Lecture 07

```
import numpy as np
import numpy.random as npr
import random
import itertools

import pandas as pd

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%matplotlib inline
plt.style.use('ggplot')
```

Binary Hypothesis Testing

• The *null hypothesis* is that there is no real difference between the two data sets, and any differences are just based on random sampling from the underlying population.

So, let's assume that the two samples are from the same population.

- By combining the samples (called **pooling**), we get a new subset of the original population, if the null hypothesis is true. Moreover, any sample from this better represents the original population than either of the samples.
- We can check whether the null hypothesis is true by checking how often samples from the pooled data set have a difference in means as large as the one observed.

Pooling **Pooling** describes the practice of gathering together small sets of data that are assumed to have been *drawn* from the same underlying population and using the combined larger set (the *pool*) to obtain a more precise estimate of that population.

Sampling

The big question: to sample with replacement or without replacement?

Bootstrapping **Sampling with replacement** from a pooling set is called **bootstrapping** and is the most popular resampling technique. It is meant to better emulate independent sampling from the original population.

Permutations **Sampling without replacement** from a pooling set better emulates **permutation** tests, where we check every possible reordering of the data into samples. This will be discussed more later.

• Generally, sampling without replacement is more conservative (produces a higher p-value)

than bootstrapping.

• Bootstraping is **easy** and **most popular**, and we apply it here.

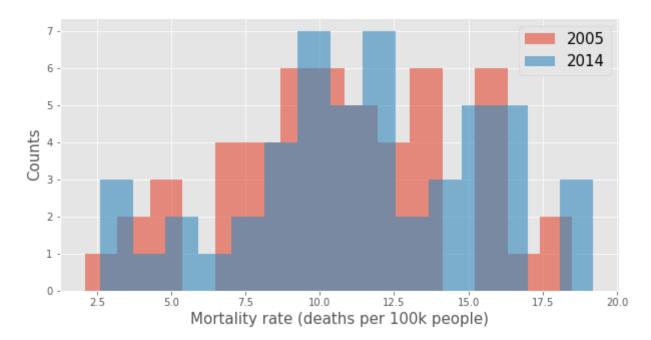
The Bootstrap Idea: The original sample approximates the population from which it was drawn. So *resamples* from this sample approximate what we would get if we took many samples from the population. The bootstrap distribution of a statistic, based on many resamples, approximates the sampling distribution of the statistic, based on many samples.

Out[2]:		STATE	RATE-2005	RATE-2014	Total Laws 2014
	0	AL	16.0	16.9	10
	1	AK	17.5	19.2	3
	2	AZ	16.1	13.5	8
	3	AR	15.7	16.6	11
	4	CA	9.5	7.4	100
	5	СО	11.6	12.2	30
	6	СТ	5.3	5.0	85
	7	DE	8.8	11.1	38
	8	FL	10.0	11.5	21
	9	GA	12.1	13.7	6
	10	HI	2.1	2.6	78
	11	ID	14.1	13.2	5
	12	IL	8.0	9.0	65
	13	IN	11.2	12.4	11
	14	IA	6.7	7.5	25
	15	KS	9.3	11.3	8
	16	KY	13.0	13.9	7
	17	LA	18.5	19.0	12
	18	ME	7.8	9.4	11
	19	MD	11.9	9.0	63
	20	MA	3.4	3.2	101
	21	MI	10.8	11.1	20
	22	MN	7.0	6.6	39
	23	MS	16.0	18.3	5
	24	МО	12.9	15.3	8
	25	MT	16.9	16.1	4

	STATE	RATE-2005	RATE-2014	Total Laws 2014
26	NE	7.7	9.5	22
27	NV	16.1	14.8	11
28	NH	6.6	8.7	10
29	NJ	5.2	5.3	67
30	NM	13.9	16.0	10
31	NY	5.3	4.2	76
32	NC	12.8	11.8	30
33	ND	8.8	12.3	14
34	ОН	9.6	10.3	15
35	OK	13.2	15.7	9
36	OR	10.7	11.7	24
37	PA	10.8	10.5	37
38	RI	3.6	3.0	43
39	SC	13.8	15.5	12
40	SD	10.2	10.3	5
41	TN	16.0	15.1	24
42	TX	11.1	10.7	20
43	UT	10.1	12.3	11
44	VT	6.8	10.3	3
45	VA	11.5	10.3	12
46	WA	8.8	9.7	41
47	WV	13.8	14.6	24
48	WI	8.5	8.2	24
49	WY	13.4	16.2	6

```
In [3]:
    rate2005 = df['RATE-2005'].to_numpy()
    rate2014 = df['RATE-2014'].to_numpy()

    plt.figure(figsize=(10,5))
    plt.hist(rate2005,alpha=0.6,bins=15,label='2005')
    plt.hist(rate2014,alpha=0.6,bins=15,label='2014');
    plt.legend(fontsize=15)
    plt.xlabel('Mortality rate (deaths per 100k people)', size=15)
    plt.ylabel('Counts', size=15);
```



```
In [4]: # Statistic - difference of the sample averages

diff = rate2014.mean()-rate2005.mean()
diff
```

Out[4]: 0.6300000000000026

Bootstrap Model 1

```
In [5]:
        pooled = np.concatenate((rate2005, rate2014))
        pooled
Out[5]: array([16. , 17.5, 16.1, 15.7, 9.5, 11.6, 5.3,
                                                       8.8, 10., 12.1, 2.1,
              14.1, 8., 11.2, 6.7, 9.3, 13., 18.5, 7.8, 11.9, 3.4, 10.8,
               7., 16., 12.9, 16.9, 7.7, 16.1, 6.6, 5.2, 13.9, 5.3, 12.8,
               8.8, 9.6, 13.2, 10.7, 10.8, 3.6, 13.8, 10.2, 16., 11.1, 10.1,
               6.8, 11.5, 8.8, 13.8, 8.5, 13.4, 16.9, 19.2, 13.5, 16.6, 7.4,
              12.2, 5., 11.1, 11.5, 13.7, 2.6, 13.2, 9., 12.4, 7.5, 11.3,
              13.9, 19., 9.4, 9., 3.2, 11.1, 6.6, 18.3, 15.3, 16.1, 9.5,
              14.8, 8.7, 5.3, 16. , 4.2, 11.8, 12.3, 10.3, 15.7, 11.7, 10.5,
               3., 15.5, 10.3, 15.1, 10.7, 12.3, 10.3, 10.3, 9.7, 14.6, 8.2,
              16.21)
In [6]:
        print(pooled.size, len(pooled), pooled.shape)
        100 100 (100,)
```

- How would we randomly choose from this data with replacement?
- And, if each resample is a new sample, which size should the resample have?

```
In [7]: # resample for, for example, rate-2005
print(random.choices(pooled, k=50))
```

```
[15.7, 15.3, 6.6, 15.7, 18.5, 6.6, 16.9, 10.3, 16.0, 13.7, 3.0, 18.5, 13.8, 10.5, 11.8, 12.2, 15.1, 15.7, 18.5, 5.0, 16.2, 11.2, 10.8, 9.0, 11.6, 18.5, 11.7, 5.3, 8.2, 10.3, 17.5, 13.0, 13.9, 17.5, 13.9, 5.3, 11.1, 10.7, 18.5, 5.3, 7.4, 8.7, 10.2, 6.6, 16.0, 16.0, 8.5, 16.2, 16.0, 6.6]
```

Recall that numpy.random has a similar method:

For a significance level of $\alpha=0.05$, let's build a Bootstrap simulation to compute the probability of observing a mean difference of 0.63 or larger:

```
In [9]:
         num_sims=10_000
         event_count=0
         for sim in range(num sims):
             resample05 = npr.choice(pooled, size=50) # Bootstrap, sampling from pooling
             resample14 = npr.choice(pooled, size=50)
             # Computes resample averages
             mean05 = resample05.mean()
             mean14 = resample14.mean()
             # statistic - difference of the sample averages
             resample diff = mean14 - mean05
             # Compare the resampled statistic with the observed statistic value (diff)
             # We want to count extreme events, i.e., observing a resampled
             #statistic larger or equal then the original one
             if abs(resample diff) >= diff: # 2-sided hypothesis test
                 event count+=1
         print("Under null hypothesis, observe effect this large with prob. ", event coun
         print('p-value = ',event count/num sims)
```

Under null hypothesis, observe effect this large with prob. 0.435 p-value = 0.435

What is the conclusion?

- Is the result statistically significant? No, because the p-value is larger than $\alpha=0.05$.
- Can we reject the null hypothesis? No, "we cannot reject the null hypothesis".
- Conclusion: The data suggests that the ban did not have an effect of firearm mortality rate.

Bootstrap Model 2

A more reasonable bootstrap approach would be to randomly assign values from 2005 or 2014

for each state and then assess the difference:

```
In [10]:
          stacked_data = np.vstack((rate2005, rate2014)).T
          stacked data.shape
Out[10]: (50, 2)
In [11]:
          # Alternative: Use the Pandas library
          stacked_data = df[['RATE-2005', 'RATE-2014']].to_numpy()
          stacked_data.shape
Out[11]: (50, 2)
In [12]:
          stacked_data
Out[12]: array([[16. , 16.9],
                 [17.5, 19.2],
                 [16.1, 13.5],
                 [15.7, 16.6],
                 [ 9.5, 7.4],
                 [11.6, 12.2],
                [ 5.3, 5. ],
[ 8.8, 11.1],
                 [10., 11.5],
                 [12.1, 13.7],
                 [ 2.1, 2.6],
                 [14.1, 13.2],
                 [8., 9.],
                 [11.2, 12.4],
                 [ 6.7, 7.5],
                [ 9.3, 11.3],
                 [13., 13.9],
                 [18.5, 19.],
                 [ 7.8, 9.4],
                 [11.9, 9.],
                 [ 3.4, 3.2],
                 [10.8, 11.1],
                 [ 7., 6.6],
                 [16. , 18.3],
                 [12.9, 15.3],
                 [16.9, 16.1],
                 [ 7.7, 9.5],
                 [16.1, 14.8],
                 [ 6.6, 8.7],
                 [ 5.2, 5.3],
                 [13.9, 16.],
                 [ 5.3, 4.2],
                 [12.8, 11.8],
                 [ 8.8, 12.3],
                 [ 9.6, 10.3],
                 [13.2, 15.7],
                 [10.7, 11.7],
                 [10.8, 10.5],
                 [ 3.6, 3. ],
                 [13.8, 15.5],
                 [10.2, 10.3],
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```
[16. , 15.1],

[11.1, 10.7],

[10.1, 12.3],

[ 6.8, 10.3],

[11.5, 10.3],

[ 8.8, 9.7],

[13.8, 14.6],

[ 8.5, 8.2],

[13.4, 16.2]])
```

Now, we want to a special kind of array indexing: fancy indexing.

```
In [13]:    a = npr.randint(2, size=50)
a

Out[13]: array([1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1])

In [14]: stacked_data[range(50),a] # 2-D Fancy indexing

Out[14]: array([16.9, 17.5, 13.5, 15.7, 9.5, 12.2, 5., 8.8, 10., 12.1, 2.1, 13.2, 8., 11.2, 7.5, 9.3, 13., 18.5, 7.8, 9., 3.2, 11.1, 7., 18.3, 15.3, 16.9, 9.5, 16.1, 8.7, 5.3, 16., 5.3, 12.8, 12.3, 9.6, 13.2, 10.7, 10.8, 3.6, 15.5, 10.3, 16., 10.7, 12.3, 6.8, 11.5, 8.8, 13.8, 8.2, 16.2])
```

For a significance level of $\alpha=0.05$, let's build a Bootstrap simulation to compute the probability of observing a mean difference of 0.63 or larger:

```
In [15]:
    num_sims=10_000
    event_count=0

for sim in range(num_sims):
        resample05 = stacked_data[range(50), npr.randint(2, size=50)] # 2-D Fancy in
        resample14 = stacked_data[range(50), npr.randint(2, size=50)]

    mean05 = resample05.mean()
    mean14 = resample14.mean()

    sample_diff = mean14-mean05

    if abs(sample_diff)>= diff: #
        event_count+=1

print("Under null hypothesis, observe effect this large with prob. ",event_count
```

Under null hypothesis, observe effect this large with prob. 0.0001

What is the conclusion?

- Is the result statistically significant? Yes, because the p-value is smaller than $\alpha=0.05$.
- Can we reject the null hypothesis? Yes, we reject the null hypothesis.

• **Conclusion:** Under this interpretation, the restriction on assault weapons is associated with an increase in mean firearms morality.

It depends on how you interpret the data!

Distribution of the bootstrap mean-difference

Every time we create a bootstrap value for the difference of means, we create a new random value. Let's see how the bootstrap means are distributed by looking at a histogram of those values:

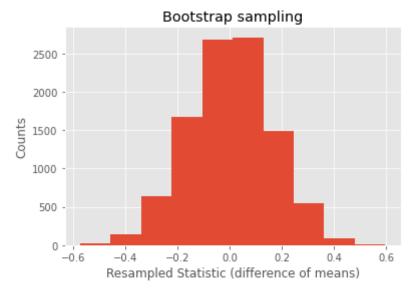
```
In [16]:
    num_sims=10_000
    bs_stats=[]

for sim in range(num_sims):
    resample05 = stacked_data[range(50), npr.randint(2, size=50)] # 2-D Fancy in
    resample14 = stacked_data[range(50), npr.randint(2, size=50)]

    mean05 = resample05.mean()
    mean14 = resample14.mean()

    sample_diff = mean14-mean05
    bs_stats += [sample_diff]

plt.hist(bs_stats)
    plt.xlabel('Resampled Statistic (difference of means)')
    plt.ylabel('Counts')
    plt.title('Bootstrap sampling');
```



A few obervations:

- 1. The difference of means has a bell shape -- we saw that before. Why do you think that is?
- 2. Almost all of the values fall between -0.5 and +0.5. Thus, it is not surprising that getting a mean-difference as large as 0.6 is very rare.

Topic for later: The **Central Limit Theorem** (CLT) for sums says that if you keep drawing larger and larger samples and taking their sums, the sums form their own normal distribution (the

sampling distribution), which approaches a normal distribution as the sample size increases.

We can now consider the question: what values of the mean-difference will make it such that we have 95\% confidence that we should ACCEPT the null hypothesis?

```
In [17]:
           bs_stats.sort() # sorts (in ascendent order) in place
           # bs stats
In [18]:
           np.sum(np.array(bs_stats)<-0.5)</pre>
Out[18]: 8
In [19]:
           len(bs_stats)
Out[19]: 10000
         So, the percentage of data lying below -0.5 is:
In [20]:
           np.sum(np.array(bs_stats)<-0.5)/len(bs_stats)*100
Out[20]: 0.08
         Similarly, the percentage lying above 0.5 is:
In [21]:
           np.sum(np.array(bs stats)>0.5)/len(bs stats)*100
Out[21]: 0.08
In [22]:
           100 - 0.14 - 0.05
Out[22]: 99.81
```

Another way to express this is that 99.80% of the data is between [-0.5, 0.5].

This is an example of a confidence interval.

- Confidence intervals offer an alternative to p-values that provide more information.
- When we say a x% confidence interval, we usually mean the region such that (100-x)/2 % of samples will fall below the confidence interval, and (100-x)/2% of samples will fall above the confidence interval.

The confidence interval for a bootstrap statistic cannot be known exactly, but it can be estimated accurately given enough samples of the bootstrap statistic.

Confidence Intervals

Procedure for Estimating Confidence Interval for a Bootstrap Statistic

- 1. Draw N samples from the pooled data using replacement
- 2. For each sample(s), compute the desired statistic and store it
- 3. Sort all of the stored statistics
- 4. For confidence interval x%:
 - the lower bound of the confidence interval is the element in position N(1-x)/2
 - ullet the upper bound of the confidence interval is the element in position $N-N(1-x)/2=N\cdot x/2$

Example 1: Compute the 95% confidence interval for the example above.

```
In [23]: bs_stats.sort()
# bs_stats
```

Find the **position** in the sorted sequence of the lower bound of the confidence interval:

```
In [24]: lower = len(bs_stats)*(1-0.95)/2
lower
```

Out[24]: 250.00000000000023

Now find the **value** of the sorted data at that position. That is the lower end of our confidence region:

```
In [25]: bs_stats[int(lower)]
```

Out[25]: -0.3120000000000117

Finding the position of the upper bound of the confidence interval is most easily done using the position of the lower bound:

```
In [26]: upper = len(bs_stats) -lower -1
upper
```

Out[26]: 9749.0

```
In [27]: bs_stats[int(upper)]
```

Out[27]: 0.3119999999999994

Thus, the 95% confidence interval is [-0.31, 0.31].

How can confidence intervals be used in place of p-values?

• Instead of conducting a binary hypothesis test with $\alpha=0.05$, we can compute the 95% confidence interval for the mean difference. Then we observe if the result lies within the 95% confidence interval.

The observed mean-difference value was 0.63. This falls outside the 95% confidence interval

[-0.31, 0.31]. The fact that the observed value is far outside the 95% confidence interval makes it likely that we could have used a stronger criteria (like 99% confidence intervals).

Exact Permutation Tests

Permutations **Sampling without replacement** from a pooling set better emulates **permutation** tests, where we check every possible reordering of the data into samples.

Monte Carlo Permutation Test

Example 2: Let's consider the following question that should be of interest to engineers: Do males score higher on standardized high school math and science tests than females?

- We will use data from the "High School & Beyond (HS&B)" survey conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics.
- We are using a CSV file with 200 randomly selected observations from that data set. The CSV file is available here.
- A brief discussion of the different fields is available here.

```
In [28]: df = pd.read_csv('hsb2.csv')
    df
```

Out[28]:		id	gender	race	ses	schtyp	prog	read	write	math	science	socst
	0	70	male	white	low	public	general	57	52	41	47	57
	1	121	female	white	middle	public	vocational	68	59	53	63	61
	2	86	male	white	high	public	general	44	33	54	58	31
	3	141	male	white	high	public	vocational	63	44	47	53	56
	4	172	male	white	middle	public	academic	47	52	57	53	61
	•••											
	195	31	female	asian	middle	private	general	55	59	52	42	56
	196	145	female	white	middle	public	vocational	42	46	38	36	46
	197	187	female	white	middle	private	general	57	41	57	55	52
	198	118	female	white	middle	public	general	55	62	58	58	61
	199	137	female	white	high	public	academic	63	65	65	53	61

200 rows × 11 columns

df.head(10)

t[29]:		id	gender	race	ses	schtyp	prog	read	write	math	science	socst
	0	70	male	white	low	public	general	57	52	41	47	57
	1	121	female	white	middle	public	vocational	68	59	53	63	61
	2	86	male	white	high	public	general	44	33	54	58	31
	3	141	male	white	high	public	vocational	63	44	47	53	56
	4	172	male	white	middle	public	academic	47	52	57	53	61
	5	113	male	white	middle	public	academic	44	52	51	63	61
	6	50	male	african american	middle	public	general	50	59	42	53	61
	7	11	male	hispanic	middle	public	academic	34	46	45	39	36
	8	84	male	white	middle	public	general	63	57	54	58	51
	9	48	male	african american	middle	public	academic	57	55	52	50	51
[30]:	d	f.co	lumns									

• We want to partition this dataframes into two separate dataframes according to gender.

This is easy to do in pandas, but it looks a little strange. First we get a boolean Series the contains True for whichever rows we want to keep:

'math', 'science', 'socst'],

dtype='object')

```
In [31]:
           df['gender']=='female'
Out[31]: 0
                 False
          1
                  True
          2
                 False
                 False
          3
                 False
          195
                  True
          196
                  True
          197
                  True
          198
                  True
          199
                  True
          Name: gender, Length: 200, dtype: bool
In [32]:
           females = df[df['gender']=='female']
           females
                id gender
                                                      prog read write math science socst
Out[32]:
                              race
                                      ses schtyp
            1 121
                   female
                             white middle
                                           public vocational
                                                                   59
                                                                         53
                                                                                 63
                                                                                        61
                                                             68
```

	id	gender	race	ses	schtyp	prog	read	write	math	science	socst	
92	82	female	white	high	public	academic	68	62	65	69	61	
93	8	female	hispanic	low	public	academic	39	44	52	44	48	
94	129	female	white	low	public	general	44	44	46	47	51	
95	173	female	white	low	public	general	50	62	61	63	51	
•••		•••	•••		•••		•••	•••		•••	•••	
195	31	female	asian	middle	private	general	55	59	52	42	56	
196	145	female	white	middle	public	vocational	42	46	38	36	46	
197	187	female	white	middle	private	general	57	41	57	55	52	
198	118	female	white	middle	public	general	55	62	58	58	61	
199	137	female	white	high	public	academic	63	65	65	53	61	

109 rows × 11 columns

```
In [33]: males = df[df['gender']=='male']
   males
```

Out[33]:		id	gender	race	ses	schtyp	prog	read	write	math	science	socst	
	0	70	male	white	low	public	general	57	52	41	47	57	
	2	86	male	white	high	public	general	44	33	54	58	31	
	3	141	male	white	high	public	vocational	63	44	47	53	56	
	4	172	male	white	middle	public	academic	47	52	57	53	61	
	5	113	male	white	middle	public	academic	44	52	51	63	61	
		•••											
	87	117	male	white	high	public	vocational	34	49	39	42	56	
	88	133	male	white	middle	public	vocational	50	31	40	34	31	
	89	94	male	white	high	public	academic	55	49	61	61	56	
	90	24	male	asian	middle	public	academic	52	62	66	47	46	
	91	149	male	white	low	public	general	63	49	49	66	46	

91 rows × 11 columns

Now, if we pass that Series as indices to the original dataframe, it will return a new dataframe with only those rows:

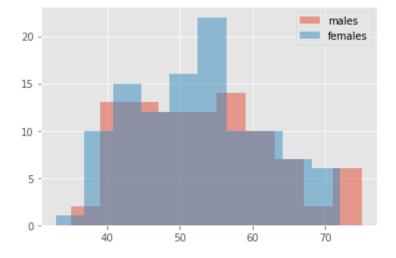
Let's start with math scores:

```
In [34]: males['math']
Out[34]: 0   41
2   54
```

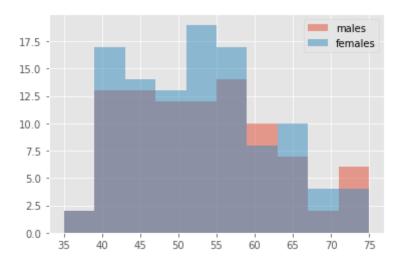
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3
                47
                57
         4
         5
                51
                . .
         87
                39
         88
                40
         89
                61
                66
         90
         91
                49
         Name: math, Length: 91, dtype: int64
In [35]:
          males['math'].to_numpy()
Out[35]: array([41, 54, 47, 57, 51, 42, 45, 54, 52, 51, 51, 71, 57, 50, 43, 51, 60,
                 62, 57, 35, 75, 45, 57, 45, 46, 66, 57, 49, 49, 57, 64, 63, 57, 50,
                 58, 75, 68, 44, 40, 41, 62, 57, 43, 48, 63, 39, 70, 63, 59, 61, 38,
                 61, 49, 73, 44, 42, 39, 55, 52, 45, 61, 39, 41, 50, 40, 60, 47, 59,
                 49, 46, 58, 71, 58, 46, 43, 54, 56, 46, 54, 57, 54, 71, 48, 40, 64,
                 51, 39, 40, 61, 66, 49])
 In [ ]:
```

• What can you infer from this plot?

```
plt.hist(males['math'], alpha=0.5, label='males')
plt.hist(females['math'], alpha=0.5, label='females')
plt.legend();
```



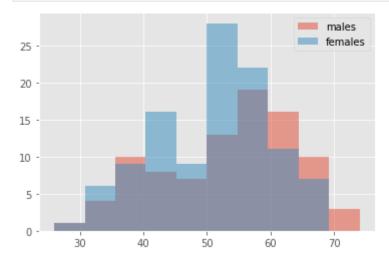
```
counts, mybins, _ = plt.hist(males['math'], alpha=0.5, label='males')
plt.hist(females['math'], bins=mybins, alpha=0.5, label='females')
plt.legend();
```



There is very little difference for mean math scores between gender -- I'm not even going to conduct a statistical test on those values.

Let's consider science scores:

```
counts, mybins, _ = plt.hist(males['science'], alpha=0.5, label='males')
plt.hist(females['science'], bins=mybins, alpha=0.5, label='females')
plt.legend();
```



```
In [39]: # statistic (difference of means)

diff = males['science'].mean() - females['science'].mean()

diff
```

Out[39]: 2.533521524347215

If you had to perform an exact permutation test, i.e., try *all* the ways to resample the data into samples of size 91 and 109, how many different sample combinations are there?

```
In [48]: from scipy.special import binom binom(200,109)
```

Out[48]: 4.040047748665152e+58

Instead, let's sample 10,000 of the permutations. Since there are so many, we will randomly select permutations, so there is some small probability of repeat.

To choose the samples, we will permute the pooled data and then subdivide into the appropriate sizes:

```
In [49]:
          pooled = df['science'].to_numpy()
          pooled.shape
Out[49]: (200,)
In [51]:
          num sims=10 000
          event count=0
          for sim in range(num sims):
              perm = npr.permutation(pooled) # This will shuffle the points in the pooling
               male_sample = perm[0:len(males)] # extracts the first 91 samples
              # Alternative
              male_sample = perm[:len(males)]
               female_sample = perm[len(males):(len(males)+len(females))] # extracts the
              # Alternative
              female_sample = perm[len(males):]
              # Resample Statistic
              sample diff = male sample.mean() - female sample.mean()
              # 2-sided hypothesis test
              if abs(sample diff) >= diff:
                  event count+=1
          print('Prob of seeing average difference of ',diff,' under HO is ~', event_count
```

Prob of seeing average difference of 2.533521524347215 under H0 is ~ 0.0744

What are the set of hypothesis that we are working with?

- H_0 : gender does not affect standardized science tests
- H_1 : gender affects standardized science tests

What is the conclusion?

- For a significance level of $\alpha=0.01$ (or $\alpha=0.05$), the result is not statistically significant.
- We cannot reject the null hypothesis.
- In other words, there is no evidence that males score higher than females on standardized science tests.

Gearing towards Bayesian reasoning...

- From the example above, what if we had *known* that any one of the genders' scores reported in the HS&B survey were from a subset of elite students?
- Could we use this *prior information* in the computation of the p-value?

Finding A Posteriori Probability

Suppose you flip a (unknown) coin 8 times and it comes up heads every time. If this were a fair coin, the probability of this occurring is:

```
In [52]: 0.5**8
Out[52]: 0.00390625
```

Without checking the coin, should you believe that the coin is two-headed?

Let F be the event that the coin is fair, and E be the event that the coin comes up heads 8 times out of 8.

- 1. What is the probability that we are asked to find? P(F|E)
- 2. What type of probability is this? Posterior probability
- 3. Do we know this probability? What do we know? We do not know the posterior probability, but we know the likelihood P(E|F)
- 4. How can we determine P(F|E)? 1. Bayes rule analysis, 2. Using simulations

In order to estimated the *a posteriori* probability, we need the *a priori* or *prior* probability, but there is no way for us to know the true *prior*. So what to do?

We will have to choose the *prior*. How? There are 2 typical approaches:

- 1. **Uninformative prior**: We choose a prior that basically assumes as little information about the inputs as possible. For discrete inputs, this will often be equally likely probabilities
- 2. **Informative prior**: We choose a prior based on other knowledge of the problem

Uninformative Prior

Let's assume that the probabilities that coin is fair or two-tailed are equally likely:

```
In [ ]:
    num_sims = 100_000
    flips = 8
    event_count = 0
    fair_count = 0
```

^{**}Go through the following at home!**

```
cointypes = ['fair','2-headed']

for sim in range(num_sims):
    cointype = random.choice(cointypes)
    if cointype == 'fair':
        faces=['H','T']
    else:
        faces=['H','H']
    coins = random.choices(faces, k=flips)
    num_heads = coins.count('H')
    if num_heads ==flips:
        event_count+=1
        if cointype=='fair':
            fair_count+=1

print('Prob. of fair coin given that',flips,'heads in 8 flips observed is', fair
```

It is very unlikely that the coin was fair, under this uninformative prior.

Let's modify the code above to store the type of coin used for each simulation and create some graphical EDA.

```
In [ ]:
         num sims = 100 000
         flips = 8
         selected_coin=[]
         # Each coin is equally likely -- uninformative prior.
         cointypes = ['fair','2-headed']
         for sim in range(num_sims):
             cointype = random.choice(cointypes)
             if cointype=='fair':
                 S = ['H', 'T']
             else:
                 S=['H','H']
             coins = random.choices(S, k=flips)
             num heads = coins.count('H')
             if num heads == flips:
                 selected coin+=[cointype]
In [ ]:
         selected coin.count('fair')/len(selected coin)
In [ ]:
         selected coin.count('2-headed')/len(selected coin)
In [ ]:
         rel_freq = [selected_coin.count('fair')/len(selected_coin),
                     selected coin.count('2-headed')/len(selected coin)]
In [ ]:
         plt.bar(cointypes, rel_freq);
In [ ]:
         plt.bar(cointypes, rel_freq)
```

```
plt.yscale('log');
```

Informative Prior

What if you believe that **before** you observed the outcome, you thought the **probability that** the coin was fair was at least 99/100?

```
In [ ]:
         num_sims = 100_000
         flips = 8
         selected_coin=[]
         # Each coin will have its own probability
         \# P(fair) = 99/100 \text{ and } P(2-headed)=1/100
         cointypes = ['fair']*99 + ['2-headed']
         for sim in range(num sims):
             cointype = random.choice(cointypes)
              if cointype=='fair':
                  S = ['H', 'T']
             else:
                  S=['H','H']
             coins = random.choices(S, k=flips)
             num heads = coins.count('H')
              if num_heads == flips:
                  selected_coin+=[cointype]
In [ ]:
```

What if you believe that before you observed the outcome, you thought the **probability that the** coin was fair was at least 999/1000?

```
In [ ]:
         num sims = 100 000
         flips = 8
         selected coin=[]
         # Each coin will have its own probability
         \# P(fair) = 999/1000 \text{ and } P(2-headed)=1/1000
         cointypes = ['fair']*999 + ['2-headed']
         for sim in range(num sims):
             cointype = random.choice(cointypes)
             if cointype=='fair':
                 S = ['H', 'T']
             else:
                 S=['H','H']
             coins = random.choices(S, k=flips)
             num heads = coins.count('H')
             if num heads == flips:
                 selected coin+=[cointype]
```

Discussion

- The evidence that the coin is not fair is pretty strong because the probability of getting 8 heads on 8 flips is very small (1/2)^8.
- However, under this prior belief, the probability of having a two-headed coin is also very, very small.

What prior makes it equally likely for the coin to be fair or twoheaded?

How many fair coins do we need to have in the box (and how many 2-headed coins) that will make it such that if we draw one coin at random, observing N heads in N flips of (the same) coin, is an equally likely event to occur with either a fair or a 2-headed coin?

```
In [ ]:
         num_sims = 100_000
         flips = 8
         selected coin=[]
         # Each coin will have its own probability
         \# P(fair) = 256/257 \text{ and } P(2-headed)=1/257
         cointypes = ['fair']*256 + ['2-headed']
         for sim in range(num sims):
             cointype = random.choice(cointypes)
             if cointype=='fair':
                 S = ['H', 'T']
             else:
                 S=['H','H']
             coins = random.choices(S, k=flips)
             num heads = coins.count('H')
             if num heads == flips:
                 selected coin+=[cointype]
         rel freq = [selected coin.count('fair')/len(selected coin),
                     selected coin.count('2-headed')/len(selected coin)]
         plt.bar(['fair','2-headed'],rel_freq)
         plt.ylabel('P(coin 8 heads in 8 flips)\n Posterior Probability')
         plt.xlabel('type of coin');
```

How can we find this analytically?

Example 1: Suppose we have a box where we will place a certain amount of fair coins and a certain amount of 2-headed coins.

How many fair coins do we need to have in the box (and how many 2-headed coins) that will make it such that if we draw one coin at random, observing N heads in N flips of (the same) coin, is an equally likely event to occur with either a fair or a 2-headed coin?

We resumed in class here!

Bayesian Binary Hypothesis Testing

Extending the set of priors

Consider again the example of flipping a coin 8 times and observing 8 heads. We wish to generalize our experimental test to deal with other cases beyond just either fair or two-sided.

Coins can be biased to land on one side more than the other. We can extend our previous experiment to allow any probability of heads from 0 to 1. Let's take a sample every 0.01:

Prep-Work: Randomly Sample From a Probabilistic Model

To simulate an event with arbitary probability P_E :

- 1. Generate a random number R that is equally likely to be between 0 and 1.
- 2. If $R \leq P_{E_I}$ then in the simulation, the event occurs. Otherwise it does not occur.

We can generate the required random number using different libraries.

```
event_count=0
for sim in range(num_sims):
    if npr.uniform()<=Pe:
        event_count+=1

print('According to the simulation Pe ~=', event_count/num_sims)</pre>
```

According to the simulation Pe ~= 0.129892

```
In [83]: # Faster simulation
    Pe=0.13
    num_sims=1_000_000

R = npr.uniform(size=num_sims)
    event_count = np.sum(R<=Pe)

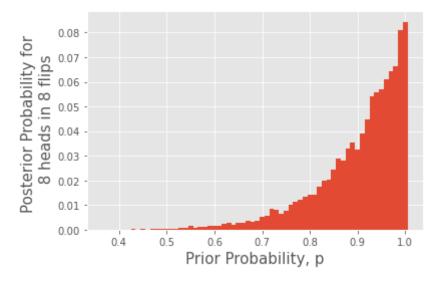
print('According to the simulation Pe ~=', event_count/num_sims)</pre>
```

According to the simulation Pe ~= 0.129947

Coming back to our coin example:

```
In [88]:
          def exactcoins(flips=8, target=-1, num_sims=100_000):
              if target==-1:
                  target = flips # if default value, we will count # Heads in flips = # fl
              # Set of coins
              allcoins = np.linspace(0,1,101)
              events = []
              for sim in range(num sims):
                  prob heads = npr.choice(allcoins) # selects the coin
                  R = npr.uniform(size=flips) # generate "flips" random values in the inte
                  num_heads = np.sum(R <= prob_heads) # count how many random values are 1</pre>
                  if num heads == target:
                      events += [prob heads]
                        print(events)
              vals, counts = np.unique(events, return counts=True) # counts unique element
              plt.bar(vals, counts/len(events), width=0.01)
              plt.xlabel('Prior Probability, p', size=15)
              plt.ylabel('Posterior Probability for \n '+str(target)+' heads in '+str(flip
              return events
```

```
In [89]: events = exactcoins();
```



The posterior is not 1 even when the prior is 1, because it is divided by the "evidence", or P(B).

- How can we use this to conduct a statistical test?
- The output is a full set of *a posterior* probabilities for all of the possible prior probability, *p*, values considered.

A typical approach is to check if a 95% or 99% confidence interval contains the fair coin (p=0.5).

Here are two basic approaches to finding the 95% confidence interval (without assuming anything about the distribution of the data):

Confidence Interval Calculation Way 1

Sort the data and find the points that are 2.5% and 97.5% of the way through the sorted data.

• What is your conclusion?

Confidence Interval Calculation Way 2

- The thing that makes it hard to find the confidence intervals from the graph is that we are really asking about the sums of the probabilities of the tails of the plot.
- If we sum up the data as we move from left to right and plot the **running sums** (or **cumulative sum**), then we can see where we hit probabilities of 0.025 and 0.975.
- numpy has a cumulative sum function np.cumsum to do just this:

Go through the following at home!

```
In [66]:
          vals, counts = np.unique(events, return counts=True)
          # Take the running sum or cumulative sum of these posterior probabilities
          sum counts = np.cumsum(counts/len(events))
In [67]:
          # What point, do I have accumulated 2.5% probability
          np.nonzero(sum counts>=0.025)
Out[67]: (array([27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43,
                 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60]),)
In [68]:
          np.nonzero(sum counts>=0.025)[0]
Out[68]: array([27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43,
                44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60])
In [69]:
          np.nonzero(sum_counts>=0.025)[0][0]
Out[69]: 27
In [70]:
```

```
Out[70]: 0.64
```

```
def confidence_interval2(data, C):
    alpha = 1-C/100 # if C=95%, alpha=0.05
    N = len(data)

    vals, counts = np.unique(data, return_counts=True)

    sum_counts = np.cumsum(counts/N)

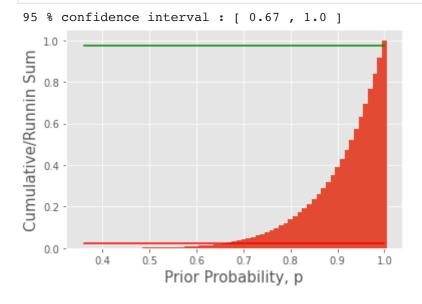
    lower_bound = np.nonzero(sum_counts>=alpha/2)[0][0]
    upper_bound = np.nonzero(sum_counts>=(1-alpha/2))[0][0]

    plt.bar(vals, sum_counts, width=0.01)
    plt.plot(vals, [alpha/2]*len(vals), 'r')
    plt.plot(vals, [1-alpha/2]*len(vals), 'g')
    plt.xlabel('Prior Probability, p',size=15)
    plt.ylabel('Cumulative/Runnin Sum', size=15)

print(C,'% confidence interval : [',vals[lower_bound],',', vals[upper_bound],']')
```

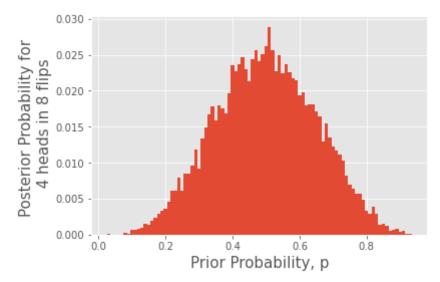
In [72]:

```
confidence_interval2(events, 95)
```



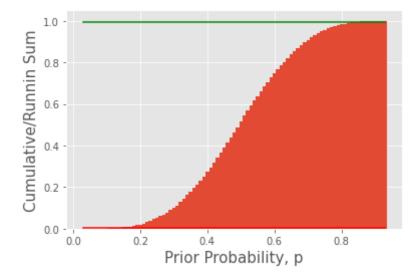
What is the set of *a posteriori* probabilities look like if we observe 4 heads on 8 flips of a coin?

```
In [73]: events2 = exactcoins(8,4)
```



```
In [74]:
           confidence_interval(events2, 95)
          bounds: 275 10736
          95 % CI [ 0.21 , 0.79 ]
In [75]:
           confidence_interval2(events2, 95)
          95 % confidence interval : [ 0.21 , 0.79 ]
             1.0
          Cumulative/Runnin Sum
             0.8
             0.6
             0.4
             0.2
             0.0
                                    0.4
                          0.2
                                              0.6
                 0.0
                                                       0.8
                               Prior Probability, p
In [76]:
           confidence_interval(events2,99)
          bounds:
                    55 10956
          99 % CI [ 0.14 , 0.85 ]
In [77]:
           confidence interval2(events2,99)
```

99 % confidence interval : [0.14 , 0.85]



What can you observed from this plot?

The cumulative histogram is smooth, while the regular histogram is not.

To explore this any further, we'll need to extend our tools for modeling random phenomena.

We resumed here in class!

Decision Rules

We have studied two forms of statistically inferencing: classifical (or frequentist) and Bayesian.

- **Frequentist statistician:** draws conclusions from data by computing relative frequency of events in the data.
 - It computes the probability of future events using past observations only.
 - It computes the probability of hypothesis.
- Bayesian statistician: draws conclusions from data by testing out the hypothesis and computing their observed probability from data.
 - It computes the uncertainty of hypothesis by inducing prior beliefs.
 - It tests hypothesis.

This gives rise to two general **decision rules** forms.

Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE) Decision Rule If the set of events $\{A_0,A_1\}$ partitions Ω , and assuming $P(A_i)>0$, for all i. Then the Maximum Likelihood decision rule is given by:

$$P(B|A_0) \mathop{\gtrless}\limits_{A_1}^{A_0} P(B|A_1)$$

Maximum A Posteriori (MAP) Decision Rule If the set of events $\{A_0, A_1\}$ partitions Ω , and assuming $P(A_i) > 0$, for all i. Then the Maximum A Posteriori decision rule is given by:

$$P(A_0|B) \stackrel{A_0}{\underset{A_1}{\gtrless}} P(A_1|B) \ \iff rac{P(B|A_0)P(A_0)}{P(B)} \stackrel{A_0}{\underset{A_1}{\gtrless}} rac{P(B|A_1)P(A_1)}{P(B)}$$

Example: Binary Communication System

- A transmitter Tx sends A_0 and A_1 .
- A receiver Rx processes the output of the channel into one of two values B_0 and B_1 .
- The channel is a noisy channel that determines the probabilities between A_0 , A_1 and B_0 , B_1 .

The transitions are conditional probabilities $P(B_j|A_i)$ that can be specified on a channel transition diagram:

In [81]:
 from IPython.display import Image
 Image('figures/transition.png', width=400)

Out[81]: A_0 7/8 B_0 A_1 A_1 B_1 B_1

The receiver must use a decision rule to determine from the output B_0 or B_1 whether the symbol that was sent was most likely A_0 or A_1 .

Decision rule: Always decide A_1 . How often will we be in error?

1. Determine the probability of error for these two scenarios.

A.
$$P(A_0)=rac{2}{5}$$
, $P(A_1)=rac{3}{5}$
B. $P(A_0)=rac{1}{10}$, $P(A_1)=rac{9}{10}$

The goal is to choose the transmitter $\operatorname{Tx} A_i$ that maximize some probability. What is that probability? "Probability of transmitter A_j given that we received B_i ", that is,

$$P(A_j|B_i), \forall i,j=0,1$$

So, for example, if we receive B_0 and observe the following

$$P(A_0|B_0) > P(A_1|B_0)$$

then we will decide A_0 .

- What is the problem? We were not given $P(A_i|B_i)$! These are the posterior probabilities.
- · We were given:

$$P(B_0|A_0) = \frac{7}{8}, P(B_0|A_1) = \frac{1}{6}, P(B_1|A_0) = \frac{1}{8}, P(B_1|A_1) = \frac{5}{6}$$

• We can easily compute the posterior probabilities using the Bayes' rule:

$$egin{aligned} P(A_j|B_i) &= rac{P(A_j \cap B_i)}{P(B_i)} \ &= rac{P(B_i|A_j)P(A_j)}{P(B_i)} \ &= rac{P(B_i|A_j)P(A_j)}{\sum_j P(B_i|A_j)P(A_j)} \end{aligned}$$

Now we are ready to solve **problem 1**:

Scenario A: Suppose that we always decide A_1 . For $P(A_0)=rac{2}{5}$, $P(A_1)=rac{3}{5}$, we have:

$$P(A_0|B_0) \overset{A_0}{\gtrless} P(A_1|B_0) \ rac{P(B_0|A_0)P(A_0)}{P(B_0)} \overset{A_0}{\gtrless} rac{P(B_0|A_1)P(A_1)}{P(B_0)} \ rac{rac{7}{8} imes rac{2}{5}}{rac{9}{20}} \overset{A_0}{\gtrless} rac{rac{1}{6} imes rac{3}{5}}{rac{9}{20}} \ rac{7}{9} \overset{A_0}{\gtrless} rac{2}{9} \Rightarrow ext{Decide } A_0$$

So, when B_0 is received, MAP decision rule is to decide A_0 .

Similarly, when B_1 is received, MAP decision rule is to decide A_1 .

If the decision rule is to always decide A_1 , then we will have some errors. We can use the Law of Total probability to compute the overall probability of error P(E):

$$P(E) = P(E|B_0)P(B_0) + P(E|B_1)P(B_1)$$

where

$$P(B_0) = P(B_0|A_0)P(A_0) + P(B_0|A_1)P(A_1) = rac{7}{8} imes rac{2}{5} + rac{1}{6} imes rac{3}{5} = rac{9}{20}$$

and

$$P(B_1) = P(B_1|A_0)P(A_0) + P(B_1|A_1)P(A_1) = rac{1}{8} imes rac{2}{5} + rac{5}{6} imes rac{3}{5} = 1 - P(B_0) = rac{11}{20}$$

For this decision rule, we have that:

$$P(E) = \frac{7}{9} imes \frac{9}{20} + \left(1 - \frac{10}{11}\right) imes \frac{11}{20} = 0.4$$

Scenario B: Suppose that we always decide A_1 . For $P(A_0)=rac{1}{10}$, $P(A_1)=rac{9}{10}$, we have:

$$egin{aligned} P(A_0|B_0) &\gtrsim P(A_1|B_0) \ rac{P(B_0|A_0)P(A_0)}{P(B_0)} &\gtrsim rac{A_0}{A_1} &rac{P(B_0|A_1)P(A_1)}{P(B_0)} \ rac{rac{7}{8} imes rac{1}{10}}{rac{8}{80}} &\gtrsim rac{rac{1}{6} imes rac{9}{10}}{rac{19}{80}} \ rac{7}{19} &\gtrsim rac{A_0}{A_1} &rac{12}{19} \Rightarrow ext{ Decide } A_1 \end{aligned}$$

So, when B_0 is received, MAP decision rule is to decide A_1 .

Similarly, when B_1 is received, MAP decision rule is to decide A_1 .

When using the MAP decision rule, we will always decide A_1 . This does not mean we will not make an error. We will make the correct decision for when receiving B_0 with $\frac{12}{19}$ probability. But we will be in error with $1-\frac{12}{19}$ probability for when we receive B_0 . We apply the same reasoning for B_1 .

$$P(E) = P(E|B_0)P(B_0) + P(E|B_1)P(B_1)$$

where

$$P(B_0) = P(B_0|A_0)P(A_0) + P(B_0|A_1)P(A_1) = rac{7}{8} imes rac{1}{10} + rac{1}{6} imes rac{9}{10} = rac{19}{80}$$

and

$$P(B_1) = P(B_1|A_0)P(A_0) + P(B_1|A_1)P(A_1) = \frac{1}{8} \times \frac{1}{10} + \frac{5}{6} \times \frac{9}{10} = 1 - P(B_0) = \frac{61}{80}$$

For this decision rule, we have that:

$$P(E) = P(E|B_0)P(B_0) + P(E|B_1)P(B_1) = \left(1 - rac{12}{19}
ight) imes rac{19}{80} + \left(1 - rac{60}{61}
ight) imes rac{61}{80} = 0.1$$

We changed the prior probability for both transmitters. In scenario B we are assuming that the probability that the Tx A_0 was used at 10\% chance. Whereas in scenario A, we are assuming that the probability that Tx A_0 was used at 40\%.

This concludes all the material that will be covered in Exam 1

In []:	