

§ 8.7 ESTIMATING THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TWO BINOMIAL PROPORTIONS

$$\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n}$$

ESSENTIALLY THE SAME

SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION OF  $(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2)$  HAS

→ MEAN =  $(p_1 - p_2)$

→ S.E. =  $\sqrt{\frac{p_1 q_1}{n_1} + \frac{p_2 q_2}{n_2}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1 \hat{q}_1}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2 \hat{q}_2}{n_2}}$

THE SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION FOR  $(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2)$  IS APPROXIMATELY

NORMALLY DISTRIBUTED IF

$$n_1 \hat{p}_1 > 5$$

$$n_1 \hat{q}_1 > 5$$

&

$$n_2 \hat{p}_2 > 5$$

$$n_2 \hat{q}_2 > 5$$

Point Estimation:  $(p_1 - p_2) \approx (\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2)$

95% margin of error:  $\pm 1.96$  S.E.

$(1 - \alpha)$  CONFIDENCE INTERVAL:

$$\left( \hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \right) \pm z_{\alpha/2} \text{ S.E.}$$

ex. # 55, 65