

Additional comment on the Bayesian hypothesis test from last time.

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Instead of rejecting H_0 when $P(H_1) \geq \frac{1}{2}$,
consider this.

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Suppose the cost of a Type I error is l_{01}
" " " " " II " " l_{10}

These are the losses

Recall that the risk is the expected loss $E[L]$

$$\text{Risk} = l_{01} P(\text{Type I}) + l_{10} P(\text{Type II})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Risk} &= l_{01} P(H_0 \text{ is true} \cap \text{Reject } H_0) \\ &\quad + l_{10} P(H_1 \text{ is true} \cap \text{Fail to reject } H_0) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} &= l_{01} P(H_0 \text{ is true}) P(\text{Reject } H_0 | H_0 \text{ is true}) \\ &\quad + l_{10} P(H_1 \text{ is true}) P(\text{Fail to reject } H_0 | H_1 \text{ is true}) \end{aligned}$$

Then the Bayesian rule will be adjusted to minimize this risk.

Let $p_0 = P(H_0)$ (prior probability of H_0)

$p_1 = P(H_1)$ ($p_0 + p_1 = 1$)

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Conditional risk, given H_0 is

$$\begin{aligned} R_0 &= E[\alpha | H_0] \\ &= 0(1-\alpha) + l_{01}\alpha + l_{10} \cdot 0 \\ &= l_{01}\alpha \end{aligned}$$

Conditional risk, given H_1 is

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 &= E[\alpha | H_1] \\ &= 0(1-\beta) + l_{01} \cdot 0 + l_{10}\beta = l_{10}\beta \end{aligned}$$

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Define $ECM = p_0 R_0 + p_1 R_1$

"expected cost of misclassification"

We would like to minimize this total risk

$$\begin{aligned} ECM &= p_0 l_{01}\alpha + p_1 l_{10}\beta \\ &= p_0 l_{01} \int_R L(\theta_0) d\vec{x} + p_1 l_{10} \int_A L(\theta_1) d\vec{x} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 ECM &= p_0 \lambda_{01} \left[1 - \int_A L(\theta_0) d\vec{x} \right] + p_1 \lambda_{10} \int_A L(\theta_1) d\vec{x} \\
 &= p_0 \lambda_{01} + \int_A \left(p_0 \lambda_{01} (-L(\theta_0)) + p_1 \lambda_{10} L(\theta_1) \right) d\vec{x} \\
 &= p_0 \lambda_{01} + \int_A \left(p_1 \lambda_{10} L(\theta_1) - p_0 \lambda_{01} L(\theta_0) \right) d\vec{x}
 \end{aligned}$$

We can minimize ECM by choosing A
 s. that the integral is minimized

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That is, define

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= \left\{ \vec{x} : p_1 \lambda_{10} L(\theta_1) - p_0 \lambda_{01} L(\theta_0) < 0 \right\} \\
 &= \left\{ \vec{x} : p_1 \lambda_{10} L(\theta_1) < p_0 \lambda_{01} L(\theta_0) \right\} \\
 &= \left\{ \vec{x} : \frac{L(\theta_0)}{L(\theta_1)} > \frac{p_1 \lambda_{10}}{p_0 \lambda_{01}} \right\} \\
 &= \left\{ \vec{x} : \Delta > \frac{p_1 \lambda_{10}}{p_0 \lambda_{01}} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

So reject H_0 when $\Delta \leq \frac{p_1 \lambda_{10}}{p_0 \lambda_{01}}$

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Our rejection rule is $\frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} > z_\alpha$

Select a specific $\mu_1 > \mu_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Power} &= P(\text{Reject } H_0 \mid \mu = \mu_1) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} > z_\alpha \mid \mu = \mu_1\right) \\ &= P\left(\bar{x} > \mu_0 + z_\alpha \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \mid \mu = \mu_1\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{\bar{x} - \mu_1}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} > \frac{\mu_0 - \mu_1 + z_\alpha \sigma/\sqrt{n}}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \mid \mu = \mu_1\right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$= P\left(\frac{\bar{x} - \mu_1}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} > z_\alpha - \frac{(\mu_1 - \mu_0)\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} \mid \mu = \mu_1\right)$$

$$\text{Power} = P\left(Z > z_\alpha - \frac{\delta\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right) \quad \text{where } \delta = \mu_1 - \mu_0$$

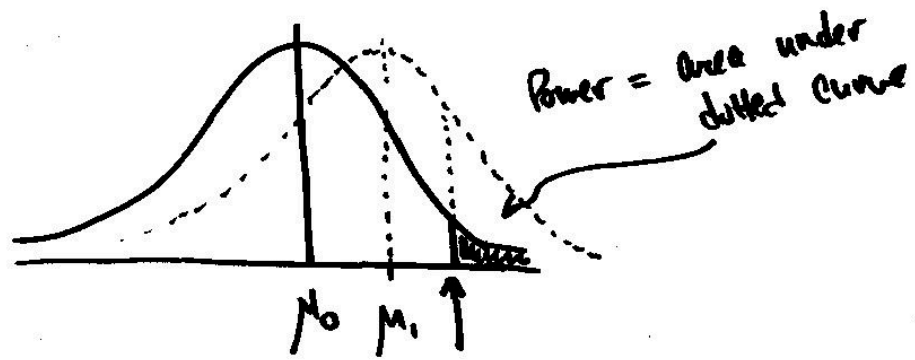
Note: as $n \uparrow$ Power \uparrow

as $\mu_1 \uparrow$ Power \uparrow

as $\alpha \downarrow$ Power \downarrow

if σ is large, power will be small

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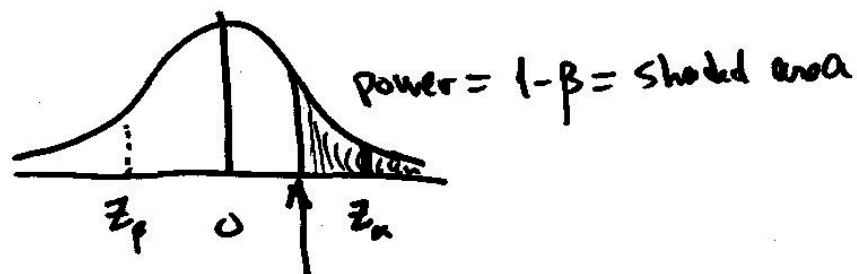
$$\mu_0 + z_{\alpha} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Defn: A test whose power never drops below α is called unbiased

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Problem: For a specific δ , find the sample size necessary to achieve a given power.

$$\text{Power} = P\left(Z > z_{\alpha} - \frac{\delta\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}\right)$$



$$z_{\alpha} - \frac{\delta\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} = z_{1-\beta} = -z_{\beta}$$

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So set $z_\alpha - \frac{\delta\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} = -z_\beta$ + solve for n

$$z_\alpha + z_\beta = \frac{\delta\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}$$

$$n = \left[\frac{(z_\alpha + z_\beta)\sigma}{\delta} \right]^2$$

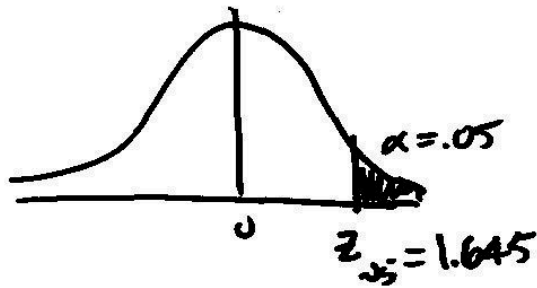
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Defn: The p-value is the probability that the test statistic $W(\bar{X})$ is more extreme than the observed value $w(\bar{x})$, given H_0 .

Example, continued $H_0: \mu = 6$ $\alpha = .05$
 $H_1: \mu > 6$

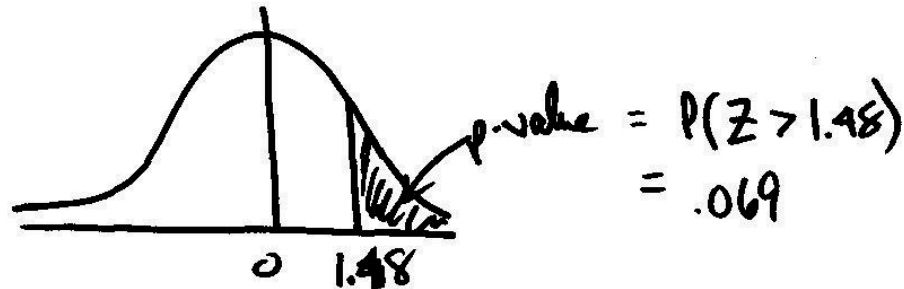
Suppose we observe $\bar{x} = 6.7$, $n = 18$, $\sigma = 2$

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$$\text{Test stat} = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{6.7 - 6}{2/\sqrt{8}} = 1.48$$

We fail to reject H_0 , since T.S. $< z_{\alpha}$



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Alternative way of expressing the rejection rule for any hypothesis test:

Reject H_0 if $p\text{-value} < \alpha$.