

Some (possibly) useful formulae

- **Binomial distribution**

- n trials, probability p of success:

$$P(X = k) = C_k^n p^k q^{n-k}, k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

where $C_k^n = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$

- **Central Limit Theorem**

- **Version 1:** If x_1, \dots, x_n is a random sample from a population with mean μ and standard deviation σ , then for large enough n the distribution of \bar{x} is approximately normal with mean μ , standard deviation σ/\sqrt{n} .
- **Version 2:** If x_1, \dots, x_n is a random sample from a population with mean μ and standard deviation σ , then for large enough n the distribution of $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is approximately normal with mean $n\mu$, standard deviation $\sqrt{n}\sigma$.

- **Sampling from a general population**

- **Sample mean of a sample of size n :** $\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$
- **Sample standard deviation of sample of size n :**

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

- **Mean and standard deviation of \bar{x} :** μ and $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
- **Distribution of \bar{x} ($n \geq 30$):**

$$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} \approx z, \text{ a standard normal}$$

- **Distribution of \bar{x} (population normal):**

$$\frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} = t, \text{ a } t \text{ distribution with } n - 1 \text{ degrees of freedom}$$

- **Distribution of $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ ($n_1, n_2 \geq 30$):**

$$\frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} \approx z$$

- Pooled estimator for s^2 , the common variance:

$$s^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

- Distribution of $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ (populations normal, variances equal):

$$\frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{s^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}} = t \text{ with } n_1 + n_2 - 2 \text{ degrees of freedom}$$

where s^2 is the pooled estimator for variance

- Distribution of s^2 (population normal):

$$\frac{(n - 1)s^2}{\sigma^2} = \chi^2, \text{ a } \chi^2 \text{ distribution with } n - 1 \text{ degrees of freedom}$$

- Drawing samples from a binomial population

- Sample proportion of a sample of size n : $\hat{x} = \frac{\text{Number of successes}}{n}$
- Mean and standard deviation of \hat{p} : p and $\sqrt{\frac{pq}{n}}$
- Distribution of \hat{p} ($n\hat{p}, n\hat{q} > 5$):

$$\frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{pq/n}} \approx \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\hat{p}\hat{q}/n}} \approx z$$

- Distribution of $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$ ($n_1\hat{p}_1, n_1\hat{q}_1, n_2\hat{p}_2, n_2\hat{q}_2 > 5$):

$$\frac{(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - (p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1\hat{q}_1}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2\hat{q}_2}{n_2}}} \approx z$$

- Pooled estimator for p , the common proportion:

$$\hat{p} = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

- Distribution of $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$ ($n_1\hat{p}_1, n_1\hat{q}_1, n_2\hat{p}_2, n_2\hat{q}_2 > 5$, proportions equal):

$$\frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n_2}}} \approx z$$

where \hat{p} is pooled estimator for variance