

SEVENTH LECTURE SUMMARY

CONFIDENCE INTERVAL FOR $\mu_1 - \mu_2$
(DIFFERENCE OF TWO POPULATION MEANS)

$$\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \pm z_c \times \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

WHEN BOTH n_1 AND n_2 ARE 'LARGE' (>30).

FOR SMALL SAMPLES, WE NEED:
NORMAL POPULATIONS, WITH THE SAME σ

$$\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \pm t_c \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} \times \sqrt{\frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}}$$

CONFIDENCE INTERVAL FOR $p_1 - p_2$
(DIFFERENCE IN POPULATION PROPORTIONS)

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \pm z_c \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1 \hat{q}_1}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2 \hat{q}_2}{n_2}}$$

BOTH n_1 AND n_2 MUST BE LARGE (IN THE $pn > 0$ AND $qn > 5$ SENSE)

HYPOTHESES TESTING

(CONCERNING POPULATION MEAN :)

NULL HYPOTHESIS $H_0: \mu = 13.4$

ALTERNATE HYPOTHESIS $H_1:$

ONE TAIL: $\mu < 13.4$ OR $\mu > 13.4$

TWO TAIL: $\mu \neq 13.4$

TEST STATISTIC:
$$\frac{\bar{x} - 13.4}{s / \sqrt{n}}$$

CRITICAL VALUES (REGION): $-z_c$ OR z_c OR $\pm z_c$ FOR LEFT-TAIL, RIGHT-TAIL AND TWO-TAIL TEST, RESPECTIVELY, USING THE LAST ROW OF **TABLE 6** UNDER " α " (ONE-TAIL TESTS) OR " $\alpha/2$ " (TWO-TAIL TEST)

" IS THE LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE (USUALLY 5 %), WHICH SETS THE PROBABILITY OF TYPE I ERROR (REJECTING H_0 WHEN TRUE) - MAKING THIS ERROR USUALLY RESULTS IN SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES

FAILING TO REJECT H_0 WHEN FALSE IS CALLED TYPE II ERROR - ITS PROBABILITY DEPENDS ON HOW CLOSE IS μ TO μ_0 (IT CAN BE AS HIGH AS $1 - \alpha$)

P VALUE IS THE (STANDARD NORMAL) TAIL AREA BEYOND THE VALUE OF THE COMPUTED TEST STATISTIC, FURTHER MULTIPLIED BY 2 FOR A TWO-TAIL TEST. HERE, WE FREQUENTLY HAVE TO DEAL WITH z VALUES BIGGER THAN 3.69 (THE END OF OUR NORMAL TABLES), AND HAVE TO USE MINITAB INSTEAD

SMALL SAMPLE MODIFICATION
(POPULATION MUST BE **NORMAL**):

INSTEAD OF z_c , USE t_c WITH $n - 1$ d.f.

NOTE: A TWO-TAIL TEST AT AN α (5%) LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE CAN BE ALSO (EQUIVALENTLY) CARRIED OUT BY CONSTRUCTING THE CORRESPONDING $1 - \alpha$ (95%) CONFIDENCE INTERVAL (REJECT H_0 IF ITS CLAIMED VALUE LIES OUTSIDE THIS INTERVAL).

TEST FOR A POPULATION PROPORTION p

$H_0: p = 0.28$ $H_1: p \neq 0.28$ (OR ONE TAIL)

TEST STATISTIC:
$$\frac{\hat{p} - 0.28}{\sqrt{\frac{0.28 \times 0.72}{n}}}$$

HAS (WHEN H_0 TRUE), THE STANDARD NORMAL DISTRIBUTION (n MUST BE LARGE)