

# Hypothesis tests for multiple proportions

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- Randomization test using the chi-square statistic
- Parametric chi-square statistic test for goodness-of-fit

# Announcement: homework 10

Homework 10 has been posted!

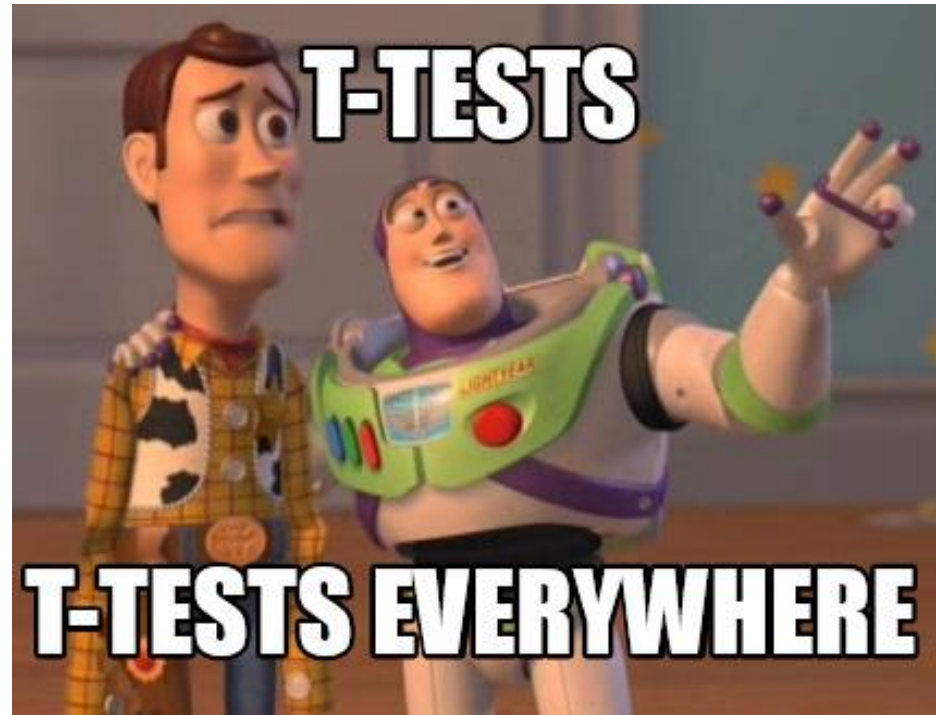
- The last homework 😞

It is due on Gradescope on **Monday December 1<sup>st</sup> at 11pm**

Also, please work on your class final project

- It is due on Gradescope on Sunday December 7<sup>th</sup>

# Review: parametric inference for means

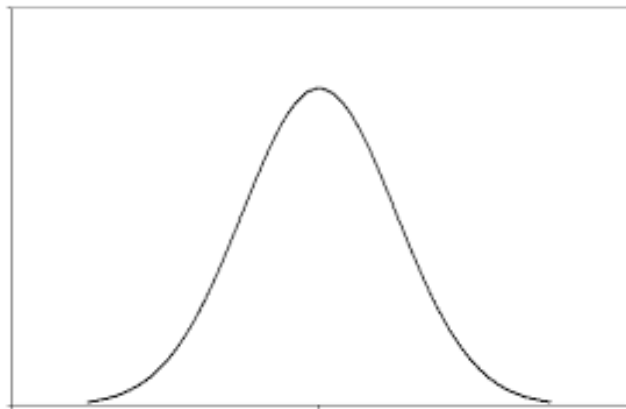


# Review: Using parametric methods for inference

When using “parametric” methods for statistical inference, we have mathematical functions for our distributions of statistics

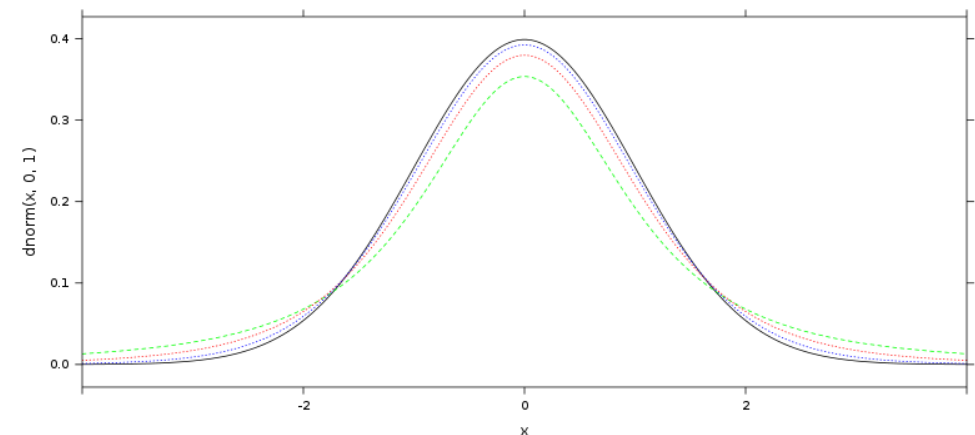
- e.g., we have mathematical functions for the null distribution rather than needing to use randomization methods such as shuffling our data

Normal distribution  $N(\mu, \sigma)$



Inference on a single proportion  $\pi$

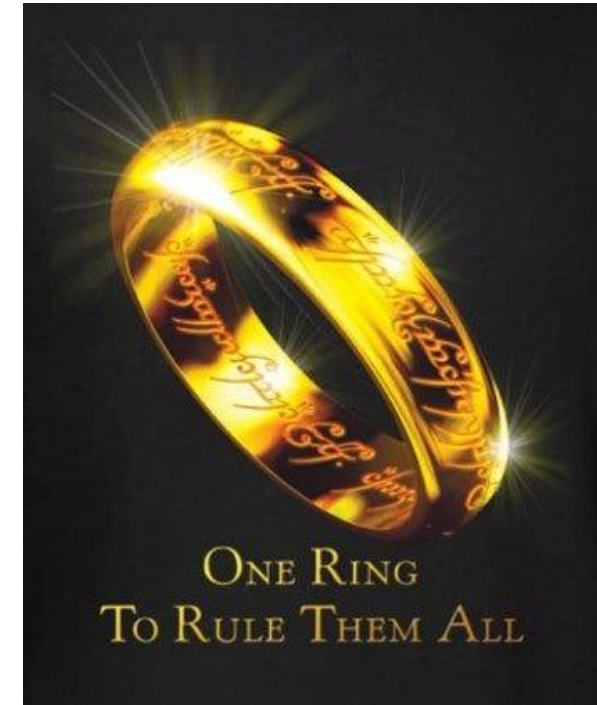
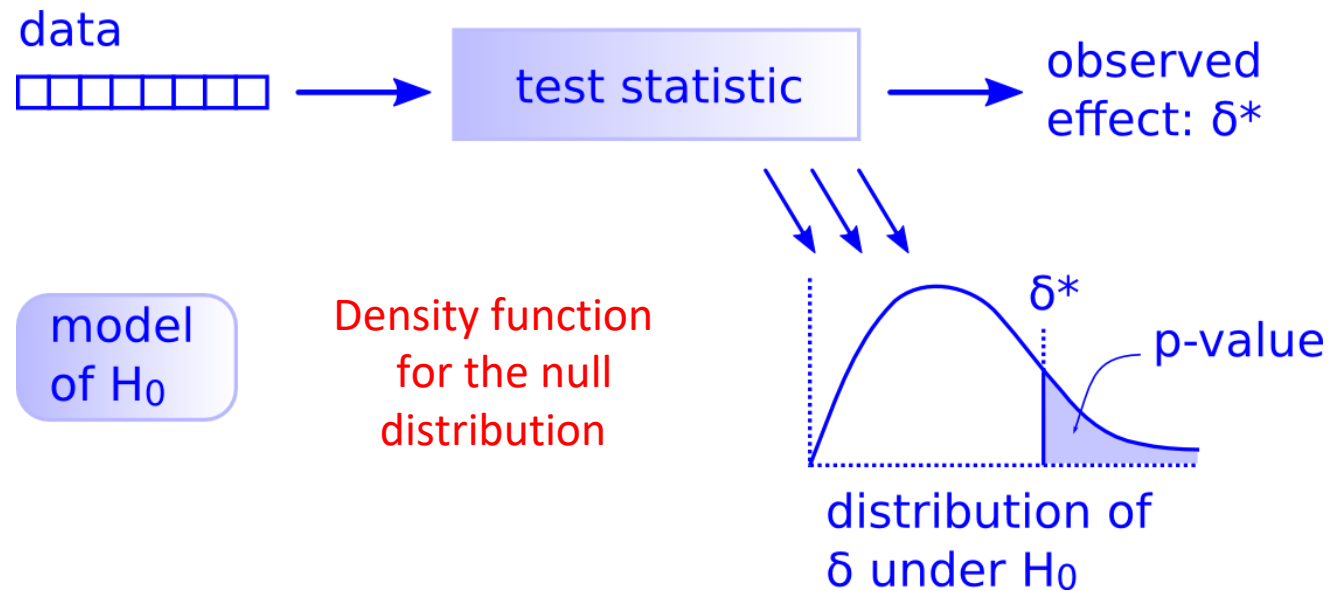
T-distribution



Inference on means  $\mu$  (when  $\sigma$  is unknown)

# One test to rule them all

There is only one [hypothesis test](#)!



Just follow the 5 hypothesis tests steps!

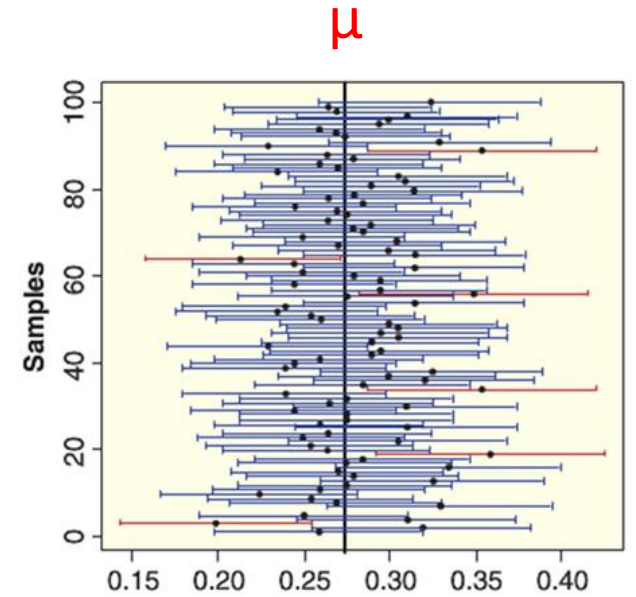
$$CI: \text{stat} \pm q^* \cdot SE$$

# Confidence intervals for means

$$\text{Single mean } \mu: \quad \bar{x} \pm t^* \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\text{Difference of two means } \mu_1 - \mu_2: \quad (\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

$$\text{Mean of differences for paired data } \mu_d: \quad \bar{x}_d \pm t^* \cdot \frac{s_d}{\sqrt{n_d}}$$

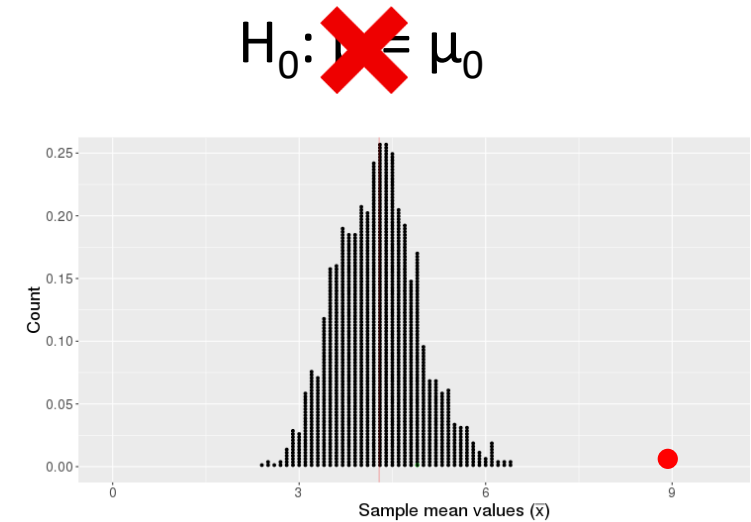


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# Hypothesis tests means (t-tests)

Single mean  $\mu$ :  $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}$   $df = n - 1$

- $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$



Comparing two means  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ :  $t = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}}$   $df = \min(n_1, n_2) - 1$

- $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$

Comparing mean of differences for paired data  $\mu_d$ :  $t = \frac{\bar{x}_d}{\frac{s_d}{\sqrt{n}}}$   $df = n - 1$

- $H_0: \mu_d = 0$

(the t-distribution is appropriate provided  $n$  is large ( $\geq 30$ ) or the data is not too skewed)



# Warm-up problem 1: Are you getting enough sleep?

It is recommended that adults sleep at least 8 hours a night

A Statistics professor asked 12 undergraduate students how much sleep they were getting and found the average was 6.2 hours with a standard deviation of 1.7 hours

Assuming this is representative of all students in a Statistics class, does this provide evidence that students in the class are not getting enough sleep on average?

Run a hypothesis test to examine this question!

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

## Warm-up problem 2: Who eats more fiber, males or females?

Nierenberg et al (1989) collected data on eating habits. Let's use this data to find a 95% confidence interval for the differences in the number of grams of fiber eaten in a day between males and females

$$(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

Let's try it in R!

# Inference for the differences of two proportions

# The plan: comparing proportions

For inference on the difference of two proportions,  $\pi_1$  and  $\pi_2$ , we will use a **normal distribution**

For inference on more than two proportions,  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_k$ , we will use a  **$\chi^2$  distribution**

# Inference for the differences of two proportions

Inference on the differences of two proportions  $\pi_1 - \pi_2$  is similar to inference on a single proportion  $\pi$

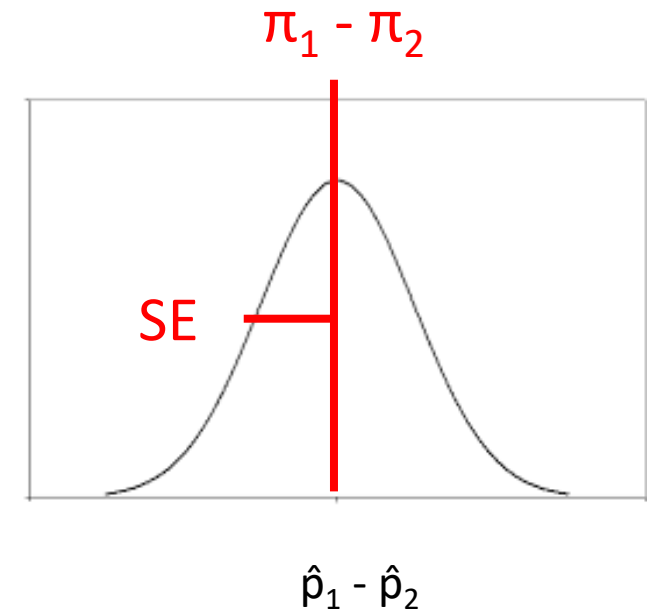
$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 = N \left( \pi_1 - \pi_2, \sqrt{\frac{\pi_1(1 - \pi_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\pi_2(1 - \pi_2)}{n_2}} \right)$$

Suppose we have two samples of categorical data of sizes  $n_1$  and  $n_2$

The statistic  $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$  comes from a **normal distribution** that is:

- Centered at  $\pi_1 - \pi_2$

- Has a standard error  $SE = \sqrt{\frac{\pi_1(1 - \pi_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\pi_2(1 - \pi_2)}{n_2}}$



To ensure the samples sizes are large enough, check that  $n\pi_i \geq 10$  and  $n(1 - \pi_i) \geq 10$  for  $i = 1$  and  $2$

# Confidence intervals for differences in proportions

If we have large samples  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  from two different groups, we can construct a confidence interval for the difference in proportions  $\pi_1 - \pi_2$  as:

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1 - \hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}$$




Note we are substituting  $\hat{p}$  for  $\pi$

# Test for difference of proportions

To test for  $H_0: \pi_1 = \pi_2$  vs  $H_A: \pi_1 \neq \pi_2$  (or the one-tail alternative), based on sample sizes of  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  we use the standardized test statistic:

$$z = \frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n_2}}}$$

Combine data from both groups and calculate the proportion from all the data



Where  $\hat{p}$  is the pooled overall proportion from combining the data from both groups

# Flight delays

The table below gives the flight arrival numbers from a random sample of flights for two airlines

	Early	On-time	Late	Total
Airline A	133	416	151	700
Airline B	58	355	87	500
	191	771	238	1200

Let's test whether there is a difference between the two airlines in the percent of flights that arrive late

Let's try it in R!



Randomization test to compare multiple proportions

# Testing more than two categories

A Yale professor was interesting in examining whether Yale students were equally likely to be born in each month

$Q_1$ : What is the null and alternative hypotheses he could use to test this hypothesis?

# Chi-square goodness-of-fit test

If we want to test proportions for  $k > 2$  categories, we can use:

1. A randomization test
2. A parametric “*chi-square goodness-of-fit*” test

These test:

$$H_0: \pi_1 = a, \quad \pi_2 = b, \quad \dots \quad \pi_k = z$$

$$H_A: \text{Some } \pi_i \text{ is not as specified in } H_0$$

The tests don't specify which proportion differs from what is specified in the null hypothesis, just that at least one proportion does differ

# Chi-square statistic

The **chi-square statistic**, denoted  $\chi^2$ , is found by comparing the **observed counts** from a sample with the **expected counts** derived from a null hypothesis and is computed as:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(\text{Observed}_i - \text{Expected}_i)^2}{\text{Expected}_i}$$



Note this is a Greek symbol even though it is a statistic 😞

# Birth months from 198 Yale students

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
20	17	21	24	11	18	12	17	13	14	17	14	198

Q: What is the expected value for each month?

A:  $198/12 = 16.5$

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^k \frac{(\text{Observed}_i - \text{Expected}_i)^2}{\text{Expected}_i} = 10.12$$

Q: Is the observed statistic beyond what we would expect if  $H_0$  was true?

# Creating a null distribution

Any ideas how we could create a null distribution using randomization methods?

We could use randomization method:

- Roll k-sided weighted die
- Probability of getting each side is equal to the proportions specified in the null hypothesis
- Roll the die n times to simulate one experiment
  - Calculate  $\chi^2$  statistic based on these rolls
- Repeat many times to get a null distribution



# Creating a null distribution

For the Yale birth month example...

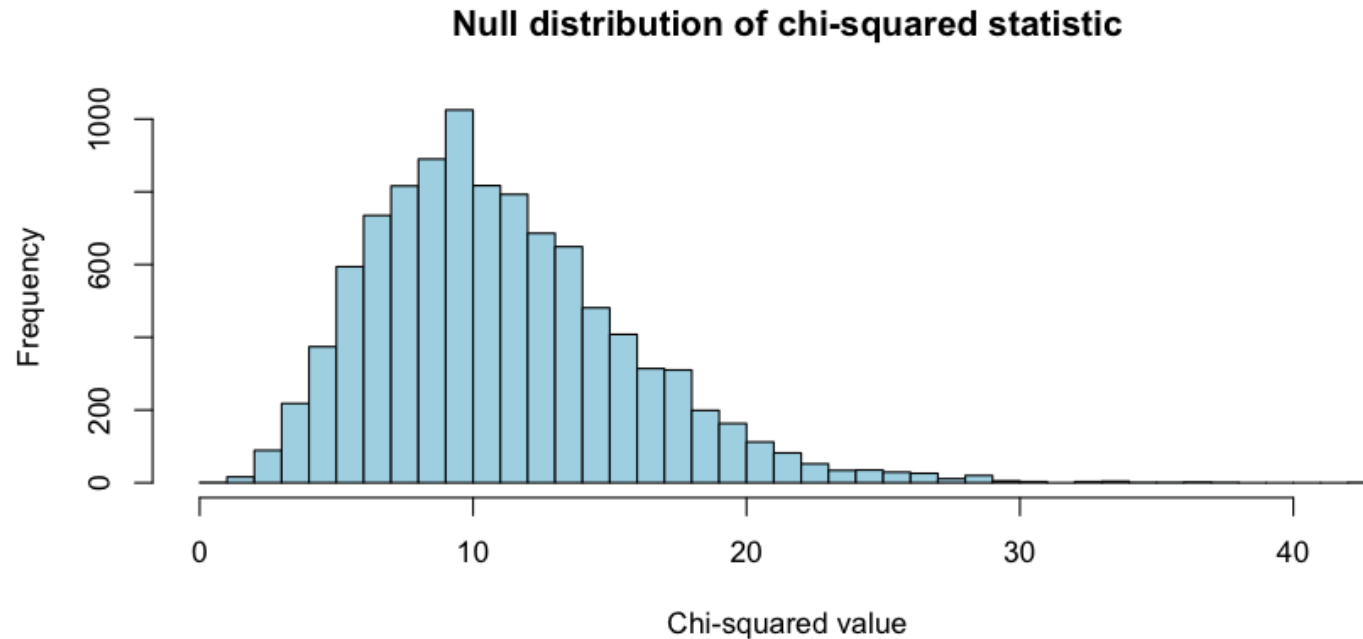
How many sides would the die have?

What would the probability be of getting each side?

How many times would we roll the die to simulate one data set?

How many times would we repeat this process?

# Randomization null distribution



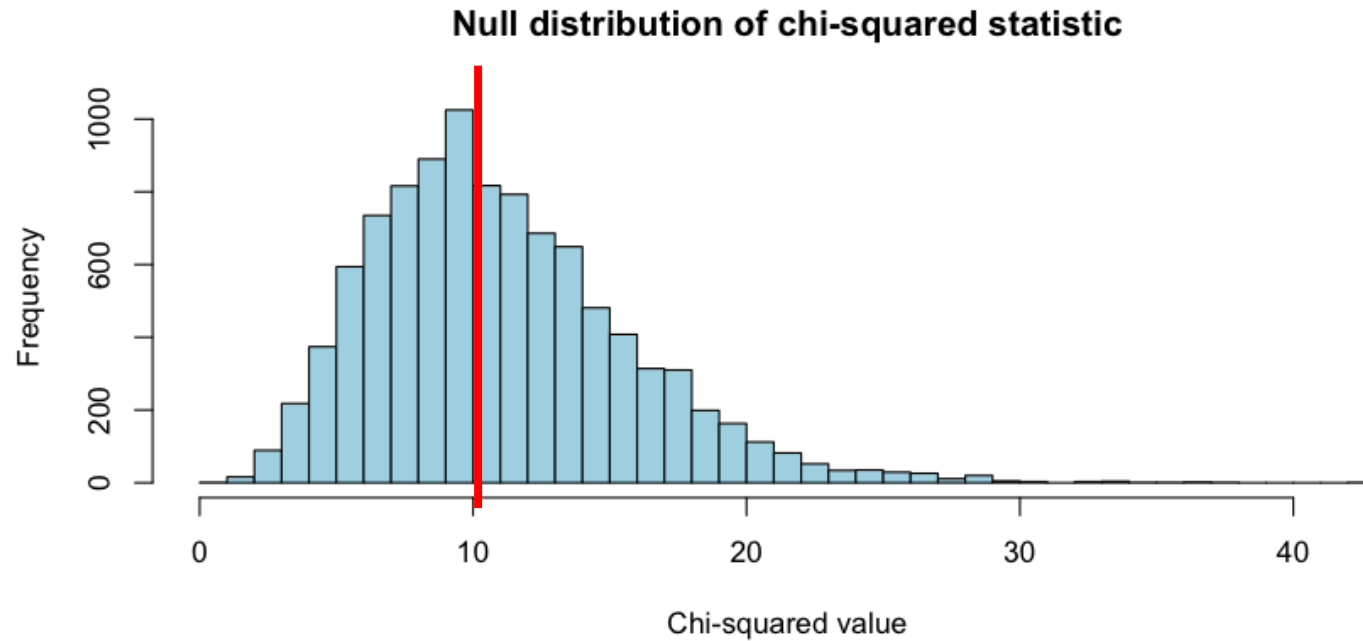
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simulated_counts <- rmultinom(1, n, expected_proportions)
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simulated_counts <- rmultinom(1, 198, rep(1/12, 12))
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Calculate statistic  $\chi^2$  and repeat 10,000 times



# Randomization null distribution



$$\chi^2 = 10.12$$

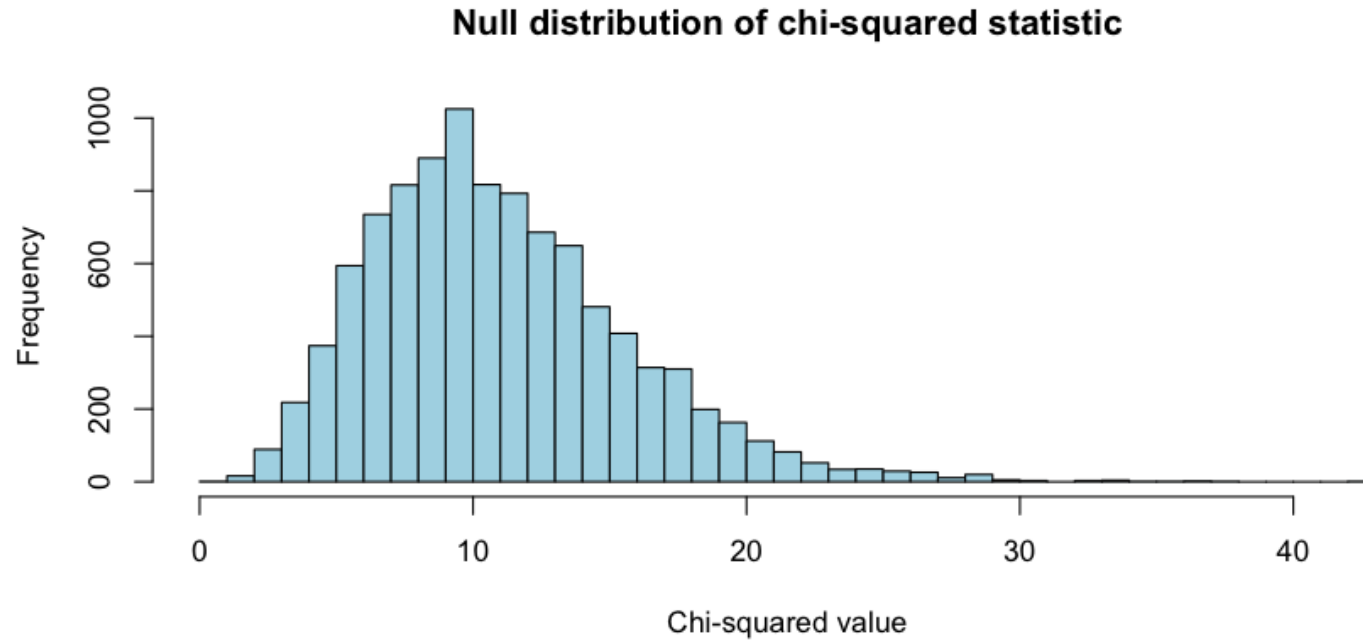
p-value = ...?



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$\chi^2$  test for goodness-of-fit to compare  
multiple proportions

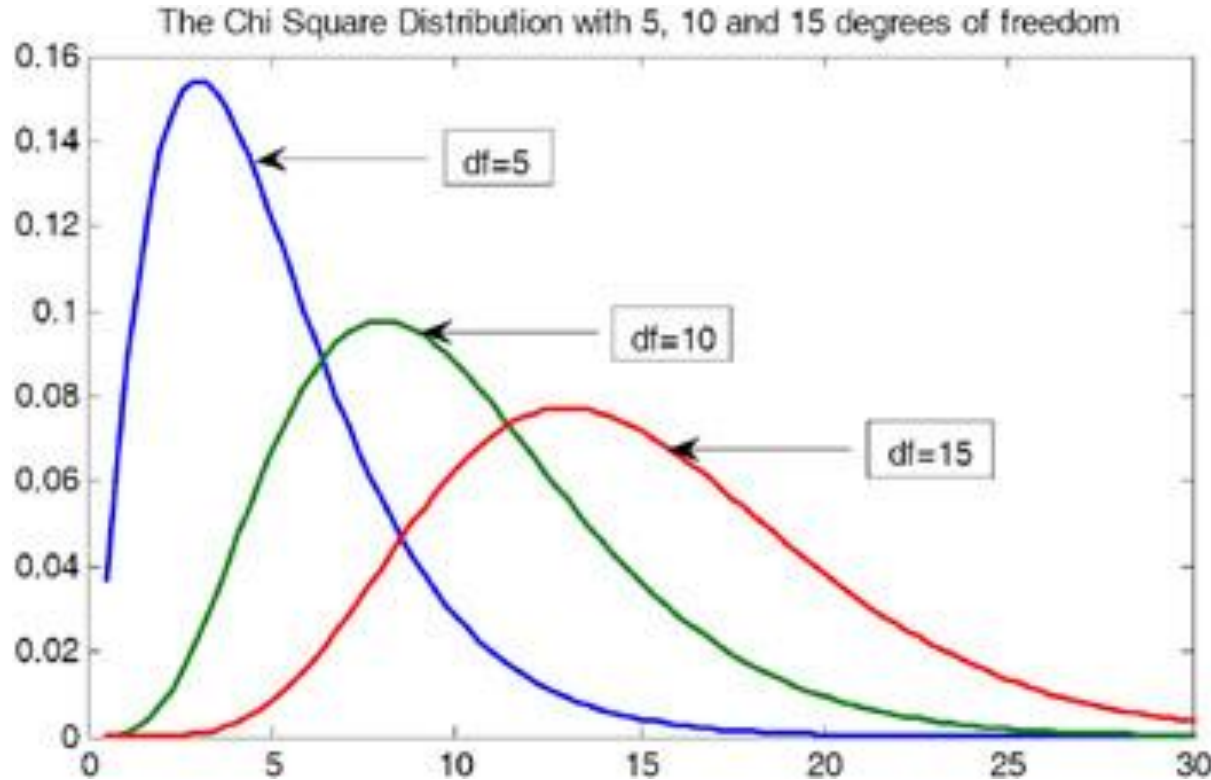
# Parametric null distribution



Is there a parametric null distribution we could use instead of simulations?

Yes! The  $\chi^2$  distribution!

# Chi-square distribution



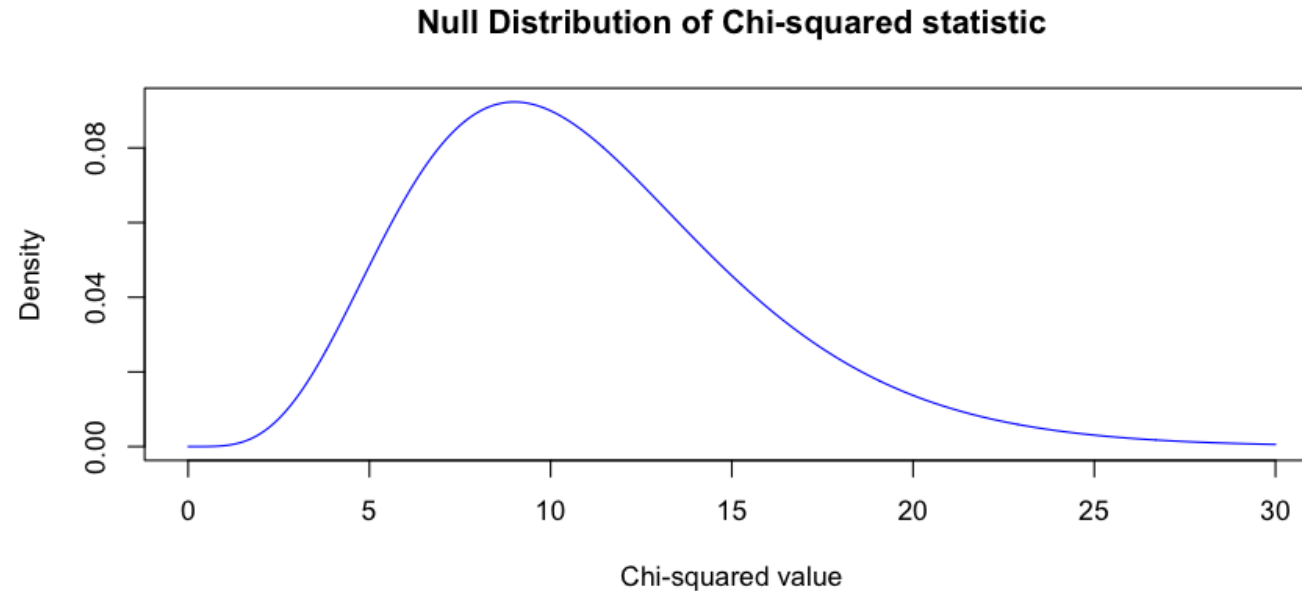
k is the number of groups



The  $\chi^2$  has one parameter called 'degrees of freedom', which is equal to  $k - 1$

$\chi^2$  distribution can be used as a null distribution as long as there are at least 5 expected counts in every condition

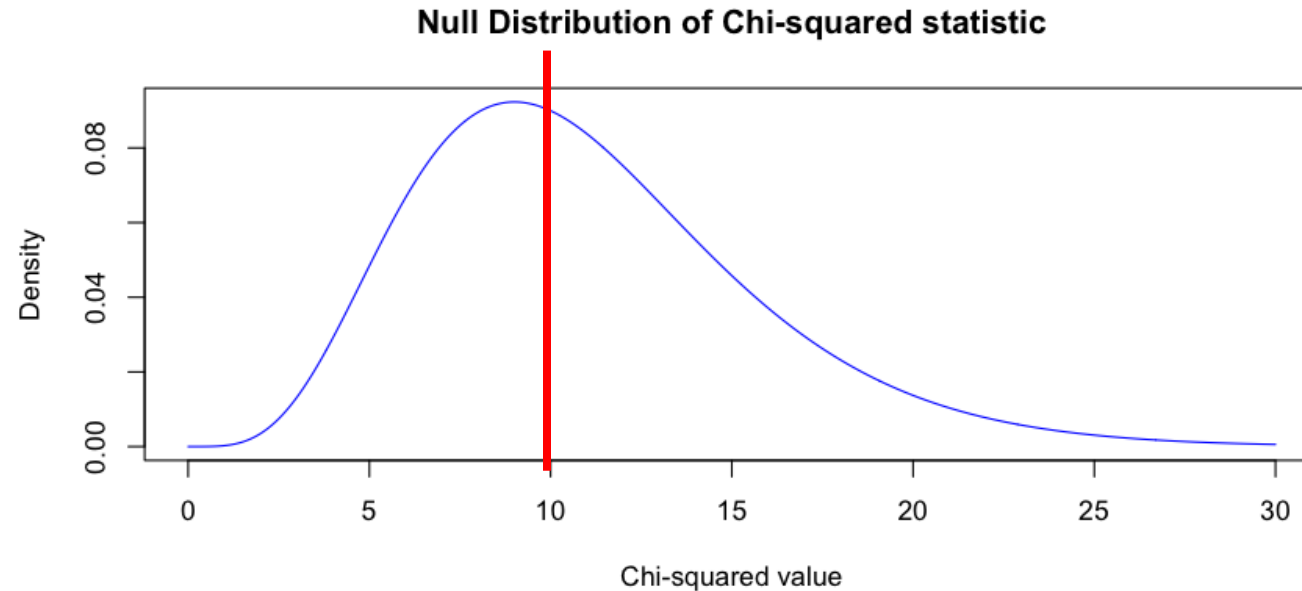
# Chi-square distribution



To plot the chi-squared density we can use: `y_vals <- dchisq(x_vals, df)`

To get a p-value we can use: `pchisq(chi_stat, df, lower.tail = FALSE)`

# Chi-square distribution



For Yale birth month example, since there 12 months there are 11 degrees of freedom ( $df = 11$ )

P-value based on the chi-squared distribution = ...?



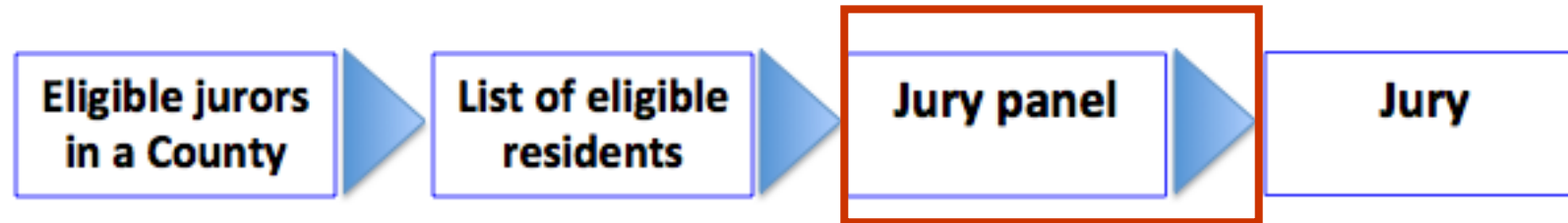
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Another example

# Jury selection in Alameda county

Section 197 of California's Code of Civil Procedure says:

" All persons selected for jury service shall be selected at random, from a source or sources inclusive of a representative cross section of the population of the area served by the court."



In 2010, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Northern California presented a report that concluded that certain racial and ethnic groups are underrepresented among jury panelists in Alameda County.

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The demographics and jury panel proportions were:

	Asian	Black	Latino	White	Other
Eligible	0.15	0.18	0.12	0.54	0.01
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**Question:** were ethnicities selected to be on the panel representative of what would be expected from the underlying population?

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**Question:** What are the null and alternative hypotheses?

$$H_0: \pi_A = .15, \quad \pi_B = .18, \quad \pi_L = .12, \quad \pi_W = .54, \quad \pi_O = .01$$

$$H_A: \text{Some } \pi_i \text{ is not as specified in } H_0$$

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