

PL 09 - HYPOTHESIS TESTING

Video 1 : Introduction to Hypothesis Formulation

"Am I testing an ASSUMPTION or the STATUS QUO that already exists ? (water bottle)

Or am I testing a CLAIM or an ASSERTION beyond what I already know or can know ?" (hybrid engine)

• NULL and ALTERNATIVE hypothesis

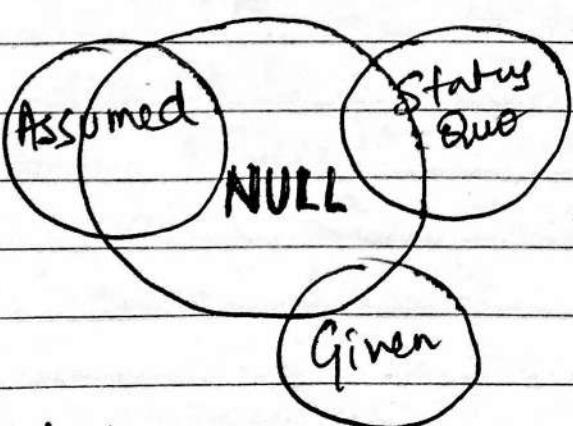
-- By definition, the null & alternative hypothesis are opposites ; mutually exclusive.

-- The null is either rejected or it is not.

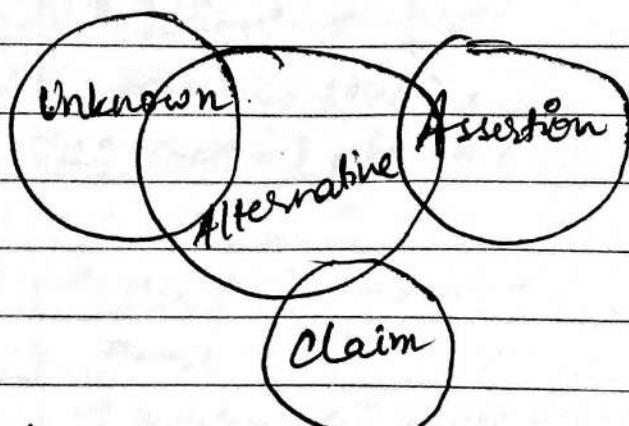
-- Only if the null is rejected can we proceed to the alternative.

-- Researchers can start with either the null or alternative and then form the other as complement to the first.

-- So, it mainly depends on POV.



"This is Accepted as True,
let's TEST it".



"This might be True, let's test it.
If not the truth is something else"

Video 2: Null and Alternative hypothesis

- Null hypothesis - H_0 (symbol)
 - "Null" means nothing new or different ;
 - assumption or status quo maintained
- Alternative hypothesis - H_a (symbol)
 - The "alternative" is simply "the other option" when the null is rejected. ; nothing more .

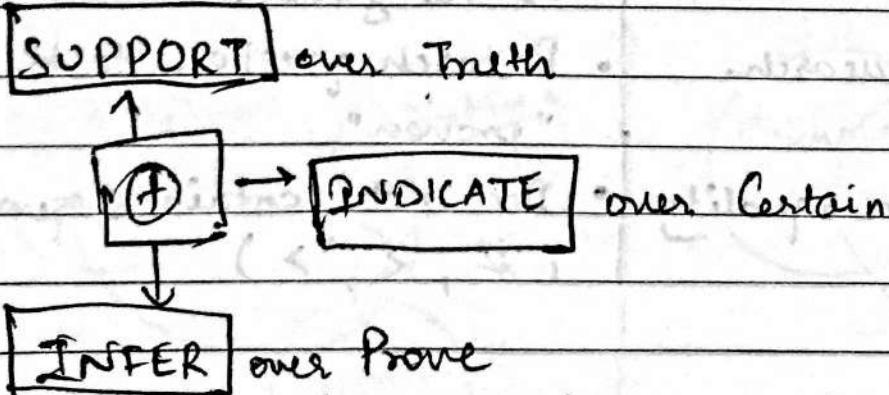
• Properties

| H_0 | H_a |
|--|--|
| • Assumption, status quo, nothing new | • Rejection of an assumption |
| • Assumed to be "true"; a given | • Rejection of an assumption or the given. |
| • Negation of the research question | • Research question to be "proven" |
| • Always contains an equality $(=, \leq, \geq)$ | • Does not contain equality. $(\neq, <, >)$ |

• NULL and ALTERNATIVE statements

- All statistical conclusions are made in reference to the null hypothesis
- As researchers we either REJECT the null hypothesis or fail to reject the null hypothesis.
"we do not accept the null".
- If we reject the null hypothesis, then we conclude the data supports the alternative hypothesis.
- However, if we fail to reject the null hypothesis, it does not mean we have proven the null hypothesis is "true".
bcz afterall it was an ASSUMPTION.

• Words to Prefer



Video 3: Null and Hypothesis Alternative Problems

A) According to US Dept of Agr, in 2006 the average farm size was $2\text{-}3 \text{ km}^2$.

This decade long trend has to increase due to large agribusiness.

A business analyst wishes to test if now (2013) farm size is larger than it was in 2006.

Establish a null and Alternative hypothesis

-- What is our Assumption?

We assume that there has been no change in farm size since 2006.

This is our NULL hypothesis.

-- Are we testing a preliminary claim?

Yes, we wish to see the farm size has INCREASED since 2006.

So,

$$\begin{array}{ll} H_0 \leq & H_0 \leq 2\text{-}3 \text{ km}^2 \\ H_a > & H_a > 2\text{-}3 \text{ km}^2 \end{array} \quad \left. \right\}$$

If the data indicate that farm size has increased then, we REJECT the NULL; Reject our Assumption.

Video 4 : Type 1 and Type 2 Errors

• Type 1 error :-

-- Rejection of the assumption (null hypothesis) when it should not have been rejected.

-- Incorrectly rejecting the null hypothesis.

-- e.g. In this case, a false alarm.

• Type 2 error :

-- Failure to reject the assumption (null) when it should have been rejected.

-- Incorrectly NOT REJECTING the null hypothesis.

• Example : H_0 = problem is annoying but not serious.

H_a = problem is serious, everything NOT OK

| Conclusion | | Actual Condition | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| | | No serious effect | Serious Effect |
| Accept H_0 (no serious effect) | Correct conclusion | No serious effect | Type II error |
| Reject H_0 (serious effect) | Type I error | Serious Effect | Correct conclusion |

In general, Type 2 errors are more destructive.

Video 5: Type 1 and Type 2 Errors Examples

Q) Revisiting the same problem of Farm size.

Our Assumption :

-- There has been no change in farm size since 2000

$$H_0 : \mu \leq 2.3 \text{ km}^2$$

$$H_a : \mu > 2.3 \text{ km}^2$$

| Conclusion | Actual Condition | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| | $\mu \leq 2.3 \text{ km}^2$ | $\mu > 2.3 \text{ km}^2$ |
| Do not Reject - H_0 | Correct | Type 2 error |
| Reject - H_0 | Type 1 error | Correct |

Causes of Type 1 and Type 2 errors

- When selecting samples we are always subject to the laws of the chance
- We may by random chance alone, select a sample that is not representative of the population.
 - Selection of under-filled or over-filled bottles
 - Select a sample of very small or very large farms
- Our sampling methods/techniques may be FLAWED.

Video 6 : Hypothesis Testing : Visualizing Type 1 & 2 error

- The Actual vs Hypothesized Mean.

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq \mu_0$$

μ = actual mean of the population under analysis

μ_0 = the hypothesized mean of the population under H_0 .

"Does the Actual Mean Align with the
hypothesized mean?"

We will test that question using
SAMPLE MEANS & CONFIDENCE INTERVALS.

• The Two-tailed Test Rejection Region

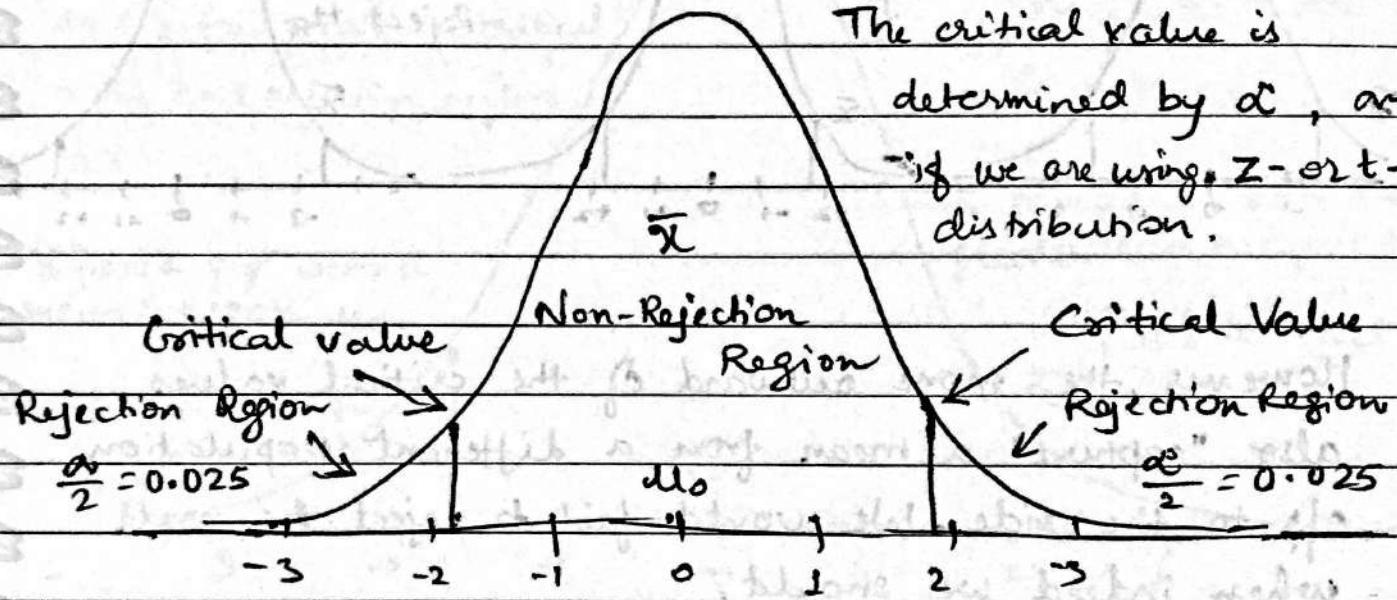
$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq \mu_0$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

If the null hypothesis is correct, then $(\alpha \times 100)\%$ of the sample means should be in the non-rejection region.

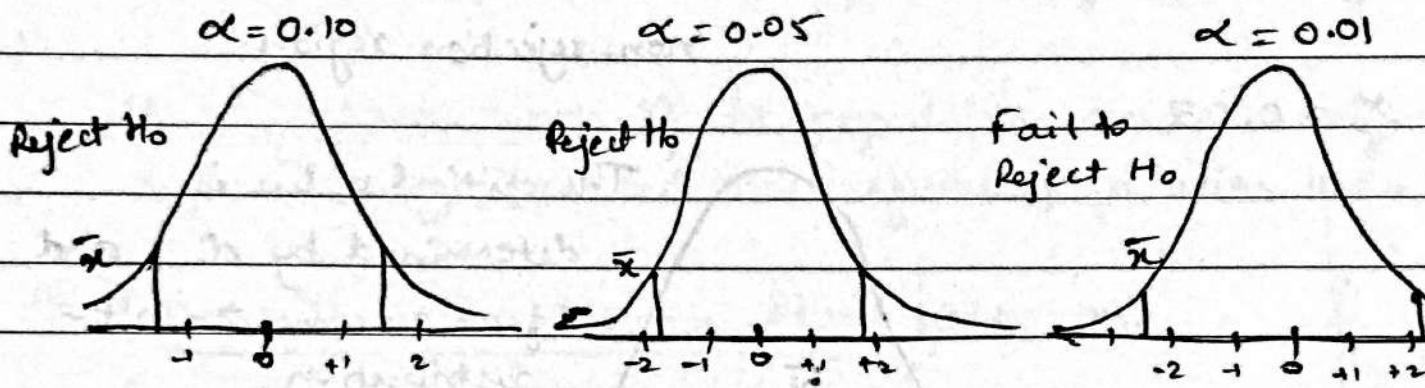
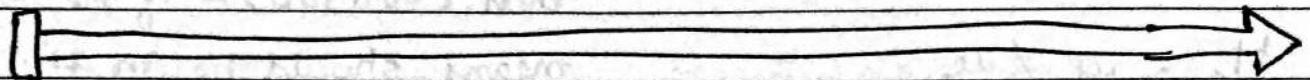
The critical value is determined by α , and if we are using Z- or t-distribution.



"Did our sample come from the same population we assume is underlying the null hypothesis?"

If so, then we expect our sample mean to be inside the critical region 90% / 95% / 99% of the time depending on what we choose for α .

- As α decreases so does the chance of Type I error. The critical value to reject the null hypothesis moves outward, thus "capturing" more sample means.



However, the more outward of the critical values also "capture" a mean from a different population off to the side. We would fail to reject the null when indeed we should.

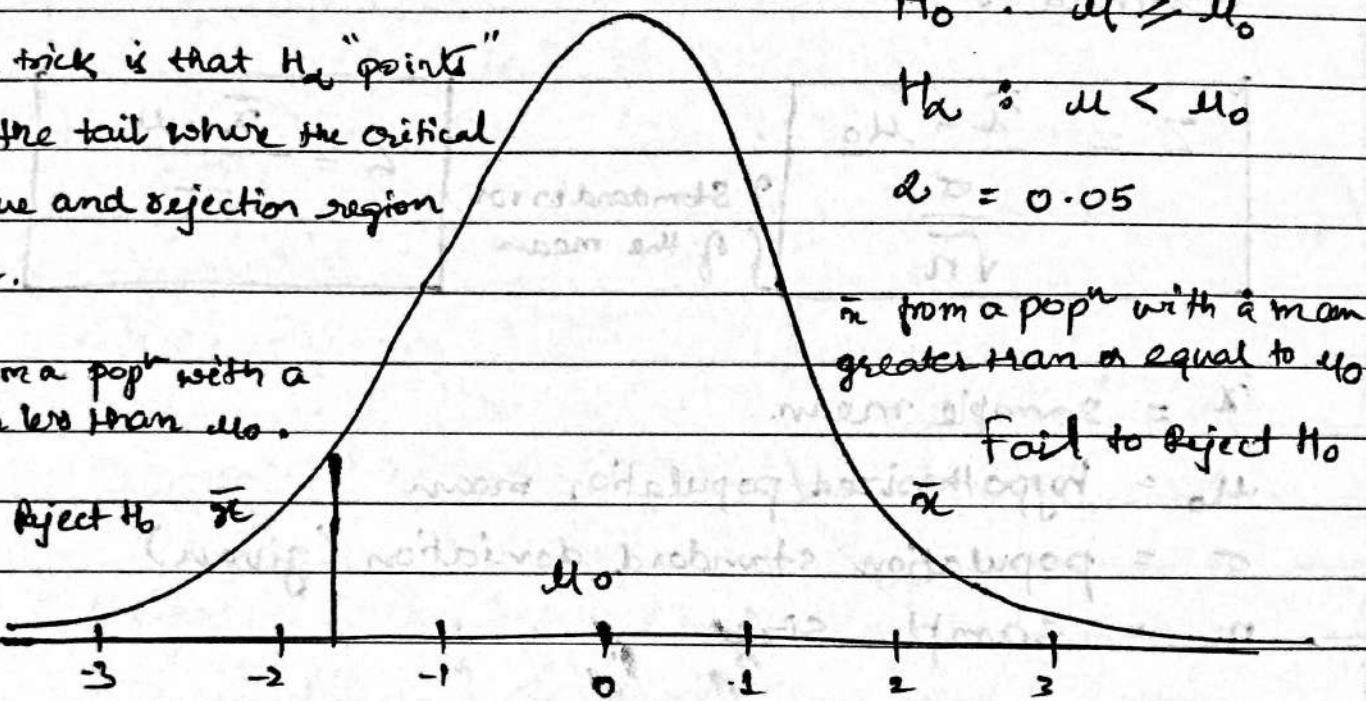
Thus the chance of Type II error increases as α decreases.

The One-tailed (Lower) Test Rejection Region

-- In a one-tailed hypothesis test, all of the α is in one tail or the other depending on the alternative hypothesis.

The trick is that H_a "points" to the tail where the critical value and rejection region are.

\bar{x} from a pop with a mean less than μ_0 .



Type I and Type II error Review

| | | Actual Condition | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---|--|
| | | H_0 "true" | H_a "true" |
| C O N C E P T | Do not Reject H_0 | \bar{x} correctly inside non-rejection region | Type II error: \bar{x} inside non-rejection region by chance |
| | Reject H_0 | Type I error: \bar{x} outside non-rejection region due to chance | \bar{x} correctly outside the non-rejection region. |

\bar{x} = sample mean

Video 7 : Hypothesis Testing : Single Sample Hypothesis Z-test

concept: with known σ

- Z-test for a single mean.

Formula :

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Standard error} \\ \text{of the mean} \end{array} \right\}$

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma_{\bar{x}}}$$

\bar{x} = sample mean.

μ_0 = hypothesized population mean

σ = population standard deviation (given)

n = sample size

* Once we find Z-test value, we answer.

Is this Z-test value in the nonrejection or
the rejection region?

Video 8 : Single Sample Hypothesis Z-test Examples

- Hypothesis Testing Procedure : Follow the ORDER

1. Start with a well-developed, clear research problem
2. Establish hypotheses, both null & alternative.
3. Determine appropriate statistical test and sampling distribution. (like z-or t-test & others)
4. Choose the Type I error rate. ($Type\ 1\ \alpha = \frac{1}{Type\ 2\ error}$)
5. State the decision rule
6. Gather sample data. (form your question first,)
~~to estimate parameters~~
7. Calculate test statistics .
8. State statistical conclusion .
9. Make decision or inference based on conclusion

- σ known or unknown

- As with confidence intervals, there are 2 types of single-sample hypothesis tests
- σ known - use normal standard / z-distribution
- σ unknown - use t-distribution
- Always good to check the sample data for NORMALITY

Q.) A report from 6 years ago indicated that the average gross salary for a business analyst was \$69,873. We wish to test this figure against current salaries to see if the current salaries are statistically different from the old ones.

Based on other studies, we assume $\sigma = \$13,985$.
Sample of 112 current salaries are taken.

Remember the Hypothesis Testing Procedure

Step 1 : Establish Hypothesis

$$H_0 : \mu = 69,873 \quad H_a : \mu \neq 69,873$$

Step 2 : Determine Appropriate Statistical Test
and Sampling Distribution.

This will be a two-tailed test.

Salaries could be higher or lower.

Since σ is known, we will use Z-distribution.

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \quad \left. \right\} \text{We'll use this formula.}$$

Step 3 : Specify the Type I error rate
(significance level)

$\alpha = 0.05$ - (It means, i am ok with the possibility of making Type I error 5% of the time)

Step 4 : State the Decision Rule.

If $Z > 1.96$, reject H_0

If $Z < -1.96$, reject H_0

Step 5 : Gathers Data

After gathering data of 112 salaries, we find

$$n = 112, \bar{x} = \$72,180$$

Step 6 : Calculate test statistic

$$\bar{x} = \$72,180$$

$$\mu = \$69,873$$

$$\sigma = \$13,985$$

$$n = 112$$

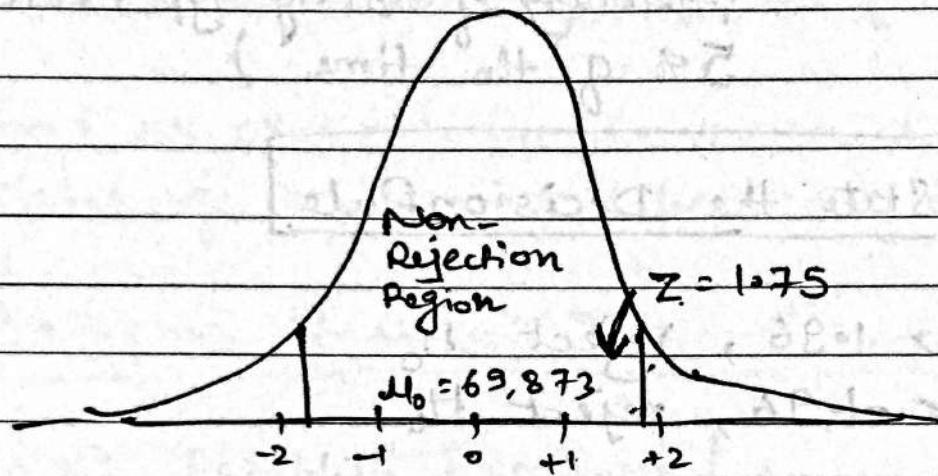
$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{- (Replace the values)} \\ \text{in this formula} \end{array}$$

$$Z = 1.75$$

Step 7 and 8 : State Statistical Conclusion

$$H_0: \mu = \$69,873$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq \$69,873$$



Since the test statistic is inside the non-rejection region and not beyond the critical value, we fail to reject the null hypothesis.

• Note: For other example, go through the video again.

Video 9: Single Sample Hypothesis Z-test Alpha and p-Values.

How does the critical \bar{x} and error risk change as α changes?

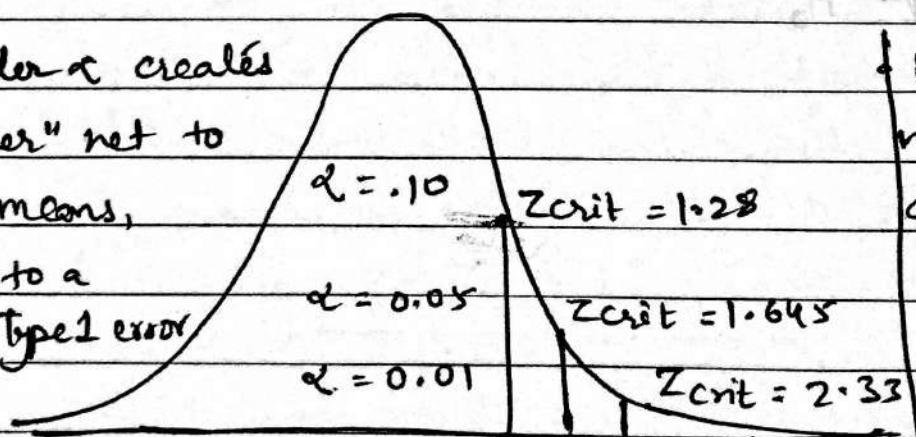
$$\alpha = 0.01, Z_{\text{crit}} = 2.33 \quad 2.33 = \frac{\bar{x} - 3}{1.5} \Rightarrow \bar{x} = 3.233$$

$$\alpha = 0.05, Z_{\text{crit}} = 1.645 \quad \dots \Rightarrow \bar{x} = 3.1645$$

$$\alpha = 0.10, Z_{\text{crit}} = 1.28 \quad \dots \Rightarrow \bar{x} = 3.128$$

The ALPHA (α) effect

- A smaller α creates a "wider" net to "catch" means, leading to a smaller Type I error



• However a wider net may capture a mean that belongs to a different distib

- The p-value method

-- Based on our $\alpha = 0.1$ we know that 1% of our area (probability) is in the upper tail past our $Z_{\text{crit}} = 2.33$.

In the p-value method, we ask how much area (probability) is above our test statistic of $Z = 2.5$

Using a Z-table or Excel we can find this AREA/probability = 0.0062

Since this is less than $\alpha = 0.01$, we would reject H_0

Video 10 : Hypothesis Testing : Single Sample T-test with unknown σ

- Revisit : Hypothesis Testing Procedure.
- There are 2 types of single-sample hypothesis tests.
 - (i) σ known, Z-test
 - (ii) σ unknown, t-test
- In t-distribution,
 - Every sample size has its own t-distribution with $n-1$ degrees of freedom.
- Always good to check the sample data for Normality.

General T-distribution Patterns

- A smaller sample size means more Sampling error.
- This sampling error due to small n means a higher probability of extreme sample means.
- More probability in the tails means the center hump of the t-distribution must come downward.
- This process "squishes" the distribution slightly downward.
- Given the same σ and s , a smaller n will push the critical values further downward in the tails due to the uncertainty associated with the small n .

FORMULA

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

standard error of
the mean

s = sample
standard dev
 n = sample size

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

\bar{x} = sample mean
 μ_0 = hypothesized
population mean

Video 11: Single Sample Hypothesis t-test Examples

- Screenshots from the video attached.

Video 12: Screenshots attached.

Video 13: Screenshots attached.

Video 14: Screenshots attached.

$$F \quad \xrightarrow{\text{sample mean}} \bar{x} = \mu_0 + Z_\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\mu_0 + Z_\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \mu_a - Z_\beta \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \frac{(Z_\alpha + Z_\beta)^2 \sigma^2}{(\mu_0 - \mu_a)^2}$$

Z_α = z value giving area of α

Z_β = z value giving area of β

σ = the population standard deviation

μ_0 = the value of the population mean in the null hypothesis

μ_a = the value of the population mean used chosen for Type 2 error.