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Inferential Statistics

μ - the true population mean
 p - the true population proportion

estimate μ with $\bar{x}$ (estimators)
estimate p with $\hat{p}$

$\bar{x}$ and $\hat{p}$ are point estimates

Interval Estimate -

- margin of error - add & subtract
from $\bar{x}$ or $\hat{p}$ to get an
interval.

The margin error depends on

- ① The standard deviation $\sigma_{\bar{x}}$ of $\bar{x}$
- ② The level of confidence to be attached.

Interval
point estimate $\pm$ margin of error
confidence interval

Confidence level is denoted

$$(1 - \alpha) 100\%$$

$1 - \alpha$ confidence coefficient
 α is called the significance level

90%, 95%, 99%

confidence levels

$$(1 - \alpha) 100 = 95$$

$$1 - \alpha = .95$$

$$\frac{.95 + \alpha}{.95 + \alpha}$$

$$1 - .95 = \alpha$$

$$.05$$

99%

$$\alpha = 1 - .99 \\ = .01$$

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σ is known

Estimate Population mean

CASE I

CASE II

Can use

$$\mu_{\bar{x}} = \mu \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{given } \frac{n}{N} \leq .05$$

The confidence Interval for μ
the $(1-\alpha)100\%$ confidence interval
for μ is

$$\bar{x} \pm z \sigma_{\bar{x}} \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

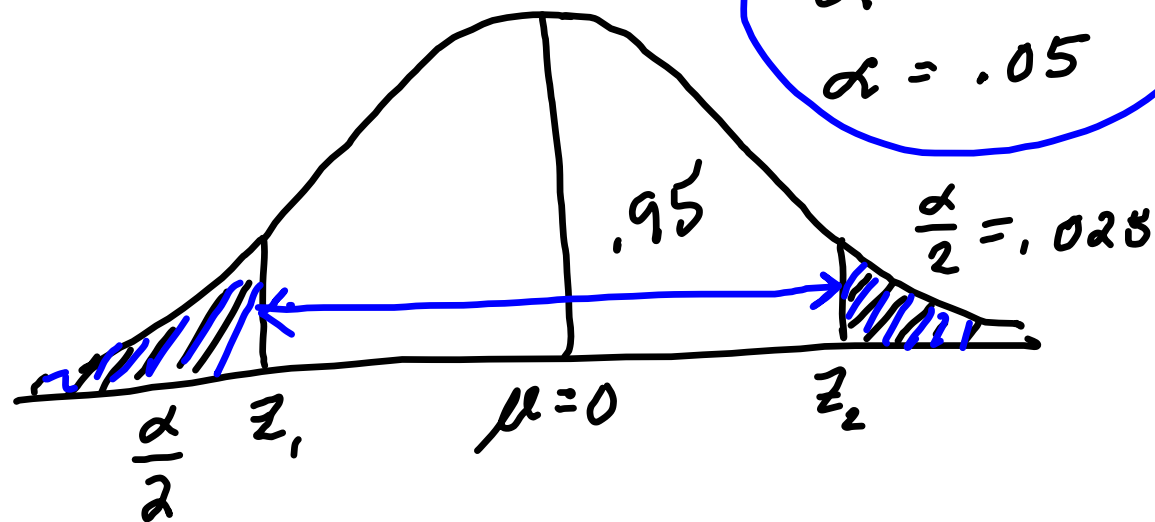
margin of error $z \sigma_{\bar{x}}$

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of s.d. s.d.

$$E = z \sigma_{\bar{x}}$$

what is z for a 95% confidence level?



$$z = -\text{invNorm}(.025, 0, 1)$$

$$z \approx 1.95996$$

round at
the end

Find Z for a 99% confidence level

$$\alpha = 1 - .99 = .01$$

$$\alpha = .01$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{2} = .005$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{.01}{2} = .005$$

$$Z = \text{invNorm}(.005)$$

$$Z \approx 2.5758$$

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$$\bar{x} = \$90.50 \quad \sigma = \$7.50$$

$$n = 25, \quad \bar{x} = 90.50, \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{7.50}{\sqrt{25}} = 1.50$$

a) Find the point estimate of μ

$$\bar{x} = \$90.50$$

b) Construct a 90% confidence interval

$$\alpha = 1 - .90 = .10$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{2} = .05$$

$$Z = \text{invNorm}(.05) \\ = 1.6449$$

$$E = 1.6449(1.50) \approx 2.4674$$

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always round up.

$$90.50 - 2.47 = 88.03$$

$$90.50 + 2.47 = 92.97$$

Answer (88.03, 92.97) 90% confidence interval.

EX 8-2 $\bar{X} = \$7868$ in 2004
 $n = 900$ $\sigma = 2070$ $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{2070}{\sqrt{900}} = 69$

Make a 99% confidence interval
 for μ

$$\alpha = .01 \quad \frac{\alpha}{2} = .005$$

$$Z = \text{invNorm}(.005)$$

$$\approx 2.5758$$

$$E = Z \cdot \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 2.5758(69)$$

$$\text{margin of error} \approx 177.7302$$

$$\approx 177.74 \quad \text{round up.}$$

$$7868 - 177.74 = 7690.26$$

$$7868 + 177.74 = 8045.74$$

99% confidence level
 (7690.26, 8045.74)

The width of the confidence interval depends on

- ① confidence level (z)
 - ② The sample size (n)
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To make the confidence interval smaller we can

- ① Lower the confidence level
- ② Increase the sample size

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population $\sigma = 14.8$
population is normally
distributed

sample = 25

$$\bar{x} = 143.72, \quad \sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{14.8}{\sqrt{25}} = 2.96$$

a) Make a 99% confidence
interval

$$\alpha = .01$$

$$z = \text{invNorm}(.005) \quad \frac{\alpha}{2} = .005$$

$$z \approx 2.5758$$

$$E = 2.5758 (2.96)$$

$$\approx 7.6245$$

$$\approx 7.63$$

$$143.72 - 7.63 = 136.09$$

$$143.72 + 7.63 = 151.35$$

$(136.09, 151.35)$ 99% confidence
interval

$$n = 25$$

b) Construct 95% confidence interval

$$Z = \text{invNorm}(.025)$$

$$\alpha = .05$$

$$Z \approx 1.959964 \leftarrow$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{2} = .025$$

$$\approx 1.9600$$



$$\text{margin of error} = 1.9600(2.96)$$

$$\approx 5.80149$$

$$\approx 5.81$$

$$143.72 - 5.81 = 137.91$$

$$143.72 + 5.81 = 149.53$$

$(137.91, 149.53)$ 95%
confidence level

If we increase the sample size

$n = 40$ observations

99% confidence level

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{14.8}{\sqrt{40}} \approx 2.3400854$$

$$E = 2.575829(2.340085)$$

$$\approx 6.02766$$

$$\approx 6.03$$

$$143.72 - 6.03 = 137.69$$

$$143.72 + 6.03 = 149.75$$

$(137.69, 149.75)$ 99%

confidence interval

Determining sample size for an Estimate of the Mean

$$E = Z \sigma_{\bar{x}}$$

$$E = Z \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\sqrt{n} E = Z \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} (\sqrt{n})$$

$$\frac{E \sqrt{n}}{E} = \frac{Z \sigma}{E}$$

$$(\sqrt{n})^2 = \left(\frac{Z \sigma}{E} \right)^2$$

$$n = \frac{Z^2 \sigma^2}{E^2}$$

If we know what margin of error we want & the confidence level, we can determine the sample needed.

EX 8-3 debt of all this year's graduates
 $\sigma = \$11,800$

How large a sample should be selected so that a 99% confidence level has a margin of error of \$800 of the population mean?

$$E = 800 \quad z = 2.57583$$
$$\sigma = 11800$$

$$n = \frac{z^2 \sigma^2}{E^2}$$

$$n = \frac{(2.57583)^2 (11800)^2}{(800)^2}$$

$$\approx 1443.58$$

∴ n should equal 1444 people

Check

$$E = z \sigma_{\bar{x}}$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{11806}{\sqrt{1444}}$$

$$E = 2.5759 (310.53) \approx 310.53$$

$$\approx 799.894$$

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$$n = 81 \quad \bar{x} = 48.25 \quad \sigma = 4.8$$

a) What is the pt estimate of μ ?

$$48.25$$

b) 95% confidence interval for μ .

$$\alpha = 1 - .95 = .05$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{2} = .025$$

$$z = 1.9600$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{4.8}{9} \approx .5333$$

$$E = 1.9600(.5333)$$

$$\approx 1.0453$$

$$\approx 1.05$$

$$48.25 - 1.05 \approx 47.20$$

$$48.25 + 1.05 \approx 49.30$$

(47.20, 49.30) 95% confidence interval.

c) $E \approx 1.05$

$$8.20 \quad \sigma = 14.50$$

a) 98% confidence interval

for μ to have $E = 5.50$

$$\alpha = .02$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{2} = .01$$

$$Z = \text{invNorm}(.01)$$

$$\approx 2.3263$$

$$E = 5.50$$

$$n = \frac{Z^2 \sigma^2}{E^2}$$

$$n = \frac{(2.3263)^2 (14.50)^2}{(5.50)^2}$$

$$\approx 37.6134$$

$$n \approx 38$$

$$b) \quad 95\% \quad E = 4.25 \quad \cdot \sigma = 14.50$$

$$\alpha = .05 \quad z = 1.9600$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{2} = .025$$

$$n = \frac{(1.9600)^2 (14.50)^2}{(4.25)^2}$$

$$= 44.7$$

$$n = 45$$