

STAT 231

October 21, 2016.

Interval Estimation.

Roadmap

- Binomial. Confidence Interval problem.

- How to choose the optimal sample size?

- Chi-Squared distribution.

$$X \sim \chi^2_n$$

$n = \text{degrees of freedom.}$

- Student's t -distribution.

$$X \sim t_n$$

INTERVAL ESTIMATION

Given: $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$. ✓

Interested in θ (unknown parameter)

Model: $Y_i \sim f(y_i; \theta) \quad i=1, \dots, n.$

Objective:

$[L, U]$ which would contain θ
with a pre-specified probability.

and estimate it using our

sample. $[l, u]$

$$l = l(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

$$u = u(y_1, \dots, y_n)$$

(i) We want to find the SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION of $\tilde{\theta}$ (ESTIMATOR for θ)

(ii) "Modify" this distribution to something we know. (PIVOTAL DISTRIBUTION)

GAUSSIAN PROBLEM WITH KNOWN VARIANCE

'Estimate μ .'

$$\bar{Y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma/\sqrt{n})$$

$$\theta = \mu. \checkmark$$

$$\hat{\theta} = \bar{y}.$$

$$\tilde{\theta} = \bar{Y}$$

$$\bar{Y} \sim G(\mu, \sigma/\sqrt{n})$$

\longrightarrow SAMPLING
 DISTRIBUTION

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = Z = \text{PIVOTAL DISTRIBUTION}$$

BINOMIAL PROBLEM

$$Y \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$$

θ = prob. of
success

Data: n = # of trials

y = # of successes

$$\hat{\theta} = y/n \quad (\text{Sample proportion})$$

$$\tilde{\theta} = Y/n. \quad (\text{ESTIMATOR})$$

Theorem: CLT for Binomial

$$(i) \quad \frac{\tilde{\theta} - \theta}{\sqrt{\frac{\theta(1-\theta)}{n}}} \sim Z \sim N(0,1)$$

if n is large.

$$(ii) \quad \frac{\tilde{\theta} - \theta}{\sqrt{\frac{\tilde{\theta}(1-\tilde{\theta})}{n}}} \sim \textcircled{Z} \sim N(0,1)$$

if n is large.

$$\tilde{\theta} = Y/n$$

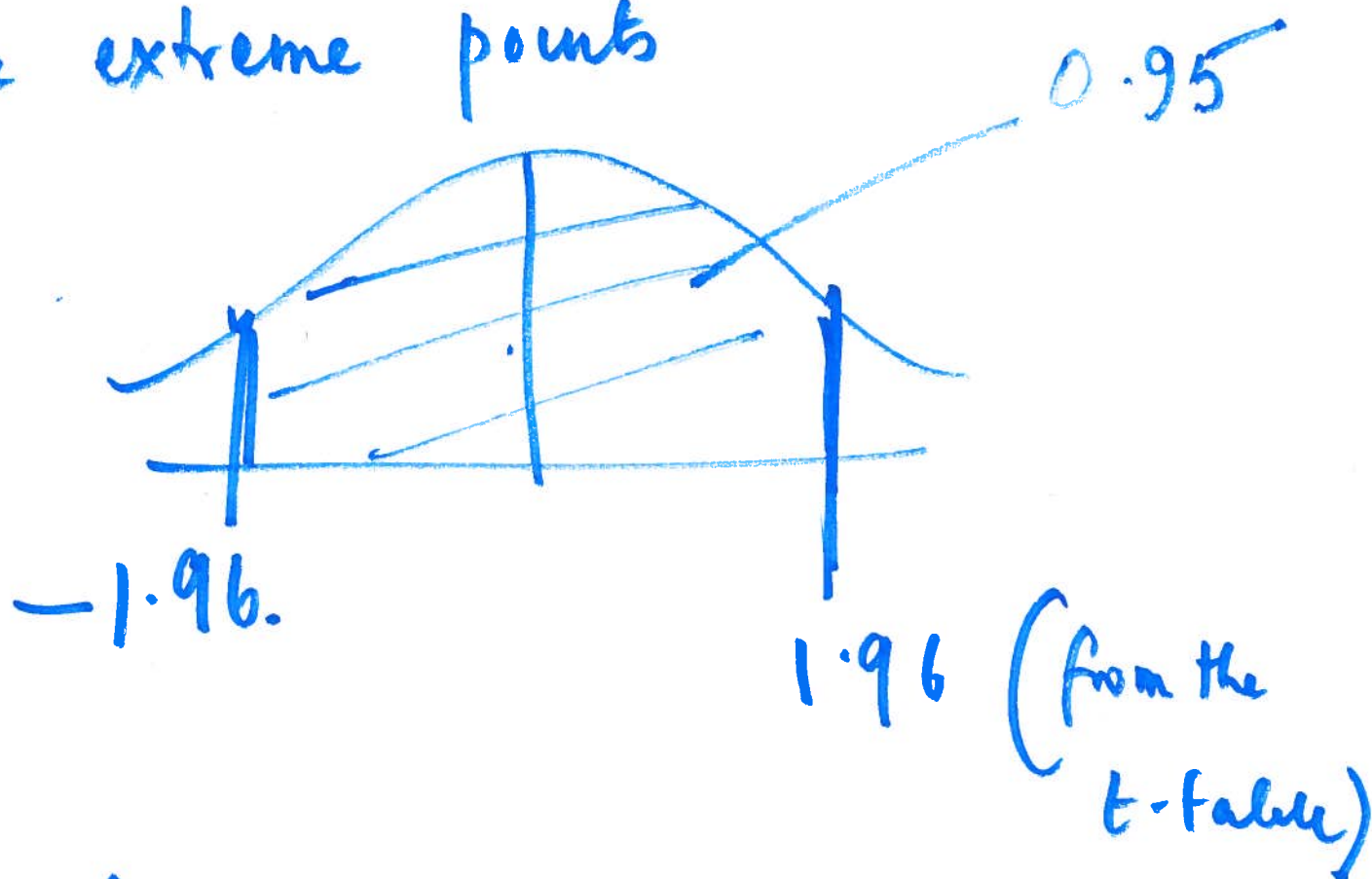
Example: A survey of 1000 US voters are taken and 53% plan ~~for~~ to vote for Hillary Clinton. Find a 95% C.I for the proportion of votes Clinton will get.

θ = proportion of Hillary voters

$$\hat{\theta} = 0.53$$

$$\tilde{\theta} = \frac{Y}{2000}$$

Go to the z-table and find
the extreme points



$$P(-1.96 \leq Z \leq 1.96) = 0.95$$

$$P\left(-1.96 \leq \frac{\hat{\theta} - \theta}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta})}{n}}} \leq 1.96\right) = 0.95$$

Right hand inequality

~~θ~~ $\theta \geq \tilde{\theta} - 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{\theta}(1-\tilde{\theta})}{n}}$

L. H. inequality

$$\theta \leq \tilde{\theta} + 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{\theta}(1-\tilde{\theta})}{n}}$$

Coverage Interval.

$$\left[\tilde{\theta} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\tilde{\theta}(1-\tilde{\theta})}{n}} \right]$$

Confidence Interval

~~θ~~ $\hat{\theta} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta})}{n}}$



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As a divisive election tears Americans apart over questions of race and immigration, a CBC News poll suggests Canadians are right in believing they think very differently than their U.S. neighbours when it comes to multiculturalism.

In fact, we're more likely to think minorities should assimilate.

In a [national polling partnership between CBC and the Angus Reid Institute](#), 68 per cent of Canadian respondents said minorities should be doing more to fit in with mainstream society instead of keeping their own customs and languages.

The same question was put to Americans, with only 53 per cent of respondents saying minorities need to better adjust.

The Canadian response represents a hardening of attitudes away from multiculturalism over time.

"It does seem like a very surprising finding, especially when you consider this is a country that has been living with 45 years of official multiculturalism as government policy," said Shachi Kurl, executive director of the Angus Reid Institute.

"It is maybe not what conventional wisdom might expect. But what these findings show is there are real limits on what Canadians — regardless of their own heritage or walk of life — are prepared to put up with in terms of accommodation and the sense of the mosaic versus the melting pot."

- [How Kellie Leitch and Justin Trudeau are defining themselves on immigration](#)
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The results also hint at why Conservative leadership candidate Kellie Leitch believes she may be onto a winning issue by asking supporters their thoughts on vetting would-be immigrants and refugees for ["anti-Canadian values."](#)

According to the poll, two-thirds of Canadians say they're "satisfied" with how well new immigrants are integrating into their communities.

That figure seems to fly in the face of another result, because an equal number said they believe "minorities should do more to fit in better with mainstream Canadian society."

Kurl compared that figure with a similar poll done in 1993 in which 57 per cent of respondents thought minority groups should be encouraged to "try to change to be more like most Canadians."

"It's not a crisis by any means" she said.

"That said, when nearly 70 per cent of people in this country are saying they would like to see minorities do more to fit in, it is something that bears watching, particularly because that view has hardened over the last 25 years."

'Unthinking or mindless multiculturalism'

Former B.C. premier and Liberal cabinet minister Ujjal Dosanjh has written and spoken extensively about the need to address concerns about equality, race and culture in the face of blind devotion to multiculturalism.

He said the poll shows Canada's political leadership needs to pay attention.

"What you want is creative multiculturalism, generous multiculturalism, but not unthinking or mindless multiculturalism where everything anybody brings to this country is acceptable," he said.

"Diversity is great if we can begin to live with each other in equality, in understanding ... but we also understand our collective obligations to building a better society. If we can't live together with each other properly and make concessions to each other, then this phrase that politicians use — that diversity is a strength — is nonsensical."

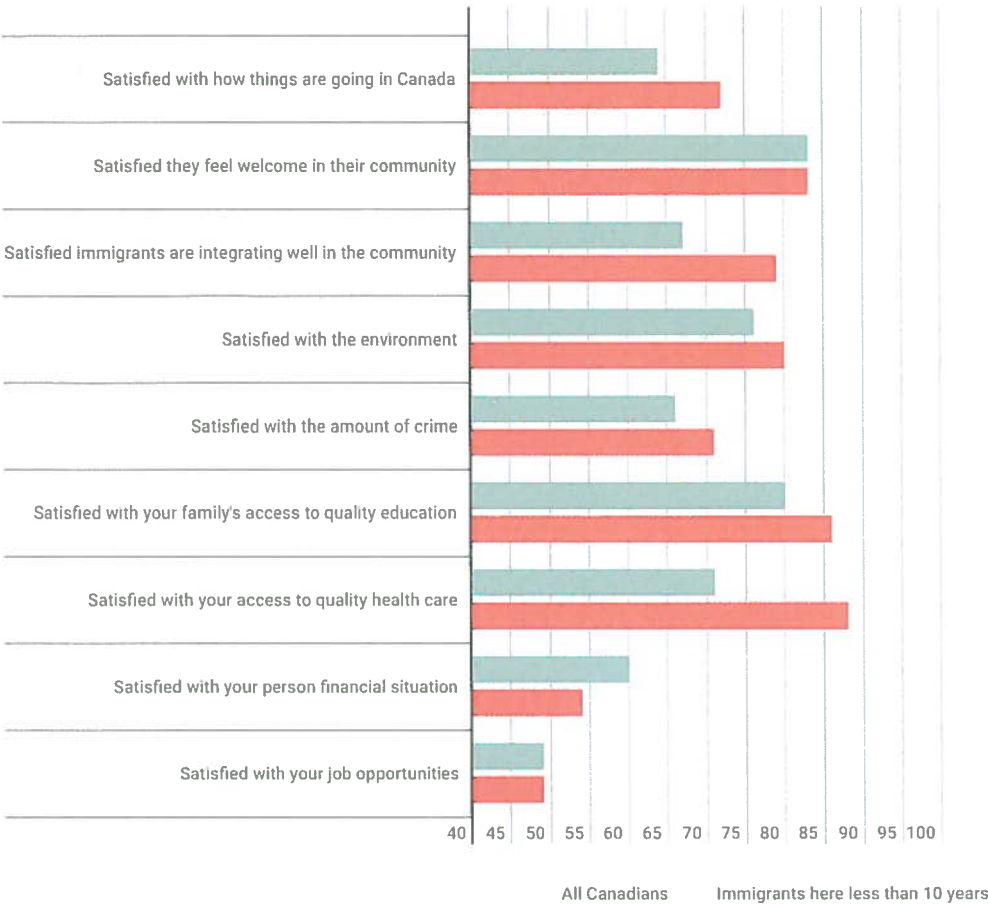


Former B.C. premier Ujjal Dosanjh says Canada's political leadership needs to pay attention to people's attitudes on cultural diversity. (CBC News)

Dosanjh says he's not surprised the results had a higher percentage of Canadians than Americans indicating they favour better assimilation.

He said the difference may simply come down to the fact that more Americans believe immigrants are integrated anyway, that newcomers and old stock alike are united in

Immigrants as satisfied as other Canadians with quality of life



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$$0.53 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{0.53 \times 0.47}{1000.}}$$

$$0.025$$

Margin of Error.

~~$$0.53 \pm 2$$~~

$$0.53 \pm 0.04$$

How to choose the sample size?

(95%)

M.O.E :

$$\hat{\theta} \pm \sqrt{\quad}$$

C.I

$$\left[\hat{\theta} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta})}{n}} \right]$$

MOE.

We want

0.03

$$\left[1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta})}{n}} \leq 0.03 \right]$$

$$n \geq \left(\frac{1.96}{0.05} \right)^2 \hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta}) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

We will choose that (1) is true
for the maximum value of

$$\underline{\hat{\theta}(1-\hat{\theta})}$$

$$1 - 2\hat{\theta} = 0$$

$$\underline{\hat{\theta} = \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$n \geq \left(\frac{1.96}{0.05} \right)^2 \times \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} \approx 1067.1$$

$$= 1068.$$

For the MOE to be ± 0.03 ,
we need ≈ 1068 people.

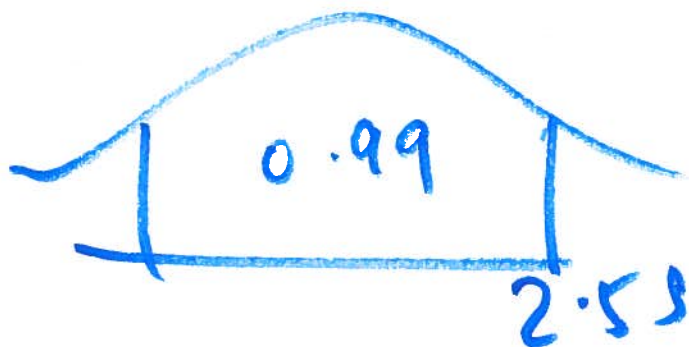
$$n \geq \left(\frac{z^*}{\text{MOE}} \right)^2 \times \frac{1}{4}$$

0.02

General Rule.

99% C.I.

MOE ≤ 0.02



Gaussian model with unknown
variance.

Problem $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim \mathcal{G}(\mu, \sigma)$

μ = unknown n. mean

σ = " s.d.

Objective: To construct a 95%
C.I. for μ based on my data

$\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$

$$\hat{\mu} = \hat{\theta} = \bar{y} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{MLE for Gaussian} \\ \text{ESTIMATE} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\bar{Y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma/\sqrt{n})$$

ESTIMATOR

$$\frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = Z \sim N(0, 1)$$