# **STAT** 770 Sep. 9 Lecture Part B LRT in Contingency Table Setting

Reading for this lecture: Agresti Ch. 2 through Sec. 2.2, plus Ch. 16 through Sec. 16.3.4.

General  $X^2$  form of LRT for Contingency Tables.

Special cases of row-column independence in  $2 \times 2$  tables, differences between proportions

### LRT in Contingency Table Setting

Recall:  $Y_a = (Z_a, X_a)$  Multinomial with probabilities  $p_{z,c}$   $\theta = \{p_{z,c}: (z,c) \in \mathcal{K}\}, \quad \beta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_d), \ d = |\mathcal{K}| - 1$  $L(\beta; \underline{Y}) = ($ multinom. coeff. $) \cdot \prod_{(z,c) \in \mathcal{K}} p_{z,c}^{N_{z,c}}$ 

Lower dimensional model  $p_{z,c} = \pi_{z,c}(\gamma_0, \lambda)$  is Null Hypothesis (Many examples will follow !)

So LRT 
$$\Lambda = G^2 = -2 \log \left[ L(\{\pi_{z,c}(\gamma_0, \hat{\lambda}_r\}) / L(\{\hat{p}_{x,c}\}) \right]$$

$$= 2 \sum_{(z,c) \in \mathcal{K}} N_{z,c} \log \left( \frac{N_{z,c}/n}{\pi_{z,c}(\gamma_0, \widehat{\lambda}_r)} \right)$$

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#### **Consequences for General Models**

(I)  $G^2$  is a **goodness-of-fit** test statistic for the model  $p_{z,c} = \pi_{z,c}(\gamma_0, \lambda)$  ( $\lambda$  general, d - q dimensional, unknown)

(II) 
$$G^2 = 2 \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} N_k \log \left(\frac{N_k}{n \tilde{\pi}_k}\right)$$
 with  $\tilde{\pi}_k \sqrt{n}$ -consistent for  $p_k$   
which means the same as  $\sqrt{n} (\tilde{\pi}_k - p_k) = O_P(1)$  or  
 $\sqrt{n}(\tilde{\pi}_k - N_k/n) = O_P(1)$  for large  $n$  which implies that as  $n \to \infty$ 

$$G^{2} = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \frac{(N_{k} - n\tilde{\pi}_{k})^{2}}{n\tilde{\pi}_{k}} + o_{P}(1) = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \frac{(O_{k} - E_{k})^{2}}{E_{k}} + o_{P}(1)$$

and Wilks' Theorem gives  $X^2 = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \frac{(O_k - E_k)^2}{E_k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \chi_q^2$ 

#### Proof of Assertion (II) on Last Slide

This is a Taylor Series proof, using  $N_k/(np_k) - 1 = o_P(1)$  and  $N_k \log(N_k/(n\tilde{\pi}_k)) = -N_k \log(1 - \frac{N_k - n\tilde{\pi}_k}{N_k})$   $= N_k \Big[ \frac{N_k - n\tilde{\pi}_k}{N_k} + \frac{(N_k - n\tilde{\pi}_k)^2}{2N_k^2} + O_P \Big( \frac{(N_k - n\tilde{\pi}_k)^3}{N_k^3} \Big) \Big]$   $= N_k - n\tilde{\pi}_k + \frac{(N_k - n\tilde{\pi}_k)^2}{2n\tilde{\pi}_k} + O_P \Big( \frac{(N_k - n\tilde{\pi}_k)^3}{n^2} \Big)$ since  $\log(1 - z) = -z - \frac{z^2}{2} - O_P(z^3)$  for small z.

Sum over  $k \in \mathcal{K}$  to find [using  $\sum_k N_k = n = \sum_k (n \tilde{\pi}_k)$ ] that

$$G^2 = 2\sum_{k\in\mathcal{K}} N_k \log\left(\frac{N_k}{n\tilde{\pi}_k}\right) = \sum_{k\in\mathcal{K}} \frac{(N_k - n\tilde{\pi}_k)^2}{n\tilde{\pi}_k} + O_P(n^{-1/2})$$

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#### Row-column independence in $2 \times 2$ Tables

Here  $Z_a \in \{0, 1\}$  are random,  $\mathcal{K} = \{0, 1\}^2$ , K = 4 and  $\beta = (\gamma, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (p_{11}/(p_{+1}p_{1+}), p_{+1}, p_{1+})$ 

with  $\gamma = p_{11}/(p_{+1}p_{1+}) = 1$  under row-column independence.

The model is 
$$\pi_{11}(\gamma, \lambda) = \gamma \lambda_1 \lambda_2, \ \pi_{+1} = \lambda_1, \ \pi_{1+} = \lambda_2, \ \pi_{++} = 1.$$

The unrestricted MLE is  $\hat{p}_{zc} = N_{zc}/n$ , z, c = 0, 1, while the restricted MLE maximizes the likelihood

 $(\lambda_1 \lambda_2)^{N_{11}} (\lambda_1 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2)^{N_{01}} (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1 \lambda_2)^{N_{10}} ((1 - \lambda_1)(1 - \lambda_2))^{N_{00}}$ which occurs (**check it!**) at  $(\hat{\lambda}_1)_r = N_{+1}/n$ ,  $(\hat{\lambda}_2)_r = N_{1+}/n$ 

 $X^2 \approx^{\mathcal{D}} \chi_1^2$  from (II) above has the familiar form  $\sum_{(z,c)} (O_{z,c} - E_{z,c})^2 / E_{z,c}$ , with  $O_{z,c} = N_{z,c}$ ,  $E_{z,c} = n\pi_{z,c}$ 

## **R** Code to Check $\chi_1^2$ Distribution

Similar accuracy when n = 80

NB Yates over-corrects badly, used only when conditioning on marginals!!

#### Testing Equality of Row Proportions in $2 \times 2$ Table

In this setting,  $Z_a$  values are fixed by design, so the row-totals  $N_{z+} = n_z$  are nonrandom and known, and  $N_{z1} \sim \text{Binom}(n_z, \pi_z)$ , with  $\pi_z = p_{z1}/p_{z+}$ .

Here we can take  $\beta = (\gamma, \lambda)$  in different ways, with  $H_0: \gamma = 1$  and  $\lambda = \pi_0$  under  $H_0$ . Example 1. Relative Risk, RR:  $\beta = (\pi_1/\pi_0, \pi_0)$ Example 2. Odds Ratio, OR:  $\beta = ([\pi_1/(1-\pi_1)]/[\pi_0/(1-\pi_0)], \pi_0)$ 

In RR, the restricted MLE (under  $\gamma = 1$ ) maximizes  $\left[\prod_{z=0}^{1} \binom{n_z}{N_{z1}}\right] \pi_0^{N_{11}+N_{01}} (1-\pi_0)^{N_{10}+N_{00}} = c \cdot \pi_0^{N+1} (1-\pi_0)^{N+0}$ In both RR and OR,  $\hat{\lambda} = N_{+1}/n$  and  $E_{z,c} = n_z \pi_0^c (1-\pi_0)^{1-c}$