

C9 and 10 Test Tip Sheet!

There's A LOT of info here. Make sure to pay attention to details.

Section 9.1

- A **significance test** assesses the evidence provided by data against a **null hypothesis** H_0 and in favor of an **alternative hypothesis** H_a .
 - The hypotheses are usually stated in terms of population parameters. Often, H_0 is a statement of no change or no difference. The alternative hypothesis states what we hope or suspect is true.
 - A **one-sided alternative** H_a says that a parameter differs from the null hypothesis value in a specific direction. A **two-sided alternative** H_a says that a parameter differs from the null value in either direction.
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- The reasoning of a significance test is as follows. Suppose that the null hypothesis is true. If we repeated our data production many times, would we often get data as inconsistent with H_0 , in the direction specified by H_a , as the data we actually have? If the data are unlikely when H_0 is true, they provide evidence against H_0 and in favor of H_a .
 - The **P-value** of a test is the probability, computed supposing H_0 to be true, that the statistic will take a value at least as extreme as the observed result in the direction specified by H_a .
 - Small P -values indicate strong evidence against H_0 . To calculate a P -value, we must know the sampling distribution of the test statistic when H_0 is true.
 - If the P -value is smaller than a specified value α (called the **significance level**), the data are **statistically significant at level α** . In that case, we can **reject** H_0 and say that we have convincing evidence for H_a . If the P -value is greater than or equal to α , we **fail to reject** H_0 and say that we do *not* have convincing evidence for H_a .
 - A **Type I error** occurs if we reject H_0 when it is in fact true. In other words, the data give convincing evidence for H_a when the null hypothesis is correct. A **Type II error** occurs if we fail to reject H_0 when H_a is true. In other words, the data don't give convincing evidence for H_a , even though the alternative hypothesis is correct.
 - In a fixed level α significance test, the probability of a Type I error is the significance level α .

| | H₀ is true | H_a is true |
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| Reject H₀ | Type I error α | Correct Decision Power |
| Do not reject H₀ | Correct Decision | Type II error β |

Note that: Power + β = 1

Section 9.2

- The conditions for performing a significance test of $H_0: p = p_0$ are:
 - Random:** The data were produced by a well-designed random sample or randomized experiment.
 - 10%:** When sampling without replacement, check that the population is at least 10 times as large as the sample.
 - Large Counts:** The sample is large enough to satisfy $np_0 \geq 10$ and $n(1 - p_0) \geq 10$ (that is, the expected counts of successes and failures are both at least 10).
- The **one-sample z test for a population proportion** is based on the **test statistic**

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1 - p_0)}{n}}}$$

with *P*-values calculated from the standard Normal distribution.

- Follow the four-step process when you are asked to carry out a significance test:

STATE: What *hypotheses* do you want to test, and at what *significance level*? Define any *parameters* you use.

PLAN: Choose the appropriate inference *method*. Check *conditions*.

DO: If the conditions are met, perform *calculations*.

 - Compute the **test statistic**.
 - Find the ***P*-value**.

CONCLUDE: Make a *decision* about the hypotheses in the context of the problem.

Section 9.3

- The conditions for performing a significance test of $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ are:
 - **Random:** The data were produced by a well-designed random sample or randomized experiment.
 - **10%:** When sampling without replacement, check that the population is at least 10 times as large as the sample.

- **Normal/Large Sample:** The population distribution is Normal *or* the sample size is large ($n \geq 30$). When the sample size is small ($n < 30$), examine a graph of the sample data for any possible departures from Normality in the population. You should be safe using a t distribution as long as there is no strong skewness and no outliers are present.

- The **one-sample t test for a mean** uses the test statistic

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s_x/\sqrt{n}}$$

with P -values calculated from the t distribution with $n - 1$ degrees of freedom.

- Confidence intervals provide additional information that significance tests do not—namely, a set of plausible values for the parameter μ . A two-sided test of $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ at significance level α gives the same conclusion as a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval for μ .
- Analyze **paired data** by first taking the difference within each pair to produce a single sample. Then use one-sample t procedures.
- There are three factors that influence the sample size required for a statistical test: significance level, effect size, and the desired power of the test.
- Very small differences can be highly significant (small P -value) when a test is based on a large sample. A statistically significant difference need not be practically important.
- Many tests run at once will probably produce some significant results by chance alone, even if all the null hypotheses are true.

Section 10.1

- Choose independent SRSs of size n_1 from Population 1 with proportion of successes p_1 and of size n_2 from Population 2 with proportion of successes p_2 . The sampling distribution of $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$ has the following properties:
 - **Shape** Approximately Normal if the samples are large enough that $n_1 p_1$, $n_1(1 - p_1)$, $n_2 p_2$, and $n_2(1 - p_2)$ are all at least 10.
 - **Center** The mean is $p_1 - p_2$.
 - **Spread** As long as each sample is no more than 10% of its population, the standard deviation is $\sqrt{\frac{p_1(1 - p_1)}{n_1} + \frac{p_2(1 - p_2)}{n_2}}$.
- Confidence intervals and tests to compare the proportions p_1 and p_2 of successes for two populations or treatments are based on the difference $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$ between the sample proportions.
- Before estimating or testing a claim about $p_1 - p_2$, check that these conditions are met:
 - **Random:** The data come from two independent random samples or from two groups in a randomized experiment.
 - **10%:** When sampling without replacement, check that the two populations are at least 10 times as large as the corresponding samples.
 - **Large Counts:** The counts of “successes” and “failures” in each sample or group— $n_1 \hat{p}_1$, $n_1(1 - \hat{p}_1)$, $n_2 \hat{p}_2$, and $n_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)$ —are all at least 10.
- When conditions are met, an approximate $C\%$ confidence interval for $p_1 - p_2$ is

$$(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1 - \hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}$$

where z^* is the standard Normal critical value with $C\%$ of its area between $-z^*$ and z^* . This is called a **two-sample z interval for $p_1 - p_2$** .

- Significance tests of $H_0: p_1 - p_2 = 0$ use the **pooled (combined) sample proportion** in the standard error formula:

$$\hat{p}_C = \frac{\text{count of successes in both samples combined}}{\text{count of individuals in both samples combined}} = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

When conditions are met, the **two-sample z test for $p_1 - p_2$** uses the test statistic

$$z = \frac{(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_C(1 - \hat{p}_C)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_C(1 - \hat{p}_C)}{n_2}}}$$

with P -values calculated from the standard Normal distribution.

- Inference about the difference $p_1 - p_2$ in the effectiveness of two treatments in a completely randomized experiment is based on the **randomization distribution** of $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$. When conditions are met, our usual inference procedures based on the sampling distribution of $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$ will be approximately correct.
- Be sure to follow the four-step process whenever you construct a confidence interval or perform a significance test for comparing two proportions.

Section 10.2

- Choose independent SRSs of size n_1 from Population 1 and size n_2 from Population 2. The sampling distribution of $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ has the following properties:
 - **Shape:** Normal if both population distributions are Normal; approximately Normal otherwise if both samples are large enough ($n_1 \geq 30$ and $n_2 \geq 30$) by the central limit theorem.
 - **Center:** Its mean is $\mu_1 - \mu_2$.
 - **Spread:** As long as each sample is no more than 10% of its population, its standard deviation is $\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$.
- Confidence intervals and tests for the difference between the means of two populations or the mean responses to two treatments μ_1 and μ_2 are based on the difference $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ between the sample means.
- Because we almost never know the population standard deviations in practice, we use the **two-sample t statistic**

$$t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

This statistic has approximately a t distribution. There are two options for using a t distribution to approximate the distribution of the two-sample t statistic:

- **Option 1 (Technology)** Use the t distribution with degrees of freedom calculated from the data by a somewhat messy formula. The degrees of freedom probably won't be a whole number.
- **Option 2 (Conservative)** Use the t distribution with degrees of freedom equal to the *smaller* of $n_1 - 1$ and $n_2 - 1$. This method gives wider confidence intervals and larger P -values than Option 1.
- Before estimating or testing a claim about $\mu_1 - \mu_2$, check that these conditions are met:
 - **Random:** The data are produced by independent random samples of size n_1 from Population 1 and of size n_2 from Population 2 or by two groups of size n_1 and n_2 in a randomized experiment.

- **10%:** When sampling without replacement, check that the two populations are at least 10 times as large as the corresponding samples.
- **Normal/Large Sample:** Both population distributions (or the true distributions of responses to the two treatments) are Normal or both sample sizes are large ($n_1 \geq 30$ and $n_2 \geq 30$). If either population (treatment) distribution has unknown shape and the corresponding sample size is less than 30, use a graph of the sample data to assess the Normality of the population (treatment) distribution. Do not use two-sample t procedures if the graph shows strong skewness or outliers.

- An approximate $C\%$ confidence interval for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ is

$$(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

where t^* is the critical value with $C\%$ of its area between $-t^*$ and t^* for the t distribution with degrees of freedom from either Option 1 (technology) or Option 2 (the smaller of $n_1 - 1$ and $n_2 - 1$). This is called a **two-sample t interval for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$** .

- To test $H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 = \text{hypothesized value}$, use a **two-sample t test for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$** . The test statistic is

$$t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

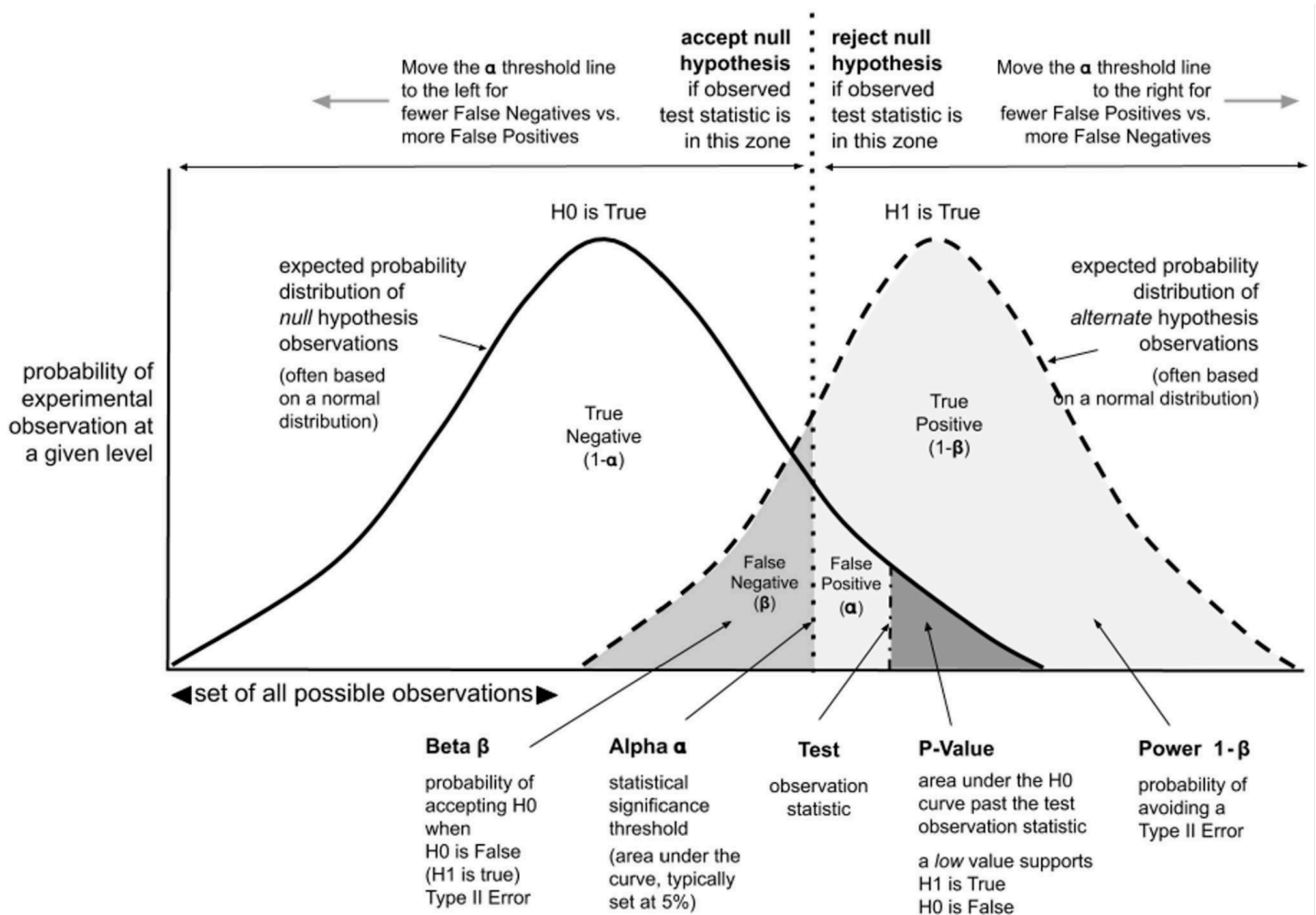
P -values are calculated using the t distribution with degrees of freedom from either Option 1 (technology) or Option 2 (the smaller of $n_1 - 1$ and $n_2 - 1$).

- Inference about the difference $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ in the effectiveness of two treatments in a completely randomized experiment is based on the **randomization distribution** of $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$. When the conditions are met, our usual inference procedures based on the sampling distribution of $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ will be approximately correct.
- Don't use two-sample t procedures to compare means for paired data.
- Be sure to follow the four-step process whenever you construct a confidence interval or perform a significance test for comparing two means.

Note on confidence intervals:

When interpreting a confidence interval for a difference of means, proportions, etc., we need two statements:

- **Interpret:** We are ____% confident that the interval from A to B captured... etc.
- **Conclude:** Since the interval is _____ (entirely positive, entirely negative, or includes zero), we (have or do not have) statistically significant evidence that.... etc..



How to Organize a Statistical Problem: A Four-Step Process

| | Confidence intervals (CIs) | Significance tests |
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| STATE: | What <i>parameter</i> do you want to estimate, and at what <i>confidence level</i> ? | What <i>hypotheses</i> do you want to test, and at what <i>significance level</i> ? Define any <i>parameters</i> you use. |
| PLAN: | Choose the appropriate inference <i>method</i> . Check <i>conditions</i> . | Choose the appropriate inference <i>method</i> . Check <i>conditions</i> . |
| DO: | If the conditions are met, perform <i>calculations</i> . | If the conditions are met, perform <i>calculations</i> . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compute the test statistic. • Find the P-value. |
| CONCLUDE: | <i>Interpret</i> your interval in the context of the problem. | Make a <i>decision</i> about the hypotheses in the context of the problem. |

CI: statistic \pm (critical value)·(standard deviation of statistic)

Standardized test statistic = $\frac{\text{statistic} - \text{parameter}}{\text{standard deviation of statistic}}$

| Inference about | Number of samples (groups) | Interval or test | Name of procedure (TI Calculator function) Formula | Conditions |
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| Proportions | 1 | Interval | One-sample z interval for p (1-PropZInt) $\hat{p} \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})}{n}}$ | Random Data from a random sample or randomized experiment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10%: $n \leq 0.10N$ if sampling without replacement Large Counts At least 10 successes and failures; that is, $n\hat{p} \geq 10$ and $n(1 - \hat{p}) \geq 10$ |
| | | Test | One-sample z test for p (1-PropZTest) $z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1 - p_0)}{n}}}$ | Random Data from a random sample or randomized experiment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10%: $n \leq 0.10N$ if sampling without replacement Large Counts $np_0 \geq 10$ and $n(1 - p_0) \geq 10$ |
| | 2 | Interval | Two-sample z interval for $p_1 - p_2$ (2-PropZInt) $(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1 - \hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}$ | Random Data from independent random samples or randomized experiment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10%: $n_1 \leq 0.10N_1$ and $n_2 \leq 0.10N_2$ if sampling without replacement Large Counts At least 10 successes and failures in both samples/groups; that is, $n_1\hat{p}_1 \geq 10, n_1(1 - \hat{p}_1) \geq 10,$ $n_2\hat{p}_2 \geq 10, n_2(1 - \hat{p}_2) \geq 10$ |
| | | Test | Two-sample z test for $p_1 - p_2$ (2-PropZTest) $z = \frac{(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_c(1 - \hat{p}_c)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_c(1 - \hat{p}_c)}{n_2}}}$ where $\hat{p}_c = \frac{\text{total successes}}{\text{total sample size}} = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{n_1 + n_2}$ | Random Data from independent random samples or randomized experiment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 10%: $n_1 \leq 0.10N_1$ and $n_2 \leq 0.10N_2$ if sampling without replacement Large Counts At least 10 successes and failures in both samples/groups; that is, $n_1\hat{p}_1 \geq 10, n_1(1 - \hat{p}_1) \geq 10,$ $n_2\hat{p}_2 \geq 10, n_2(1 - \hat{p}_2) \geq 10$ |

| Inference about | Number of samples (groups) | Estimate or test | Name of procedure (TI Calculator function) Formula | Conditions |
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| Means | 1 (or paired data) | Interval | One-sample t interval for μ (TInterval) $\bar{x} \pm t^* \frac{s_x}{\sqrt{n}} \text{ with df} = n - 1$ | Random Data from a random sample or randomized experiment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10%: $n \leq 0.10N$ if sampling without replacement Normal/Large Sample Population distribution Normal or large sample ($n \geq 30$); no strong skewness or outliers if $n < 30$ and population distribution has unknown shape |
| | | Test | One-sample t test for μ (T-Test) $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s_x}{\sqrt{n}}} \text{ with df} = n - 1$ | Random Data from a random sample or randomized experiment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10%: $n \leq 0.10N$ if sampling without replacement Normal/Large Sample Population distribution Normal or large sample ($n \geq 30$); no strong skewness or outliers if $n < 30$ and population distribution has unknown shape |
| | 2 | Interval | Two-sample t interval for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ (2-SampTInt) $(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$ df from technology or $\min(n_1 - 1, n_2 - 1)$ | Random Data from independent random samples or randomized experiment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10%: $n_1 \leq 0.10N_1$ and $n_2 \leq 0.10N_2$ if sampling without replacement Normal/Large Sample Population distributions Normal or large samples ($n_1 \geq 30$ and $n_2 \geq 30$); no strong skewness or outliers if sample size < 30 and population distribution has unknown shape |
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