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Tests About a Population Proportion

- ✓ STATE and CHECK the Random, 10%, and Large Counts conditions for performing a significance test about a population proportion.
- ✓ PERFORM a significance test about a population proportion.
- ✓ INTERPRET the power of a test and DESCRIBE what factors affect the power of a test.
- ✓ DESCRIBE the relationship among the probability of a Type I error (significance level), the probability of a Type II error, and the power of a test.

Carrying Out a Significance Test

Recall our basketball player who claimed to be an 80% free-throw shooter. In an SRS of 50 free-throws, he made 32. His sample proportion of made shots, $32/50 = 0.64$, is much lower than what he claimed.

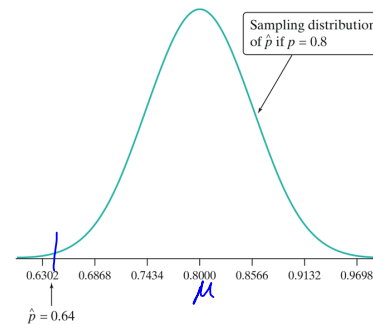
Does it provide *convincing* evidence against his claim?

Conditions For Performing A Significance Test About A Proportion

- **Random:** The data come from a well-designed random sample or randomized experiment.
- **10%:** When sampling without replacement, check that $n \leq (1/10)N$. *Independent, we can use $\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$*
- **Large Counts:** Both np_0 and $n(1 - p_0)$ are at least 10. *Normal*

Random-Stat. 50 ≤ 1/10 (All F.T. shots) yes
50(0.8) = 40 ≥ 10 yes
50(0.2) = 10 ≥ 10 yes

$\mu_{\hat{p}} = p = 0.80$ and standard deviation $\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{(0.8)(0.2)}{50}} = 0.0566$

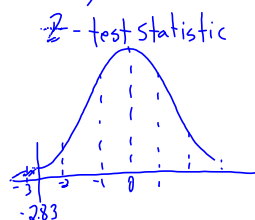


A significance test uses sample data to measure the strength of evidence against H_0 . Here are some principles that apply to most tests:

- The test compares a statistic calculated from sample data with the value of the parameter stated by the null hypothesis.
- Values of the statistic far from the null parameter value in the direction specified by the alternative hypothesis give evidence against H_0 .

A **test statistic** measures how far a sample statistic diverges from what we would expect if the null hypothesis H_0 were true, in standardized units. That is,

$$\text{test statistic} = \frac{\text{statistic} - \text{parameter}}{\text{standard deviation of statistic}} = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$



$H_0: p = 0.80$
 $H_a: p < 0.80$ $\alpha = .05$

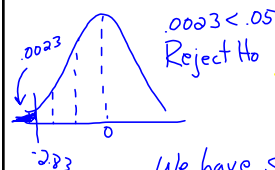
P-value method: *1-Prop Z Test*

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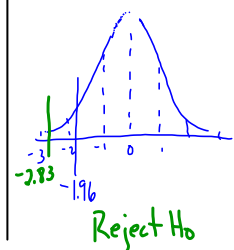
$$z = \frac{0.64 - 0.80}{0.0566} = -2.83$$

Using Table A, we find that the P-value is $P(z \leq -2.83) = 0.0023$.



Critical Value Method:

Standardizing, we get Critical value $Z = z^* = -1.96$



We have strong evidence that he shoots less than .80 of his Free Throws.

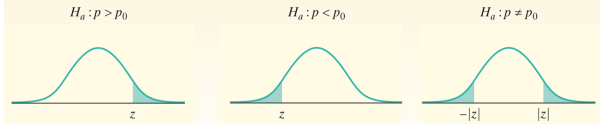
The One-Sample z-Test for a Proportion

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.

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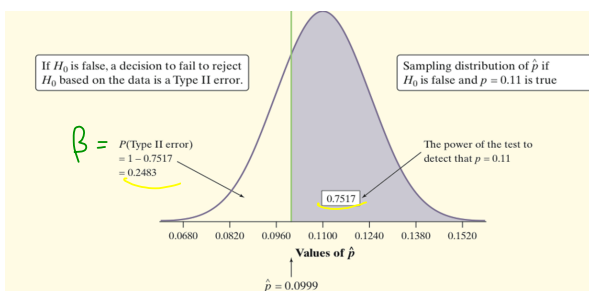
compute the z statistic

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



Type II Error and the Power of a Test

The potato-chip producer wonders whether the significance test of $H_0 : p = 0.08$ versus $H_a : p > 0.08$ based on a random sample of 500 potatoes has enough power to detect a shipment with, say, 11% blemished potatoes. In this case, a particular Type II error is to fail to reject $H_0 : p = 0.08$ when $p = 0.11$.



The significance level of a test is the probability of reaching the wrong conclusion when the null hypothesis is true. *Type I*

The power of a test to detect a specific alternative is the probability of reaching the right conclusion when that alternative is true. *Don't commit Type 2*

We can just as easily describe the test by giving the probability of making a Type II error (sometimes called β).

$$\beta = 1 - \text{power}$$

34. $200(.99) \geq 10$
 $200(.01) \geq 10$
 $2 \neq 10$ FAILS

42. $x=36$ $n=50$

$H_0: p = .5$
 $H_a: p > .5$

Conditions:
 Random: Stated
 10% Rule (Indp): $50 \leq \frac{1}{10} \left(\frac{44}{.5} \right)$
 Large Counts (Norm): $50 \left(\frac{.5}{.5} \right) \geq 10$
 $25 \geq 10$

1-Prop z test

$z = 3.11$ $p\text{-value} = .0009$

$.0009 < .05$
 Reject H_0

We have strong evidence that the proportion of C. Drinkers who prefer Fresh B. is greater than .5