

# SDM4 in R: Comparing Groups (Chapter 22)

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## Introduction and background

This document is intended to help describe how to undertake analyses introduced as examples in the Fourth Edition of *Stats: Data and Models* (2014) by De Veaux, Velleman, and Bock. More information about the book can be found at [http://wps.aw.com/aw\\_deveaux\\_stats\\_series](http://wps.aw.com/aw_deveaux_stats_series). This file as well as the associated R Markdown reproducible analysis source file used to create it can be found at <http://www.amherst.edu/~nhorton/sdm4>.

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>).

## Chapter 22: Comparing Groups

### Section 22.1: The standard deviation of a difference

We can replicate the calculations in the example on the bottom of page 587.

```
n1 <- 248; p1 <- 0.57
n2 <- 256; p2 <- 0.70
sediff <- sqrt(p1*(1-p1)/n1 + p2*(1-p2)/n2); sediff
```

```
## [1] 0.0425
```

### Section 22.3: Confidence interval for a difference

We can replicate the values from the example on page 590.

```
(p2 - p1) + c(-1.96, 1.96)*sediff
```

```
## [1] 0.0466 0.2134
```

### Section 22.4: Testing for a difference in proportions

We can replicate the values from the example on pages 594-595.

```
n1 <- 293; y1 <- 205
n2 <- 469; y2 <- 235
ppooled <- (y1+y2)/(n1+n2); ppooled
```

```
## [1] 0.577
```

```
sepooled <- sqrt(ppooled*(1-ppooled)/n1 + ppooled*(1-ppooled)/n2); sepooled
```

```
## [1] 0.0368
```

```
z <- (y1/n1 - y2/n2)/sepooled; z
```

```
## [1] 5.4
```

```
pval <- 2*pnorm(z, lower.tail = FALSE); pval
```

```
## [1] 6.7e-08
```

## Section 22.6: Testing for a difference in means

```
n1 <- 8; n2 <- 7  
ybar1 <- 281.88; ybar2 <- 211.43  
s1 <- 18.31; s2 <- 46.43  
sediff <- sqrt(s1^2/n1 + s2^2/n2); sediff
```

```
## [1] 18.7
```

```
t <- (ybar1 - ybar2)/sediff; t
```

```
## [1] 3.77
```

```
pval <- 2*pt(t, df=7.62); pval
```

```
## [1] 1.99
```

```
prices <- read.csv("http://www.amherst.edu/~nhorton/sdm4/data/Camera_prices.csv")  
prices
```

```
##   Buying.from.a.Friend Buying.from.a.Stranger  
## 1                   275                    260  
## 2                   300                    250  
## 3                   260                    175  
## 4                   300                    130  
## 5                   255                    200  
## 6                   275                    225  
## 7                   290                    240  
## 8                   300                     NA
```

```
with(prices, t.test(Buying.from.a.Friend, Buying.from.a.Stranger))
```

```
##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data: c(275L, 300L, 260L, 300L, 255L, 275L, 290L, 300L) and c(260L, 250L, 175L, 130L, 200L, 225L, 240L, NA)
## t = 4, df = 8, p-value = 0.006
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 26.9 114.0
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## 282 211
```

Let's turn this dataset in a lattice friendlier version.

```
ds <- with(prices,
  data.frame(price=c(Buying.from.a.Friend, Buying.from.a.Stranger),
    group=c(rep("Friend", nrow(prices)), rep("Stranger", nrow(prices)))))
ds
```

```
##   price   group
## 1   275  Friend
## 2   300  Friend
## 3   260  Friend
## 4   300  Friend
## 5   255  Friend
## 6   275  Friend
## 7   290  Friend
## 8   300  Friend
## 9   260 Stranger
## 10  250 Stranger
## 11  175 Stranger
## 12  130 Stranger
## 13  200 Stranger
## 14  225 Stranger
## 15  240 Stranger
## 16   NA Stranger
```

```
t.test(price ~ group, data=ds) # Unpooled
```

```
##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data: price by group
## t = 4, df = 8, p-value = 0.006
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 26.9 114.0
## sample estimates:
## mean in group Friend mean in group Stranger
## 282 211
```

```
t.test(price ~ group, var.equal=TRUE, data=ds) # Pooled
```

```
##  
## Two Sample t-test  
##  
## data: price by group  
## t = 4, df = 10, p-value = 0.002  
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0  
## 95 percent confidence interval:  
## 32.1 108.8  
## sample estimates:  
## mean in group Friend mean in group Stranger  
## 282 211
```

```
bwplot(group ~ price, data=ds)
```

