



CSC380: Principles of Data Science

Statistics 2

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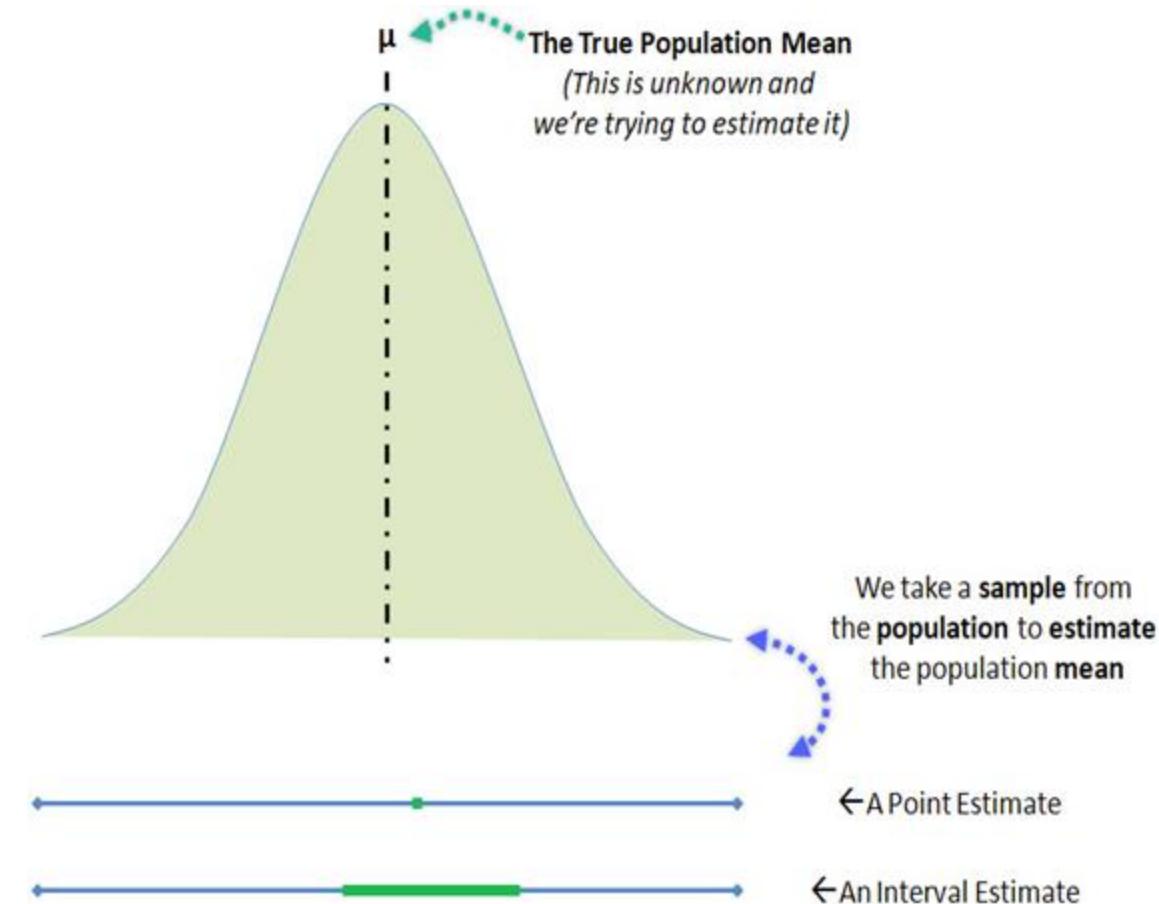
- Interval estimation
- Hypothesis testing

Interval estimation

Motivation

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- Point estimation:
 - “Given the data, I estimate the bias of the coin to be 0.73”
 - “Given the data, I estimate the mean height of UA students to be 172cm”
- In many applications, we’d like to make statements with uncertainty quantifications
 - “Given the data, I estimate the bias of the coin to be 0.73 ± 0.05 ”
 - “Given the data, I estimate the mean height of UA students to be $172 \pm 2\text{cm}$ ”
- This is called *interval estimation*



Interval Estimation: basic setup

$$\theta \rightarrow X_1, \dots, X_n \rightarrow I_n = [\hat{\theta}_n \pm b_n]$$

data generation process Confidence Interval (CI) for θ

Examples

Coin toss: $\theta = p$, $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

Student height: $\theta = \mu$, $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, 8^2)$

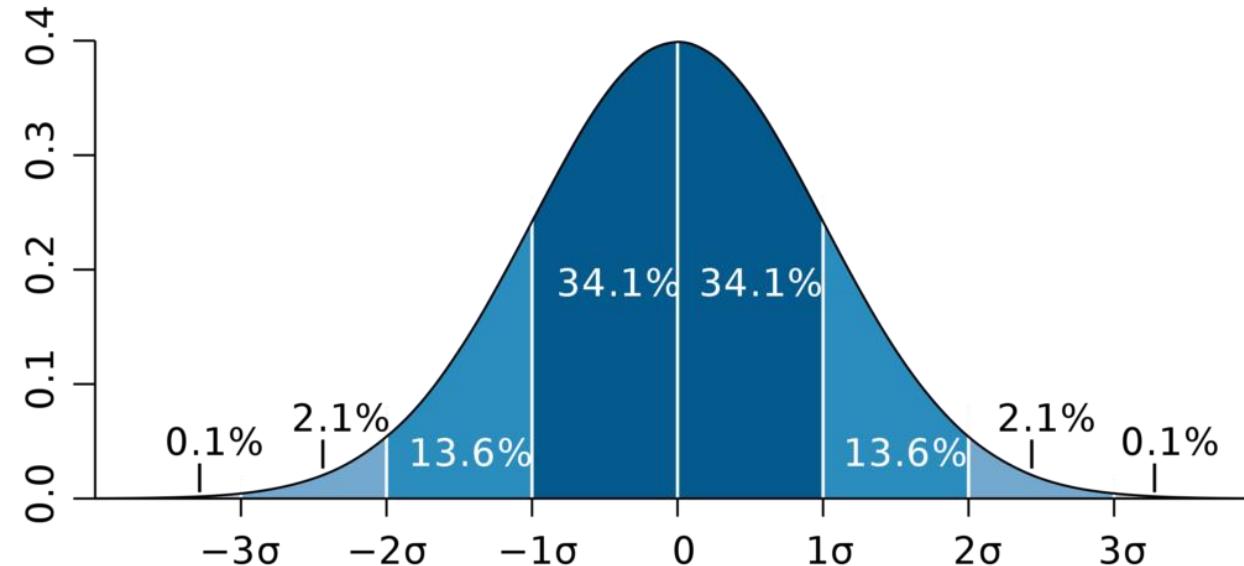
Goal: construct I_n using data, such that with 95% confidence (say),

$$\theta \in I_n$$

We will mostly focus on estimating θ = population mean, and will take $\hat{\theta}_n$ = sample mean.

How to choose b_n ? **uncertainty of our estimate**

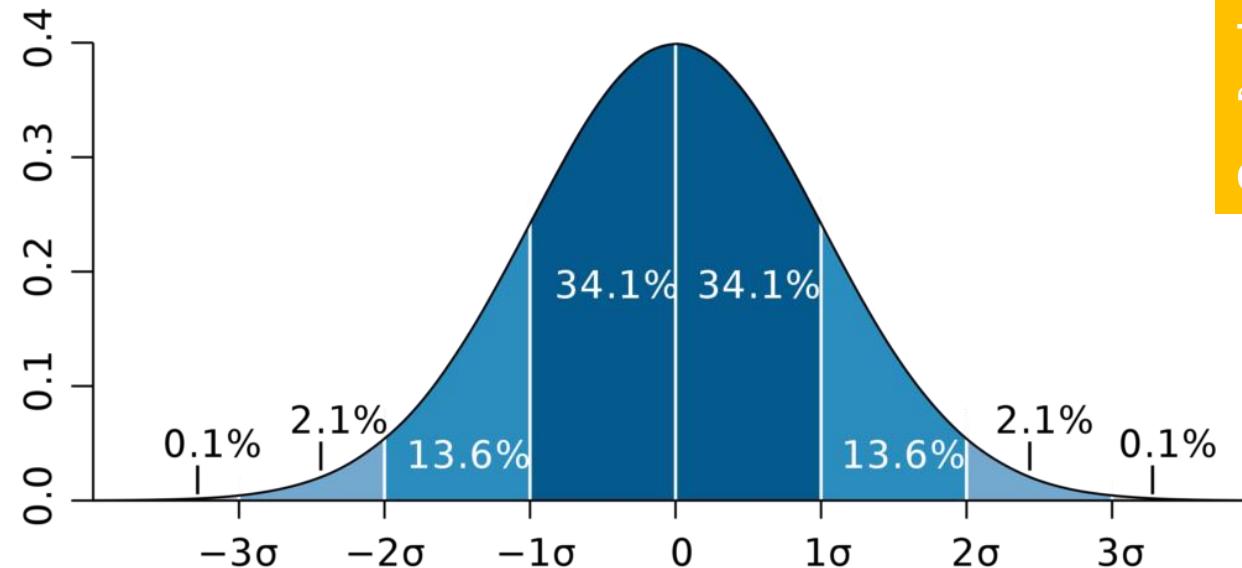
Recall: Normal distribution



For $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, we can transform it into $X - \mu \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

- the area under a normal distribution curve (PDF) represents probability.
- the total area under the curve is equal to 100%.
- the area within a certain range of values corresponds to the probability of a random variable falling within that range.

Recall: Normal distribution



Terminology:
“standard” normal
distribution := $N(0,1)$

Fact If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ or $X - \mu \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, then

$$P(-1.96\sigma \leq X - \mu \leq 1.96\sigma) = 0.95$$

In words, with 95% confidence, X falls within 1.96 standard deviation of μ

$$P(X - 1.96\sigma \leq \mu \leq X + 1.96\sigma) = 0.95$$

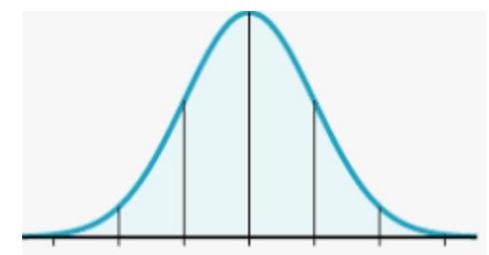
i.e., with 95% confidence, μ falls within 1.96 standard deviation of X

[$X - 1.96\sigma, X + 1.96\sigma$] is a 95% confidence interval for μ

Constructing confidence interval

- We know if $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then $[X - 1.96\sigma, X + 1.96\sigma]$ is a 95% CI for μ
- **Fact:** Let X_1, \dots, X_n be iid with mean μ and variance σ^2 . Then for large n , the sample mean \bar{X}_n roughly follow a normal distribution:

$$\bar{X}_n \approx N\left(\mu, \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^2\right)$$



Corollary with 95% confidence, μ lies within $1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ of \bar{X}_n

Our confidence interval for μ : $I_n = [\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$

Example: UA student height

Example Assume that UA students' heights (in centimeters) follow $N(\mu, 8^2)$, and we observe 4 students' heights:

163, 171, 179, 167

Find a 95% confidence interval for μ

Solution

$$\text{our CI for } \mu: I_n = [\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$$

Sample mean population stddev
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 $= 170$ $\sigma = 8$ n=4

sample size

Plugging in all values, $I_n = [170 \pm 7.84] = [162.1, 177.8]$

Confidence intervals: extensions

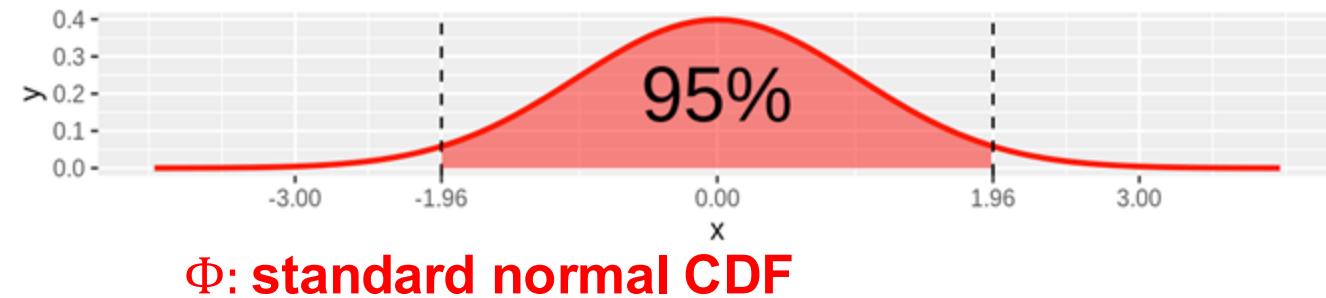
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Given if $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ or $X - \mu \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$, then

$$P(-1.96\sigma \leq X - \mu \leq 1.96\sigma) = 0.95$$

Where does the 1.96 come from?

st.norm.ppf(0.975) gives 1.96



Fact If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then

$$P(-k\sigma \leq X - \mu \leq k\sigma) = 2\Phi(k) - 1 = p$$

$$2\Phi(k) - 1 = 0.95 \Rightarrow k = \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{0.95+1}{2}\right) = \Phi^{-1}(0.975) = 1.96$$

k : $\left(\frac{1+p}{2}\right)$ -quantile of the standard normal distribution

$$\text{CI for } \mu: I_n = [\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$$

Confidence intervals: extensions

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- What if we'd like to find 99% confidence interval? 99.9%? 90%?

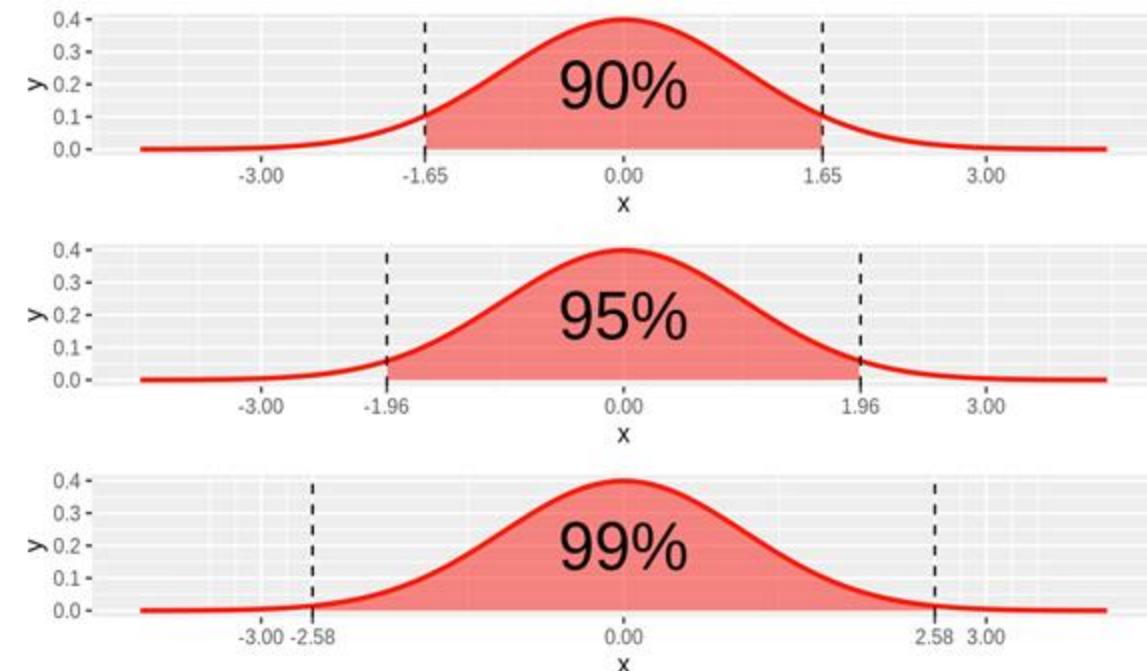
Fact If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, then

$$P(-k\sigma \leq X - \mu \leq k\sigma) = 2\Phi(k) - 1 = p$$

Our p confidence interval for μ :

$$I_n = [\bar{X}_n \pm \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right)\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}] = [\bar{X}_n \pm k\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$$

p	$k = \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right)$
0.95	1.96
0.99	2.58
0.999	3.29



Example: UA student height

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163, 171, 179, 167

Find 99%, 99.9% confidence intervals for μ

Solution

our p -CI for μ : $I_n = [\bar{X}_n \pm \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right) \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$

$$p = 0.99 \Rightarrow [159.7, 180.3]$$

$$p = 0.999 \Rightarrow [156.9, 183.1]$$

p	$\Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right)$
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$$p\text{-CI for } \mu: I_n = [\bar{X}_n \pm \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right) \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$$

The center is always at \bar{X}_n

$$p = 0.95 \Rightarrow [162.1, 177.8]$$

$$p = 0.99 \Rightarrow [159.7, 180.3]$$

$$p = 0.999 \Rightarrow [156.9, 183.1]$$

The width of the interval depends on:

- Sample size n : width smaller when n larger
- Confidence level p : width larger when p closer to 1
- Population stddev σ : width larger when σ large (more noise)

What if σ is unknown?

- We will address this soon..

Is confidence = probability?

Example Assume that UA students' heights (in centimeters) follow $N(\mu, 8^2)$, and we observe 4 students' heights:

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we found that a 95% CI for μ is [162.1, 177.8]

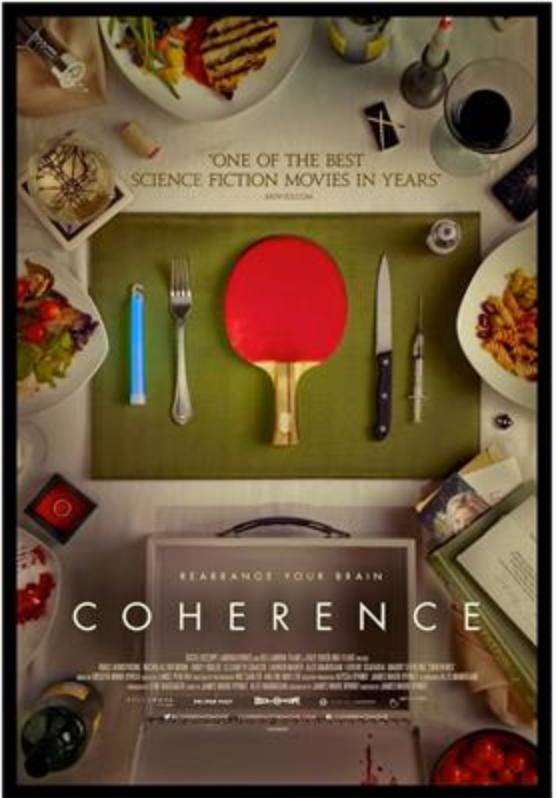
Can we say “with probability 95%, the population mean height μ lies in interval [162.1, 177.8]”?

No! This is a common misinterpretation

- μ is deterministic, and [162.1, 177.8] is deterministic,
- Proposition $\mu \in [162.1, 177.8]$ is either true or false!

Then, what does
“95% probability”
mean?

Interpreting CI (think of parallel universe...)

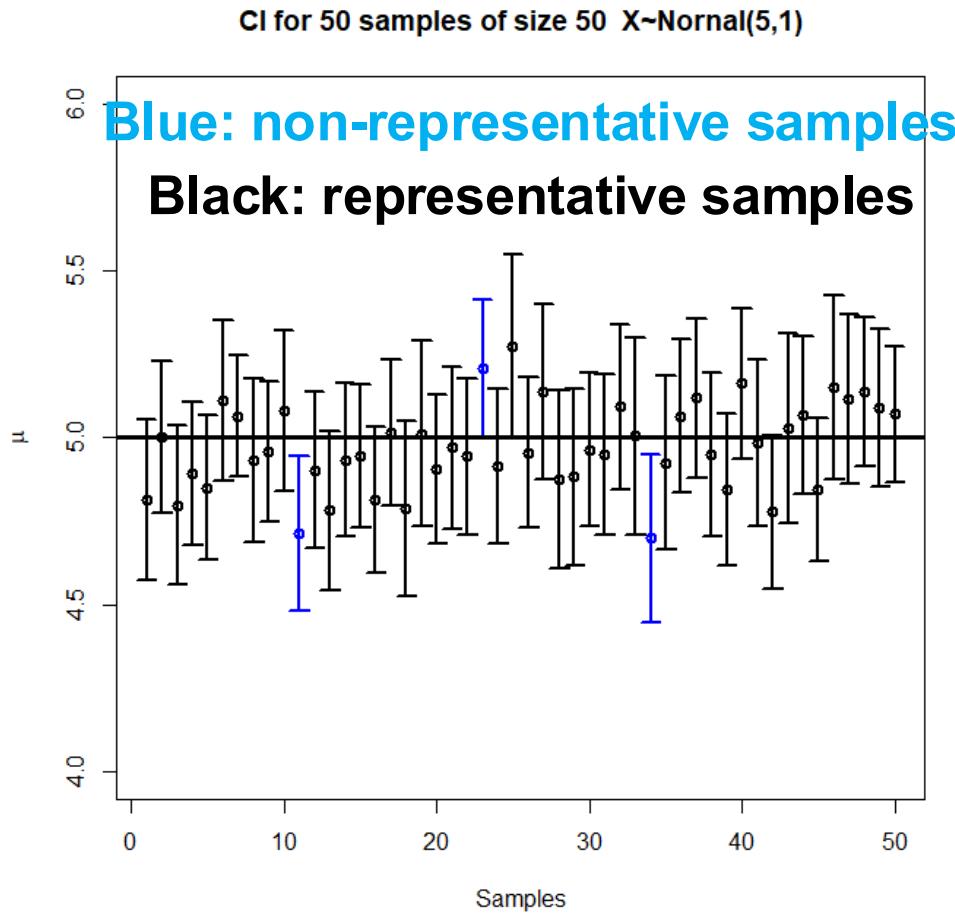


Multiple different universes...

Caveat: interpreting confidence intervals

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Recommended point of view:



universe 1: get sample 1, and
confidence interval 1

universe 2: get sample 2, and
confidence interval 2

.....

universe 50: get confidence interval 50

True: With probability 0.95 over the draw
of a sample, $[\bar{X}_n \pm 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$ contains μ

Confidence interval: interpretation

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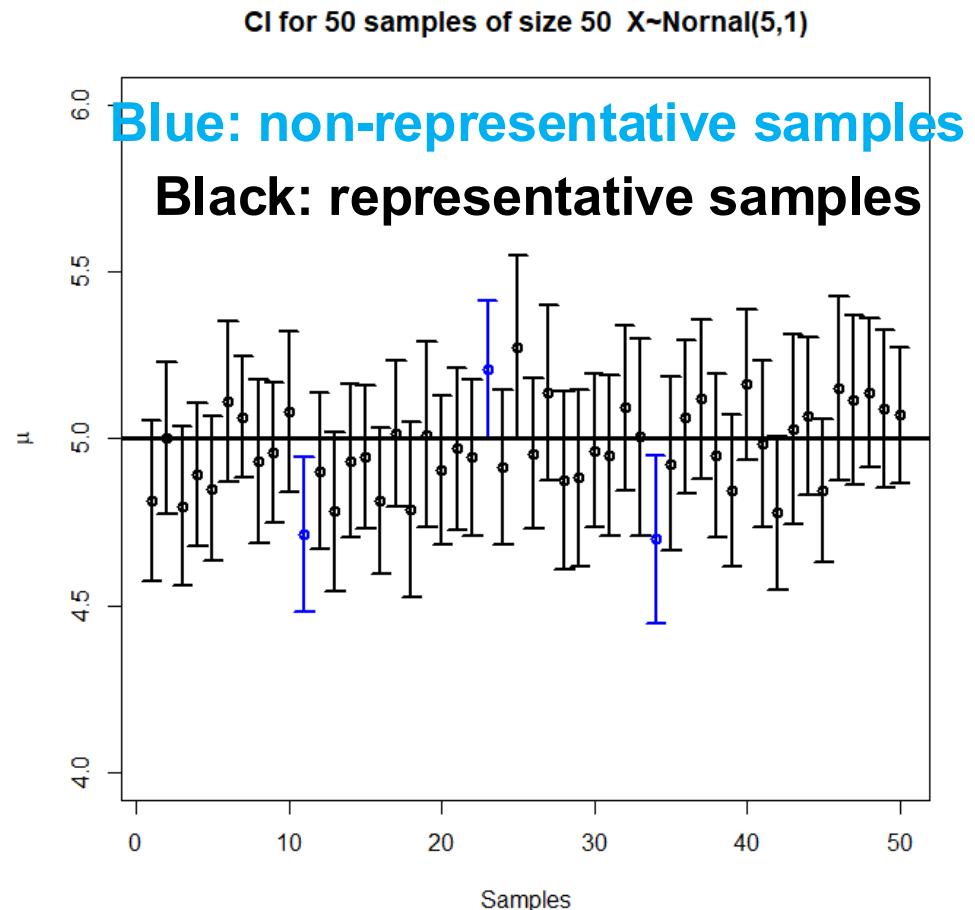
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50 draws of samples

\Rightarrow 50 CIs

\Rightarrow expect $50 \times 95\% = 47.5$ CI's to contain μ



Confidence interval: interpretation

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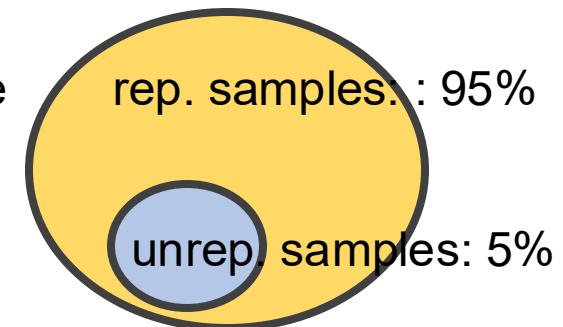
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True: With probability 0.95 over the draw of a sample, $[\bar{X}_n \pm 7.84]$ contains μ

As long as we are not extremely unlucky / our sample is mildly representative, my CI contains μ

All possible
Samples



Example Assume that UA students' weights (in kgs) follow $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, and we observe 4 students' weights:

60, 65, 70, 75

Find a 95% confidence interval for μ

Note The CI construction before $[\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$ no longer works, since σ is *unknown*

How to fix this?

The student-t distribution

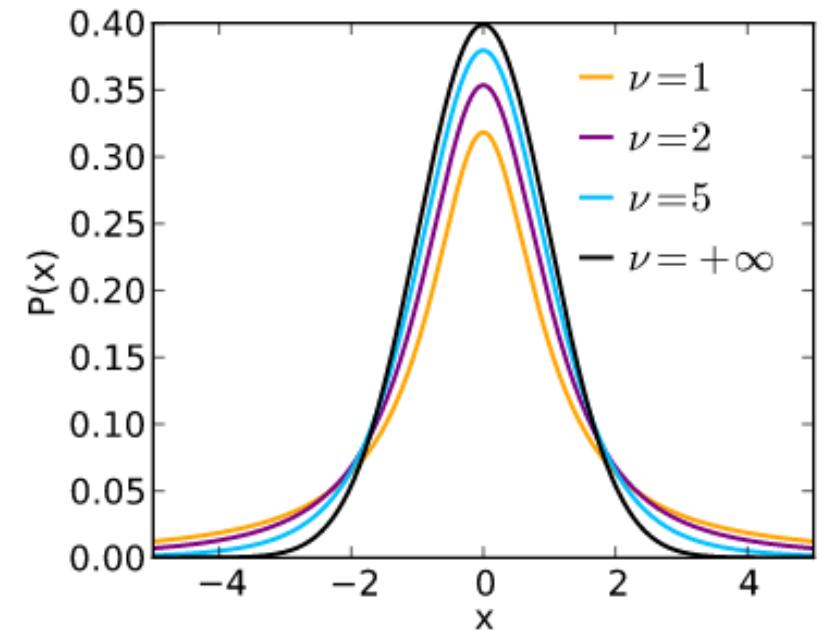
- $[\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$ no longer works: σ is unknown

Fact X_1, \dots, X_n is an iid sample with unknown μ & σ^2 .

Let sample std dev: $\hat{\sigma}_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2}$. Then, approximately:

$$\sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\hat{\sigma}_n} \sim \text{student-t}(n - 1)$$

t-statistic degree of freedom

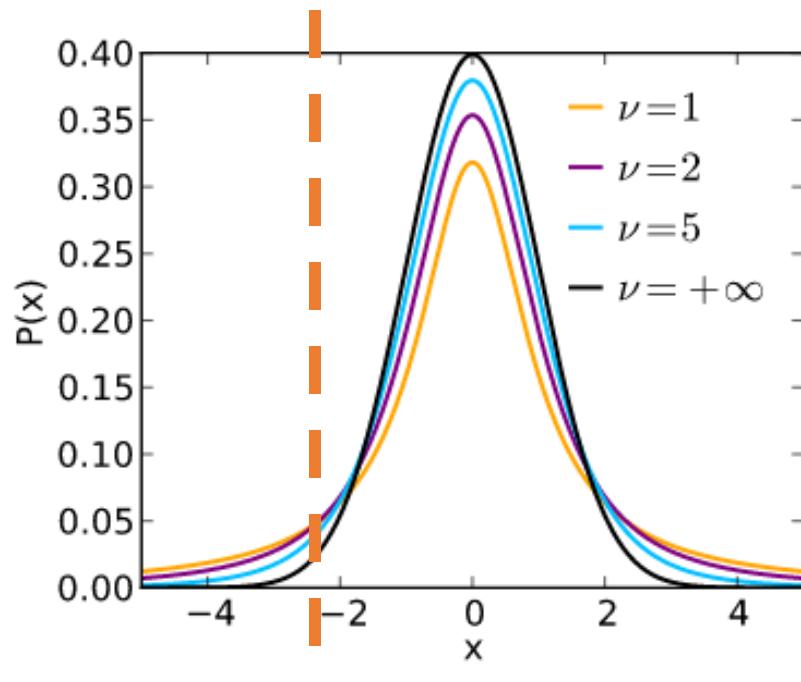


student-t(ν) is a family of distributions

The student-t distribution

student-t(ν) distribution family

- goes to Gaussian when ν is large
- generally has heavier tail than Gaussian



CI: $\left[\bar{X}_n - w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$, $w: \left(\frac{1+p}{2} \right)$ -quantile of the $t(n-1)$ distribution

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import scipy.stats as st
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```
st.t.ppf(0.975,df=3)
=> 3.18
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```
st.t.ppf(0.975,df=5)
=> 2.57
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st.t.ppf(0.975,df=10)
=> 2.23
```

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st.t.ppf(0.975,df=100)
=> 1.98
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Recall:

`st.norm.ppf(0.975)` gives 1.96

Example Assume that UA students' weights (in kgs) follow $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, and we observe 4 students' weights:

60, 65, 70, 75

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=> 3.18

Find a 95% confidence interval for μ

Solution With 95% confidence, $= 6.45$

$$\Rightarrow \mu \in \left[\bar{X}_4 - 3.18 \frac{\hat{\sigma}_4}{\sqrt{4}}, \bar{X}_4 + 3.18 \frac{\hat{\sigma}_4}{\sqrt{4}} \right]$$

$= 67.5$

Plugging data,

our CI is $[67.5 - 10.3, 67.5 + 10.3] = [57.2, 77.8]$ **Our confidence interval**

General result given a sample X_1, \dots, X_n drawn from a distribution with mean μ , a p -confidence interval (e.g. $p=95\%$) is

$$\left[\bar{X}_n - w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right],$$

where w is the $\left(\frac{1+p}{2}\right)$ -quantile of the $t(n - 1)$ distribution

Example $p=0.95$, $n=4 \Rightarrow w = 3.18$ $\text{st.t.ppf}(0.975,\text{df}=3)$
 $=> 3.18$

$p=0.99$, $n=4 \Rightarrow w = 5.84$

$p=0.99$, $n=9 \Rightarrow w = 3.35$

How to construct confidence intervals for μ ?

- When σ is known

- $CI: \left[\bar{X}_n - k \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + k \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$, $k: \left(\frac{1+p}{2} \right)$ –quantile of the standard normal distribution
`st.norm.ppf((1+p)/2)`

- When σ is unknown

- $CI: \left[\bar{X}_n - w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$, $w: \left(\frac{1+p}{2} \right)$ –quantile of the $t(n - 1)$ distribution
`st.t.ppf((1+p)/2,df=n-1)`

Hypothesis testing

- Fill out SCS at scsonline.ucatt.arizona.edu
- If 80% of class complete the survey, one of the lowest quizzes grade will be replaced with full points (1.5/1.5 pts)
- My office hour next Thursday will change to Monday, Dec 15
- A note on final project
 - Please use the following to print the output of your best system:
 - `from sklearn.metrics import classification_report`
 - `print(classification_report(y_true, y_pred))`

Hypothesis

- Statements about parameter / property θ of a distribution / population

Examples

- Average GPA < 2.8
- Probability of head of a coin > 0.6
- People eat more on weekends than weekdays

Simple vs. composite hypotheses

$\theta = 3.2$ (simple) , $\theta \in \{3.2, 4\}$ (composite), $\theta \in [3.2, 4]$ (composite)

One-sided vs. two-sided

$\theta > 3.2$ (one-sided) , $\theta < 1.5$ or $\theta > 3.2$ (two-sided), $\theta \neq 2$ (two-sided)

Hypothesis testing: choosing from two hypotheses:

- Null hypothesis H_0
 - Status quo, assumption believed to be true
 - Coin in my pocket, probability of head $p = 0.5$
- Alternative hypothesis H_1 : Complement of H_0
 - Novel finding after research
 - Coin has probability of head $p \neq 0.5$

- How to test?
- Design experiment, collect data, check:

If data shows strong evidence against H_0 :

Reject H_0 (in favor of H_1)

Else

Do not reject H_0

Note: does not necessarily mean “accept H_0 ”

- Analogy with the legal principle:
 - Presume innocent (H_0) until proven guilty (H_1) with strong evidence against innocence

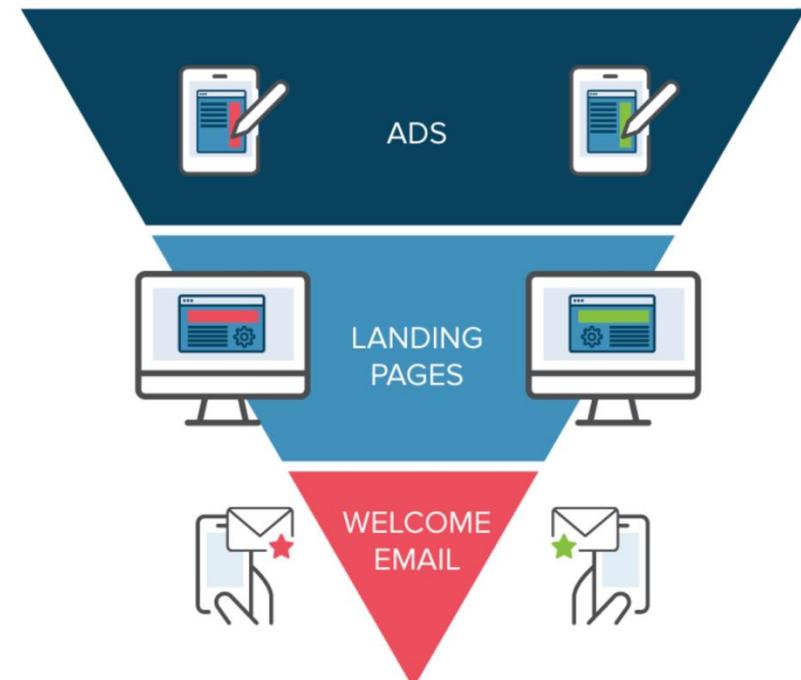
Application: A/B Testing

These days, Internet companies run A/B testing extensively

Try out an alternative of user interface (UI) on randomly chosen subset of users to collect their feedback (e.g. rating)

- E.g, choosing b/w **list view** vs grid view

How do we know if the new UI is better than older one? (i.e., statistically significant)



(from optimizely.com)

Application: A/B Testing

Evaluator:	1	2	3	4	5	6
Old UI	5	2	2	5	4	2
New UI	4	4	1	3	3	5

Compute the score differences:

Evaluator:	1	2	3	4	5	6
Score difference X	-1	+2	-1	-2	-1	+3

Can view X 's as drawn from some distribution with unknown mean μ

“Does new UI improve over old UI?” is now a hypothesis testing problem:

$$H_0: \mu \leq 0,$$

$$H_1: \mu > 0$$

we can perform e.g. t-test based on data (we will see)

Is the true μ equal to 168?

Example Assume that UA students' heights (in centimeters) follow $N(\mu, 8^2)$, test the hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu = 168,$$

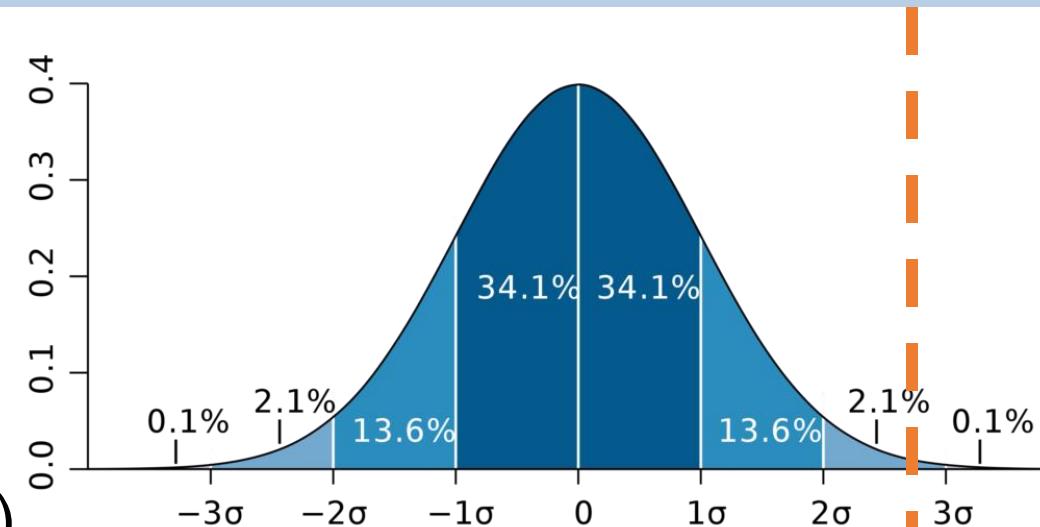
$$H_1: \mu \neq 168$$

Suppose we observe 4 students' heights: 173, 181, 189, 177

- We want to know if the data provides evidence against this claim H_0 .
- **Fact:** $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8} \sim N(0, 1)$

Is the true μ equal to 168?

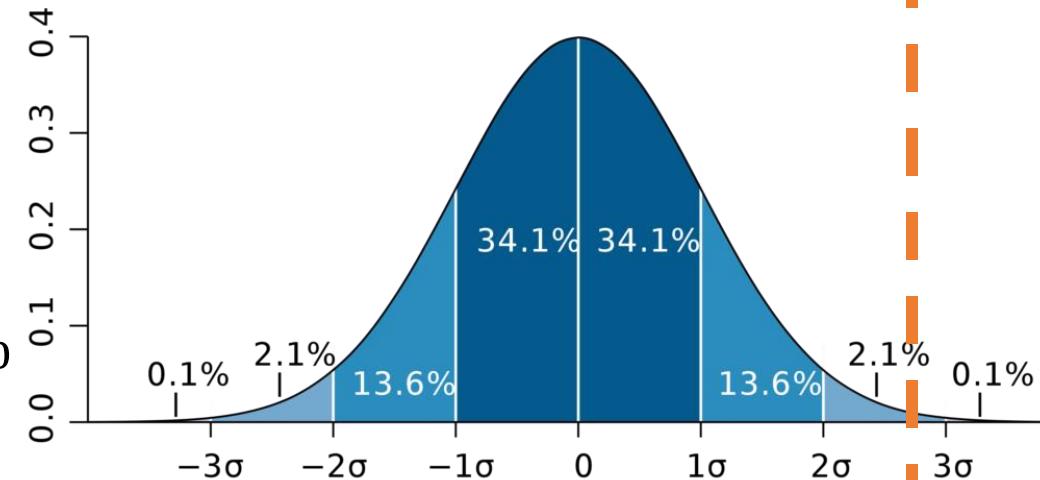
- **Fact:** $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8} \sim N(0, 1)$
- If H_0 is true:
 - Z close to 0 happen frequently
 - Z values moderately far from 0 (like $-2.1, +2.5$) happen rarely (only 5% of the time beyond ± 1.96)
- Let's say we observe $Z = 3$
 - If H_0 is true, getting $|Z| \geq 1.96$ has a probability of about 5%. `st.norm.ppf(0.975)` gives 1.96
 - Surprising! this should rarely happen under H_0



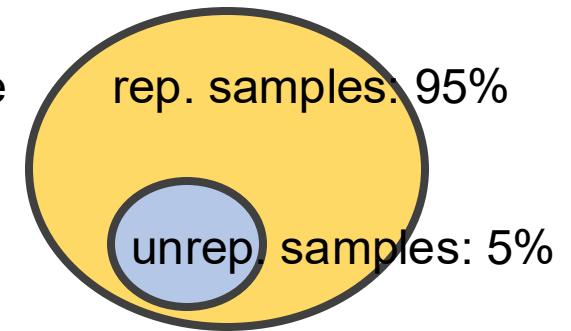
Is the true μ equal to 168?

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- We observe $Z = 3$
 - If H_0 is true, getting $|Z| \geq 1.96$ has a probability of about 5%.
 - Surprising! this should rarely happen under H_0
- Two explanations:
 - (a) H_0 is TRUE, but I got unlucky
 - my sample happened to be extreme that produce such large Z values
 - (b) H_0 IS FALSE
 - My sample is actually representative of the true population
 - null hypothesis wrong: 168 is not true mean



All possible Samples



Is the true μ equal to 168?

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- Two explanations:
 - (a) H_0 is TRUE, but I got unlucky
 - my sample happened to be extreme that produce such large Z values
 - requires believing a rare event (2% probability) occurred
 - (b) H_0 IS FALSE
 - null hypothesis wrong: 168 is not true mean
 - doesn't require believing in rare events
- Need to decide: How rare does the data need to be (under H_0) before I'll reject H_0 ?

This is where we choose α (significance level).

Is the true μ equal to 168?

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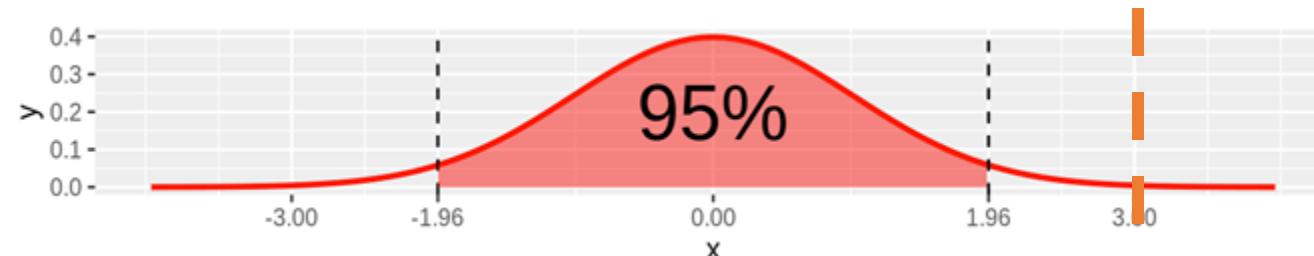
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Solution:

- We choose $\alpha = 0.05$, $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8} = 3$, $P_{H_0}(|Z| \geq 1.96) \leq 0.05$
- Reject H_0 : my data would occur with probability $\leq 5\%$ under H_0

How to choose c for other α ?

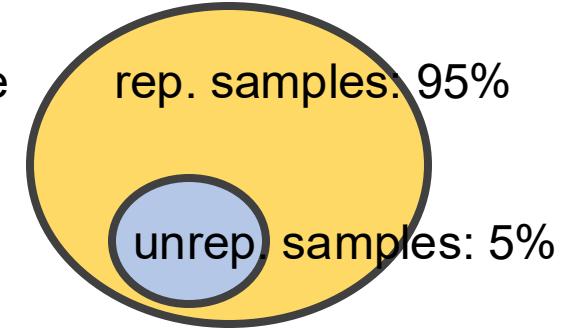


Hypothesis testing

- How to choose c ?
- Significance level α :

$$P_{H_0}(|Z| \geq c) \leq \alpha$$

All possible
Samples



Type-I error: we reject H_0 (due to \bar{X}_n far from 168), but H_0 is true

- Usually α is small, e.g. 0.05
- I.e., stay with the null hypothesis as long as our sample is 95%-representative

Smaller $\alpha \Rightarrow$ more inclined to stay with $H_0 \Rightarrow$ Need stronger evidence to reject H_0

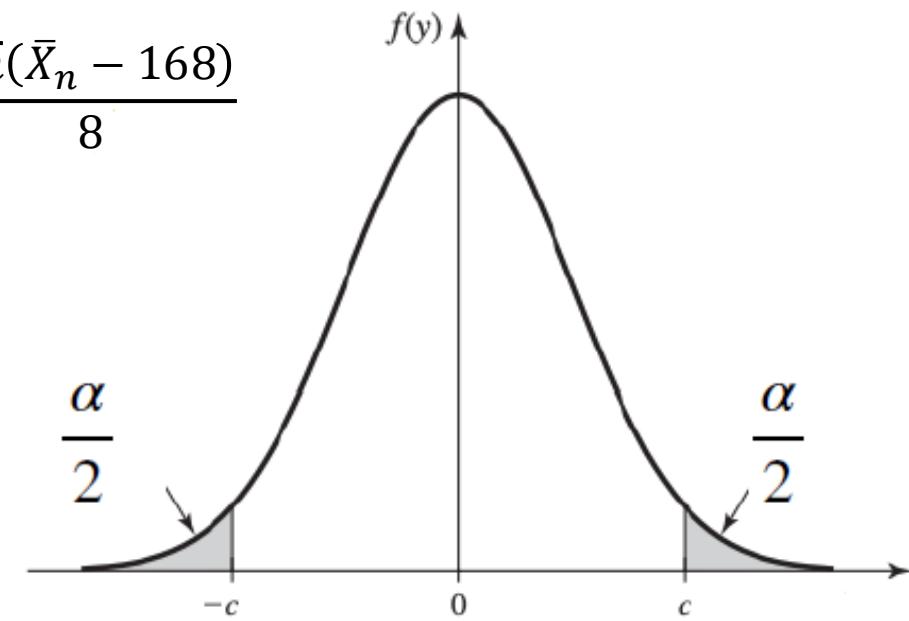
Hypothesis testing

Choose c such that

$$P_{H_0}(|Z| \geq c) = \alpha = 5\%$$

$$z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8}$$

Reject H_0 if $|Z| \geq c$, i.e.
 Z falls in the shaded region



PDF of Z

Let's find the value of c ..

Hypothesis testing

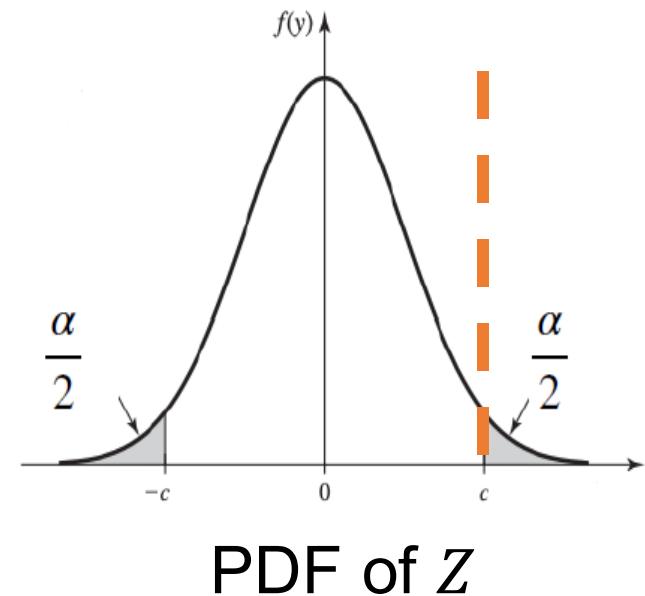
- under H_0 , by central limit theorem:

$$Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8} \sim N(0, 1)$$

c is such that $P_{Z \sim N(0,1)}(|Z| \geq c) = \alpha$

$$\Rightarrow c = \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)$$

z-statistic: a statistic that is supposed to follow $N(0,1)$
Z is a valid z-statistic



$$\alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow c = \Phi^{-1}(0.975) = \text{st.norm.ppf}(0.975) = 1.96$$

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$$H_0: \mu = 168,$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq 168$$

Suppose we observe 4 students' heights: 173, 181, 189, 177

We reject if $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{8} |\bar{X}_n - 168| \geq \Phi^{-1}(0.975)$ This is called a *z*-test
1.96

From data, $Z = 3$, so we reject H_0 .

General fact Assume that we have a set of samples X_1, \dots, X_n that follow $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, test the hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0,$$

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

with significance level α

We can use the z-test:

Reject if $|Z| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)$, where $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)$

Larger $n \Rightarrow$ more reject rejection threshold r

Larger $\alpha \Rightarrow$ more reject

Larger $\sigma \Rightarrow$ less reject

Hypothesis testing

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

with significance level α

z-test: Reject if $|Z| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)$

rejection threshold r

Example $\sigma = 8$, $n = 4$, $\bar{X}_n = 180$, use z-test to test if $\mu = 168$

$$\alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow r = 1.96$$

reject H_0

$$Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0) = 3$$

$$\alpha = 0.01 \Rightarrow r = 2.58$$

reject H_0

$$\alpha = 0.001 \Rightarrow r = 3.29$$

do not reject H_0

- Other tests can be found using the same reasoning

- $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$, vs $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$

Reject H_0 if:

$$|Z| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \quad Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)$$

one-sided hypothesis testing problem

- $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$, vs $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$

$$Z \geq \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha)$$

- $H_0: \mu \geq \mu_0$, vs $H_1: \mu < \mu_0$

$$Z \leq \Phi^{-1}(\alpha)$$

All these are z-tests, since it uses the z-statistic

$$Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)$$

- Drawback of z-test: needs to know population stddev σ

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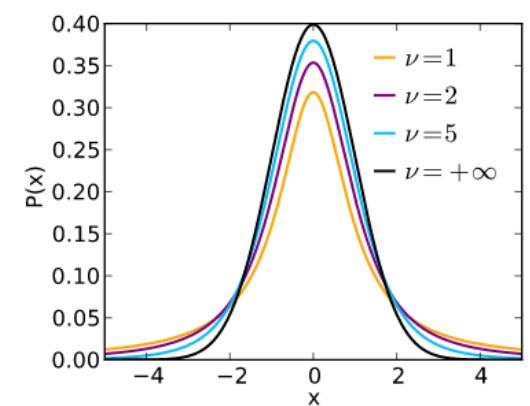
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this is called a t-statistic, i.e, a statistic that follows t-distribution

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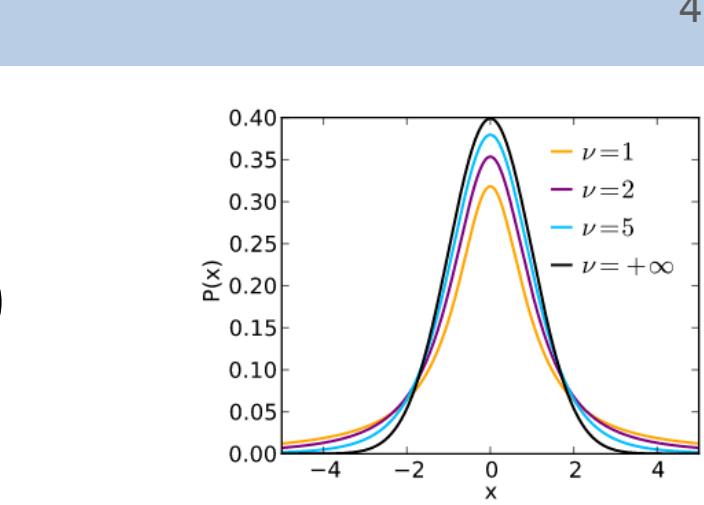
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Approach We've seen that under H_0 ,

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Our test with significance α :

reject when $|T| > F^{-1}\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$



F is now the CDF of the $t(n - 1)$ distribution

(Note how similar this is to the z-test)

$$|T| = 1.018$$

$$F^{-1}\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) = 2.11$$

thus, we do not reject $H_0: \mu = 200$

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1 st.t.ppf(1-0.05/2, 17)
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np.float64(2.1098155778331806)
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- More specifically:
 - Design experiment
 - Design test statistic W (related to hypothesis)
 - T-statistic, Z-statistic, Chi-square statistic
 - Find distribution of W under H_0
 - Collect data X_1, \dots, X_n
 - Compute w , value of W applied on the data X_1, \dots, X_n
 - Define a rejection region R
 - Reject H_0 if $w \in R$, for “reasonable” rejection region R

Other t-tests

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- Other tests can be found using the same reasoning

- $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$, vs $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$

Reject H_0 if:

$$|T| \geq F^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \quad T = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\hat{\sigma}_n} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)$$

F: CDF of $t(n - 1)$

- $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$, vs $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$

$$T \geq F^{-1}(1 - \alpha)$$

- $H_0: \mu \geq \mu_0$, vs $H_1: \mu < \mu_0$

$$T \leq F^{-1}(\alpha)$$

All these are called t-test, since it relies on computing T, a t-statistic

Example Metal fibers produced, length in millimeters; use t-test to test

$$H_0: \mu \leq 5.2,$$

$$H_1: \mu > 5.2$$

$n=15$ fibers measured, $\bar{X}_n = 5.4$, $\hat{\sigma}_n = 0.4226$.

Shall we reject H_0 at significance 0.05?

Solution The t-test is “reject if $T \geq F^{-1}(1 - \alpha)$ ”

$$\text{t-statistic } T = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\hat{\sigma}_n} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0) = 1.83$$

rejection threshold $F^{-1}(1 - \alpha) = \text{t.ppf}(0.95, 14) = 1.76$ we should reject