

## One-Proportion hypothesis test

A real estate agency claims that, in Capital Federal, at most 9% of rentals are not renewed after the contract ends. In a sample of 188 rentals whose contract ended, it was found that 166 were not renewed. Using a type I error probability of 7%, determine through a hypothesis test whether the real estate agency's claim can be corroborated by the data.

- Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ): The proportion of rentals that are not renewed is at most 9

$$H_0 : p \leq 0.09$$

- Alternative Hypothesis ( $H_a$ ): The proportion of rentals that are not renewed is greater than 9

$$H_a : p > 0.09$$

This is an upper-tail (one-sided) test because we are testing whether the proportion is greater than 9

- Sample size:  $n = 188$
- Number of non-renewals:  $x = 166$
- Sample proportion  $\hat{p}$ :

$$\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n} = \frac{166}{188} \approx 0.88298$$

We calculate the standard error (SE) under the null hypothesis:

$$SE = \sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.09 \times 0.91}{188}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{0.0819}{188}} \approx 0.02087$$

where  $p_0 = 0.09$  is the proportion under  $H_0$ .

We calculate the  $z$  statistic:

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{SE} = \frac{0.88298 - 0.09}{0.02087} \approx \frac{0.79298}{0.02087} \approx 38.000$$

With a significance level  $\alpha = 0.07$  and a one-sided (upper-tail) test, the critical value  $z_c$  is:

$$P(Z \leq z_c) = 1 - \alpha = 1 - 0.07 = 0.93$$

Using the standard normal distribution table or an application, we find the  $z_c$  value corresponding to a cumulative area of 0.93:

$$z_c \approx 1.475$$

Since  $z > z_c$  ( $38.000 > 1.475$ ), we reject the null hypothesis  $H_0$ .

**With a 7% significance level, there is sufficient evidence to reject the real estate agency's claim. The data indicate that the proportion of rentals that are not renewed is significantly greater than 9%.**