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# Chapter 3

## Interval estimation

when point est. is not accurate  
estimating measurement

let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a R.S from a distribution with unknown Parameter  $\theta$

$$P(L \leq \theta \leq U) = 0.95 = 1 - \alpha$$

lower Confidence limit      parameter      upper Conf. limit      Confidence Coeff.      %95 Confidence level (Coeff)

$(L, U)$  is called %95 Confidence interval for  $\theta$  (Limits)  
↓  
100(1- $\alpha$ )% C.I.

$$P(L \leq \theta \leq U) = 1 - \alpha$$

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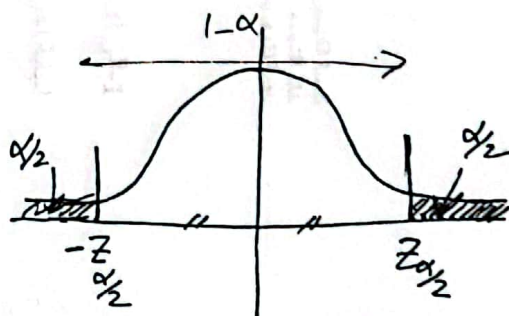
Confidence Interval for  $\mu$  (population mean)  
when  $\sigma^2$  is known

let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a R.S. from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\sigma^2$  is known

then  $\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$

$$\text{then } Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$P(-Z_{\alpha/2} \leq Z \leq Z_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha$$



$$P\left(-Z_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \leq Z_{\alpha/2}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\Phi(Z_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$P\left(-Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{X} - \mu \leq Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$P\left(-\bar{X} - Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq -\mu \leq -\bar{X} + Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$P\left(\bar{X} + Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \geq \mu \geq \bar{X} - Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$P\left(\underbrace{\bar{X} - Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}_L \leq \underbrace{\mu}_{\text{population Parameter}} \leq \underbrace{\bar{X} + Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}_U\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

Where  $\bar{X}$  Sample mean of size  $n$

$Z_{\alpha/2}$  Value of standard normal distr. leaving an area  $\frac{\alpha}{2}$  to the right

$$\boxed{\Phi(Z_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}}$$

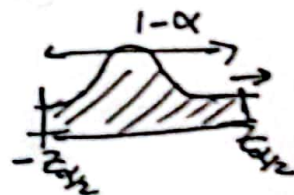
as  $(1-\alpha)$  increases  $\rightarrow Z_{\alpha/2}$  increase

C.I will be more wide



as  $(1-\alpha)$  decrease  $\rightarrow Z_{\alpha/2}$  decrease

C.I will be more tight



as  $n$  increase  $\rightarrow$  C.I more tight

$$\text{Range} = U - L = \left(\bar{X} + Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \left(\bar{X} - Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$$\text{Range} = 2 \left( Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

= 9 F

error



Ex (3.1) A sample size of  $n=25$  is drawn from a normal population with unknown mean  $\mu$  and variance 16, have  $\bar{X}=15$ . Find a 95% and 99% Confidence interval of  $\mu$ .

$$n=25, \sigma^2=16, \bar{X}=15$$

$$\sigma=4$$

95% C.I

$$1-\alpha = 0.95 \Rightarrow \alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.025$$

to get  $Z_{\alpha/2}$

$$\Phi(Z_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$\Phi(Z_{\alpha/2}) = 0.975$$

(I have the area CDF want Point)

Using Minitab/Calc/Prob distr/Normal

- Inverse Cumulative  
Mean  , s.d.   
input const 0.975  $\leftarrow$   
 $\Phi(1.96) = 0.975$

$$\therefore Z_{\alpha/2} = 1.96$$

Thus 95% C.I. is given by

$$\bar{X} - Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu < \bar{X} + Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\boxed{13.43 < \mu < 16.57}$$

$$P(13.43 < \mu < 16.57) = 0.95$$

For 99% C.I.

$$1 - \alpha = 0.99 \Rightarrow \alpha = 0.01 \Rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.005$$

$$\Phi(Z_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$\Phi(Z_{\alpha/2}) = 0.995$$

Similarly, by minitab  $Z_{\alpha/2} = 2.58$

thus 99% C.I. is given by

$$\boxed{13 < \mu < 17}$$

Note 99% C.I. is more wide than 95% C.I.

In Medical applications we choose 99% C.I.

In Business " " 95% C.I.

default value 95% C.I.  $\Rightarrow \alpha = 0.05$

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Note If  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are R.s. from  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ,  $n$  is small ( $n < 30$ ),  $\sigma^2$  is unknown

then

$$\left( \bar{X} - t_{\alpha/2} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + t_{\alpha/2} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

replace  $\sigma \rightarrow S$ ,  $Z_{\alpha/2} \rightarrow t_{\alpha/2}$

## Maximum Error and Sample size

Used <sup>early</sup> to get the sample size in terms of error (reliability Coeff)

$$\therefore P\left(\bar{X} - \frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + \frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$P\left(-Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{X} - \mu \leq Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$P\left(|\bar{X} - \mu| \leq \frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

error Max error (margin of error)

What are sample size  $n$

$$E = \frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

error

$$\sqrt{n} = \frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{E}$$

Recall

$$|x| < a$$
$$-a < x < a$$

$$n = \left(\frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{E_{\text{Max error}}}\right)^2$$

,  $n$  is integer (take the Ceil)

e.g.  $n = 35.2$

Choose  $n = 36$

$$\text{Range} = U - L = 2E$$

if  $\sigma$  is known ✓

if  $\sigma$  is unknown you will have max, min value of observation

$$\sigma \approx \frac{R}{4} \approx \frac{|\text{Max} - \text{Min}|}{4}$$



EX (3.2) The life, in hours, of a 150-watt light bulb is known to be approx. normally distr. with  $\sigma = 25$  hrs. What sample size should be taken in order to be 95% Confident that the error in estimating the mean life is less than 5 hrs?

$$\sigma = 25, \alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow Z_{\alpha/2} = Z_{0.025} = 1.96 \text{ as before}$$

$$n = \left[ \frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{E} \right]^2$$

$$A(Z_{0.025}) = 1 - 0.025 = 0.975$$

$$n = \left( \frac{(1.96)(25)}{5} \right)^2 = 96$$

EX (3.3) A medical research worker intends to use the mean of a random sample of size 120 to estimate the mean blood pressure of women in their fifties. If, based on experience, he knows that  $\sigma = 10.5$  mm, what can he assert with prob. 0.99 about the max error?

$$\sigma = 10.5, \alpha = 0.01, Z_{\alpha/2} = Z_{0.005} = 2.58 \text{ (as before)}$$

$$n = 120$$

$$\text{Max error } E = \frac{Z_{\alpha/2} \sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{(2.58)(10.5)}{\sqrt{120}} \approx 2.47 \text{ mm}$$

Recall that Case 1: C.I for  $\mu$  when  $\sigma^2$  is known  
 sample of size  $n$  taken from normal  
 (or non-normal,  $n \geq 30$ )

$$P\left(\bar{X} - Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + Z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

↓ estimator  
↓ Population mean  
Confidence level

$[L, U]$   $100(1-\alpha)\%$   
Confidence interval

$$\bar{X} \pm \left( Z_{\alpha/2} \right) \left( \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

sample mean (estimator)  
↓ reliability Coeff  
standard error of the mean  
margin of error

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Case 2: Confidence interval for  $\mu$  when  $\sigma^2$  is unknown and  $n < 30$

let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a R.S of size  $n < 30$   
 taken from normal Populations  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$   
 then  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  Conf. interval for  $\mu$

$$\bar{X} - t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$Z_{\alpha/2} \rightarrow t_{\alpha/2, n-1}$$

$$\sigma \rightarrow S$$





Where  $\bar{X}$  : Sample mean

$S$  : // st. deviation

$t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, \nu}$  : value of  $t$  distr. with  $\nu = n-1$   
degrees of freedom

leaving an area of  $\frac{\alpha}{2}$  to the right

Ex 3.4 Nine measurements of reaction time of an individual to certain stimuli were recorded as 0.28, 0.33, 0.30, 0.32, 0.27, 0.29, 0.27, 0.31, 0.33 seconds. Find 95% Confidence interval for the actual mean reaction time

$$n = 9$$

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{9} \sum_{i=1}^9 X_i = 0.3 \text{ by Calculator}$$

or by Minitab

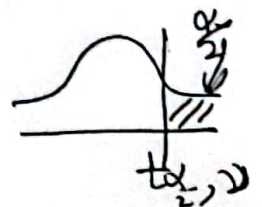
$$S^2 = \frac{1}{9-1} \sum_{i=1}^9 (X_i - \bar{X})^2 = 0.000575$$

$$S = \sqrt{S^2} = 0.024 \text{ (Calculator or Minitab)}$$

$$1-\alpha = 0.95 \Rightarrow \alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.025$$

$$\boxed{\Phi\left(t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, 8}\right) = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}}$$

$$\Phi\left(t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, 8}\right) = 0.975$$



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Using Minitab

Calc / prob dist. / t / • inverse Cumulative  
Degree of Freedom 8  
input Const 0.975



$$t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, 8} = 2.306$$

$$0.3 - 2.306 \left( \frac{0.024}{3} \right) \leq \mu \leq 0.3 + 2.306 \left( \frac{0.024}{3} \right)$$

$$0.282 \leq \mu \leq 0.318$$

Regards,



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