



# Inferential statistics

Wrap up

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## Types of statistics

### Descriptive Statistics

Collecting  
Summarizing  
Presenting  
Analyzing

Draw conclusion only to  
the subject we have studied

### Inferential Statistics

Collecting  
Summarizing  
Presenting  
Analyzing  
  
Generalizing

Draw conclusion that applies to  
subjects or groups which is bigger  
than we have observed

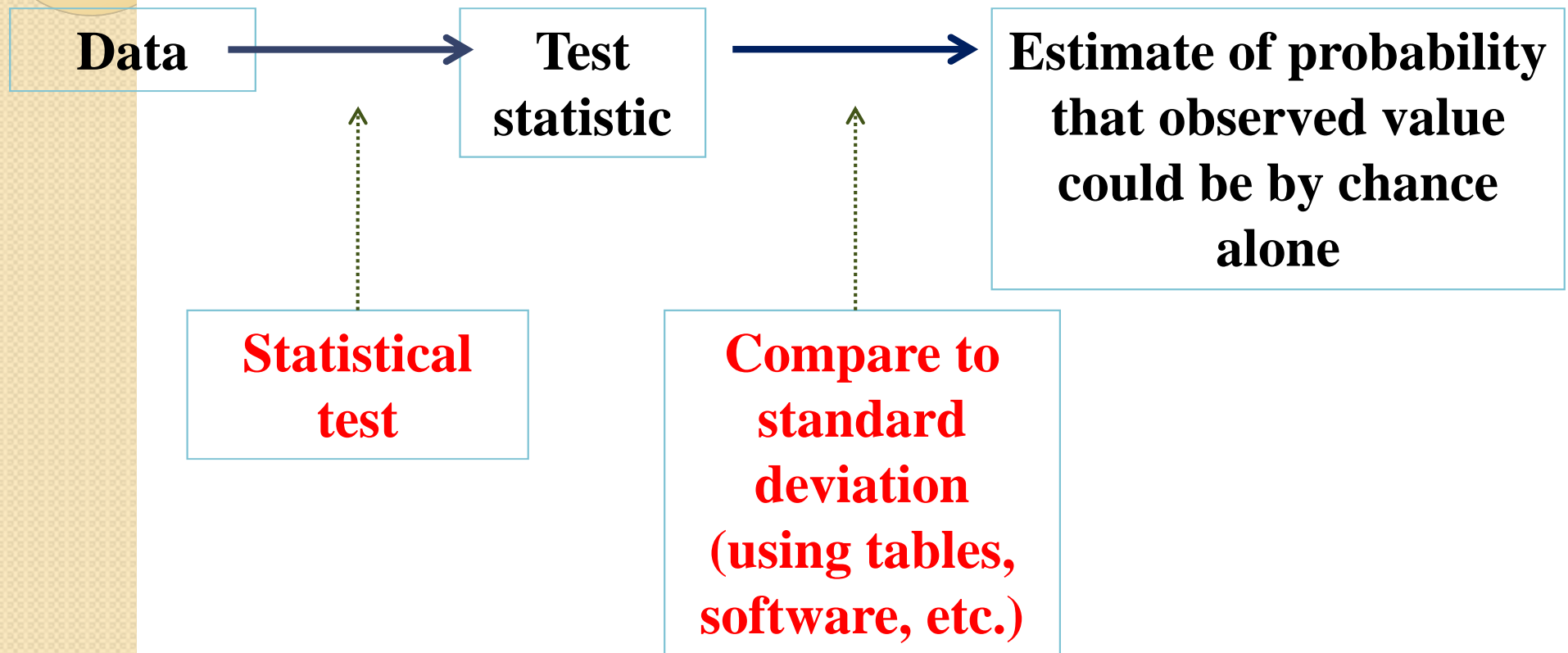
# Inferential statistical methods

- 1. Hypothesis Testing**
- 2. Parameter Estimation**

- 1. Hypothesis Testing:**

- To ask whether an effect is present or not among different groups.

# Concept in hypothesis testing



# Steps to consider for a statistical test of a hypothesis

1. State the problem
2. Formulate hypotheses: one- or two-tailed
3. Choose  $\alpha$
4. Determine the test statistic
5. Calculate the test statistic
6. Decision and conclusion

# 1. State the problem

- One-sample problem
  - Hypotheses are specified about a single distribution (population)
- Two-sample problem
  - Two different distributions (populations) are compared

## 2. Formulate hypotheses

A. Null hypothesis ( $H_0$ ):

- This is usually a statement of no difference

B. Alternative hypothesis ( $H_1$  or  $H_a$ ):

- This is the statement we will accept if we reject the null hypothesis

# Possible scenarios

	$H_0$ is True	$H_0$ is False
Accept $H_0$	$1 - \alpha$ (Correct decision)	$\beta$ (Type II error)
Reject $H_0$	$\alpha$ (Type I error)	$1 - \beta = \text{power}$ (Correct decision)

- Type I error is the probability of rejecting  $H_0$  when  $H_0$  is true
- Type II error is the probability of accepting  $H_0$  when  $H_0$  is false



### 3. Choosing $\alpha$ level

- Level of significance
  - 1% (0.01), 5% (0.05), 10% (0.10)

### 4. Determine the test statistic

Need understanding probability distribution and assumption

- Analysis of continuous outcome
- Analysis of categorical outcome

## 5. Calculate the test statistic

- Most test statistics are of the form
  1. One sample

$$t = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0 q_0}{n}}}$$

2. Two sample

$$t = \frac{(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

$$z = \frac{(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

$$X^2 = \sum_{ij} \frac{(O_{ij} - E_{ij})^2}{E_{ij}}$$

## 6. Decision and conclusion

Depends on:-

1. Critical value
2. p-value

1. Critical value:- The critical value is a factor used to compute the margin of error

## 2. p value

- This is the probability of getting a value of the test statistic this extreme or more extreme, given  $H_0$  is true
- Suggested terminology (conventional)
  - $p \leq 0.001$                       **Very highly statistically significant**
  - $0.001 \leq p < 0.01$               **Highly statistically significant**
  - $0.01 \leq p < 0.05$                 **Statistically significant**
  - $p \geq 0.05$                          **Not statistically significant**

# p value property

- Small difference and small sample size
  - Very large p value
- Small difference and large sample size
  - Small or large p value
- Large difference and small sample size
  - Small or large p value
- Large difference and large sample size
  - Very small p value