

Lecture 25: more Chapter 10, Section 1 Inference for Quantitative Variable: Hypothesis Tests

- z Test about Population Mean: 4 Steps
- Examples: 1-sided or 2-sided Alternative
- Relating Test and Confidence Interval
- Factors in Rejecting Null Hypothesis
- Inference Based on t vs. z

Looking Back: Review

- **4 Stages of Statistics**
 - Data Production (discussed in Lectures 1-4)
 - Displaying and Summarizing (Lectures 5-12)
 - Probability (discussed in Lectures 13-20)
 - Statistical Inference
 - 1 categorical (discussed in Lectures 21-23)
 - 1 quantitative: confidence intervals, hypothesis tests
 - categorical and quantitative
 - 2 categorical
 - 2 quantitative

Behavior of Sample Mean (Review)

For random sample of size n from population with mean μ and standard deviation σ , sample mean \bar{X} has

- mean μ
- standard deviation $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
- shape approximately normal for large enough n

→ If σ is known, standardized \bar{X} follows z (standard normal) distribution

Hypothesis Test About μ (with z)

Problem Statement $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ vs. $H_a : \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu > \mu_0 \\ \mu < \mu_0 \\ \mu \neq \mu_0 \end{array} \right\}$

1. Consider sampling and study design.
2. Summarize with \bar{x} , standardize to $z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ assuming $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ is true; is z “large”?
3. Find P -value (prob. of Z this far above/below/away from 0); is it “small”?
4. Based on size of P -value, choose H_0 or H_a .

Hypothesis Test About μ with z (Details)

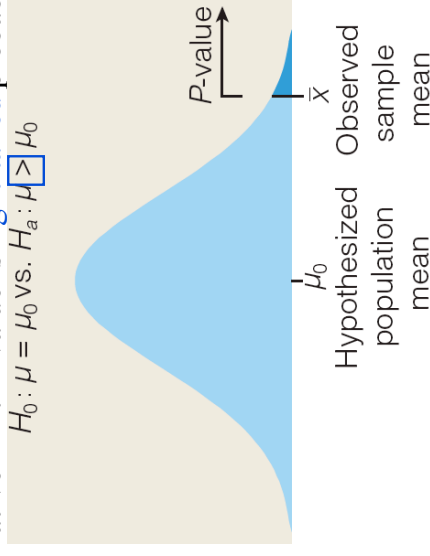
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3. Find prob. of z this far above/below/away from 0 (P -value); consider if it is “small”.
4. Based on size of P -value, choose H_0 or H_a .
 - If sample is biased, mean of \bar{X} is not μ_0 .
 - If $\text{pop} < 10n$, s.d. of \bar{X} is not σ / \sqrt{n} .
 - If n is too small, distribution of \bar{X} is not normal, won't standardize to z : graph data, see guidelines.

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 - Assess P -value based on form of alternative hypothesis (greater, less, or not equal)

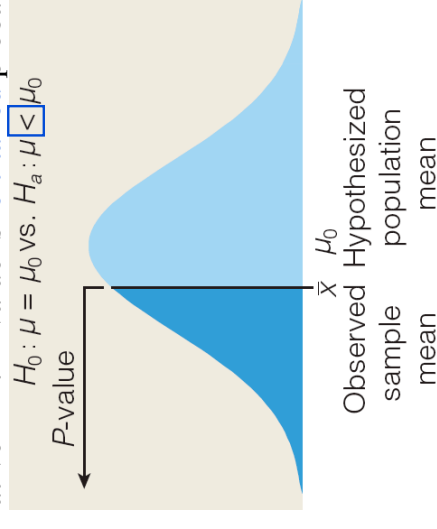
Hypothesis Test About μ with z (Details)

Alternative “ $>$ ”: P -value is **right-tailed** probability



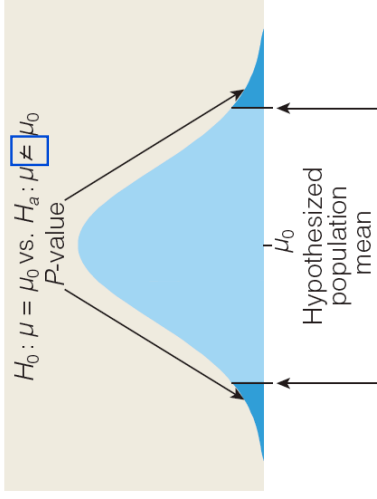
Hypothesis Test About μ with z (Details)

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Hypothesis Test About μ with z (Details)

Alternative “ \neq ”: P-value is two-tailed probability



Observed sample mean \bar{x} is either of these

Example: Assumptions for z Test

- **Background:** Earnings of 446 surveyed university students had mean \$3,776. The mean of earnings for the population of students is unknown. Assume we know population standard deviation is \$6,500.
- **Question:** What aspect of the situation is unrealistic?
- **Response:**

Looking Ahead: In real-life problems, we rarely know the value of the population standard deviation. Eventually, we'll learn how to proceed when all we know is the sample standard deviation s .

Example: Test with One-Sided Alternative

- **Background:** Earnings of 446 surveyed university students had mean \$3,776. Assume population s.d. \$6,500.
- **Question:** Are we convinced that μ is less than \$5,000?
- **Response:** State H_0 : _____ vs. H_a : _____

One-Sample Z: Earned

Test of $\mu = 5$ vs $\mu < 5$

The assumed sigma = 6.5

Variable	N	Mean	StDev	SE Mean
Earned	446	3.776	6.503	0.308
Variable	95.0%	Upper Bound	Z	P
Earned		4.282	-3.98	0.000

1. Data production issues were discussed for confidence interval.
2. Output shows sample mean _____ and $z =$ _____. Large? _____
3. P-value = _____. Small? _____
4. Conclude? _____

Example: Notation

- **Background:** Want to test if mean of all male shoe sizes could be 11.0, based on a sample mean 11.222 from 9 male students. Assume pop. s.d. 1.5.
- **Question:** How do we denote the numbers given?
- **Response:**
 - 11.0 is proposed value of population mean _____
 - 11.222 is sample mean _____
 - 9 is sample size _____
 - 1.5 is population standard deviation _____

Example: Intuition Before Formal Test

- **Background:** Want to test if mean of all male shoe sizes could be 11.0, based on a sample mean 11.222 from 9 male students. Assume pop. s.d. 1.5.
- **Question:** What conclusion do we anticipate, by “eye-balling” the data?
- **Response:**
 Sample mean (11.222) seems close to proposed $\mu_o = 11.0$? _____
 Sample size (9) small \rightarrow _____
 S.d. (1.5) not very small \rightarrow _____
 Anticipate standardized sample mean z large? _____
 $\rightarrow P$ -value small? _____
 \rightarrow conclude population mean may be 11.0? _____

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Example: Test with Two-Sided Alternative

- **Background:** Want to test if mean of all male shoe sizes could be 11.0, based on a sample mean 11.222 from 9 male students. Assume pop. s.d. 1.5.
- **Question:** What do we conclude from the output?
- **Response:** $z = 0.44$. Large? _____
 P -value (two-tailed) = 0.657. Small? _____
 Conclude population mean may be 11.0? _____

One-Sample Z: Shoe

Test of $\mu = 11$ vs $\mu \text{ not } = 11$

The assumed sigma = 1.5

Variable	N	Mean	StDev	SE Mean
Shoe	9	11.222	1.698	0.500
Variable		95.0% CI	Z	P
Shoe	(10.242, 12.202)	0.44	0.657

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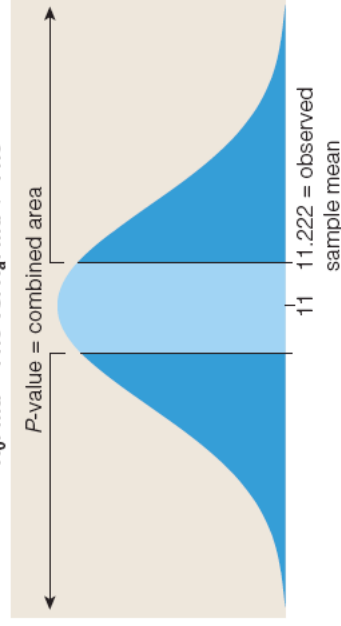
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P-value as Nonstandard Normal Probability

P -value is probability of **sample mean** as far from 11.0 (in either direction) as 11.222.

$H_0: \mu = 11.0$ vs. $H_a: \mu \neq 11.0$



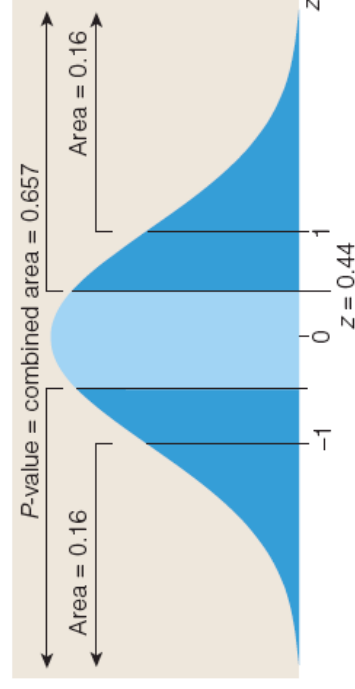
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Elementary Statistics: Looking at the Big Picture

P-value as Standard Normal Probability

P -value as probability of **standardized sample mean z** as far from 0 (in either direction) as 0.44.



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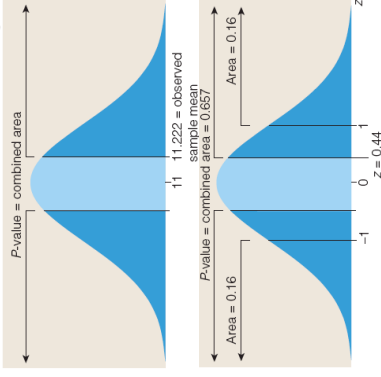
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Comparing P -value Based on \bar{x} vs. z

Same area under curve, just different scales on horizontal axis due to standardizing (below).



Example: Test Results and Confidence Interval

- **Background:** Tested if mean of all male shoe sizes could be 11.0, based on a sample mean 11.222 from 9 male students. Assumed pop. s.d. 1.5. P -value was 0.657; didn't reject null.
- **Question:** Would we expect 11.0 to be contained in a confidence interval for μ ?
- **Response:** Test showed 11.0 to be plausible for $\mu \rightarrow$ ____ (In fact, 11.0 is ____ contained in the confidence interval.)

One-Sample Z: Shoe

Test of mu = 11 vs mu not = 11

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Example: Test Results and Confidence Interval

- **Background:** Tested if mean earnings of all students at a university could be \$5,000, based on a sample mean \$3,776 for $n=446$. Assumed pop. s.d. \$6,500. P -value was 0.000; rejected null hypothesis.
- **Question:** Would 5,000 be contained in the confidence interval for μ ?
- **Response:** ____

Factors That Lead to Rejecting H_0

Statistically significant data produce P -value small enough to reject H_0 . z plays a role:

$$z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{(\bar{x} - \mu_0) \sqrt{n}}{\sigma}$$

Reject H_0 if P -value small; if $|z|$ large; if...

- Sample mean far from μ_0
- Sample size n large
- Standard deviation σ small

Role of Sample Size n

- **Large n :** may reject H_0 even if sample mean is not far from proposed population mean, from a practical standpoint.
- Very small P -value \rightarrow strong evidence against H_0 but \bar{x} not necessarily very far from μ_0 .
- **Small n :** may fail to reject H_0 even though it is false.

Failing to reject false H_0 is 2nd type of error.

Definition (Review)

- **Type I Error:** reject null hypothesis even though it is true (false positive)
- **Type II Error:** fail to reject null hypothesis even though it's false (false negative)

Test conclusions determine possible error:

- Reject H_0 : correct or Type I
- Do not reject H_0 : correct or Type II

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Example: Errors in a Medical Context

- **Background:** A medical test is carried out for a disease (HIV).
- **Questions:**
 - What does the null hypothesis claim?
 - What are the implications of a Type I Error?
 - What are the implications of a Type II Error?
 - Which type of error is more worrisome?

Responses:

- Null hypothesis: _____
- False _____: conclude _____
- False _____: conclude _____
- Type _____ is more worrisome.

Example: Errors in a Legal Context

- **Background:** A defendant is on trial.
- **Questions:**
 - What does H_0 claim?
 - What does a Type I Error imply?
 - What does a Type II Error imply?
 - Which type is more worrisome?

Responses:

- H_0 : _____
- Type I: Conclude _____
- Type II: Conclude _____
- Type _____ is more worrisome.



Sample Mean Standardizing to z

→ If σ is known, standardized \bar{X} follows z (standard normal) distribution:

$$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = z$$

If σ is unknown and n is large enough (20 or 30), then $s \approx \sigma$ and $\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}} \approx z$

Can use z if σ is known or n is large.

What if σ is unknown **and** n is small?

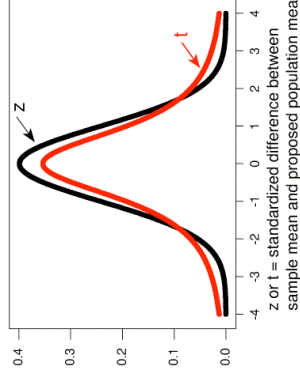
Sample mean standardizing to t

For σ unknown and n small, $\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}} = t$

- t (like z) centered at 0 since \bar{X} centered at μ
 - t (like z) symmetric and bell-shaped if \bar{X} normal
 - t more spread than z ($s.d. > 1$) [s gives less info]
- t has “ $n-1$ degrees of freedom” (spread depends on n)

Inference About Mean Based on z or t

- σ known → standardized \bar{x} is z
(may use z if σ unknown but n large)
- σ unknown → standardized \bar{x} is t



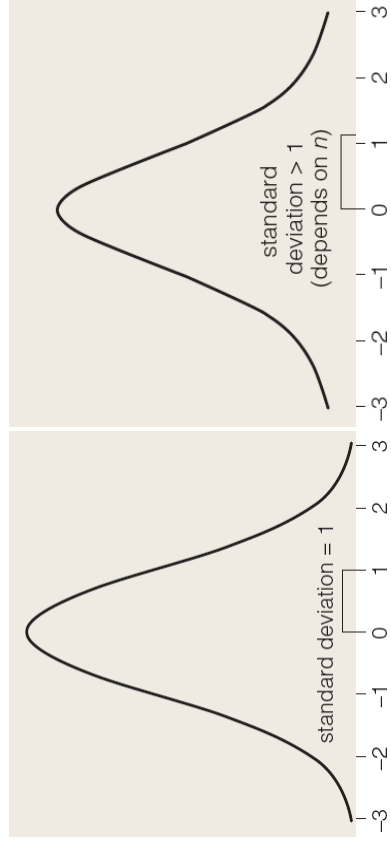
Inference *by Hand* Based on z or t

	σ known	σ unknown
small sample ($n < 30$)	$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = z$	$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}} = t$
large sample ($n \geq 30$)	$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = z$	$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}} \approx z$

z used if σ known **or** n large

t used if σ unknown **and** n small

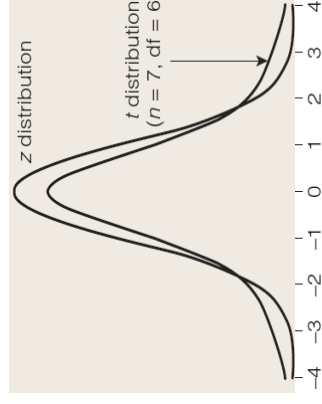
z vs. t : How the Sample Mean is Standardized



z = sample mean standardized with σ t = sample mean standardized with s

Example: Distribution of t (6 df) vs. z

- Background: For $n=7$, $\frac{\bar{x}-\mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} = t$ has 6 df.



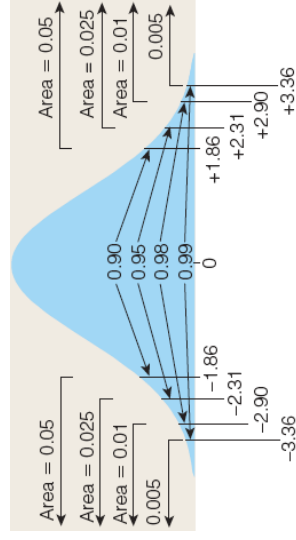
A Closer Look: In fact,
 $P(t > 2)$ is about 0.05;
 $P(z > 2)$ is about 0.025.

- Question: How does $P(t > 2)$ compare to $P(z > 2)$?

- Response: $P(t > 2)$

Example: Distribution of t (8 df) vs. z

- Background: According to 90-95-98-99 Rule for z , $P(z > 2)$ is between 0.01 and 0.025 because 2 is between 1.96 and 2.576. Consider the t curve for 8 df.



- Question: What is a range for $P(t > 2)$ when t has 8 df?
- Response: $P(t > 2)$ is between _____ and _____.

Lecture Summary

(Inference for Means: Hypothesis Tests; t Dist.)

- z test about population mean: 4 steps
- Examples: 1-sided and 2-sided alternatives
- Relating test and confidence interval
- Factors in rejecting null hypothesis
 - Sample mean far from proposed population mean
 - Sample size large
 - Standard deviation small
- Inference based on z or t
 - Population sd known; standardize to z
 - Population sd unknown; standardize to t
- Comparing z and t distributions