

# Inferential Statistics: Hypothesis Testing

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# Learning Objectives

At the end of this presentation we should be able to

- ▶ **LO1:** Give real-life scenario problem to be solved by Statistics
- ▶ **LO2:** Classify statistical analysis methods with its purpose
- ▶ **LO3:** Define the process of hypotheses testing
- ▶ **LO5:** List standard test used in hypotheses test
- ▶ **LO4:** Make decision using hypotheses testing

Key Concept(s) to be covered

- ▶ Statistical measures
- ▶ Statistical analysis methods
- ▶ Hypotheses testing



# Need for performing statistical analysis

Need for performing statistical analysis of experimental observations

- ▶ no proper sampling procedures and design of experiments
- ▶ don't know entire sample space and parameters of distribution
- ▶ want to derive conclusion from finite sample (observation) set
- ▶ sample set is assumed to be representative of entire s-space

Important terms

- ▶ Population: set of all possible outcomes
- ▶ Sample set: finite set of observations in an experiment
- ▶ Inference: conclusion derived regarding population s-set



# Statistical Analysis

## Descriptive Statistics

- ▶ Graphical: Organizing and presenting the data
  - ▶ Example: histogram, box plot, probability plot
- ▶ Numerical: Summarizing the sample set
  - ▶ Example: mean, median, mode, range, quartile, variance, standard deviation

## Inferential Statistics

- ▶ Estimation: Estimate parameters of the pdf along with its confidence region
- ▶ Hypotheses testing: Making judgements about  $f(x)$  and its parameters



# Descriptive Statistics

Descriptive Statistics: Numerical

- ▶ Numerical: Summarizing the sample set

Descriptive Statistics: Graphical

- ▶ Graphical: Organizing and presenting the data



# Motivation for Hypotheses Testing

## Motivation for Hypotheses Testing

- ▶ Social case: Are women more likely to change the mobile service provider than men?
- ▶ Medical case: Is the incidence of diabetes greater among males than females?
- ▶ Engineering case: Has the performance of HDD decreases from its original value due to # write operations?
- ▶ Business case: Will an investment in mutual fund yield annual returns greater than desired value?





# Hypotheses Testing

A statement or postulate about the parameters of a distribution

- ▶ Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ): default postulate (rejected if s-set provide sufficient evidence)
- ▶ Alternate Hypothesis( $H_1$  or  $H_a$ ): accepted if the  $H_0$  is rejected

Procedure in Hypotheses Testing

- ▶ Identify parameter of interest which we wish to test
- ▶ State the null and alternative hypotheses
- ▶ Choose kind of test need to perform
- ▶ Find test statistics (is a function of the s-set of observations)
- ▶ Choose test criterion (threshold)
- ▶ Compare the t-statistics to reject or accept the null hypothesis



# Types of Hypotheses Test

No hypotheses test is perfect. Test performance depends on

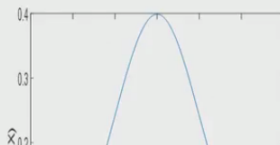
- ▶ Extent of variability in data
- ▶ Sample size (# of observations)
- ▶ Test statistics (function of observations)
- ▶ Threshold (test criterion)

- Two sided test

$$H_0 : \mu = 0$$

$$H_1 : \mu \neq 0$$

- Test statistic standard normal RV z



- One sided test

$$H_0 : \mu = 0$$

$$H_1 : \mu > 0$$

- Test statistic standard normal RV z



# Error in Hypotheses Testing

Two types of error

- ▶ Typically the Type 1 error probability is controlled
- ▶ Test statistics (function of observations)
- ▶ Controlled by choosing the criterion (Threshold) from distribution of test statistic

Decision → Truth ↓	$H_0$ is not rejected	$H_0$ is rejected
$H_0$ is true	Correct Decision $\text{Pr} = 1 - \alpha$	Type I error $\text{Pr} = \alpha$
$H_1$ is true	Type II error $\text{Pr} = \beta$	Correct Decision $\text{Pr} = 1 - \beta$

# Hypotheses Testing: How?

Graphical: Organizing and presenting the data



## Justify why the above is an active learning strategy

### Active Learning Strategy: Think-Pair-Share

- ▶ They are required to think deeply about the content they were familiarized in out-of-class and do higher order thinking.
- ▶ Students are actively engaged in classroom by discussing their answer with their neighbour.
- ▶ Students learn from each other.
- ▶ Students tackle large and ill-structured problems.
- ▶ Students are able to consider multiple points of view.
- ▶ Feedback is provided either through peer discussion or Teacher summary.



Thank You.

