Hypothesis Testing & Tests

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Learning Objectives: Hypothesis Tests

- Describe the difference between a hypothesis test and a confidence interval
- Correctly use vocabulary of hypothesis testing:
 - Null Hypothesis: *H*₀
 - Reject or Fail to Reject the Null Hypothesis
 - Alternate Hypothesis: H₁
 - p-value
- Test hypotheses for:
 - a single proportion
 - two proportions
 - two means
- Distinguish when to use one-way and two-way hypothesis test

Descriptive vs. Inferential Statistics

- Descriptive or Summary Statistics
 - Goal: to describe the features of a collection of data in a quantitative way
 - Measures of Central Tendency:
 - mean, median, and mode
 - Measures of Variability, Dispersion, or Spread:
 - range, variance, standard deviation, quartiles
- Inferential or Inductive Statistics
 - Goal: to summarize a sample of the data to infer or draw conclusions about the population from which the sample is drawn
 - Hypothesis testing
 - A/B testing
 - -p-value
 - t-tests, χ^2 -tests, F-tests
 - Confidence intervals

Hypothesis Testing

Hypothesis testing tell us *how extreme* the observed result is compared to what random chance might produce, and it helps us make decisions on that basis.

Lecture Outline

- Hypothesis Testing
 - Testing Procedure
 - Null Hypothesis & Alternative Hypothesis
 - p-value and Degrees of Freedom (df)
 - Type I and Type II Errors
- Examplar Tests: Parametric & Nonparametric
 - T-Tests and Wilcoxon Tests
 - Single Sample: T-Test
 - Two-Sample: Independent Groups
 - Paired Two-Sample: Dependent Groups
 - Multiple Samples: Independent Groups

Statistical Distributions & Functions in R

Distribution	Random Number Generator	Density	Distribution	Quantile
Normal	rnorm	dnorm	pnorm	qnorm
t	rt	dt	pt	qt
F	rf	df	pf	qf
χ^2	rchisq	dchisq	pchisq	qchisq

{dpqr}distribution_abbreviation()

- **d** = density
- p = distribution function
- q = quantile function
- r = random generation
- pnorm(a) $\equiv P(X \leq a)$: probability that a or smaller number occurs
- pnorm(b) pnorm(a) $\equiv P(a \leq X \leq b)$: probability that the variable falls between two points
- qnorm(): given the cumulative probability distribution, it returns the quantile

Statistical Distributions: Mean and Variance

Distribution	Degrees of freedom	Mean	Variance
Normal		μ	σ^2
t	\boldsymbol{n}	0	n/(n-2)
F	n_1 and n_2	$n_2/(n_2-2)$	a/b
χ^2	r	r	2r

$$a = 2n_2^2(n_1 + n_2 - 2)$$

 $b = n_1(n_2 - 2)^2(n_2 - 4)$

Reminder: Statistic & its Proxy

Aim	Model Statistic	Sample Statistic	Proxy Statistic	Formula for Proxy
Estimate the mean μ of a normal distribution with known variance σ^2	μ	m	Z-statistic	$Z{\sim}rac{m-\mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$
Estimate the variance σ^2 of a normal distribution with known mean μ	σ^2	\mathcal{S}^2	χ^2 -statistic	$\chi^2_{n-1} \sim (n-1) \frac{S^2}{\sigma^2}$
Estimate the mean μ of a normal distribution with un-known variance σ^2	μ	m	t-statistic	$T_{n-1} \sim \frac{m-\mu}{S/\sqrt{n}}$

Ex.	Proxy Statistic	Distribution	Degrees of Freedom (df)
1	Z-statistic	N(0,1)	
2	χ^2 -statistic	$\chi^2(n-1)$	n-1
3	t-statistic	T_{n-1}	n-1

Hypothesis Testing: Procedure

- Step 1: Define a statistic that obeys a certain distribution if the hypothesis is correct:
 - Ex-1: The mean μ from a normal distribution with known variance σ^2
 - Ex-2: The variance σ^2 from a normal distribution with known mean μ
 - Ex-3: The mean μ from a normal distribution with unknown variance σ^2
- Step 2 (optional): Transform the statistic to a proxy statistic with the proxy distribution of better understood properties/characteristics:
 - Ex-1: Z-statistic from a uniform normal distribution, N(0,1)
 - Ex-2: χ_{n-1} -statistic from a χ^2 distribution with n df
 - Ex-3: T_{n-1} -statistic from a t-distribution with n-1 df
- Step 3: Calculate the statistic (original/proxy) from the sample
- Step 4: Compute the probability (the p-value) of this sample with this statistic to be drawn from this distribution (original/proxy)
 - Reject the hypothesis if probability is low (e.g., p-value < 0.05)
 - Fail to reject the hypothesis otherwise (e.g., p-value ≥ 0.05)

Important Note

DO NOT SAY: We **ACCEPT** the Hypothesis

INSTEAD: We **FAIL TO REJECT** the Hypothesis

Given the sample we had to calculate the statistic

Null Hypothesis vs. Alternative Hypothesis

- Null Hypothesis (H_0) : what is considered to be true:
 - **Example**: $\mu = \mu_0$: We want to test a hypothesis that the unknown mean μ for a sample from a normal distribution with known variance σ^2 is equal to a specific constant μ_0
- Alternative Hypothesis (H_1) : If the null hypothesis is rejected:
 - Example: $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$

Examples: Null and Alternative Hypotheses

- Null = "no difference between the means of group A and group B"
 - Alternative = "A is different from B" (could be bigger or smaller)
- Null = "A < B"
 - Alternative = "B > A"
- Null = "B is not x% greater than A"
 - Alternative = "B is x% greater than A"

- The Null and Alternative Hypotheses must account for all possibilities.
- The nature of the null hypothesis determines the structure of the hypothesis test.

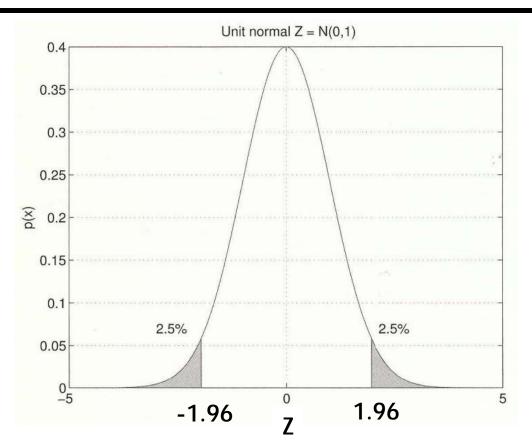
H1 Hypothesis: One-Way or Two-Way Tests?

- A directional alternative hypothesis:
 - B is better than A
 - Use a one-way or one-tail hypothesis test
 - An extreme chance results in only one direction count toward the p-value
 - A one-tail hypothesis test often fits the nature of A/B decision making
 - decision is required and one option is assigned "default" unless the other proves better
- A bi-directional alternative hypothesis
 - A is different from B (could be bigger or smaller)
 - Use a two-way or two-tail hypothesis
 - ullet Extreme chance results in either direction count toward the the p-value
 - R software typically provides a two-tail test in default output

Summary: Key Ideas

- A null hypothesis embodies the notion that nothing special has happened
 - any effect you observe is due to random chance
- The hypothesis test assumes the null hypothesis is true, creates a "null model" (a probability model), and tests whether the effect you observe is a reasonable outcome of that model

Two-sided Confidence Interval for $Z \sim N(0, 1)$



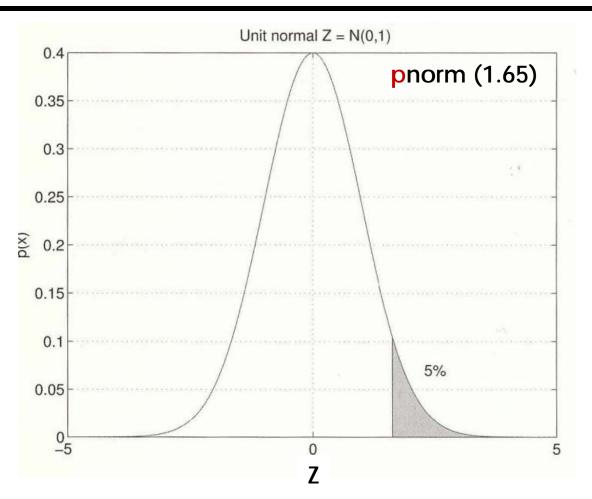
95% of the unit normal distribution lies between - 1.96 and 1.96

$$P\{ |Z - 0| < 1.96 \} = 0.95$$

pnorm (1.96) – pnorm (-1.96)

What is (1 - pnorm(1.96))?

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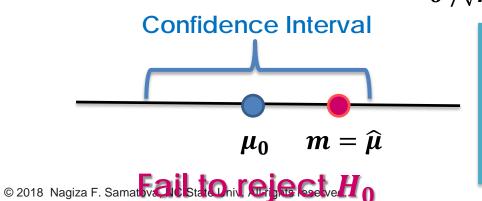


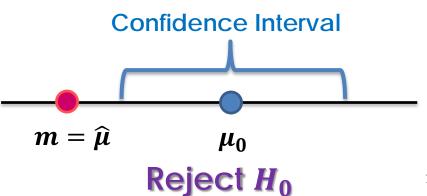
95% of the unit normal distribution lies below 1.64

$$P\{Z < 1.64\} = 0.95$$

Significance Level: Two-sided Test

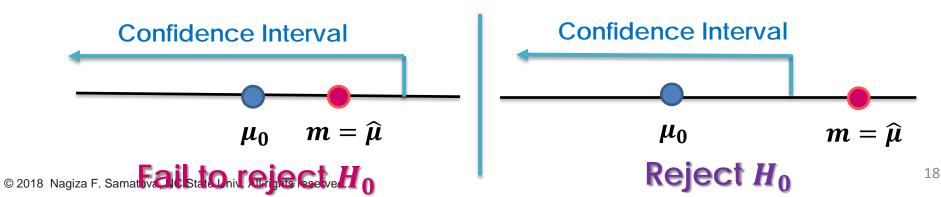
- Null Hypothesis: $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$
- Alternative Hypothesis: $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$
- Significance Level (α): We fail to reject the null hypothesis with level of significance α if the estimate of the sample statistic lies within the $100(1-\alpha)$ percent two-sided confidence interval (CI) for the hypothesized value of the statistic:
 - m is the point estimate of μ :
 - We fail to reject H_0 if m is close to μ_0 , i.e., within the confidence interval, namely, if $Z \sim \frac{m \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \in (-z_{\alpha/2}, z_{\alpha/2})$
 - We reject H_0 if m is too far from μ_0 , i.e., outside the confidence interval, namely, if $Z \sim \frac{m-\mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \notin (-z_{\alpha/2}, z_{\alpha/2})$





Significance Level: One-sided Test

- Null Hypothesis: $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$
- Alternative Hypothesis: $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$
- Significance Level (α): We fail to reject the null hypothesis with level of significance α if the estimate of the sample statistic lies within the $100(1-\alpha)$ percent one-sided confidence interval (CI) for the hypothesized value of the statistic:
 - m is the point estimate of μ :
 - We fail to reject H_0 if m is close to μ_0 , i.e., within the confidence interval, namely, if $Z \sim \frac{m \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \in (-\infty, Z_{\alpha})$
 - We reject H_0 if m is too far from μ_0 , i.e., outside the confidence interval, namely, if $Z \sim \frac{m \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \notin (-\infty, \mathbf{Z}_{\alpha})$



Exercise: Test the null hypothesis

- Null Hypothesis (H_0) : what is considered to be true:
 - H_0 : $\mu = \mu_0$: We want to test a hypothesis that the **unknown** mean μ for a sample from a normal distribution with **unknown** variance σ^2 is equal to a specific constant μ_0
- Hint: Use t-statistic rather than Z-statistic from the previous examples

Solution: Test the null hypothesis

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Use *t*-statistic:
$$T_{n-1} \sim \frac{m-\mu}{S/\sqrt{n}}$$

Two-sided Test:

• We fail to reject H_0 at significance level α if

$$T_{n-1} \sim \frac{m - \mu_0}{S / \sqrt{n}} \in (-t_{\alpha/2, n-1}, t_{\alpha/2, n-1})$$

• We reject H_0 at significance level α if

$$T_{n-1} \sim \frac{m-\mu_0}{S/\sqrt{n}} \notin (-t_{\alpha/2,n-1},t_{\alpha/2,n-1})$$

Example: T-Test Hypothesis Testing in R

Null Hypothesis (H_0): The average tip is equal to \$2.50

```
> data(tips, package = "reshape2")
 head (tips)
 total_bill tip sex smoker day time size
                           No Sun Dinner
      16.99 1.01 Female
1
3
4
5
      10.34 1.66 Male
                           No Sun Dinner
                           No Sun Dinner
      21.01 3.50 Male
      23.68 3.31 Male
                           No Sun Dinner
      24.59 3.61 Female
                           No Sun Dinner
      25.29 4.71 Male No Sun Dinner
> unique (tips$sex)
[1] Female Male
Levels: Female Male
> unique (tips$day)
[1] Sun Sat Thur Fri
Levels: Fri Sat Sun Thur
```

One-Sample T-Test (cont.)

Null Hypothesis (H_0): The average tip is equal to \$2.50

```
> t.test(tips$tip, alternative="two.sided", mu=2.5)
 One Sample t-test
                                       Reject Null Hypothesis
<u>data: tip</u>s$tip
t = 5.6253, df = 243, p-value = 5.08e-08
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 2.5
95 percent confidence interval:
 2.823799 3.172758 -
sample estimates:
mean of x
 2.998279
                                               95% CI
                                          2.8

 The p-value (less than 0.05)

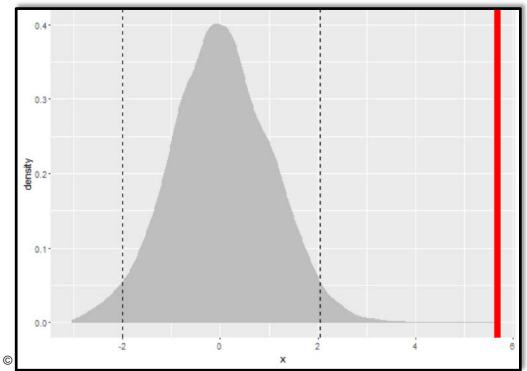
                                \mu_0 = 2.5
                                             m=\widehat{\mu}=2.99
```

indicates the null hypothesis should be rejected

Reject H_0

Examine t-statistic & its probability visually

```
randT \leftarrow rt(3000, df=NROW(tips)-1)
23
   tipTTest <- t.test(tips$tip,
                        alternative="two.sided",
24
25
                       mu = 2.5
26
   require (ggplot2)
   ggplot(data.frame(x=randT)) +
27
28
     geom_density(aes(x=x), fill="grey", color="grey") +
     geom_vline(xintercept=tipTTest$statistic, color="red") +
29
     geom_vline(xintercept=mean(randT) +
30
31
                   c(-2,2)*sd(randT), linetype=2)
```



Probability of t-statistic

p-value = 5.08e-08

t-statistic = 5.62

t-distribution and t-statistic for tip data:

- dashed lines are two sd's from the mean in either direction
- thick red line (t-statistic) is far outside the distribution > reject null hypothesis > true mean is not equal to \$2.50

What about one-sided T-Test

Null Hypothesis (H_0): The average tip is less than \$2.50

```
> t.test(tips$tip, alternative="greater", mu=2.5)
 One Sample t-test
                                    Reject Null Hypothesis
data: tips$tip
t = 5.6253, df = 243, p-value = 2.54e-08
alternative hypothesis: true mean is greater than 2.5
95 percent confidence interval:
 2.852023 Inf

 The p-value (less than 0.05)

sample estimates:
                                     indicates the null hypothesis
mean of x
                                     should be rejected
2.998279
```

Conclusion: The mean is greater than \$2.50

Comments on p-value & degrees of freedom

- p-value: The probability, if the null hypothesis were correct, of getting as extreme, or more extreme, a result for the tested statistic (e.g., the estimated mean):
 - It is a measure of how extreme the statistic is
 - If the statistic is too extreme, we conclude that H_0 should be rejected
 - Typical p-value to reject H_0 : 0.10, 0.05 or 0.01 to be too extreme

- Degrees of freedom (df): Represents the effective number of observations:
 - Usually, df is the number of observations minus the number of parameters being estimated

P-values: Six principles

- P-values can indicate how incompatible the data are with a specified statistical model
- P-values do not measure the probability that the studied hypothesis is true, or probability that the data were produced by random chance alone
- Scientific conclusions and business or policy decisions should not be based only on whether p-value passes a specific threshold
- Proper inference requires full reporting and transparency
- P-value, or statistical significance, does not measure the size of an effect or the importance of a result
- By itself, a p-value does not provide a good measure of evidence regarding a model of hypothesis

Guidelines by the American Statistical Association (ASA)

Type I and Type II Errors, Power Function

	Decision		
Truth	Fail to reject H ₀	Reject H ₀	
True	Correct	Type I Error	
False	Type II Error	Correct (Power)	

- Type I Error: Reject the null hypothesis H_0 , when H_0 is correct
 - The significance level α set before the test defines how much Type I Error we can tolerate
 - Typical values for $\alpha = 0.1, 0.05, 0.01$
- Type II Error: Fail to reject the null hypothesis H_0 , when H_0 is false
 - Fail to reject the null hypothesis when the true mean μ is unequal to μ_0 .
 - The probability that H_0 is not rejected when the true mean is μ is a function of μ : $\beta(\mu) = P_{\mu} \{ -z_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{m \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq z_{\alpha/2} \}$
- Power function of the test $(1 \beta(\mu))$: The probability of rejection when μ is the true value
- $_{\odot\,2018}$ Nagra F. Type, IL error probability increases as μ and μ_0 get closer

Comparing Two Groups of Observations

Parametric vs. Nonparametric

- Parametric tests are more powerful if the underlying assumptions hold true > Always try parametric tests first
- Nonparametric tests are more appropriate when the assumptions are grossly unreasonable (e.g., rank ordered data)
- Dependent vs. Independent Groups
 - Paired Tests (paired = TRUE) for dependent groups

Examples: Hypothesis Tests

Sample	Paired	Null Hypothesis	Assumptions	Test
One Sample		$H_0: \mu = \mu_0$	i.i.d. $N(\mu,\sigma^2)$	t.test()
Two Samples	No	$H_0: \ \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$	Normally distributed	F-test: var.test() Bartlett: bartlett.test()
Two Samples	No	$H_0: \ \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$	Non- parametric	Ansari-Bradley test: ansari.test()
Two Samples	No	$H_0: \ \mu_1 = \mu_2$	$\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$	t.test(var.equal=TRUE)
Two Samples	No	$H_0: \ \mu_1 = \mu_2$	$\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$	Welch t-test t.test(var.equal=FALSE)
Two samples	No	$p_1(x) = p_2(x)$ p: probab. distr	Non- parametric	Wilcoxon rank sum wilcox.test ()
Two Samples	Yes	$H_0: \ \mu_1=\mu_2$	$\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$	t.test(paired=TRUE)
Two samples	Yes	$p_1(x) = p_2(x)$ p: probab. distr	Non- parametric	wilcox.test (paired=TRUE)

Non-parametric Test of Equal Variance

$$H_0: \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$$

- Input: Two independent samples (i.e., two groups of observations)
- Null Hypothesis: The variances of two populations are equal
- Assumption: The data does not appear to be normally distributed
 - Hence, parametric tests can not be applied:
 - Neither F-test (var.test) nor Bartlett test can be applied
- Ansari-Bradley Test: ansari.test()
 - Non-parametric (no assumptions about population distribution)
 - Fail to reject the null hypothesis if the p-value is large, i.e.,
 - in this case, we conclude that the test indicates that the variances are equal

Ex: Ansari-Bradley Test: Equality of Variances

 H_0 : The variances in tips between female and male groups are equal

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```
> shapiro.test(tips$tip[tips$sex == "Female"])
Shapiro-wilk normality test

data: tips$tip[tips$sex == "Female"]
w = 0.9568, p-value = 0.005448

> shapiro.test(tips$tip[tips$sex == "Male"])
Shapiro-wilk normality test

data: tips$tip[tips$sex == "Male"]
w = 0.8759, p-value = 3.708e-10
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test in
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```

Check the assumptions: test for normality of tip distributions

- p-value < 0.05: the null hypothesis should be rejected
- Conclusion: groups are not normally distributed

```
Ansari-Bradley test

data: tip by sex

AB = 5582.5, p-value = 0.376

alternative hypothesis: true ratio of scales
```

Assumption appears to be correct: apply a non-parametric test

- p-value > 0.05: fail to reject the null hypothesis
- According to this test, the results were not significant;
- Conclusion: the variances are equal

is not equal to 1

> ansari.test(tip ~ sex, tips)

Ex: T-Test: Equality of Means

H_0 : Female and male groups are, on average, tipped equally

- Based on the Ansari-Bradley test, the variances in tips between two groups are equal
- Hence, a standard two sample t-test can be used rather than the Welch test for unequal variances

Check the assumptions: test for equal variances

Assumption appears to be correct: apply a standard two sample t-test

- p-value > 0.05: fail to reject the null hypothesis
- According to this test, the results were not significant;
- Conclusion: female and male workers are tipped roughly equally

Paired Two-Sample T-Test: Dependent Groups

Check the assumptions:

p-value < 0.05: the null hypothesis should

Conclusion: fathers and sons (at least for

this data set) have different heights

 H_0 : Fathers and sons have equal heights, on average

```
install.packages("UsingR")
                                      test for normal distribution
require(UsingR)
                                       test for equal variances
head(father.son)
t.test(father.son$fheight, father.son$sheight, paired=TRUE)
 Paired t-test
data: father.son$fheight and father.son$sheight
t = -11.7885, df = 1077, p-value < 2.2e-16 \leftarrow Reject H_0
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal
to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -1.1629160 -0.8310296
```

be rejected

mean of the differences

-0.9969728

sample estimates:

Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test

Non-parametric comparison of two (in)dependent groups

 H_0 : Both groups are sampled from the same probability distribution: $p_1(x) = p_2(x)$

- Assumptions for using Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test: wilcox.test():
 - Two groups are independent
 - If two groups are dependent then use parameter paired = TRUE
 - Unable to meet the parametric assumptions of a t-test or ANOVA
 - Outcome variables are severely skewed or
 - Outcome variables are ordinal in nature (rank ordered data):
 - Probability of obtaining higher scores is greater in one population than the other

Example: Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test Non-parametric comparison of two independent groups

 H_0 : Incarceration rates are the same in Southern & non-Southern states

```
library(MASS)
head(UScrime)
# So: Southern vs non-Southern state
# Prob: Probability of incareceration
# (i.e., being imprisoned if committed a crime)
with (UScrime, by(Prob, So, median))
wilcox.test (Prob ~ So, data = UScrime)
```

```
Wilcoxon rank sum test data: Prob by So W = 81, p-value = 8.488e-05 Reject H_0 alternative hypothesis: true location shift is not equal to 0
```

- p-value < 0.05: the null hypothesis should be rejected
- Conclusion: incarceration rates are not the same

Example: Paired Wilcoxon Signed Rank Test Non-parametric comparison of two dependent groups

 H_0 : Unemployment rates are the same for younger and older males in Alabama

```
library(MASS)
head(Uscrime)
sapply(Uscrime[c("U1", "U2")], median)
with (Uscrime, wilcox.test(U1, U2, paired = TRUE))

Wilcoxon signed rank test with continuity
correction

data: U1 and U2
V = 1128, p-value = 2.464e-09
alternative hypothesis: true location shift
is not equal to 0
```

- p-value < 0.05: the null hypothesis should be rejected
- Conclusion: unemployment rates are not the same

Example: Paired T-Test

Parametric comparison of two dependent groups

 H_0 : Unemployment rates are the same for younger and older males in Alabama

```
library(MASS)
   head(UScrime)
   sapply(UScrime[c("U1", "U2")],
           function(x) c(mean=mean(x), sd=sd(x)))
   with (UScrime, t.test(U1, U2, paired = TRUE))
 Paired t-test
data: U1 and U2
t = 32.4066, df = 46, p-value < 2.2e-16
                                               Reject H<sub>0</sub>
alternative hypothesis: true difference in
means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 57.67003 65.30870
sample estimates:
```

- the mean difference (61.5) is large to warrant rejection of H_0 that the mean unemployment rate for older and younger males is the same
- younger males have a higher rate
- probability of obtaining a sample difference that large if population means are equal is $2.2e^{-16}$

mean of the differences

61.48936

Comparing More than Two Groups

- Parametric vs. Nonparametric
 - Parametric tests: ANOVA ← later as part of Experiment Design
 - Nonparametric tests: Kruskal Wallis or Friedman
- Dependent vs. Independent Groups : Nonparametric Tests
 - Independent Groups: Kruskal Wallis Test: kruskal.test()
 - Dependent Groups: Friedman Test: friedman.test()

Hypothesis Testing STATISTICAL SIMULATION

Null Hypothesis via Simulation

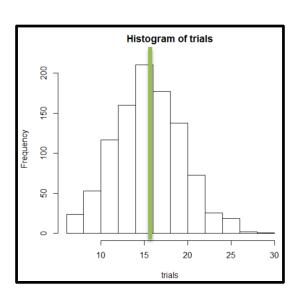
Null Hypothesis, Ho	Hat Model for Null Hypothesis	Quantitative Translation
Advertisements A and B are equally good (Goal: Reject Ho)	A single hat with 0s (no clicks) and 1s (clicks) where the 1s are the total clicks (A+B) and 0s are the total page-views	Ads A and B have the same click-through rate
A new targeted chemotherapy for advanced breast cancer is no more effective that the standard tamoxifen (Goal: Reject Ho)	A single hat for all patients (regardless of the group), with the number of days the person survived as values	Median survival time in a clinical trial is the same for both groups
A new & costly manufacturing process will not increase the chipprocessing speed worth the investment (Goal: Reject Ho)	A single hat with all chips tested (both new and existing) in the sample, with the processing speed as values	Mean processing speed in a pilot new-process sample falls short of a 25% improvement

Example: Hypothesis Testing via Simulation

Null Hypothesis: Reduction in the return rate to 8% have occurred by chance

- An online merchant has historically experienced 10% return rate in the "kitchen gadget" category.
- To increase returns, the merchant does a pilot in which it adds additional explanatory information and pictures about products to its website
- Out of the next 200 purchases, 16 (8%) are returned.
- Is the pilot effective?

```
# Hat: One one and nine zeros,
     # representing the null model of 10% returns
     hat <- c(rep(1,1), rep(0,9))
    □resample.statistic <- function() {</pre>
10
        draw <- sample (hat, 200, replace = TRUE)
11
        ret <- sum (draw)
12
        return (ret)
13
14
     trials <- replicate(n, res())
     pval <- sum(ifelse(trials<=16,1,0))</pre>
     cat("Estimated p-value: ",pval/n,"\n")
     hist(trials)
```



- 16 or fewer returns are not unusual
- p-value = 0.564 → Fail to Reject Null Hypothesis

Basic Two-Sample Hypothesis Test: Concept

- 1. Establish a null model, or the null hypothesis
 - This represents a world in which nothing unusual is happening except by chance
 - Often, this null model is that the two samples come from the same population
- Examine pairs of resamples drawn repeatedly from the null model to see how much they differ from one another
 - Alternatively, use formulas to learn about distribution of sample differences
 - If the observed difference is rarely encountered in this chance model, then we Reject the Null Hypothesis: random chance is not responsible

Basic Two-Sample Hypothesis Test: Details

- 1. Make sure you clearly understand:
 - the sizes of the two original samples
 - the statistic used to measure the difference between sample A and sample B:
 - the difference in means, proportions, ratio of proportions
 - the value of that statistic for the original two samples
- 2. Create a hat that represent the null model
 - e.g.: a hat with all the observed body weights in sample A and sample B
- Draw two resamples of the same size as the original samples from the hat
 - with or without replacement: similar results unless small samples (<10)
- 4. Record the value of the statistic of interest
- 5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 many times for 1,000 trials
 - more trial can produce greater accuracy
- 6. Note a proportion of trials that yields a value for the statistic as large as that observed (known as p-value)

Alternative H_1 : Hypothesis Tests

The alternative hypothesis is the theory you would like to accept, assuming that your results disprove the null hypothesis.

Null Hypothesis, Ho:

 No-fault reporting in hospitals is no more effective than the regular systems

Quantitatively:

 The no-fault system and the regular one both reduce errors to the same degree

Hat Model for Null Ho:

 A single hat with the total number of errors for both groups

Alternative Hypothesis, H_1 :

- No-fault reporting in hospitals is BETTER the regular system; it reduces errors more
- One-way: Hypothesis is the question of whether a treatment is *better* than the control

Average error reduction

Control 1.88

No-fault 2.80

Difference 0.92