Hypothesis Testing

Null

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P-value

Example: [Concrete beams]

10 concrete beams were each measured for flexural strength (MPa). The data is as follows.

$n=10$

[1] 8.2 8.7 7.8 9.7 7.4 7.8 7.7 11.6 11.3 11.8

The sample mean was 9.2 MPa and the sample variance was 3.0933 MPa. Conduct a hypothesis test to find out if the flexural strength is different from 9.0 MPa. at $\alpha = 0.01$ level.

$\bar{x}$ = 9.2, s^2 = 3.0933

1. $H_0: \mu = 9$ vs. $H_a: \mu \neq 9$ ($\mu_0 = 9$)

2. $\alpha = 0.01$

3. $n = 10$ (<25) + σ is unknown. So,

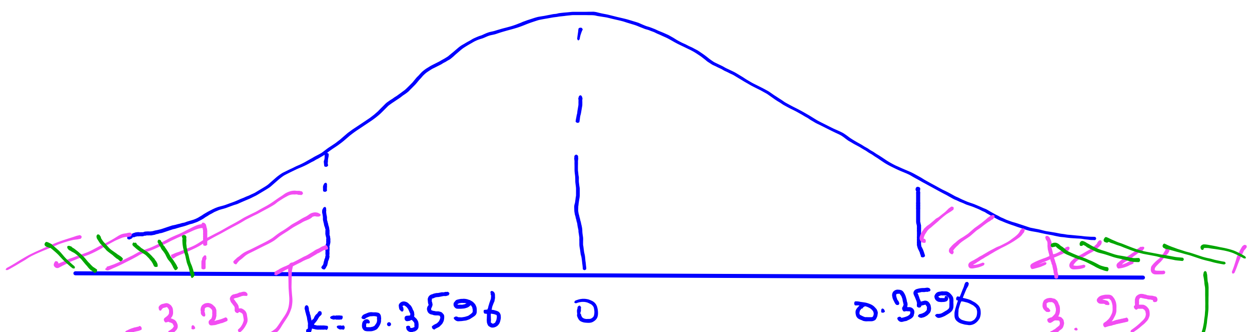
$$K = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{S/\sqrt{n}}$$ (we know that $K \sim t_{n-1}$)

assumption for also: $X_1, \ldots, X_{10} \overset{iid}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

t-student

4. $K = \dfrac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} = \dfrac{9.2 - 9}{\sqrt{\dfrac{3.0933}{10}}} = 0.3596$

$\text{p-value} = P(|T| > K) = P(|T| > 0.3596)$



$t_{9,\,1-\alpha/2} = t_{9,\,0.995} = 3.25$

by the t table

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p-value

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by t-table $= \underbrace{P(|T| > 0.3596)}_{\text{p-value}} > \underbrace{P(|T| > t_{9,\,0.995})}_{\alpha = 0.01}$

5. Since p-value is $< \alpha = 0.01$, we fail to reject to null Hypothesis (H_0)

6. There is NOT enough evidence to conclude that the true mean flexural strength of the beams is different from 9 MPa.

Hypothesis Testing Using Confidence Interval

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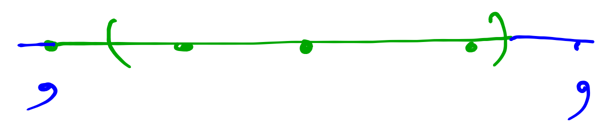
Hypothesis testing using the CI

We can also use the $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval to perform hypothesis tests (instead of p-values). The confidence interval will contain μ_0 when there is little to no evidence against H_0 and will not contain μ_0 when there is strong evidence against H_0.

$$\begin{cases} H_0: \mu = 9 \\ H_a: \mu \neq 9 \end{cases}$$



CI for μ

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Hypothesis testing using the CI

$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$

$H_a : \begin{cases} \mu \neq \mu_0 \\ \mu > \mu_0 \\ \mu < \mu_0 \end{cases}$

Steps to perform a hypothesis test using a confidence interval:

1. State H_0 and H_1
2. State α, significance level
3. State the form of $100\,(1-\alpha)$ % CI along with all assumptions necessary. (use one-sided CI for one-sided tests and two-sided CI for two sided tests)
4. Calculate the CI
5. Based on $100\,(1-\alpha)$ % CI, either reject H_0 (if μ_0 is not in the interval) or fail to reject (if μ_0 is in the interval)
6. Interpret the conclusion in the content of the problem

confidence level.

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Example:[Breaking strength of wire, cont'd]

Suppose you are a manufacturer of construction equipment. You make 0.0125 inch wire rope and need to determine how much weight it can hold before breaking so that you can label it clearly. You have breaking strengths, in kg, for $\boxed{41}$ sample wires with sample mean breaking strength 91.85 kg and sample standard deviation 17.6 kg. Using the appropriate 95% confidence interval, conduct a hypothesis test to find out if the true mean breaking strength is above 85 kg.

$n = 41 > 25$

CLT

Steps:

1- $H_0: \quad \mu = 85 \; vs. \quad H_1: \quad \mu > 85$

2- $\alpha = 0.05$

$100(1-\alpha)\% = 95\%$

$\Rightarrow \alpha = 0.05$

Significant level,

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Example:[Breaking strength of wire, cont'd]

based on H_a

3- One-sided test and we care about the lower bound. So, we use $\left(\overline{X} - z_{1-\alpha}\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, +\infty\right)$.

4- From the example in previous set of slides, the CI is $(87.3422, +\infty)$.

$H_0: 85$ $\quad$ 87.3422

5- Since $\mu_0 = 85$ is not in the CI, we **reject** H_0.

6- There is significant evidence to conclude that the true mean breaking strength of wire is greater than the 85kg. Hence the requirement is met.

$H_a: \mu > 85$

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Example: [Concrete beams, cont'd]

10 concrete beams were each measured for flexural strength (MPa). The data is as follows.

$n = 10$

[1] 8.2 8.7 7.8 9.7 7.4 7.8 7.7 11.6 11.3 11.8 $\rightarrow \bar{x} = \frac{1}{10}\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_i = 9.2$

The sample mean was $\underset{}{\overset{\bar{X}}{9.2}}$ MPa and the sample variance was $s^2 =$ 3.0933 $(MPa)^2$. At $\alpha = 0.01$, test the hypothesis that the true mean flexural strength is 10 MPa using a confidence interval. Steps:

write down the hypothesis $\rightarrow$ 1- $H_0: \quad \mu = 10 \quad vs. \quad H_1: \quad \mu \neq 10$

2- $\alpha = 0.01$

$\rightarrow$ 3- This is two-sided test with $n = 10$ and 100 $(1 - \alpha)$ % CI is

$n = 10$, σ unknown $\rightarrow$

$$\left(\bar{X} - t_{(n-1, 1-\alpha/2)}\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + t_{(n-1, 1-\alpha/2)}\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

two-sided test $\equiv$ two-sided CI

one-sided test $\equiv$ one-sided CI

$t_{9,0.995} = 3.25$

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Example:[Breaking strength of wire, cont'd]

> 4- Check that the CI is $(7.393, 11.007)$.
>
> 5- Since $\mu_0 = 10$ is within the CI, we **fail** to reject H_0.
>
> 6- There is not enough evidence to conclude that the true mean flexural strength is different from 10 Mpa.

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Example:[Paint thickness, cont'd]

Consider the following sample of observations on coating thickness for low-viscosity paint.

[1] 0.83 0.88 0.88 1.04 1.09 1.12 1.29 1.31 1.48 1.49 1.59 1.62 1.65 1.71 ~~[15]~~ 1.76 1.83

$n=16$

Using $\boxed{\alpha = 0.1}$, test the hypothesis that the true mean paint thickness is 1.00 mm. Note, the 90\% confidence interval for the true mean paint thickness was calculated from before as $(1.201, 1.499)$.

1- $H_0: \quad \mu = 1 \quad vs. \quad H_1: \quad \mu \neq 1$

2- $\alpha = 0.1$

3- This is two-sided test with $n = 16$, σ unknown, so $100\,(1-\alpha)\,\%$ CI is

$$\left(\overline{X} - t_{(n-1,1-\alpha/2)}\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \overline{X} + t_{(n-1,1-\alpha/2)}\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$t_{15,\,1-\frac{0.1}{2}} = t_{15,\,.95}$

$n = 16\ (< 25)$

$+$

σ unknown

$\Rightarrow$ use t dist.

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Example:[Breaking strength of wire, cont'd]

> 4- The CI is $(1.201, 1.499)$.
>
> 5- Since $\mu_0 = 1$ is not in the the CI, we **reject** H_0.
>
> H_0
>
> 6- There is enough evidence to conclude that the true mean paint thickness is not 1mm.
>
> $H_a: \mu \neq 1$