

## Z-test for difference of proportions

$$H_0: P_c - P_a = 0$$

$$H_a: P_c - P_a \neq 0$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

Where  $P_c$  is the proportion of Caucasians that are categorized as “high risk” and  $P_a$  is the proportion of African Americans categorized as “high risk”, and  $P_{co}$  will be the combined rate.

Our Z-score is given by 
$$Z = \frac{P_c - P_a - H_0}{\sigma_{P_c - P_a}}$$

$$\text{And } \sigma_{P_c - P_a} = \sqrt{\frac{P_{co}(1 - P_{co})}{n_c} + \frac{P_{co}(1 - P_{co})}{n_a}}$$

Where  $n_c$  and  $n_a$  are the total number of people in our Caucasian and African American test sample, respectively. We reference our code output to get these values as well as the proportion of the populations that were categorized high risk

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> nrow(aadata[aadata$model == "High", ])
[1] 196

> nrow(aadata)
[1] 930

> nrow(aadata[aadata$model == "High", ]) / nrow(aadata)
[1] 0.2107527

> nrow(cdata[cdata$model == "High", ])
[1] 25

> nrow(cdata)
[1] 648

> nrow(cdata[cdata$model == "High", ]) / nrow(cdata)
[1] 0.03858025
> |

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	Caucasian	African American	Combined
Low/Medium risk	623	734	1357
High risk	25	196	221
Total	648	930	1578

Thus

$$P_c = 0.0386$$

$$P_a = 0.2108$$

$$P_{co} = 0.1401$$

$$n_c = 648$$

$$n_a = 930$$

We calculate

$$\sigma_{P_c - P_a} = \sqrt{\frac{.14(1 - .14)}{648} + \frac{.14(1 - .14)}{930}} = 0.0178$$

And our Z-score is

$$Z = \frac{.0386 - .2108 - 0}{.0178} = -9.67$$

With a P-value  $\approx 0$ , we reject  $H_0$

Therefore we can conclude that there is a statistically significant difference in the rates at which Caucasians and African Americans are being categorized as high-risk.