FTAP Homework 3

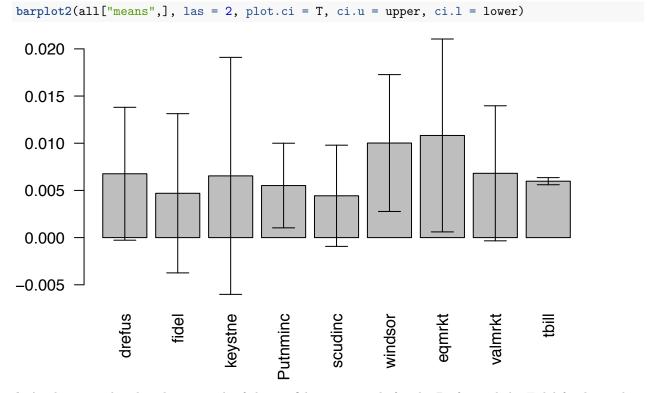
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Problem 1

 ${\bf a}$ Build 95% confidence intervals

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mfunds <- read.xls(xls = "mfunds (1).xls", sheet = 2)
sds <- sapply(mfunds, sd)
sds <- sds / sqrt(length(mfunds$drefus))
means <- sapply(mfunds, mean)
lower <- means - 2 * sds
upper <- means + 2 * sds
all <- rbind(means, upper, lower)
row.names(all) <- c("means", "upper", "lower")
kable(head(all))</pre>
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|-------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| means | 0.0067669 | 0.0046968 | 0.0065424 | 0.0055174 | 0.0044325 | 0.0100219 | 0.0108249 | 0.0068133 | 0.0059783 |
| upper | 0.0138087 | 0.0131323 | 0.0190997 | 0.0100014 | 0.0097946 | 0.0172727 | 0.0210450 | 0.0139688 | 0.0063544 |
| lower | -0.0002748 | -0.0037388 | -0.0060149 | 0.0010335 | -0.0009296 | 0.0027711 | 0.0006048 | -0.0003422 | 0.0056022 |



b As shown in the plot above, much of the confidence intervals for the Drifus and the Fidel funds overlap making the sample means not very informative.

Problem 2

Let x_i be a random variable which is equal to the number of households with a phone.

Assume that the true probability of whether an American family has a phone is .39 and our sample size is 200.

Let Y be a binomial random variable:

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^{200} (x_i)$$

Because the number of observations in our sample is >30 we assume that the CLT applies and results in Y being well approximated by a normal distribution:

$$E[Y] = np = 200 * .39 = 78$$

$$Var[Y] = n * p(1 - p) = 47.58$$

 \boldsymbol{a}

Determine P(X < 70):

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pnorm(70, mean = 78, sd = sqrt(47.58))
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[1] 0.123068

b

Determine P(X > 90) = 1 - P(X < 90):

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1 - pnorm(90, mean = 78, sd = sqrt(47.58))
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[1] 0.04095773

Problem 3

Null Hypothesis: $H_0: p \leq .5$

Alternative: $H_1: p > .5$

Based on the null hypothesis we assume that I am going to lose. To be confident, I take the highest value at which I would lose, namely .5.

Sample size: 2000, $\hat{p} = .53$

$$Z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{(\frac{p(1-p)}{2000})}}$$

$$Z = \frac{.53 - .5}{\sqrt{\frac{.5^2}{2000}}} = 2.68$$

Therefore, the probability that I get a sample average of .53 with a true population of average of .5 after sampling 2000 people is the right hand tail of the normal cdf after 2.68.

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1 - pnorm(2.68, 0, 1)
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[1] 0.003681108

Because .0037 is less than 5% I reject the null hypothesis and with 95% confidence, I expect that I will win the election.

Problem 4

Goal confidence interval should be less than +/-2% to any side:

$$.02 = 2 * \hat{\sigma}$$

$$\hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

In order to be sure that the confidence interval is not more than .02 assume that p=.5 because that is the maximum of the numerator of the $\hat{\sigma}$ term:

$$.02 = 2 * \sqrt{\frac{.5^2}{n}}$$
$$\frac{1}{4*.01^2} = n = 2500$$

Problem 5

 \mathbf{a}

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z <- qnorm(.995)
se <- sqrt(.056*(1-.056) / 1200)
cat("Upperboud: ", .056 + z*se ,"\nLowerbound: ", .056 - z*se)</pre>
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Upperboud: 0.07309647 ## Lowerbound: 0.03890353

b Null Hypothesis: $H_0: p = .05$

Alternative: $H_1: p \neq .05$

$$Z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{(\frac{p(1-p)}{1200})}}$$

$$Z = \frac{.056 - .05}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{.05(1 - .05)}{1200}\right)}}$$

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z <- .006 / sqrt((.05*(1-.05))/1200)
2 * (1 - pnorm(z))
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[1] 0.3402541

Because the probability of getting a sample with a sample default rate of .056 given a true distribution of .05 over 1200 observatoins is >30% and therefore greater than a 5% threshold I fail to reject the null hypothesis that .05 is the true default rate.

C

(Assuming that by "part a" this question means "part b") My p value for part b was ~.34

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z <- .006 / sqrt((.05*(1-.05))/1200)
1 - pnorm(z)
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[1] 0.1701271

Because ~.17 is still greater than .05, I still cannot reject the null hypothesis at a 95% confidence interval.

e

Null Hypothesis: $H_0: p_{Aa} - p_{Bb} < 0$

Alternative: $H_1: p_{Aa} - p_{Bb} \ge 0$

$$Z = \frac{(\hat{p} - p) - 0}{\sqrt{(\frac{p(1-p)}{1200})}}$$

$$Z = \frac{(.048 - .056) - 0}{\sqrt{(\frac{.056(1 - .056)}{1200} + \frac{.048(1 - .048)}{1200})}}$$

[1] 0.1886898

Supposing that the difference of Aa bonds and Bb bonds are less than 0 then at the likelihood of two samples .48, .56 is $\sim 18\%$ therefore we cannot reject the null hypothesis that the probability of an Aa default is less than the probability of a Bb default.

Problem 6

 \mathbf{a}

Null Hypothesis: H_0 : eye level - bottom shelf = 0

Alternative: H_0 : eye level - bottom shelf $\neq 0$

$$t = \frac{121 - 0}{\frac{344}{\sqrt{36}}}$$

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t <- (121 - 0) / (344/sqrt(36))
2 * (1 - pt(t, 36 - 1))
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[1] 0.04203608

Because the probability of achieving a difference of 121 sales in 36 weeks given a t distribution with 35 degrees of freedom is <5% we are confident that we can reject the null hypothesis that there is no difference between the eye level and bottom shelf

 \mathbf{b}

As seen above the pvalue is 0.04203608