

## Data 602 - Assignment Three

Ensure you justify all computation and data visualizations with accompanying code.

1. The data set **NCBirths2004** consists of the Weight (in grams) of  $n = 1009$  babies born in the state of North Carolina in 2004. All babies appearing in this sample had a gestation periods of at least 37 weeks and were single births. Other variables in this data set include the Age of the birth mother, whether or not the birth mother was a Smoker during the gestation period, used Alcohol during the gestation period, the Gender of the baby. To access these data, install the `resampleddata` package. For example,

```
install.packages("resampleddata", repos = "http://cran.us.r-project.org")

## Installing package into 'C:/Users/camil/AppData/Local/R/win-library/4.3'
## (as 'lib' is unspecified)

## package 'resampleddata' successfully unpacked and MD5 sums checked
##
## The downloaded binary packages are in
## C:\Users\camil\AppData\Local\Temp\RtmpovJWw7\downloaded_packages

library(resampleddata)

##
## Attaching package: 'resampleddata'

## The following object is masked from 'package:datasets':
##
## Titanic
```

**Note:** This package has been installed in the R Studio “cloud” through the Data Science Hub. You will not be able to “install” this package on your version of R Studio through the `datasciencehub.ualgary.ca`, as the packages you see in the “packages” pane are fixed for the moment.

```
head(NCBirths2004, 4)

##   ID MothersAge Tobacco Alcohol Gender Weight Gestation Smoker
## 1  1    30-34      No      No   Male   3827         40      No
## 2  2    30-34      No      No   Male   3629         38      No
## 3  3    35-39      No      No Female   3062         37      No
## 4  4    20-24      No      No Female   3430         39      No

library(dplyr)

##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
```

```

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

library(mosaic)

## Registered S3 method overwritten by 'mosaic':
##   method                                from
##   fortify.SpatialPolygonsDataFrame ggplot2

##
## The 'mosaic' package masks several functions from core packages in order
to add
## additional features. The original behavior of these functions should not
be affected by this.

##
## Attaching package: 'mosaic'

## The following object is masked from 'package:Matrix':
##
##   mean

## The following object is masked from 'package:ggplot2':
##
##   stat

## The following objects are masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##   count, do, tally

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   binom.test, cor, cor.test, cov, fivenum, IQR, median, prop.test,
##   quantile, sd, t.test, var

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   max, mean, min, prod, range, sample, sum

library(ggplot2)
library(resampled)
library(boot)

##
## Attaching package: 'boot'

```

```

## The following object is masked from 'package:mosaic':
##
##      logit

## The following object is masked from 'package:lattice':
##
##      melanoma

set.seed(435)

#(a) Create the bootstrap distribution for  $\overline{X}_{NonSmoker} - \overline{X}_{Smoker}$ .

mydat <- data.frame(Weight = NCBirths2004$Weight, Smoker =
NCBirths2004$Smoker)
head(mydat, 5)

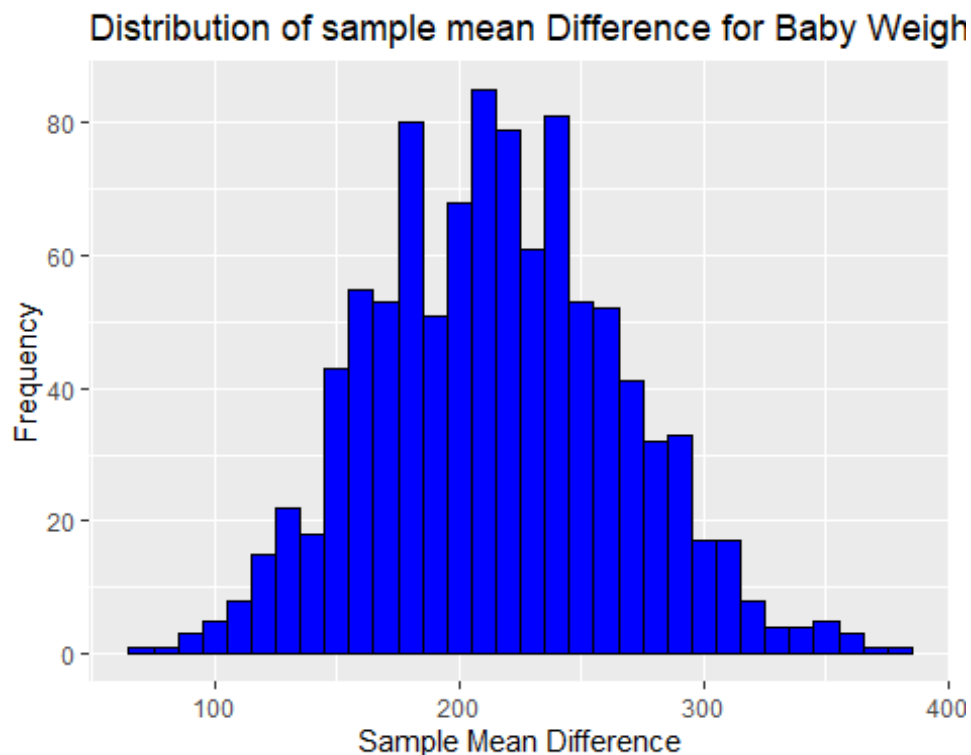
##   Weight Smoker
## 1   3827     No
## 2   3629     No
## 3   3062     No
## 4   3430     No
## 5   3827     No

non_smoking_weights <- filter(NCBirths2004, Smoker == "No")$Weight
smoking_weights <- filter(NCBirths2004, Smoker == "Yes")$Weight

non_smoking_weights <- do(1000) * mean(resample(non_smoking_weights, replace
= TRUE, na.rm = TRUE))
smoking_weights <- do(1000) * mean(resample(smoking_weights, replace = TRUE,
na.rm = TRUE))

mean_diff = abs(non_smoking_weights - smoking_weights)
ggplot(mean_diff, aes(x=mean)) +
  geom_histogram(col='black', fill='blue', binwidth=10, na.rm=TRUE) +
  xlab("Sample Mean Difference") + ylab("Frequency") +
  ggtitle("Distribution of sample mean Difference for Baby Weights of
Smoking/Non-smoking Mothers")

```



*#(b) From your result in (a), compute the 95% confidence interval for  $\mu_{\text{NonSmoker}} - \mu_{\text{Smoker}}$ .*

*#Confidence intervals*

```
UL = quantile(mean_diff$mean, 0.975)
```

```
LL = quantile(mean_diff$mean, 0.025)
```

```
cat("95% bootstrap confidence interval for difference in  
mean is (", LL, ", ", UL, ")")
```

```
## 95% bootstrap confidence interval for difference in  
## mean is ( 120.9777 , 317.4058 )
```

*#(c) Compute the 95% confidence interval for  $\mu_{\text{NonSmoker}} - \mu_{\text{Smoker}}$ , using the *t*-version.*

```
mydat <- data.frame(Weight = NCBirths2004$Weight, Smoker =  
NCBirths2004$Smoker)
```

```
t.test(~ Weight | Smoker, data = mydat, conf.level = 0.95, var.equal =  
FALSE)$conf
```

```
## [1] 112.3161 317.6881
```

```
## attr(,"conf.level")
```

```
## [1] 0.95
```

*#(d) Consider your result in both (b) and (c). What can you infer from these data? Do children born to birth mother who did not smoke during pregnancy weigh more on average than babies born to birth mothers who did smoke during*

*pregnancy?*

*#The Bootstrap Confidence Interval, (120.9777, 317.4058), indicates that we can be 95% confident that the true difference in mean birth weights between non-smokers and smokers falls within this range. The T-Version Confidence Interval, (112.3161, 317.6881), has a slightly broader range. Importantly, both intervals do not include zero, supporting the conclusion of a statistically significant difference. Together, these analyses suggest that children born to birth mothers who did not smoke during pregnancy tend to weigh more on average.*

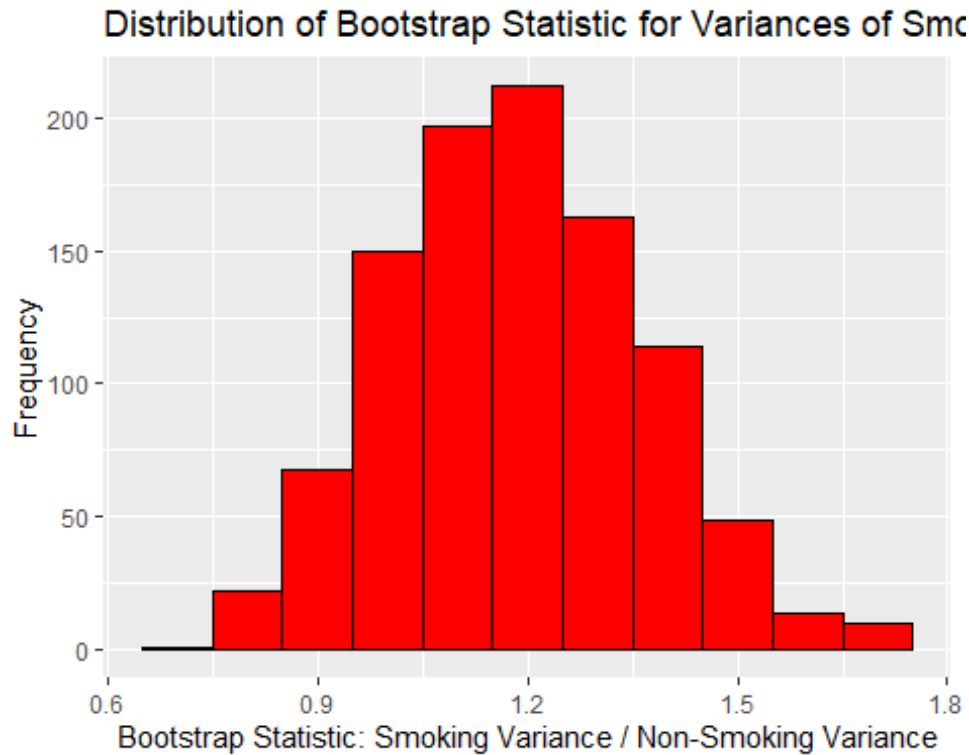
*##\*2.\*\* Refer to Question 1.*

*#(a) Create a distribution of the bootstrap statistic  $\frac{S_{\text{Smoker}}}{S_{\text{NonSmoker}}}$ . Use 1000 as the number of iterations/replications and provide a visualization of this distribution.*

```
non_smoking_weights <- filter(NCBirths2004, Smoker == "No")$Weight
smoking_weights <- filter(NCBirths2004, Smoker == "Yes")$Weight

bootstrap_ratios <- replicate(1000, {
  non_smoking_var <- var(resample(non_smoking_weights, replace = TRUE, na.rm = TRUE))
  smoking_var <- var(resample(smoking_weights, replace = TRUE, na.rm = TRUE))
  return(smoking_var / non_smoking_var)
})

ggplot(data.frame(V1 = bootstrap_ratios), aes(x = V1)) +
  geom_histogram(col = 'black', fill = 'red', binwidth = 0.1, na.rm = TRUE) +
  xlab("Bootstrap Statistic: Smoking Variance / Non-Smoking Variance") +
  ylab("Frequency") +
  ggtitle("Distribution of Bootstrap Statistic for Variances of Smoker and Non-Smoker Birth Weights")
```



*#(b) Create a Normal Probability Plot of this bootstrap statistic. Does the ratio of the sample standard deviations appear to follow a Normal distribution? Explain.*

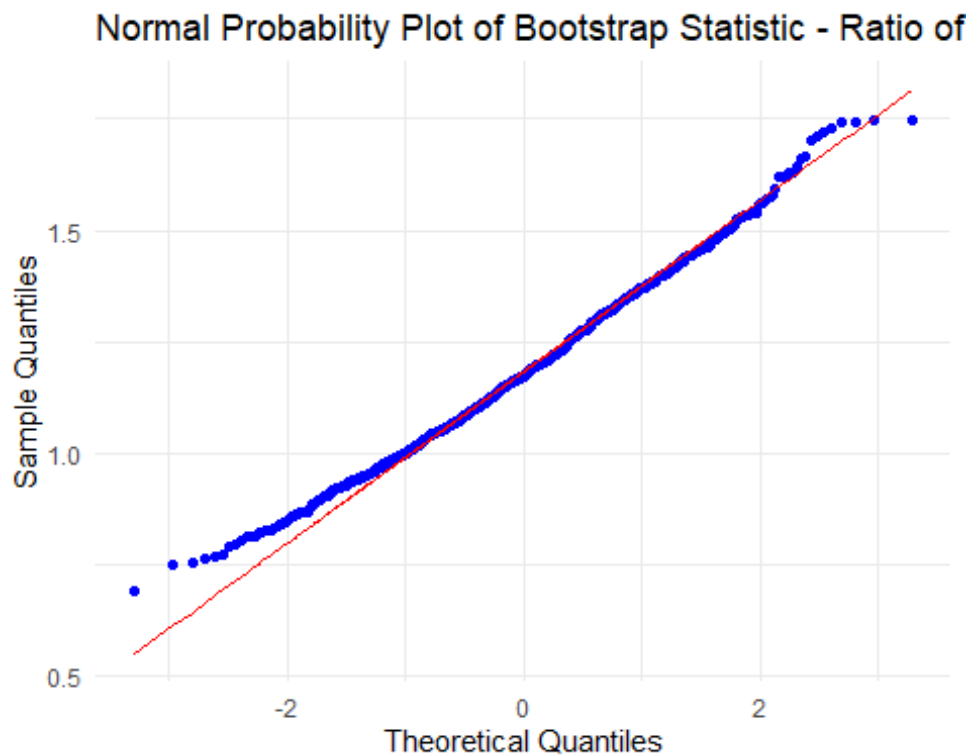
```
ggplot(data.frame(V1 = bootstrap_ratios), aes(sample = V1)) +
  stat_qq(col = 'blue') +
  stat_qqline(col = 'red') +
  ggtitle("Normal Probability Plot of Bootstrap Statistic - Ratio of Standard
Deviations") +
  xlab("Theoretical Quantiles") +
  ylab("Sample Quantiles") +
  theme_minimal()
```

## Warning: The following aesthetics were dropped during statistical transformation: sample

## **i** This can happen when ggplot fails to infer the correct grouping structure in

## the data.

## **i** Did you forget to specify a `group` aesthetic or to convert a numerical variable into a factor?



*#In a QQ plot, if the points fall approximately along a straight line, it suggests that the data follows a normal distribution. In our case, this appears to be the case, signifying a normal distribution.*

*#(c) Compute the 95% bootstrap percentile interval for  $\frac{\sigma_{\text{Smoker}}}{\sigma_{\text{NonSmoker}}}$ .*

```
bootstrap_interval <- quantile(bootstrap_ratios, c(0.025, 0.975))
cat("95% Bootstrap Percentile Interval for the ratio of standard deviations:
(", round(bootstrap_interval[1], 4), ", ", round(bootstrap_interval[2], 4),
")\n")
```

```
## 95% Bootstrap Percentile Interval for the ratio of standard deviations: (
0.861 , 1.5393 )
```

*#(d) Consider the result you obtained in part (c). Explain the practical meaning of this result with respect to the variable **Weight**.*

*#95% Bootstrap Percentile Interval for the ratio of standard deviations is (0.861, 1.5393) As this interval includes 1, then variability in birth weights between babies born to smoking mothers and non-smoking mothers is relatively similar.*

*##3.\*\* Health Canada sets an action level for mercury in fish at 1 ppm (part per million). If mercury levels are higher than this value, then this*

value in commercial fish then Health Canada will take action to impose a moratorium on fishing in the area where the fish are harvested. Recently, there have been concerns about mercury levels in walleye fish populating the portion of the Athabasca River that is down stream from Whitecourt, where local First Nations harvest walleye as part of a commercial fishing operation. A biologist randomly picked  $n = 31$  walleye from a recent commercial fishing catch downstream from Whitecourt, and measured the mercury (in ppm) from each walleye. The ppms, are provided below.

#(a) Establish a statistical hypothesis that allows the biologist to see if mercury levels in walleye fish harvested from the Athabasca River (downstream of Whitecourt) exceed Health Canada's action level.

#Null hypothesis: Mercury levels in walleye fish harvested from the Athabasca River is equal to the Health Canada's action level

#Alternative hypothesis: Mercury levels in walleye fish harvested from the Athabasca River exceed Health Canada's action level

# $H_0: \mu \leq 1$

# $H_1: \mu > 1$

#(b) Refer to your hypotheses in (a). In the context of your statistical hypotheses in part #(a), explain *both* a Type I Error and a Type II Error.

#Type I Error (False Positive): Falsely concluding there is a problem when there isn't. This would involve incorrectly asserting that mercury levels in the fish exceed Health Canada's action levels when, in reality, they are at or below 1 ppm.

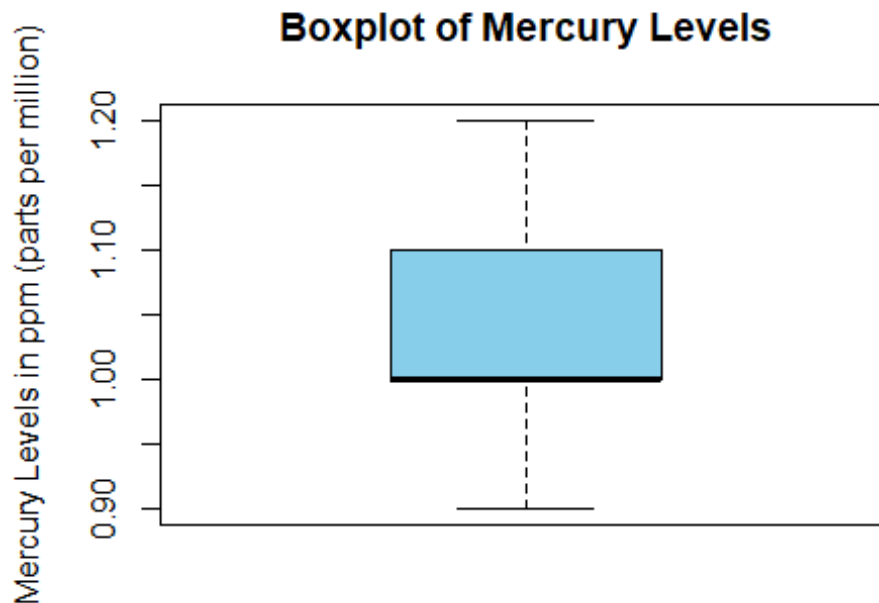
#Type II Error (False Negative): Failing to detect a problem that actually exists. This would entail not recognizing that the average mercury level is higher than 1 ppm when it is, indeed, above the specified threshold.

#(c) Visualize these data with either a violin plot or a boxplot, and comment on the distribution of mercury levels on walleye harvested from the Athabasca River downstream from Whitecourt.

```
m_levels <- c(1.2, 1.1, 1.0, 1.0, 1.1, 1.0, 1.0, 1.0, 0.9, 1.1, 1.1, 1.2,
1.0, 1.1, 1.0, 1.1, 1.0, 0.9, 1.0, 1.0, 1.1, 1.0, 1.0, 1.1, 1.2, 1.0, 1.1,
1.0, 1.0, 1.2, 1.1)
```

```
boxplot(m_levels,
  main = "Boxplot of Mercury Levels",
  ylab = "Mercury Levels in ppm (parts per million)",
  col = "skyblue",
  border = "black",
  horizontal = FALSE,
  names = c("Mercury Levels"))
```





*#(d) Do these data suggest that Health Canada should place a moratorium on commercial walleye fishing on the Athabaska River downstream of Whitecourt? In your finding, interpret the meaning of the  $p$ -value you have computed. **\*IF\*** you reject the null hypothesis, provide a 95% confidence interval for the mean mercury (in ppm) of walleye found downstream from Whitecourt.*

```
hypothesized_mean <- 1.0
t_test <- t.test(m_levels, mu = hypothesized_mean, alternative = "greater")
p_value_t_test <- t_test$p.value
cat("T-Test p-value:", p_value_t_test, "\n")
```

```
## T-Test p-value: 0.0006595483
```

```
conf_interval <- t.test(m_levels)$conf.int
cat("95% Confidence Interval:", conf_interval, "\n")
```

```
## 95% Confidence Interval: 1.021857 1.081368
```

*#We take on a one-sided approach to calculate the T-Test  $p$ -value. If the obtained  $p$ -value is below the conventional significance level of 0.05, we would reject the null hypothesis. In this context, rejection implies that mercury levels are likely higher than the specified action level. The computed T-Test  $p$ -value in our study is 0.0006595483, providing substantial support for this conclusion. Additionally, the 95% confidence interval, [1.021857, 1.081368], indicates with 95% confidence that the true mean mercury level in walleye fish from this location falls within this range. Both statistical tests provide strong evidence of elevated mercury levels.*

**4.** Coffee markets that conform to organic standards focus on the environmental aspect of coffee growing, such as the use of shade trees, and reduced reliance on herbicides and pesticides. Researchers investigating organic coffee growers in Southern Mexico took a representative, random sample of  $n = 845$  coffee growers, of which 475 were certified to sell organic coffee and 75 were transitioning to sell organic coffee.

In the United States, 60% of all coffee growers are organically certified. Is there ample statistical evidence to confirm that the proportion of certified coffee growers in Southern Mexico who are either certified or in the process of being certified, is more than 60%?

Ensure you completely justify your answer, using method(s) covered in DATA 602.

$H_0: p = 0.60$  (proportion is equal to 60%)

$H_1: p > 0.60$  (proportion is more than 60%)

Total coffee growers sampled  $N = 847$

Number of growers certified organic = 475

Number of growers transitioning to organic = 75

Calculate  $P$

```
p <- (475 + 75) / 845 #Compute proportion of growers  
print(p)
```

```
## [1] 0.6508876
```

```
p <- 0.6508876  
sample_size <- 847  
null_hypothesis_p <- 0.60
```

Calculate the z-test statistic

```
z_test <- (p - null_hypothesis_p) / sqrt((null_hypothesis_p * (1 -  
null_hypothesis_p)) / sample_size)  
print(z_test)
```

```
## [1] 3.023069
```

Significance level

```
alpha <- 0.05
```

Calculate the critical z-value for a right-tailed test

```
critical_z_value <- qnorm(1 - alpha)
```

Print the critical z-value

```
print(critical_z_value)
```

```
## [1] 1.644854
```

Conclusion: Calculated z-score (3.023069) is greater than the critical z-value (1.644854). In this case we would reject the null hypothesis. This

suggests that the observed proportion of certified or transitioning coffee growers in Southern Mexico is statistically significantly greater than 60%.

**5.** As a budding data scientist with much promise, a person who is considering running as a Member of Parliament (MP) for a certain riding hires you to conduct some polling. Due to the time investment and the cost (time and finances) of a political campaign, you decide to take a random sample of  $n = 50$  voters who live within this particular riding. Each are to be asked "if they would support this particular candidate if they ran as a representative for Party X in the next federal election". If your polling/sampling suggests that they will receive at least 45% of the vote, then you will council this person to "run for office". In your preliminary statistical work, you have decided that there is enough statistical evidence to support the "minimum of 45%"-claim if out of  $n = 50$  randomly chosen voters, at least 20 indicate they will vote for this candidate if they run.

(a) State the statistical hypotheses.

The candidate will not receive at least 45% of the vote if they run for office.

$H_0: p < 0.45$

The candidate will receive at least 45% of the vote if they run for office.

$H_1: p \geq 0.45$

(b) Compute the value of  $\alpha$  used in your derivation of the decision rule.

```
sample_size <- 50
min_support <- 20
alpha <- 0.05
critical_value <- qbinom(1 - alpha, size = sample_size, prob = 0.45)
print(critical_value)
```

```
## [1] 28
```

(c) What if the candidate were to receive 42% of the vote. Compute the probability that you will conclude they should run for office. Interpret the meaning of this probability.

```
p_42 <- 0.42
# Probability of observing at least 20 supporters
p_value <- pbinom(min_support - 1, size = sample_size, prob = p_42,
lower.tail = FALSE)
print(p_value)
```

```
## [1] 0.663807
```

The calculated p-value is 0.663807, which exceeds the significance level ( $\alpha$ ) of 0.05. Consequently, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. There

is insufficient evidence to support the candidate in running for office. As determined earlier, a critical value of 28 indicates that one would only recommend the candidate to run if there are 28 or more supporting voters.

#(d) Repeat for (c) for these values of  $p$ :  $p = 0.41$ ,  $p = 0.40$ ,  $p = 0.39$ ,  $p = 0.38$ ,  $p = 0.35$  and  $p = 0.30$ . For each differing value of  $p$ , compute the probability computed in part (c). THEN, create a plot with the differing values of  $p$  on the  $x$ -axis and the probabilities computed on the  $y$ -axis.

```
sample_size <- 50
min_support <- 20
alpha <- 0.05
p_values <- c(0.41, 0.40, 0.39, 0.38, 0.35, 0.30)
probabilities <- numeric(length(p_values))
for (i in seq_along(p_values)) {
  # Calculate probability
  probabilities[i] <- pbinom(min_support - 1, size = sample_size, prob =
p_values[i], lower.tail = FALSE)
}

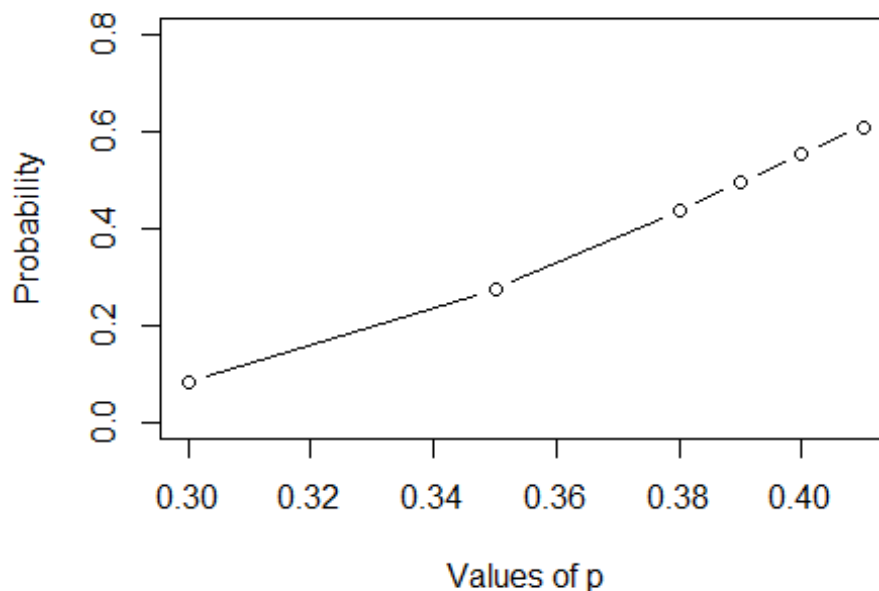
results <- data.frame(p = p_values, probability = probabilities)
print(results)

##      p probability
## 1 0.41   0.6099048
## 2 0.40   0.5535236
## 3 0.39   0.4957191
## 4 0.38   0.4376490
## 5 0.35   0.2735637
## 6 0.30   0.0848026

plot(p_values, probabilities, type = "b", main = "Probability & Respective p-
pvalue",
      xlab = "Values of p", ylab = "Probability",
      ylim = c(0, 0.8))

points(0.45, alpha, col = "red", pch = 16)
text(0.45, alpha, " Critical Value", pos = 2)
```

## Probability & Respective p- pvalue



#(e) What does your plot/graph in part (d) tell you about your statistical test? How can you improve your test? Provide some suggestion(s), reasoning why each would make your statistical test better.

#From this plot we see the value of  $p$  decreases, the probability of observing at least 20 supporters (the minimum for advising to run) also decreases. This test might be improved by increasing the sample size which could lead to a more precise estimate. We could also adjust the significance test depending on the tolerance for type errors

##6.\*\* In 2012, an Angus Reid[^2] poll surveyed  $n = 1010$  randomly chosen Canadians from which 601 supported a ban on single-use plastics. A more recent survey in 2019 of  $n = 1000$  Canadians[^3] found that 561 supported a ban on single-use plastics.

##(a) Compute a 95% confidence interval for  $p_{2019} - p_{2012}$ , the difference between the proportion of Canadians who currently support a ban on single-use plastics and the proportion of Canadians who supported such a ban in 2012.

#Calculate proportions

```
p2012 <- 601/1010
```

```
p2019 <- 561/1000
```

```
se <- sqrt((p2012*(1-p2012))/1010 + (p2019*(1-p2019))/1000)
```

```
confidence_int_95 <- p2019 - p2012 + c(-1.96,1.96)*se
print(confidence_int_95)
```

```
## [1] -0.077207743  0.009108733
```

*#(b) From your result in (a), can you infer there is a statistically significant difference between  $p_{2019}$  and  $p_{2012}$ ? Why or why not?*

*#The 95% confidence interval suggests that there is no statistically significant distinction between P2019 and P2012. This is evidenced by the interval encompassing 0, signifying that the observed difference in proportions lacks statistical significance.*

*#Q7. What do these data suggest? Ensure you address any conditions/assumptions you have made about these data. Also ensure you provide the  $P$ -value and interpret its meaning in the context of these data.*

```
cereal_w <- c(497.2, 499.9, 495.8, 514.2, 490.0, 498.3, 495.1, 486.7)
mean_cereal_weight <- mean(cereal_w)
print(mean_cereal_weight)
```

```
## [1] 497.15
```

```
sd_cereal_weight <- sd(cereal_w)
print(sd_cereal_weight)
```

```
## [1] 8.158606
```

*#Comparing the stated weight vs the mean weight:*

*#Stated weight: 500grams*

*#Calculated Mean Weight: 497.15grams*

*#Based off this above calculation, we can see Usman is not getting the amount of cereal stated on the box.*

*#Conditions/Assumptions*

*#1. The weights of cereal in these boxes are treated as independent variables.*

*#2. 8 boxes represent a sample and not a population*

*#3. Assuming that the weights of cereal in each box are normally distributed*

*#H0:  $\mu=500$*

*#H0:  $\mu \neq 500$*

```
observed_weights <- c(497.2, 499.9, 495.8, 514.2, 490.0, 498.3, 495.1, 486.7)
```

```
stated_weight <- 500
t_test <- t.test(observed_weights, mu = stated_weight, alternative =
"two.sided")
print(t_test$p.value)
```

```
## [1] 0.3560478
```

*#As this is a two-tailed test, we compare the p-value to the 0.025 significance level ( $\alpha/2$ ). With a p-value of 0.3560478, we observe that it is greater than both 0.025 and 0.05. Therefore, we do not reject the null hypothesis. There is not sufficient evidence to claim that the mean weight of cereal is significantly different from the stated weight of 500 grams based on this sample.*