

Assignment-Solutions

Hypothesis Testing

A textile factory consumes on average 1000m^3 of water per day. If a sample of 100 days is drawn randomly to test is the mean daily water intake remains 1000m^3 against the alternative that the mean water consumption has increased.

Assume that the sample mean equals $\bar{x} (\text{x-bar}) = 1005\text{m}^3$

and the sample variance is $s^2 = 400\text{m}^6$.

- Define the null and alternative hypotheses for this test
- Perform the test at the significance level $\alpha = 0.05$.
- What is the smallest value of α for which the null hypothesis can be rejected?
- Calculate the power of the test in two scenarios: If the true mean water consumption equals $\mu_1 = 1000\text{m}^3$ and $\mu_1 = 1008\text{m}^3$.
- Indicate which of the following statements are true/false and justify your answer:
 - If we reject the hypothesis at the level $\alpha = 0.05$, we can also reject H_0 at the level $\alpha = 0.1$
 - The Type-I error is the probability to reject the null hypothesis when H_1 is true
 - If the p-value equals 0.15, we can reject the null hypothesis at the level 10%

Solution:

- a)** Hypothesis stated as

$$H_0: \mu \leq 1000\text{m}^3 \text{ vs. } H_1: \mu > 1000\text{m}^3$$

- b)** Under H_0 , $T =$

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} \sim_{\text{approx.}} \mathcal{N}(0, 1).$$

$$t = 1005 - 1000 / \sqrt{400} / \sqrt{100} = 2.5$$

Rejection Region is given by

$$RR_{0.05} = (z_{0.05}, \infty) = (1.65, \infty)$$

$t \in RR_{0.05}$, we reject H_0 for $\alpha = 0.05$

c) p-value = $P(Z > 2.5) = 0.0062$, where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$

d) The probability of rejecting H_0 when the true mean equals μ_1 .

Thus, $\text{power}(\mu_1) = P(\bar{X} - \mu_0 / s/\sqrt{n} > 1.65 | \mu = \mu_1)$

$$= P(\bar{X} > 1003.3 | \mu = \mu_1)$$

$$\approx P(Z > 1003.3 - \mu_1 / \sigma/\sqrt{n})$$

For $\mu_1 = 1000 \text{ m}^3$, as $\mu_1 = \mu_0$, the power coincides with the significance level α .

That is, $\text{power of test}(1000) = 0.05$.

For $\mu_1 = 1008 \text{ m}^3$,

$\text{power of test}(1008) \approx P(Z > -2.35)$

$$= 1 - P(Z > 2.35)$$

$$= 0.9906$$

e)

- 1) True (our p-value is less than 0.05, implying that it is also lower than 0.1)
- 2) False (it is the error made when we reject H_0 while H_0 is true),
- 3) False (we would reject for significance levels larger than 15%)