

FREC 408



Group Exercise 7

Problem 1: Hypothesis test of a proportion

- A recent survey by **Opinion Research Corporation** focused on the perception of voters as to their obligation to vote. The poll, taken Oct. 16-22, covered a sample of 400 people between 18 and 30 were interviewed, with a margin of error of 5.5 percentage points. The respondents were asked if they thought voting was a choice or a constitutional duty. **For the respondents aged 18 to 30, 59% indicated that they felt voting was a choice.**
- Conduct a hypothesis test to see if the true proportion of young citizens (aged 18 to 30) who feel voting is a choice is greater than 50%.

Voting as a Choice

- Null hypothesis** $H_0: p = .5$
Alternative $H_a: p > .5$ one-tailed test, upper
Assumptions Large sample, binomial = normal
Test Statistic $z^* = (.59 - .5) / (.25/400)^{.5}$
Rejection Region $z_{\alpha=.05} = 1.645$
Calculation $z^* = 3.6$
Conclusion $z^* > z_{\alpha=.05}$
 $3.6 > 1.645$
Reject $H_0: p = .5$

p-value for $z^* = 3.6$ off the z-table, so $p < .001$

Problem

- The current pain reliever in a hospital brings relief in 3.5 minutes on average
- A new pain reliever is tried on a sample of 20 people
- Mean time is 2.8 minutes with $s=1.14$ minutes
- Do the data provide sufficient evidence that the new pain reliever was effective in reducing the mean time to relief?
- Use $\alpha = .01$

Pain Relief

- Null hypothesis** $H_0: \mu = 3.5$
Alternative $H_a: \mu < 3.5$ one-tailed test, lower
Assumptions Small sample, t distribution
Test Statistic $t^* = (2.8 - 3.5) / (1.14/\sqrt{20})$
Rejection Region $t_{\alpha=.01, 19 \text{ d.f.}} = -2.539$
Calculation $t^* = -2.746$
Conclusion $t^* < t_{\alpha=.01, 19 \text{ d.f.}}$
 $-2.746 < -2.539$
Reject $H_0: \mu = 3.5$

Problem – Support for Preserving Agricultural Lands

- States have started programs to help preserve agricultural lands and keep them from being developed
- One strategy is to think of the value of agricultural land as having a
 - Value as its use for agriculture
 - Value as its use for development
- State programs seek to purchase the development rights from the farmer and pay him/her for these rights

Survey of Delaware Households

- *I support the state's efforts to preserve farmland by purchasing development rights from farmers*
- 550 responded to this question
 - 325 said Strongly Agree or Agree
- Conduct a hypothesis Test to see if the the majority of Delawarean households agree with this statement (i.e., more than half support this program)
- Use $\alpha = .01$ level

Support for Farmland Preservation

- Null hypothesis $H_0: p = .5$
 Alternative $H_a: p > .5$ one-tailed test, upper
 Assumptions Large sample, binomial = normal
 Test Statistic $z^* = (.591-.5)/(.25/550)^{.5}$
 Rejection Region $z_{\alpha=.01} = 2.33$
 Calculation $z^* = 4.27$
 Conclusion $z^* > z_{\alpha=.01}$
 $4.27 > 2.33$
 Reject $H_0: p = .5$

Golf Course Problem

- Golf course designers are worried that the new equipment is making old courses obsolete.
- One designer says that courses need to be built with the expectation that players will be able to drive the ball an average of 250 yards or more.

Golf Course Problem

- A sample of 135 golfers is taken and they measured their driving distance
 - $\bar{x} = 256.3$ yards
 - $s = 43.4$ yards
- Does the sample provide enough evidence to suggest that golfers are already hitting it farther than the 250 mark? Use $\alpha=.05$
- Also, calculate the p-value for this problem

Golf Course Problem

- Null hypothesis $H_0: \mu = 250$
 Alternative $H_a: \mu > 250$ one-tailed test, upper
 Assumptions Large sample, normal
 Test Statistic $z^* = (256.3-250)/(43.4/\sqrt{135})$
 Rejection Region $z_{\alpha=.05} = 1.645$
 $z^* = 1.69$
 $z^* > z_{\alpha=.05}$
 Calculation $1.69 > 1.645$
 Conclusion Reject $H_0: \mu = 250$

$p = .0455$

Problem – 800 number service response time

- A proposal has been made that would allow people to put a portion of their Social Security payroll taxes into personal retirement accounts that would be invested in private stocks and bonds.
- A random group of adults in the U.S. were asked if they favored or opposed this proposal.
- Of the 884 adults aged 30 and older who responded, 513 said they favored the proposal.
- Test to see if more than half of adults 30 years and older favor the proposal.
- Use $\alpha = .05$

Customer Response time

- Null hypothesis** $H_0: p = .5$
Alternative $H_a: p > .5$ one-tailed test, upper
Assumptions Large sample, binomial = normal
Test Statistic $z^* = (.58 - .5)/(.25/884)^{.5}$
Rejection Region $z_{\alpha=.05} = 1.645$
Calculation $z^* = 4.757$
Conclusion $z^* > z_{\alpha=.05}$
 $4.757 < 1.645$
 Reject $H_0: p = .5$

On Wednesday I handed out a sheet on how to use Excel to do a difference of means test.

- I want your group to conduct a hypothesis test for a difference of means for cholesterol levels between males and females.
- Then we will explore the outputs from Excel and SAS.

The Descriptive Statistics are given on the handout.

- Briefly review the descriptive statistics and describe differences between the two groups.

Describe Differences

Cholesterol Level	Females	Males
Mean	200.32	196.09
Standard Error	0.88	0.97
Median	201	196
Mode	194	196
Standard Deviation	10.72	12.37
Sample Variance	114.94	153.07
Kurtosis	-0.49	0.02
Skewness	-0.11	0.09
Range	47	61
Minimum	176	166
Maximum	223	227
Sum	29647	32158
Count	148	164
Confidence Level(95.0%)	1.74	1.91

Description

- The mean level of cholesterol for females is slightly higher (200.32 versus 196.09)
- The median for each group is very close to the mean, indicating no extreme outliers and possibly a symmetrical distribution
- The spread of the data for males is larger than that of females.
 - Males have the larger range, from 166 to 227
 - Std Dev for males is 12.37 versus 10.72 for females

95% Confidence Interval

- 95% C.I. for females**
 - $200.32 \pm 1.96(.8813) =$
 - 200.32 ± 1.73

From Excel output 200.32 ± 1.74
- 95% C. I. for males**
 - $196.09 \pm 1.96(.9661) =$
 - 196.09 ± 1.89

From Excel output 196.09 ± 1.91

Hypothesis Test

- Conduct the test that females cholesterol levels are different from males.
- The null hypothesis should be that the two groups are equal.
- Do this by hand.**
- Use $\alpha = .05$.

Hypothesis Test

Null Hypothesis $H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$
 Alternative $H_a: \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0$
 Assumptions of Large sample, use a z, standard normal table for
 Test Statistic $z^* = \frac{(200.32 - 196.09 - 0)}{\sqrt{[(114.94/148) + (153.07/164)]^2}}$
 Rejection Region $z_{.05/2} = 1.96$
 Calculation of Test Statistics $z^* = 3.23$
 Comparison of $z^* > z_{.05/2}$
 z^*/t^* with $3.23 > 1.96$
 Rejection Region We can reject $H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$ p-value $< .02$

Now Look at Excel Output

- Look at the output from Excel for the same problem. Find the same elements for the Hypothesis Test you just calculated.
- What is the meaning of:
 - P(T<=t)one-tail**
 - t Critical one-tail**

Excel Output

t-Test: Two-Sample Assuming Unequal Variances		
	Females	Males
Mean	200.32	196.09
Variance	114.94	153.07
Observations	148	164
Hypothesized Mean Difference	0	
df	310	
t Stat	3.24	
P(T<=t) one-tail	0.00	
t Critical one-tail	1.65	
P(T<=t) two-tail	0.00	
t Critical two-tail	1.97	

Excel Output

- What is the meaning of:
 - P(T<=t)one-tail**
 - This is the p-value for the test statistic, under a one-tailed test $p = .0006706$
 - t Critical one-tail 1.65**
 - This the t-value at the rejection region for a one-tailed test

SAS Output

The TTEST Procedure

Statistics									
Variable	GENDER	N	Lower CL Mean	Upper CL Mean	Lower CL Std Dev	Upper CL Std Dev	Lower CL Std Dev	Upper CL Std Dev	Std Err
CHOLEST	0	164	194.18	196.09	197.99	11.163	12.372	13.878	0.9661
CHOLEST	1	148	198.58	200.32	202.06	9.623	10.721	12.104	0.8813
CHOLEST	Diff (1-2)		-6.824	-4.232	-1.64	10.772	11.619	12.611	1.3173

T-Tests					
Variable	Method	Variances	DF	t Value	Pr > t
CHOLEST	Pooled	Equal	310	-3.21	0.0015
CHOLEST	Satterthwaite	Unequal	310	-3.24	0.0013

Equality of Variances					
Variable	Method	Num DF	Den DF	F Value	Pr > F
CHOLEST	Folded F	163	147	1.33	0.0770

SAS Output

- Look at the results from SAS and find the same elements. What do you think is the meaning of the Equality of Variances test?
 - When n is large we don't have to assume equal variances, but we would gain information if we could.
 - The equality of variance test is the ratio of the variances - we test for a ratio = 1.
 - Since $p = .077$, this test did not meet the criteria for significance at the $\alpha = .05$ level. **Hence we could assume the variances are equal**

What if we assumed equal variances in Excel?

t-Test: Two-Sample Assuming Equal Variances		
	Females	Males
Mean	200.32	196.09
Variance	114.94	153.07
Observations	148	164
Pooled Variance	134.99	
Hypothesized Mean Difference	0	
df	310	
t Stat	3.213	
P(T<=t) one-tail	0.001	
t Critical one-tail	1.650	
P(T<=t) two-tail	0.001	
t Critical two-tail	1.968	

Geneticists have identified E2F1 transcription factor as an important component of cell proliferation control.

- The researchers induced DNA synthesis in two batches of serum-starved cells.
- In one group of 92 cells (treatment), cells were micro-injected with the E2F1 gene.
- A control group of (158 cells) was not exposed to E2F1.
- After 30 hours, researchers determined the number of altered growth cells in each batch. Test to see if the proportion for the treatment group is larger than that of the control.
- Conduct the hypothesis test using $\alpha = .01$.

This is a difference of proportions test, and here is the data

	Control	E2F1 Treated
Total Cells	158	92
Number of growth altered cells	15	41
	P =	P =

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	Control	E2F1 Treated
Total Cells	158	92
Number of growth altered cells	15	41
	P = .0949	P = .4457

Estimate a "pooled" proportion based on the Null Hypothesis that the groups are equal

	Control	E2F1 Treated
Total Cells	158	92
Number of growth altered cells	15	41
	P = .0949	P = .4457
Pooled estimate of $p_p = (15 + 41)/(158 + 92)$		
	$p_p = 56/250 = .224$	$q_p = .776$

$$\sigma_{(p_1-p_2)} = \sqrt{\hat{p}_p \hat{q}_p \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}$$

Conduct a Hypothesis Test

Null Hypothesis	$H_0: p_T - p_C = 0$
Alternative	$H_a: p_T - p_C > 0$
Assumptions of	Proportions, large sample, equality of p under
Pooled Estimate of p	$p_p = (15 + 41)/(158 + 92) = 56/250 = .225$ $q_p = .776$
Test Statistic (z* or t*)	$z^* =$ $(.4457 - .0949 - 0)/[(.224)(.776)(1/158 + 1/92)]^{.5}$
Rejection Region	$z_{.01} = 2.33$
Calculation of Test	$z^* = 6.4159$
Comparison of z* or t* with Rejection Region	$z^* > z_{.01}$ $6.4159 > 2.33$ We can reject $H_0: p_T - p_C = 0$