

# Hypothesis & Estimation

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# Essential Terms



**Statistic** - Mathematical expression that describes some aspects of a set of scores for a sample

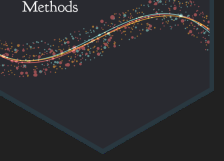
**Parameter** - Describes some aspect of a set of scores for a population

# First a Brief Intro to Hypothesis Testing

Survey Research  
Methods



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## *Formally*

**Testing an assumption about a population parameter**

## *Con conversationally*

**An assumption about a particular situation of the world that is testable**

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## *Interpretation*

If results from a study goes the way that was expected, then nothing new was discovered<sup>1</sup>

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A **(statistical) estimation** is a sample statistic is used to estimate the value of an unknown population parameter

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# Think Big



No matter what you have heard or may be told in the future, both *Type I Errors* and *Type II Errors* are not represented by a single figure, rather they each contain a different range of probabilities



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<b>Decision</b>	<b>Null is True</b>	<b>Null is False</b>
Reject Null	<i>False Positive</i> <i>Type I Error</i>	<i>Correct Outcome</i> <i>True Positive</i>
Fail to Reject Null	<i>Correct Outcome</i> <i>True Negative</i>	<i>False Negative</i> <i>Type II Error</i>

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You changed your mind	but it was likely the wrong decision	and it was likely the right decision
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You didn't change your mind	and it was likely the right decision	but it was likely the wrong decision
	<i>Correct Outcome</i> <i>True Negative</i>	<i>False Negative</i> <i>Type II Error</i>

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# Example



You're pregnant!

Type I error  
(False positive)



You're not pregnant

Type II error  
(False negative)



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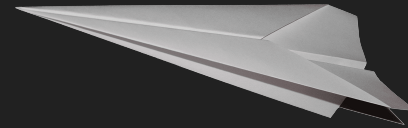
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## *Statistical Power*

- the probability of not rejecting  $H_0$  when it is false
- the chance associated with **NOT** making a **Type II Error**
- the possibility of making the right decision when something unexpected happened

## *Notation*

$$1 - \beta$$

# Decision Making



Reality	Rejected $H_0$	Did Not Reject $H_0$
$H_0$ is true	<i>Type I Error</i> $\alpha$ <i>Level of Significance</i>	<i>Correct Decision</i> $1 - \alpha$ <i>Level of Confidence</i>
$H_0$ is false	<i>Correct Outcome</i> $1 - \beta$ <i>Statistical Power!</i>	<i>Type II Error</i> $\beta$ <i>Rate of a Type II Error</i>

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Forecast was right	Took an umbrella AND you're dry but may look silly or possibly fancy	Did not take an umbrella AND you're dry
Forecast was wrong	Took an umbrella AND you're dry	Did not take an umbrella AND you're wet

*Note: You could have also gotten wet from snow, a flood, etc. so again **the alternative hypothesis generally does not imply the opposite!***

# Estimation



**(Statistical) Estimation** - a sample statistic is used to estimate the value of an unknown population parameter

# Selecting a Sample Mean



<b>Classification</b>	<b>Hypothesis Testing</b>	<b>Point/Interval Estimation</b>
Process	Determine the probability of getting that mean if the Null is true	Estimate the value of a population mean
Outcomes	Gain information about the population mean	Gain information about the population mean

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**Point estimation** - use of sample data to calculate a single *mean* value

**Interval estimation** - use of sample data to calculate a possible range of *mean* values

# The Characteristic of Hypothesis Testing and Estimation



Question	Hypothesis Testing	Point/Interval Estimation
Do we know the population mean?	Yes its the Null hypothesis	No we're trying to estimate it
What is the process used to determine?	The chance of obtaining a sample mean	The value of a population mean
What is learned?	Whether the population mean is likely correct	The range of values within which the population mean is probably contained
What is our decision?	To retain or reject the null hypothesis	No actual decision

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**Confidence Interval** - an interval that contains an unknown parameter (e.g.  $\mu$ ) with certain degree of confidence

**Level of Confidence** - probability or likelihood that an interval estimate will contain an unknown population parameter



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Probability	z-score
0.90	1.645
0.95	1.96
0.99	2.576

Again its typical to have a 95% level of confidence thereby making

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

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4. Interpret the results

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4. So we are 90% confident that the overall mean IQ is between 100.53 and 105.47

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