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- Complete the following assignments prior to Meeting #30:
 - Study our notes from Meeting #29.
 - B. From Canvas study the sample response to Quiz #29's prompts
 - C*. Comprehend the following case:

An educational psychologist conducted a study to assess the relationship between the vocabulary acquisition of pre-school children and their inclination to think divergently. She administered a vocabulary test as well as a divergent-thinking test to a single pseudo-random sample of 150 four-year olds. The resulting string of bivariate data X is of the following form:

$$X = ((v_1, d_1), (v_2, d_2), (v_1, d_1), ..., (v_{150}, d_{150}))$$

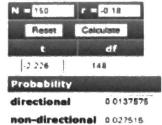
The regulting sample statistics are as follows:

$$n = 150 \land r = 0.10$$

She tested the following null hypothesis via a t-test for correlations:

$$H_a: \rho_x = 0$$

The calculation from http://vassarstats.net/textbook/ch4apx.html provided the following results:



Because the t value was such that p < 0.05, the researcher rejected H_o .

Examine each of the following propositions to determine its truth value; indicate your choice by circling either "T" or "F" and then write a paragraph defending your choice (upload the resulting document to the indicated assignment section of Canvas):

 The results of the t-test indicated that the correlation coefficient is statistically significant.

This is true. The small probability value means there was enough statistical evidence to make the correlation coefficient statistically significant.

ii. The results of the *t*-test indicated that there is a causal effect between vocabulary acquisition and inclination for divergent thinking among four-year old children represented by the study sample.

This is false because correlation + causation. You can't generalize these results to conclude a cause and effect relationship

iii. The results of the t-test indicated that |r| is so deviant from 0, that H_a should be rejected.

Be cause the probability value was so small, Ho should be rejected. That means that there is other factors contributing to the correlation.

iv. Based on the results of the study, a Type I error is possible but it is impossible to have a Type II error.

Because the researcher rejected the null hypothisis, Type I could be possible. But Max also means type II error is impossible