

Review 1

$(1 - \alpha) \cdot 100\%$ confidence interval:

(point estimate) $\pm [(z_{\alpha/2}, t_{n-1, \alpha/2}) \cdot (\text{standard error of point estimate})]$

Population mean μ :

- Large sample $n \geq 30$

$$\bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sigma_{\bar{x}} = \bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \left[\bar{x} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

or

$$\bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} s_{\bar{x}} = \bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} = \left[\bar{x} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

- Small sample $n < 30$, normal population

$$\bar{x} \pm t_{n-1, \alpha/2} s_{\bar{x}} = \bar{x} \pm t_{n-1, \alpha/2} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} = \left[\bar{x} - t_{n-1, \alpha/2} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + t_{n-1, \alpha/2} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

Population proportion p :

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} s_{\bar{p}} &= \bar{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}{n}} \\ &= \left[\bar{p} - z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}{n}}, \bar{p} + z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}{n}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Sample size for an interval estimate:

$$n = \frac{z_{\alpha/2}^2 s^2}{E^2}, n = \frac{z_{\alpha/2}^2 \bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}{E^2}.$$

Chapter 9

Type I and II errors:

$$\alpha = P(H_0 \text{ is true but is rejected})$$

$$\beta = P(H_a \text{ is true but not reject } H_0)$$

Example 1:

A sample of 625 provides a sample mean of 30 and a sample standard deviation of 20.

(a) Develop a 80% confidence interval for the population mean.

(b) With a 90% confidence interval, what size sample would be required to estimate the population mean with margin error equal to 0.5?

[Solution:]

(a) A 80% confidence interval is

$$\bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} = 30 \pm z_{0.1} \frac{20}{\sqrt{625}} = 30 \pm (1.28 \cdot 0.8) = [28.98, 31.02].$$

(b) $E = 0.5$.

$$n = \frac{z_{\alpha/2}^2 s^2}{E^2} = \frac{z_{0.05}^2 20^2}{(0.5)^2} = \frac{(1.645)^2 \cdot 400}{(0.5)^2} = 4329.64 \Rightarrow n = 4330.$$

Example 2:

You are given a random sample of 4 observations from a normal population

80	72	88	72
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(a) Find the 90% confidence interval for the population mean.

(b) With a 95% confidence interval of length 5, what size sample would be required to estimate the population mean?

[Solution:]

(a)

$$n = 4, \alpha = 0.1, t_{n-1, \alpha/2} = t_{3, 0.05} = 2.353, \bar{x} = 78, s = 7.66.$$

A 90% confidence interval of μ is

$$\bar{x} \pm t_{n-1, \alpha/2} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} = 78 \pm t_{3, 0.05} \frac{7.66}{\sqrt{4}} = 78 \pm (2.353 \cdot 3.83) = [68.99, 87.01].$$

(b) $E = 5/2 = 2.5, \alpha = 0.05$.

$$n = \frac{z_{\alpha/2}^2 s^2}{E^2} = \frac{z_{0.025}^2 \cdot (7.66)^2}{(2.5)^2} = \frac{(1.96)^2 \cdot 58.68}{6.25} = 36.07 \Rightarrow n = 37.$$

Example 3:

A random sample of 400 people was taken. 228 of the people in the sample favored candidate A.

(a) Develop a 90% confidence interval estimate for the proportion in favor of candidate A.

(b) With a margin of error of 0.01 or less at 95% confidence, what size sample would be required to estimate the proportion in favor of candidate A?

[Solution:]

$$n = 400, \bar{p} = \frac{228}{400} = 0.57.$$

(a) A 90% confidence interval for p is

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1-\bar{p})}{n}} &= 0.57 \pm z_{0.05} \sqrt{\frac{0.57(1-0.57)}{400}} \\ &= 0.57 \pm (1.645 \cdot 0.0248) \\ &= [0.53, 0.61].\end{aligned}$$

(b) $E = 0.01, \alpha = 0.05$.

$$n = \frac{z_{\alpha/2}^2 \bar{p}(1-\bar{p})}{E^2} = \frac{z_{0.025}^2 \cdot 0.57 \cdot (1-0.57)}{(0.01)^2} = 9415.76 \Rightarrow n = 9416.$$

Example 4:

For the following hypothesis test

$$H_0: X \sim \text{binomial}(3, 1/3) \text{ vs } H_a: X \sim \text{Poisson}(1).$$

where $\text{binomial}(3, 1/3)$ has the distribution function

$$f_X(x) = \binom{3}{x} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3-x}, x = 0, 1, 2, 3.$$

and $\text{Poisson}(1)$ has the distribution function

$$f_X(x) = \frac{e^{-1}}{x!}, x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

we reject H_0 as $X \leq 2$. Please calculate α and β .

[Solution:]

$$\alpha = P(H_0 \text{ is true but is rejected}) = P(X \sim \text{binomial}(3, 1/3), X \leq 2)$$

$$= 1 - P(X \sim \text{binomial}(3, 1/3), X = 3) = 1 - \binom{3}{3} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{3-3}$$

$$= \frac{26}{27}$$

and

$$\beta = P(H_a \text{ is true but not reject } H_0) = P(X \sim \text{Poisson}(1), X > 2)$$

$$= 1 - P(X \sim \text{Poisson}(1), X \leq 2) = 1 - \left(\frac{e^{-1}}{0!} + \frac{e^{-1}}{1!} + \frac{e^{-1}}{2!} \right)$$

$$= 1 - 2.5e^{-1}$$