## Chapter 9-10 Confidence Intervals and Hypothesis Testing HT for Single Proportion

Statistics

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## Inferences on Population Proportions

- The relevant test statistics
- Single Proportion (single populations)
  - Hypothesis testing
  - Confidence Intervals
- Two Proportions (two populations)
  - Hypothesis testing
  - Confidence Intervals

- sample mean  $\bar{X} \Leftrightarrow$  the population mean  $\mu$ ,
- sample proportion  $\hat{P} \Leftrightarrow$  the population proportion p.

- population proportion: p (A parameter = unknown constant)
- sample proportion:  $\hat{P} = \frac{X}{n}$  (A statistic = random variable)

- The formula for the sample proportion  $\hat{P} = \frac{X}{n}$ .
- Here X represents the number of "success"es in n trials.
- $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ : the observations in the random sample.
- We define
  - $X_i = 1$ , if it is a "success", and  $X_i = 0$  otherwise.
  - X (=the total number of "success"es in the sample)

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$$

What is the distribution of X?

- X is binomial random variable
- Binomial Distribution (Let's remember)
  - Binomial RV X, counts the number of successes in n experiments.
  - p is the success probability
  - $\mu = np$   $\sigma^2 = np(1-p)$
- Then from  $\hat{P} = X/n$  we have
  - $\mu_{\hat{P}} = \mu_X/n = p$
  - $\sigma_{\hat{p}}^2 = \frac{\sigma_X^2}{n^2} = p(1-p)/n$

- How about its distribution?
- Recall  $\hat{P} = \frac{X}{n}$ . Then
- $\hat{P} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{X_i}{n}$  is a sample mean
- Then, by the CLT, for large *n*,
  - the distribution of  $\hat{P} = X/n$  is approximately normal
  - Hence  $Z = \frac{\hat{P} p}{\sqrt{p(1-p)/n}}$  is approx. standard normal

## Hypothesis Testing for Proportions

**Single Proportion** 

**Two Proportions** 

## One Sample: Test on a Single Proportion

The standardized test statistic: 
$$Z = \frac{(\hat{p} - p_0)}{\sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)/n}}$$
 Where  $\hat{p} = \frac{X}{n}$  is the sample proportion of successes.

**DECISION RULES for** 
$$H_0: p = p_0$$

(large sample, standardized test statistic)

A. 
$$H_1: p > p_0$$
 Reject  $H_0$  if  $Z > z_\alpha$ 

B. 
$$H_1: p < p_0$$
 Reject  $H_0$  if  $Z < -z_\alpha$ 

C. 
$$H_1: p \neq p_0$$
 Reject  $H_0$  if  $Z < -z_{\alpha/2}$  or  $Z > z_{\alpha/2}$ 

(small sample, Binomial distribution)

A, B or C: Reject 
$$H_0$$
 if P-value  $< \alpha$ . (Later)

- Example: A commonly prescribed [used] drug for relieving nervous tension is believed to be only 60% effective.
- Experimental results with a new drug administered to a random sample of 100 adults who were suffering from nervous tension show that 70 received relief.
- Is this sufficient evidence to conclude that the new drug is better than the current standard relief 60%?, i.e., is it better than the one commonly prescribed. Use  $\alpha = 0.05$ )

**Example 3.** Hypotheses:  $H_0$ : p = 0.6 vs  $H_1$ : p > 0.6.

Since n = 100, we can use the normal approximation.

**Decision Rule:** Reject  $H_0$  if Z > 1.645

Computations:  $x = 70, n = 100 \ \hat{p} = \frac{x}{n} = 0.70$ 

$$Z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)/n}} = \frac{0.7 - 0.6}{\sqrt{(0.6)(0.4)/100}} = 2.04.$$

**Decision:** Reject  $H_0$  since  $z_{obs} = 2.04 > 1.645$ 

**Conclusion:** The new drug is superior to the one commonly used.

P-value = P(Z>2.04)<0.0207 Very small!

Using Binomial Distribution for HT in Small Samples

- Steps for testing a proportion for small samples:
- 1.  $H_0$ :  $p = p_0$  vs.
- A.  $H_1: p > p_0$ , B.  $H_1: p < p_0$ , or C.  $H_1: p \neq p_0$ .

- Choose  $\alpha$ , the level of significance = P(Type I error),
- Test statistic: X is Binomial with parameters n, and  $p = p_0$ ,
- X = number of "success" es in the sample,
- Compute the P-value, based on the observed value of X.
- Make your decision and draw appropriate conclusions based on the rejection rule (large sample, normal approximation) or the P-value (small sample, Binomial distribution).

- Example 2. A builder claims that heat pumps are installed in at least 70% of all homes constructed after 2000 in İstanbul.
- A real estate agent disagrees and claims that the actual percentage of such homes with heat pumps is much less.
- Assume a random sample of 60 newly built houses are selected at random from İstanbul, and inspected for heat pumps. 35 of these houses has an installed heat pump.
- Devise a hypothesis testing problem to settle this argument. Using 0.10 level of significance.

- SOLUTION: First, we will write the hypotheses:
- $H_0$ : p = 0.7 vs.  $H_1$ : p < 0.7.

- **Test Stats:** X:The number of built homes with a heat pump
  - X: a Binomial variable with p = 0.7 and n.
- Sample Proportion:  $\hat{p} = \frac{35}{60} = 0.583 < 0.7 \implies$  Evidence for H1.

•  $H_0$ : p = 0.7 vs.  $H_1$ : p < 0.7.

#### Test statistic:

- Binomial variable X with p = 0.7 and n = 60.
- $X_{obs} = 35$
- Compute P-value =  $P(X \le 35 \text{ when } p = 0.7)$

$$\mathop{\overset{35}{\circ}}_{x=0} b(x;60,0.7) = 0.0362.$$

Hence P-value ≈ 0.04.

- $H_0$ : p = 0.7 vs.  $H_1$ : p < 0.7.
- Test statistic: Binomial variable X with p = 0.7 and n = 60.
- **P-value**  $\approx 0.04$ .
- **Decision:** We reject  $H_0$  since P-value  $< \alpha = 0.10$ .
- **Conclusion:** The data support the real estate agent's claim that the true proportion of homes with installed heat pumps is below 70%.