## **Advanced Psychological Statistics**

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## Assignment 5

- 1. The command "rnorm" generates random numbers from a normal distribution. The numbers are based on the normal distribution.
  - a) Create a vector of 10 numbers using the mean of 100 and a standard deviation of 1. Find the mean and standard deviation of the vector. (Cut and paste your work.) (5 pts.)
  - b) Repeat the process from above, but change the standard deviation from 1 to 10. Find the mean and standard deviation of the new vector. Characterize the change. (5 pts.) (What happened?) What does that say about scores with larger variations? (5 pts.) Cut and paste the output here (5 pts.)
  - c) Repeat the process from above, but now change the number of output elements from 10 to 100. Characterize the change. **(5 pts.)** (What happened?) What does that say about sample size? **(5 pts.)**
  - 2. A researcher wants to know if people on vacation, engage in an "inner dialogue" less than when working. The researcher selects a starts by obtaining a sample of 10 individuals who sare about to go on a week's vacation and agree to note (on an app) each time they "hear" themselves mentally talking. Each person in the sample is asked to keep a log for the week. The daily average instances (based on the week) appears below.

Create a vector with the following observations (3 pts.) 50, 40, 46, 49, 40, 58, 45, 47, 46, 43

Complete a one-sample t-test where the population mean is 50. (Cut and paste the output.)

- a) What is the t-value? (3 pts.)
- b) What is the p-value? (3pts.)
- c) What is your interpretation of the Null Hypothesis Significance Test? (3 pts.)
- d) This is a one-tailed t-test. In which direction (as compared to the mean)? (3pts.)
- e) Could this experiment be converted to a two-tailed t-test? If so, state the hypothesis. **(5pts.)**
- 3. From the experiment in (2), the researcher also obtains data from a second sample (of the same size) from individuals during a regular week of work. The daily average instances (based on a week of data) of inner dialogue appear below.

Create a vector with the following observations (3 pts.) 53, 40, 51, 50,43, 62, 49, 47, 51, 39

Complete a two-sample independent t-test of your first vector against the second. (Cut and paste the output.)

- a) What is the t-value? (3 pts.)
- b) What is the p-value? (3pts.)
- c) What is your interpretation of the Null Hypothesis Significance Test? (3 pts.)
- d) This is a one-tailed t-test. In which direction (as compared to the mean)? (3pts.)
- e) Could this experiment be converted to a two-tailed t-test? If so, state the hypothesis. **(5pts.)**
- 4. Redo the t-test above, but instead of a two-sample, independent t-test, compute the t-test as a paired samples t-test. (Assume that the same people are measured during vacation and then again at a later time during a workweek. (Cut and paste the output.)
  - a) What is the t-value? (3 pts.)
  - b) What is the p-value? (3pts.)
  - c) What is your interpretation of the Null Hypothesis Significance Test? (3 pts.)
  - d) Compared to the two-sample, independent t-test, what changed? **(3 pts.)** What explains the change? **(7 pts.)**

## Extra (optional)

Create a for loop that creates 10 samples of 10 values. The 10 values would be generated from a normal distribution with a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 5. For each sample, compute the sample mean and the sample standard deviation