

Chapter 8 Confidence Interval:

$\bar{X}, S$

An interval estimate a population parameter is Confidence Interval.

Suppose $X_1, \dots, X_n$ is a random sample from a normal distribution with unknown mean μ and known variance σ^2 .

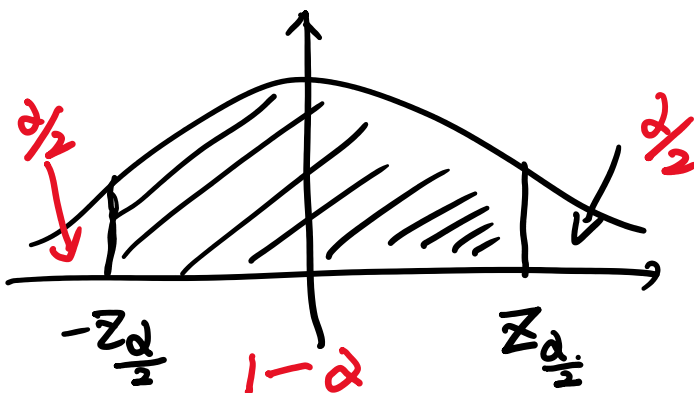
Central Limit Theorem.

$\bar{X}$ is normally distributed with mean μ and variance $\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$.

$$Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\sim N(0, 1)$$

standard normal
mean 0, variance 1.



$$0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$$

$$P(-Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq Z \leq Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) = 1 - \alpha.$$

$$P\left(-\underline{z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}} \leq Z \leq \underline{z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}}\right) = 1 - \alpha.$$

Example. $\alpha = 5\%$.

$$z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} = z_{0.025}$$

$$z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} = 1.96 \quad -z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} = -1.96$$

$$P(-1.96 \leq Z \leq 1.96) = 95\%$$

$$P\left[-\underline{z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}} \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \leq \underline{z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}}\right] = 1 - \alpha.$$

$\downarrow$ sample mean $\downarrow$ population parameter
 $\uparrow$ σ known. $\uparrow$ n : sample size.

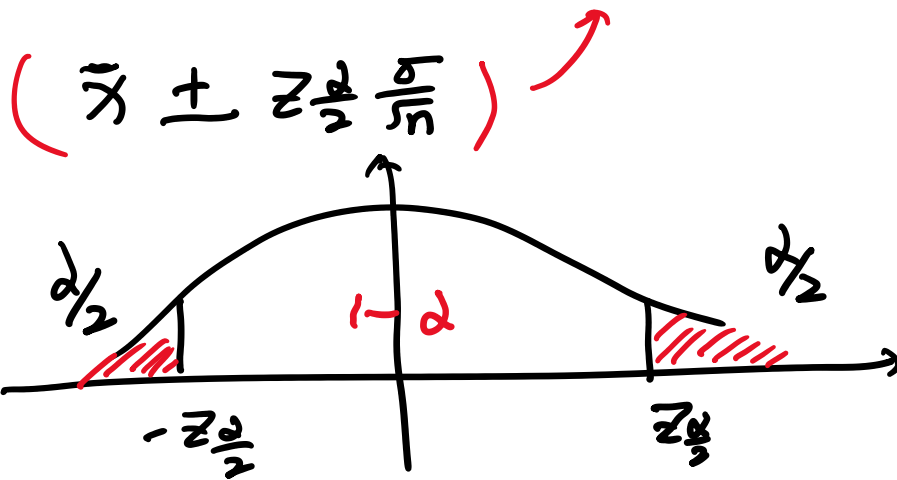
$$P\left[-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{X} - \mu \leq z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right] = 1 - \alpha.$$

$$P\left[\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right] = 1 - \alpha.$$

If $\bar{X}$ is the sample mean of a random sample of size n from a normal population with known variance.

Then, $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ C.I. on μ is given by.

$$\bar{X} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$



Example:

Assume we have heights of students.
 $n=10$, $\bar{x} = 164.46$, $\sigma = 1$

Find the 95% CI of the heights:
 $100(1-\alpha)\%$ $\alpha = 5\%$

$$\bar{x} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{x} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$164.46 - 1.96 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \leq \mu \leq 164.46 + 1.96 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$$

Interpreting a Confidence Interval.

$-z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$

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Lower

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R.V.

$z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$

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Upper

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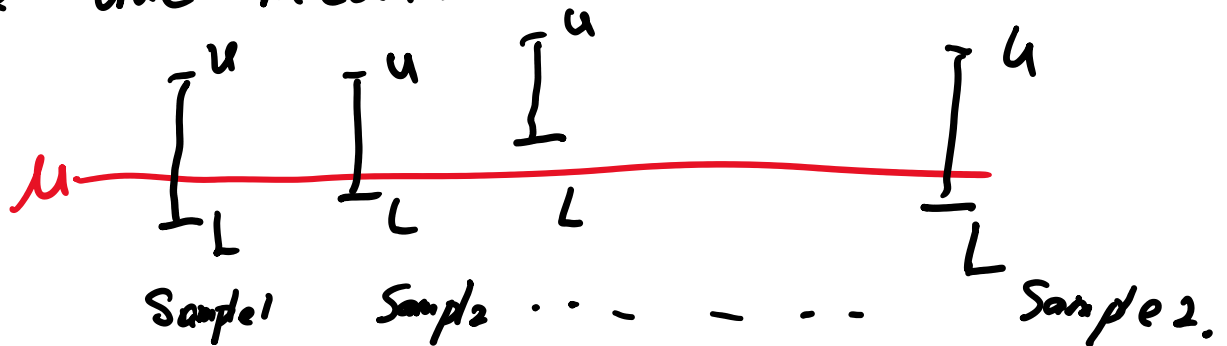
R.V.

95% Confidence interval.
 repeat doing sampling n times.

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$n \rightarrow$ large.

95% of these n C.I will contain the true mean.



We are 95% certain / confident that μ lies in the interval.

Marginal Error:

$$E = Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{Marginal Error (Error).}$$

the larger the sample size, the less the error is.

$$\bar{x} - E \leq \mu \leq \bar{x} + E$$

$E = 0.01$ Rearrange.

$$n = \left(\frac{Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sigma}{E} \right)^2$$

If $\bar{x}$ is used as an estimate of μ , we can be $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confident that the true mean μ will fall within the confidence interval.

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 the error $|\bar{X} - \mu|$ will not exceed a specified
 amount E when the sample size is

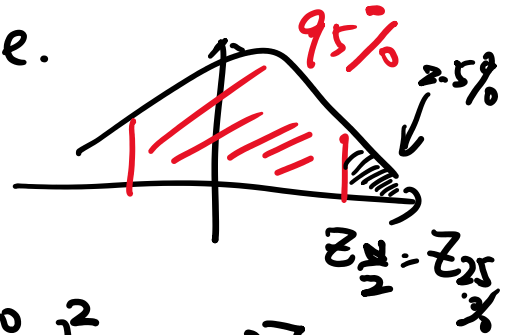
$$n = \left(\frac{Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sigma}{E} \right)^2 \leftarrow \text{Given any 3, you could find the last one.}$$

Example:

knowing that the population variance for
 # of customers is 100.

Find 95% CI with error of 0.5.
 What's the minimum sample size.

$$E \leq 0.5$$



$$n = \left(\frac{Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sigma}{E} \right)^2 = \left(\frac{1.96 \cdot 10}{0.5} \right)^2 = 1537$$

97.5%

Narrow Confidence Interval:

$$\bar{X} - Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{X} + Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$100(1-\alpha)\%$

① Lower Confidence Level (Larger α)

② Lower standard deviation.

(1-3, 1+3)

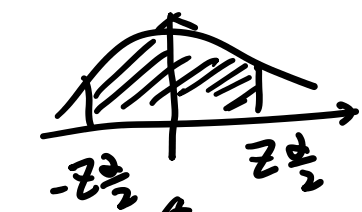
(1-2, 1+2)

(-2, 4) 6

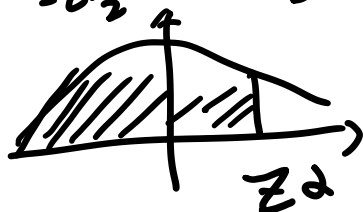
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③ Larger sample size n .

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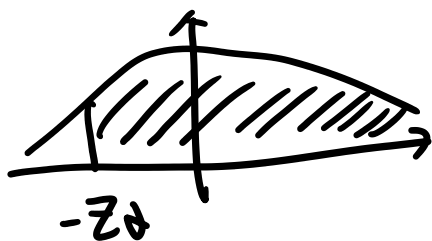


two sided C.I.



$(-\infty, U)$

} one sided C.I.



$(L, +\infty)$

$$L \geq \bar{x} - \underline{z_{\alpha}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (L, +\infty)$$

$$U \leq \bar{x} + \underline{z_{\alpha}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (-\infty, U)$$

General method to derive a C.I.

Pivot: A distribution does not depend on any unknown parameter.

For example:

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

Large Sample Confidence Interval:

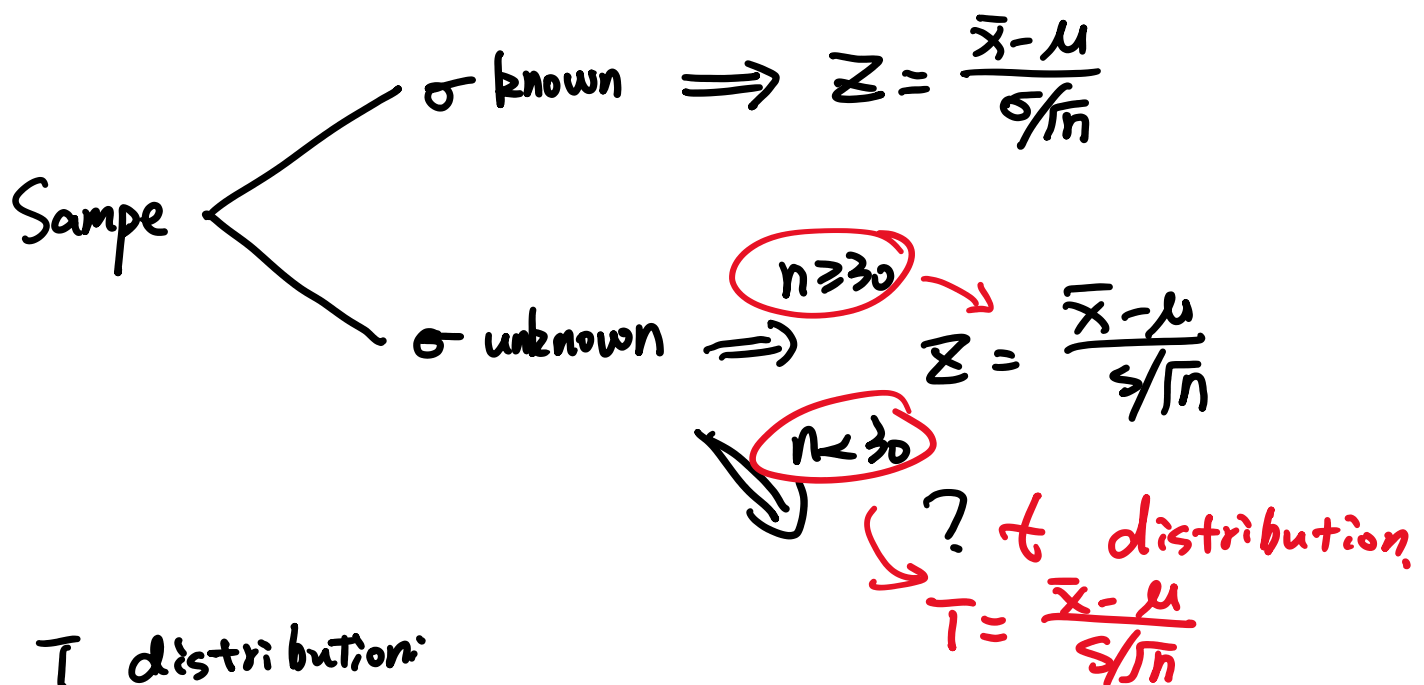
Let $X_1, \dots, X_n$ a random sample from a population with unknown mean μ and unknown variance σ^2 IID $\bar{x}, s^2$

variance σ^2 $\bar{x}, s^2$

When n is large enough. ($n \geq 30$)

$$Z \approx \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0,1).$$

Approximately Standard Normal.



T distribution:

Gosset. (Student t distribution).

Let $x_1, \dots, x_n$ be a random sample from a normal distribution with unknown μ and unknown variance σ^2 .

Then

$$T = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$

has a t distribution with $n-1$ degree of freedom.

freedom.

$$X_1 + \dots + X_n = 1000$$

$n-1$ degree of freedom.

P.D.F. for t :

$$f(x) = \frac{\Gamma[(k+1)/2]}{\sqrt{\pi k} \Gamma(k/2)} \frac{1}{\left[\frac{x^2}{k} + 1\right]^{(k+1)/2}}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

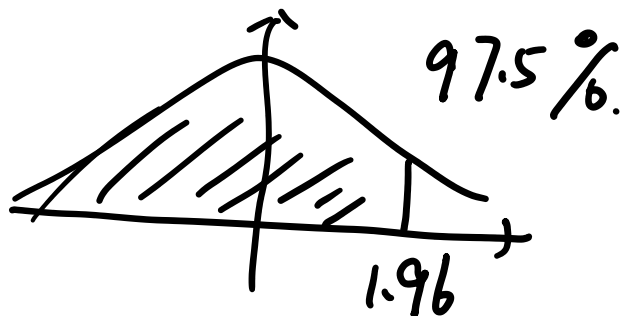
where k is the number of degree of freedom.

$$E(X) = 0$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{k}{k-2}.$$

T -table.

Z table



Example: $n=22$, $\bar{x}=13.71$, $S=3.55$.

Find 95% two sided
one sided upper } C.I.
lower }

(1) two sided:

$$n-1=21$$

two sided

$$\alpha = 5\% \\ = 0.05$$

$$n-1 = 21$$

Two sided

$$\alpha = 0.10$$

$t_{21, \text{two side } \alpha=5\%}$

$$= 2.08$$

$$\bar{x} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{x} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$13.71 - 2.08 \cdot \frac{3.55}{\sqrt{22}} \leq \mu \leq 13.71 + 2.08 \cdot \frac{3.55}{\sqrt{22}}$$

(2) One sided:

$t_{21, \text{one side } \alpha=5\%}$

$$= 1.721$$

$$\text{Upper: } \mu \leq 13.71 + 1.721 \cdot \frac{3.55}{\sqrt{22}}$$

$$\text{Lower: } \mu \geq 13.71 - 1.721 \cdot \frac{3.55}{\sqrt{22}}$$

Two sided

$$P\left[\bar{x} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{x} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right] = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\left(\bar{x} - t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

One sided

$$\left(\bar{x} - t_{\alpha, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, +\infty\right) \quad \text{Lower}$$

$$(-\infty, \bar{x} + t_{\alpha, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}) \quad \text{Upper}$$

25. Sample Test 2.

$$n=15, \quad 95\% \Rightarrow (83.9219, 90.6781)$$

What's 99% C.I.

$$\bar{x} = \frac{83.9219 + 90.6781}{2} = 87.3$$

95% { ME = $87.3 - 83.9219 = 3.3781$.

$\bar{x}$ - Lower

$$n-1=14$$

$$ME = t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-1} \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$3.3781 = 2.145 \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\frac{S}{\sqrt{n}} = 1.57487$$

$$\frac{t_{2.5\%, 14}}{= 2.145}$$

99% { ME = $t_{0.5\%, 14} \cdot \frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}$

$$= 2.977 \cdot 1.57487 = 2.977$$
$$= 4.6883933$$

99% C.I.: ($87.3 - 4.6883933$
 $, 87.3 + 4.6883933$)
 $= (82.61 , 91.99)$

Large Sample C.I. for population proportion.

$$\sigma = \frac{\sqrt{x - np}}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$Z = \frac{X - np}{\sqrt{np(1-p)}}$$

$$Z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}} \quad \text{where } \hat{p} = \frac{X}{n}$$

$$P\left(\hat{p} - Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \leq p \leq \hat{p} + Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha.$$

Example: $X = 10$ out of $n = 85$.

$$\hat{p} = \frac{10}{85} = 0.12.$$

What's 95% CI for p (two-sided)

$$n = 85, \quad \hat{p} = \frac{10}{85} = 0.12.$$

$$-Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} = -1.96$$

$$\left(0.12 - 1.96 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{0.12 \cdot 0.88}{85}}, 0.12 + 1.96 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{0.12 \cdot 0.88}{85}}\right)$$

$$95\% \text{ C.I. } (0.0509, 0.2243)$$

Choice of sample size:

$$ME = Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

$$\therefore n = \left(\frac{Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}}{E} \right)^2 p(1-p)$$

If p is not specified $p = 0.5$.

$$n = \left(\frac{Z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}}{E} \right)^2 \cdot 0.5^2$$

One-sided p C.I.: $(100(1-\alpha)\%)$

Upper: $p \leq \hat{p} + Z_{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$

Lower: $p \geq \hat{p} - Z_{\alpha} \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$ Test 2.