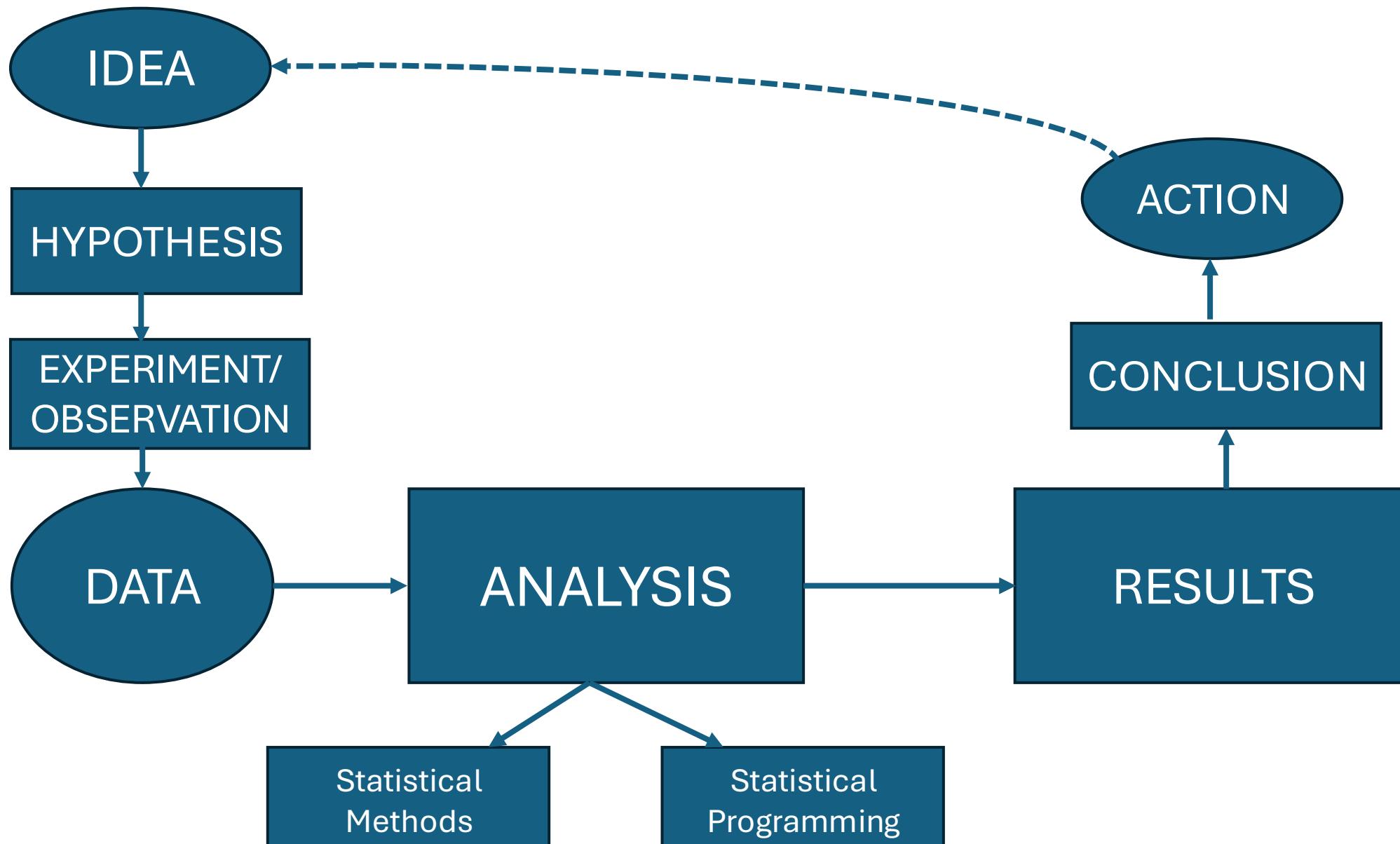


# Module 4A: Hypothesis Testing

**Applied Epistemology:** A Framework for how we know things scientifically

## Agenda:

- Working through examples of hypothesis testing
  - **Binomial Example**
  - $\chi^2$  Goodness of fit tests



Hypothesis Testing

# Your pipeline for hypothesis testing in statistics

Step 1

Formulate your **null hypothesis**

- Null hypothesis is **only hypothesis that is tested**
- Falsification: want to reject your null



Step 2

Identify appropriate **test statistic**

- Assumptions of your test



Step 3

**Quantify** the results of your test

- **P value** or comparison to **critical values**
- How *unusual* is your data?

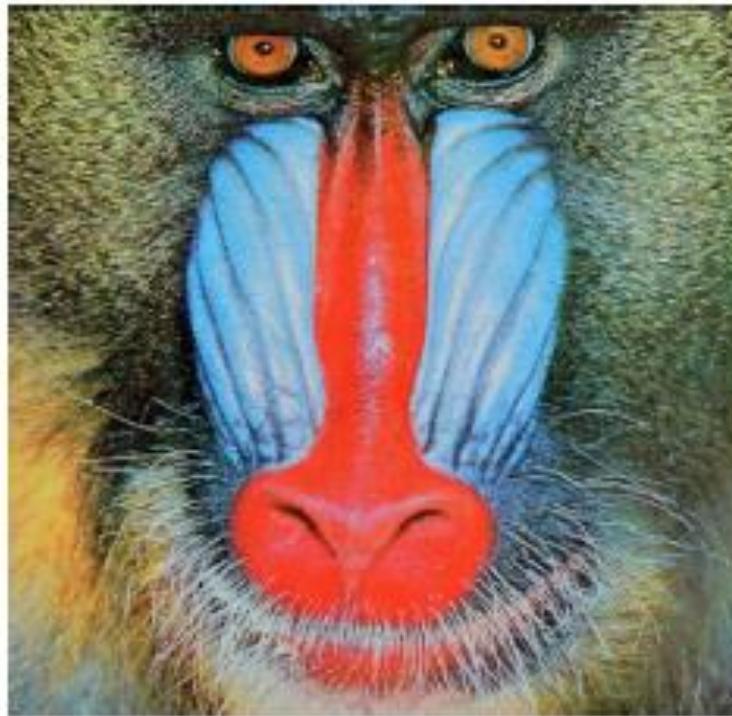


Step 4

**Conclude: reject or fail to reject**

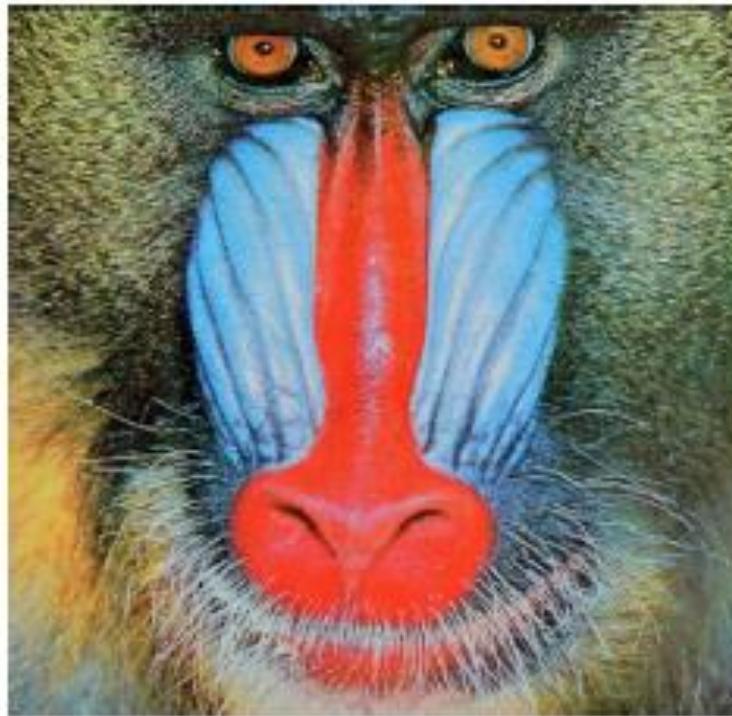
- based on alpha value
- if appropriate, confidence interval of the parameter

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Data from the 2004 Olympics in combat sports: wrestling, taekwondo and boxing.

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**16 out of 20 rounds** had more red-shirted than blue-shirted winners in the 2004 Olympics in wrestling, taekwondo and boxing.

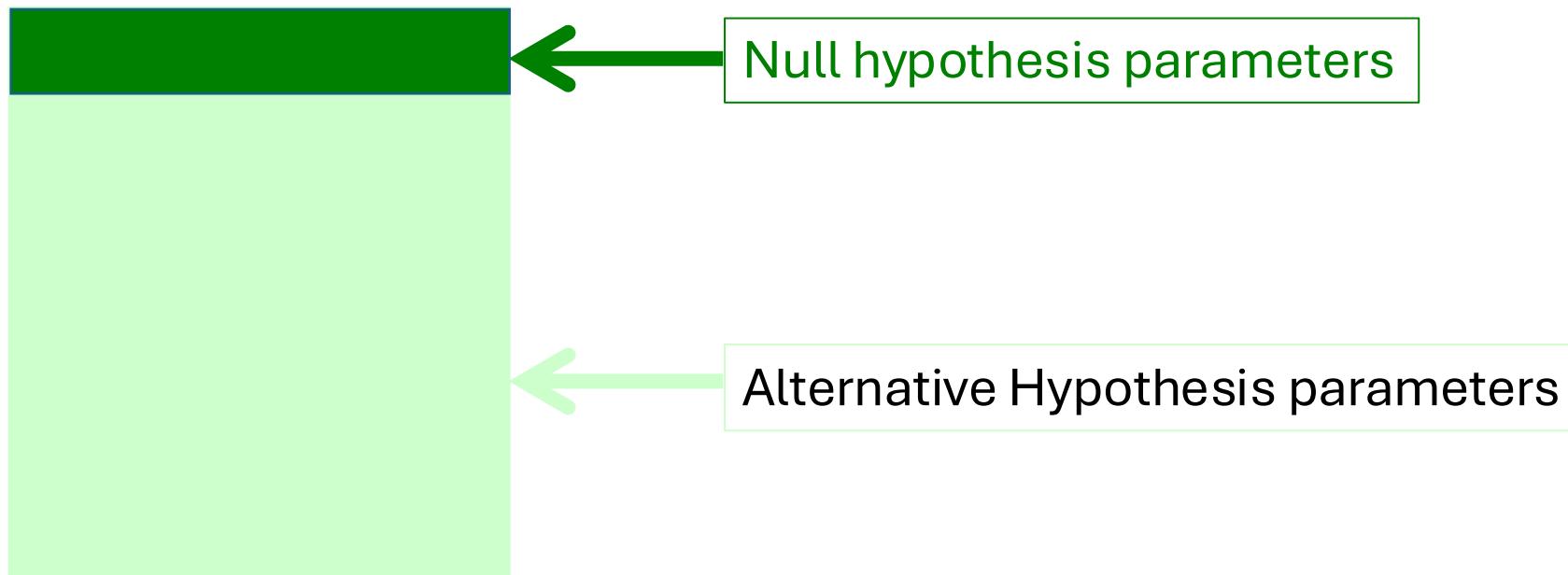
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## **Step 1: Formulate Hypothesis**

## Four steps in hypothesis testing:

### 1. Formulate Hypothesis

- o Most of the mental effort
- o Quantifies how unusual data is *if you assume that the null hypothesis is true*
- o  $H_0$  and  $H_A$  - mutually exclusive



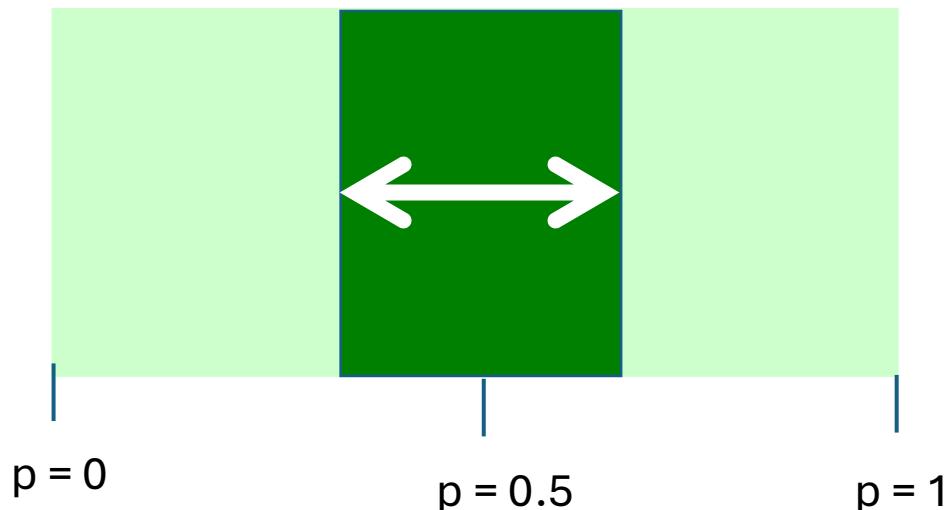
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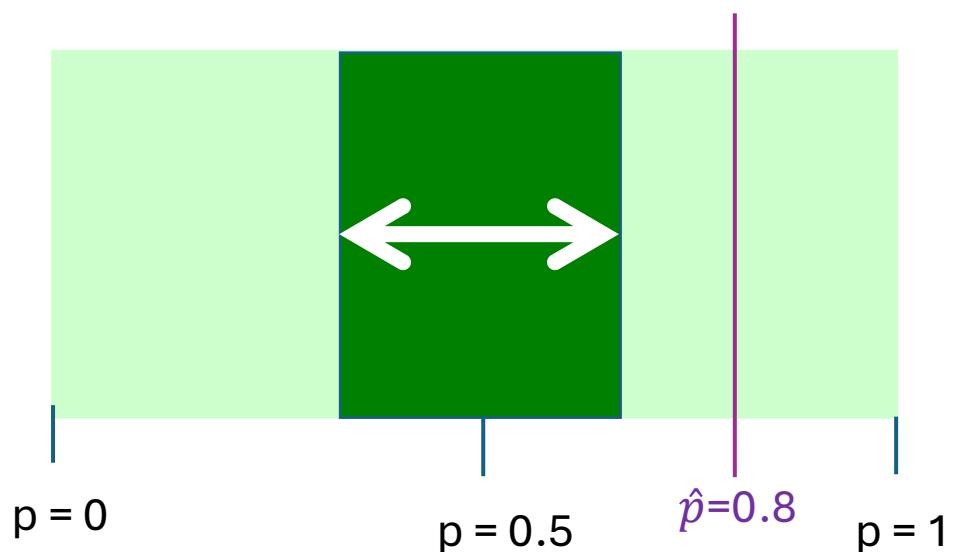
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This is a discrepancy of 0.3 from  $H_0$ . Can it be due to chance alone?



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binomial calculator

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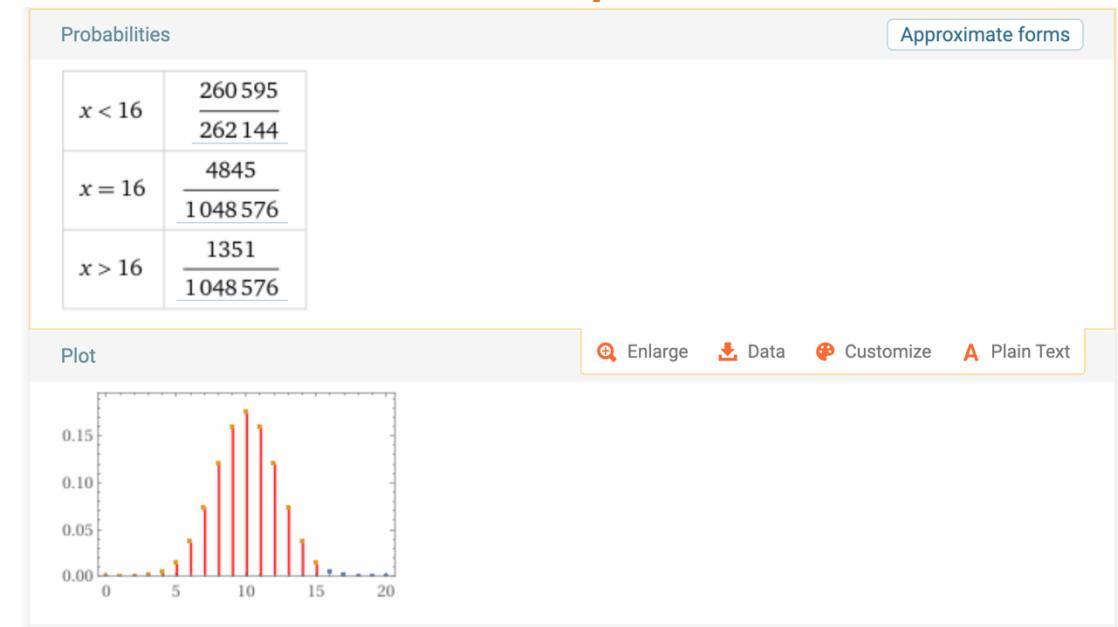
Computational Inputs:

Assuming probabilities for the binomial distribution | Use [binomial coefficient calculator](#) instead

» number of trials: 20  
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Compute

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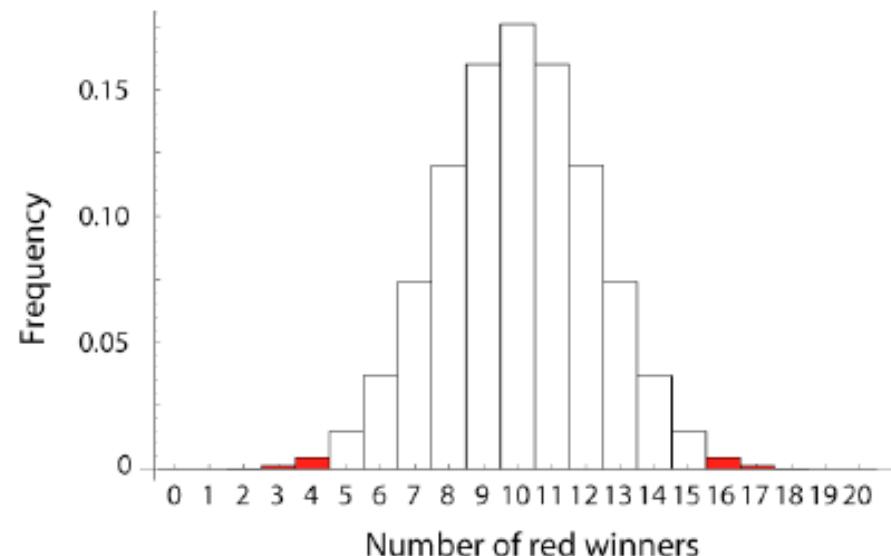
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Null Distribution of the sample proportion

### The Binomial Distribution

explains this type of proportion data

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The P-value from the null distribution of the proportion is calculated as:

$$P = [P[0]+P[1]+P[2]+P[3]+P[4]+P[16]+P[17]+P[18]+P[19]+P[20]]$$

= due to symmetry

$$= 2XP[16]+P[17]+P[18]+P[19]+P[20]$$

$$= 0.012$$

$$P\left(\frac{20}{16}\right) = \frac{20!}{16!4!} 0.5^{16}(1 - 0.5)^4$$

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### **Step 3(b): Compare to a fixed significance**

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## **Step 4: ALWAYS CONCLUDE**

Athletes in red and blue shirts are not equally likely to win

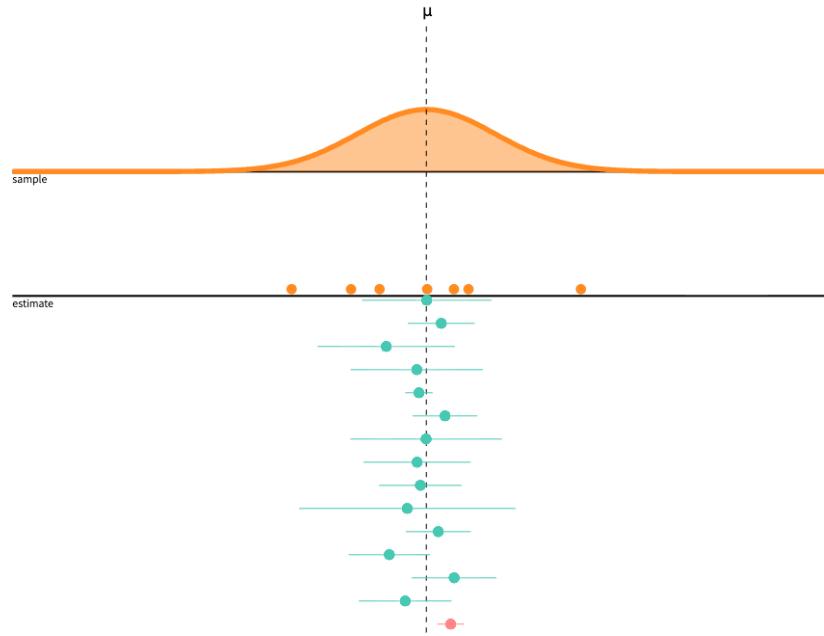
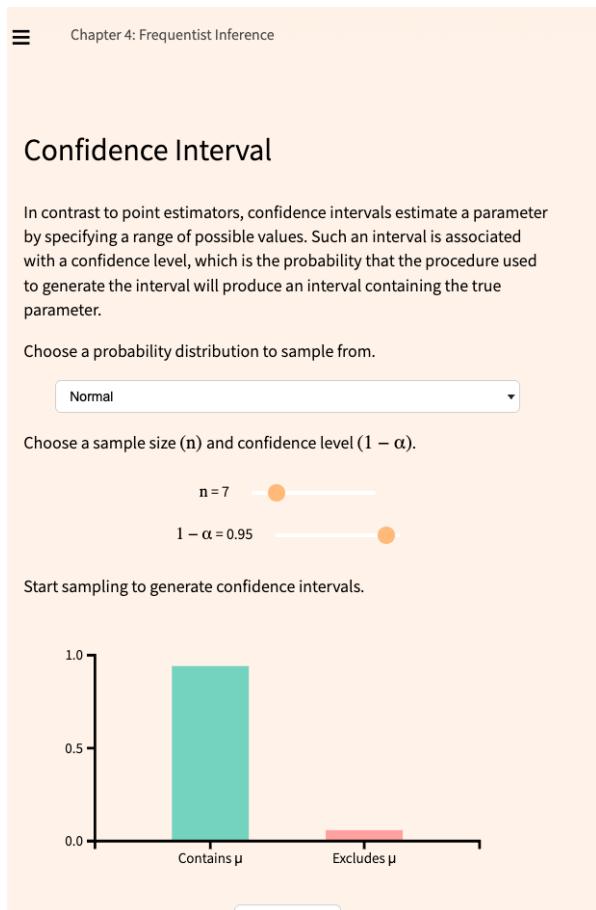
(normally, we also put a confidence interval or any additional information to support our conclusion here, such as confidence interval, effect size calculation or whatever additional evidence is appropriate for your model.)

$$\hat{p} - 1.96 * \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})}{20}} < p < \hat{p} + 1.96 * \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})}{20}}$$

For Confidence Interval 95%:  $0.625 < p < 0.975$

Follow up study → <https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-024-81373-3>

# Confidence Intervals



<https://seeing-theory.brown.edu/frequentist-inference/index.html#section2>

95% CI means that if we repeated the study many times, 95% of those intervals would capture the true  $\mu$ , not that there's a 95% chance *this* one does

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