

MTH 3220 Lab 2

Due Wed., Sept. 19

1 Part A: Power of the One-Sample t Test

Recall that the **power** of a test (when H_a is true) is:

$$\text{Power} = 1 - \beta(\mu)$$

where

$$\beta(\mu) = P(\text{Type II error}).$$

To compute the **power** of a **t test** in R, we use `power.t.test()`. Among its arguments are:

<code>n</code>	number of observations (per group)
<code>delta</code>	(absolute value of) true difference in means
<code>sd</code>	standard deviation σ
<code>sig.level</code>	significance level (Type I error probability), with default 0.05
<code>power</code>	power of test (1 minus Type II error probability) for computing sample size
<code>type</code>	string specifying the type of t test. One of "two.sample", "one.sample", or "paired".
<code>alternative</code>	one- or two-sided test. Must be one of "one.sided" or "two.sided".

For example, consider a **one-sample t test** of the hypotheses:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : \mu &= 40 \\ H_a : \mu &> 40 \end{aligned}$$

The **power** of a **t test** (when H_a is true) will depend on:

- The level of significance of the test α (a larger α leads to more power but also to higher Type I error probability).
- The population mean μ (a μ farther above 40 leads to more power).
- The population standard deviation σ (a larger σ leads to less power).
- The sample size n (a larger n leads to more power).

We'll find the **power** of the test (using $\alpha = 0.05$) when the population mean is $\mu = 42$ and the sample size is $n = 10$.

We need to specify (guess) a value for σ . We'll suppose $\sigma = 7$.

To find the **power** under these circumstances, we'd type:

```

power.t.test(n = 10, delta = 2, sd = 7, sig.level = 0.05,
             type = "one.sample",
             alternative = "one.sided")

##
##      One-sample t test power calculation
##
##      n = 10
##      delta = 2
##      sd = 7
##      sig.level = 0.05
##      power = 0.209448
##      alternative = one.sided

```

The argument **delta** is used to specified $|\mu - \mu_0|$, in our case $42 - 40 = 2$.

From the output, under the specified circumstances the **power** is only about **0.209**.

1. Use **power.t.test()** to find the **power** of the test described above under each of these three scenarios: 1) $\mu = 42$; 2) $\mu = 45$; 3) $\mu = 50$. Assume $\sigma = 7$ and $n = 10$ in each case.
2. Now use **power.t.test()** to find the **power** of the test described above under each of these three scenarios: 1) $n = 10$; 2) $n = 25$; 3) $n = 100$. Assume $\mu = 42$ and $\sigma = 7$ and in each case.
3. **Larger sample sizes result in more power.**

To find the **necessary sample size** for attaining a **desired power**, we specify the **desired power** via the **power** argument in **power.t.test()**, and leave **n** unspecified.

For example, to find the **necessary sample size** for attaining a **power** of **0.80** when $\mu = 42$ and $\sigma = 7$ (using $\alpha = 0.05$), we'd type:

```

power.t.test(delta = 2, sd = 7, sig.level = 0.05,
             power = 0.8,
             type = "one.sample",
             alternative = "one.sided")

##
##      One-sample t test power calculation
##
##      n = 77.10731
##      delta = 2
##      sd = 7
##      sig.level = 0.05
##      power = 0.8
##      alternative = one.sided

```

From the output, we'd require a sample size of *at least n = 78* (we always round up).

Use `power.t.test()` to find the **necessary sample size** for attaining a **power** of **0.90** when $\mu = 42$ and $\sigma = 7$ (using $\alpha = 0.05$).

```
power.t.test(delta = 2, sd = 7, sig.level = 0.05,
             power = 0.9,
             type = "one.sample",
             alternative = "one.sided")
```

2 Part B: Paired *t* Test and Confidence Interval

2.1 Books versus DVDs Data Set

A study was conducted to decide if college students retain information better by reading the material in a **book** or by watching it on a **DVD**.

A sample of **n = 7** students was each assigned a 19th-century novel to read and a different one to watch. Afterward, each student was given a quiz on each novel. The test results (as percents) are below.

Student	Book Test Result	DVD Test Result	Difference
1	90	85	5
2	80	72	8
3	90	80	10
4	75	80	-5
5	80	70	10
6	90	75	15
7	84	80	4

1. Use `c()` and `<-` to create one vector containing the **book** test results and another the **DVD** results. Here are the data in a more convenient format:

Book	90, 80, 90, 75, 80, 90, 84
DVD	85, 72, 80, 80, 70, 75, 80

2. The function `t.test()` will carry out a **paired t test** and compute a **95% paired t CI**. Among its argument are:

<code>x</code>	a data vector.
<code>y</code>	another optional data vector.
<code>alternative</code>	the direction for the alternative hypothesis, one of <code>"two.sided"</code> , <code>"less"</code> , or <code>"greater"</code> .
<code>mu</code>	the null hypothesized value for the unknown population mean (or difference in means if you are performing a two-sample test), with default value 0.
<code>paired</code>	a logical indicating whether you want a paired t-test.
<code>conf.level</code>	the confidence level for a confidence interval for the unknown population mean (or difference in means for a two-sample problem), with default value 0.95.

We want to carry out a **paired *t*** test of

$$\begin{array}{lll} H_0 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0 & & H_0 : \mu_d = 0 \\ H_a : \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0 & \text{or equivalently} & H_a : \mu_d \neq 0 \end{array}$$

where μ_1 is the (unknown) population mean score after reading a **book**, μ_2 is the population mean after watching a **DVD**, and μ_d is the true mean **difference** (**book** score minus **DVD** score).

Specifying `paired = TRUE` in `t.test()` tells R the samples are **paired**. Now carry out the **paired *t* test**, for example by typing:

```
t.test(x = Book, y = DVD, mu = 0, paired = TRUE, alternative = "two.sided")
```

(assuming you named your vectors **Book** and **DVD**).

3. The paired *t* test rests on an assumption that either the **differences** can be considered as a sample from a **normal population** or ***n* is large**.

Compute the **differences** (**book** minus **DVD**):

```
Diffss <- Book - DVD
```

Check the normality assumption using a **histogram** and a **normal probability plot** of the **differences**:

```
hist(x = Diffss, col = "blue", main = "Histogram of Differences",
      xlab = "Difference")
```

```
qqnorm(y = Diffss, pch = 19)
qqline(y = Diffss, col = "blue", lwd = 2)
```

3 Part C: One Sample *Z* Test for a Population Proportion *p*

3.1 Political Poll Results

If a random sample is from a population of *successes* and *failures*, then the **test statistic** in a **one-sample *z* test** of

$$\begin{array}{ll} H_0 : p = p_0 \\ H_a : p \neq p_0 \end{array}$$

where p is the population **proportion** of successes, is

$$Z = \frac{\hat{P} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}}}.$$

A November 18, 2015, online CNN article had the headline "Poll: Clinton trails GOP rivals in Colorado."

The headline referred to a Quinnipiac poll which found that "Dr. Ben Carson tops Democratic front-runner Hillary Clinton **52 - 38** percent in a general election matchup."

Referring to its survey methodology, Quinnipiac states "This RDD (Random Digital Dialing) telephone survey was conducted from November 11 - 15, 2015 throughout the state of Colorado. Responses are reported for **1,262** self-identified registered voters."

1. The function `prop.test()` takes arguments

<code>x</code>	the number of successes in the sample.
<code>n</code>	the sample size.
<code>p</code>	the null hypothesized value for the unknown population proportion.
<code>alternative</code>	the direction for the alternative hypothesis, one of " <code>two.sided</code> ", " <code>less</code> ", or " <code>greater</code> ".
<code>conf.level</code>	the confidence level for a confidence interval for the unknown population proportion, with default value 0.95.

It returns the *sample proportion* \hat{P} along with the results of a **one-sample z test** (and **95% CI**) for p .

Assume that **656** (52%) of the **1,262** respondents supported Carson.

Use `prop.test()` to carry out a **one-sample z test** of of

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : p &= 0.5 \\ H_a : p &\neq 0.5 \end{aligned}$$

where p is the (unknown) population **proportion** that supported Carson, for example:

```
prop.test(x = 656, n = 1262, p = 0.5, alternative = "two.sided")
```

Note: The test statistic returned by `prop.test()` is the **square** of Z , and is denoted **X-squared** in the output.

4 Part D: The Two Sample Z Test (for Two Population Proportions)

4.1 Secondhand Stores Data Set

Shopping at secondhand stores is becoming more popular and has even attracted the attention of some business schools. A study of customers' attitudes toward secondhand stores interviewed samples of shoppers at two secondhand stores of the same chain in **two cities**. The breakdown of the respondents **by gender** is as follows:

City		Total Sample	Gender		
		Size	Women	Men	
City 1		$m = 241$	203	38	
City 2		$n = 218$	150	68	

1. Compute the two *sample proportions* of women shoppers \hat{P}_1 and \hat{P}_2 for the two cities.
2. We want to carry out a **two-sample z test** of

$$H_0 : p_1 - p_2 = 0$$

$$H_a : p_1 - p_2 \neq 0$$

where p_1 and p_2 are the (unknown) population proportions of shoppers who are women in the two cities. We also want to compute a **95% CI** for the difference $p_1 - p_2$.

The `prop.test()` function will carry out a *two-sample z test* and compute a **95% two-sample z confidence interval for $p_1 - p_2$** . In this case, we pass a *two-element vector* of success counts for the two samples via `x`, and a *two-element vector* of sample sizes via `n`. No value is passed for `p`. For example:

```
prop.test(x = c(203, 150), n = c(241, 218), alternative = "two.sided")
```

Note: The test statistic returned by `prop.test()` is the **square of z**, and is denoted X-squared in the output.

Now carry out the test and compute the confidence interval using `prop.test()`.