



Applied Mathematics S1 7 Hypothesis testing binomial

Year 13







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Past Paper Practice Summary

Prior knowledge check

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- **1** *X* ~ B(20, 0.4). Calculate:
 - **a** P(X=5) **b** P(X=10)
 - **c** $P(X \le 2)$ **d** $P(X \ge 18)$ **\leftarrow** Chapter 6
- 2 Wanda rolls a fair dice eight times.
 - **a** Suggest a suitable model for the random variable *X*, the number of times the dice lands on five.
 - **b** Calculate:
 - i P(X = 2) ii $P(X \ge 4) \leftarrow$ Chapter 6

7.1) Hypothesis testing



I throw a coin 10 times. For what numbers of heads might you conclude that the coin is biased towards heads? Why?

Our intuition is that the further away we are from the 'expected' number of heads (i.e. 5 heads out of 10), the more unlikely it is.







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In a hypothesis test, the evidence from the sample is a <u>test statistic</u>.



In this context...

The test statistic *X* is **what we observed**, in this case, *X* is the number of heads seen in 10 throws.

Note that the test statistic **is a distribution** (i.e. across the possible things we might observe).

 $X \sim B(10, p)$ noting that p is not known until we start making assumptions.



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The level of significance α is the maximum probability where we would reject the null hypothesis.
This is usually 5% or 1%.



In this context...

We said that if we saw a number of heads within ranges of outcomes that were sufficiently unlikely, then we'd rule out that the coin is fair and conclude it was in fact biased.

But how unlikely is 'sufficiently unlikely'? If $\alpha = 5\%$, then we'd find a region of outcomes where there's (at most) a 5% chance of one of these extreme values happening 'by chance' (i.e. if the coin was fair).

Hypothesis testing in a nutshell then is:

- 1. We have some hypothesis we wish to see if true (e.g. coin is biased towards heads), so...
- 2. We collect some sample data by throwing the coin (giving us our 'test statistic') and...
- 3. If that number of heads (or more) is sufficiently unlikely to have emerged 'just by chance', then we conclude that our (alternative) hypothesis is correct, i.e. the coin is biased.



Notes

Joan believes a six-sided dice is biased in favour of rolling a 4. She rolls the dice 10 times and counts the number of times, X, it rolls a 4. Define the test statistic and state your null and alternative hypotheses.

An election candidate believes he has the support of 30% of the residents in a particular town. A researcher wants to test, at the 10% significance level, whether the candidate is over-estimating his support. The researcher asks 30 people whether they support the candidate or not. 2 people say they do.

- a) Write down a suitable test statistic.
- b) Write down two suitable hypotheses.
- c) Explain the condition under which the null hypothesis would be rejected.

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- b) Write down two suitable hypotheses.
- c) Explain the condition under which the null hypothesis would be rejected.

In a manufacturing process, the proportion of faulty lightbulbs is, based on historical data, 0.08.

A sample of 200 lightbulbs is tested, and 11 are found to be faulty.

The manager wishes to test at the 2% significance level whether or not there has been a reduction in the proportion of faulty lightbulbs.

- a) Write down a suitable test statistic.
- b) Write down two suitable hypotheses.
- c) Explain the condition under which the null hypothesis would be rejected.

Joan believes the probability of rolling a 4 on a six-sided dice is $\frac{1}{6}$. She rolls the dice 10 times and counts the number of times, *X*, it rolls a 4. Define the test statistic and state your null and alternative hypotheses.

An election candidate believes he has the support of 30% of the residents in a particular town. A researcher wants to test, at the 10% significance level, whether this claim is true.

The researcher asks 30 people whether they support the candidate or not. 2 people say they do.

- a) Write down a suitable test statistic.
- b) Write down two suitable hypotheses.
- c) Explain the condition under which the null hypothesis would be rejected.

7.2) Finding critical values

John wants to see whether a coin is unbiased or whether **it is biased towards coming down heads**. He tosses the coin 8 times and counts the number of times *X*, it lands head uppermost. **What values would lead to John's hypothesis being rejected?**

As before, we're interested how likely a given outcome is likely to happen 'just by chance' under the null hypothesis (i.e. when the coin is not biased).



John wants to see whether a coin is unbiased or whether **it is biased towards coming down heads**. He tosses the coin 8 times and counts the number of times *X*, it lands head uppermost. **What values would lead to John's hypothesis being rejected**, if the significance level was 5%?

What's the probability that we would see **6 heads**, or an **even more extreme value**? Is this sufficiently unlikely to support John's claim that the coin is biased?

 $P(X \ge 6) = 1 - P(X \le 5)$ = 0.1445 Insufficient evidence to reject null hypothesis (since 0.1445 > 0.05).

What's the probability that we would see **7** heads, or an even more extreme value?

$$P(X \ge 7) = 1 - P(X \le 6)$$

= 0.0352

Since 0.0352 < 0.05, this is very unlikely, so we reject the null hypothesis and accept the alternative hypothesis that the coin is biased.

C.D.F. Binomial table: p = 0.5, n = 8			
x	$P(X \le x)$		
0	0.0039		
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3	0.3633		
4	0.6367		
5	0.8555		
6	0.9648		
7	0.9961		

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The **critical region** is the range of values of the test statistic that would lead to you rejecting H_0

If level of significance 5%, critical region?We saw that 95% is exceeded when X = 6. Thismeans $P(X \ge 7) = 1 - P(X \le 6)$ Tip: Use the first value= 0.0352 < 5% $\therefore 7 \le X \le 8$ Tip: Use the first valueAFTER the one in the tablethat exceeds 95%.

The value(s) on the boundary of the critical region are called **critical value(s**).

Critical value: 7

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Your turn

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She rolls the dice 10 times and counts the number of times, X, it rolls a 4.

- a) Using a 5% significance level, find the critical region for this test.
- b) Find the probability of incorrectly rejecting the null hypothesis (the actual significance level)

Determine the critical region when we throw a coin where we're trying to establish if there's the specified bias, given the specified number of throws, when the level of significance is 5%.

Coin thrown 5 times. Trying to establish if biased towards heads.		Coin thrown 10 times. Trying to establish if biased towards heads.			Coin thrown 10 times. Trying to establish if biased towards tails.		Reminder: At the <u>positive</u> <u>tail</u> , use the value <u>AFTER</u> the first that	
ŗ	p = 0.5, n = 5		p	= 0.5, n = 10	_	p	= 0.5, n = 10	exceeds 95% (100 - 5).
x	$P(X \leq x)$		x	$P(X \le x)$		x	$P(X \le x)$	
	- (=)		0	0.0010		0	0.0010	At the <u>negative</u>
0	0.0312		1	0.0107		1	0.0107	tail, we just
1	0.1875		2	0.0547		2	0.0547	value that goes
2	0.5000							under the
3	0.8125		7	0.9453		7	0.9453	level.
	0.0000		8	0.9893		8	0.9893	
4	0.9688		9	0.9990		9	0.9990	1

549e: Determine the critical region for a one-tailed hypothesis test using a binomial model.

The probability that a customer buys a tin of baked beans in a supermarket is 0.33. It is claimed that the probability has decreased. The supermarket records the shopping baskets of 25 different people.

 $H_0: p=0.33$ and $H_1: p<0.33$

Using a 5% level of significance, find the critical region for the test.

Actual Significance Level

John wants to see whether a coin is unbiased or whether **it is biased towards coming down heads**. He tosses the coin 8 times and counts the number of times X, it lands head uppermost. **What values would lead to John's hypothesis being rejected**, if the significance level was 5%?

We saw earlier that the critical region was $X \ge 7$, i.e. the region in which John would reject the null hypothesis (and conclude the coin was biased).

We ensured that $P(X \ge 7)$ was less than the significance level of 5%. But what actually is $P(X \ge 7)$?

 $P(X \ge 7) = 1 - P(X \le 6) = 0.0352$

This is known as the actual significance level, i.e. the probability that we're in the critical region. We expected this to be less than, but close to, 5%.

The **actual significance level** is the actual probability of being in the critical region.

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- a) Find the critical region for this test.
- b) Find the probability of incorrectly rejecting the null hypothesis (the actual significance level)

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- a) Find the critical region for this test.
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Two-tailed test

Suppose I threw a coin 8 times and was now interested in how may heads would suggest it was a **biased coin** (i.e. either way!). How do we work out the critical values now, with 5% significance?

We split the 5% so there's 2.5% at either tail, then proceed as normal:

Critical region at positive tail: Look at closest value above 0.975 (then go one above): X = 8

Critical region at negative tail: Look at closest value below 0.025. X = 0



549g: Determine the critical region for a two-tailed hypothesis test using a binomial model.

The probability that a mechanical component fails is 0.7. The company thinks the reliability of the component has changed. The company tests a sample of 27 components.

 $H_0: p=0.7$ and $H_1: p
eq 0.7$

Using a 5% level of significance, find the critical region for the test.

$\oslash X \leq$	
$\oslash X \geq$	

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- a) Find the critical region(s) for this test.
- b) Find the probability of incorrectly rejecting the null hypothesis (the actual significance level)

A random variable has distribution B(40, p).

A single observation is used to test $H_0: p = 0.1$

against $H_1: p \neq 0.1$.

Using a 1% level of significance, find the critical region for this test. The probability in each tail should be as close as possible to 0.005

7.3) One-tailed tests		

Doing a full one-tailed hypothesis test

We've done various bits of a hypothesis test, and haven't actually properly conducted one yet. Let's do an example!

John tosses a coin 8 times and it comes up heads 6 times. He claims the coin is **biased towards heads**. With a significance level of 5%, test his claim.

X is number of heads. p is probability of heads. $X \sim B(8, p)$	STEP 1: Define test statistic <i>X</i> (stating its distribution), and the parameter <i>p</i> .	C.D.F. Bir p =	nomial table: 0.5, n = 8
$H_0: p = 0.5$ $H_1: p > 0.5$	STEP 2: Write null and alternative hypotheses.	x 0 1	$P(X \le x)$ 0.0039 0.0352
Assume H_0 is true, $X \sim B(8)$ $P(X \ge 6) = 1 - P(X \le 1 - 0.8555)$ = 0.1445 14.45% > 5%, so insufficient evidence to reject H_0 . Coin is not biased.	 STEP 3: Determine probability of observed test statistic (or 'more extreme'), assuming null hypothesis. i.e. Determine probability we'd see this outcome just by chance. STEP 4: Two-part conclusion: Do we reject H₀ or not? Put in context of original problem. 	2 3 4 5 6 7 NEW TO A of 'the obs is known a	0.1445 0.3633 0.6367 0.8555 0.9648 0.9961 LEVEL 2017: The probability reved value or more extrements the <i>p</i> -value.

Alternative method using critical regions

We can also find the critical region and see if the test statistic lies within it.

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	STEP 2: Write null and	x	$P(X \le x)$
$H_0: p = 0.5$	alternative hypotheses.	0	0.0039
$H_1: p > 0.5$		1	0.0352
P(X > 7) = 1 - 0.9648 = 0	.0352	2	0.1445
Critical region is $X \ge 7$		3	0.3633
5 _	STEP 3	4	0.6367
6 is not in critical region, so a	do not Determine critical	5	0.8555
reject H_0 .	region.	6	0.9648
Coin is not biased.	STEP 4: Two-part	7	0.9961
	 conclusion: 1. Do we reject H₀ or not? 2. Put <u>in context of original problem</u>. 		

(Note that this is not covered in the Pearson textbook, but **is** in the specification)

Sheila wants to know if a coin is biased towards heads and throws it a large number of times, counting the number of heads. The p-value is less than 0.03. Conduct a hypothesis test at the 5% significance level.

Let p be the probability of heads. $H_0: p = 0.5$ $H_1: p > 0.5$

0.03 < 0.05 so reject H_0 . Sufficient evidence to suggest the coin is biased. Ordinarily we'd calculate the probability of seeing the observed number of heads 'or more extreme'. But this has already been done for us (i.e. the *p*-value), so we just need to compare this against the threshold.

549f: Conduct a one-tailed hypothesis test on a binomial model.

A random variable has distribution $X\sim B(20,p).$ A single observation x=14 is taken from this distribution.

Using a 10% level of significance, test $H_0: p=0.49$ against $H_1: p>0.49$

${\mathscr O}$ Assuming H_0 true	, $P(X \ge 14) =$
	(3 decimal places)
Ø which is	than 0.1
Ø therefore we	H_0

Writing frame

VERSION 2: critical value

ERSION 1: p-value					
State hypotheses	$H_0: p = \qquad H_1: p > p < p \neq$				
Write parameters of the	X = number of $p =$ probability of				
sampling distribution	Write as $X \sim B(n, p)$	Write as $X \sim B(n, p)$			
Calculate probability	p <	p >	$p \neq$		
	Just use	use	Do both of		
	Binomial CD	$P(X \ge x)$	$P(X \le x)$ and		
	with x given	$= 1 - P(X \leq X - 1)$	$P(X \ge x)$		
Compare p to significance level					
	accept Ho if accept Ho if		accept Ho if		
	$p > sig \ level$		$p > \frac{sig \ level}{2}$		
Accept/reject H_0					
Conclusion in context – using	there is insufficient/sufficient evidence to accept/reject				
wording from Q	the claim (state it) at the% significance level				

State hypotheses	$H_0: p = H_0$	$_{1}: p > p <$	p≠
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	Accept if	Accept if	Accept if
	$x > x_c$	$x < x_c$	$x_{c_1} < x < x_{c_2}$
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- a) Find the critical region for this test.
- b) 6 people say they support the candidate. Comment on this observation in light of the critical region.

An election candidate believes he has the support of 30% of the residents in a particular town. A researcher wants to test, at the 1% significance level, whether the candidate is under-estimating his support. The researcher asks 30 people whether they support the candidate or not. 14 people say they support the candidate. Carry out a hypothesis test for the researcher.

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- a) Find the critical region for this test.
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8 lightbulbs are found to be faulty.

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- b) 8 lightbulbs are found to be faulty. Comment on this observation in light of the critical region.

A medical team are testing the effectiveness of a new drug.

They claim that the test is successful more than 99.8% of the time.

They test the benefits of the drug on 4500 patients.

The test is successful in 4498 cases.

Is there enough evidence, at the 1% significance level, to support the medical team's claim?

A medical team are testing the negative side effects of a new drug.

They claim that the drug gives negative side effects less than 0.2% of the time.

They test the drug on 4500 patients.

The drug has negative side effects in 5 patients.

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They test the drug on 4500 patients.

- a) Find the critical region for this test at the 2% significance level.
- b) The drug has negative side effects in 5 cases. Comment on this observation in light of the critical region.

7.4) Two-tailed tests	

Notes

549i: Conduct a two-tailed hypothesis test on a binomial model.

A random variable has distribution $X \sim B(26,p).$ A single observation x=4 is taken from this distribution.

Using a 5% level of significance, test $H_0: p=0.23$ against $H_1: p
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Joan believes the probability of rolling a 4 on a six-sided dice is $\frac{1}{6}$. She rolls the dice 10 times and rolls a 4 five times. Using a 5% significance level, test her belief.

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She rolls the dice 10 times.

- a) Find the critical region(s) for this test at the 5% significance level.
- b) A 4 is rolled five times. Comment on this observation in light of the critical region.

An election candidate believes he has the support of 30% of the residents in a particular town. The researcher asks 30 people whether they support the candidate or not. 1 person says they support the candidate. Test, at the 1% significance level, whether the candidate's claim is true.

An election candidate believes he has the support of 30% of the residents in a particular town.

The researcher asks 30 people whether they support the candidate or not.

- a) Find the critical region(s) for a test of the candidate's claim at the 1% significance level.
- b) 16 people say they support the candidate. Comment on this observation in light of the critical region.

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The test is successful in 4498 cases.

Is the medical team's claim supported at the 1% significance level?

Past Paper Questions

- 3. Naasir is playing a game with two friends. The game is designed to be a game of chance so that the probability of Naasir winning each game is ¹/₃
 Naasir and his friends play the game 15 times.
 - (a) Find the probability that Naasir wins
 - (i) exactly 2 games,
 - (ii) more than 5 games.

Naasir claims he has a method to help him win more than $\frac{1}{3}$ of the games. To test this claim, the three of them played the game again 32 times and Naasir won 16 of these games. (b) Stating your hypotheses clearly, test Naasir's claim at the 5% level of significance.

(4)

(3)



		(7 mark	(7 marks)	
		(4)		
	[Significant result so reject H ₀ (the null model) and conclude:] There is evidence to support Naasir's claim (o.e.)	Al	3.5a	
	$P(X \ge 16) = 1 - P(X \le 15) = 0.03765$ (< 0.05)	AI	3.4	
	Let $X =$ the number of games Naasir wins $X \sim B(32, \frac{1}{3})$	MI	3.3	
<mark>(p)</mark>	$H_0: p = \frac{1}{3}$ $H_1: p > \frac{1}{3}$	(3) B1	2.5	
(ii)	$P(N > 5) = 1 - P(N \le 5) = 0.38162$ awrt 0.382	AI	1.1b	
(i)	P(N=2) = 0.059946 awrt 0.0599	AI	1.1b	
3 (a)	Let $N =$ the number of games Naasir wins $N \sim B(15, \frac{1}{3})$	MI	3.3	
Qu	Scheme	Marks	AO	

Large data set

You will need access to the large data set and spreadsheet software to answer these questions.

1 The proportion of days with a recorded daily mean temperature greater than 15 °C in Leuchars between May 1987 and October 1987 was found to be 0.163 (3 s.f.).

A meteorologist wants to use a randomly chosen sample of 10 days to determine whether the probability of observing a daily mean temperature greater than 15 °C has increased significantly between 1987 and 2015.

- **a** Using a significance level of 5%, determine the critical region for this test.
- **b** Select a sample of 10 days from the 2015 data for Leuchars, and count the number of days with a mean temperature of greater than 15 °C.
- c Use your observation and your critical region to make a conclusion.
- 2 From the large data set, in Beijing in 1987, 23% of the days from May to October had a daily mean air temperature greater than 25 °C. Using a sample of size 10 from the data for daily mean air temperature in Beijing in 2015, test, at the 5% significance level, whether the proportion of days with a mean air temperature greater than 25 °C increased between 1987 and 2015.

Summary of key points

- 1 The null hypothesis, H₀, is the hypothesis that you assume to be correct.
- **2** The alternative hypothesis, H₁, tells us about the parameter if your assumption is shown to be wrong.
- **3** Hypothesis tests with alternative hypotheses in the form H₁: *p* < ... and H₁: *p* > ... are called one-tailed tests.
- 4 Hypothesis tests with an alternative hypothesis in the form H₁: p ≠ ... are called two-tailed tests.
- **5** A critical region is a region of the probability distribution which, if the test statistic falls within it, would cause you to reject the null hypothesis.
- 6 The critical value is the first value to fall inside of the critical region.
- **7** The actual significance level of a hypothesis test is the probability of incorrectly rejecting the null hypothesis.
- 8 For a two-tailed test the critical region is split at either end of the distribution.
- 9 For a two-tailed test, halve the significance level at each end you are testing.