

# DECISION MAKING FOR A SINGLE SAMPLE

**Probability and Statistics** 

#### 8-1: Statistical Inference

- The field of statistical inference consists of those methods used to make decisions or draw conclusions about a population.
- These methods utilize the information contained in a sample from the population in drawing conclusions.

#### 8-1: Statistical Inference

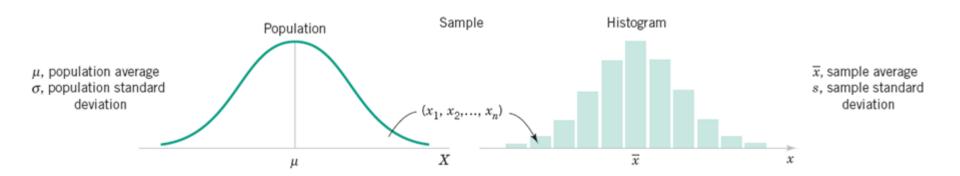


Figure 8-1 Relationship between a population and a sample.

#### 8-2: Point Estimation

A **point estimate** of some population parameter  $\theta$  is a single numerical value  $\hat{\theta}$  of a statistic  $\hat{\Theta}$ .

Unknown Parameter θ	Statistic Ô	Point Estimate <del>0</del>
$\mu$	$\overline{X} = \frac{\sum X_i}{n}$	$\overline{x}$
$\sigma^2$	$S^2 = \frac{\sum (X_i - \overline{X})^2}{n - 1}$	$s^2$
ho	$\hat{\rho} = \frac{X}{n}$	$\hat{ ho}$
$\mu_1 - \mu_2$	$\overline{X}_1 - \overline{X}_2 = \frac{\sum X_{1i}}{n_1} - \frac{\sum X_{2i}}{n_2}$	$\overline{x}_1 - \overline{x}_2$
$\rho_1 - \rho_2$	$\hat{\rho}_1 - \hat{\rho}_2 = \frac{X_1}{n_1} - \frac{X_2}{n_2}$	$\hat{ ho}_{1}-\hat{ ho}_{2}$

#### 8-2: Point Estimation

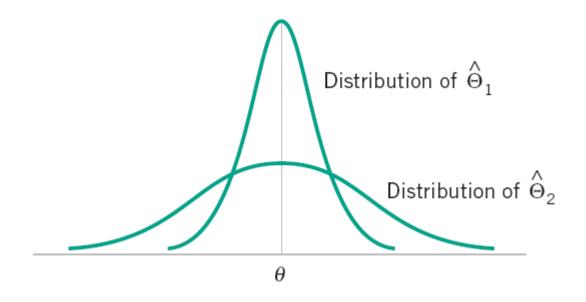


Figure 8-2 The sampling distribution of two unbiased estimators,  $\hat{\Theta}_1$  and  $\hat{\Theta}_2$ .

#### 8-2: Point Estimation

If we consider all unbiased estimators of  $\theta$ , the one with the smallest variance is called the **minimum variance unbiased estimator** (MVUE).

The **mean square error** of an estimator  $\hat{\Theta}$  of the parameter  $\theta$  is defined as

$$MSE(\hat{\Theta}) = E(\hat{\Theta} - \theta)^2$$
 (8-1)

The **standard error** of a statistic is the standard deviation of its sampling distribution. If the standard error involves unknown parameters whose values can be estimated, substitution of these estimates into the standard error results in an **estimated standard error**.

#### 8-3.1 Statistical Hypotheses

We like to think of statistical hypothesis testing as the data analysis stage of a **comparative experiment**, in which the engineer is interested, for example, in comparing the mean of a population to a specified value (e.g. mean pull strength).

A **statistical hypothesis** is a statement about the parameters of one or more populations.

#### 8-3.1 Statistical Hypotheses

For example, suppose that we are interested in the burning rate of a solid propellant used to power aircrew escape systems.

- Now burning rate is a random variable that can be described by a probability distribution.
- Suppose that our interest focuses on the mean burning rate (a parameter of this distribution).
- Specifically, we are interested in deciding whether or not the mean burning rate is 50 centimeters per second.

#### 8-3.1 Statistical Hypotheses

#### **Two-sided Alternative Hypothesis**

$$H_0: \mu = 50cm/s$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq 50cm/s$$

#### One-sided Alternative Hypotheses

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$$H_0: \mu \triangleright 50cm/s$$
  
 $H_1: \mu < 50cm/s$ 

$$H_0: \mu \geq 50cm/s$$

or 
$$H_0: \mu = 50cm/s$$
  
 $H_0: \mu \le 50cm/s$   $H_1: \mu > 50cm/s$ 

#### 8-3.1 Statistical Hypotheses

#### Test of a Hypothesis

- A procedure leading to a decision about a particular hypothesis
- Hypothesis-testing procedures rely on using the information in a random sample from the population of interest.
- If this information is consistent with the hypothesis, then we will conclude that the hypothesis is true; if this information is inconsistent with the hypothesis, we will conclude that the hypothesis is false.

#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

$$H_0: \mu = 50cm/s$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq 50cm/s$$

$$\mu = 50cm/s$$
Reject  $H_0$ 

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Figure 8-3 Decision criteria for testing  $H_0$  :  $\mu$  = 50cm/s versus  $H_1$  :  $\mu$  ≠ 50cm/s

#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

Rejecting the null hypothesis  $H_0$  when it is true is defined as a **type I error**.

Failing to reject the null hypothesis when it is false is defined as a type II error.

#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

Table 8-1 Decisions in Hypothesis Testing

Decision	$H_0^{}$ Is True	$H_0$ Is False
Fail to reject $H_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}$	No error	Type II error
Reject $H_0$	Type I error	No error

$$\alpha = P$$
 (type I error) = P (reject  $H_0$  when  $H_0$  is true)

Sometimes the type I error probability is called the **significance level**, or the  $\alpha$ -error, or the **size** of the test.

#### 8-3.2 Tests of Statistical Hypotheses

$$\alpha = P(\bar{X} < 48.5 \text{ when } \mu = 50) + P(\bar{X} > 51.5 \text{ when } \mu = 50)$$

The z-values that correspond to the critical values 48.5 and 51.5 are

$$z_1 = \frac{48.5 - 50}{0.79} = -1.90$$
 and  $z_2 = \frac{51.5 - 50}{0.79} = 1.90$ 

**Therefore** 

$$\alpha = P(Z < -1.90) + P(Z > 1.90) = 0.028717 + 0.028717 = 0.057434$$

8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

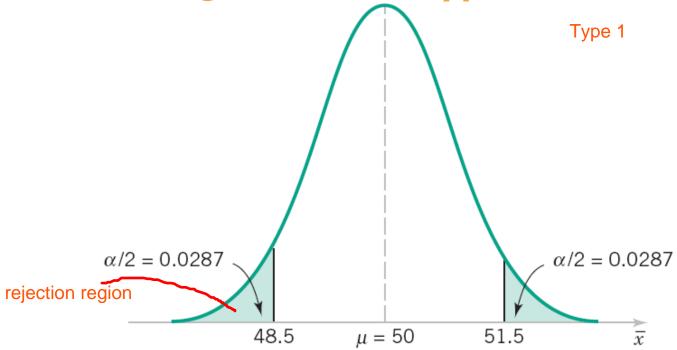


Figure 8-4 The critical region for  $H_0$ :  $\mu = 50$  versus  $H_1$ :  $\mu \neq 50$  and n = 10.

#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

 $\beta = P(\text{type II error}) = P(\text{fail to reject}_{H_0} \text{ when}_{H_0} \text{ is false})$ 

Probability density function Normal

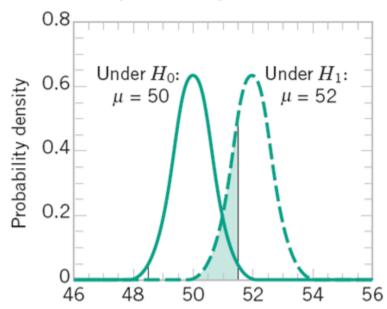


Figure 8-5 The probability of type II error when  $\mu = 50$  and n = 10.

$$\beta = P(48.5 \le \overline{X} \le 51.5 \text{ when } \mu = 52)$$

The z-values corresponding to 48.5 and 51.5 when  $\mu = 52$  are

$$z_1 = \frac{48.5 - 52}{0.79} = -4.43$$
 and  $z_2 = \frac{51.5 - 52}{0.79} = -0.63$ 

Therefore

$$\beta = P(-4.43 \le Z \le -0.63) = P(Z \le -0.63) - P(Z \le -4.43)$$
$$= 0.2643 - 0.0000 = 0.2643$$

$$\beta = P(48.5 \le \overline{X} \le 51.5 \text{ when } \mu = 50.5)$$

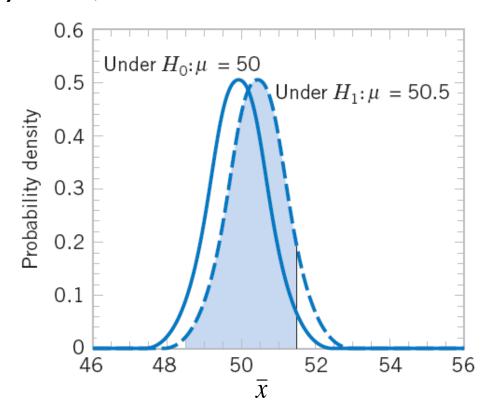


Figure 8-6 The probability of type II error when  $\mu = 50.5$  and n = 10.

$$\beta = P(48.5 \le \overline{X} \le 51.5 \text{ when } \mu = 50.5)$$

As shown in Fig. 8-4, the z-values corresponding to 48.5 and 51.5 when  $\mu = 50.5$  are

$$z_1 = \frac{48.5 - 50.5}{0.79} = -2.53$$
 and  $z_2 = \frac{51.5 - 50.5}{0.79} = -1.27$ 

Therefore

$$\beta = P(-2.53 \le Z \le -1.27) = P(Z \le -1.27) - P(Z \le -2.53)$$
$$= 0.8980 - 0.0057 = 0.8923$$

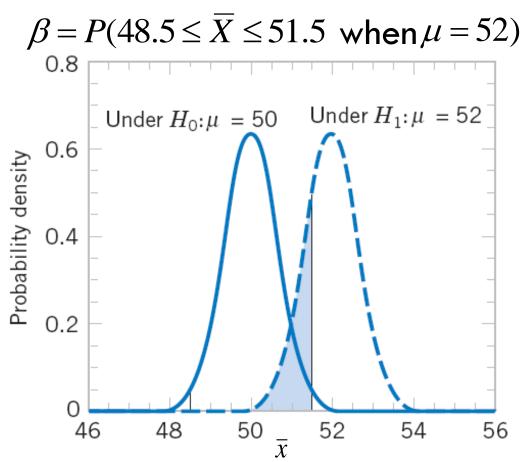


Figure 8-7 The probability of type II error when  $\mu = 2$  and n = 16.

$$\beta = P(48.5 \le \overline{X} \le 51.5 \text{ when } \mu = 52)$$

When n = 16, the standard deviation of  $\overline{X}$  is  $\sigma/\sqrt{n} = 2.5/\sqrt{16} = 0.625$ , and the z-values corresponding to 48.5 and 51.5 when  $\mu = 52$  are

$$z_1 = \frac{48.5 - 52}{0.79} = -5.60$$
 and  $z_2 = \frac{51.5 - 52}{0.79} = -0.80$ 

**Therefore** 

$$\beta = P(-5.60 \le Z \le -0.80) = P(Z \le -0.80) - P(Z \le -5.60)$$
$$= 0.2119 - 0.0000 = 0.2119$$

#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

 $\beta = P(\text{type II error}) = P(\text{fail to reject } H_0 \text{ when } H_0 \text{ is false})$ 

Probability density function Normal

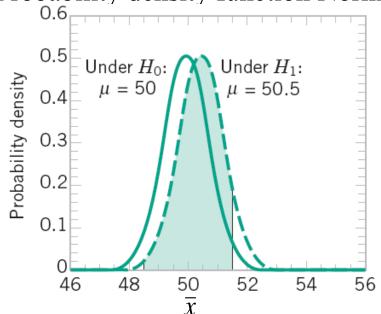


Figure 8-8 The probability of type II error when  $\mu = 52$  and  $\mu = 16$ .

#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

1. The size of the critical region, and consequently the probability of a type I error, can always be reduced by appropriate selection of the critical values.

has a relationship

Acceptance Region	Sample Size	α	$eta$ at $\mu$ = 52	$eta$ at $\mu$ = 50.5
$-48.5 < \overline{x} < 51.5$	10	0.0574	0.2643	0.8923
48 $< \bar{\chi} < 52$	10	0.0114	0.5000	0.9705
$-48.5 < \overline{\chi} < 51.5$	16	0.0164	0.2119	0.9445
$48.42 < \bar{x} < 51.58$	16	0.0114	0.2515	0.9578
$48.81 < \overline{\chi} < 51.19$	16	0.0574	0.0966	0.8606
48 $< \bar{\chi} < 52$	16	0.0014	0.5000	0.9918

#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

2. Type I and type II errors are related. A decrease in the probability of one type of error always results in an increase in the probability of the other, provided that the sample size n does not change.

Acceptance Region	Sample Size	$\alpha$	$eta$ at $\mu=52$	$\beta$ at $\mu = 50.5$
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#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

3. An increase in sample size reduce beta, provided that alpha is held constant.

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#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

4. When the null hypothesis is false, beta increases as the true value of the parameter approaches the value hypothesized in the null hypothesis. The value of beta decreases as the difference between the true mean and the hypothesized value increases.

Acceptance Region	Sample Size	$\alpha$ at $\mu = 50$	$eta$ at $\mu=52$	$\beta$ at $\mu = 50.5$
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#### 8-3.2 Testing Statistical Hypotheses

The **power** of a statistical test is the probability of rejecting the null hypothesis  $H_0$  when the alternative hypothesis is true.

- The power is computed as 1 b, and power can be interpreted as the probability of correctly rejecting a false null hypothesis. We often compare statistical tests by comparing their power properties.
- For example, consider the propellant burning rate problem when we are testing  $H_0: \mu=50$  centimeters per second against  $H_1: \mu$  not equal 50 centimeters per second. Suppose that the true value of the mean is  $\mu=52$ . When n=10, we found that b=0.2643, so the power of this test is 1-b=1-0.2643=0.7357 when m=52.

#### 8-3.3 One-Sided and Two-Sided Hypotheses

#### **Two-Sided Test:**

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$
 (8-2)  $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$ 

#### **One-Sided Tests:**

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$
  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$   $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$   $H_1: \mu < \mu_0$ 

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#### Example 8-1: Propellant Burning Rate

Consider the propellant burning rate problem. Suppose that if the burning rate is less than 50 centimeters per second, we wish to show this with a strong conclusion. The hypotheses should be stated as

 $H_0: \mu = 50$  centimeters per second

 $H_1$ :  $\mu$  < 50 centimeters per second

Here the critical region lies in the lower tail of the distribution of  $\overline{X}$ . Since the rejection of  $H_0$  is always a strong conclusion, this statement of the hypotheses will produce the desired outcome if  $H_0$  is rejected. Notice that, although the null hypothesis is stated with an equals sign, it is understood to include any value of  $\mu$  not specified by the alternative hypothesis. Therefore, failing to reject  $H_0$  does not mean that  $\mu = 50$  centimeters per second exactly, but only that we do not have strong evidence in support of  $H_1$ .

#### 8-3.3 One-Sided and Two-Sided Hypotheses

The **P-value** is the smallest level of significance that would lead to rejection of the null Hypothesis  $H_0$ .

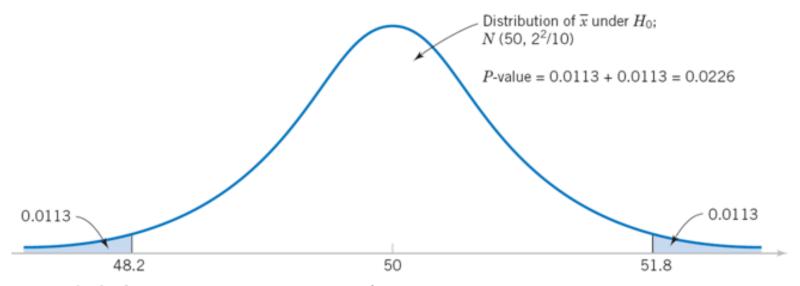
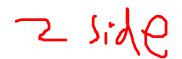


Figure 8-9 Calculation the P-value for the propellant burning rate problem.



#### 8-3.4 P-Values in Hypothesis Tests

Consider the two-sided hypothesis test for burning rate

$$H_0: \mu = 50$$
  $H_1: \mu \neq 50$ 

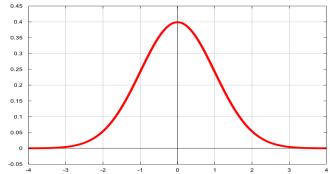
with n=16 and  $\sigma=2.5$ . Suppose that the observed sample mean is  $\overline{x}=51.3$  centimeters per second. A critical region for this test with critical values at 51.3 and the symmetric value 48.7. The P-value of the test is the  $\alpha$  associated with this critical region. Any smaller value for  $\alpha$  expands the critical region and the test fails to reject the null hypothesis when  $\overline{x}=51$ . The P-value is easy to compute after the test statistic is observed. In this example.

$$P-value = 1 - P(48.7 < \overline{X} < 51.3)$$

$$= 1 - P(\frac{48.7 - 50}{2.5 / \sqrt{16}} < Z < \frac{51.3 - 50}{2.5 / \sqrt{16}}$$

$$= 1 - P(-2.08 < Z < 2.08)$$

$$= 1 - 0.962 = 0.038$$



#### 8-3.4 P-Values in Hypothesis Tests

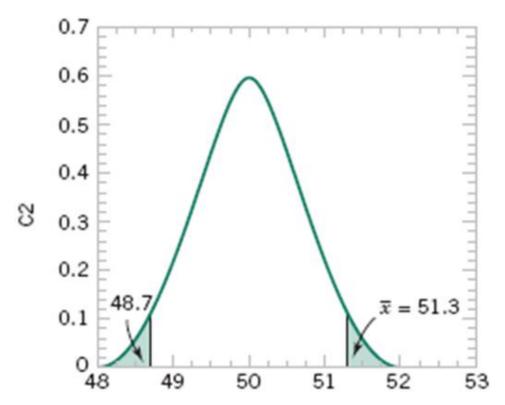


Figure 8-10 P-value is area of shaded region when  $\bar{x} = 51.3$ .

#### 8-3.5 General Procedure for Hypothesis Testing

- Parameter of interest: From the problem context, identify the parameter of interest.
- 2. Null hypothesis,  $H_0$ : State the null hypothesis,  $H_0$ .
- 3. Alternative hypothesis,  $H_1$ : Specify an appropriate alternative hypothesis,  $H_1$ .
- 4. Test statistic: State an appropriate test statistic.
- 5. Reject  $H_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}$  if: Define the criteria that will lead to rejection of  $H_{\scriptscriptstyle 0}$  .
- 6. Computation: Compute any necessary sample quantities, substitute these into the equation for the test statistic, and compute that value.
- 7. Conclusions: Decide whether or not  $H_0$  should be rejected and report that in the problem context. This could involve computing a P-value or comparing the test statistic to a set of critical values.

#### Steps 1-4 should be completed prior to examination of the sample data.

#### **Assumptions**

- 1.  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n$  is a random sample of size n from a population.
- 2. The population is normally distributed, or if it is not, the conditions of the central limit theorem apply.

Under the previous assumptions, the quantity

$$Z = \frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \tag{8-5}$$

has a standard normal distribution, N(0, 1).

#### 8-4.1 Hypothesis Testing on the Mean

We wish to test:

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$$

The test statistic is:

$$Z_0 = \frac{\overline{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \tag{8-6}$$

#### 8-4.1 Hypothesis Testing on the Mean

Reject  $H_0$  if the observed value of the test statistic  $z_0$  is either:

$$z_0 > z_{\alpha/2}$$
 or  $z_0 < -z_{\alpha/2}$ 

Fail to reject  $H_0$  if

$$-z_{\alpha/2} \le z_0 \le z_{\alpha/2}$$

#### 8-4.1 Hypothesis Testing on the Mean

Reject if Z0 fall into these region then it is rejected

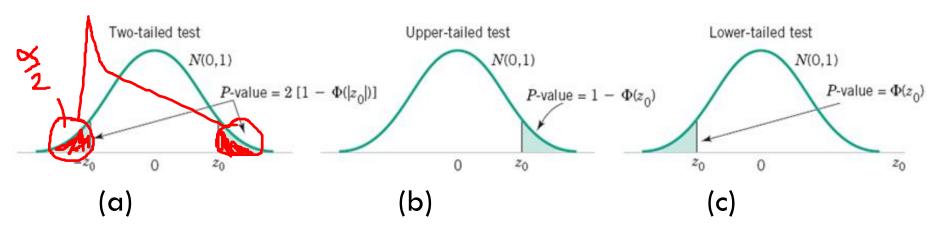


Figure 8-11 The P-value for a z-test. (a) The-sided alternation  $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$ . (b) The one-sided alternative  $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$ . (c) The one-sided alterative  $H_1: \mu < \mu_0$ .



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#### **Example 8-2: Propellant Burning Rate (2-sided)**

Aircrew escape systems are powered by a solid propellant. The burning rate of this propellant is an important product characteristic. Specification require tat the mean burning rate must be 50 centimeters per second. We know that the standard deviation of burning rate is  $\sigma=2$  centimeters per second. The experimenter decides to specify a type I error probability or significance level of  $\alpha=0.05$  and selects a random sample of n=25 and obtains a sample average burning rate of  $\overline{\chi}=51.3$  centimeters per second. What conclusion should be drawn?

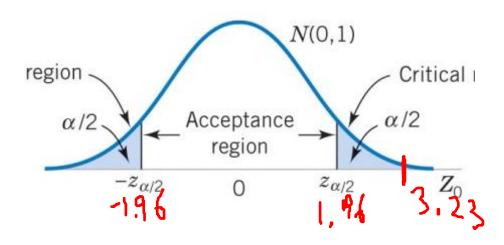
We may solve this program by following the seven-step procedure outlined in Section 8-3.5. This results in

- 1. Parameter of interest: The parameter of interest is  $\mu$ , the mean burning rate.
- 2. Null hypothesis, $H_0: \mu = 50$  centimeters per second
- 3. Alternative hypothesis,  $H_1: \mathcal{H}_1: \mu \neq 50$  centimeters per second

#### **Example 8-2: Propellant Burning Rate**

- 4. Test statistic : The test statistic is  $z_0=\frac{\overline{x}-\mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}=\frac{51.3-50}{2/\sqrt{25}}=3.25$  , since  $\overline{x}=51.3$  and  $\sigma=2$
- 5. **Rejection Criteria:** Reject  $H_0$  if the P-value is less than 0.05.

To use a fixed significance level test, the boundaries of the critical region would be  $z_o < -z_{\alpha/2}$  and  $z_o > z_{\alpha/2}$ 



### Example 8-2: Propellant Burning Rate Reject/NOT Reject

6. **Decision:** Reject  $H_0: \mu = 50$  at the 0.05 level of significance

p-value: Since  $z_0 = 3.25$  ,the P-value is  $P-value = 2[1-\Phi(3.25)] = 0.0012$ 

Fixed level test:  $z_0 = 3.25 > z_{0.025} = 1.96$ 

₹ - LT	0	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.45	
1.8	0.96407	0.96485	0.96562	0.96638	0.96712	0.96784	0.96856	0.96926	0.35	
1.9	0.97128	0.97193	0.97257	0.97320	0.97381	0.97441	0.97500	0.97558		
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7. **Conclusion**: We conclude that the mean burning rate differs from 50 centimeters per second, based on a sample of 25 measurements. In fact, there is strong evidence that the mean burning rate exceeds 50 centimeters per second.

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#### 8-4.1 Hypothesis Tests on the Mean (Upper Tailed)

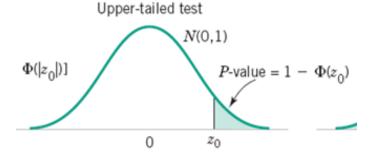
New let's consider the one-sided alternatives. Suppose that we are testing

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$

$$H_1: \mu > \mu_0$$

Once again, suppose that we have a random sample of size n and that the sample mean is  $\overline{\chi}$ . We compute the test statistic from Equation 9-8 and obtain  $\mathcal{Z}_0$ . Because the test is an upper-tailed test, only values of  $\overline{\chi}$  that are greater than  $\mu_0$  are consistent with the alternative hypothesis.

Therefore, the P-value would be the probability that the standard normal random variable is greater than the value of the statistic  $z_0$ . This P-value is computed as



$$P = 1 - \Phi(z_0)$$

#### 8-4.1 Hypothesis Tests on the Mean (Lower Tailed)

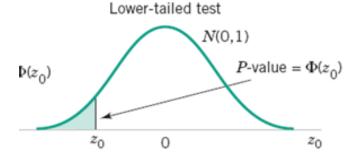
The lower-tailed test involves the hypotheses

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$$

$$H_1: \mu < \mu_0$$

Similarly, to test the lower-tailed case, we would calculate the test statistic  $Z_0$  and reject  $H_0$  if the value of  $Z_0$  is too small. That is in the lower tail of the standard normal distribution as in Fig. 8-11(c), and we reject  $H_0$  if

$$z_0 < -z_\alpha$$



#### 8-4.1 Hypothesis Testing on the Mean

#### Testing Hypotheses on the Mean, Variance Known (z-Test)

Always = sign Null hypothesis:  $H_0$ :  $\mu = \mu_0$ 

Test statistic:  $Z_0 = \frac{\overline{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$ 

Alternative Hypotheses	<i>P</i> -Value	Rejection Criterion for Fixed-Level Tests
$H_1$ : $\mu \neq \mu_0$	Probability above $ z_0 $ and probability below $- z_0 $ , $P = 2[1 - \Phi( z_0 )]$	$z_0 > z_{\alpha/2} \text{ or } z_0 < -z_{\alpha/2}$
$H_1$ : $\mu > \mu_0$	Probability above $z_0$ , $P = 1 - \Phi(z_0)$	$z_0 > z_{\alpha}$
$H_1$ : $\mu < \mu_0$	Probability below $z_0$ , $P = \Phi(z_0)$	$z_0 < -z_{\alpha}$

The P-values and critical regions for these situations are shown in Figs. 4-9 and 4-10.

#### P-Values in Hypothesis Tests

The P-value is the smallest level of significance that would lead to rejection of the null hypothesis  $H_0$  with the given data.

$$\mathsf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 2[1-\Phi(\mid z_0\mid)] \text{ for a two-tailed test: } H_0: \mu = \mu_0 & H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0 \\ 1-\Phi(z_0) & \text{for a upper-tailed test: } H_0: \mu = \mu_0 & H_1: \mu > \mu_0 \\ \Phi(z_0) & \text{for a lower-tailed test: } H_0: \mu = \mu_0 & H_1: \mu < \mu_0 \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

Repeat Example 8-2 Propellant Burning Rate with
 Z<sub>0</sub> criteria