

Gov 50: 20. Hypothesis testing

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Roadmap

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Lady Tasting Tea data

Friend picks out all 4 milk-first cups correctly!

```
library(gov50data)
tea
```

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Could she have been guessing at random? What would guessing look like?

```
set.seed(02138)
one_guess <- tea |>
  mutate(random_guess = sample(guess))
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```

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We could enumerate all possible guesses. “Guessing” would mean choosing one of these at random:

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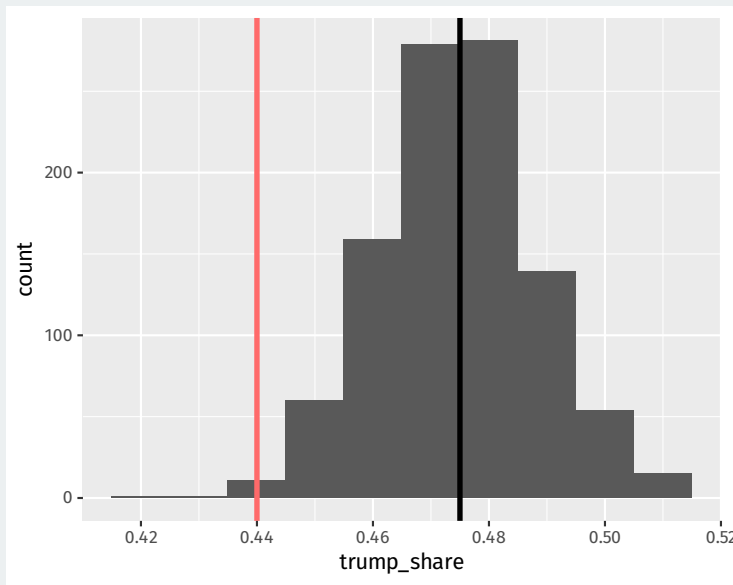
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```
null_dist <- tibble(  
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)  
ggplot(null_dist, aes(x = trump_share)) +  
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.01) +  
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0.44, color = "indianred1", size = 1.25) +  
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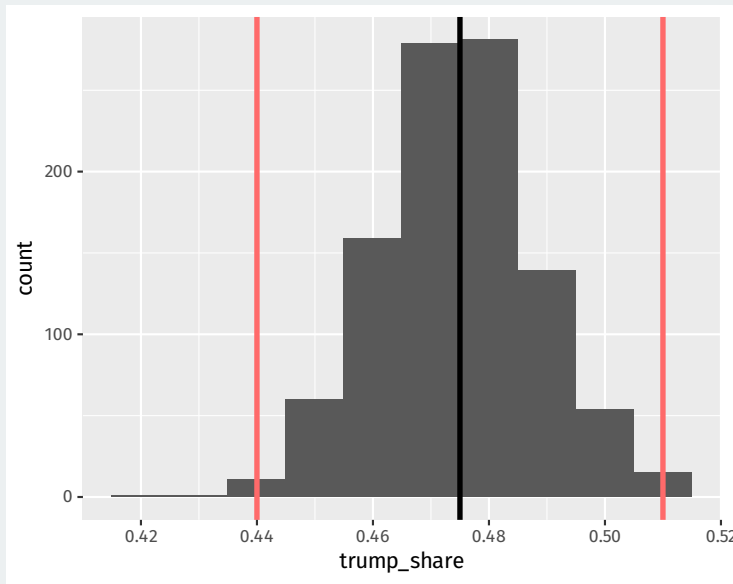
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3/ Hypothesis testing using infer

GSS data from infer

```
library(infer)
gss
```

```
## # A tibble: 500 x 11
##   year   age sex   college partyid hompop hours income
##   <dbl> <dbl> <fct>   <fct>   <fct>   <dbl> <dbl> <ord>
## 1  2014    36 male   degree    ind         3    50 $25000~
## 2  1994    34 female no degree rep         4    31 $20000~
## 3  1998    24 male   degree    ind         1    40 $25000~
## 4  1996    42 male   no degree ind         4    40 $25000~
## 5  1994    31 male   degree    rep         2    40 $25000~
## 6  1996    32 female no degree rep         4    53 $25000~
## 7  1990    48 female no degree dem         2    32 $25000~
## 8  2016    36 female degree    ind         1    20 $25000~
## 9  2000    30 female degree    rep         5    40 $25000~
## 10 1998    33 female no degree dem         2    40 $15000~
## # i 490 more rows
## # i 3 more variables: class <fct>, finrela <fct>,
## #   weight <dbl>
```

What is the average hours worked?

dplyr way:

```
gss |>
  summarize(mean(hours))
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##   `mean(hours)`
##           <dbl>
## 1           41.4
```

infer way:

```
observed_mean <- gss |>
  specify(response = hours) |>
  calculate(stat = "mean")
observed_mean
```

```
## Response: hours (numeric)
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##   stat
##   <dbl>
## 1  41.4
```


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How do we perform this test using infer? The **bootstrap!**

Specifying the hypotheses

```
gss |>  
  specify(response = hours) |>  
  hypothesize(null = "point", mu = 40)
```

```
## Response: hours (numeric)  
## Null Hypothesis: point  
## # A tibble: 500 x 1  
##   hours  
##   <dbl>  
## 1     50  
## 2     31  
## 3     40  
## 4     40  
## 5     40  
## 6     53  
## 7     32  
## 8     20  
## 9     40  
## 10    40  
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Generating the null distribution

We can use the bootstrap to determine how much variation there will be around 40 in the null distribution.

```
null_dist <- gss |>
  specify(response = hours) |>
  hypothesize(null = "point", mu = 40) |>
  generate(reps = 1000, type = "bootstrap") |>
  calculate(stat = "mean")
null_dist
```

```
## Response: hours (numeric)
## Null Hypothesis: point
## # A tibble: 1,000 x 2
##   replicate stat
##       <int> <dbl>
## 1         1  40.3
## 2         2  39.8
## 3         3  40.0
## 4         4  39.2
## 5         5  40.3
## 6         6  40.2
## 7         7  40.4
```

Visualizing the p-value

We can visualize our bootstrapped null distribution and the p-value as a shaded region:

```
null_dist |>
  visualize() +
  shade_p_value(observed_mean,
                direction = "two-sided")
```

Simulation-Based Null Distribution

