

## Lecture 17:

### Hypothesis Test:

$$H_0: \theta \in \Theta_0 \quad \text{v.} \quad H_a: \theta \in \Theta_a$$

$$\text{where } \Theta_0 \cup \Theta_a = \Theta \quad \text{and} \quad \Theta_0 \cap \Theta_a = \emptyset.$$

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### Hypothesis Testing Procedure

Idea: determine for which  $\mathcal{X}$  it's more plausible that  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  and for which  $\mathcal{X}$  it's more plausible that  $\theta \in \Theta_a$

If  $\mathcal{X}$  is the support  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_N)$

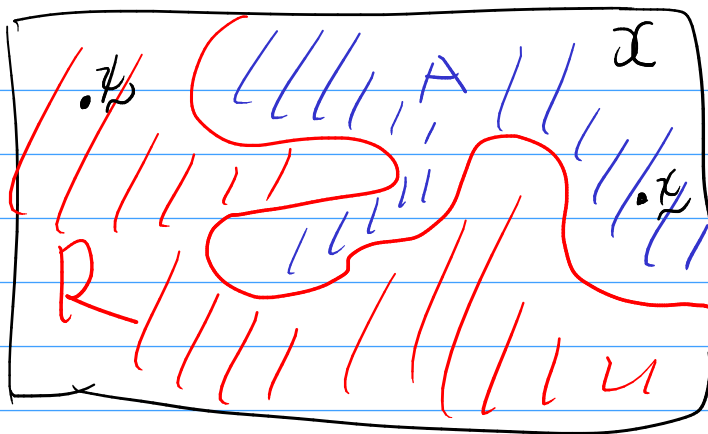
Typically  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{N}}$

A HT procedure is simply a rule that partitions  $\mathcal{X}$  into

$$\mathcal{X} = A \cup R$$

accept region  
(accept  $H_0$ )

reject region  
(reject  $H_0$ )



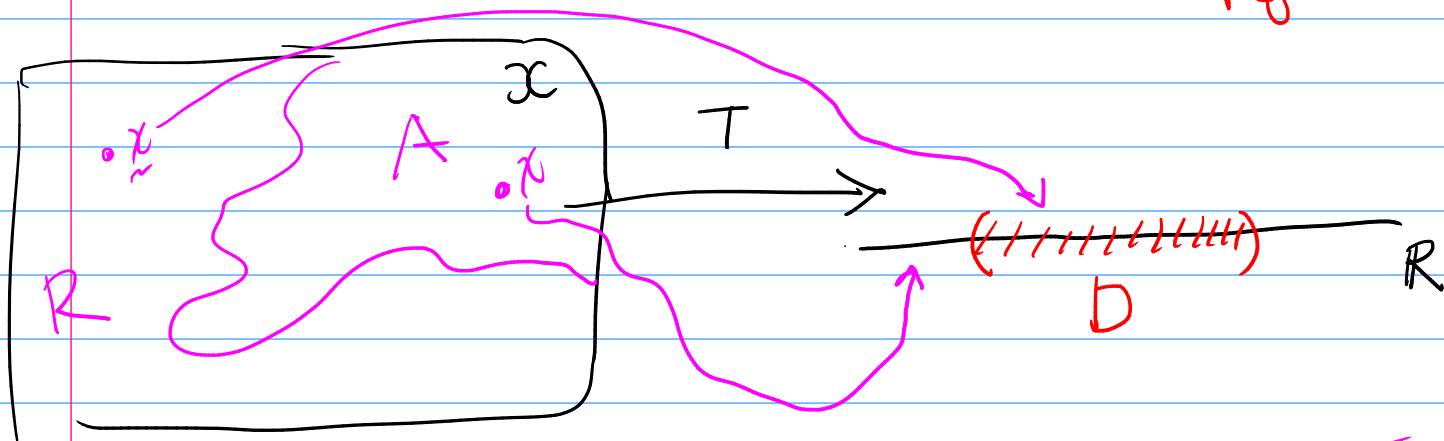
We "reject  $H_0$ " if  $x \in R$

We "fail to reject  $H_0$ " if  $x \in A$

Often we can define  $R$  (equiv.  $A$ ) through a "test statistic" so that

$$T \nearrow R = \{x \in X \mid T(x) \in D\}$$

$\nwarrow$  critical region



ex.  $X_n \stackrel{iid}{\sim} f$  w/ mean  $\theta$

$H_0: \theta > 5$  v.  $H_a: \theta \leq 5$

$T = \bar{X}$  reject iff  $\bar{X} \leq 5$

E.g. if  $\bar{X} = 100$  probably shouldn't reject

$\bar{X} = -10$  probably reject.

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Defn: Type I and II errors

Truth  
null is true

$\theta \in \theta_0$

correct decision	Type I error
Type II error	correct decision

alt. is true

$\theta \in \theta_a$

Procedure outcome

accept  $H_0$

reject  $H_0$

Goal: to create a procedure that minimizes prob. of Type I and II errors — equiv. max prob. of correct decision.

often minimizing type I and II errors is opposing

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Defn: Power Function

For any  $\theta \in \Theta$  the power function  $\beta$  is defined as

$$\beta(\theta) = P_0(\underline{X} \in R)$$

↑ prob. I reject if my param is  $\theta$

For  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  then  $\beta(\theta)$  is the prob.  
of a type I error.

For  $\theta \in \Theta_a$  then  $\beta(\theta)$  is the prob.  
of correctly rej.  $H_0$ .

Equiv.  $1 - \beta(\theta)$  is the prob. of a  
type II error.

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Ex.  $X_1, \dots, X_5 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bern}(p)$   $p \in [0, 1]$

$H_0: p \leq \frac{1}{2}$  v.  $H_a: p > \frac{1}{2}$

$$\left[ \Theta = [0, 1] ; \Theta_0 = [0, \frac{1}{2}] ; \Theta_a = (\frac{1}{2}, 1] \right]$$

Need a HT:

$$R = \{(1, 1, 1, 1, 1)\}$$

Could write in terms of a test stat.

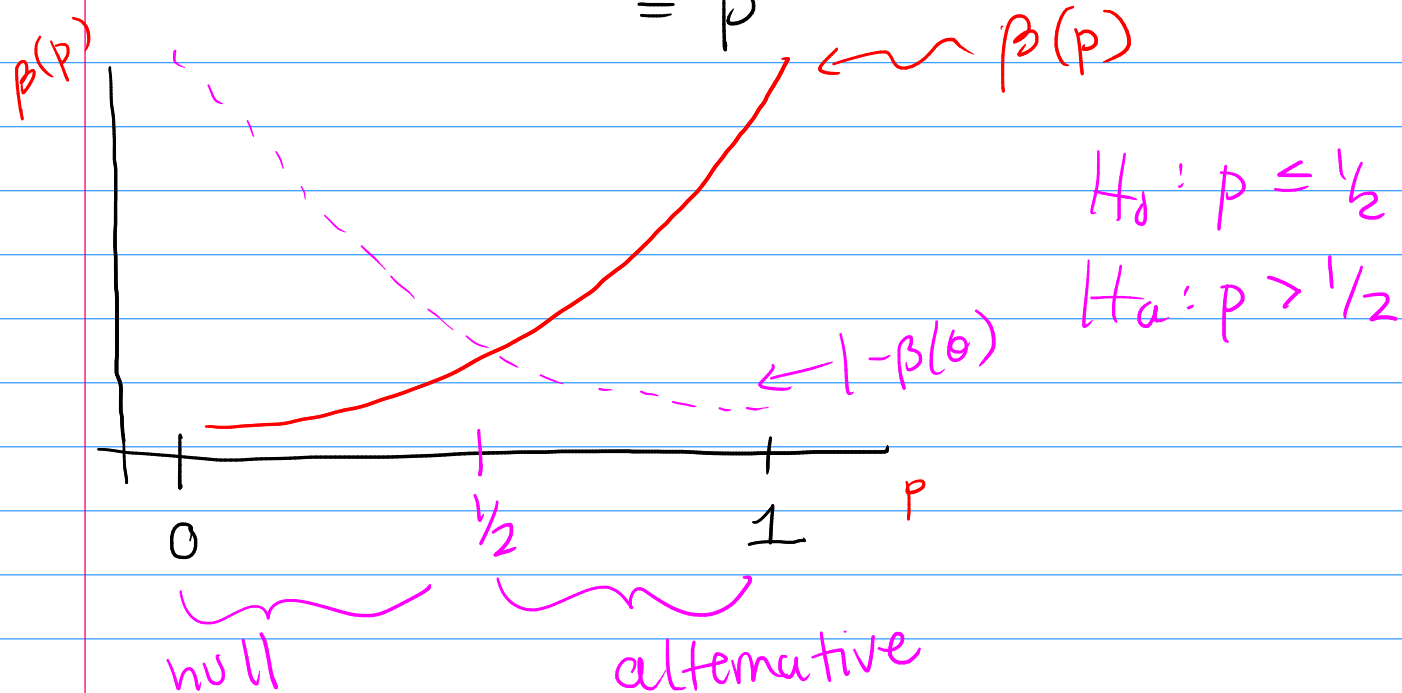
# of 1s  $\nearrow$

$$T = \sum_{n=1}^5 X_n \quad \text{then} \quad R = \{x \mid T(x) = 5\}$$
$$T \sim \text{Bin}(5, p)$$

$\Rightarrow p = \frac{5}{5}$  critical region

What is  $\beta$ ?

$$\begin{aligned}\beta(p) &= P_p(\tilde{X} \in R) = P_p(T=5) \\ &= \binom{5}{5} p^5 (1-p)^{5-5} \\ &= p^5\end{aligned}$$



① what is the max. type I err prob?

For  $\theta \in \Theta_0$  then  $\beta(\theta)$  = type I err prob

So

$$\begin{aligned}\max_{\text{prob}} \text{ type I err} &= \max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) \\ &= \max_{p \leq 1/2} \beta(p) \\ &= \beta(1/2) = (1/2)^5 = 1/32\end{aligned}$$

(2) what's max type II prob?

When  $\theta \in \Theta_a$  then  $1 - \beta(\theta) = \text{prob. of type II}$

$$\text{so max type II} = \max_{\theta \in \Theta_a} 1 - \beta(\theta)$$

$$= \max_{p > 1/2} 1 - \beta(p)$$

$$= \max_{p > 1/2} 1 - p^5$$

$$= 1 - (1/2)^5 = 1 - 1/32$$

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Ex. Consider a different test

$$R = \{ \underline{x} \mid T \geq 3 \}$$

$$= \{ \underline{x} \mid T/5 \geq 1/2 \}$$

 sample propn.

$$\beta(p) = P_p(\underline{x} \in R) = P_p(T \geq 3)$$

$$= P(T=3) + P(T=4) + P(T=5)$$

$$= \binom{5}{3} p^3 (1-p)^{5-3} + \binom{5}{4} p^4 (1-p)^{5-4} + p^5$$

$$= p^3 (6p^2 - 15p + 10)$$

$$\frac{\partial \beta}{\partial p} = 30p^2(p-1)^2 > 0$$



(1) max type I err prob.  $\therefore \max_{p \leq 1/2} \beta(p) = \beta(1/2)$

(2) max type II err prob.  $\therefore \max_{p > 1/2} 1 - \beta(p) = 1 - \beta(1/2)$

Defn! Size and Level  $\alpha$  tests

A test is size  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  if

$$\alpha = \max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) = \text{max. type I err.}$$

a level  $\alpha$  test is if

$$\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) \leq \alpha.$$

Game! try to find test that maximize  $\beta(\theta)$  when  $\theta \in \Theta_a$

subject to a constraint of being size or level  $\alpha$  !

$$\max_{\theta \in \Theta_0} \beta(\theta) = \alpha \quad \text{or} \leq \alpha.$$

Ideal test:

