

Write the Null Hypothesis and Alternative Hypothesis for each of the problems below.

1. A start-up company purchases commercials during the Super Bowl to increase their name recognition among the public. The company's goal is to have over 40% of the public recognize its brand name and associate it with computer equipment. The day after the game, a pollster contacts 200 randomly selected adults and finds that 84 of them know this computer makes printers. Is this evidence that the company met their goal?

Answer:

$$H_0 : p = 0.4$$

$$H_A : p > 0.4$$

2. An administrator at a large school district believes the average IQ of the district's students is 110. In a random sample of 100 students from the school district, the mean IQ was found to be 112 with a standard deviation of 10. Is there enough evidence to dispute the administrator's claim?

Answer:

$$H_0 : \mu = 110$$

$$H_A : \mu \neq 110$$

3. A survey of 66 randomly chosen adults was taken as part of the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) from 2009-2010. In the survey, 33 adults said they smoke and 33 said they do not smoke. The mean age of the adults that smoke was 48.18 with a standard deviation of 18.07. The mean age of adults that do not smoke was 57.39 with a standard deviation of 15.44. Is there evidence that the mean age of smokers is smaller than non-smokers?

Answer: Let group 1 be smoking group, and group 2 be non-smoking group.

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$$

$$H_A : \mu_1 < \mu_2$$

4. Large-scale surveys were done with randomly selected American teenagers from across the United States: 2928 teens in 1988-1994 and 1771 teens in 2005-2006. The researchers found that 14.9% of the teens in the 1988-1994 sample group had some hearing loss, compared to 19.5% of teens in the 2005-2006 sample group. Is the population proportion of teens that had hearing loss greater in 2005-2006 compared to 1988-1994?

Answer: Let group 1 be 2005 – 2006 group, and group 2 be 1988 – 1994 group.

$$H_0 : p_1 = p_2$$

$$H_A : p_1 > p_2$$

1 Start-up company

Hypotheses

$$H_0: p = 0.4$$

$$H_A: p > 0.4$$

Test-statistic

$$Z = \frac{\hat{p} - 0.4}{\sqrt{\frac{0.4(1-0.4)}{n}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

plugging in data

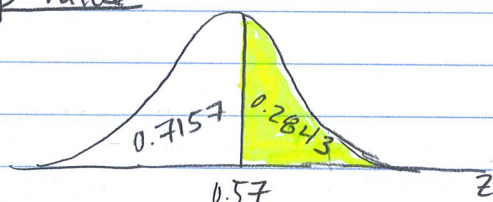
$$Z = \frac{0.42 - 0.4}{\sqrt{\frac{0.4(1-0.4)}{200}}} = 0.57$$

data

$$n = 200$$

$$\hat{p} = 84/200 = 0.42$$

p-value



since ">" in H_A ,
we want right-hand
area.

$$p\text{-value} = P(Z > 0.57) = 1 - P(Z < 0.57) = 1 - 0.7157 = 0.2843$$

- since p-value is not very small, do not reject H_0 .
- There is not significant evidence that more than 40% of public recognize company's name
- There is not evidence that company met their goal.

2. IQ

Hypotheses

$$H_0: \mu = 110$$

$$H_A: \mu \neq 110$$

Test-statistic

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - 110}{s/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0,1)$$

plugging in data

$$Z = \frac{112 - 110}{10/\sqrt{100}} = 2.00$$

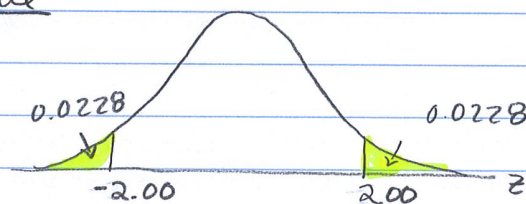
data

$$\bar{x} = 112$$

$$s = 10$$

$$n = 100$$

p-value



since " \neq " in H_A ,
we want
right-hand area
& left-hand area

p-value

$$\begin{aligned} P(|Z| > 2) &= P(Z > 2) + P(Z < -2) \\ &= 2P(Z < -2) \\ &= 2(0.0228) \\ &= 0.0456 = \text{p-value} \end{aligned}$$

- Since the p-value is pretty small, we reject the null hypothesis in favor of alternative hypothesis.
- There is evidence that true mean IQ of students is not 110.
- There is evidence to dispute the administrator's claim.

3 Smoking vs. Non-smoking

group 1 = smoking

group 2 = non-smoking

Hypotheses

$$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$$

$$H_A: \mu_1 < \mu_2$$

Test-statistic

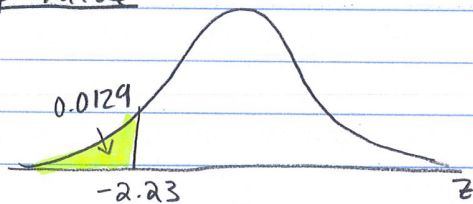
$$Z = \frac{(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

plugging in data

$$Z = \frac{48.18 - 57.39}{\sqrt{\frac{18.07^2}{33} + \frac{15.44^2}{33}}} = -2.23$$

data	
$n_1 = 33$	$n_2 = 33$
$\bar{x}_1 = 48.18$	$\bar{x}_2 = 57.39$
$s_1 = 18.07$	$s_2 = 15.44$

p-value



since "<" in H_A ,
we want left-hand
area.

$$p\text{-value} = P(Z < -2.23) = 0.0129$$

- Since p-value is small, reject H_0 in favor of H_A
- There's significant evidence that true mean age of smokers is smaller than non-smokers in 2009-2010.

4. Hearing Loss

group 1 = 2005-2006 group

group 2 = 1988-1994 group

Hypotheses

$$H_0: p_1 = p_2$$

$$H_A: p_1 > p_2$$

Test-statistic

$$Z = \frac{(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\hat{p}_{\text{pool}}(1 - \hat{p}_{\text{pool}})} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

plugging in data

$$Z = \frac{0.195 - 0.149}{\sqrt{0.166(1 - 0.166)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{1771} + \frac{1}{2928}}} = 4.11$$

data

$$n_1 = 1771 \quad n_2 = 2928$$

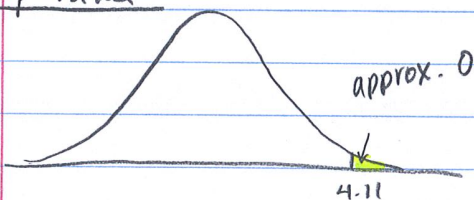
$$\hat{p}_1 = 0.195 \quad \hat{p}_2 = 0.149$$

$$\hat{p}_{\text{pooled}} = \frac{n_1 \hat{p}_1 + n_2 \hat{p}_2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

$$= \frac{1771(0.195) + 2928(0.149)}{1771 + 2928}$$

$$= 0.166$$

p-value



since ">" in H_A ,
we want right-hand area.

$$p\text{-value} = P(Z > 4.11) = 1 - P(Z < 4.11) \approx 1 - 1 = 0$$

- Since p-value is very small, reject H_0 in favor of H_A
- There's strong evidence that pop. proportion of teens with hearing loss is larger in 2005-2006 compared to 1988-1994.