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## 8.2 Bias and Mean Square Error of Point estimators

We are interested in estimating a parameter,  $\theta$  (or a fct of  $\theta$ ,  $\tau(\theta)$ ) based on data from a r.s.  $y_1, \dots, y_n$

e.g.  $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$   $\theta_1 = \mu$ ,  $\theta_2 = \sigma$

e.g.  $Y \sim \text{POI}(\lambda)$   $\theta = \lambda$

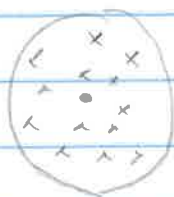
Estimate  $P(Y=0) = e^{-\lambda}$  or  $\tau(\lambda) = e^{-\lambda}$

The <sup>point</sup> estimate of  $\theta$  using sample data is denoted  $\hat{\theta}$  (or  $\hat{\tau}(\theta)$ )

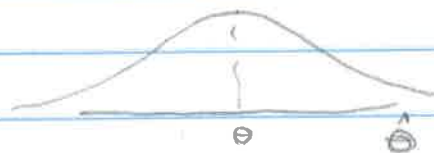
e.g. We might use  $\hat{\theta} = \bar{x}$  to estimate  $\theta_1 = \mu$

" " "  $\hat{\theta} = s^2$  to "  $\theta_2 = \sigma^2$

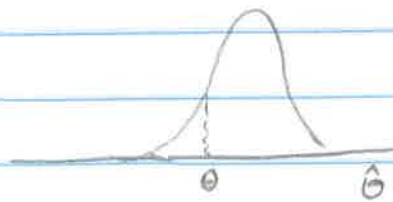
What are good and bad estimators? We evaluate estimators using their sampling dist. i.e. How do they perform over the longhaul? (marksmen analogy)



unbiased,  
high variance



biased,  
low variance



To evaluate how good an estimator is, we are certainly interested in  $V(\hat{\theta})$  (lower is better). However,  $V(\hat{\theta})$  is not the entire story if  $\hat{\theta}$  is biased.

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Def 8.2 Let  $\hat{\theta}$  be a point estimator for a parameter  $\theta$ . Then  $\hat{\theta}$  is an unbiased estimator if  $E(\hat{\theta}) = \theta$ . If  $E(\hat{\theta}) \neq \theta$  then  $\hat{\theta}$  is said to be biased.

Def. 8.3 The bias of a pt. estimator is given by  $B(\hat{\theta}) = E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta$ .

Ideally, we would like an unbiased estimator with low variance. Instead of using  $B(\hat{\theta})$  and  $V(\hat{\theta})$ , we use  $E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2]$ , the avg. of the square of the distance between the estimator and its target parameter.

Def 8.4 The mean square error of a pt. estimator  $\hat{\theta}$  is

$$MSE(\hat{\theta}) = E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2]$$

note:

$$\hat{\theta} - \theta = (\hat{\theta} - E(\hat{\theta})) + (E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta) = \hat{\theta} - E(\hat{\theta}) + B(\hat{\theta})$$

$$\Rightarrow MSE(\hat{\theta}) = E[(\hat{\theta} - \theta)^2] = E[(\hat{\theta} - E(\hat{\theta}) + B(\hat{\theta}))^2]$$

$$= E\left[(\hat{\theta} - E(\hat{\theta}))^2 + \underbrace{2 \cdot B(\hat{\theta}) \cdot (\hat{\theta} - E(\hat{\theta}))}_{\text{constant}} + \underbrace{B(\hat{\theta})^2}_{\text{constant}}\right]$$

$$= \text{var}(\hat{\theta}) + 2 \cdot B(\hat{\theta}) \cdot E(\hat{\theta} - E(\hat{\theta})) + B(\hat{\theta})^2$$

$$= \text{var}(\hat{\theta}) + 2B(\hat{\theta})[E(\hat{\theta}) - E(\hat{\theta})] + B(\hat{\theta})^2$$

$$= \text{var}(\hat{\theta}) + B(\hat{\theta})^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{MSE(\hat{\theta}) = \text{var}(\hat{\theta}) + B(\hat{\theta})^2}$$

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8.8  $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3$  is a r.s. from  $Y \sim \text{EXP}(\theta)$ 

$$\hat{\theta}_1 = Y_1 \quad \hat{\theta}_2 = \frac{Y_1 + Y_2}{2} \quad \hat{\theta}_3 = \frac{Y_1 + 2Y_2}{3} \quad \hat{\theta}_4 = \min(Y_1, Y_2, Y_3)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_5 = \bar{Y}$$

a) which estimators are unbiased?

$$E(\hat{\theta}_1) = E(Y_1) = \theta \quad \checkmark$$

$$E(\hat{\theta}_2) = \frac{1}{2}[E(Y_1) + E(Y_2)] = \frac{1}{2}[\theta + \theta] = \theta \quad \checkmark$$

$$E(\hat{\theta}_3) = \frac{1}{3}[E(Y_1) + 2E(Y_2)] = \frac{1}{3}[\theta + 2\theta] = \theta \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{from before } g_{(1)}(y) = n[1 - F(y)]^{n-1} f(y)$$

$$= 3[1 - (1 - e^{-y/\theta})]^2 \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-y/\theta}$$

$$= 3[e^{-2y/\theta}] \cdot \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-y/\theta}$$

$$= \frac{3}{\theta} e^{-3y/\theta} \sim \text{EXP}(\theta' = \theta/3)$$

$$\Rightarrow E(\hat{\theta}_4) = \theta/3 \quad \times \text{biased}$$

$$E(\hat{\theta}_5) = E(\bar{Y}) = \mu = \theta \quad \checkmark$$

b) For unbiased estimators, which one has minimum variance?

note:  $Y_i$  are i.i.d.,  $\text{var}(Y_i) = \theta^2$

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$$\text{var}(\hat{\theta}_1) = \theta^2$$

$$\text{var}(\hat{\theta}_2) = \frac{1}{4}(\text{var}(Y_1) + \text{var}(Y_2)) = \frac{2\theta^2}{4} = \frac{\theta^2}{2}$$

$$\text{var}(\hat{\theta}_3) = \frac{1}{9}\text{var}(Y_1) + \frac{4}{9}\text{var}(Y_2) = \frac{5}{9}\theta^2$$

$$\text{var}(\hat{\theta}_5) = \text{var}(\bar{Y}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} = \frac{\theta^2}{3} \Rightarrow \text{minimum variance}$$

8.10  $Y \sim \text{POT}(\lambda)$

a) Try  $\hat{\lambda} = \bar{Y} \Rightarrow E(\hat{\lambda}) = \mu = \lambda$  unbiased

b)  $C = 3Y + Y^2 \Rightarrow E(C) = 3E(Y) + E(Y^2)$   
 $= 3\lambda + (\lambda + \lambda^2) = 4\lambda + \lambda^2$

c) Find  $\hat{C}$  where  $E(\hat{C}) = E(C)$

$$E(\bar{Y}) = \mu = \lambda$$

$$E(\bar{Y}^2) = \text{var}(\bar{Y}) + E(\bar{Y})^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \mu^2 = \frac{\lambda}{n} + \lambda^2$$

Let  $\hat{C} = a \cdot \bar{Y} + \bar{Y}^2 \Rightarrow E(\hat{C}) = a \cdot \lambda + \frac{\lambda}{n} + \lambda^2 \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 4\lambda + \lambda^2$

$$\Rightarrow (a + \frac{1}{n}) = 4 \Rightarrow a = 4 - \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{C} = (4 - \frac{1}{n})\bar{Y} + \bar{Y}^2$$



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8.14  $f(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha y^{\alpha-1}}{\theta^\alpha}, & 0 \leq y \leq \theta \\ 0, & \text{---} \end{cases}$   $\alpha > 0$  known, fixed value  
 $\theta$  unknown

$$\hat{\theta} = \max(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

a) Recall  $g_n(y) = n [F(y)]^{n-1} f(y)$

$$F(y) = \int_0^y \frac{\alpha t^{\alpha-1}}{\theta^\alpha} dt = \frac{t^\alpha}{\theta^\alpha} \Big|_0^y = \left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^\alpha, \quad 0 \leq y < \theta$$

$$g_n(y) = n \left[\left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^\alpha\right]^{n-1} \cdot \frac{\alpha y^{\alpha-1}}{\theta^\alpha} = n \left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^{\alpha(n-1)} \cdot \frac{\alpha y^{\alpha-1}}{\theta^\alpha}$$

$$= \frac{n \cdot \alpha}{\theta^{\alpha n}} \cdot y^{\alpha n - 1}, \quad 0 \leq y < \theta$$

$$E(\hat{\theta}) = \int_0^\theta \frac{\alpha n}{\theta^{\alpha n}} \cdot y^{\alpha n} dy = \frac{\alpha n \cdot y^{\alpha n + 1}}{(\alpha n + 1) \cdot \theta^{\alpha n}} \Big|_0^\theta$$

$$= \frac{\alpha n}{(\alpha n + 1)} \cdot \theta \neq \theta \Rightarrow \text{biased}$$

b) Let  $\hat{\theta}_2 = \frac{\alpha n + 1}{\alpha n} \cdot \hat{\theta} \Rightarrow E(\hat{\theta}_2) = \frac{\alpha n + 1}{\alpha n} E(\hat{\theta}) =$

$$= \frac{\alpha n + 1}{\alpha n} \cdot \frac{\alpha n}{\alpha n + 1} \theta = \theta \quad \checkmark \quad \text{unbiased}$$

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$$c) B(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \cdot \theta - \theta = \frac{\alpha_n - \alpha_{n+1}}{\alpha_{n+1}} \cdot \theta = \frac{-1}{\alpha_{n+1}} \cdot \theta$$

$$E(\hat{\theta}^2) = \int_0^{\theta} \frac{\alpha_n}{\theta^{\alpha_n}} y^{\alpha_{n+1}} dy = \frac{\alpha_n y^{\alpha_{n+2}}}{(\alpha_{n+2}) \cdot \theta^{\alpha_n}} \Big|_0^{\theta} = \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+2}} \cdot \theta^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+2}} \theta^2 - \left( \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right)^2 \theta^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{MSE}(\hat{\theta}) = \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+2}} \theta^2 - \frac{\alpha^2 n^2 \theta^2}{(\alpha_{n+1})^2} + \frac{B(\hat{\theta})^2}{(\alpha_{n+1})^2}$$

$$= \frac{\alpha_n \theta^2}{\alpha_{n+2}} + \frac{(1 - \alpha^2 n^2) \theta^2}{(\alpha_{n+1})^2}$$

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From Ch. 4 ...  $Y \sim \text{GAM}(\alpha, \beta)$   $E(Y^a) = \frac{\beta^a \Gamma(\alpha+a)}{\Gamma(\alpha)}$

If  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  is a r.s. from  $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$W = \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{(n-1)} \text{ or } \text{GAM}(\alpha = \frac{n-1}{2}, \beta = 2)$$

$$W^{1/2} = \left[ \frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \right]^{1/2} = \frac{\sqrt{n-1} S}{\sigma}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(W^{1/2}) = \frac{2^{1/2} \cdot \Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2})}$$

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$$S = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n-1}} (w^{1/2}) \Rightarrow E(S) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n-1}} \cdot \frac{2^{1/2} \cdot \Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2})} \quad (\text{i.e. } S \text{ is biased})$$

Let  $\hat{\sigma} = \frac{\sqrt{n-1} \Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2})}{\sqrt{2} \cdot \Gamma(\frac{n-1}{2} + \frac{1}{2})} \cdot S$   $\hat{\sigma}$  is unbiased for  $\sigma$

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## 8.3 Common Unbiased Point Estimators

① Parameter:  $\mu$ pt. estimate:  $\bar{y}$  :  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  is a r.s. from pop. w/  $\mu, \sigma$ 

$$E[\bar{y}] = E\left[\frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right] = \frac{1}{n}E(y_1) + \dots + \frac{1}{n}E(y_n) \\ = \frac{1}{n}\mu + \dots + \frac{1}{n}\mu = \frac{n\mu}{n} = \boxed{\mu}$$

$$\text{var}(\bar{y}) = \text{var}\left(\frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} [\text{var}(y_1) + \dots + \text{var}(y_n)] = \frac{n\sigma^2}{n^2} = \boxed{\frac{\sigma^2}{n}}$$

Simulation② Parameter:  $p$ pt. estimate:  $\hat{p}$  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  a r.s. from  $\text{Bin}(1, p) \Rightarrow E(y_i) = p, \text{var}(y_i) = p(1-p)$ 

$$\Rightarrow E(\hat{p}) = E\left[\frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E(y_i) = \frac{n p}{n} = \boxed{p}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}(\hat{p}) = \text{var}\left[\frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n}\right] = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{var}(y_i) = \frac{n p(1-p)}{n^2} = \boxed{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

③ Parameter:  $\mu_1, \mu_2$ pt. estimate:  $\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2$  $y_{11}, \dots, y_{1n_1}$  is a r.s. from Pop 1 w/  $\mu_1, \sigma_1$  $y_{21}, \dots, y_{2n_2}$  " " " " 2 w/  $\mu_2, \sigma_2$ 

from ① ...

$$E(\bar{y}_1) = \mu_1, \text{var}(\bar{y}_1) = \frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1}$$

$$E(\bar{y}_2) = \mu_2, \text{var}(\bar{y}_2) = \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}$$

$$E[\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2] = E(\bar{y}_1) - E(\bar{y}_2) = \boxed{\mu_1 - \mu_2}$$



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$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2) = \text{Var}(\bar{y}_1) + \text{Var}(\bar{y}_2) \quad \text{note: } \bar{y}_1, \bar{y}_2 \text{ are ind.}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}$$

(4) parameter:  $p_1 - p_2$ pt. estimate:  $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$  $y_{11}, \dots, y_{1n_1}$  is a r.s. from  $\text{Bin}(1, p_1)$  $y_{21}, \dots, y_{2n_2}$  " " "  $\text{Bin}(1, p_2)$ 

from (2) ...

$$E(\hat{p}_1) = p_1 \quad \text{Var}(\hat{p}_1) = \frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{n_1}$$

$$E(\hat{p}_2) = p_2 \quad \text{Var}(\hat{p}_2) = \frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{n_2}$$

$$E(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) = E(\hat{p}_1) - E(\hat{p}_2) = p_1 - p_2$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) = \text{Var}(\hat{p}_1) + \text{Var}(\hat{p}_2) = \frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{n_1} + \frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{n_2}$$

note:  $\hat{p}_1, \hat{p}_2$  are ind.

note: These results are valid regardless of sample size and shape of the dist. we are sampling from. However, the CLT says the shape will be approx. normal for  $n \geq 30$ .

Example 8.1

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \mu)^2}{N} \quad \text{why don't we use } \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}{n} ?$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i^2 - 2y_i \bar{y} + \bar{y}^2] = \sum y_i^2 - 2\bar{y} \cdot \sum y_i + n\bar{y}^2$$

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$$= \sum y_i^2 - 2n\bar{y}^2 + n\bar{y}^2 = \sum y_i^2 - n\bar{y}^2$$

$$E(y_i^2) = \sigma^2 + \mu^2 \quad E(\bar{y}^2) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \mu^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E\left[\sum y_i^2 - n\bar{y}^2\right] &= \sum E(y_i^2) - nE(\bar{y}^2) \\ &= n(\sigma^2 + \mu^2) - n\left(\frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \mu^2\right) \\ &= n\sigma^2 + n\mu^2 - \sigma^2 - n\mu^2 \\ &= (n-1)\sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow E[\hat{\sigma}^2] = E\left[\frac{\sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2}{n}\right] = \frac{1}{n} [(n-1)\sigma^2] = \boxed{\frac{(n-1)\sigma^2}{n}} \quad \text{Simulation}$$

$\Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2$  is biased i.e. it slightly underestimates  $\sigma$  on avg

note: bias is small for large  $n$

$$\text{let } s^2 = \frac{n \cdot \hat{\sigma}^2}{n-1} = \frac{\sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2}{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(s^2) = \frac{n}{n-1} E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \frac{n}{n-1} \left(\frac{(n-1)\sigma^2}{n}\right) = \sigma^2$$

Now we know why we divide by  $n-1$  in 2050!

Another approach...

Recall  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  a. r. s. from  $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{(n-1)}$$

$$E\left[\frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2}\right] = n-1 = \frac{(n-1)}{\sigma^2} \cdot E(s^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow E(s^2) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n-1} (n-1) = \sigma^2$$

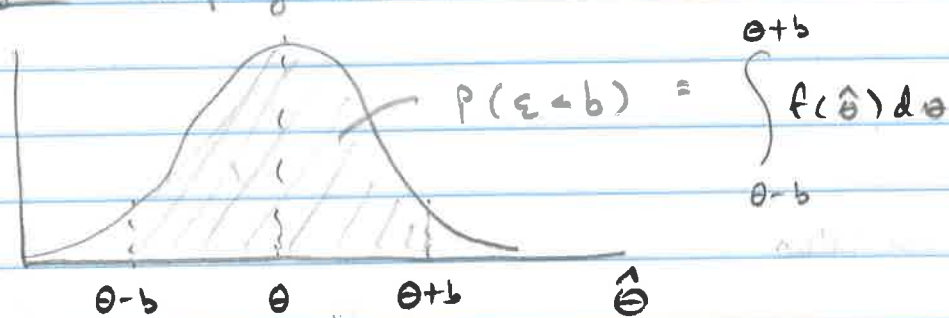
note: this depends on sampling from a normal dist.

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## 8.4 Goodness of a Point Estimator

Def 8.5 The error of estimation  $\varepsilon$  is the distance between an estimator and its target parameter. That is,  $\varepsilon = |\hat{\theta} - \theta|$ .

Fig 8.4 Sampling dist. of  $\hat{\theta}$  (unbiased)



note: we must know  $f(\hat{\theta})$  to compute  $P(\varepsilon < b)$  exactly. otherwise we estimate it (lower bound) using Tchebycheff's inequality.

a commonly used range is  $b = 2.5SE(\hat{\theta})$ . For many dists.  
 $P(\varepsilon < 2.5SE(\hat{\theta})) \approx .95$

Table 8.2

<u>Dist.</u>	<u><math>P(\mu - 2\sigma &lt; Y &lt; 2\sigma)</math></u>
normal	.9544
Exponential	.9502
uniform	1

Exponential  $Y \sim \text{Exp}(\beta)$

$$E(Y) = \beta \quad \text{var}(Y) = \beta^2$$

$$\mu \pm 2\sigma = \beta \pm 2\beta = (-\beta, 3\beta)$$

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$$\int_{-\beta}^{3\beta} \frac{1}{\beta} e^{-y/\beta} dy = \int_0^{3\beta} \frac{1}{\beta} e^{-y/\beta} dy = -e^{-y/\beta} \Big|_0^{3\beta} \\ = 1 - e^{-3\beta/\beta} = 1 - e^{-3} = .9502$$

e.g. (8.27)  $n = 985$  "likely voters"  
 $x = 592$  will vote Republican

a)  $p$  is estimated to be .601 (i.e.  $\hat{p} = \frac{592}{985} = .601$ )

$$b = 2 \cdot \hat{SE}(\hat{p}) = 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(.601)(.399)}{985}} = .0312$$

b) Do you think the Republican candidate will be elected?

$$.601 \pm .0312 \rightarrow (.5698, .6322)$$

Republican should be elected. It's highly unlikely  $\hat{p} = .601$  could be more than .10 away from  $p$ .

c) Trump ran it.

Simulation

e.g. (8.23) EPA and Univ. of Florida

Covariates: calcium in drinking water, smoking activity

response: kidney-stone disease

Data is collected on individuals w/ recurring kidney stone



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problems.

note: retrospective observational study i.e. collect data based on response

	<u>Carolinas</u>	<u>Rockies</u>
$n$	467	191
avg. age	45.1	46.4
SD(age)	10.2	9.8
avg. calcium	11.3	40.1
SD(calcium)	16.6	28.4
proportion smoking	.78	.61

$$a) \hat{\mu}_C = 11.3 \quad b = 2 \cdot \frac{16.6}{\sqrt{467}} = 1.54$$

$$b) \hat{\mu}_R - \hat{\mu}_C = (40.1 - 11.3) = 28.8$$

$$b = 2 \sqrt{\frac{16.6^2}{467} + \frac{28.4^2}{191}} = 4.39$$

→ significant difference

in calcium

"at least"; 24.41 higher in Rockies

$$c) \hat{p}_C - \hat{p}_R = .78 - .61 = .17$$

$$b = 2 \sqrt{\frac{.78(.22)}{467} + \frac{(.61)(.39)}{191}} = .08$$

→ significant difference in

smoking

"at least", .09 higher in Carolinas

note: These

note: Retrospective studies might help in direction for future studies. We can't draw any conclusions from retrospective studies themselves.

e.g. what % of cancer patients have 2 arms? 99%?

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## 8.5 Confidence Intervals

An interval estimator will specify an interval in which we think it is highly likely that the parameter  $\theta$  is located.

Ideally, the likelihood our interval contains  $\theta$  is high (e.g. 95%, 98%, etc.) and the interval is narrow.

$$P(\hat{\theta}_L \leq \theta \leq \hat{\theta}_u) = 1 - \alpha \quad \xrightarrow{\text{confidence coefficient}}$$

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 sets of sample data

Since the interval  $(\hat{\theta}_L, \hat{\theta}_u)$  depends on sample data, it is random and will vary from one sample to the next. In truth, the confidence coefficient  $1 - \alpha$ , is the proportion of time  $\theta \in (\hat{\theta}_L, \hat{\theta}_u)$  in repeated sampling.

One-sided confidence intervals:

- $P(\hat{\theta}_L \leq \theta) = 1 - \alpha \Rightarrow$  We are  $(1 - \alpha) \times 100\%$  confident  $\theta \geq \hat{\theta}_L$   
 i.e. one-sided lower CI for  $\theta$ ,  $[\hat{\theta}_L, \infty)$
- $P(\theta \leq \hat{\theta}_u) = 1 - \alpha \Rightarrow$  We are  $(1 - \alpha) \times 100\%$  confident  $\theta \leq \hat{\theta}_u$   
 i.e. one-sided upper CI for  $\theta$ ,  $(-\infty, \hat{\theta}_u]$ .

How do we determine these intervals? We need a pivotal quantity

① set of sample data and  $\theta$ .

note:  $\theta$  is the only unknown quantity

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② The prob. dist. does not depend on  $\theta$

e.g. (8.34)

$Y \sim \text{GAM}(\alpha=2, \beta)$  Find a 90% CI for  $\beta$

Pivotal Quantity?

recall,  $\frac{2Y}{\beta} \sim \chi^2_{(4)}$  (see (6.46))

$\frac{2Y}{\beta}$  is ① a fct of sample data and  $\beta$

② the prob. dist. does not depend on  $\beta$

$$P\left[\chi^2_{.95} \leq \frac{2Y}{\beta} \leq \chi^2_{.05}\right] = .90$$

$$P\left[\frac{2Y}{\chi^2_{.05}} \leq \beta \leq \frac{2Y}{\chi^2_{.95}}\right] = .90$$

i.e. 90% CI for  $\beta$ :  $\left(\frac{2Y}{\chi^2_{.05}}, \frac{2Y}{\chi^2_{.95}}\right)$  or  $(.211Y, 2.817Y)$

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e.g. (8.40)

$Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2=1)$

a) Find a 95% CI for  $\mu$ :

Pivotal Qty?

$Y - \mu \sim N(0, 1)$

fct of  $Y, \mu$  does not depend on  $\mu$

$$P[-z_{.025} \leq Y - \mu \leq z_{.025}] = .95$$

$$P[-1.96 \leq Y - \mu \leq 1.96] = .95$$

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$$= P[Y - 1.96 \leq \mu \leq Y + 1.96] = .95$$

i.e. 95% CI for  $\mu$ :  $(Y - 1.96, Y + 1.96)$

b) Find a 95% upper CI for  $\mu$ :

$$P[-2.05 \leq Y - \mu] = .95$$

$$P[-1.645 \leq Y - \mu] = .95$$

$$P[\mu \leq Y + 1.645] = .95 \quad \text{i.e. 95% upper CI for } \mu: (-\infty, Y + 1.645)$$

e.g. 8.43  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  a r.s. from  $Y \sim \text{unif}(0, \theta) \Rightarrow F(y) = \frac{y}{\theta}$

let  $Y_{(n)} = \max(Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$  and  $U = \frac{Y_{(n)}}{\theta}$

$$a) F_{Y_{(n)}}(y) = P[Y_{(n)} \leq y] = \left(\frac{y}{\theta}\right)^n$$

$$F_u(u) = P[U \leq u] = P\left[\frac{Y_{(n)}}{\theta} \leq u\right] = P[Y_{(n)} \leq u\theta]$$

$$= \left(\frac{u\theta}{\theta}\right)^n = u^n$$

$$\Rightarrow F_u(u) = \begin{cases} 0, & u < 0 \\ u^n, & 0 \leq u < 1 \\ 1, & 1 \leq u \end{cases}$$

b) Find 95th percentile of  $U$ :

$$u^n = .95 \Rightarrow u = (.95)^{1/n} \quad \text{or } \phi_{.95} = (.95)^{1/n}$$

$$P[U \leq (.95)^{1/n}] = P\left[\frac{Y_{(n)}}{\theta} \leq (.95)^{1/n}\right] = P\left[\frac{Y_{(n)}}{(.95)^{1/n}} \leq \theta\right]$$



④

$\Rightarrow$  95% one-sided lower CI for  $\theta$ :  $\left[ \frac{Y_{(n)}}{(.95)^{1/n}}, \infty \right)$

8.48  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  a r.s. from  $Y \sim \text{GAM}(\alpha=2, \beta)$

a) Let  $W = \frac{2 \sum y_i}{\beta}$

$$M_W(t) = E[e^{tW}] = E\left[e^{t \cdot \frac{2(\sum y_i)}{\beta}}\right] = E\left[e^{\frac{2t}{\beta} (\sum y_i)}\right]$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n E\left[e^{\frac{2t}{\beta} y_i}\right] = \prod_{i=1}^n M_Y\left(\frac{2t}{\beta}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{2t}{\beta} \cdot \beta)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1 - 2t)^{2n}} \Rightarrow W \sim \chi^2_{(4n)}$$

$$b) P\left[\chi^2_{.975} \leq W \leq \chi^2_{.025}\right] = .95$$

$$P\left[\chi^2_{.975} \leq \frac{2(\sum y_i)}{\beta} \leq \chi^2_{.025}\right] = .95$$

$$P\left[\frac{2(\sum y_i)}{\chi^2_{.025}} \leq \beta \leq \frac{2(\sum y_i)}{\chi^2_{.975}}\right] = .95$$

$$\Rightarrow 95\% \text{ CI for } \beta: \left( \frac{2(\sum y_i)}{\chi^2_{.025}}, \frac{2(\sum y_i)}{\chi^2_{.975}} \right)$$

c)  $n=5$   $\bar{y} = 5.39$

$$\left( \frac{2(5)(5.39)}{20.4831}, \frac{2(5)(5.39)}{3.24697} \right) = [2.63, 16.60]$$

①

## 8.6 Large Sample CIs

The CLT has shown the sums of rvs have an approximately normal dist as the sample size gets large.

In sec 8.3 we found unbiased estimators for  $\mu$ ,  $p$ ,  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ , and  $p_1 - p_2$ . Standard errors for these pt. estimators are found in Table 8.1 (p. 397)

For large samples we can now use the CLT result to form a pivotal quantity for  $\mu$ ,  $p$ ,  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ , and  $p_1 - p_2$ .

$$Z = \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\sigma_{\hat{\theta}}}$$

Prob. stmt:

$$P\left[-z_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\sigma_{\hat{\theta}}} \leq z_{\alpha/2}\right] = 1 - \alpha$$

manipulate algebraically to isolate the parameter

(note: This will be a confidence stmt)

$$P\left[\hat{\theta} - z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma_{\hat{\theta}} \leq \theta \leq \hat{\theta} + z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma_{\hat{\theta}}\right] = 1 - \alpha$$

$\Rightarrow 100(1 - \alpha)\%$  CI for  $\theta$ :  $(\hat{\theta}_L, \hat{\theta}_u)$

$$\hat{\theta}_L = \hat{\theta} - z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma_{\hat{\theta}}, \quad \hat{\theta}_u = \hat{\theta} + z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma_{\hat{\theta}}$$

(2)

8.60 Estimate  $\mu$  = "normal" temp. for healthy humans

$$n = 130 \quad \bar{y} = 98.25 \quad S = .73$$

a) Find a 99% CI for  $\mu$ :

Ideally we would use  $\bar{y} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \underbrace{\sigma}_{\sigma_{\bar{y}}} / \sqrt{n}$

However, in this context  $\sigma$  is unknown so we substitute  $S$

$$98.25 \pm 2.576 \frac{(.73)}{\sqrt{130}} \rightarrow 98.25 \pm .165 \rightarrow (98.085, 98.415)$$

b). 99% confident the <sup>avg.</sup> temp is below 98.6

note: This is avg healthy human temp. This does not answer the question of the range of temps for healthy humans

Chobychov's rule: at least 75% of healthy humans have temp. in range:

$$98.25 \pm 2(.73) = 98.25 \pm 1.46 \rightarrow (96.79, 99.71)$$

Compare large sample CIs for  $\mu$ :

$$Y \sim \text{Pois}(\lambda=3) \quad n=50$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu=3 \quad \sigma=\sqrt{3}$$

$$\bullet \bar{y} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma / \sqrt{n} \quad \text{vs} \quad \bar{y} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot S / \sqrt{n}$$

Simulation

note: both are approximate

(3)

8.65 Compare defective rates for two assembly lines

Line A

$$n_1 = 100$$

$$Y_1 = 18$$

$$\hat{p}_1 = \frac{18}{100} = .18$$

Line B

$$n_2 = 100$$

$$Y_2 = 12$$

$$\hat{p}_2 = \frac{12}{100} = .12$$

a) Find a 98% CI for  $p_1 - p_2$ 

$$\hat{\theta} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma_{\hat{\theta}}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1-\hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1-\hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}$$

note: Since  $p_1, p_2$  are unknown, substitute  $\hat{p}_1$  and  $\hat{p}_2$ 

$$(.18 - .12) \pm 2.326 \sqrt{\frac{(.18)(.82)}{100} + \frac{(.12)(.88)}{100}}$$

$$.06 \pm .12 \rightarrow \boxed{(-.06, .18)}$$

b) No statistically significant evidence that Line A has a higher defective rate than Line B, i.e. .18 vs. .12 could be reasonably explained as chance variation.

Compare CI coverage for  $p$ : ( $p = .5$ ,  $p = .1$ )

$$\hat{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \quad \text{vs.} \quad \hat{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

Simulation



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8.7 How large should  $n$  be?

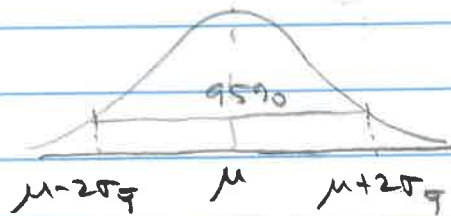
A common question for statisticians, especially in design of experiment.

How accurate does the researcher want to be?

① within ...? ( $E$ )

② with confidence level?

Spse we want to estimate  $\mu$  using  $\bar{Y}$ . From CLT ( $n \geq 30$ )



i.e. 95% of the time,  $\bar{Y}$  is within  $2\sigma_Y$  of  $\mu$

If the researcher wants to be within  $E$  of  $\mu$  with 95% confidence then

$$2 \cdot \sigma_Y \stackrel{\text{SET}}{=} E \rightarrow 2 \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = E \rightarrow \sqrt{n} = \frac{2\sigma}{E}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = \left( \frac{2\sigma}{E} \right)^2$$

Problem: In this context (estimating  $\mu$ ) we wouldn't know  $\sigma$ , so it must be estimated before we take the sample.

① use  $s$  from a prior sample

② If we have an approximation of the range,

$$\text{use } \sigma \approx \frac{\text{range}}{4}$$

(2)

Recall the empirical rule:  $\mu \pm 2\sigma \rightarrow \text{approx } 95\%$

note: We might think we are being more conservative and use  $\mu \pm 3\sigma \rightarrow \text{at least } 89\%$  (Chebyshev's)

$$\Rightarrow \sigma \approx \frac{\text{range}}{6}$$

However, this will produce a smaller value for  $n$ , and we might not have the level of precision we wanted. Better to overestimate  $\sigma$  slightly ( $\sigma \approx \text{range}/4$ ) and then our actual level of confidence will be slightly higher than we specify.

In general to estimate  $\mu$ ...

$\bar{Y}$  will be within  $z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma_{\bar{Y}}$   $100(1-\alpha)\%$  of the time

$$n = \left( \frac{z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sigma}{E} \right)^2$$

How about election polls? Estimating  $p$  from sampling theory we know...

$$\hat{p} \text{ is approx } N(\mu_{\hat{p}} = p, \sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}})$$

95% of the time  $\hat{p}$  is within  $2\sigma_{\hat{p}}$  of  $p$

$$E = 2\sigma_{\hat{p}} \rightarrow E = 2 \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \rightarrow E = 2 \sqrt{\frac{(0.5)(0.5)}{n}}$$

conservative estimate

$$\rightarrow E = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

③

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  is very close to the margin-of-error reported in election polls.

In general use ---

$$z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} = E \rightarrow \sqrt{n} = \frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{E} \sqrt{p(1-p)}$$

$$\rightarrow n = \left( \frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{E} \right)^2 \cdot p(1-p)$$

Again we have a problem, we don't know  $p$ . It is what we are trying to estimate!

①  $p(1-p) \leq .25$  so use  $n = \left( \frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{2E} \right)^2$

② use a prior estimate for  $p$

e.g. Estimate proportion of alcoholics in Utah County.

Talk to doctors or social workers for a reasonable prior estimate. It certainly isn't as high as .5 so

we can save some expense in sampling using  $p < .5$

8.78  $p_1$  = proportion of defectives from assembly line 1  
 $p_2$  = " " " " " 2

Estimate  $p_1 - p_2$  within  $E = .02$  w/ 95% confidence

$$2 \cdot \sigma_{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2} = .2 \rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{n_1} + \frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{n_2}} = .02$$

Assume equal sample sizes ( $n_1 = n_2$ )

(4)

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \cdot \sqrt{p_1(1-p_1) + p_2(1-p_2)} = .02$$

$$\rightarrow n = 25 [p_1(1-p_1) + p_2(1-p_2)]$$

use estimates of  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  from (8.65)  
(.5 for defectives is too high)

$$\hat{p}_1 = \frac{18}{100} = .18 \quad \hat{p}_2 = \frac{12}{100} = .12$$

$$n = 2500 \left[ \underset{.1476}{.18(.82)} + \underset{.1066}{.12(.88)} \right] = \textcircled{633}$$

Take samples of size  $\textcircled{633}$  from each line.

### Example 8.10

$\mu_1$  = avg. assembly time for workers using training method I  
 $\mu_2$  = " " " " " " " " II

range  $\approx 8$  mins. Estimate  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$  within 1 min. w/ 95%  
 $\Rightarrow \sigma \approx s/2 = 4$  confidence and using equal sample sizes

$$2 \cdot \sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} = 1 \rightarrow 2 \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma^2}{n_2}} = 1$$

$$2 \sqrt{\frac{4}{n} + \frac{4}{n}} = 1$$

$$\rightarrow 2 \sqrt{\frac{8}{n}} = 1 \rightarrow n = (2 \sqrt{8})^2 = \textcircled{32} \text{ workers}$$

(from each assembly line training method)



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## 8.8 Small sample CIs for $\mu$ and $\mu_1 - \mu_2$

When  $n$  is too small to use CLT ( $n < 30$ ) we have "small sample" procedures.

The main assumption here is that we are sampling from a normal dist or "the departure from normality is not excessive"

If we are estimating  $\mu$ , in practice we won't know  $\sigma$  either. We have seen ...

$$T = \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{(n-1)}$$

$$P\left[-t_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \leq t_{\alpha/2}\right] = 1 - \alpha \quad \text{note: This is a prob stat.}$$

manipulating the inequalities ...

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \leq t_{\alpha/2} \Rightarrow \bar{Y} - \mu \leq t_{\alpha/2} \cdot S/\sqrt{n} \Rightarrow \bar{Y} - t_{\alpha/2} \cdot S/\sqrt{n} \leq \mu$$

$$-t_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow -t_{\alpha/2} \cdot S/\sqrt{n} \leq \bar{Y} - \mu \Rightarrow \mu \leq \bar{Y} + t_{\alpha/2} \cdot S/\sqrt{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow C\left[\bar{Y} - t_{\alpha/2} \cdot S/\sqrt{n} \leq \mu \leq \bar{Y} + t_{\alpha/2} \cdot S/\sqrt{n}\right] = 1 - \alpha$$

note: This is now a confidence stat. because we have isolated  $\mu$  which is a fixed unknown parameter.

(2)

100(1- $\alpha$ )% CI for  $\mu$ :  $\bar{Y} \pm t_{\alpha/2} \cdot s/\sqrt{n}$

Example 8.11

$\mu$  = avg. muzzle velocity

check NPP / Histogram

$n=8$   $\bar{Y}=2959$   $t_{.025}=2.365$   $s=39.1$   
(d.f. = 7)

$2959 \pm 2.365 \frac{(39.1)}{\sqrt{8}} \rightarrow 2959 \pm 32.7$  (2926.3, 2991.7)

Early 1900s:

Gossett using small samples at Guinness Brewing Co.

Simulation

CI:  $\bar{Y} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot s/\sqrt{n}$  vs.  $\bar{Y} \pm t_{\alpha/2} \cdot s/\sqrt{n}$

Comparing  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$

Pop 1:  $\sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1)$  Pop 2:  $\sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2)$

r.s. of  $n_1$

r.s. of  $n_2$

We have seen  $\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2 \sim N(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}})$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2 - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

If  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma$  then

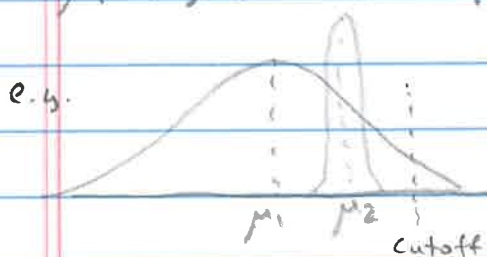
$$\frac{\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2 - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

③

note:

When comparing  $\mu_1$  vs.  $\mu_2$ , the assumption is often made that  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2$ . This seems like a restrictive assumption but it is robust, i.e. if  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  are "close" then the confidence coefficient should be close.

Furthermore, if  $\sigma_1 \ll \sigma_2$  or vice versa, comparing  $\mu_1$  vs.  $\mu_2$  is not appropriate.



Goal: Get as many students as possible past "elite" cutoff score  $\mu_2 > \mu_1$  but we want method I

Even if we assume  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma$ , the common value  $\sigma$  will be unknown in practice when estimating  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ .

"pooled" estimator 
$$s_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

i.e. wgt. avg. of  $s_1^2$  and  $s_2^2$

Let 
$$W = \frac{(n_1 + n_2 - 2) \cdot s_p^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{\sigma^2}$$

$$= \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{(n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{\sigma^2}$$

$$\chi^2_{(n_1 - 1)} + \chi^2_{(n_2 - 1)} \sim \chi^2_{(n_1 + n_2 - 2)}$$

(4)

We know from ch. 7...  $\frac{z}{\sqrt{w(n)}/\sqrt{v}} \sim t(v)$

$$T = \frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(n_1 + n_2 - 2) \cdot s_p^2}{\sigma^2}} \quad (n_1 + n_2 - 2)$$

$$= \frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{s_p^2}}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}}} \sim t_{(n_1 + n_2 - 2)} \quad \text{Pooled T-test}$$

8.40

$$a) s_p = \sqrt{\frac{14(42)^2 + 14(45)^2}{28}} = \sqrt{\frac{24,616 + 28,350}{28}} = 43.52$$

$$t_{0.025, 28} = 2.048$$

from above result...

$$P\left[-t_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2 - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} \leq t_{\alpha/2}\right] = 1 - \alpha$$



⑤

manipulating the inequalities as in the one-sample case...

$$C \left[ (\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) - t_{\alpha/2} \cdot s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} \leq \mu_1 - \mu_2 \leq (\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) + t_{\alpha/2} \cdot s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} \right] = 1 - \alpha$$

$\Rightarrow 100(1-\alpha)\%$  CI for  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ :

$$(\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_2) \pm t_{\alpha/2} \cdot s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

Back to example...

$$(534 - 446) \pm 2.048 \sqrt{\frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{15}}$$

$$88 \pm .75 \Rightarrow (87.25, 88.75)$$

c) We are 95% confident that the avg. verbal scores majors in Language / Literature is between 87.25 and 88.75 pts higher than the avg. verbal score for engineering majors.

d)  $\sigma_1 \approx \sigma_2 \rightarrow$  seems reasonable w/  $S_1 = 42$  and  $S_2 = 45$   
normal pops.  $\rightarrow$  probably at least approx. normal  
for national test scores.