

Stat 13, Intro. to Statistical Methods for the Life and Health Sciences.

1. When to use which formula.
2. Review list.
3. Example problems.

Read ch6. The midterm will be on ch 1-6.

<http://www.stat.ucla.edu/~frederic/13/W23> .

Bring a PENCIL and CALCULATOR and any books or notes you want to the midterm and final. You cannot use a computer, laptop, ipad, or phone on the exams though.

No class Mon Feb20, President's Day!

t versus normal and assumptions.

Suppose X_1, \dots, X_n are iid with mean μ and SD σ .

CLT: $(\bar{x} - \mu) \div (\sigma/\sqrt{n}) \sim \text{std. normal}$.

If X_1, \dots, X_n are normal, then $(\bar{x} - \mu) \div (\sigma/\sqrt{n})$ is std. normal.

σ is the SD of the population from which X_1, \dots, X_n are drawn. s is the SD of the sample, X_1, \dots, X_n .

Gosset (1908) showed that replacing σ with s ,
if X_1, \dots, X_n are normal, then $(\bar{x} - \mu) \div (s/\sqrt{n})$ is t distributed.
So we need the multiplier from the t distribution.

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To sum up,

if the observations are iid and n is large, then

$$P(\mu \text{ is in the range } \bar{x} \pm 1.96 \sigma/\sqrt{n}) \sim 95\%.$$

If the observations are iid and normal, then

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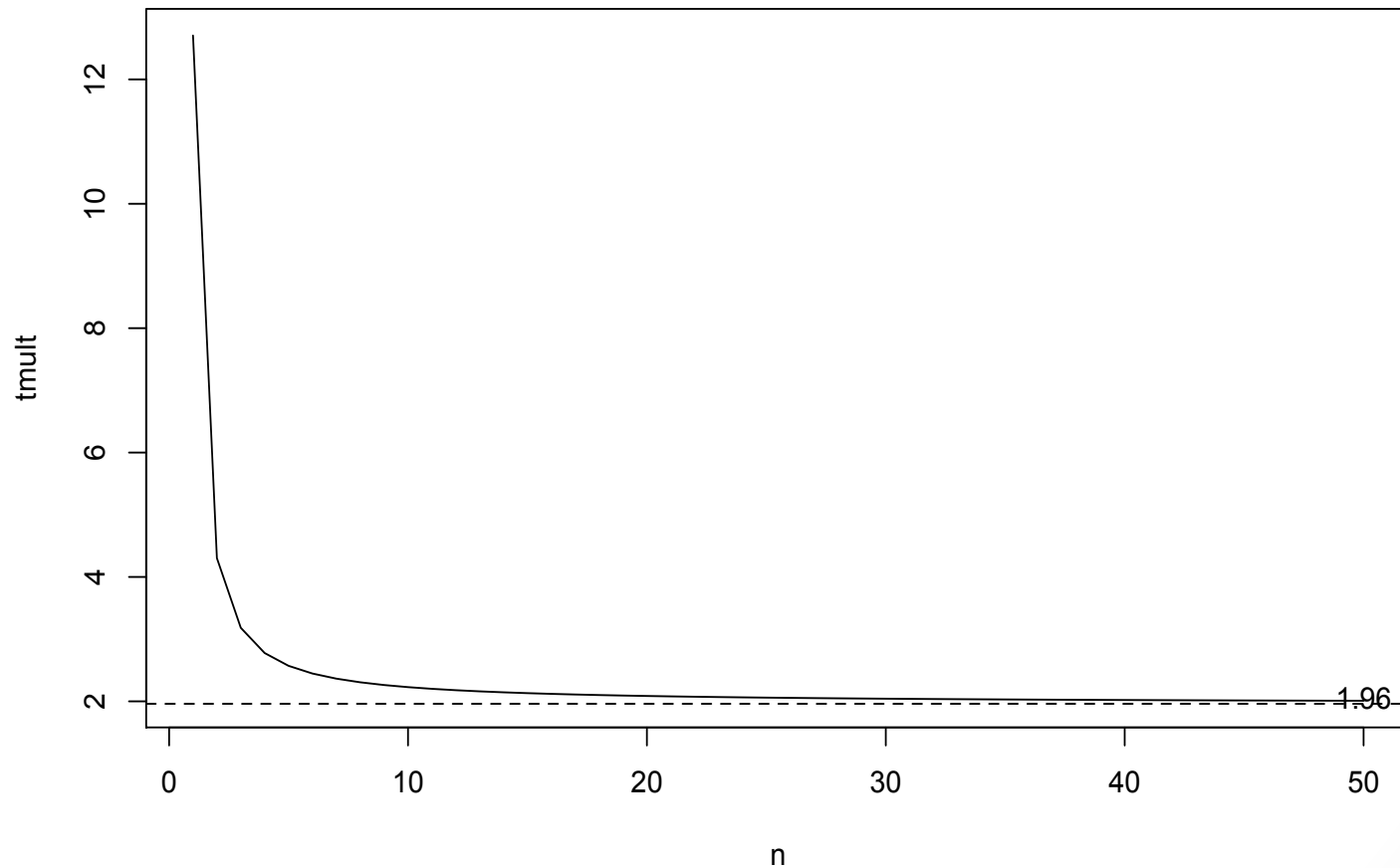
If the obs. are iid and normal and σ is unknown, then

$$P(\mu \text{ is in the range } \bar{x} \pm t_{\text{mult}} s/\sqrt{n}) \sim 95\%.$$

where t_{mult} is the multiplier from the t distribution.

This multiplier depends on n .

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- If n is large and σ is known, use $\bar{x} \pm 1.96 \sigma/\sqrt{n}$.
- If n is small, draws are normal, and σ is known, use $\bar{x} \pm 1.96 \sigma/\sqrt{n}$.
- If n is small, draws are normal, and σ is unknown, use $\bar{x} \pm t_{\text{mult}} s/\sqrt{n}$.
- If n is large and σ is unknown, $t_{\text{mult}} \sim 1.96$, so we can use $\bar{x} \pm 1.96 s/\sqrt{n}$.

$n \geq 30$ is often considered large enough to use 1.96.

In practice, we typically do not know the draws are normal, but if the distribution looks roughly symmetrical without enormous outliers, the t formula may be reasonable.

b. 1 sample binary data, iid observations, want a 95% CI for π .

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Here large n means ≥ 10 of each type in the sample.

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What if n is small and the draws are not normal, and you want a theory-based test or CI?

How should you find the t multiplier for a CI or a p -value using the t -statistic, when n is small?

These are questions outside the scope of this course, but some techniques have been developed, such as the bootstrap, which are sometimes useful in these situations.

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c. Numerical data from 2 samples, iid observations, want a 95% CI for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$.

If n is large and σ is unknown, use $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$.

As with one sample, if σ_1 is known, replace s_1 with σ_1 , and the same for σ_2 . And as with one sample, if σ_1 and σ_2 are unknown, the sample sizes are small, and the distributions are roughly normal, then use t_{mult} instead of 1.96. If the sample sizes are small, the distributions are normal, and σ_1 and σ_2 are known, then use 1.96.

d. Binary data from 2 samples, iid observations, want a 95% CI for $\pi_1 - \pi_2$.

same as in c above, with $p_1 = \bar{x}_1$, $s_1 = \sqrt{p_1(1-p_1)}$, $\sigma_1 = \sqrt{[\pi_1(1-\pi_1)]}$.

Large for binary data means sample has ≥ 10 of each type.

For testing, use pooled estimate of p for the SE.

For CIs for the difference in proportions,

$$SE = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\hat{p}_1(1 - \hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)}{n_2}\right)}$$

In testing the difference in proportions,

$$SE = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})}{n_2}\right)}$$

where \hat{p} is the proportion in both groups combined.

2. Review list.

1. Meaning of SD.
2. Parameters and statistics.
3. Z statistic for proportions.
4. Simulation and meaning of pvalues.
5. SE for proportions.
6. What influences pvalues.
7. CLT and validity conditions for tests.
8. 1-sided and 2-sided tests.
9. Reject the null vs. accept the alternative.
10. Sampling and bias.
11. Significance level.
12. Type I, type II errors, and power.
13. CIs for a proportion.
14. CIs for a mean.
15. Margin of error.
16. Practical significance.
17. Confounding.
18. Observational studies and experiments.
19. Random sampling and random assignment.
20. Two proportion CIs and testing.
21. IQR and 5 number summaries.
22. Testing and CIs for 2 means.
23. Placebo effect, adherer bias, and nonresponse bias.
24. Prediction and causation.

3. Example problems.

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No. Age is a confounding factor. The median age of a viewer is 61 years old.

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