

Topic 7 Inference for the Proportion

Tutorial agenda:

1. go through key concepts
2. tutorial questions
3. Q&A

Key concept

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Sample Proportion

Sample proportion: $\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n}$

- X: no. of obs
- n: sample size
- Categorical variable - two levels
- Random sample

Follow binomial distribution:

- $X \sim B(n, p)$

Approximate the sampling distribution by a normal distribution.

$$\hat{p} \sim N(\mu_p, \sigma_p^2)$$

For large n, approximately normal distribution:

$np \geq 5$ and $n(1 - p) \geq 5$
(p cannot be too small or too large)

Topic 3: binomial distribution



- What is the probability that x out of n obs meet the criterion?

$$P(X = x) = \frac{n!}{x! (n - x)!} p^x (1 - p)^{(n - x)}$$

- X - event of interest/meet the criterion
- x - no. of event of interest
- n - no. of obs
- p - probability of an event of interest
- Summary measures
 - Center - Expected value/mean $\mu = np$
 - Variation
 - Standard deviation (s.d.) $\sigma = \sqrt{np(1 - p)}$

Sampling Distribution of Sample Proportion

Probability: sample (\hat{p}) $\xrightarrow{\text{estimate}}$ population (p)

Mean of *sample proportions*

$$\mu_{\hat{p}} = p$$

s.d. of *sample proportions*

$$\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \frac{p}{\sqrt{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} = \frac{\sqrt{np(1-p)}}{n}$$

Priority: population > sample:

- If pop p , is known, use p for

$$\mu_{\hat{p}} = p \text{ and } \sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

- If pop p , is unknown, use sample to estimate: $\hat{p} \rightarrow p$

$$\mu_{\hat{p}} = \hat{p} \text{ and } \sigma_{\hat{p}} = S_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

Topic 4: sampling distribution



Mean: sample ($\mu_{\bar{X}}$) $\xrightarrow{\text{estimate}}$ population (μ)

Mean of *sample means*

$$\mu_{\bar{X}} = \mu$$

s.d. of *sample means* = standard error of the mean

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Priority: population > sample:

- If pop μ and σ is known, use

$$\mu_{\bar{X}} = \mu \text{ and } \sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

- If pop μ and σ is unknown, use sample to estimate:

$$\bar{X} \rightarrow \mu, S \rightarrow \sigma$$

$$\mu_{\bar{X}} = \bar{X} \text{ and } \sigma_{\bar{X}} = S_{\bar{X}} = \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Sampling Distribution of Sample Proportion

Topic 3 & 4

Standardization (Z-distribution):

For sample proportion:

$$Z = \frac{\hat{p} - \mu_{\hat{p}}}{\sigma_{\hat{p}}} = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$

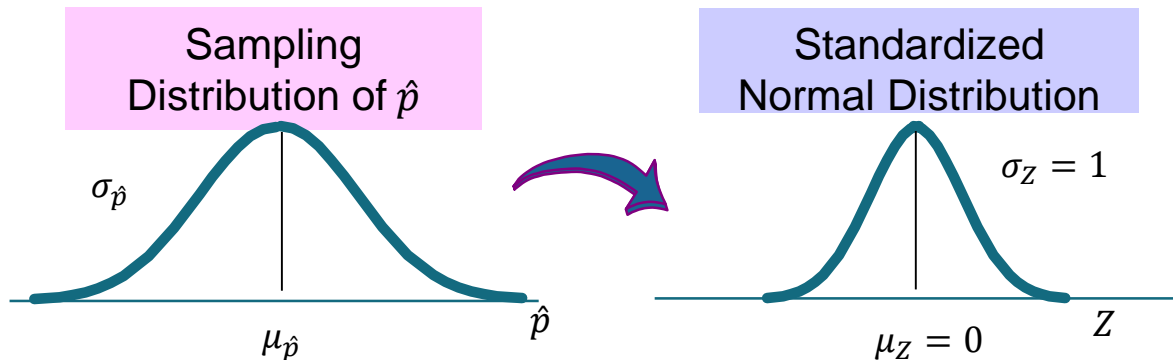
Standardization (Z-distribution):

For population:

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

For sample:

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$



Confidence Interval of Sample Proportion

Confidence intervals

$$\hat{p} \pm Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

Standard Error, $\sigma_{\hat{p}}$

Sampling Error, E

Special considerations

- If $\hat{p} - Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} < 0$, replace lower bound by **0**
 - If $\hat{p} + Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} > 1$, replace upper bound by **1**
- (because the range of any probability is $[0,1]$)

Width:

- Level of confidence, $(1 - \alpha)$
- Sample size, n
- Sample proportion, \hat{p} :
 - \hat{p} increases from **0 to 0.5**, then $\hat{p}(1-\hat{p}) \uparrow$, width \uparrow
 - \hat{p} increases from **0.5 to 1**, then $\hat{p}(1-\hat{p}) \downarrow$, width \downarrow

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$$\bar{X} \pm Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Standard Error, $\sigma_{\bar{X}}$

Sampling Error, E
(Also called margin of error)

Critical Value



Confidence Interval of Sample Proportion

Sampling error (or margin of error):

$$E = Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

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Sample size:

$$n = \frac{(Z_{\alpha/2})^2 p(1-p)}{E^2}$$

(always round up)

Standard deviation:

- $p \rightarrow$ use \hat{p} to replace $p \rightarrow$ use 0.5 to estimate
(When $p = 0.5$, $p(1-p)$ becomes the largest)

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$$E = Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

=>

$$n = \left(\frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{E} \right)^2$$

(always round up)

Standard deviation:

- $\sigma \rightarrow$ use S to replace $\sigma \rightarrow$ use range/4 to estimate



Hypothesis Testing of Sample Proportion

The no. of successes, X , follows Binomial distribution
Normal approximation can be used:

$$\begin{aligned}n &\geq 30 \\ n\hat{p} &\geq 5 \\ n(1 - \hat{p}) &\geq 5\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Test statistic: } Z = \frac{\hat{p} - \mu_{\hat{p}}}{\sigma_{\hat{p}}} = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}}}$$

Reject / Do not reject H_0 :

- Reject H_0 if $Z < C.V.$ or $Z > C.V.$ or p-value $< \alpha$
- There is sufficient evidence that the true mean is not xxx
- Do not reject H_0 as p-value $> \alpha$
- There is insufficient evidence that the true mean is not xxx



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$$\text{Test statistic: } Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_{\bar{X}}}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$$

p-value: obtained from test statistic,

- two-tail: $P(Z < -|Z|) + P(Z > |Z|)$
- lower-tail: $P(Z < Z)$
- upper-tail: $P(Z > Z)$

Steps

Step 1: p (if p is not available, use \hat{p} to estimate)

- Mean of *sample proportions*: $\mu_{\hat{p}} = p$
- s.d. of *sample proportions*: $\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$

Step 2: check distribution:

- $n \geq 30$, $np \geq 5$ and $n(1 - p) \geq 5$
→ The sampling distribution of \hat{p} follows Normal distribution approximately, i.e. $\hat{p} \sim N(\mu_{\hat{p}}, \sigma_{\hat{p}}^2)$

Step 3: standardization i.e. Z distribution

- Probability: $P(\hat{p} < a) = P(Z < \frac{a - \mu_{\hat{p}}}{\sigma_{\hat{p}}} = \frac{a - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}})$
- Confidence interval: $\hat{p} \pm Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$
- Hypothesis testing: $Z = \frac{\hat{p} - \mu_{\hat{p}}}{\sigma_{\hat{p}}} = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}}}$

Step 4: decision/explanation/summary:

- We are xx% confident that the population proportion of xx is between xx and xx
- Reject / Do not reject H_0 at $\alpha = xx$. There is sufficient / insufficient evidence that the population proportion is not / less than / larger than xxx.

Confidence Interval - Z table

| P(z<a) | Z=a |
|--------|--------|
| 0.01 | -2.33 |
| 0.025 | -1.96 |
| 0.05 | -1.645 |
| 0.1 | 1.28 |
| 0.5 | 0 |
| 0.9 | -1.28 |
| 0.95 | 1.645 |
| 0.975 | 1.96 |
| 0.99 | 2.33 |

| Confidence level | P(Z> $Z_{\alpha/2}$) | $Z_{\alpha/2}$ |
|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| 80% | 0.1 | 1.28 |
| 90% | 0.05 | 1.645 |
| 95% | 0.025 | 1.96 |
| 99% | 0.005 | 2.575 |