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Short Description of the Demonstration

This Demonstration shows calculations of point estimations and confidence intervals for various single proportions of populations obeying a condition (or trait), as well as their plots versus *p*-value. This is done for differing populations obeying and violating a condition (or trait) and differing *p*-values for estimating the lower and upper bounds of the confidence intervals.

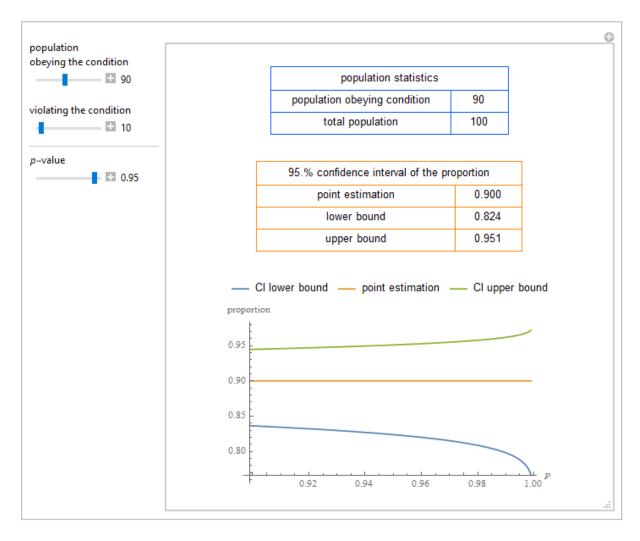


Figure 1: Population statistics, point estimation, and 95% confidence interval for a single proportion of a population obeying a condition, as well as their plots versus p-value, with the settings shown at the left.

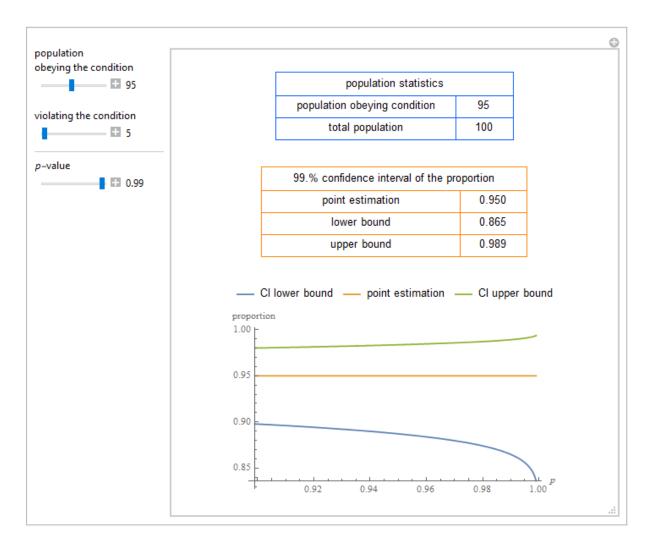


Figure 2: Population statistics, point estimation, and 99% confidence interval for a single proportion of a population obeying a condition, as well as their plots versus p-value, with the settings shown at the left.

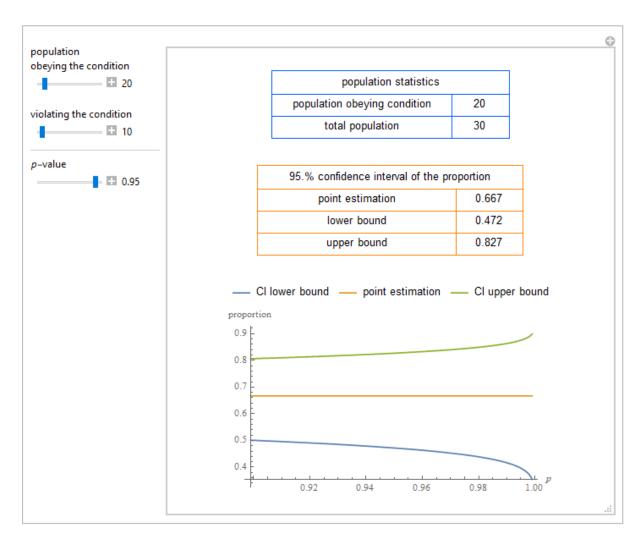


Figure 3: Population statistics, point estimation, and 95% confidence interval for a single proportion of a population obeying a condition, well as their plots versus p-value, with the settings shown at the left.

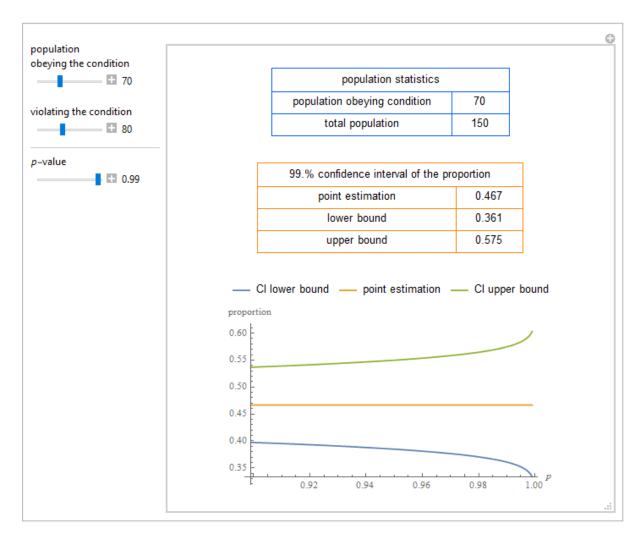


Figure 4: Population statistics, point estimation, and 99% confidence interval for a single proportion of a population obeying a condition, as well as their plots versus p-value, with the settings shown at the left.

Details

The exact method using the *F*-distribution is applied for calculating the confidence interval of each single proportion [1].

Reference

[1] J. L. Fleiss, B. Levin and M. C. Paik. Statistical Methods for Rates and Proportions, 3rd ed., Hoboken, NJ: J. Wiley, 2003.

Source Code

The updated Wolfram Mathematica[©] source code is available at: https://www.hcsl.com/Tools/Demonstrations/ExactConfidenceIntervalsForASingleProportion.nb

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