# ECO220: Quantitative Methods in Economics Lecture Notes (0201)

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# 1 Lecture 1 May. 08 2018

#### 1.1 Notations

Variable	Population	Sample
Size	N	n
Mean	$\mu$	$\overline{x}$
Std	$\sigma$	s

# 1.2 From Sample to Population

Let p denote the percentage of qualified people in <u>population</u> and let  $\hat{p}$  denote the percentage of qualified people in <u>sample</u>. Then, p has an <u>unknown</u> value and the value  $\hat{p}$  can be calculated from sample data. We say  $\hat{p}$  is an **estimator** for p, and the value of p is still unknown and can only be estimated.

p is a **fixed value** (i.e. p is fixed once population is fixed, we can measure the exact and certain value of p if we traverse the whole population). But  $\hat{p}$  will change from sample to sample. We call  $\hat{p}$  an **estimator** (or **sample statistic**). The value of sample statistic will change from sample to sample. And, therefore, we call  $\hat{p}$  a **random value**.

# 2 Lecture 2 May. 09 2018

## 2.1 What is Statistics?

 $\begin{aligned} \text{Statistics} & \begin{cases} \text{Descriptive Statistics} & \begin{cases} \text{Graphs} \\ \text{Numerical measures} \end{cases} \\ \text{Inferential Statistics} & \textit{Draw conclusions in a population based on sample data.} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$ 

Inferential Statistics involves uncertainties. To deal with the uncertainties, we need **probability** 



#### 2.2 Data

 $\operatorname{Data} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Quantitative\ data} \left\{ \begin{aligned} &\operatorname{Discrete} \\ &\operatorname{Continuous} \end{aligned} \right. \\ &\operatorname{Qualitative\ data} \left( \operatorname{Categorical\ data} \right) \end{aligned} \right.$ 

# 2.3 Descriptive Statistics - Graphs

# 2.4 Descriptive Statistics - Numerical measures

#### 2.4.1 Measures of centre

**Mean** Let  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_N\}$  be measurements for the population with size N. The population mean is denoted by  $\mu$  and defined as

$$\mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i$$

Let  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$  be measurements for the <u>sample</u> of size n. The sample mean is denoted by  $\overline{x}$  and defined as

$$\overline{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$$

Note The mean is sensitive to extreme values.

**Median** is the value in the middle when all data are put in order of magnitude. (For data with even size, median is defined as the average of the two values in the middle.)

**Mode** is value(s) with highest frequency.

**Percentiles** the  $k^{th}$  percentile is a number such that k% of data fall below this number.

# 3 Lecture 3 May. 15 2018

# 3.1 Measures of Variation(Spread)

Variance and Standard Derivation Let  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_N\}$  denote the population with size N and let  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$  denote the sample with size n. Then

Measures	Population	Sample	
Size	N	n	
Mean	$\mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i$	$\overline{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$	
Variance	$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu)^2$	$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})^2$	
Std $\sigma = +\sqrt{\sigma^2}$		$s = +\sqrt{s^2}$	

**Note** When calculate the sample variance, use n-1 as denominator.

Note mathematically,

$$s^{2} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \overline{x})^{2} = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}^{2} - \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i} \right)^{2} \right]$$

Range is defined as the difference between the largest value and the smallest value.

# 4 Lecture 4 May. 16 2018

# 4.1 Covariance and Correlation: on Populations

Consider two sets of data (population) with size N, denoted as  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_N\}$  and  $\{y_1, \ldots, y_N\}$ , where x and y measure the age and income of observation, respectively.

**Denote**  $\mu_x := \text{mean of } x, \, \mu_y := \text{mean of } y$  $\sigma_x := \text{std dev of } x \text{ and } \sigma_y := \text{std dev of } y. \text{ When } x \text{ changes, does } y \text{ change?}$ 

Covariance defined covariance between two datasets, x and y as,

$$Cov(x,y) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \mu_x)(y_i - \mu_y)$$

Correlation coefficient the correlation coefficient  $\rho$  between datasets x and y is defined as

$$\rho = \frac{Cov(x, y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

## 4.2 Covariance and Correlation: on Samples

When N is too large, we select a sample of size n.

Let  $\{x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$  and  $\{y_1, \ldots, y_n\}$  denote the selected samples with size n,  $\overline{x}$ ,  $\overline{y}$  denote the sample means, and  $s_x$ ,  $s_y$  denote the sample std dev.

Covariance between two sample is defined as

$$Cov(x,y) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})$$

Correlation coefficient the sample correlation r is defined as

$$r = \frac{Cov(x, y)}{s_x s_y}$$

#### 4.3 Interpretations

#### 4.3.1 Interpreting covariance

**Example** Consider samples x and y with

$$Cov(x, y) = -25.31$$

The <u>negative sign</u> means x and y have a <u>negative linear relationship</u>. As x increases, y tends to decrease. The <u>magnitude</u> 25.31 has **no** meaning.

#### 4.3.2 Interpreting correlation coefficient

**Example** Consider samples x and y with

$$r = -0.94$$

The <u>negative sign</u> means x and y have <u>negative linear relationship</u>. As x increases, y decreases. The <u>magnitude</u> 0.94 means the <u>linear relationship</u> is strong. When r is close to 1 or -1, the string line relation is strong, when r is close to 0, the relation is weak.

**Note**  $\rho \in [-1, 1]$  and  $r \in [-1, 1]$ 

# 5 Lecture 5 May. 22 2018

# 5.1 Introduction to Simple Regression

Let the linear estimator to be  $\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1 x$  and let  $y_i$  denote the actual value at  $x_i$ ,  $\hat{y}$  is the estimated y value at  $x_i$ . Then,  $e_i := y_i - \hat{y}_i$  is the error of y value at  $x_i$  (a.k.a. **residual**).

**Note** notice that  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i \equiv 0$ .

SSE Sum of Squared Error(SSE) as

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - b_0 - b_1 x_i)^2$$

**OLS** Minimize SSE with respect to  $b_0$  and  $b_1$ , we have the FOC as

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial SSE}{\partial b_0} = 0\\ \frac{\partial SSE}{\partial b_1} = 0 \end{cases}$$

By solving the first order conditions, we have

$$\begin{cases} b_1 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})(y_i - \overline{y})}{\sum (x_i - \overline{x})^2} \\ b_0 = \overline{y} - b_1 \overline{x} \end{cases}$$

The above method to find  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  is called the <u>method of least square</u>, or <u>method of Ordinary Least Square (OLS)</u>.

# 5.2 Relationship between $b_1$ and r

$$b_1 = \frac{Cov(x,y)}{Var(x)} = \frac{Cov(x,y)}{std(x)std(y)} \frac{std(y)}{std(x)} = r \frac{s_y}{s_x}$$

# 5.3 Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)

Let  $y_i$  denote the actual y value at  $x_i$  and  $\hat{y_i}$  denote the estimated y value at  $x_i$ .

# Definition

$$SST = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \overline{y})^2$$
$$SSR = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{y}_i - \overline{y})^2$$
$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_1)^2$$

Notice SST = SSR + SSE

# Anova Table

	SS	df	MS	F
Regression	SSR	1	MSR	MSR/MSE
Error(Residual)	SSE	MSE	n-2	
Total	SST	n-1		

where MS stands for **mean square** and is defined as

$$MS = \frac{SS}{df}$$

$$MSR = \frac{SSR}{1}$$

$$MSE = \frac{SSE}{n-2}$$

# 6 Lecture 6 May. 23 2018

# 6.1 OLS, continued.

R-square coefficient of determination is defined as

$$R^2 = \frac{SSR}{SST}$$

and notice that  $R^2 \in [0,1]$  and can be interpreted as % of variation in y explained by x (via the linear model)

**Note** in ECO220, we use  $R^2$  or  $r^2$  to represent the same thing.

# 6.2 Sample space, Event and Probability

**Experiment** an experiment is a process that creates <u>two or more</u> outcomes.

**Random Experiment** a random experiment is an experiment such that the outputs *cannot* be determined with <u>certainty</u> before the end of the experiment.

**Sample Space** a sample space is the <u>set</u> of all possible outcomes in a random experiment.

**Event** an event is a <u>subset</u> of a sample space.

**Prob** Let S be the sample space, let E be an event, then the **probability of** E, P(E) is defined as

$$P(E) = \text{probability of } E = \frac{\text{Number of outcomes in } E}{\text{Number of outcomes in } S}$$

assuming that each outcome in S has equal likelihood to be chosen into E.

#### 6.3 Some Rules of Probability

Let E be an event in sample space S, then

- $P(E) \in [0,1]$ .
- P(S) = 1.
- Let  $E^c$  denote the **complementary** of E, then  $P(E^c) = 1 P(E)$ .
- $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) P(A \cap B)$  (Addition Rule)

# 7 Lecture 7 May. 29 2018

Mutually Exclusive Event If  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ , we say events A and B are mutually exclusive/disjoint. Then, if A, B are disjoint, we have

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

# 7.1 Conditional Probability

Conditional Prob In general, if A and B are events in sample space S, the conditional probability of A given B is defined as

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

Multiplication rule

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A|B)P(B) = P(B|A)P(A)$$

# 7.2 Independent Event

**Independent Event** We say two events, A and B are **independent** if any of the following is true. (those definitions below are equivalent.)

- P(A|B) = P(A) or
- P(B|A) = P(B) or
- $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$

# 8 Lecture 8 May. 30 2018

#### 8.1 Bayes Theorem

Let A and B be two events. Then,

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A|B)P(B)}{P(A)}$$

Proven by definition of conditional probability.

#### 8.2 Random Variable and Prob. Distributions

Prob. distribution

Cumulative Prob. distribution

# 8.3 Expected Values

**Expected Value** Let X be a random variable with probability distribution P(X). Then defined the expected value of X,  $\mathbb{E}(X)$  as

$$\mu = \mathbb{E}(X) = \sum_{x} x P(X = x)$$

Variance of Random Variable For random variable X, we have

$$\sigma^2 = Var(X) = \sum_{x} (x - \mu)^2 P(X = x) = \mathbb{E}(X - \mu)^2$$

# 9 Lecture 9 June. 5 2018

# 9.1 Expected Value of a Random Variable

Mean 
$$\mu = \mathbb{E}(X) = \sum_{x} x P(X = x)$$
.

Variance 
$$\sigma^2 = \mathbb{E}(x-\mu)^2 = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - \mu^2$$
.

#### 9.2 Laws of Expectation

In general, let X be a random variable, and let  $a, c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\mathbb{E}(aX + c) = a\mathbb{E}(X) + c$$

$$Var(aX + c) = Var(aX) = a^{2}Var(X)$$

Let X and Y be random variables, and let  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then

$$\mathbb{E}(aX + bY + c) = a\mathbb{E}(X) + b\mathbb{E}(Y) + c$$

$$Var(aX + bY + c) = Var(aX + bY) = a^{2}Var(X) + b^{2}Var(Y) + 2ab Cov(X, Y)$$

**Note** if X and Y are independent, then  $\rho = Cov(X,Y) = 0$  and

$$Var(aX + bY + c) = a^{2}Var(X) + b^{2}Var(Y)$$

# 9.3 Binomial Distribution

In general, let n be the number of independent trails and p = P(#success). Let X be a random variable which is the number of successes in n trails, we have

$$P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}, \text{ for } x = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$$
$$\mu = \mathbb{E}(X) = np$$
$$\sigma^2 = Var(X) = npq, \ q = 1-p$$

#### 10 Lecture 10 June. 6 2018

#### 10.1 Uniform Distribution

Let X be uniform from a to b.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}, a \le x \le b$ 

$$\mu = \mathbb{E}(X) = \int_a^b x f(x) dx = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

$$\sigma^2 = Var(X) = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - \mu^2$$

#### 10.2 Normal Distribution

Let X be a continuous random variable, satisfying  $-\infty < x < \infty$ . The mean of X is  $\mu$  and the variance of X is  $\sigma^2$ . The graph of X is The graph is



symmetric at  $\mu$  and the variance  $\sigma^2$  determines the shape(spread) of X. We say X follows a normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ . And denote as

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

**Standard Normal Distribution** A standard normal distribution is a normal distribution with mean  $\mu=0$  and standard deviation  $\sigma=1$ . Denote the standard normal distribution as

$$Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

#### 11 Lecture 11 June. 12 2018

#### 11.1 Applying normal distribution

**Theorem** Let  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$$

#### 11.2 Normal Approximation to Binomial

Consider a random variable  $X \sim B(n, p)$ , then we can approximate the binomial with a normal distribution  $X \approx N(np, npq)$ .

#### 12 Lecture 12 June. 13 2018

# 12.1 Sampling Distributions

Consider population with size N has p as percentage of success (qualified) and sample with size n with  $\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n}$  as percentage of success.

p is a parameter which has a fixed value. In real life, the value of p is usually unknown.  $\hat{p}$  is a sample statistic, which does not have fixed value (random variable, value of  $\hat{p}$  vary from sample to sample). Also,  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  are parameters, which are fixed but usually unknown.  $\bar{x}$  is a sample statistic, and is random.

Suppose we know p for population, then we can conclude about random variables from a random sample,

- 1.  $\mathbb{E}(\hat{p}) = p$ .
- 2.  $Var(\hat{p}) = \frac{pq}{n}, \ q = 1 p$
- 3. When sample size n is large, the distribution of  $\hat{p}$  is approximately normal (Central Limit Theorem in proportion) <sup>1</sup>

That's

$$\hat{p} \approx N(p, \frac{pq}{n})$$
, when n is large.

**Example** Given  $p_{success} = 0.3$  for the whole population and find the probability that at least 320 *success* found in a sample of size n = 1000. i.e. Let X denote the number of success in sample with n = 1000, find  $P(X \ge 320)$ .

**Method 1** Use Central Limit Theorem, check  $np = 300 \ge 10 \land nq = 700 \ge 10$ , thus n is large. And approximate  $\hat{p}$  of sample as

$$\hat{p} \sim N(p, \frac{pq}{n})$$

Soln.

$$\begin{split} &P(X \geq 320) = P(\hat{p} \geq 0.32) \\ &= P(\frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{pq}{n}}} \geq \frac{0.32 - 0.3}{\sqrt{\frac{0.3*0.7}{1000}}}) = P(z \geq \frac{0.02}{\sqrt{\frac{0.21}{1000}}}) \end{split}$$

Find z in z-table

 $<sup>^1\</sup>mathrm{As}$  a rule of thumb, n is considered to be large when  $np \geq 10 \wedge nq \geq 10.$ 

**Method 2** Use Normal Approximation to Binomial. p = 0.3 and n = 1000.

$$X \approx Y \sim N(300, 210)$$

Soln.

$$P(X \ge 320) = P(Y > 319.5)$$

$$= P(\frac{Y - \mu}{\sigma} > \frac{319.5 - 300}{\sqrt{210}})$$

$$= P(z > 1.35) \text{ find in z table}$$

Note methods 1 and 2 do not give exactly same answer, but the answers should be close.

# 12.2 Sampling distribution of $\overline{X}$ , the sample mean

- 1.  $\mathbb{E}(\overline{X}) = \mu$ .
- 2.  $Var(\overline{X}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$ .
- 3. When n is large, the distribution of  $\overline{X}$  is approximately normal. (Central Limit Theorem in Mean).
- 4. When population is normal, the distribution of  $\overline{X}$  is exactly normal, regardless of the sample size n.

Putting together,

$$\overline{X} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$
, when *n* is large.

# 13 Lecture 13 Jun. 19 2018

#### 13.1 Confidence Interval

To find  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence interval for p estimated from  $\hat{p}$  is

$$\hat{p} \pm z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n}}$$

#### 13.2 Sample Size Required

When we specify the confidence level  $1 - \alpha$ , and the margin of error, the required sample size is

$$n = \frac{z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}^2}{(ME)^2} pq$$

If p can be estimated from previous surveys, use it to find n. Else, use p=0.5 to find n.

#### 14 Lecture 14 Jul. 3 2018

# 14.1 Confidence Interval for Population Proportion

**Point estimator** for p is  $\hat{p}$ , confidence interval for p is

$$\hat{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n}}$$
, with large n

n is considered as large iff  $np \geq 10 \wedge nq \geq 10$ .  $\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n}}$  is the standard error/deviation of estimation. And  $z_{\alpha/2}\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n}}$  is the margin of error.

## 14.2 Two populations

 $p_1, p_2$  denote the qualification percentages for population 1 and 2. And  $\hat{p_1}, \hat{p_2}$  denote the qualification percentages in samples with sample sizes  $n_1, n_2$  from population 1 and 2.

**Point estimator** To estimate  $p_1$  to  $p_2$ , we estimate  $p_1 - p_2$ . The point estimator for  $p_1 - p_2$  is  $\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2}$ .

**Interval estimator** The interval estimation for  $p_1 - p_2$  is

$$PointEstimator \pm z_{\alpha/2} \times Std(PointEstimator)$$

$$\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \times Std(\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2})$$

To find  $Std(\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2})$ , by law of expectation

$$Var(aX + bY) = Var(aX) + Var(bY) + 2abCov(X, Y)$$

We select two independent samples of size  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  from populations, therefore

$$V(\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2}) = V(\hat{p_1}) + V(\hat{p_2})$$

When  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  are large, by central limit theorem,

$$\hat{p_1} \sim N(p_1, \frac{p_1 q_1}{n_1}), \quad \hat{p_2} \sim N(p_2, \frac{p_2 q_2}{n_2})$$

Then, for two *independent* samples,  $\hat{p_1}$  and  $\hat{p_2}$  are independent,

$$V(\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2}) = \frac{p_1 q_1}{n_1} + \frac{p_2 q_2}{n_2}$$

But we do not know  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ , we cannot calculate  $V(\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2})$  directly from above equation. We estimate  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  by  $\hat{p_1}$  and  $\hat{p_2}$ 

Therefore the estimated variance is

$$(Estimated)V(\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2}) = \frac{\hat{p_1}\hat{q_1}}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p_2}\hat{q_2}}{n_2}$$

$$(Estimated)Std(\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2}) = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p_1}\hat{q_1}}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p_2}\hat{q_2}}{n_2}}$$

**Result** confidence interval for  $\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2}$ 

$$C.I._{\alpha} = \hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p_1}\hat{q_1}}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p_2}\hat{q_2}}{n_2}}$$

**Example** Compare the percentage of people going to casino in Ontario and Manitoba.

Var	Ontario	Manitoba
Actual	$p_1$	$p_2$
Sample size	$n_1 = 4151$	$n_2 = 389$
Point estimator	$\hat{p_1} = 66.5\%$	$\hat{p}_2 = 75.2\%$

**Point estimator** for  $p_1 - p_2$  is  $\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2} = -0.087$  the 95% C.I. for  $p_1 - p_2$  is

$$-.0087 \pm (z_{.025} = 1.96) * \sqrt{\frac{.665 * .335}{4151} + \frac{.752 * .248}{389}} = (-.132, -.042)$$

**Interpretation** 95% of the times,  $p_1 - p_2$  falls between -.132 and -.042. We are 95% confident that  $p_1 - p_2$  is between -.132 and -.042.

**Remark** Is there a <u>significant difference</u> between the % going to casinos between Ontario and Manitoba? Since the 95% C.I. for  $p_1 - p_2$  does not contain 0, we conclude that there **is** a significant difference between % in two population.

**Remark** You can also use estimate the  $p_2 - p_1$  and the 95% C.I. would be (.042, .132).

# 14.3 Chapter 12. Hypothesis Testing in Population Proportion

$$Statistical\ Inference \begin{cases} Estimation & Point\ Estimation \\ Interval\ Estimation \\ Hypothesis\ Testing \end{cases}$$

 $H_0$ : the null hypothesis.  $H_1$ : the alternative hypothesis.

Reality

$$\begin{cases} H_0 \text{ Person not murder} \begin{cases} Guilty \mid H_0 \text{ Type I Error} \\ NotGuilty \mid H_0 \text{ No error} \end{cases} \\ H_1 \text{ Person is murderer} \begin{cases} Guilty \mid H_1 \text{ No error} \\ NotGuilty \mid H_1 \text{ Type II Error} \end{cases}$$

When the court concludes "Guilty" and  $H_0$  is true, type I error occurs and denote the probability of type I error as  $\alpha$ 

$$\alpha = P(\text{Reject } H_0|H_0)P(\text{Type I Error})$$

And in this case, Type II Error will not occur.

Let  $\beta$  denote the probability for type II error to occur.

$$\beta = P(\text{Reject } H_1/\text{Fail to reject } H_0|H_1) = P(\text{Type II Error})$$

**Remark**  $\beta$  becomes large as  $\alpha$  becomes small.

**Conclusion** Therefore, in *hypothesis testing*, we have two hypotheses,  $H_0$  and  $H_1$ . Based on sample results (evidence), we either reject  $H_0$  or do not reject  $H_0$ 

# 15 Lecture 15 Jul. 4 2018

#### 15.1 Recall: Concepts of Hypothesis Testing

Concepts  $H_0$  null hypothesis and  $H_1$  alternative hypothesis

Case I Rejecting  $H_0$  while  $H_0$  is true. Failed to accept null hypothesis  $H_0$ .

$$\alpha = P(\text{Reject } H_0 \mid H_0 \text{ True}) = \textbf{Significance Level}$$

In real life, we want the **significance level** to be as low as possible. And note that significance level is probability for type I error to occur when  $H_0$  is true.

Case II Accepting  $H_0$  with  $H_1$  is true. Fail to accept alternative hypothesis.  $\beta$  is the probability of type II error while  $H_1$  is true.

$$\beta = P(\text{Accept } H_0 \mid H_1 \text{ True})$$

**Remark** In hypothesis testing, we wish both  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  to be small. However, by setting the rule of decision making and lowering  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  goes higher.

#### 15.2 Hypothesis Testing

#### Steps

- 1. Set up null and alternative hypotheses  $H_0$  and  $H_1$ .
- 2. Setup a decision rule.
- 3. Test statistic.
- 4. Conclusion.

# 15.3 Hypothesis Testing in Population Proportion

**Data** Population proportion p. Select sample with sample size n and sample proportion  $\hat{p}$ .

 $H_0$  null hypothesis on p and  $H_1$  as the alternative hypothesis.

**Example** Government claims that more than 50% of Canadian are in favour of a policy.

**Step 1** setup hypotheses  $\underline{H_0 := p \le 0.5}$  and  $\underline{H_1 := p > 0.5}$ 

**Step 2** setup a decision rule If  $\hat{p} < c$  we accept  $H_0$ . If  $\hat{p} \ge c$  we reject  $H_0$ .

Consider c=0.55. Then in a random sample of  $n=200, \hat{p}=\%$  in favour from sample. Decision rule is

$$\begin{cases} \text{Accept } H_0: p \le 0.5 \text{ if } \hat{p} < 0.55 \\ \text{Accept } H_1: p > 0.5 \text{ if } \hat{p} \ge 0.55 \end{cases}$$

**Step 3** test statistic. In a sample of  $n = 200, \hat{p} = 0.58$ .

**Step 4** Conclusion: Reject  $H_0$ .

#### 15.3.1 Finding Critical Value c

Finding  $\alpha$ 

$$\alpha = P(\text{Type I Error}) = P(\hat{p} \geq 0.55 | p \leq 0.5)$$

By central limit theorem, when n is large,

$$\hat{p} \sim N(np, \frac{pq}{n})$$

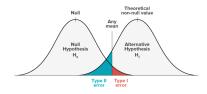
Then normalized data,

$$\alpha = p(z \ge \frac{0.05\sqrt{200}}{0.5}) = 0.0793 \approx 8\%$$

Therefore, by setting the critical value c=0.55, the probability of type I error,  $\alpha=0.08.$ 

Finding  $\beta$ 

$$\beta = P(\hat{p} < 0.55 | p > 0.5)$$



# 16 Lecture 16 Jul. 10 2018

# 16.1 Concepts in Hypothesis Testing

- 1. Set up  $H_0$  and  $H_1$  hypotheses.
- 2. Set up a decision rule.
- 3. Test statistic (sample evidence).
- 4. Conclusion.

# 16.2 Hypothesis on p, Population Proportion

**Example** Government Claims that more than half of the Canadian support the idea of increasing  $[\dots]$ 

$$H_0: p \le 0.5, \quad H_1: p > 0.5$$

**Decision rule** we will select a large sample, n = 100. Let  $\hat{p} = \%$  support in the sample. By choosing critical value c, we reject  $H_0$  if  $\hat{p} \geq c$  and do not reject  $H_0$  if  $\hat{p} < c$ .

# 16.3 Determining the Critical Value c

Cont'd Since n = 100 is large, by central limit theorem,

$$\hat{p} \sim N(p, \frac{pq}{n})$$

**Remark** To determine a critical value c, we select an acceptable  $\alpha$  value.

**Example** Refer to previous example.

$$H_0: p \le 0.5, \quad H_1: p > 0.5$$

Want to choose  $\alpha = 0.01$ . We know that if  $\hat{p} \geq c$  then reject  $H_0$ . then

$$\alpha = 0.01 = P(\text{Reject } H_0 | H_0 \text{ True})$$
  
=  $P(\hat{p} \ge c | p \le 0.5)$ 

(Normalizing data, since p is unknown, use 0.5 for it.)

$$= P(\frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{pq/n}} \ge \frac{c - 0.5}{\sqrt{(0.5)(0.5)/100}})$$

$$= P(z \ge \frac{c - 0.5}{\sqrt{(0.5)(0.5)/100}})$$

$$\implies \frac{c - 0.5}{\sqrt{(0.5)(0.5)/100}} = 2.33$$

$$\implies c = 0.5 + 2.33\sqrt{\frac{0.25}{100}}$$

$$\implies c = 0.6165$$

Therefore, for decision rule  $\alpha = 0.01$ , corresponds to Reject  $H_0$  if  $c \ge 0.6165$ . also can be stated as a normalized proportion: Reject  $H_0$  if  $z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{pq/n}} \ge 2.33$ 

#### Ways to Write Decision Rules

- 1. By significance value  $\alpha = 0.01$
- 2. By sample proportion If  $\hat{p} \geq 0.6165$  then reject  $H_0$ , else accept  $H_0$ .
- 3. By normalized sample proportion If  $z \ge 2.33$  reject  $H_0$ , else, accept  $H_0$ ; where  $z = \frac{\hat{p} p}{\sqrt{pq/n}}$ .

**Example** Manufacturer claims that <u>less than 10%</u> of the computer ship they manufactured are defective. Select a random sample with n = 100. Solution.

Let p = % defective. Setting up the hypotheses:

$$H_0 := p \ge 0.1$$
  $H_1 := p < 0.1$ 

Setting up the decision rule:  $\alpha = 0.05$ . i.e. Reject  $H_0$  if  $\hat{p} \leq c$ .

Finding c:

$$\alpha = 0.05 = P(\hat{p} \le c | p \ge 0.1)$$

$$\implies 0.05 = P(z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{pq/n}} \le \frac{c - 0.1}{\sqrt{0.09/100}})$$

$$\implies c = 0.05065$$

Therefore decision rule associated with  $\alpha=0.05$  is if  $\hat{p}\leq 0.05065$  then reject  $H_0$ .

Sample Statistic: in the sample of  $n=100, \ \hat{p}=0.06.$  Therefore, since  $\hat{p}>0.005065,$  accept  $H_0.$ 

**Remark** Suppose we select the decision rule  $\alpha$  less than 0.05, the conclusion from hypothesis testing remains unchanged. Suppose we select a larger  $\alpha$  the conclusion might change, depending on how large  $\alpha$  is.