

3.3.2.1 Measure of Closeness Based on the Absolute Difference

It should be noted that we have

$$(y - \hat{y}) \sim N(0, (1+c)\sigma_e^2).$$

Therefore, p_1 can be estimated by

$$\hat{p}_1 = \Phi\left(\frac{\delta}{\sqrt{(1+c)\hat{\sigma}_e^2}}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{-\delta}{\sqrt{(1+c)\hat{\sigma}_e^2}}\right).$$

Using the delta method through a Taylor expansion, for a sufficiently large sample size n ,

$$\text{var}(\hat{p}_1) \approx \left(\phi\left(\frac{\delta}{\sqrt{(1+c)\hat{\sigma}_e^2}}\right) - \phi\left(\frac{-\delta}{\sqrt{(1+c)\hat{\sigma}_e^2}}\right) \right)^2 \frac{\delta}{2(1-\delta)(n-2)\hat{\sigma}_e^2},$$

where $\phi(z)$ is the probability density function of a standard normal distribution. Furthermore, $\text{var}(\hat{p}_1)$ can be estimated by V_1 , where V_1 is given by

$$V_1 = \frac{2\delta^2}{(1+c)(n-2)\hat{\sigma}_e^2} \phi^2\left(\frac{\delta}{\sqrt{(1+c)\hat{\sigma}_e^2}}\right).$$

By Slutsky’s theorem, $\hat{p}_1 - p_0/\sqrt{V_1}$ can be approximated by a standard normal distribution. For the testing of the hypotheses $H_0: p_1 \leq p_0$ versus $H_a: p_1 > p_0$, we would reject the null hypothesis H_0 if

$$\frac{\hat{p}_1 - p_0}{\sqrt{V_1}} > z_{1-\alpha},$$

where $z_{1-\alpha}$ is the $100(1 - \alpha)$ th percentile of a standard normal distribution.

3.3.2.2 Measure of Closeness Based on the Relative Difference

In other words, for evaluation of p_2 , we note that y^2 and \hat{y}^2 follow a noncentral χ^2_1 distribution with noncentrality parameter μ_0^2/σ_e^2 and $\mu_0^2/c\sigma_e^2$, respectively, where $\mu_0 = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$. Hence, $c\hat{y}^2/y^2$ is doubly noncentral F distributed with $\nu_1 = 1$ and $\nu_2 = 1$ degrees of freedom and noncentrality parameters $\lambda_1 = \mu_0^2/c\sigma_e^2$ and $\lambda_2 = \mu_0^2/\sigma_e^2$. According to Johnson and Kotz (1970), a noncentral F distribution can be approximated by

$$\frac{1 + \lambda_1 \nu_1^{-1}}{1 + \lambda_2 \nu_2^{-1}} F_{\nu, \nu'}$$