

# Sample size for the most important cause of heart valve disease

(or the brand of soap most consumers prefer)

$\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_5)$ ,  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  multinomial

Try a power computation for a likelihood ratio test of  $\theta_1$  vs  $\theta_2$  using the non-central chisquare distribution.

```
theta <- c(0.4,0.2,0.1,0.25,0.05); n <- 100
t1 <- theta[1] ; t2 <- theta[2]
alpha <- 0.05
ncp <- 2*n* ( t1*log(t1)+t2*log(t2)-(t1+t2)*log((t1+t2)/2) )
cval <- qchisq(1-alpha,1)
pow1 <- 1-pchisq(cval,1,ncp) ; pow1
# pow1 = 0.7411679
```

Compare pow2 by simulation. First illustrate how the `rmultinom` and `apply` functions work.

```
> testdat <- rmultinom(10,1,theta); testdat
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10]
[1,]    1    1    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
[2,]    0    0    0    1    0    0    0    1    0    0
[3,]    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    1
[4,]    0    0    1    0    1    0    1    0    1    0
[5,]    0    0    0    0    0    1    0    0    0    0
> apply(testdat,1,mean) # Apply the mean function to dimension 1 (rows) of testdat
[1] 0.2 0.2 0.1 0.4 0.1
```

# Now compare pow2 by simulation.

```
set.seed(32448)
```

```
nsim <- 10000; pow2 <- 0
```

```
for(i in 1:nsim)
```

```
{
```

```
  rdat <- rmultinom(n,1,theta)
```

```
  xbar <- apply(rdat,1,mean); x1 <- xbar[1]; x2 <- xbar[2]
```

```
  G <- 2*n* ( x1*log(x1)+x2*log(x2)-(x1+x2)*log((x1+x2)/2) )
```

```
  if(G > cval) pow2 <- pow2+1
```

```
  } # Next simulation
```

```
pow2 <- pow2/nsim
```

```
pow1; pow2
```

```
> pow1; pow2
```

```
[1] 0.7411679
```

```
[1] 0.7457
```

So I believe it. Restart. First proceeding analytically with the Bonferroni approximation,

```
theta <- c(0.4,0.2,0.1,0.25,0.05)
```

```
# Define function apow: Approximate power
```

```
apow <- function(n,truth,alpha=0.05)
```

```
{
  k <- length(truth); p <- numeric(k-1)
  bcval <- qchisq(1-alpha/choose(k,2),1) # Bonferroni critical value
  t1 <- truth[1]
  for(j in 2:k)
    {
      t2 <- truth[j]
      ncp <- 2*n* ( t1*log(t1)+t2*log(t2)-(t1+t2)*log((t1+t2)/2) )
      p[j-1] <- 1-pchisq(bcval,1,ncp)
    }
  # print(p)
  apow <- 1 - sum(1-p)
  apow
} # End function apow
```

```
##### Some output #####
```

```
> apow(200,truth=theta)
```

```
[1] 0.2450348
```

```
> apow(300,truth=theta)
```

```
[1] 0.622631
```

```
> apow(400,truth=theta)
```

```
[1] 0.8159864
```

```
> apow(380,truth=theta)
```

```
[1] 0.7870189
```

```
> apow(390,truth=theta)
```

```
[1] 0.801994
```

```
> for(nn in 380:390) cat(nn," ",apow(nn,truth=theta),"\n")
```

```
380 0.7870189
```

```
381 0.7885625
```

```
382 0.7900957
```

```
383 0.7916185
```

```
384 0.793131
```

```
385 0.7946334
```

```
386 0.7961255
```

```
387 0.7976076
```

```
388 0.7990797
```

```
389 0.8005418
```

```
390 0.801994
```

So it LOOKS like n=389. My guess is that this is conservative. I expect that for these parameter values, results of the tests are VERY dependent. If 1vs4 is significant, the others probably are too (except maybe 1vs2). Better get it by simulation.

But first, simulate the multinomial data more efficiently. I was simulating the generalization of Bernoullis; simulate a general multinomial, which is the sum of n such, like simulating a binomial instead of just a Bernoulli. For example:

```
> theta <- c(0.4,0.2,0.1,0.25,0.05)
> rmultinom(10,1,theta)
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10]
[1,]    1    0    0    1    0    1    0    0    0    1
[2,]    0    1    0    0    0    0    0    1    0    0
[3,]    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
[4,]    0    0    1    0    1    0    1    0    1    0
[5,]    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0

> rmultinom(1,10,theta)
      [,1]
[1,]    7
[2,]    0
[3,]    1
[4,]    2
[5,]    0
```

Simulate 6 of these, with n=100:

```
> rmultinom(6,100,theta)
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
[1,]   35   42   42   37   43   32
[2,]   18   19   15   20   24   22
[3,]   13   10   16   10    8   10
[4,]   30   21   21   30   23   28
[5,]    4    8    6    3    2    8
```

Make the columns into means:

```
> Xbar <- rmultinom(6,100,theta)/100 ; Xbar
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6]
[1,] 0.40 0.41 0.31 0.29 0.40 0.42
[2,] 0.17 0.23 0.21 0.28 0.22 0.22
[3,] 0.14 0.11 0.12 0.11 0.11 0.06
[4,] 0.26 0.19 0.30 0.28 0.23 0.24
[5,] 0.03 0.06 0.06 0.04 0.04 0.06
```

Now make a vector of test statistics, one for each column

```
n <- 100
x1 <- Xbar[1,]; x2 <- Xbar[2,]
G <- 2*n* ( x1*log(x1)+x2*log(x2)-(x1+x2)*log((x1+x2)/2) )

> n <- 100
> x1 <- Xbar[1,]; x2 <- Xbar[2,]
> G <- 2*n* ( x1*log(x1)+x2*log(x2)-(x1+x2)*log((x1+x2)/2) )
> rbind(Xbar,G)
      [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]      [,5]      [,6]
0.400000 0.410000 0.310000 0.29000000 0.400000 0.420000
0.170000 0.230000 0.210000 0.28000000 0.220000 0.220000
0.140000 0.110000 0.120000 0.11000000 0.110000 0.060000
0.260000 0.190000 0.300000 0.28000000 0.230000 0.240000
0.030000 0.060000 0.060000 0.04000000 0.040000 0.060000
G 9.550544 5.131448 1.935109 0.01754476 5.301811 6.35592
```

This is good. Restart.

```
theta <- c(0.4,0.2,0.1,0.25,0.05)
set.seed(32448)

spow <- function(n,truth,alpha=0.05,M=1000)
{
  k <- length(truth); p <- numeric(k-1); G <- NULL; spow <- 0
  bcval <- qchisq(1-alpha/choose(k,2),1) # Bonferroni critical value
  Xbar <- rmultinom(M,n,theta)/n
  x1 <- Xbar[1,]
  for(j in 2:k)
  {
    x2 <- Xbar[j,]
    G <- rbind(G, 2*n* (x1*log(x1)+x2*log(x2)-(x1+x2)*log((x1+x2)/2)) )
  }
  # print(rbind(Xbar,G))
  # Now loop
  for(i in 1:M) if( (min(G[,i])>bcval) && (Xbar[1,i]==max(Xbar[,i])) )
    spow <- spow+1
  spow <- spow/M
  spow
} # End function spow

# Start with the approximate answer of n = 389 using the default 1000 simulations

> spow(n=389,truth=theta)
[1] 0.81
>
> # wow
```

Some more output:

```
> for(nn in 385:395) cat("n = ",nn," Power = ", spow(n=nn,truth=theta,M=5000),"\n")
n = 385 Power = 0.8078
n = 386 Power = 0.7956
n = 387 Power = 0.8086
n = 388 Power = 0.814
n = 389 Power = 0.8108
n = 390 Power = 0.8136
n = 391 Power = 0.8088
n = 392 Power = 0.813
n = 393 Power = 0.817
n = 394 Power = 0.8118
n = 395 Power = 0.829
> for(nn in 385:387) cat("n = ",nn," Power = ", spow(n=nn,truth=theta,M=10000),"\n")
n = 385 Power = 0.8091
n = 386 Power = 0.8077
n = 387 Power = 0.805
> for(nn in 380:390) cat("n = ",nn," Power = ", spow(n=nn,truth=theta,M=10000),"\n")
n = 380 Power = 0.7949
n = 381 Power = 0.8016
n = 382 Power = 0.8044
n = 383 Power = 0.8116
n = 384 Power = 0.8154
n = 385 Power = 0.8115
n = 386 Power = 0.81
n = 387 Power = 0.8118
n = 388 Power = 0.8072
n = 389 Power = 0.8162
n = 390 Power = 0.8114
> for(nn in 380:382) cat("n = ",nn," Power = ", spow(n=nn,truth=theta,M=50000),"\n")
n = 380 Power = 0.80144
n = 381 Power = 0.80014
n = 382 Power = 0.80298
> for(nn in 379:382) cat("n = ",nn," Power = ", spow(n=nn,truth=theta,M=50000),"\n")
n = 379 Power = 0.79622
n = 380 Power = 0.79976
n = 381 Power = 0.79868
n = 382 Power = 0.80288
```

Some comments:

1. I guess  $n=382$  is okay.
2. The approximate calculation yielding  $n = 389$  was very good -- only a little conservative.
3. Any good function for power calculation by simulation should include a 99% margin of error.
4. There would be great value in an algorithm for efficiently choosing a sequence of  $(n,M)$  values. This is always an issue when choosing sample size according to power when you are estimating the power by simulation.