Functions in Action for Probability!

Is a mean different from 0?

Recall last week that we calculated p-values assuming we knew a population's standard deviation.

Often we want to know if a sample mean is different from 0. We know that an estimated mean from a large sample size is normally distributed, so...

Enter the Z-Test

Standard Normal (Z) Distribution

Z-score =
$$\frac{Y_i - \bar{Y}}{\sigma}$$

$$Z = \frac{\bar{Y} - \mu}{\sigma_{\bar{Y}}}$$

The Z-score compares a sample mean to an assumed population mean.

We call it a Z-Score because we correct by the standard error of the mean to compare to a standard deviation of the sample mean (SE).



Z-Test



Does Z fall into these tails?

A Simple P(z) Function

```
pz <- function(sample, mu = 0) {
    z <- (mean(sample) - mu)/(sd(sample)/sqrt(length(sample)))
    return(2 * pnorm(abs(z), lower.tail = F))
}</pre>
```

```
set.seed(697)
pz(rnorm(5000))
```

```
## [1] 0.6087
```

pz(rnorm(5, mean = 1))

[1] 0.0703





DF = Degrees of Freedom = Sample Size - # of Estiamted Parameters For t, this is n-1



Sample's Aren't Normal: Student's T



Exercise: Gimme a T (function)



Write a oneSampleT function. To make it more readable, write a SE function, too.

Challenge: make it return a list with additional information of your choice.

Exercise: Gimme a T (function)

```
# SE first
se <- function(sample) sd(sample)/(sqrt(length(sample)))
# now T
onesSampleT <- function(sample, mu = 0) {
    t <- (mean(sample) - mu)/se(sample)
    2 * pt(abs(t), df = length(sample) - 1, lower.tail = F)
}</pre>
```

Exercise: Gimme a T (function)

```
samp <- raorm(50, 1)
t.test(samp)
##
## One Sample t-test
##
## data: samp
## t = 9.405, df = 49, p-value = 1.48e-12
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 0.550 1.4676
## sample estimates:
## mean of x</pre>
```

```
## 1.209
```

```
oneSampleT(samp)
```

[1] 1.48e-12

Consider the χ^2

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If the difference between an observation and it's expectation follows a Z-Distribution, the square should follow a chi-square distribution!

Think of a normal distribution squared yielding a χ^2 distribution defined by degrees of freetom $= {\rm n-1}$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{\sum (O - E)^2}{E}$$

Assumptions of the χ^2

- $1. \ \mbox{No}$ expected values less that 1
- 2. 80% of the expected values must be >5

What happens if I violate the assumptions? Combine categories or use a different test.

Example of the χ^2

The number of tomato plants that failed due to disease in a farm should follow a negative binomial distribution in any given year with 2 plants dying and an overdispersion parameter of 5. Famer Dale seeded tomato plants in 100 different plots. Looking across his field, he finds the following pattern of mortality.

0 plants died: 9 plots 1 plants died: 23 plots 2 plants died: 22 plots 3 plants died: 18 plots 4 plants died: 19 plots >4 plants died: 9 plots

Was this an anomolously bad year?

What are our Expectations?





Example of the χ^2

What if we ONLY new the distribution and dispersion parameter?

Example of the χ^2

100*dnbinom(0:4, mu=2, size=5)

[1] 18.593 26.562 22.767 15.178 8.673

100*(1 - sum(dnbinom(0:4, mu=2, size=5)))

[1] 8.225

0 plants died: 9 plots, 18.59 expected 1 plants died: 23 plots, 26,56 expected 2 plants died: 22 plots, 22.77 expected 3 plants died: 18 plots, 15.17 expected 4 plants died: 19 plots, 8.67 expected >4 plants died: 9 plots, 8.23 expected