

Sec. 8.4 Ex. 11

Let $Y_1 \sim b(m_1, p_1)$ and $Y_2 \sim b(m_2, p_2)$ with $m_1 = m_2 = 1000$

We want to test $H_0: p_1 = p_2$ vs $H_1: p_1 \neq p_2$

Let $\hat{p}_1 = Y_1/m_1$ and $\hat{p}_2 = Y_2/m_2$ and note that since $m_1 = m_2 = 1000$ are both large, the Central Limit Theorem guarantees that:

$$\frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 - (p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{m_1} + \frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{m_2}}} \text{ is approximately } N(0,1)$$

Under $H_0: p_1 = p_2$, we may use the following pooled estimate for p_1 and p_2 : $\hat{p} = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{m_1 + m_2}$
so that the test statistic is:

$$Z = \frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2}{\sqrt{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})\left(\frac{1}{m_1} + \frac{1}{m_2}\right)}} \text{ approximately } N(0,1) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{recall that} \\ \text{under } H_0 \\ p_1 - p_2 = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

We reject H_0 at significance level α if the observed value z of the test statistic Z is such that

$$|z| \geq z_{\alpha/2}, \text{ that is, } z \geq z_{\alpha/2} \text{ or } z \leq -z_{\alpha/2}$$



Critical region corresponds to shaded intervals

b) Since we are given that $y_1 = 37$ and $y_2 = 53$, we have that

$$\hat{p} = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{n_1 + n_2} = \frac{37 + 53}{1000 + 1000} = \frac{90}{2000}$$

and

$$z = \frac{\frac{37}{1000} - \frac{53}{1000}}{\sqrt{\frac{90}{2000} \cdot \frac{1910}{2000} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1000} + \frac{1}{1000}\right)}} \approx -1.73$$

At significance level $\alpha = 0.05$, we have

$$z_{\alpha/2} = z_{0.025} = 1.96$$

$$\text{and so } |z| = 1.73 < 1.96 = z_{0.025}$$

Thus, we do not reject H_0 .

