

1. When the data is drawn from a population that has a normal distribution and σ is unknown, use a t-test. To test:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : \mu &= \mu_0 \\ H_A : \mu &\neq \mu_0 \end{aligned}$$

at the $100 * \alpha\%$ level based on a sample of size n , use one of the following methods:

- Using the rejection region method, determine the value $t_{(n-1, \alpha/2)}$ so that:

$$P(-t_{(n-1, \alpha/2)} \leq t \leq t_{(n-1, \alpha/2)}) = 1 - \alpha.$$

Then compute $t_{obs} = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}$. Reject the null if $t_{obs} < -t_{(n-1, \alpha/2)}$ or $t_{obs} > t_{(n-1, \alpha/2)}$.

- Using the p-value method, compute

$$p - value = P(t_{(n-1)} < -|t_{obs}|) + P(t_{(n-1)} > |t_{obs}|).$$

Reject if $p\text{-value} < \alpha$.

2. When the data is drawn from a population that has a normal distribution and σ is known, the sample size n required to achieve power $1 - \beta$ for a test of $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ vs. $H_A : \mu \neq \mu_0$ when the real μ is μ_A at level α is approximately:

$$n = \left(\frac{\sigma(z_{\alpha/2} + z_{\beta})}{\mu_0 - \mu_A} \right)^2.$$

3. When the data is not normal and n is too small to use the CLT, use sign test to test the population median. If M is the population median, test:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : M &= M_0 \\ H_A : M &> M_0 \end{aligned}$$

by computing b = the number of observations strictly larger than M_0 . If any observations are equal to M_0 , remove them. The p-value is then $P(B \geq b)$, where $B \sim \text{Bin}(n, 0.5)$.

4. When making a test about population proportion π based on a sample of size n , if $n(\pi_0) > 5$ and $n(1 - \pi_0) > 5$, then test:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : \pi &= \pi_0 \\ H_A : \pi &\neq \pi_0. \end{aligned}$$

by computing the sample proportion p , and then finding:

$$z_{obs} = \frac{(p - \pi_0)}{\sqrt{\frac{\pi_0(1 - \pi_0)}{n}}}.$$

Then the p-value is $P(Z < -|z_{obs}|) + P(Z > |z_{obs}|)$. Reject if p-value $< \alpha$.