

# STA220H1: The Practice of Statistics I

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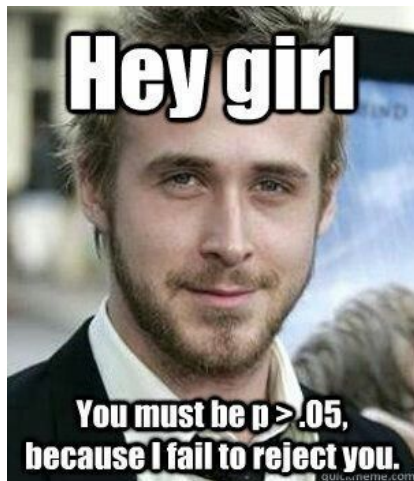


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# Announcements

1. Midterm 2 is next week at 7:20-~~8~~:40 PM in EX 100.
2. Same rules. Bring your ID.
3. Online review session at 6:00-7:00PM, you can stay in EX 100.

## Agenda for today

- ▶ Recap: CLT, confidence intervals
- ▶ Statistical testing:  $H_0$  and  $H_a$ , process, p-value

## Recap: confidence intervals

We want to study the average life expectancy in Canada  $\mu$ .

We take a sample of  $n$  people, record their ages of death

$$x_1, \dots, x_n$$

and compute the sample mean  $\bar{x}$ .

We claim that it is an **estimate** of the average life expectancy in Canada.

$$\bar{x} \approx \mu$$

*How confident are we in our estimate? Can we use our sample to find a range for  $\mu$ ?*

## Recap: central limit theorem

**Central limit theorem:** for  $n$  large enough

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} = \bar{X} \text{ approximately } \sim \text{Normal} \left( \underbrace{\mu}_{E(X_i)}, \underbrace{\frac{\sigma^2}{n}}_{\text{Var}(X_i)} \right)$$

When CLT is true?

- ▶  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  should be independent and identically distributed
- ▶ If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are normal then  $\bar{X}$  is exactly normal
- ▶ If  $n > 30$  then  $\bar{X}$  is approximately normal

## Recap: confidence intervals

**CLT:**

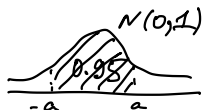
$$\bar{X} \text{ approximately } \sim \text{Normal} \left( \mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \right)$$

**Standardization:**

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \text{ approximately } \sim \text{Normal} (0, 1)$$

**Distribution table:**

$$P \left( -1.96 \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq 1.96 \right) = 0.95$$



With probability 0.95, the population parameter  $\mu$  belongs to

$$\left[ \bar{X} - 1.96 \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + 1.96 \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

## Recap: confidence intervals

*How to use the sample to construct the confidence interval?*

If  $\sigma$  is known

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \Rightarrow \bar{x} \text{ number}$$

and the 95% confidence interval is

$$\mathcal{M} \in \left[ \bar{x} - 1.96 \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + 1.96 \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$



## Recap: confidence intervals

*How to use the sample to construct the confidence interval?*

If  $\sigma$  is unknown we estimate it  $s \approx \sigma$

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \Rightarrow \bar{x}, s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

and could probably use the 95% confidence interval

$$\left[ \bar{x} - 1.96 \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + 1.96 \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

However it is not accurate...

## Recap: confidence intervals

Both  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  and  $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$  are RVs!

**Standardization:**

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \text{ approximately } \sim t_{n-1}$$

**Distribution table:**

$$P\left(-\dots \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \leq \dots\right) = 0.95$$

With probability 0.95, the population parameter  $\mu$  belongs to

$$\left[ \bar{X} - \dots \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X} + \dots \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

## Recap: confidence intervals

*How to use the sample to construct the confidence interval?*

If  $\sigma$  is unknown we estimate it  $s \approx \sigma$

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \Rightarrow \bar{x} \text{ (s) } \textit{number}$$

and the 95% confidence interval is

$$\left[ \bar{x} - \dots \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + \dots \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$$

where ... is found from the distribution table.

## Recap: t-distribution

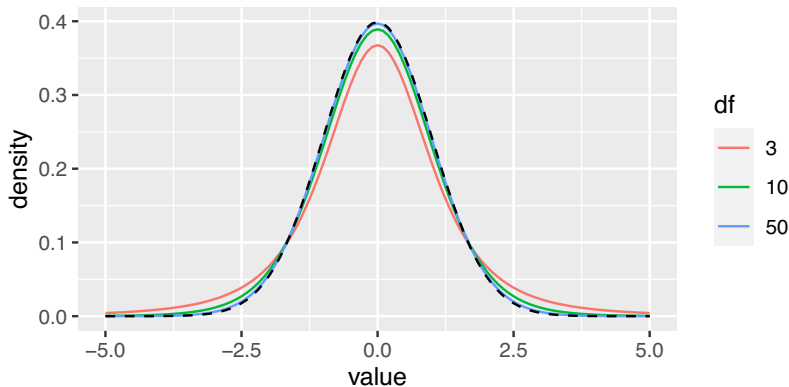
**Normal:** ... = 1.96

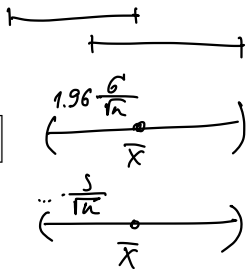
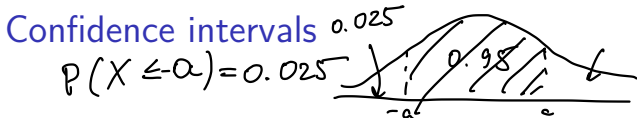
**t with df = 3:** ... = 3.18

**t with df = 10:** ... = 2.23

**t with df = 50:** ... = 2.01

$$t_{n-1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} N(0, 1)$$





Known  $\sigma$ , 95% CI is  $\left[ \bar{x} - 1.96 \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + 1.96 \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$

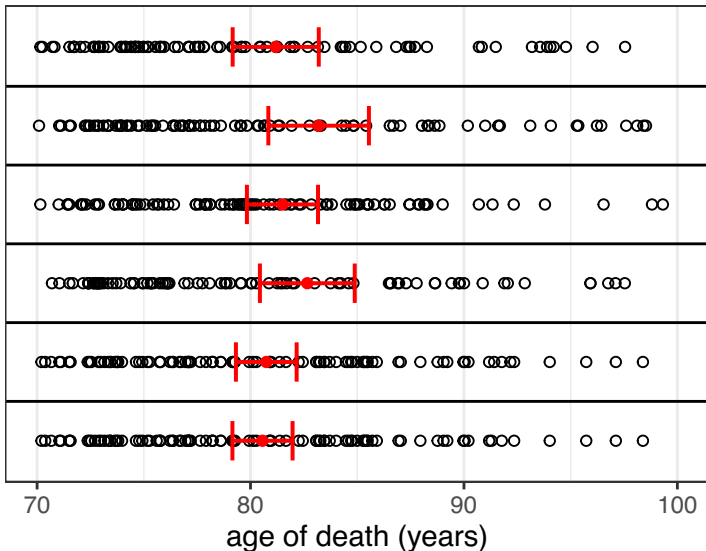
Unknown  $\sigma$ , 95% CI is  $\left[ \bar{x} - \dots \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + \dots \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$

## Properties:

- ▶ CI is centered at  $\bar{x}$
- ▶ CI covers  $\mu$  with high probability
- ▶ CI size decreases with the growth of  $n$
- ▶ CI size decreases with the decrease in confidence 90% 95%
- ▶ CI bounds depend on the sample  $x_1, \dots, x_n$
- ▶ If  $\sigma$  is known then CI does not depend on  $x_1, \dots, x_n$   
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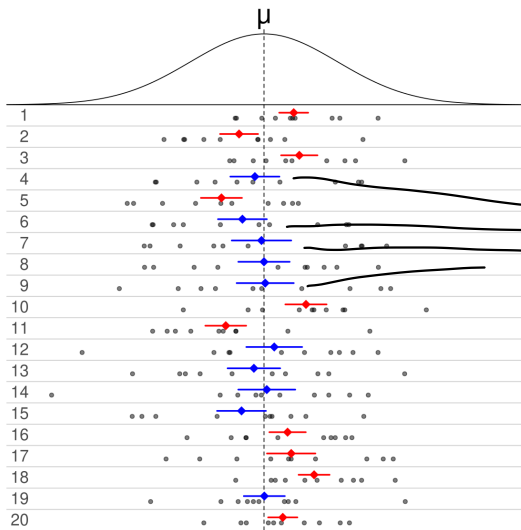
## Exercise

*Is  $\sigma$  known for these confidence intervals?*



## Confidence intervals: interpretation

95% confidence means that for 95% samples CI will cover  $\mu$ .



# Confidence intervals: interpretation

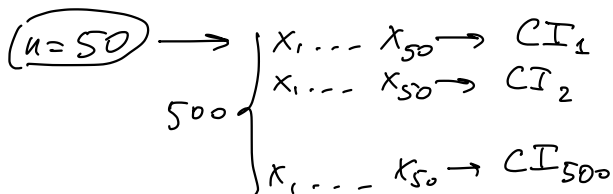
## Alternative view:

- ▶ We have  $n$  random variables  $X_1, \dots, X_n$
- ▶  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  and  $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$  are **random variables**
- ▶ CI bounds  $LB = \bar{X} - \dots \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$  and  $UB = \bar{X} + \dots \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$  are **random variables**
- ▶ Each CI is a realization of  $[LB, UB]$

**95% confidence means that  $[LB, UB]$  will cover  $\mu$  with probability 0.95.**



## Exercise



We want to study the average height of people in Canada. We took 500 samples of size 50 and used each sample to compute 90% confidence interval (500 CIs in total). How many of them do you think will not contain the true average height?  $\mu$

90%  $\Rightarrow$  10% samples will produce CI that does not cover  $\mu$

500  $\Rightarrow$  50 CI

# Statistical testing

**Statistical tests use data to answer questions about the population.**

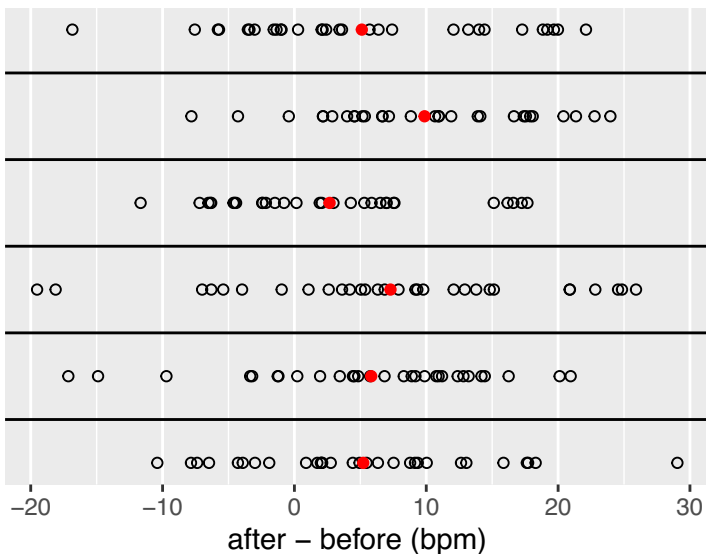
- ▶ *Caffeine causes a dramatic increase in the heart rate!*

For 30 participants of the experiment, the heart rates before and after coffee was measured the difference was computed. The average value for the difference is 5 bpm.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{difference} &= \text{after} - \text{before} \\ x_1 \dots x_{30} &\rightarrow \bar{x} = 5 \text{ bpm} \end{aligned}$$

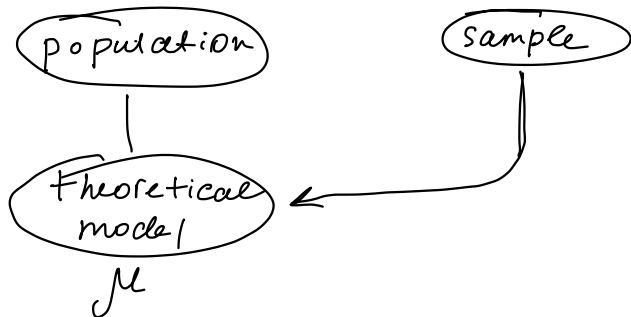
## Statistical testing

*Why can't we just compare the average difference to zero?*



## Statistical testing

**Goal:** determine whether the collected data provides enough evidence for us to believe in a claim about the theoretical world.



# Statistical testing

**Step 1:** state your **null** hypothesis and the **alternative** hypothesis.

- ▶ **Null**  $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$  *pop. par / some value*
- ▶ **One sided alternative**  $H_a : \mu > \mu_0$  or  $H_a : \mu < \mu_0$
- ▶ **Two sided alternative**  $H_a : \mu \neq \mu_0$

*Do our data provide enough evidence against the null?*

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} H_0 \mu = \mu_0 \text{ vs } H_a \mu > \mu_0 \\ H_0 \mu = \mu_0 \text{ vs } H_a \mu < \mu_0 \\ H_0 \mu = \mu_0 \text{ vs } H_a \mu \neq \mu_0 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$H_0 : \sigma^2 \leq 1 \quad H_a :$$

# Statistical testing

**Step 1:** state your **null** hypothesis and the **alternative** hypothesis.

$H_0$  : the before and after coffee heart rates are the same

$H_a$  : the after coffee heart rates is higher than the before one

What are  $\mu$  and  $\mu_0$  here?

$$\begin{array}{l} H_0 : \mu = 0 \\ H_a : \mu > 0 \end{array}$$

after - before  $> 0$

$X = \text{difference}$

$$E(X) = \mu$$

# Statistical testing

**Step 2:** summarize the data into a **test statistic**.

- ▶ Test statistic is constructed assuming that  $H_0$  is true

*How extreme is our test statistic assuming that  $H_0$  is true?*

## Statistical testing

**Step 2:** summarize the data into a **test statistic**.

For 30 participants of the experiment, the heart rates before and after coffee was measured the difference was computed. The sample mean is  $\bar{x}$  5 bpm, the sample standard deviation is  $s$  0.5.

$$t_{obs} = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} \quad \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$$

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tobs = (5-0)/(0.5/sqrt(30))  
tobs
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## [1] 1.825742
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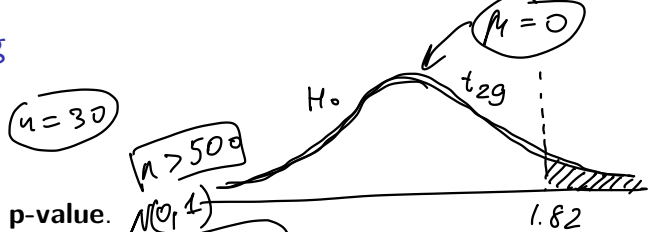
# Statistical testing

**Step 3:** compute **p-value**.

- ▶ It is a number between 0 and 1
- ▶ It quantifies how strong is the evidence against  $H_0$
- ▶ The smaller the value the stronger the evidence that our data contradict  $H_0$

**P-value measures how likely the observed data would be IF the null hypothesis is true.**

## Statistical testing



**Step 3:** compute **p-value**.

Recall that  $T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu^0}{S/\sqrt{n}} \sim t_{n-1}$

Thus we can find  $p\text{-value} = P(T > t_{obs}) = P(\tilde{T} > 1.82)$

```
pt(tobs, df = 29, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

```
## [1] 0.03910166 = p-value
```

# Statistical testing

**Step 4:** draw the conclusion.

- ▶ If  $p$ -value is small we have enough evidence against  $H_0$
- ▶ We reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_a$
- ▶ We say that the result is **statistically significant**

*How small should be  $p$ -value?*

- ▶ The smaller the more significant evidence we have to reject  $H_0$   
*0.05 → 0.01 → 0.1*

**General rule:** pre-select some **significance level**  $\alpha$  and check if  
 $p\text{-value} < \alpha$

- ▶ Statisticians prefer  $p\text{-value} < 0.05$

## Statistical testing

**Step 4:** draw the conclusion.

$p\text{-value} < 0.05$ , thus we can reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_a$ .

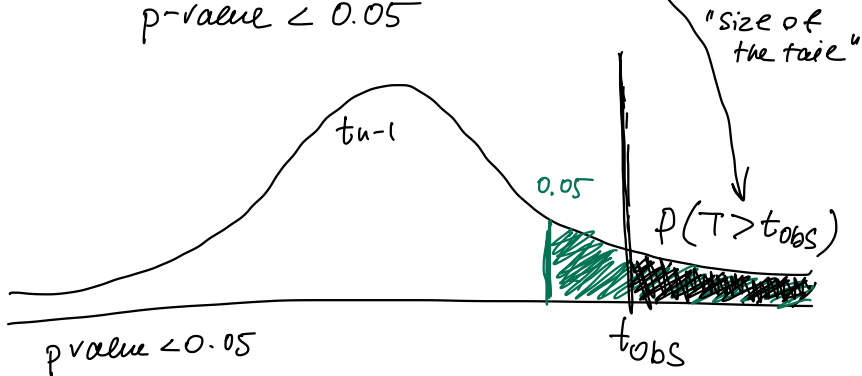
The after coffee heart rates is higher than the before one!

## Statistical testing and tails

$$H_0: T \sim t_{n-1}$$

Data:  $X_1 \dots X_n \rightarrow t_{\text{obs}} \rightarrow p\text{-value}$

$$p\text{-value} < 0.05$$



Our data is rare  
It is in 5%.

## Statistical testing: more examples

- ▶ *The student was randomly guessing on the exam!*

A student took a test with 100 Yes/No questions. They received the tests results and they got 65 questions correctly.

*How to compute p-value?*

$$\bar{x} = \frac{65}{100} = 0.65$$

## Statistical testing: more examples

$x_1 \dots x_n$   
"  $0$  or  $1$   
↑        ↑  
incorrect   correct

$$n = 100$$

$X$  = proportion of correctly guessed questions

$(P)$  = prob. to get answer correctly

**Step 1:** state your **null** hypothesis and the **alternative** hypothesis.

$$H_0 : p = 0.5 \text{ and } H_a : p \neq 0.5$$

$$p > 0.5$$

$H_0$ : student is guessing

$H_a$ : not guessing

## Statistical testing: more examples

$$X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Bern}(p) \Rightarrow \bar{X} \sim N\left(p, \frac{p(1-p)}{n}\right)$$

**Step 2:** summarize the data into a **test statistic**.

Since  $Z = \frac{\bar{X} - p}{\sqrt{p(1-p)/n}} \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$  we use

$$\sqrt{p(1-p)} = \sigma$$
$$Z_{\text{obs}} = \frac{0.65 - 0.5}{\sqrt{0.5(1-0.5)/100}}$$

$\bar{X}$  = proportion of correct questions

```
zobs = (0.65-0.5)/sqrt(0.5 * (1-0.5)/100)
```

```
zobs
```

```
## [1] 3
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$$X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Bern}(p)$$

$$E(X_i) = p \quad \text{Var}(X_i) = p \cdot (1-p)$$

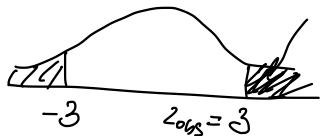
$$E(\bar{X}) = p \quad \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{n}$$



## Statistical testing: more examples

$$H_0: p = 0.5 \quad H_a: p > 0.5$$

$$P(T > t_{obs})$$



**Step 3:** compute **p-value**.

The probability to observe such an extreme statistic is *p-value*  
 $= P(|Z| > |z_{obs}|) = P(Z > 3) + P(Z < -3)$  ✓ 0.05

```
2*pnorm(zobs, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

```
## [1] 0.002699796
```

$Z \sim N(0,1)$  under null



H<sub>a</sub>: p ≠ 0.5  
or  $p > 0.5$   
 $p < 0.5$

## Statistical testing: more examples

**Step 4:** draw the conclusion.

$$H_0: p = 0.5$$

$$H_a: p \neq 0.5$$

$p$ -value  $< 0.05$ , thus the student did not guess on the exam!

$$\geq 0.05$$

$$X_1, \dots, X_n$$

$$\sim \text{Bern}(p)$$

$$E(X_i) = \mu$$

$$E(X_i) = p$$

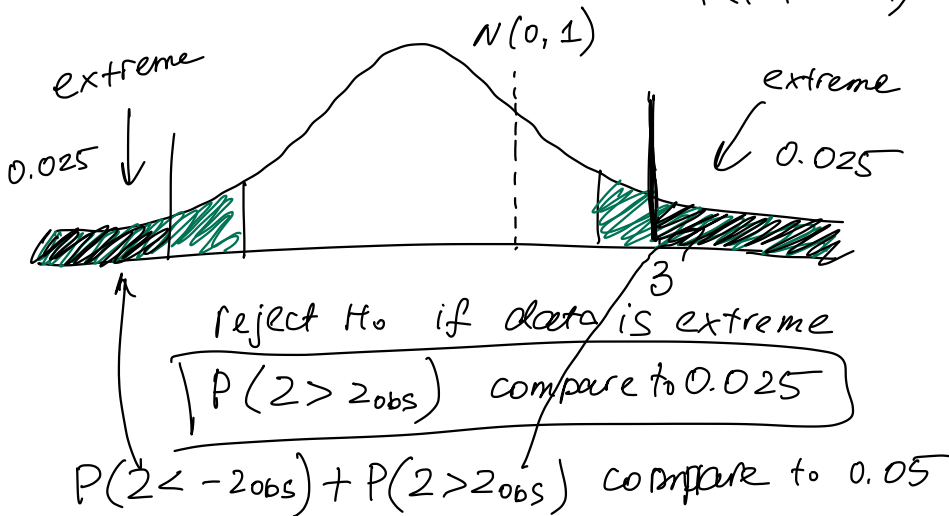
## Statistical testing and tails

$$H_0: Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \rightarrow Z_{obs}$$

Reject  $p = 0.5$   
in favor of  $p \neq 0.5$

$$P(|Z| > |Z_{obs}|)$$



## Statistical testing: more examples

- ▶ *Lottery is scamming people!*

The lottery company claims that 10% of their tickets win. A customer bought 500 tickets and won only 30 times.

*How the procedure will change?*

0.06

$$H_a : p > 0.1$$

p-value

## Statistical testing: more examples

**Step 1:** state your **null** hypothesis and the **alternative** hypothesis.

$$H_0 : p = 0.1 \text{ and } H_a : p < 0.1$$

**Step 2:** summarize the data into a **test statistic**.

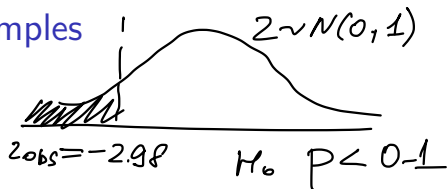
$$z_{obs} = \frac{0.06 - 0.1}{\sqrt{0.1(1 - 0.1)/500}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \frac{30}{500} \\ \parallel \\ \frac{\bar{x} - p}{\sqrt{p(1-p)/n}} \end{array}$$

```
zobs = (0.06-0.1)/sqrt(0.1 * (1-0.1)/500)
```

```
zobs
```

```
## [1] -2.981424
```

## Statistical testing: more examples



**Step 3:** compute **p-value**.

The probability to observe such an extreme statistic is *p-value*  
 $= P(Z < z_{obs})$

```
pnorm(zobs, lower.tail = TRUE)
```

```
## [1] 0.001434556 = p-value
```

**Step 4:** draw the conclusion.

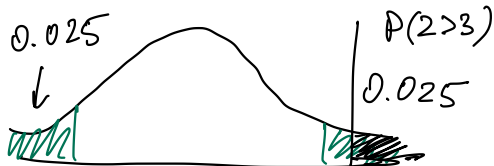
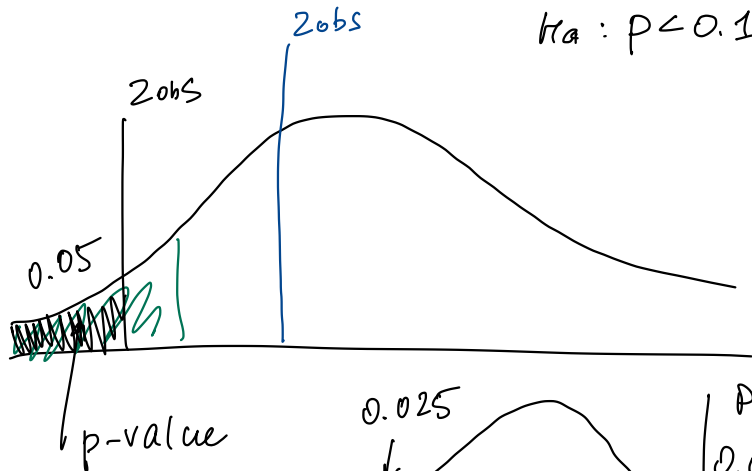
p-value < 0.05, thus the probability to win is less than announced!

$$H_0 : p = 0.1 \quad H_a : p < 0.1$$

# Statistical testing and tails

$$H_0: Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$H_a: p < 0.1$$



# Statistical testing

*What if  $p$ -value is more than 0.05?*

- ▶ We do not have enough evidence to reject  $H_0$
- ▶ This is not the same as to accept  $H_0$ !



# TO DO

1. Module 8. The Process of Statistical Tests
2. Quiz 8 due Monday (March 13) @ 11:59 PM (EST)
3. Practice Problem Set 8