IPS9 in R: Inference for means (Chapter 7)

Bonnie and Nicholas Horton (nhorton@amherst.edu)

July 18, 2018

Introduction and background

These documents are intended to help describe how to undertake analyses introduced as examples in the Ninth Edition of *Introduction to the Practice of Statistics* (2017) by Moore, McCabe, and Craig.

More information about the book can be found here. The data used in these documents can be found under Data Sets in the Student Site. This file as well as the associated R Markdown reproducible analysis source file used to create it can be found at https://nhorton.people.amherst.edu/ips9/.

This work leverages initiatives undertaken by Project MOSAIC (http://www.mosaic-web.org), an NSF-funded effort to improve the teaching of statistics, calculus, science and computing in the undergraduate curriculum. In particular, we utilize the `mosaic` package, which was written to simplify the use of R for introductory statistics courses. A short summary of the R needed to teach introductory statistics can be found in the mosaic package vignettes (http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/mosaic). A paper describing the mosaic approach was published in the *R Journal*: https://journal.r-project.org/archive/2017/RJ-2017-024.

Chapter 7: Inference for means

This file replicates the analyses from Chapter 7: Inference for means.

First, load the packages that will be needed for this document:

```
library(mosaic)
library(readr)
```

Section 7.1: Inference for the mean of a population

First, we need to clean up the data of average time spent watching TV and draw a simple random sample (SRS) of size 8 for this problem. We use the following functions to find the mean, standard deviation, and 95% confidence interval as shown on page 411-412. We also check the assumptions and conditions for a Student's t-test by looking at the qq plot.

```
TVTime <- read_csv("https://nhorton.people.amherst.edu/ips9/data/chapter07/EG07-01TVTIME.csv")
```

```
## Warning: Missing column names filled in: 'X2' [2], 'X3' [3], 'X4' [4],
## 'X5' [5], 'X6' [6]
```

```
TVTime <- TVTime %>% select(Time) %>% head(., 8)
favstats(~ Time, data = TVTime)
```

```
## min   Q1 median   Q3  max mean       sd n missing
##   0 4.875    8.5 20.75 40.5 14.5 14.85405 8       0
```
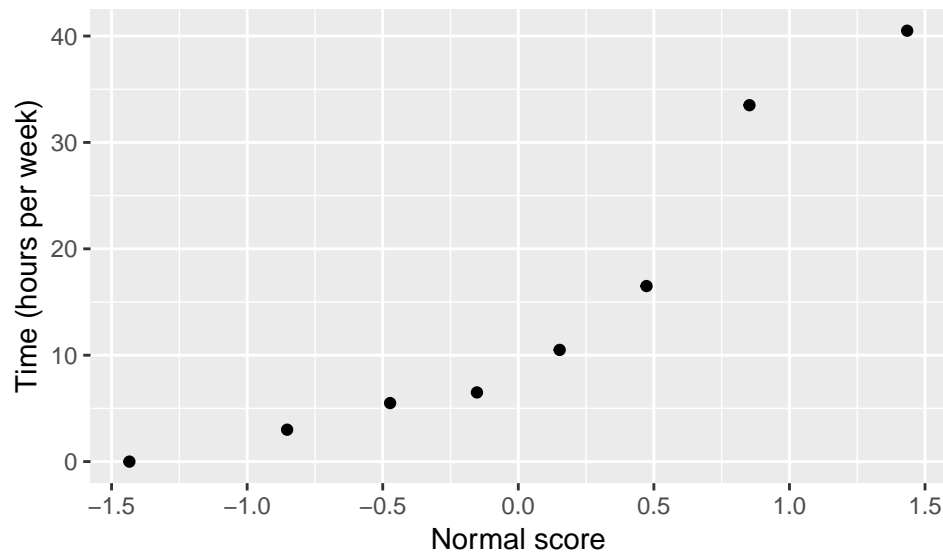
```
t.test(~ Time, data = TVTime)
```

```
##
##  One Sample t-test
##
## data:  Time
```

```
## t = 2.761, df = 7, p-value = 0.02806
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##    2.081702 26.918298
## sample estimates:
## mean of x
##       14.5
```

```
# Figure 7.2
gf_qq(~ Time, data = TVTime) %>%
  gf_labs(x = "Normal score", y = "Time (hours per week)")
```


Then, we can conduct a significance test on the null hypothesis that the sample mean would be equal to the overall U.S. average as demonstrated on page 414:

```
t.test(~ Time, data = TVTime, alternative = "less")
```

```
##
##  One Sample t-test
##
## data:  Time
## t = 2.761, df = 7, p-value = 0.986
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is less than 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##       -Inf 24.44976
## sample estimates:
## mean of x
##       14.5
```

Section 7.2: Comparing two means

By performing a significance test between the S&P 500 return and an investor's stock portfolio (page 415-418), we can assess the quality of a broker's management of this portfolio.

```
STOCK <- read_csv("https://nhorton.people.amherst.edu/ips9/data/chapter07/EG07-04STOCK.csv")
favstats(~ Return, data = STOCK)
```

```
##      min    Q1 median  Q3   max    mean      sd  n missing
```

```
##  -15.25 -3.255  -1.41 1.99 12.22 -1.099744 5.990888 39        0
```
```
sigtest_STOCK <- t.test(~ Return, data = STOCK, alternative = "two.sided")
confint_STOCK <- with(sigtest_STOCK, conf.int)
confint_STOCK - 0.95
```

```
## [1] -3.9917650 -0.1077222
## attr(,"conf.level")
## [1] 0.95
```

We can use the `with()` function to extract the confidence interval from the t.test output. To obtain the corresponding interval for the underperformance, we can estimate the confidence interval of the amount that the investor should be compensated with.

```
GEPARTS <- read_csv("https://nhorton.people.amherst.edu/ips9/data/chapter07/EG07-07GEPARTS.csv")
```

```
## Warning: Missing column names filled in: 'X5' [5]
```

```
gf_dhistogram(~ Diff, data = GEPARTS, binwidth = 1/3, center = 1/6)
```

```
## Warning: Removed 58 rows containing non-finite values (stat_bin).
```
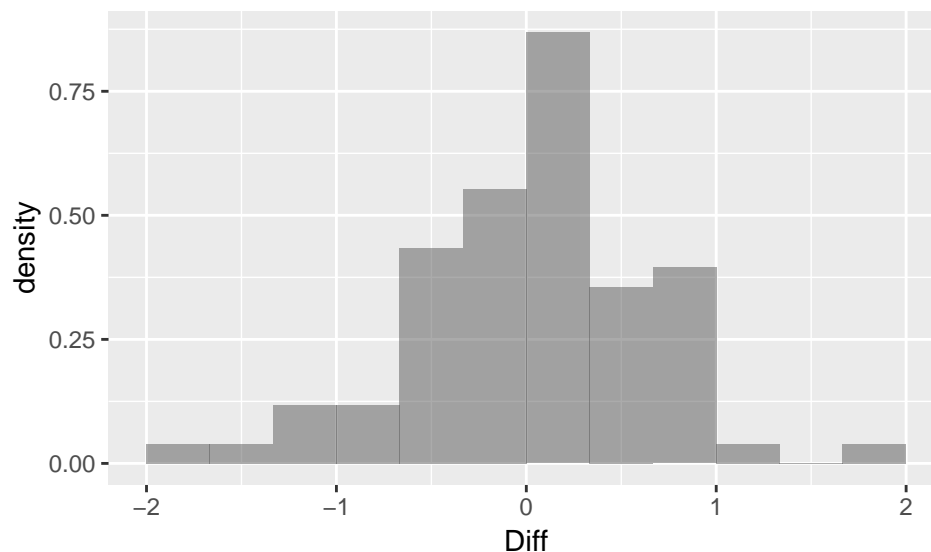


```
with(GEPARTS, t.test(OptionOn, OptionOff, var.equal = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90))
```
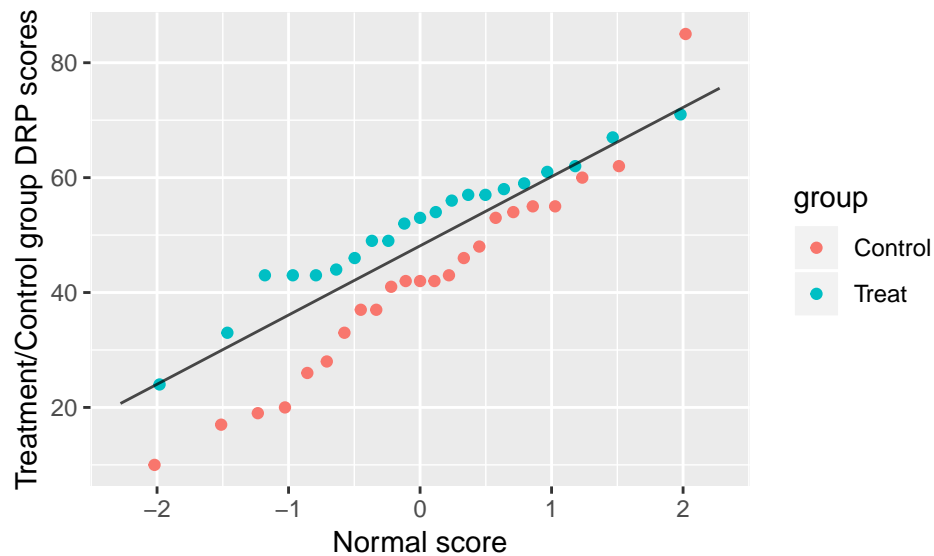
```
##
##  Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  OptionOn and OptionOff
## t = -0.20815, df = 150, p-value = 0.8354
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 90 percent confidence interval:
##  -0.2438016  0.1893279
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
##  118.7345  118.7617
```

```
DRP <- read_csv("https://nhorton.people.amherst.edu/ips9/data/chapter07/EG07-11DRP.csv")
# Figure 7.12, page 438
gf_qq(~ drp, color = ~ group, data = DRP) %>%
  gf_qqline(color = "black", linetype = "solid") %>%
```

```
gf_labs(x = "Normal score", y = "Treatment/Control group DRP scores")
```



```
# Summary statistics, page 439
favstats(drp ~ group, data = DRP)
```

```
##        group min   Q1 median   Q3 max     mean       sd  n missing
## 1 Control   10 30.5     42 53.5  85 41.52174 17.14873 23       0
## 2   Treat   24 44.0     53 58.0  71 51.47619 11.00736 21       0
```

```
# 95% confidence interval for difference between treatment and control groups
t.test(drp ~ group, data = DRP)
```

```
##
##  Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  drp by group
## t = -2.3109, df = 37.855, p-value = 0.02638
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -18.67588  -1.23302
## sample estimates:
## mean in group Control   mean in group Treat
##              41.52174              51.47619
```

Note that textbook reports the difference as the mean of treatment minus the mean of the control, while the `t.test()` function here reports the differnece in the opposite order.

```
t.test(drp ~ group, data = DRP, alternative = "greater")
```

```
##
##  Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  drp by group
## t = -2.3109, df = 37.855, p-value = 0.9868
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is greater than 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -17.21761       Inf
## sample estimates:
```

```
## mean in group Control    mean in group Treat
##                41.52174                51.47619
```

Again, note that the negated t value can be attributed to the same reason as above.

```
# Example 7.16, page 444
EATER <- read_csv("https://nhorton.people.amherst.edu/ips9/data/chapter07/EG07-16EATER.csv") %>%
  na.omit()
favstats(WTLOSS ~ Group, data = EATER)
```

```
##   Group min  Q1 median   Q3  max  mean       sd n missing
## 1 Early 6.3 9.4   10.2 15.1 16.8 11.56 4.306158 5       0
## 2  Late 0.2 1.5    4.6  7.8 11.5  5.12 4.622445 5       0
```

```
diffmean(WTLOSS ~ Group, data = EATER)
```

```
## diffmean
##    -6.44
```

```
# Note that R calculates the difference of the early-eater mean from the later-eater mean

# 95% confidence intervals, page 476
t.test(WTLOSS ~ Group, data = EATER, var.equal = TRUE)
```

```
##
##  Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  WTLOSS by Group
## t = 2.2794, df = 8, p-value = 0.05212
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -0.07502285 12.95502285
## sample estimates:
## mean in group Early  mean in group Late
##               11.56                5.12
```

```
#Equal variances asssumed
t.test(WTLOSS ~ Group, data = EATER)
```

```
##
##  Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  WTLOSS by Group
## t = 2.2794, df = 7.9601, p-value = 0.05228
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -0.08070514 12.96070514
## sample estimates:
## mean in group Early  mean in group Late
##               11.56                5.12
```

```
#Equal variances not assumed
#var.equal is FALSE by default
```

Since the last row of the dataset had missing values, we piped the data into the `na.omit()` to remove the N/A's from our analysis.

Another way to think about the `var.equal` argument in the `t.test()` function above is in terms of pooled variances. If we want to use the pooled two-sample t procedure, we have to specify `var.equal` to be TRUE.

We will demonstrate that in the following example:

```
# Example 7.19, page 451-452
BP_CA <- read_csv("https://nhorton.people.amherst.edu/ips9/data/chapter07/EG07-18BP_CA.csv")
## XX possibly wrong datapoint?
favstats(dec ~ group, data = BP_CA)
```

```
##      group min   Q1 median   Q3 max       mean       sd  n missing
## 1 Calcium  -5 -2.75      4 10.75  18  5.0000000 8.743251 10       0
## 2 Placebo -11 -3.00     -1  1.00  12 -0.6363636 5.869799 11       0
```

```
t.test(dec ~ group, data = BP_CA, var.equal = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90)
```

```
##
##  Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  dec by group
## t = 1.7499, df = 19, p-value = 0.09627
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 90 percent confidence interval:
##   0.06682212 11.20590516
## sample estimates:
## mean in group Calcium mean in group Placebo
##             5.0000000            -0.6363636
```

```
### Example 7.25, page 470
SONGS <- read_csv("https://nhorton.people.amherst.edu/ips9/data/chapter07/EG07-25SONGS.csv")
## Checking the Normality condition
gf_qq(~ total_secs, data = SONGS) %>%
  gf_qqline(linetype = "dashed", color = "red") %>%
  gf_labs(x = "Normal score", y = "Time (seconds)")
```
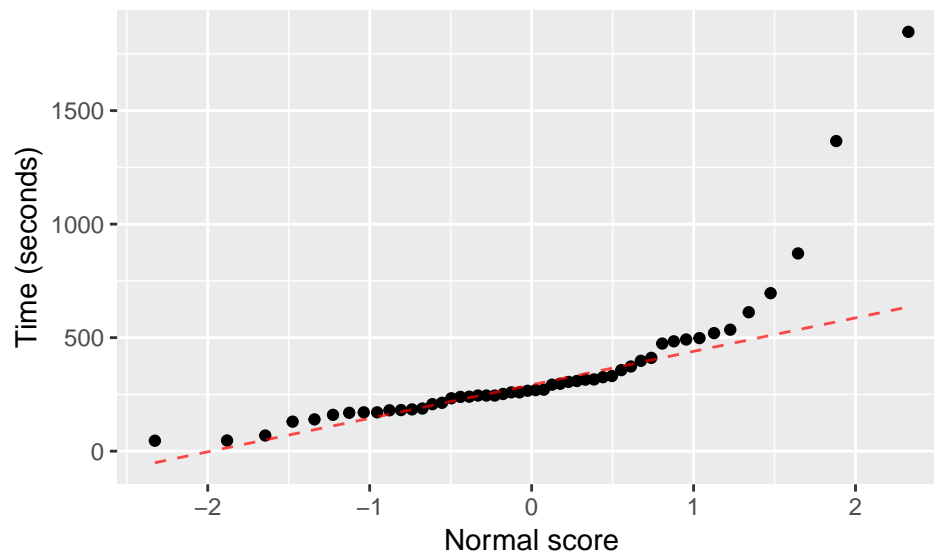


```
## Check the condition after *transforming* the variable
gf_qq(~ log(total_secs), data = SONGS) %>%
  gf_qqline(linetype = "dashed", color = "red") %>%
  gf_labs(x = "Normal score", y = "Time (seconds)")
```
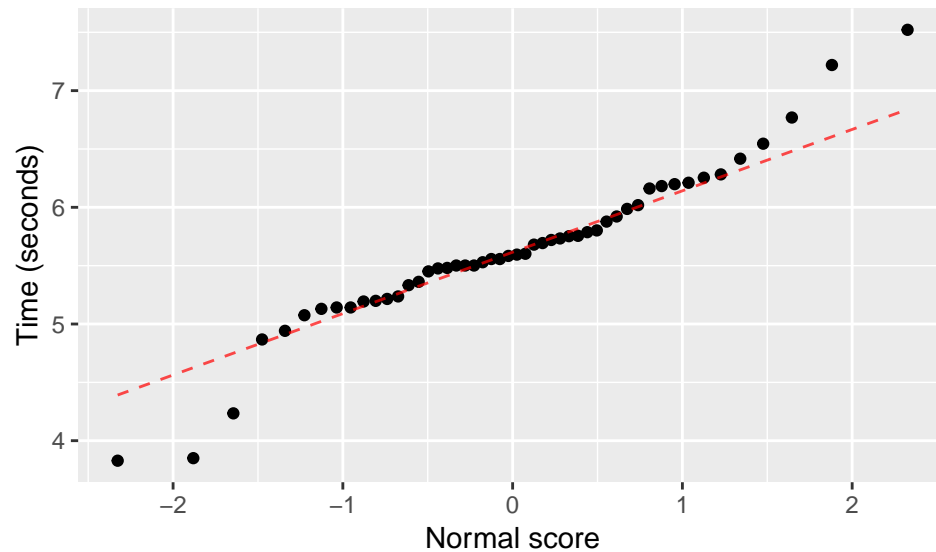
```
log_total_secs_SONGS <- SONGS %>% mutate(log_total_secs = log(total_secs))

## Comparing the 95% confidence intervals
### With transformation
t.test(~ log_total_secs, data = log_total_secs_SONGS)
```

```
##
##  One Sample t-test
##
## data:  log_total_secs
## t = 58.217, df = 49, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##   5.437069 5.825853
## sample estimates:
## mean of x
##   5.631461
```

```
### Without transformation
t.test(~ total_secs, data = SONGS)
```

```
##
##  One Sample t-test
##
## data:  total_secs
## t = 8.1308, df = 49, p-value = 1.206e-10
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##   266.5823 441.6177
## sample estimates:
## mean of x
##     354.1
```

Since the logarithmic transformation made the Normal quantile plot distribution appear approximately Normal, we created a dataset called `log_total_secs` with the transformed variable. ### Section 7.3: Additional topics on inference