

## TOPIC: TWO PROPORTIONS

### Difference in Proportions: Hypothesis Tests

◆ In hypothesis tests with **TWO** samples, we test claims about the \_\_\_\_\_ between the proportions.

► Write  $H_0$  as  $p_1 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ , i.e.  $p_1 - p_2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

► Find the  $z$ -score using a *pooled* sample proportion ( $\bar{p}$ ) which is  $\frac{\text{total \#}}{\text{total \#}}$  of both groups.

### EXAMPLE

The table summarizes a study on the success rate of a nicotine patch in helping people quit smoking. Perform a hypothesis test using  $\alpha = 0.05$  to determine if the proportion of subjects who quit smoking is different in the two groups.

Effectiveness of Nicotine Patch	
Placebo	Nicotine Patch
Subjects: 20	Subjects: 23
# Successfully Quit: 11	# Successfully Quit: 17

Samples Random and Independent? ☐

$\geq 5$  success in each sample? ☐

$\geq 5$  failures in each sample? ☐

1)  $H_0$ :

$H_a$ :

**Placebo**

**Patch**

2)  $n_1 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

$n_2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

$\bar{p} =$

$x_1 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

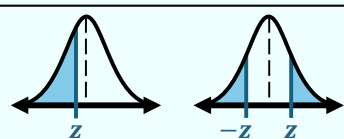
$x_2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

$\bar{q} =$

$\hat{p}_1 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

$\hat{p}_2 = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

$z =$

	1 Prop.	2 Proportions
Hyp.	$H_0: p = \#$ $H_a: p </> \neq \#$	$H_0: p_1 = p_2$ $H_a: p_1 [ <   >   \neq ] p_2$
Test Stat.	$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{pq}{n}}}$	$z = \frac{(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - (p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}\bar{q}}{n_1} + \frac{\bar{p}\bar{q}}{n_2}}}$ <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> <math>\bar{p} = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{n_1 + n_2}</math>  <math>\bar{q} = 1 - \bar{p}</math> </div>
P-Val.	Area "beyond" $z$ 	
Conclude	Because $P$ -value [ <   > ] $\alpha$ , we <b>[ REJECT   FAIL TO REJECT ]</b> $H_0$ . There is <b>[ ENOUGH   NOT ENOUGH ]</b> evidence to { restate $H_a$ }	

3)  $P$ -value:

4) Because  $P$ -value [ < | > ]  $\alpha$ , we **[ REJECT | FAIL TO REJECT ]**  $H_0$ .

There is **[ ENOUGH | NOT ENOUGH ]** evidence that there is a difference in proportion of people quitting smoking using the nicotine patch versus a placebo.

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### **PRACTICE**

A human resources department is comparing two employee training programs to see if they lead to different pass rates on a required certification program. They randomly select two groups of employees. In Program A, 16 out of 20 employees passed the exam. In Program B, 30 out of 40 employees passed. Are the basic conditions met to conduct a 2-proportion hypothesis test?

- (A) Yes, the basic conditions are met
- (B) No, the basic conditions are not met
- (C) There is not enough information to answer the question

### **PRACTICE**

A school administrator wants to compare the proportion of students who passed a standardized math exam in two different schools by taking samples from 2 classes. Assume the samples are random and independent. Calculate the  $z$ -score for testing whether there is a significant difference in the population proportions of student passing rates, but do not find a  $P$ -value or draw a conclusion for the hypothesis test.

**Class A:** 72 out of 120 students passed

**Class B:** 65 out of 100 students passed

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### **EXAMPLE**

A study on the effectiveness of seatbelts in reducing injuries is done using two random samples of drivers. Among the group who **were not** wearing their seatbelt, 50 drivers were injured and 2350 were not. Among the group who **were** wearing a seatbelt, 15 were injured and 1585 were not. Use a 0.01 significance level to test the claim that not wearing a seatbelt results in a greater proportion of injuries.

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### Difference in Proportions: Confidence Intervals

◆ To make a Conf. Int. for  $p_1 - p_2$ , use point estimator  $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$  and margin of error:

► Unlike Hyp. Tests, use *individual* sample proportions instead of *pooled*.

New

$$E = z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

### EXAMPLE

The table summarizes a study on the success rate of nicotine patch in helping people quit smoking. Make a 90% confidence interval for the difference in success rates for the two groups. What does the result suggest about the claim that there is no difference in proportion between the two groups?

Effectiveness of Nicotine Patch	
Placebo	Nicotine Patch
Subjects: 20	Subjects: 23
# Who Quit: 11	# Who Quit: 17
$\hat{p}_1 = 0.55$	$\hat{p}_2 = 0.74$

### HOW TO: Make a Confidence Interval for $p_1 - p_2$

1) Verify for EACH sample:

# of successes  $\geq 5$  ☐

**AND** # of failures  $\geq 5$  ☐

2) Find critical value:  $z_{\alpha/2}$

3) Point estimate:  $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$

4) Margin of Error:  $E$

5) Find upper & lower bounds

$$((\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - E, (\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) + E)$$

Recall

$$\hat{p}_1 = \frac{x_1}{n_1}, \quad \hat{p}_2 = \frac{x_2}{n_2}$$

We are \_\_\_\_\_ % confident that the true difference in proportions of people who quit smoking with a placebo vs. a nicotine patch is between \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_. Because this [ **DOES** | **DOES NOT** ] include 0, we [ **REJECT** | **FAIL TO REJECT** ]  $H_0: p_1 = p_2$ . There is [ **ENOUGH** | **NOT ENOUGH** ] evidence that there is a difference...

◆ If Conf. Int. *DOESN'T* include 0, we're confident of a *DIFFERENCE* between  $p_1$  &  $p_2$ , so we \_\_\_\_\_  $H_0$ .

◆ If Conf. Int. *DOES* include 0, it's possible there is *NO DIFFERENCE* between  $p_1$  &  $p_2$ , so we \_\_\_\_\_  $H_0$ .

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### **PRACTICE**

A researcher using a survey constructs a 90% confidence interval for a difference in two proportions. According to the data, they calculate  $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 = 0.09$  with a margin of error of 0.07. Should they reject or fail to reject the claim that there is no difference in these two proportions?

- (A) Reject
- (B) Fail to reject
- (C) There is not enough information to answer the question

### **PRACTICE**

The data below is taken from two random, independent samples. Calculate the margin of error for a 99% confidence interval for the difference in population proportions.

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= 87, & x_2 &= 68 \\n_1 &= 120, & n_2 &= 115\end{aligned}$$

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### EXAMPLE

A university wants to know if students who live on campus are more likely to attend campus events than students who live off campus. In a sample of 150 **on-campus** students, 102 attended at least one campus event in the past month. In a sample of 130 **off-campus** students, 74 attended at least one campus event in the past month. Construct a 95% confidence interval for the difference in proportion, and use it to test the claim that on-campus students are more likely to attend events than off-campus students.

#### HOW TO: Make a Confidence Interval for $p_1 - p_2$

1) Verify for EACH sample:

# of successes  $\geq 5$  ☐

**AND** # of failures  $\geq 5$  ☐

2) Find critical value:  $z_{\alpha/2}$

3) Point estimate:  $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$

4) Margin of Error:  $E$

5) Find upper & lower bounds

$$((\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - E, (\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) + E)$$