

Hypothesis Testing – Means and Proportions

8.1, 8.3

Today's topics

Hypothesis Testing

- Definitions
- Testing for one mean
- p-value
- Testing for one proportion

Statistics overview

One goal in Statistics is to make *inferences* about populations based on samples taken from the population.

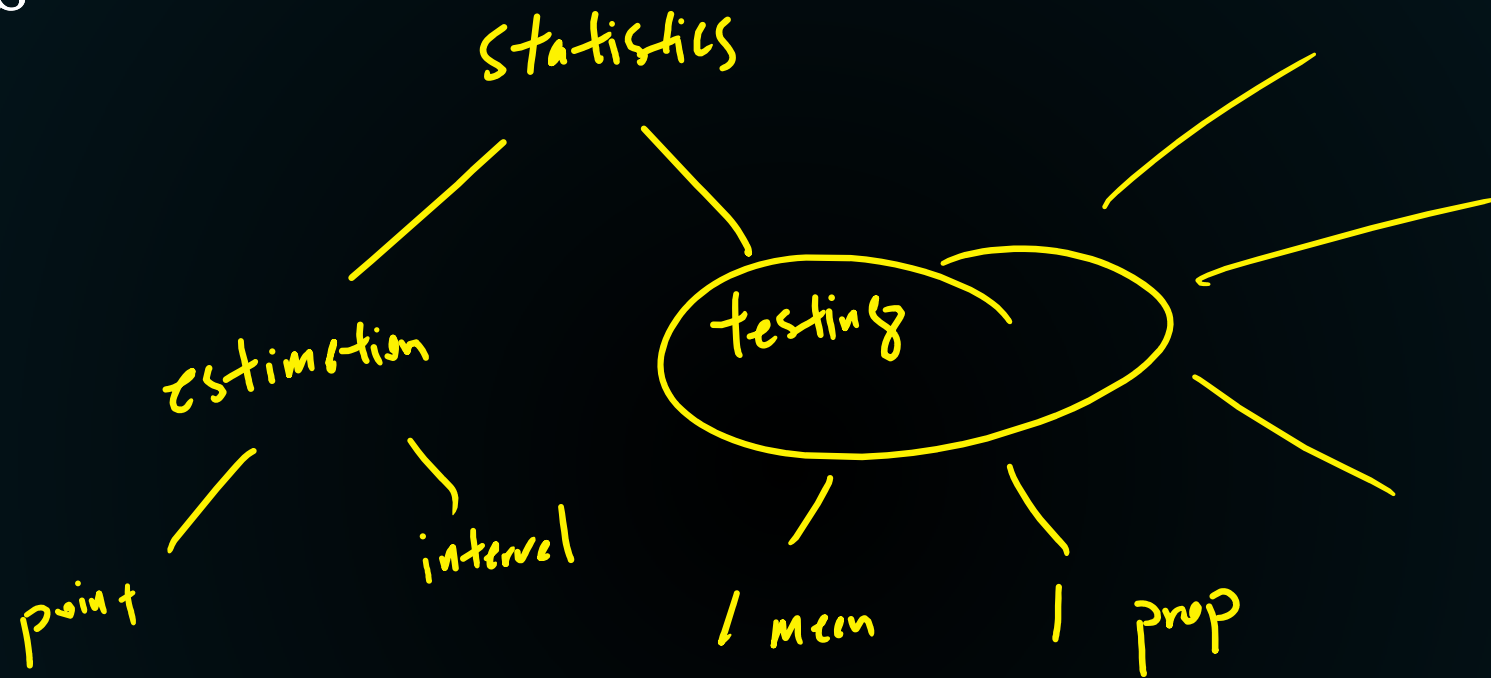
Previously, we estimated population parameters:

- ▫ Point estimates (MLE, MOM)
- ▫ Interval estimates (Confidence Intervals)

Estimation

100(1- α)%
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Testing

Another way to do inference, is to make a decision about a parameter.

Examples:



my Mazda 3 manual claims that it gets 35 highway mpg

↙ test claim




Dustin's pudding packs actually contain 3.25 oz

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Terms

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- Null hypothesis, H_0
 - Alternative hypothesis, H_A or H_1
 - Type I error:
 - Type II error
 - Simple hypothesis
 - Compound hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu = 35$$

$\nwarrow \mu_0 = 35$

$$H_A: \mu < 35$$

Null and Alternative Hypotheses

Say an experimenter wants to test the plausibility of the statement $\mu = \mu_0$. \leftarrow a fixed value e.g. 50

We can formally describe this as a **null hypothesis**.

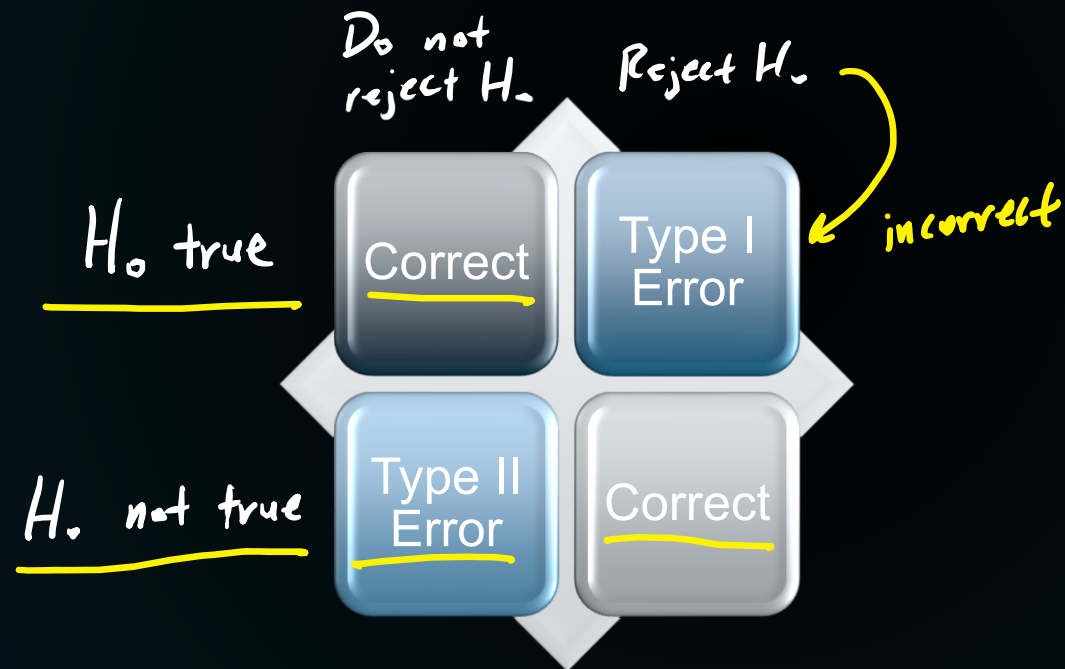
- $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ \leftarrow mean from null
- The word “hypothesis” indicates that we will be testing this statement (with data).

We will associate the null hypothesis with a different one that we are testing ‘for’, called the “alternative hypothesis”.

- $H_A: \mu \neq \mu_0$ or $H_A: \mu > \mu_0$ or $H_A: \mu < \mu_0$

notes

Type 1 and Type 2 Error



Hypothesis Test Example – “Compound” H_A

Perdout university claims that students at their school are above average intelligence. A random sample of thirty students IQ scores have a mean score of 102.5. $\bar{x} = 102.5$

Suppose the mean population IQ score is 100 with a standard deviation of 15. Is there sufficient evidence to support this claim?

$$H_0: \mu = 100$$

$$H_A: \mu > 100$$

notes

Hypothesis Test Example – “Simple” H_A

Example 8.1-1

Let X equal the breaking strength of a steel bar. If the bar is manufactured by process I, X is $N(50, 36)$, i.e., X is normally distributed with $\mu = 50$ and $\sigma^2 = 36$. It is hoped that if process II (a new process) is used, X will be $N(55, 36)$. Given a large number of steel bars manufactured by process II, how could we test whether the five-unit increase in the mean breaking strength was realized?

$$H_0: \mu = 50$$

$$H_0: \mu \leq 50$$

$$H_1: \mu = 55$$

$$H_A: \mu = 55$$

We want to set up a “rule” to determine whether to stick with H_0 or not. This rule will lead to a decision about what to do with H_0 .

Partition sample space into 2 parts: C and C' .

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If $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in C$, reject H_0
If $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in C'$, do not reject H_0

don't reject H_0

→ e.g. $\mathbf{x} = \{64.4, 54.7, 57.2, 61.6, 51.3\}$ or $\mathbf{x} = \{51.2, 54.7, 47.2, 51.6, 46.3\}$

We often partition the sample space in terms of values of a statistic called a test statistic.

$$H_0: \mu = 50$$

$$H_1: \mu = 55$$
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Test statistic

$$\bar{X}$$

Often, we partition the sample space based on the value of a statistic called the **test statistic**.

One common example is \bar{X} (for testing the mean).

We might want to reject the null hypothesis if the sample average is larger or smaller than a certain number. E.g. $\bar{X} > 53$.

$$C: \bar{X} > 54$$

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$$\text{i.e. } C = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) : \bar{x} > 53\}$$

C is referred to as the rejection region, or the critical region.

p value

$$P[\text{data} \mid H_0 \text{ true}]$$

The plausibility of a null hypothesis can be measured with a **p-value**, which is a number between 0 and 1.

- A p-value is sometimes referred to as the observed level of significance
- The smaller the p-value, the less plausible H_0 is.

Definition of a p-value:

→ “Probability of observing data at least as extreme as the observed sample given that H_0 is true.”

p-value illustration

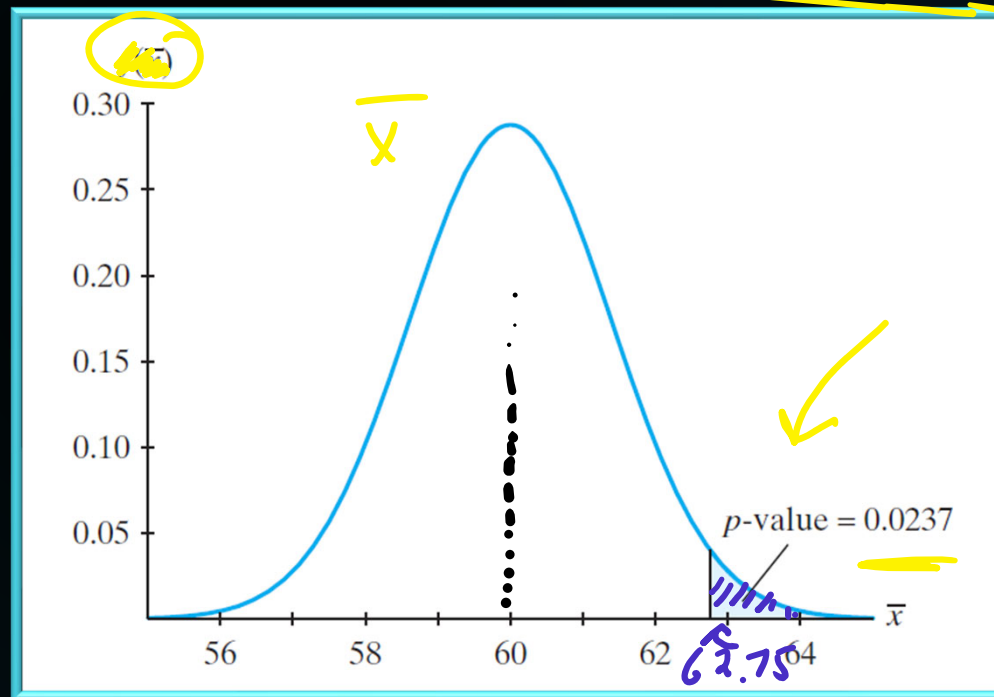
e.g. $\bar{x} = 80$

→ $H_0: \mu = \underline{60}$ vs

→ $H_A: \mu > \underline{60}$

Suppose $\bar{x} = \underline{62.75}$

$n = ?$



Hypothesis Testing (Steps)

\bar{x}

σ

- 1. Formulate H_0 and H_A (based on the scenario)
- 2. Identify a test statistic to use and its distribution under H_0
- 3. Evaluate the test statistic
- 4. Calculate a p-value, compare to α .
5. Make a decision
 - ✕ \square if $p < \alpha$, reject H_0 . Otherwise, (if $p > \alpha$), do not reject H_0 .
6. State conclusion **in the context of the original question.**
 - \square "There is/isn't enough evidence to show that..."

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normally distributed

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default H_0

$$H_0: \mu = 100$$

competing claim

$$H_A: \mu > 100$$

test statistic

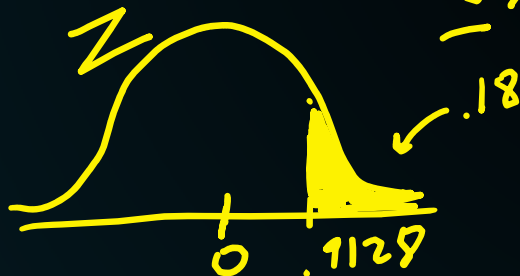
$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \sim Z$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$\sigma = 15$$

$$n = 30$$



$p = .18 > \alpha$ Do not reject H_0

$$Z = \frac{102.5 - 100}{15 / \sqrt{30}} = 0.9128 \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$H_0: \mu = 100$$

$$H_a: \mu > 100$$

$$\bar{X} > 500$$

- Alpha is the level of significance
- "probability of a false positive"

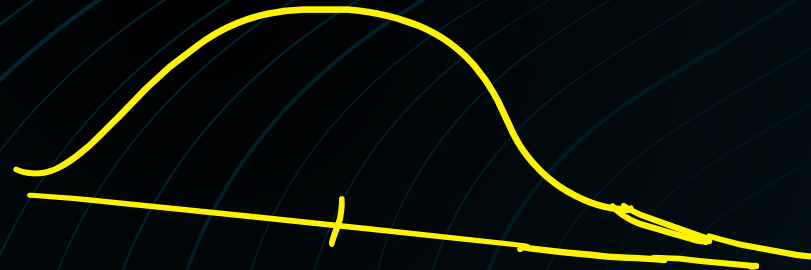
0.05

0.01

0.1

0.0001

$$\bar{X} > 100.5$$



Two ways to perform a hypothesis test

→ 1. Calculate a p-value and compare to significance level ^{given} α

if $p < \alpha$, reject H_0 ^{"observed significance level"} $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} .0499 \\ .0501 \end{array} \right\}$ if $p > \alpha$, DNR H_0 .

2. Define a rejection region (RR) and see if sample falls in RR. (also known a critical region)

e.g. $\alpha = 0.05$ 1-sided
 $H_A: \mu > 100$



Table 8.1-1 Tests of hypotheses about one mean, variance known

H_0	H_1	Critical Region
$\mu = \mu_0$	$\mu > \mu_0$	$z \geq z_\alpha$ or $\bar{x} \geq \mu_0 + z_\alpha \sigma / \sqrt{n}$
$\mu = \mu_0$	$\mu < \mu_0$	$z \leq -z_\alpha$ or $\bar{x} \leq \mu_0 - z_\alpha \sigma / \sqrt{n}$
$\mu = \mu_0$	$\mu \neq \mu_0$	$ z \geq z_{\alpha/2}$ or $ \bar{x} - \mu_0 \geq z_{\alpha/2} \sigma / \sqrt{n}$

test start
crit. value
0.9128
1.645

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{\sqrt{\sigma^2/n}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

Table 8.1-2 Tests of hypotheses for one mean, variance unknown

H_0	H_1	Critical Region
$\mu = \mu_0$	$\mu > \mu_0$	$t \geq t_\alpha(n-1)$ or $\bar{x} \geq \mu_0 + t_\alpha(n-1)s/\sqrt{n}$
$\mu = \mu_0$	$\mu < \mu_0$	$t \leq -t_\alpha(n-1)$ or $\bar{x} \leq \mu_0 - t_\alpha(n-1)s/\sqrt{n}$
$\mu = \mu_0$	$\mu \neq \mu_0$	$ t \geq t_{\alpha/2}(n-1)$ or $ \bar{x} - \mu_0 \geq t_{\alpha/2}(n-1)s/\sqrt{n}$

$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sqrt{S^2/n}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}}.$$

Example

$$\bar{x} = 2.879$$

H_0

A machine that pours beer is supposed to fill buckets with a mean of 3.0 gallons. A sample of 13 buckets gives a sample mean of 2.879 gallons and s = 0.325. Perform a hypothesis test at $\alpha = 0.05$ to see if this machine is accurately doing its job.

$$H_0: \mu = 3.0$$

$$H_A: \mu \neq 3.0$$

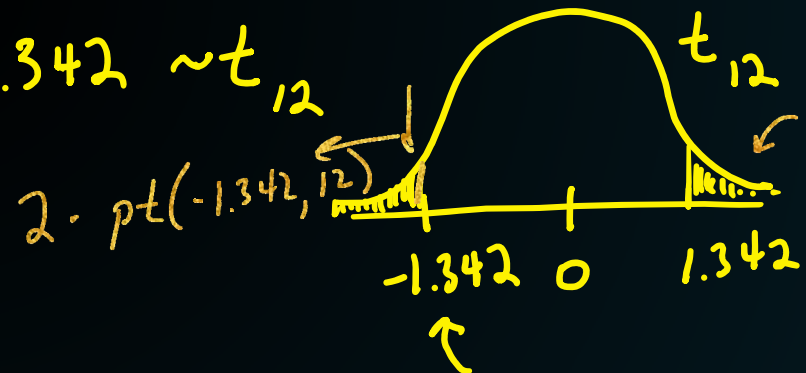
2-sided test

$$t = \frac{2.879 - 3}{.325 / \sqrt{13}} \sim t_{12}$$

$$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \sim Z$$

$$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

$$t = -1.342 \sim t_{12}$$



$$p\text{-value} = .204$$

Decision: $p > \alpha$ DNR H_0 .

Conclusion: There is not enough evidence to suggest that the machine is not accurately doing its job

Example

$$i-5 \quad \bar{x} = 3.1$$

A HAL-8000 machine that pours beer is supposed to fill buckets with a mean of 3.0 gallons. Dave takes a sample of 13 buckets and finds a sample mean of 2.879. Suppose the true standard deviation of these machines is 0.2 gallons. Perform a hypothesis test at $\alpha = 0.05$ to see if this machine is underfilling.

$$\sigma = 0.2$$

$$H_0: \mu = 3.0$$

$$H_A: \mu < 3.0$$

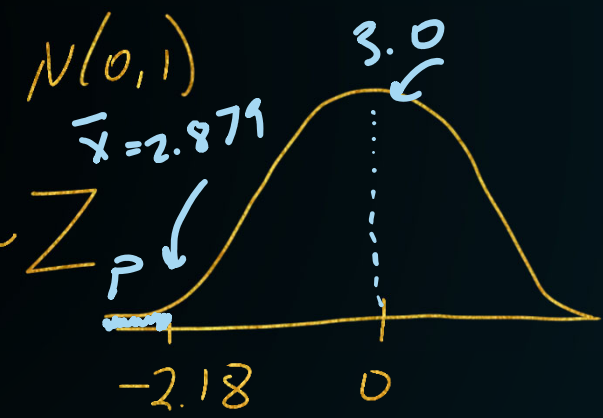
$$z =$$

1-sided test

$$\frac{2.879 - 3.0}{0.2 / \sqrt{13}} = -2.18 \sim Z$$

p-value = $0.015 < 0.05$
 Decision: $p < \alpha$ Reject H_0

Conclusion: There is enough evidence to suggest that this machine is underfilling. $\leftarrow (H_0 \text{ not true})$



$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sqrt{S^2/n}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}}$$

Example



normally distributed

Nick Fury claims that the (true) mean number of push-ups his superheroes can do is at least 40.0. A random sample of 30 superheroes gives $\bar{x} = 38.518$ pushups, $s = 2.299$. Perform a hypothesis test at $\alpha = 0.01$ to determine if this is true (or if they can't really make it to 40 pushups).

→ $H_0: \mu \geq \underline{40}$ *or* $\mu = 40$

$H_A: \mu < 40$

$t = \frac{38.518 - 40}{2.299/\sqrt{30}} \sim t_{29}$

p-value: $0.0007 < 0.01$ (α)

Decision: *Reject H_0*

Conclusion: There is significant evidence to suggest that they can NOT do 40 pushups

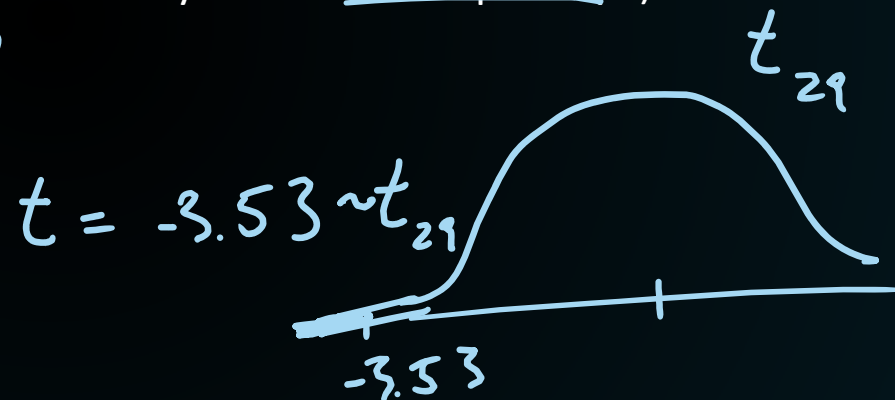


Table 8.3-1 Tests of hypotheses for one proportion

H_0	H_1	Critical Region
$p = p_0$	$p > p_0$	$z = \frac{y/n - p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)/n}} \geq z_\alpha$
$p = p_0$	$p < p_0$	$z = \frac{y/n - p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)/n}} \leq -z_\alpha$
$p = p_0$	$p \neq p_0$	$ z = \frac{ y/n - p_0 }{\sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)/n}} \geq z_{\alpha/2}$

$$Z = \frac{Y/n - p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)/n}}$$

Hypothesis test for proportions

Aladdin is a frequent flyer. He thinks he gets security-screened more than normal at the magic-carpet-port. Assume security randomly screens 10% of all people (so he should be screened 10% of the time). In the past few years, he has been (randomly?) selected 16 out of 100 times.

Perform a hypothesis test at 0.05 significance to see if the screening process is random, or biased towards screening him more.

$$Z = \frac{Y/n - p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1 - p_0)/n}}$$





Hypothesis test for proportions

$$\hat{p} = \frac{Y}{n}$$
$$Z = \frac{Y/n - p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1-p_0)/n}}$$

Assume security randomly screens 10% of all people (so he should be screened 10% of the time). Aladdin has been selected 16 out of 100 times. Is process biased towards screening him more? Test at $\alpha=0.05$.

$$H_0: p = 0.1$$

$$H_A: p > 0.1$$

$$\hat{p} = .16$$

$$\text{Test statistic: } Z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{p_0(1-p_0)/n}} = \frac{.16 - .1}{\sqrt{.1(.9)/100}} = 2 \sim N(0,1)$$

p-value: 0.0227

Decision: $p < \alpha$ Reject H_0

Conclusion:

There is significant evidence to suggest that the

Screening process is biased towards screening Aladdin more

$1 - \text{pnorm}(2)$



