

## Sec. 6.2 --- Lilliefors Goodness-of-Fit Tests

- With the Kolmogorov test, the hypothesized distribution must be completely specified, including parameter values.
- In some cases, we may want to test whether the data may come from some distribution (e.g., normal, exponential, etc.) without knowing what the specific parameter values may be.
- Lilliefors introduced Kolmogorov-type tests to allow testing goodness of fit when the parameters are not specified, but rather estimated from the data.

### Lilliefors Test for Normality

- Assume that we have a random sample  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ .

**Hypotheses:**  $H_0$ : The  $X_i$ 's follow a normal distribution with unspecified mean and variance

vs.  $H_1$ : The  $X_i$ 's follow a non-normal distribution

- Compute the normalized sample values

$$Z_i = \frac{X_i - \bar{X}}{S}, \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

where

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad S = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

- Let  $S(x)$  be the e.d.f. of the  $Z_i$ 's, and let  $F^*(x)$  be the c.d.f. of the standard normal distribution; then the Lilliefors test statistic is:

$$T_1 = \sup_x |F^*(x) - S(x)|$$

- If  $T_1$  is excessively large, then  $H_0$  is rejected.
- The null distribution of  $T_1$  is unknown and has been approximated by random number generation.

Using Table A14, reject  $H_0$  if

$$T_1 > W_{1-\alpha}$$

The P-value is approximated via interpolation in Table A14, or by using R.

**Example 1:** The data on page 445 consist of 50 observations. At  $\alpha = 0.05$ , is it reasonable to claim that the data follow a normal distribution?

**Test Statistic:**  $T_1 = 0.081$  from R

**Decision Rule:** Reject  $H_0$  if  $T_1 > \frac{.895}{\sqrt{50} - .01 + .83/\sqrt{50}} = .125$

**P-value**  $\approx .567$  from R

**Conclusion:** Since  $T_1 < .125$ , we fail to reject  $H_0$ . We have no reason to doubt that the data follow a normal distribution.

See examples on simulated data on course web page.

## Lilliefors Test for Exponential Distribution

- Assume that we have a random sample  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ .

**Hypotheses:**  $H_0$ : The  $X_i$ 's follow an exponential distribution with unspecified mean

vs.  $H_1$ : The  $X_i$ 's do not follow an exponential distribution

- Compute the standardized sample values

$$Z_i = \frac{X_i}{\bar{X}}, \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

- Let  $S(x)$  be the e.d.f. of the  $Z_i$ 's, and let  $F^*(x)$  be the c.d.f. of the standard exponential distribution:

- Then the Lilliefors test statistic is:

$$T_2 = \sup_x |F^*(x) - S(x)|$$

- If  $T_2$  is excessively large, then  $H_0$  is rejected.
- The null distribution of  $T_2$  is complicated, but has been tabulated in Table A15.

Using Table A15, reject  $H_0$  if

$$T_2 > W_{1-\alpha}$$

The P-value is approximated via interpolation in Table A15.

**Example 2:** The exponential distribution is a common model for waiting times between occurrences of some random phenomenon. A built-in data set in R gives 272 waiting times between eruptions of the Old faithful geyser. At  $\alpha = 0.05$ , is it reasonable to claim that the waiting times follow an exponential distribution?

**Test Statistic:**  $T_2 = 0.466$  from R

**Decision Rule:**

Reject  $H_0$  if  $T_2 > \frac{1.0753}{\sqrt{272}} = .065$

bottom Table A15

**Conclusion:** Since  $.466 > .065$ , reject  $H_0$  and conclude the waiting times do not follow an exponential distribution.

- Lilliefors also presented a similar goodness-of-fit test for a gamma distribution with unknown parameter values. More such tests could be developed similarly.
- The Shapiro-Wilk test (`shapiro.test` in R) is another test for normality, based not on the e.d.f. but on the correlation between observed order statistics and expected order statistics under normality.
- The Shapiro-Wilk test tends to have better power than the Lilliefors test for detecting departures from normality.

## Sec. 6.3 --- Smirnov Test for Two Samples

- Suppose we have independent random samples (denoted  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  and  $Y_1, \dots, Y_m$ ) from two populations.
- The Smirnov test (also called the Kolmogorov-Smirnov two-sample test) uses the e.d.f. of each sample to test whether the two samples come from the same distribution.
- Let  $F(\cdot)$  represent the c.d.f. of the  $X_i$ 's and let  $G(\cdot)$  represent the c.d.f. of the  $Y_i$ 's.
- Assume the samples are mutually independent and the measurement scale is at least ordinal.
- Let  $S_1(x)$  represent the e.d.f. of the  $X_i$ 's and let  $S_2(x)$  represent the e.d.f. of the  $Y_i$ 's.

### Possible Hypotheses and Decision Rules

$H_0: F(x) = G(x)$ for all $x$	$H_0: F(x) \leq G(x)$ for all $x$	$H_0: F(x) \geq G(x)$ for all $x$
$H_1: F(x) \neq G(x)$ for some $x$	$H_1: F(x) > G(x)$ for some $x$	$H_1: F(x) < G(x)$ for some $x$

These alternative hypotheses can also be stated as:

$H_1$ : The  $X$ 's and the  $Y$ 's do not have the same distribution

$H_1$ : The  $X$ 's tend to be smaller than the  $Y$ 's.

$H_1$ : The  $X$ 's tend to be larger than the  $Y$ 's.

**Test Statistic (depends on the alternative hypothesis):**

$H_1: F(x) \neq G(x)$ <p style="text-align: center;">for some <math>x</math></p> $T_1 = \sup_x  S_1(x) - S_2(x) $	$H_1: F(x) > G(x)$ <p style="text-align: center;">for some <math>x</math></p> $T_1^+ = \sup_x (S_1(x) - S_2(x))$	$H_1: F(x) < G(x)$ <p style="text-align: center;">for some <math>x</math></p> $T_1^- = \sup_x (S_2(x) - S_1(x))$
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- The null distributions of  $T_1$ ,  $T_1^+$  and  $T_1^-$  are based on the fact that all orderings of  $X$ 's and  $Y$ 's are equally likely if  $H_0$  is true. The null distributions are tabulated in Table A19 for  $n = m$  and in Table A20 if  $n \neq m$ .

- The corresponding rejection rules in each case are:

<p>Reject <math>H_0</math> if</p> $T_1 > W_{1-\alpha}$ <p style="text-align: center;">↑ two-sided</p>	<p>Reject <math>H_0</math> if</p> $T_1^+ > W_{1-\alpha}$ <p style="text-align: center;">↑ one-sided</p>	<p>Reject <math>H_0</math> if</p> $T_1^- > W_{1-\alpha}$ <p style="text-align: center;">↑ one-sided</p>
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- The P-values for each case are approximated by interpolation within the tables or found using R.
- If  $n = m$ , equation (5) on page 458 can be used to obtain a more exact p-value.

- If  $n$  is too large for the tables, an approximation given at the end of the tables can be used.

**Example 1: Consider the 2 samples given on page 460:**

$X_i$ 's: 7.6, 8.4, 8.6, 8.7, 9.3, 9.9, 10.1, 10.6, 11.2

$Y_i$ 's: 5.2, 5.7, 5.9, 6.5, 6.8, 8.2, 9.1, 9.8, 10.8, 11.3, 11.5, 12.3, 12.5, 13.4, 14.6

**Is it reasonable to believe that the two samples follow identical distributions?**

$$H_0: F(x) = G(x)$$

for all  $x$

$$H_1: F(x) \neq G(x) \text{ for some } x$$

$$n = 9, m = 15$$

Test statistic:  $T_1 = 0.4$  P-value  $\approx 0.2653$  from R

Conclusion: Since  $T_1 < W_{.95} = \frac{8}{15} = .533$ , we fail to reject  $H_0$ . The two samples may follow identical distributions.

**Example 2:** In a test to compare gasoline types, a driver measured gas mileages for four tanks of "Unleaded"  $X \rightarrow (21.7, 21.4, 23.3, 22.8)$  and for four tanks of "Premium"  $Y \rightarrow (23.1, 23.5, 22.9, 23.4)$ . Is there evidence that mileage tends to be less for "Unleaded" than for "Premium"?

$$n = m = 4$$

$H_0: F(x) \leq G(x)$  for all  $x$      $H_1: F(x) > G(x)$  for some  $x$

Test statistic:  $T_1^+ = 0.75$     P-value  $\approx 0.1054$  from R

Conclusion:  $T_1^+ \not> W_{.95} = \frac{3}{4} = 0.75$  ← Table A19  
So we fail to reject  $H_0$ . There is not significant evidence that the unleaded mileages tend to be less than the premium mileages.

• This Smirnov test is exact if the data are continuous and conservative if the data are discrete.

• The Mann-Whitney test was another test used to compare two independent samples, but that was sensitive to differences in center.

• The Smirnov test is designed to detect any sort of difference in distribution, and is in fact consistent against any type of departure from the null hypothesis.