

Biometry. Lecture 16

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```
> setwd("<working folder>")  
or  
"Change dir"  
in menu!
```

On Mac, be sure that startup option is working: `getwd()`
(`getwd()` checks if R is in working folder, `dir()` checks the folder content)



Two-dimensional statistics

Hypotheses and tests



Null and alternative for two numeric samples

- Null: difference equal to 0 \approx similar \approx related \approx samples came from same population
- Alternative: difference not equal to 0 \approx different \approx non-related \approx samples came from different populations



Null and alternative for chi-squared

- Null: independent distribution \approx equal counts in each cell \approx no pattern
- Alternative: concerted distribution \approx non-equal counts in each cell \approx pattern



p-value

- p-value is the probability to have equal or greater effect in case if null hypothesis is true
- p-value is related with the accepted level of Type I statistical error (false alarm): the bigger is the significance level of p-value, the more false alarms we accept and at the same time, the more sensitive is our research
- In biology, the most common level of significance is 0.05
- As a rule, if p-value is equal or less then 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, if more – we stay with null hypothesis



Two main questions

- Normal?
`t.test()` or `wilcox.test()`
- Paired?
`(..., paired=T)` or `(...)`



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Test for tables: chi-squared



Food intoxication example

- The poisoning took place on the party of Epidemiology Statistics association
- 13 food choices and 45 persons
- Data file `tox.txt`: $ILL = 1$ (poisoned), $= 2$ (not poisoned)



```
> tox <- read.table("http://ashipunov.info/data/tox.txt",  
+ h=TRUE)  
> str(tox)  
> head(tox)  
> for (m in 2:ncol(tox))  
+ {  
+   tmp <- chisq.test(tox$ILL, tox[,m])  
+   print(paste(names(tox)[m], tmp$p.value))  
+ }  
> assocplot(table(ILL=tox$ILL, CAESAR=tox$CAESAR))  
> assocplot(table(ILL=tox$ILL, TOMATO=tox$TOMATO))
```



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The anatomy of two-sample test: sign test



Sign test

- Idea is simple: to calculate differences between all pairs of values (paired test!)
- Then take only positive differences
- If two samples came from a same distribution, approximately 50% of differences should be positive—we can test with with, e.g., binomial test



Making the sign test

These are points from the first and second exam in one small class. Both exams were equivalent. Are second exam results better?

```
> first <- c(63, 72, 77, 76, 67, 56, 55, 51, 77, 64)
> second <- c(87, 86, 76, 79, 54, 60, 97, 80, 73, 97)
> dif <- second - first
> pos.dif <- dif[dif > 0]
> binom.test(length(pos.dif), length(dif))
```



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Multiple comparisons



Multiple comparisons

- If we apply multiple tests to one component (e.g., test several samples against one), probability to obtain incorrect answer will grow
- To keep the error rate low, one should apply the so-called *Bonferroni correction*, in other words—increase p-values to avoid the growing error



Seedling example

Which fungus terminates the germination?

```
> pr <- read.table(  
+ "http://ashipunov.info/data/seedlings.txt", h=TRUE)  
> head(pr)  
> unique(pr$CID)  
# correct only for one comparison!  
> chisq.test(table(subset(pr, CID==c(0,105))))  
> p105 <- chisq.test(table(subset(pr,  
+ CID==c(0,105))))$p.value  
> p63 <- chisq.test(table(subset(pr,  
+ CID==c(0,63))))$p.value  
> p80 <- chisq.test(table(subset(pr,  
+ CID==c(0,80))))$p.value  
> all.p <- c(p105, p63, p80)  
> p.adjust(all.p)
```



Toxicity with correction

```
> tox <- read.table("http://ashipunov.info/data/tox.txt",  
+ h=TRUE)  
> answer <- data.frame(FOOD=NA, CHISQ.P=NA)  
> for (m in 2:ncol(tox))  
+ {  
+   tmp <- chisq.test(tox$ILL, tox[,m])  
+   answer[m-1,] <- c(names(tox)[m], tmp$p.value)  
+ }  
> answer[,2] <- p.adjust(answer[,2])  
> answer
```



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Concordance and Cohen kappa



- Concordance is a measure of “agreement” between two expert answer sheets
- The most common application are psychological tests
- Cohen kappa test is frequently used for understanding the degree of concordance; **the null hypothesis for Cohen kappa is that two answer sheets are non-concordant**



Cohen kappa and island flora

```
> source("http://ashipunov.info/data/concordance.r")
> isl <- read.table(
+ "http://ashipunov.info/data/pokorm_03.dat",
+ h=TRUE, sep=";")
> str(isl); head(isl)
> cohen.kappa(as.matrix(isl))
```



Finishing...

Save your commands!

`(savehistory(<today's date>.r)` or File -> Save as... on Mac)



Summary: most important commands

- `chisq.test()`—test for independence of rows and columns



For Further Reading



A. Shipunov.

Biometry [Electronic resource].

2012—onwards.

Mode of access:

http://ashipunov.info/shipunov/school/biol_240



A. Shipunov, and others.

Visual statistics. Use R!

Ongoing translation from Russian.

