

# Single-sample hypothesis testing

$H_0$  = null hypothesis

$H_A$  = alternative hypothesis

$p$ -value = probability of sample at least as extreme as observed, **given**  $H_0$

$\alpha$  = significance level

- Calculate the  $p$ -value.
  - "at least as extreme" can mean "as large or larger", "as small or smaller", or "as far from expected in either direction".
- If  $p$ -value is small enough, we reject the null hypothesis. (This logic is similar to *reductio ad absurdum*.)

If  $p\text{-value} < \alpha$  then reject  $H_0$

If  $p\text{-value} \geq \alpha$  then do not reject  $H_0$

## Single-sample proportion testing

$$z_0 = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}}}$$

Right tail (one tail)

- $H_0$  claims  $p = p_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $p > p_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(Z > z_0)$

Left tail (one tail)

- $H_0$  claims  $p = p_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $p < p_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(Z < z_0)$

Two tail

- $H_0$  claims  $p = p_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $p \neq p_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(|Z| > |z_0|)$

## Single-sample mean testing, $\sigma$ known

$$z_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

Right tail (one tail)

- $H_0$  claims  $\mu = \mu_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $\mu > \mu_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(Z > z_0)$

Left tail (one tail)

- $H_0$  claims  $\mu = \mu_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $\mu < \mu_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(Z < z_0)$

Two tail

- $H_0$  claims  $\mu = \mu_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $\mu \neq \mu_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(|Z| > |z_0|)$

## Single-sample mean testing, $\sigma$ unknown

$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

Right tail (one tail)

- $H_0$  claims  $\mu = \mu_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $\mu > \mu_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(T > t_0)$

Left tail (one tail)

- $H_0$  claims  $\mu = \mu_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $\mu < \mu_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(T < t_0)$

Two tail

- $H_0$  claims  $\mu = \mu_0$
- $H_A$  claims  $\mu \neq \mu_0$
- $p\text{-value} = P(|T| > |t_0|)$