

Statistical Inference Theory

Lesson 32

Type I Errors

32.1 - Two-sided test

32.1 - Problem 1:

►(a).

Since the sample average $\bar{x} = 110$ is outside the interval $115 \leq \bar{x} \leq 135$,

the decision rule requires that you reject H_0 and accept H_a .

►(b).

Step 1: Since the population average $\mu = 131$, the claim $H_0: \mu = 125$ is false and the counter-claim $H_a: \mu \neq 125$ is true.

Step 2: Since the sample average $\bar{x} = 110$ is outside the interval $115 \leq \bar{x} \leq 135$, the decision rule requires that you reject H_0 and accept H_a .

Step 3: Since you are rejecting H_0 , which is false and accepting H_a which is true, no Type I error occurred.

►(c).

Step 1: Since the population average $\mu = 10$, the claim $H_0: \mu = 10$ is true and the counter-claim $H_a: \mu \neq 10$ is false.

Step 2: Since the sample average $\bar{x} = 110$ is outside the interval $115 \leq \bar{x} \leq 135$, the decision rule requires that you reject H_0 and accept H_a .

Step 3: Since you are rejecting H_0 , which is true ($\mu = 125$) and accepting H_a , which is false, a Type I error has occurred.

32.1 - Problem 2:

►(a).

We wish to test if a significant change in handling luggage has occurred. Therefore, we test against that no change has occurred: $\mu = 25,500$.

A significant change can occur by an increase or decrease in handling using the modified system. Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu = 25,500$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq 25,500$$

►(b).

A type I error occurs when H_0 is true, but H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted.

$$\mu = 25,500$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{5000}{\sqrt{100}} = 500.$$

$$z = \frac{26000 - 25500}{500} = 1$$

$$z = \frac{25000 - 25500}{500} = -1$$

$$\alpha = 1 - P\{25,000 \leq \bar{X} \leq 26,000\} = P\{-1 \leq Z \leq 1\} = 1 - (0.3413 + 0.3413) = 0.3174$$

►(c).

Step 1: Since $\mu = 25,500$, H_0 is true.

Step 2: The decision rule is: *D.R.* : If $25,000 \leq \bar{X} \leq 26,000$ then **reject H_a** ; otherwise **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .

Step 3: Since $\bar{x} = 25,897$, the decision rule requires us to reject H_a . Since we are rejecting H_a , which is false, we are not making a Type I error.

►(d).

We start with decision rule:

If $25,500 - e^ \leq \bar{X} \leq 25,500 + e^*$ then **reject H_a** ; otherwise **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .*

Next, we need to find e^* so that $\alpha = 0.05$.

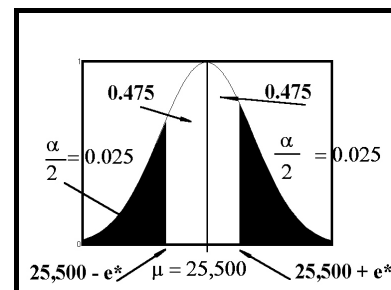
$$e^* = z\sigma_{\bar{X}} = 500z.$$

Using table C, we need to find z for $\alpha/2 = 0.025$.

$$z = 1.96.$$

$$\text{Therefore, } e^* = 500(1.96) = 980$$

d.



and

$$25,500 - 980 \leq \bar{X} \leq 25,500 + 980 = 24,520 \leq \bar{X} \leq 26,480$$

*D.R.: If $24,520 \leq \bar{X} \leq 26,480$, then **reject H_0** ; otherwise **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .*

32.1-Problem 3:

►(a).

We test $\mu = 1,000$ electric sockets a minute against the counter-claim $\mu \neq 1,000$.

Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu = 1,000$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq 1,000$$

►(b).

A type I error occurs when H_0 is true, but H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted.

$$\mu = 1,000$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{76}{\sqrt{36}} = 12.67.$$

$$z = \frac{1100 - 1000}{12.67} \approx 7.89$$

$$z = \frac{900 - 1000}{12.67} \approx -7.89$$

$$\alpha = 1 - P\{900 \leq \bar{X} \leq 1100\} = P\{-7.89 \leq Z \leq 7.89\} = 1 - (0.4999 + 0.4999) \approx 0$$

►(c).

Step 1: Since $\mu = 1,000$, H_0 is true.

Step 2: The decision rule is:

*If $900 \leq \bar{X} \leq 1100$ then **reject H_0** ; otherwise **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .*

Step 3: Since $\bar{x} = 1105$,

the decision rule requires us to reject H_0 and accept H_a . Since we are rejecting H_0 , which is true, we are making a Type I error.

►(d).

We start with decision rule: *If $900 - e^* \leq \bar{X} \leq 1100 + e^*$ then **reject H_0** ; otherwise **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .*

Next, we need to find e^* so that $\alpha = 0.01$.

$$e^* = z\sigma_{\bar{X}} = 12.67z.$$

Using table C, we need to find z for $\alpha/2 = 0.005$.

We look up z for the area $0.5 - 0.005 = 0.495$ and find $z = 2.58$.

Therefore, $e^* = 12.67(2.58) \approx 32.69$ and

$$1000 - 32.69 \leq \bar{X} \leq 1000 + 32.69 = 967.31 \leq \bar{X} \leq 1032.69$$

Therefore, we have the decision rule: *If $967.31 \leq \bar{X} \leq 1032.69$, then **reject H_0** ; otherwise **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .*

32.2 - One-sided test

32.2 - Problem 1:

►(a).

Step 1: The alternative to H_a is H_0 .

Step 2: Since $H_a: \mu > 125$, the alternative to $\mu > 125$ is $\mu \leq 125$.

Step 3: Since H_0 is the alternative to H_a , the other version for H_0 is $H_0: \mu \leq 125$.

►(b).

Since the sample average

$$\bar{x} = 128.20,$$

the decision rule requires that you **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .

►(c).

Step 1: Since the population average $\mu = 139.71$, the claim $H_0: \mu \leq 125$ is false and the counter-claim $H_a: \mu > 125$ is true.

Step 2: Since the sample average $\bar{x} = 128.20$, the decision rule requires that you **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .

Step 3: Since you are rejecting H_0 , which is false and accepting H_a which is true, no Type I error occurred.

►(d).

Step 1: Since the population average $\mu = 100$, the claim $H_0: \mu \leq 125$ is true and the counter-claim $H_a: \mu > 125$ is false.

Step 2: Since the sample average $\bar{x} = 128.20$, the decision rule requires that you **reject H_0 and accept H_a** .

Step 3: Since you are rejecting H_0 , which is true and accepting H_a , which is false, a Type I error has occurred.

32.2 - Problem 2:

►(a).

Since the claim is that the new laser machine will decrease the average production time, the claim and counter-claim is

$$H_0: \mu = 5.6$$

$$H_a: \mu < 5.6$$

►(b).

A type I error occurs when H_0 is true, but H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted.

$$H_0: \mu = 5.6$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{0.45}{\sqrt{400}} \approx 0.0225$$

$$z = \frac{5 - 5.6}{0.0225} \approx -26.67$$

$$\alpha = 0.5 - P\{\bar{X} \leq 5\} = P\{Z \leq -26.67\} = 0.5 - 0.4999 \approx 0$$

►(c).

Step 1: Since $\mu = 5.4$, H_a is true.

Step 2: Since $\bar{x} = 5.2$,

the decision rule requires us to **reject H_a** .

Step 3: Since we are rejecting H_a which is true, no type I error occurs.

►(d).

We start with the decision rule:

If $\bar{X} \leq 5.6 - e^*$ then **reject H_0 and accept H_a** ; otherwise, **reject H_a** .

Next, we need to find e^* so that $\alpha = 0.02$.

$$e^* = z\sigma_{\bar{X}} = 0.0225z.$$

Using table C, we need to find z for $\alpha = 0.02$.

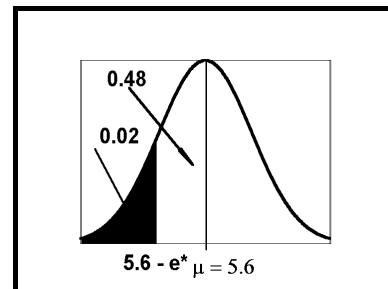
We look up z for the area $0.5 - 0.02 = 0.48$ and find $z = 2.05$.

Therefore, $e^* = 0.0225(2.05) \approx 0.046$ and

$$\bar{X} \leq 5.6 - 0.046 = \bar{X} \leq 5.55$$

Therefore, the decision rule is: *If $\bar{X} < 5.55$, then **reject H_0 and accept H_a** ; otherwise, **reject H_a** .*

d.



32.2 - Problem 3:

►(a).

Since the claim is that no more than \$8.90 an hour is earned, we can set

$$\mu \leq \$8.90 \text{ or } \mu = \$8.90.$$

Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu = \$8.90$$

$$H_a: \mu > \$8.90$$

►(b).

A type I error occurs when H_0 is true, but H_0 is rejected and H_a is accepted.

We assume $\mu = \$8.90$ is true.

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{100}} = 0.1$$

$$z = \frac{9 - 8.9}{0.1} = 1$$

$$\alpha = 0.5 - P\{\bar{X} > 9\} = P\{Z > 1\} = 0.5 - 0.3413 = 0.1587$$

►(c).

Step 1: Since $\mu = 8.79$, H_0 is true.

Step 2: Since $\bar{x} = \$9.79$, the decision rule requires us to reject H_0 and accept H_a .

Step 3: Since we are rejecting H_0 which is true, a Type I error has occurred.

►(d).

We start with the decision rule: *If $\bar{X} > 8.9 + e^*$ then reject H_0 and accept H_a ; otherwise, reject H_a .*

Next, we need to find e^* so that $\alpha = 0.01$.

$$e^* = z\sigma_{\bar{x}} = (0.1)z.$$

Using table C, we need to find z for $\alpha = 0.01$.

We look up z for the area $0.5 - 0.01 = 0.49$

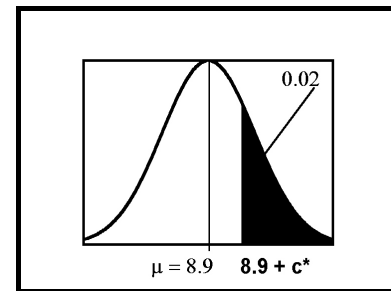
and find $z = 2.33$.

Therefore, $e^* = (0.1)2.33$ and $\bar{X} > \$8.9 + 0.233 = 9.133$

Therefore, the decision rule is:

If $\bar{X} > \$9.133$, then reject H_0 and accept H_a ; otherwise, reject H_a .

d.



Supplementary Problems

1.

►a.

We assume the coin is well balance and therefore, $p = 05$ and $\mu = 0.5(100) = 50$.

If the coin is not well balanced then the coin can be biased for heads or for tails. Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu = 50$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq 50$$

►b.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{100(0.5)(0.5)} = 5$$

$$z = \frac{55.5 - 50}{5} = 1.1$$

$$z = \frac{44.5 - 50}{5} = -1.1$$

$$\text{From table C, } \alpha = P\{X < 45\} + P\{X > 55\} = P\{X < -1.1\} + P\{X > 1.1\} = 0.5 - 0.3643 + 0.5 - 0.3643 = 0.2714$$

►c.

D.R.: If the number of heads is more than $50 + c^$ or less than $50 - c^*$ heads, reject the claim that the coin is well balanced.*

$$c^* = z\sigma = 5z$$

For $\alpha/2 = 0.025$, from table C, $z = 1.96$.

$$c^* = 5(1.96) = 9.8.$$

D.R.: If the number of heads is more than 59 or less than 41 heads, reject the claim that the coin is well balanced.

2.

►a.

The claim should be 60% of all medical students are female and the counter-claim is there are more than 60% or less than 60%. Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu = 200(0.6) = 120$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq 120$$

►b.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{200(0.6)(0.4)} \approx 6.93$$

$$z = \frac{111.5 - 120}{6.93} = -1.23$$

$$\text{From table C, } \alpha = P\{X < 112\} + P\{X > 128\} = P\{X < -1.23\} + P\{X > -1.23\} = 0.5 - 0.3907 + 0.5 - 0.3907 = 0.2186$$

►c.

D.R.: If in this sample, the number of females is more than $120 + c^$ or less than $120 - c^*$ then reject this claim.*

$$c^* = z\sigma = 6.93z$$

For $\alpha/2 = 0.005$, from table C, $z = 2.57$.

$$c^* = 6.93(2.57) \approx 17.81.$$

*D.R.: If in this sample, the number of females is more than 137 or less than 102 then **reject this claim***

3.

► a.

The claim of the union is $p \leq 0.25$.

The counter-claim by the representative of the industry is $p > 0.25$.

Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu \leq 200(0.25) = 50 \text{ (union claim)}$$

$$H_a: \mu > 50 \text{ (industry counter-claim)}$$

► b.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{200(0.25)(0.75)} \approx 6.12$$

$$z = \frac{54.5 - 50}{6.12} = 0.74$$

From table C, $\alpha = P\{X > 54\} = P\{Z > 0.74\} = 0.5 - 0.2704 = 0.2296$

► c.

DR: Let x represent the number of workers earning more than \$12.00.

If $x > 50 + e^$ then **reject the claim.***

$$e^* = z\sigma = 6.12z$$

Since $\alpha = 0.10$,

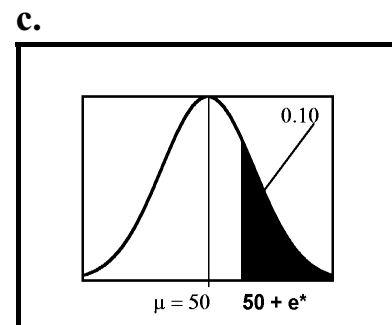
we look up the area of

$$0.5 - 0.10 = 0.4$$

in table C, for $z = 1.28$.

Therefore $e^* = 7.83$

and the decision rule is written as *D.R.: Let x represent the number of workers earning more than \$12.00. If $x > 57$ then **reject the claim.***



4.

►a.

Since the manufacturer is biased in its claim, $p \geq 0.92$ and the counter-claim is $p < 0.92$.

►b.

We start with the decision rule:

D.R.: Let X represent the number of people that had a significant weight loss. If $X \leq c^$, then reject the claim (H_0) for $\alpha = 0.05$.*

Let $c^* = 92 - z\sigma$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{100(0.92)(0.08)} \approx 2.71$$

$$c^* = 92 - 2.71z$$

For $\alpha = 0.05$,

we look up the z value for the area

$$0.5 - 0.05 = 0.45.$$

From table C,

$$z = 1.64.$$

Therefore,

$$c^* = 92 - 2.71(1.64) = 87.5.$$

Therefore,

D.R.: Let X represent the number of people that had a significant weight loss. If $X \leq 87$, then reject the claim (H_0) for $\alpha = 0.05$.

5.

►a.

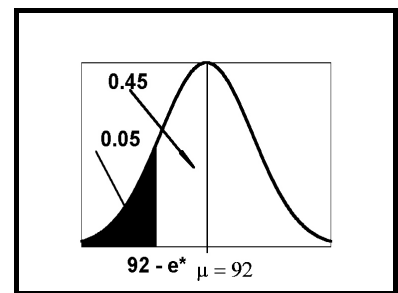
We make the claim that the wheel is in balance. For this claim $p = 18/38$. Therefore,

$$\mu = 76(18/38) = 36.$$

$$H_0: \mu = 36$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq 36$$

b.



►b.

Let X represent the number of times an odd number occurred when spinning the wheel 76 times.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{76\left(\frac{18}{38}\right)\left(\frac{20}{38}\right)} \approx 4.35.$$

We need to find $1 - P\{31.5 \leq X \leq 40.5\}$.

$$z = \frac{40.5 - 36}{4.35} \approx 1.03$$

$$z = \frac{31.5 - 36}{4.35} \approx -1.03$$

$$1 - P\{31.5 \leq X \leq 40.5\} = 1 - P\{-1.03 \leq X \leq 1.03\} = 1 - (0.3485 + 0.3485) = 1 - 0.697 = 0.303.$$

Therefore, $\alpha = 0.303$.

►c.

First, we state the decision rule as

DR: If the number of odd numbers that occur, in the sample, is not between $36 - e^$ and $36 + e^*$ then conclude that the wheel is not in balance.*

$$e^* = 4.35z$$

Since $\alpha = 0.02$,

we look up the area in table C, $0.5 - 0.02/2 = 0.49$.

From table C, $z = 2.33$ and $e^* = 2.33(4.35) \approx 10.14$.

Therefore,

D.R.: If the number of odd numbers that occur, in the sample, is not between 26 and 46 then conclude that the wheel is not in balance.

6.

►a.

From the claim, $p = 0.35$. The counter-claim is $p \neq 0.35$. Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu = 0.35(500) = 175$$

$$H_a: \mu \neq 175.$$

►b.

We need to find $P\{169.5 \leq X \leq 180.5\}$.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{500(0.35)(0.65)} \approx 10.67$$

$$z = \frac{180.5 - 175}{10.67} \approx 0.52$$

$$z = \frac{169.5 - 175}{10.67} \approx -0.52$$

From table C, the area from the normal distribution is 0.1985.

$$P\{169.5 \leq X \leq 180.5\} = P\{-0.52 \leq Z \leq 0.52\} = 0.1985 + 0.1985 = 0.397$$

Therefore, $\alpha = 1 - 0.397 = 0.603$.

►c.

We state the decision rule as: *If, in this sample between $175 - c^*$ and $175 + c^*$ viewers are not males, then **reject the claim**.*

$$c^* = z\sigma = 10.67z$$

For the z value, we look up the area $0.5 - 0.03/2 = 0.485$.

From table C, $z = 2.17$.

Therefore, $c^* = 10.67(2.17) \approx 23.15$.

The decision rule for $\alpha = 0.03$: *If, in this sample between 152 and 198 viewers are not males, then **reject the claim**.*

7.

►(a).

The claim can be interpreted as $p \geq 0.15$.

The counter-claim is $p < 0.15$.

Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu \geq 0.15(200) = 30$$

$$H_a: \mu < 30$$

►(b).

We need to find $\alpha = P\{X \leq 28.5\}$.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{200(0.15)(0.85)} \approx 5.05$$

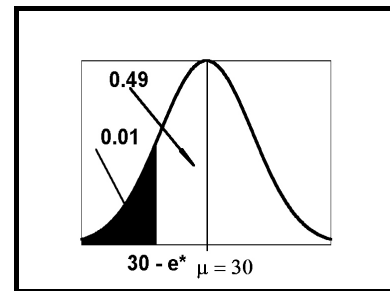
$$z = \frac{28.5 - 30}{5.05} \approx -0.3$$

For $z = -0.3$,

from table C, the area from the normal distribution is 0.1179.

$$\alpha = P\{X \leq 27.5\} = 0.5 - 0.1179 = 0.3821$$

c.



►(c).

We first write the decision rule as: *From the sample, let X represent the number of tire that lasted more than 35,000 miles.*

If $X \leq 30 - c^$ then reject the claim: $c^* = z(5.05)$.*

For the area $0.5 - 0.01 = 0.49$, $z = 2.33$. Therefore, $c^* = 2.33(5.05) = 11.67$.

Therefore, the decision rule is

Therefore, the decision rule is: *From the sample, let X represent the number of tire that lasted more than 35,000 miles.*

If $X \leq 30 - 11.67 \approx 18$ then reject the claim.

8.

►a.

Since the CEO is biased, the claim can be written $p \leq 0.01$ and therefore, the counter-claim is $p > 0.01$. Therefore,

$$H_0: \mu = 0.01(1,000) = 10 \text{ (or } \leq 10)$$

$$H_a: \mu > 10$$

►b.

To begin, we state the decision rule as follows: *If $X \geq e^* + 10$ then reject H_0 and accept H_a ; otherwise reject H_a .*

$$c^* = z\sigma$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{1000(0.01)(0.99)} \approx 3.15$$

For $\alpha = 0.05$, we look up z for the area $0.5 - 0.05 = 0.45$ in table C, $z = 1.64$.

$$c^* = (1.64)(3.15) = 5.166$$

$$10 + 5.166 \approx 16$$

The decision rule can be stated as

*D.R. $x \geq 16$ then reject **the claim that only 1% of the trucks have been recalled.***
