**Assignment 17**

# Problem Statement 1:

Blood glucose levels for obese patients have a mean of 100 with a standard deviation of

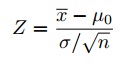
15. A researcher thinks that a diet high in raw cornstarch will have a positive effect on

blood glucose levels. A sample of 36 patients who have tried the raw cornstarch diet

have a mean glucose level of 108. Test the hypothesis that the raw cornstarch had an

effect or not

Answer :

Step 1: [State the null hypothesis](http://www.statisticshowto.com/probability-and-statistics/null-hypothesis/#state): H0:μ=100  
Step 2: State the [alternate hypothesis](http://www.statisticshowto.com/what-is-an-alternate-hypothesis/): H1:≠100  
Step 3: State your [alpha level.](http://www.statisticshowto.com/what-is-an-alpha-level/) We’ll use 0.05 for this example. As this is a two-tailed test, split the alpha into two.  
0.05/2=0.025  
Step 4: Find the [z-score](http://www.statisticshowto.com/probability-and-statistics/z-score/) associated with your [alpha level](http://www.statisticshowto.com/what-is-an-alpha-level/). You’re looking for the area in *one tail only*. A z-score for 0.75(1-0.025=0.975) is 1.96. As this is a two-tailed test, you would also be considering the left tail (z=1.96)  
Step 5: Find the [test statistic](http://www.statisticshowto.com/test-statistic/) using this formula: [](http://www.statisticshowto.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/z-score-formula.jpg)  
z=(108-100)/(15/√36)=3.2  
Step 6: If Step 5 is less than -1.96 or greater than 1.96 (Step 3), [reject the null hypothesis](http://www.statisticshowto.com/support-or-reject-null-hypothesis/). In this case, it is greater, so you *can* reject the null.

# Problem Statement 2:

In one state, 52% of the voters are Republicans, and 48% are Democrats. In a second

state, 47% of the voters are Republicans, and 53% are Democrats. Suppose a simple

random sample of 100 voters are surveyed from each state.

What is the probability that the survey will show a greater percentage of Republican

voters in the second state than in the first state?

Answer :

let P1 = the proportion of Republican voters in the first state, P2 = the proportion of Republican voters in the second state, p1 = the proportion of Republican voters in the sample from the first state, and p2 = the proportion of Republican voters in the sample from the second state. The number of voters sampled from the first state (n1) = 100, and the number of voters sampled from the second state (n2) = 100.

Make sure the sample size is big enough to model differences with a normal population. Because n1P1 = 100 \* 0.52 = 52, n1(1 - P1) = 100 \* 0.48 = 48, n2P2 = 100 \* 0.47 = 47, and n2(1 - P2) = 100 \* 0.53 = 53 are each greater than 10, the sample size is large enough.

* Find the mean of the difference in sample proportions: E(p1 - p2) = P1 - P2 = 0.52 - 0.47 = 0.05.
* Find the standard deviation of the difference.

σd = sqrt{ [ P1(1 - P1) / n1 ] + [ P2(1 - P2) / n2 ] }   
σd = sqrt{ [ (0.52)(0.48) / 100 ] + [ (0.47)(0.53) / 100 ] }   
σd = sqrt (0.002496 + 0.002491) = sqrt(0.004987) = 0.0706

* Find the probability. This problem requires us to find the probability that p1 is less than p2. This is equivalent to finding the probability that p1 - p2 is less than zero. To find this probability, we need to transform the random variable (p1 - p2) into a [z-score](http://stattrek.com/Help/Glossary.aspx?Target=z-score). That transformation appears below.

z p1 - p2 = (x - μ p1 - p2 ) / σd = = (0 - 0.05)/0.0706 = -0.7082

Using [Normal Distribution Calculator](http://stattrek.com/Tables/Normal.aspx), we find that the probability of a z-score being -0.7082 or less is 0.24.

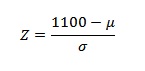
Therefore, the probability that the survey will show a greater percentage of Republican voters in the second state than in the first state is 0.24.

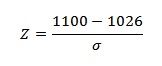
# Problem Statement 3:

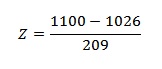
You take the SAT and score 1100. The mean score for the SAT is 1026 and the standard

deviation is 209. How well did you score on the test compared to the average test taker?

Answer :

Step1: **Write your X-value into the z-score equation**. For this sample question the X-value is your SAT score, 1100.  
[](http://www.statisticshowto.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/CALCULATE-A-Z-SCORE-1.jpg)

Step 2: **Put the mean, μ, into the z-score equation**.  
[](http://www.statisticshowto.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/CALCULATE-A-Z-SCORE-2.jpg)

Step 3: **Write the standard deviation, σ into the z-score equation**.  
[](http://www.statisticshowto.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/CALCULATE-A-Z-SCORE-3.jpg)

Step 4: **Calculate the answer using a excel**:  
(1100 – 1026) / 209 = .354. This means that your score was .354 std devs above the mean.

Step 5: (**Optional**) Look up your z-value in the [z-table](http://www.statisticshowto.com/tables/z-table/) to see what percentage of test-takers scored below you. A z-score of .354 is .1368 + .5000\* = .6368 or 63.68%.