

Chapter 9 Inference on Population Proportion

Confidence Interval

$$\hat{p} \pm z^* \left(\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}} \right)$$

where z^* varies according to the confidence levels.

Interpretation of 95% (or other confidence level) confidence intervals: among all 95% confidence intervals constructed from random samples, 95% of these intervals will cover the population parameter. So, for a particular confidence interval constructed for a simple random sample, we have 95% confidence that it covers the population parameters.

Hypothesis Testing

$$H_0 : p = p_0 \text{ versus } H_a : p > p_0$$

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$$\text{Test Statistics } Z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}}}$$

Determine the direction of extreme and obtain your P-values using the standard normal table. Make your decision and draw conclusions.

Chapter 10 Inference on Population Mean

Confidence Interval

- σ known: $\bar{x} \pm z^* \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
- σ unknown: $\bar{x} \pm t^* \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$. This formula is good when either sample size is large (>0) or the population is approximately normal. However, when sample size is large, $t^* \approx z^*$. The degree of freedom of t^* is $n-1$.

Hypothesis Testing

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \text{ versus } H_0 : \mu > \mu_0$$

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- σ known: Test statistic $Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$, obtain p-values using the standard normal table.

- σ unknown:
 - Sample size is small and the population approximately normal: Use the test statistic $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s / \sqrt{n}}$ which follows t-distribution with $df=n-1$. Obtain the bounds of p-values from the t-distribution table.
 - Sample size is large: Use the test statistic $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s / \sqrt{n}}$ which is approximately standard normal $N(0,1)$. Obtain p-values using the standard normal table.
 - Small sample size and population not approximately normal: Not to be considered in this course.