = \widetilde{\mu}_2 = \cdots = \widetilde{\mu}_k$ vs. H_1 : not all the $\widetilde{\mu}_i$'s are equal.

Remark This is the test for median not mean, but if pdfs are symmetric, they are the same.

The Friedman Test Statistic:

Reject H_0 at the α level if

$$G = \frac{12}{bk(k+1)} \sum_{j=1}^{k} R_{\cdot j}^2 - 3b(k+1) \geq \chi^2_{1-\alpha,k-1}.$$

where $R_{\cdot j}$ is the within-block ranks.

E.g. Baseball ...

Test if $H_0 : \widetilde{\mu}_{\text{Narrow}} = \widetilde{\mu}_{\text{Wide}}$ at $\alpha = 0.01$

Table 14.5.1 Times (sec) Required to Round First Base

Player	Narrow-Angle	Rank	Wide-Angle	Rank
1	5.50	1	5.55	2
2	5.70	1	5.75	2
3	5.60	2	5.50	1
4	5.50	2	5.40	1
5	5.85	2	5.70	1
6	5.55	1	5.60	2
7	5.40	2	5.35	1
8	5.50	2	5.35	1
9	5.15	2	5.00	1
10	5.80	2	5.70	1
11	5.20	2	5.10	1
12	5.55	2	5.45	1
13	5.35	1	5.45	2
14	5.00	2	4.95	1
15	5.50	2	5.40	1
16	5.55	2	5.50	1
17	5.55	2	5.35	1
18	5.50	1	5.55	2
19	5.45	2	5.25	1
20	5.60	2	5.40	1
21	5.65	2	5.55	1
22	6.30	2	6.25	1
		39		27

Sol. $k = 2$, $b = 22$

Compute the rank within each block (see the previous table)

Compute the g statistic:

$$g = \frac{12}{22 \times 2 \times (2+1)} \left[39^2 + 27^2\right] - 3 \times 22 \times (2+1) = \frac{72}{11} \approx 6.54.$$

Critical region is

$$C = \left\{g : g \geq \chi^2_{0.95,1} = 3.84\right\}.$$

The p-value is

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\chi^2_1 \geq \frac{72}{11}\right) = 0.01051525.$$

Conclusion: Reject. ■

R Code for this problem:

```
C1 <- c(
5.50, 5.70, 5.60, 5.50, 5.85, 5.55, 5.40, 5.50, 5.15, 5.80, 5.20,
5.55, 5.35, 5.00, 5.50, 5.55, 5.55, 5.50, 5.45, 5.60, 5.65, 6.30)
C2 <- c(
5.55, 5.75, 5.50, 5.40, 5.70, 5.60, 5.35, 5.35, 5.00, 5.70, 5.10,
5.45, 5.45, 4.95, 5.40, 5.50, 5.35, 5.55, 5.25, 5.40, 5.55, 6.25)
angles <- matrix(
  cbind(C1, C2),
  nrow = 22,
  byrow = FALSE,
  dimnames = list(1:22, c("Narrow", "Wide"))
)
friedman.test(angles)
```

Here is the output:

```
  > C1 <- c(
+ 5.50, 5.70, 5.60, 5.50, 5.85, 5.55, 5.40, 5.50, 5.15, 5.80, 5.20,
+ 5.55, 5.35, 5.00, 5.50, 5.55, 5.55, 5.50, 5.45, 5.60, 5.65, 6.30)
> C2 <- c(
+ 5.55, 5.75, 5.50, 5.40, 5.70, 5.60, 5.35, 5.35, 5.00, 5.70, 5.10,
+ 5.45, 5.45, 4.95, 5.40, 5.50, 5.35, 5.55, 5.25, 5.40, 5.55, 6.25)
> angles <- matrix(
+ cbind(C1, C2),
+ nrow = 22,
+ byrow = FALSE,
+ dimnames = list(1:22, c("Narrow", "Wide"))
+ )
> friedman.test(angles)

        Friedman rank sum test

data:  angles
Friedman chi-squared = 6.5455, df = 1, p-value = 0.01052
```