



## Equitable Equations: *Introduction to hypothesis testing*

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### Instructions

For each of the following problems,

- (a) Write null and alternative hypotheses appropriate to this study.
- (b) Compute the  $z$ -score of the sample mean.
- (c) Compute the  $p$ -value of the sample mean.
- (d) Are the results statistically significant at level  $\alpha = .05$ ?
- (e) What conclusions, if any, can be drawn from this study? Answer in ordinary human language.

### Problem 1

A medical school advertises that the mean starting salary of its graduates is \$89,000. Concerned that it may actually be less, a group of first-years surveys 38 recent graduates, finding a sample mean of \$85,500. Assume  $\sigma = \$8000$ .