## Economics 103 – Statistics for Economists

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# Lecture #18 – Hypothesis Testing I

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Steps in a Hypothesis Test

# The Pepsi Challenge

Our expert claims to be able to tell the difference between Coke and Pepsi. Let's put this to the test!

- Eight cups of soda
  - Four contain Coke
  - Four contain Pepsi
- The cups are randomly arranged
- How can we use this experiment to tell if our expert can really tell the difference?

## The Results:

# of Cokes Correctly Identified:

What do you think? Can our expert really tell the difference?



- (a) Yes
- (b) No



If you just guess randomly, what is the probability of identifying *all* four cups of Coke correctly?

- $\binom{8}{4} = 70$  ways to choose four of the eight cups.
- ▶ If guessing randomly, each of these is equally likely
- Only one of the 70 possibilities corresponds to correctly identifying all four cups of Coke.
- ▶ Thus, the probability is  $1/70 \approx 0.014$

# Probabilities if Guessing Randomly

# Correct	0	1	2	3	4
Prob.	1/70	16/70	36/70	16/70	1/70



If you're just guessing, what is the probability of identifying at least three Cokes correctly?

- Probabilities of mutually exclusive events sum.
- ▶ P(all four correct) = 1/70
- ▶ P(exactly 3 correct) = 16/70
- ▶  $P(\text{at least three correct}) = 17/70 \approx 0.24$

# The Pepsi Challenge

- Even if you're just guessing randomly, the probability of correctly identifying three or more Cokes is around 24%
- In contrast, the probability of identifying all four Cokes correctly is only around 1.4% if you're guessing randomly.
- ▶ We should probably require the expert to get them all right. . .
- ▶ What if the expert gets them all wrong? This also has probability 1.4% if you're guessing randomly...

That was a hypothesis test! We'll go through the details in a moment, but first an analogy...

#### Criminal Trial

- The person on trial is either innocent or guilty (but not both!)
- "Innocent Until Proven Guilty"
- Only convict if evidence is "beyond a reasonable doubt"
- Not Guilty rather than Innocent
  - ► Acquit ≠ Innocent
- Two Kinds of Errors:
  - Convict the innocent
  - Acquit the guilty
- Convicting the innocent is a worse error. Want this to be rare even if it means acquitting the guilty.

## Hypothesis Testing

- Either the null hypothesis H<sub>0</sub> or the alternative H<sub>1</sub> hypothesis is true.
- ightharpoonup Assume  $H_0$  to start
- Only reject H<sub>0</sub> in favor of H<sub>1</sub> if there is strong evidence.
- ► Fail to reject rather than Accept H<sub>0</sub>
  - (Fail to reject  $H_0$ )  $\neq$  ( $H_0$  True)
- Two Kinds of Errors:
  - ► Reject true *H*<sub>0</sub> (Type I)
  - ▶ Don't reject false H<sub>0</sub> (Type II)
- ► Type I errors (reject true H<sub>0</sub>) are worse: make them rare even if that means more Type II errors.

## How is the Pepsi Challenge a Hypothesis Test?

## Null Hypothesis $H_0$

Can't tell the difference between Coke and Pepsi: just guessing.

## Alternative Hypothesis $H_1$

Able to tell which ones are Coke and which are Pepsi.

## Type I Error – Reject $H_0$ even though it's true

Decide expert can tell the difference when she's really just guessing.

## Type II Error – Fail to reject $H_0$ even though it's false

Decide expert just guessing when she really can tell the difference.

# How do we carry out a hypothesis test?

## Step 1 – Specify $H_0$ and $H_1$

- ▶ Pepsi Challenge:  $H_0$  our "expert" is guessing randomly
- ▶ Pepsi Challenge: *H*<sub>1</sub> our "expert" can tell which is Coke

## Step 2 – Choose a Test Statistic $T_n$

- ▶  $T_n$  uses sample data to measure the plausibility of  $H_0$  vs.  $H_1$
- ▶ Pepsi Challenge:  $T_n$  = Number of Cokes correctly identified
- ► Lots of Cokes correct ⇒ implausible that you're just guessing

# Step 3 – Calculate Distribution of $T_n$ under $H_0$

- ▶ Under the null = Under  $H_0$  = Assuming  $H_0$  is true
- ▶ To carry out our test, need sampling dist. of  $T_n$  under  $H_0$
- $\blacktriangleright$   $H_0$  must be "specific enough" that we can do the calculation.
- ► Pepsi Challenge:

# Correct	0	1	2	3	4
Prob.	1/70	16/70	36/70	16/70	1/70

# Step 4 – Choose a Critical Value c

# Correct	0	1	2	3	4
Prob.	1/70	16/70	36/70	16/70	1/70

- ▶ Pepsi Challenge: correctly identify many cokes ⇒ implausible you're guessing at random.
- ▶ Decision Rule: reject  $H_0$  if  $T_n > c$ , where c is the critical value.
- Choose c to ensure  $P(\mathsf{Type} \mid \mathsf{Error})$  is small. But how small?
- ▶ Significance level  $\alpha = \max$ . prob. of Type I error we will allow
- Choose c so that if  $H_0$  is true  $P(T_n > c) \le \alpha$
- ▶ Pepsi Challenge: if you are guessing randomly, then
  - $P(T_n > 3) = 1/70 \approx 0.014$
  - $P(T_n > 2) = 16/70 + 1/70 \approx 0.23$

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# How do we carry out a hypothesis test?

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- Step 1 Specify Null Hypothesis  $H_0$  and alternative Hypothesis  $H_1$
- Step 2 Choose Test Statistic  $T_n$
- Step 3 Calculate sampling dist of  $T_n$  under  $H_0$
- Step 4 Choose Critical Value c
- Step 5 Look at the data: if  $T_n > c$ , reject  $H_0$ .

### Pepsi Challenge

If  $\alpha = 0.05$  we need c = 3 so that  $P(T_n > 3) \le \alpha$  under  $H_0$ .

Based on the results for our expert, would we reject  $H_0$ ?

# Lecture #19 – Hypothesis Testing II

Test for the mean of a normal population (variance known)

Relationship Between Confidence Intervals and Hypothesis Tests

P-values

One-Sided Tests

# A Simple Example

Suppose 
$$X_1,\ldots,X_{100}\sim \text{ iid } N(\mu,\sigma^2=9)$$
 and we want to test

$$H_0$$
:  $\mu = 2$ 

$$H_1$$
:  $\mu \neq 2$ 

Step 1 – Specify Null Hypothesis  $H_0$  and alternative Hypothesis  $H_1 \checkmark$ 

Step 2 – Choose Test Statistic  $T_n$ 

If  $\bar{X}$  is far from 2 then  $\mu=2$  is implausible. Why?

# If $\bar{X}_n$ is far from 2, then $\mu = 2$ is implausible

Since  $X_1, \ldots, X_{100} \sim \text{ iid N}(\mu, 9)$ , if  $\mu = 2 \text{ then } \bar{X} \sim N(2, 0.09)$ 

$$P(a \le \bar{X} \le b) = P\left(\frac{a-2}{3/10} \le \frac{X-2}{3/10} \le \frac{b-2}{3/10}\right)$$
$$= P\left(\frac{a-2}{0.3} \le Z \le \frac{b-2}{0.3}\right)$$

where  $Z \sim N(0,1)$  so we see that if  $H_0$ :  $\mu=2$  is true then

$$P(1.7 \le \bar{X} \le 2.3) = P(-1 \le Z \le 1) \approx 0.68$$
  
 $P(1.4 \le \bar{X} \le 2.6) = P(-2 \le Z \le 2) \approx 0.95$   
 $P(1.1 \le \bar{X} \le 2.9) = P(-3 \le Z \le 3) > 0.99$ 

# Step 2 – Choose Test Statistic $T_n$

- ▶ Reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 2$  if the sample mean is far from 2.
- $ightharpoonup 
  ightharpoonup T_n$  should depend on the distance from  $\bar{X}$  to 2, i.e.  $|\bar{X}-2|$ .
- ▶ We can make our subsequent calculations much easier if we choose a scale for  $T_n$  that is convenient under  $H_0$ ...

$$\mu=2 \Rightarrow \quad ar{X}-2 \quad \sim \quad {\it N}(0,0.09)$$
  $\dfrac{ar{X}-2}{0.3} \quad \sim \quad {\it N}(0,1)$ 

So we will set 
$$T_n = \left| \frac{\bar{X} - 2}{0.3} \right|$$

# A Simple Example: $X_1, \ldots, X_{100} \sim \text{iid N}(\mu, \sigma^2 = 9)$

Step 1 - 
$$H_0$$
:  $\mu = 2$ ,  $H_1$ :  $\mu \neq 2$   $\checkmark$ 
Step 2 -  $T_n = \left|\frac{\bar{X}-2}{0.3}\right|$   $\checkmark$ 
Step 3 - If  $\mu = 2$  then  $\left(\frac{\bar{X}-2}{0.3}\right) \sim N(0,1)$   $\checkmark$ 
Step 4 - Choose Critical Value  $c$ 

- (i) Specify significance level of
  - (i) Specify significance level  $\alpha$ .
  - (ii) Choose c so that  $P(T_n > c) = \alpha$  under  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 2$ .

Choose c so that  $P(T_n > c) = \alpha$  under  $H_0$ 

$${\cal T}_n = \left| rac{ar X - 2}{0.3} 
ight|$$
 and  $\mu = 2 \implies rac{ar X - 2}{0.3} \sim {\it N}(0,1)$ 

$$P\left(\left|\frac{\bar{X}-2}{0.3}\right| > c\right) = \alpha$$

$$1 - P\left(\left|\frac{\bar{X}-2}{0.3}\right| \le c\right) = \alpha$$

$$P\left(\left|\frac{\bar{X}-2}{0.3}\right| \le c\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$P\left(-c \le \frac{\bar{X}-2}{0.3} \le c\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

Hence:  $c = \text{gnorm}(1 - \alpha/2)$  which should look familiar!

# A Simple Example: $X_1, \ldots, X_{100} \sim \text{iid N}(\mu, \sigma^2 = 9)$

Step 1 - 
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:  $\mu = 2$ ,  $H_1$ :  $\mu \neq 2$    
Step 2 -  $T_n = \left| \frac{\bar{X} - 2}{0.3} \right|$ 

Step 3 - If 
$$\mu=2$$
 then  $\left(rac{ar{X}-2}{0.3}
ight)\sim extstyle extstyle N(0,1)$   $\checkmark$ 

Step 4 - 
$$c = qnorm(1 - \alpha/2)$$
  $\checkmark$ 

- Step 5 Look at the data: if  $T_n > c$ , reject  $H_0$ 
  - ▶ Suppose I choose  $\alpha = 0.05$ . Then  $c \approx 2$ .
  - ▶ I observe a sample of 100 observations. Suppose  $\bar{x} = 1.34$

$$T_n = \left| \frac{\bar{x} - 2}{0.3} \right| = \left| \frac{1.34 - 2}{0.3} \right| = 2.2$$

▶ Since  $T_n > c$ , I reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 2$ .

# Reporting the Results of a Test

Our Example:  $X_1, \ldots, X_{100} \sim \mathsf{iid} \ \mathsf{N}(\mu, 1)$ 

- $H_0$ :  $\mu = 2$  vs.  $H_1$ :  $\mu \neq 2$
- $T_n = |(\bar{X}_n 2)/0.3|$
- ho  $\alpha = 0.05 \implies c \approx 2$

Suppose  $\bar{x} = 1.34$ 

Then  $T_n=2.2$ . Since this is greater than c for  $\alpha=0.05$ , we reject  $H_0: \mu=2$  at the 5% significance level.

Suppose instead that  $\bar{x} = 1.82$ 

Then  $T_n=0.6$ . Since this is less than c for  $\alpha=0.05$ , we fail to reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu=2$  at the 5% significance level.

# General Version of Preceding Example

 $X_1, \ldots, X_n \sim \text{iid N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with  $\sigma^2$  known and we want to test:

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$
  
 $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$ 

where  $\mu_0$  is some specified value for the population mean.

- ▶  $|\bar{X}_n \mu_0|$  tells how far sample mean is from  $\mu_0$ .
- ▶ Reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu = \mu_0$  if sample mean is far from  $\mu_0$ .
- ▶ Under  $H_0$ :  $\mu = \mu_0$ ,  $\frac{\bar{X}_n \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$ .
- ▶ Test statistic  $T_n = \left| \frac{\bar{X}_n \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \right|$
- ▶ Reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu = \mu_0$  if  $T_n > \text{qnorm}(1 \alpha/2)$

# What is this test telling us to do?

Return to specific example where  $H_0$ :  $\mu=2$  vs.  $H_1$ :  $\mu\neq 2$  and  $X_1,\ldots,X_{100}\sim \text{iid N}(\mu,1)$  with  $\alpha=0.05$ :

Reject 
$$H_0$$
 if  $\left|\frac{X_n-2}{0.3}\right|>2$   
Reject  $H_0$  if  $|\bar{X}_n-2|>0.6$   
Reject  $H_0$  if  $(\bar{X}_n<1.4)$  or  $(\bar{X}_n>2.6)$ 

Reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu=2$  if  $\bar{X}_n$  is far from 2. How far? Depends on choice of  $\alpha$  along with sample size and population variance.

# This looks suspiciously similar to a confidence interval. . .

$$X_1,\ldots,X_n\sim \mathsf{iid}\ \mathsf{N}(\mu,\sigma^2)$$
 where  $\sigma^2$  is known

$$T_n = \left| \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \right|, c = \text{qnorm}(1 - \alpha/2), \text{ Reject } H_0: \mu = \mu_0 \text{ if } T_n > c$$

Another way of saying this is don't reject  $H_0$  if:

$$(T_n \le c) \iff \left( \left| \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \right| \le c \right) \iff \left( -c \le \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \le c \right)$$

$$\iff \left( \bar{X}_n - c \times \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \le \mu_0 \le \bar{X}_n + c \times \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

In other words, don't reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu = \mu_0$  at significance level  $\alpha$  if  $\mu_0$  lies inside the  $100 \times (1 - \alpha)\%$  confidence interval for  $\mu$ .

# Cls and Hypothesis Tests are Intimately Related

## Our Simple Example

$$X_1,\ldots,X_{100}\sim \mathsf{iid}\,\,\mathsf{N}(\mu,\sigma^2=9)$$
 and observe  $\bar{x}=1.34$ 

Test 
$$H_0$$
:  $\mu = 2$  vs.  $H_1$ :  $\mu \neq 2$  with  $\alpha = 0.05$ 

$$T_n = 2.2$$
,  $c = qnorm(1 - 0.05/2) \approx 2$ . Since  $T_n > c$  we reject.

## 95% Confidence Interval for $\mu$

 $1.34\pm2 imes3/10$  i.e.  $1.34\pm0.6$  or equivalently (0.74,1.94)

### Another way to carry out the test...

Since 2 lies outside the 95% confidence interval for  $\mu$ , if our significance level is  $\alpha = 0.05$  we reject  $H_0: \mu = 2$ .

$$X_1,\ldots X_{100}\sim \mathsf{iid}\ \mathsf{N}(\mu_X,1)\ \mathsf{and}\ Y_1,\ldots,Y_{100}\sim \mathsf{iid}\ \mathsf{N}(\mu_Y,1)$$

Two researchers:  $H_0$ :  $\mu=2$  vs.  $H_1$ :  $\mu\neq 2$  with  $\alpha=0.05$ 

#### Researcher 1

- $\bar{x} = 1.34$
- $T_n = 2.2 > 2$
- Reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu_X = 2$

#### Researcher 2

- $\bar{y} = 11.3$
- ►  $T_n = 31 > 2$
- ▶ Reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu_Y = 2$

Both researchers would report "reject  $H_0$  at the 5% level" but Researcher 2 found much stronger evidence against  $H_0$ ...

# What if we had chosen a different significance level $\alpha$ ?

$$T_n=2.2, \quad c= ext{qnorm}(1-lpha/2), \quad ext{Reject } H_0\colon \mu=2 ext{ if } T_n>c$$

$$lpha=0.32 \Rightarrow c=\operatorname{qnorm}(1-0.32/2) \approx 0.99$$
 Reject  $lpha=0.10 \Rightarrow c=\operatorname{qnorm}(1-0.10/2) \approx 1.64$  Reject  $lpha=0.05 \Rightarrow c=\operatorname{qnorm}(1-0.05/2) \approx 1.96$  Reject  $lpha=0.04 \Rightarrow c=\operatorname{qnorm}(1-0.04/2) \approx 2.05$  Reject  $lpha=0.03 \Rightarrow c=\operatorname{qnorm}(1-0.03/2) \approx 2.17$  Reject  $lpha=0.02 \Rightarrow c=\operatorname{qnorm}(1-0.02/2) \approx 2.33$  Fail to Reject  $lpha=0.01 \Rightarrow c=\operatorname{qnorm}(1-0.01/2) \approx 2.58$  Fail to Reject

# Result of Test Depends on Choice of $\alpha$ !

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\begin{array}{lll} \alpha = 0.32 & \Rightarrow & \text{Reject} \\ \alpha = 0.10 & \Rightarrow & \text{Reject} \\ \alpha = 0.05 & \Rightarrow & \text{Reject} \\ \alpha = 0.04 & \Rightarrow & \text{Reject} \\ \alpha = 0.03 & \Rightarrow & \text{Reject} \\ \alpha = 0.02 & \Rightarrow & \text{Fail to Reject} \\ \alpha = 0.01 & \Rightarrow & \text{Fail to Reject} \end{array}
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- ▶ If you reject  $H_0$  at a given choice of  $\alpha$ , you would also have rejected at any larger choice of  $\alpha$ .
- If you fail to reject H<sub>0</sub> at a given choice of α, you would also have failed to reject at any smaller choice of α.

#### Question

If  $\alpha$  is large enough we will reject; if  $\alpha$  is small enough, we won't.

Where is the dividing line between reject and fail to reject?

# P-Value: Dividing Line Between Reject and Fail to Reject

$$T_n=2.2, \quad c= ext{qnorm}(1-lpha/2), \quad ext{Reject $H_0:$} \ \mu=2 \ ext{if $T_n>c$}$$

#### Question

Given that we observed a test statistic of 2.2, what choice of  $\alpha$  would put us just at the cusp of rejecting  $H_0$ ?

#### Answer

Whichever  $\alpha$  makes c = 2.2! At this  $\alpha$  we just barely fail to reject.

# Calculating the P-value

#### Definition of a P-value

Significance level  $\alpha$  such that the critical value c exactly equals the observed value of the test statistic. Equivalently:  $\alpha$  that lies exactly on boundary between Reject and Fail to Reject.

### Our Example

The observed value of the test statistic is 2.2 and the critical value is  $qnorm(1 - \alpha/2)$ , so we need to solve:

$$2.2 = \operatorname{qnorm}(1 - \alpha/2)$$

$$\operatorname{pnorm}(2.2) = \operatorname{pnorm}(\operatorname{qnorm}(1 - \alpha/2))$$

$$\operatorname{pnorm}(2.2) = 1 - \alpha/2$$

$$\alpha = 2 \times [1 - \operatorname{pnorm}(2.2)] \approx 0.028$$

## How to use a p-value?

### Alternative to Steps 4–5

Rather than choosing  $\alpha$ , computing critical value c and reporting "Reject" or "Fail to Reject" at  $100 \times \alpha\%$  level, just report p-value.

## Example From Previous Slide

P-value for our test of  $H_0$ :  $\mu=2$  against  $H_1$ :  $\mu\neq 2$  was  $\approx 0.028$ 

## Using P-value to Test $H_0$

Using the p-value we can test  $H_0$  for any  $\alpha$  without doing any new calculations! For p-value  $< \alpha$  reject; for p-value  $\ge \alpha$  fail to reject.

## Strength of Evidence Against $H_0$

P-value measures strength of evidence against the null. Smaller p-value = stronger evidence against  $H_0$ . P-value does not measure size of effect.

## One-sided Test: Different Decision Rule

## Same Example as Above

 $X_1, \ldots, X_{100} \sim \text{iid N}(\mu, 1) \text{ and } H_0 \colon \mu = 2.$ 

## Three possible alternatives:

Two-sided One-sided (<) One-sided (>)

 $H_1: \mu \neq 2$   $H_1: \mu < 2$   $H_1: \mu > 2$ 

### Three corresponding decision rules:

- ▶ Two-sided: reject  $\mu = 2$  whenever  $|\bar{X}_n 2|$  is too large.
- ▶ One-sided (<): only reject  $\mu = 2$  if  $\bar{X}_n$  is far below 2.
- ▶ One-sided (>): only reject  $\mu = 2$  if  $\bar{X}_n$  is far above 2.

# One-sided (>) Example: $X_1, \ldots, X_{100} \sim \text{iid N}(\mu, 1)$

#### Null and Alternative

Test  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 2$  against  $H_0$ :  $\mu > 2$  with  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

#### Test Statistic

Drop absolute value for one-sided test:  $T_n = \frac{\bar{X}_n - 2}{0.3}$ 

#### **Decision Rule**

Reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu=2$  if test statistic is large and positive:  $T_n>c$ 

#### Critical Value

Choose c so that  $P(\mathsf{type}\;\mathsf{I}\;\mathsf{error}) = P(\mathit{T}_n > c | \mu = 2) = 0.05$ 

Under  $H_0$ ,  $T_n \sim N(0,1)$ 

If  $Z \sim N(0,1)$  what value of c ensures P(Z > c) = 0.05?

# One-sided (<) Example: $X_1, \ldots, X_{100} \sim \text{iid N}(\mu, 1)$

#### Null and Alternative

Test  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 2$  against  $H_0$ :  $\mu < 2$  with  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

#### Test Statistic

Drop absolute value for one-sided test:  $T_n = \frac{\bar{X}_n - 2}{0.3}$ 

#### **Decision Rule**

Reject  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 2$  if test statistic is large and negative:  $T_n < c$ 

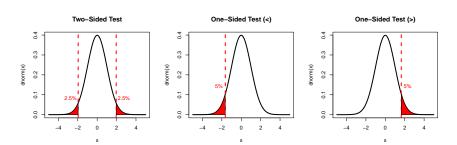
#### Critical Value

Choose c so that  $P(\text{type I error}) = P(T_n < c | \mu = 2) = 0.05$ 

Under  $H_0$ ,  $T_n \sim N(0,1)$ 

If  $Z \sim N(0,1)$  what value of c ensures P(Z < c) = 0.05?

## Critical Values – Two-sided vs. One-sided Tests: $\alpha = 0.05$



#### Two-Sided

Splits  $\alpha = 0.05$  between two tails:  $c = qnorm(1 - 0.05/2) \approx 1.96$ 

#### One-Sided

One tail:  $c = \mathtt{qnorm}(0.05) \approx -1.64$  for (<);  $\mathtt{qnorm}(0.95) \approx 1.64$  for (>)

Example:  $X_1, ..., X_{100} \sim \text{iid N}(\mu, 1), \alpha = 0.05$ 

Suppose 
$$\bar{x}=1.5 \implies (\bar{x}-2)/0.3 \approx -1.67$$

Two-sided One-sided (
$$<$$
) One-sided ( $>$ ) One-sided ( $>$ )
 $H_1\colon \mu \neq 2$   $H_1\colon \mu < 2$   $H_1\colon \mu > 2$ 
Reject if  $T_n > 1.96$  Reject if  $T_n < -1.64$  Reject if  $T_n > 1.64$ 
 $T_n = 1.67$   $T_n = -1.67$  Fail to reject Reject Fail to reject

- ▶ If One-sided (<) rejects, then one-sided (>) doesn't and vice-versa.
- ► Two-sided and one-sided sometimes agree but sometimes disagree.
- One-sided test is "less stringent."

# Testing $H_0$ : $\mu = \mu_0$ when $X_1, \ldots, X_n \sim \text{iid } N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

Reject 
$$H_0$$
 whenever  $\left| rac{ar{X}_n - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} 
ight| > ext{qnorm} (1 - lpha/2)$ 

One-Sided (<)

Reject 
$$H_0$$
 whenever  $\frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} < \mathtt{qnorm}(\alpha)$ 

One-Sided (>)

Reject 
$$H_0$$
 whenever  $\frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} > \mathtt{qnorm}(1-\alpha)$ 

## One-sided P-value

- Only makes sense to calculate one-sided p-value when sign of test stat. agrees with alternative:
  - Preceding example:  $T_n = -1.67$
  - ► Calculate p-value for test vs.  $H_1$ :  $\mu$  < 2 but not  $H_1$ :  $\mu$  > 2
- Just as in two-sided test, p-value equals value of α for which c exactly equals the observed test statistic:
  - $c = \operatorname{qnorm}(\alpha)$  for (<)
  - $c = qnorm(1 \alpha)$  for (>)
  - Example:  $-1.67 = qnorm(\alpha) \iff \alpha = 0.047$
- Use and report one-sided p-value in same way as two-sided p-value

### Final Notes on One-sided vs. Two-sided Tests

- Two-sided test is the default.
- Don't use one-sided unless you have a good reason!
- Relationship between CI and test only holds for two-sided.
- ▶ Why and when should we consider a one-sided test?
  - ▶ Suppose we know a priori that  $\mu$  < 2 is crazy/uninteresting
  - ► Test of  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 2$  against  $H_1$ :  $\mu > 2$  with significance level  $\alpha$  has lower type II error rate than test against  $H_1$ :  $\mu \neq 2$ .
- ▶ If you use a one-sided test you must choose (>) or (<) before looking at the data. Otherwise the results are invalid.</p>

## Roadmap

#### Next Time

More examples of hypothesis testing using relationship to CIs to help us avoid re-inventing the wheel.

### **Building Intuition**

Now that you know a simple example of a hypothesis test and its relationship to a CI, think about the following:

- ▶ If we reject  $H_0$  does that mean that  $H_0$  is false?
- ▶ How does testing relate to random sampling?
- ▶ How does critical value of two-sided test relate to width of CI?
- ▶ In a given test, which is larger: the one-sided or two-sided p-value?