

Non-parametric Test

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Overview

- Distinguish Parametric and Nonparametric Test Procedures
- Explain commonly used Nonparametric Test Procedures
- Perform Hypothesis Tests Using Nonparametric Procedures

Hypothesis Testing

• Parametric

- TTest
- ANOVA

• Non-Parametric

- U-Test
- Kruskal-Wallis

Overview of Hypothesis testing

Parametric Test Procedures

- Involve population parameters (Mean).
- Have stringent assumptions (Normality).
- Examples: TTest and ANOVA.

Parametric Assumptions

- The observations must be independent
- The observations must be drawn from normally distributed populations

Nonparametric Test Procedures

- Data not normally distributed
- Data measured on any scale (ratio or interval, ordinal or nominal).
- Example: Mann-Whitney U test, Kruskal-Wallis etc.

Mann-Whitney U Test

- Nonparametric alternative to two-sample TTest.
- Actual measurements not used – ranks of the measurements are used.
- Data can be ranked from highest to lowest or lowest to highest values.
- Mann-Whitney U statistic equation. Calculate **U** and **U'**.

U = $n_1n_2 + \frac{n_1(n_1+1)}{2} - R_1$

U' = $n_1n_2 - U$

Mann-Whitney U Test: Sample Size Consideration

- Size of sample 1: n_1
- Size of sample 2: n_2
- If both n_1 and n_2 are ≤ 20 , the small sample procedure is appropriate.
- If either n_1 or n_2 is greater than 20, the large sample procedure is appropriate.

Example of Mann-Whitney U test

- Two tailed null hypothesis that there is no difference between the heights of male and female students
- H_0 : Male and female students are the same height
- H_a : Male and female students are not the same height

Example of Mann-Whitney U test

Heights of males (cm)	Heights of females (cm)
170	168
188	173
185	175
183	163
178	165
180	
193	
$n_1 = 7$	$n_2 = 5$

Rank the heights of males and females

Heights of males (cm)	Heights of females (cm)	Heights of males (cm)	Heights of females (cm)	Ranks of male heights	Ranks of female heights
170	168	193	175	1	7
188	173	188	173	2	8
185	175	185	168	3	10
183	163	183	165	4	11
178	165	180	163	5	12
180		178		6	
193		170		9	
$n_1 = 7$	$n_2 = 5$	$n_1 = 7$	$n_2 = 5$	$R_1 = 30$	$R_2 = 48$

$$U = n_1 n_2 + \frac{n_1(n_1+1)}{2} - R_1$$

$$U = (7)(5) + \frac{(7)(8)}{2} - 30$$

$$U = 35 + 28 - 30$$

$$U = 33$$

$$U' = n_1 n_2 - U$$

$$U' = (7)(5) - 33$$

$$U' = 2$$

The smaller value of U and U' is the one used when consulting significance tables

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Critical Values of the Mann-Whitney U (Two-Tailed Testing)

n ₂	α	n ₁																		
		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
3	.05	--	0	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	4	4	5	5	6	6	7	7	8	
	.01	--	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	
4	.05	--	0	1	2	3	4	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	11	12	13	14	
	.01	--	0	0	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	4	5	5	6	6	7	7	8	
5	.05	0	1	2	3	5	6	7	8	9	11	12	13	14	15	17	18	19	20	
	.01	--	0	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	13	
6	.05	1	2	3	5	6	8	10	11	13	14	16	17	19	21	22	24	25	27	
	.01	--	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	9	10	11	12	13	15	16	17	18	
7	.05	1	3	5	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	32	34	
	.01	--	0	1	3	4	6	7	9	10	12	13	15	16	18	19	21	22	24	
8	.05	2	4	6	8	10	13	15	17	19	22	24	26	29	31	34	36	38	41	
	.01	--	1	2	4	6	7	9	11	13	15	17	18	20	22	24	26	28	30	
9	.05	2	4	7	10	12	15	17	20	23	26	28	31	34	37	39	42	45	48	
	.01	0	1	3	5	7	9	11	13	16	18	20	22	24	27	29	31	33	36	
10	.05	3	5	8	11	14	17	20	23	26	29	33	36	39	42	45	48	52	55	
	.01	0	2	4	6	9	11	13	16	18	21	24	26	29	31	34	37	39	42	
11	.05	3	6	9	13	16	19	23	26	30	33	37	40	44	47	51	55	58	62	
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To be statistically significant, the obtained U has to be equal to or less than this critical value.

$$U_{0.05(7,5)} = U_{0.05(5,7)} = 5$$

As 2 < 5, H₀ is rejected

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Mann-Whitney U Test: Formulas for Large Sample Case

If either n₁ or n₂ is > 20, the sampling distribution of U is approximately normal.

$$U = n_1 n_2 + \frac{n_1(n_1+1)}{2} - W_1$$

$$\mu_U = \frac{n_1 \cdot n_2}{2}$$

where: n₁ = number in group 1

n₂ = number in group 2

$$\sigma_U = \sqrt{\frac{n_1 \cdot n_2 (n_1 + n_2 + 1)}{12}}$$

W₁ = sum of the ranks of values in group 1

$$Z = \frac{U - \mu_U}{\sigma_U}$$

Comparing Three or More Populations:

Kruskal-Wallis H -Test

- Tests the equality of more than two (p) population probability distributions
- Corresponds to ANOVA.
- Uses χ^2 distribution with $p - 1$ df

Kruskal-Wallis H -Test for Comparing k Probability Distributions

H_0 : The k probability distributions are identical

H_a : At least two of the k probability distributions differ in location.

Test statistic: $H = \left(\frac{12}{n(n+1)} \sum \frac{R_j^2}{n_j} \right) - 3(n+1)$

Squared total of each group

Kruskal-Wallis H-Test for Comparing k Probability Distributions

where

n_j = Number of measurements in sample j

R_j = Rank sum for sample j , where the rank of each measurement is computed according to its relative magnitude in the totality of data for the k samples

n = Total sample size = $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k$

Kruskal-Wallis H-Test for Comparing k Probability Distributions

Rejection region:

$H > \chi^2_{\alpha}$ with $(k - 1)$ degrees of freedom

Ties: Assign tied measurements the average of the ranks they would receive if they were unequal but occurred in successive order. For example, if the third-ranked and fourth-ranked measurements are tied, assign each a rank of $(3 + 4)/2 = 3.5$. The number should be small relative to the total number of observations.

Conditions Required for the Validity of the Kruskal-Wallis H-Test

1. The k samples are random and independent.
2. The k probability distributions from which the samples are drawn are continuous

Kruskal-Wallis H -Test Procedure

1. Assign ranks, R_j , to the n combined observations
 - Smallest value = 1; largest value = n
 - Average ties
2. Sum ranks for each group
3. Compute test statistic

$$H = \left(\frac{12}{n(n+1)} \sum \frac{R_j^2}{n_j} \right) - 3(n+1)$$

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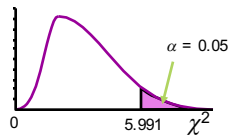
Kruskal-Wallis H -Test Example

A production manager wants to see if three filling machines have different filling times. He assigns 15 similarly trained and experienced workers, 5 per machine, to the machines. At the **.05** level of significance, is there a difference in the **distribution** of filling times?

Mach1	Mach2	Mach3
25.40	23.40	20.00
26.31	21.80	22.20
24.10	23.50	19.75
23.74	22.75	20.60
25.10	21.60	20.40

Kruskal-Wallis H -Test Solution

- H_0 : Identical Distrib.
- H_a : At Least 2 Differ
- $\alpha = .05$
- $df = p - 1 = 3 - 1 = 2$
- **Critical Value(s):**



Kruskal-Wallis *H*-Test Solution

Raw Data			Ranks		
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23.74	22.75	20.60			
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Kruskal-Wallis *H*-Test Solution

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25.40	23.40	20.00			2
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25.10	21.60	20.40			3

Kruskal-Wallis H-Test Solution

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		Total	65	38	17

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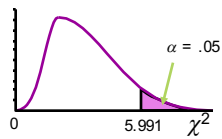
$$\begin{aligned}
 H &= \left(\frac{12}{n(n+1)} \sum \frac{R_j^2}{n_j} \right) - 3(n+1) \\
 &= \left(\frac{12}{(15)(16)} \left(\frac{(65)^2}{5} + \frac{(38)^2}{5} + \frac{(17)^2}{5} \right) \right) - 3(16) \\
 &= \left(\frac{12}{240} \right) (191.6) - 48 \\
 &= 11.58
 \end{aligned}$$

$$H = \frac{12}{n(n+1)} \sum n_j (\bar{R}_j - \bar{R})^2$$

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- **H₀**: Identical Distrib.
- **H_a**: At Least 2 Differ
- $\alpha = .05$
- $df = p - 1 = 3 - 1 = 2$
- **Critical Value(s):**

Test Statistic:
 $H = 11.58$



Decision:
 Reject at $\alpha = .05$

Conclusion:
 There is evidence
 population distrib. are
 different

Post hoc after Kruskal-Wallis Test

post-hoc Nemenyi Test

$$|\bar{R}_i - \bar{R}_j| > \sqrt{\frac{1}{C} \chi_{k-1; \alpha}^2 \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{12} \right] \left[\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j} \right]}$$

$$C = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{i=r} (t_i^3 - t_i)}{n^3 - n}$$

with t_i the number of ties of the i -th group of ties.
