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Solution 1.

- Null Hypothesis (H_0): $\mu = 120$ mmHg
- Alternate Hypothesis (H_a): $\mu \neq 120$ mmHg

$$\text{Sample mean } (\bar{X}) = \frac{2962}{25} = 118.48$$

$$Z\text{-score, } Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} = \frac{118.48 - 120}{10/\sqrt{25}} = -0.76$$

$$\begin{aligned} p\text{-value for } z\text{-score of } -0.76 \text{ in a two-tailed test} \\ = 2(1 - 0.77637) \\ = 0.44726 \end{aligned}$$

Since the p -value (0.44726) is greater than the significance level ($\alpha = 0.05$), we fail to reject the null Hypothesis.

Conclusion:- At the 5% significance level, there is not enough evidence to conclude that the diet affects the blood pressure.

Solution 2: To test if the two populations have the same variance, we will use an F-test for equality of variances at the 5% significance level.

Given:

Sample A: 65, 66, 73, 80, 82, 84, 88, 90, 92

Sample B: 64, 66, 74, 78, 82, 85, 87, 92, 93, 95, 97.

Significance level (α) = 0.05

Null Hypothesis (H_0): $\sigma_A^2 = \sigma_B^2$

Alternate Hypothesis (H_a): $\sigma_A^2 \neq \sigma_B^2$

$$\bar{X}_A = \frac{720}{9} = 80 \quad \bar{X}_B = \frac{913}{11} = 83$$

$$\sigma_A^2 = \frac{798}{9-1} = 99.75 \quad \sigma_B^2 = \frac{1297}{10} = 129.7$$

$$F = \frac{\sigma_B^2}{\sigma_A^2} = \frac{129.7}{99.75} = 1.301$$

F-test with a significance value of 0.05 & degrees of freedom

$$df_1 = n_B - 1 = 11 - 1 = 10$$

$$df_2 = n_A - 1 = 9 - 1 = 8$$

It is a two-tail test

$$F_{\alpha/2, df_1, df_2} \text{ \& \& } F_{1-\alpha/2, df_1, df_2}$$

$$\text{Lower critical value} = F_{0.025, 10, 8} = 0.259$$

$$\text{Upper Critical value} = F_{0.975, 10, 8} = 4.295$$

As the F-test value lies between the lower critical value & upper critical value. We fail to reject the Null Hypothesis.

At 5% significance level, there is not enough evidence to conclude that the variances of the two population are different

Solution 3:

Part (a): Construct a 95% confidence interval for the difference in means

$$\bar{X}_1 = 0.6097$$

$$\bar{X}_2 = 0.492$$

$$S_1^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X}_1)^2}{n_1 - 1} = 0.00447, \quad S_2^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X}_2)^2}{n_2 - 1} = 0.00604$$

Standard Error of the difference

$$SE = \sqrt{\frac{S_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{S_2^2}{n_2}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.00447}{6} + \frac{0.00604}{5}} = 0.0388$$

$$\text{degree of freedom} = \frac{\left(\frac{S_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{S_2^2}{n_2} \right)^2}{\frac{\left(\frac{S_1^2}{n_1} \right)^2}{n_1 - 1} + \frac{\left(\frac{S_2^2}{n_2} \right)^2}{n_2 - 1}} = 8.85$$

For a 95% confidence level (two-tailed), $t_{\text{critical}} = 2.262$

$$\text{Confidence Interval} = (\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) \pm t_{d/2} \cdot SE$$

$$= (0.6097 - 0.492) \pm 2.262 \times 0.0388$$

$$= 0.1177 \pm 0.0877$$

Thus, the 95% confidence Interval for the difference in means is (0.03, 0.205)

Part (c):

Null Hypothesis (H_0): $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ → mean of polluted lake
 Alternate Hypothesis (H_a): $\mu_1 > \mu_2$ → mean of unpolluted lake.

$$t\text{-statistics} = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2}{SE} = \frac{0.6097 - 0.492}{0.0388} = 3.04$$

Critical t -value for a one tailed test at $\alpha = 0.05$ with degree of freedom = 1.833

Since $t\text{-statistics} > t\text{-value}$, we reject the null Hypothesis. This provides sufficient evidence at the 5% significance level to conclude that fish in the polluted lake have elevated levels of mercury compared to those in the unpolluted lake.

Solution 4:

a) Null Hypothesis, $\mu_D = 0$ (there is no difference in the mean shear strength betw M_1 & M_2 .)

Alternate Hypothesis (H_a) = $\mu_D \neq 0$ (there is a significant difference in the mean shear strength predictions betw M_1 & M_2 .)

$$b) t\text{-statistics} = \frac{\bar{D}}{S_D / \sqrt{n}}$$

$$\bar{D} = \frac{\sum D_i}{n} = 0.274$$

$$S_D = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (D_i - \bar{D})^2}{n-1}} = 0.131$$

$$t\text{-statistics} = \frac{\bar{D}}{S_D / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{0.274}{0.131 / \sqrt{9}} = 6.28$$

Compare with the critical t -value & Compute p -value
Degree of freedom, $df = n-1 = 8$
Critical t -value for a two tailed test at $\alpha = 0.05$ & $df = 8$.
 $= 2.306$

Since t -value is much greater than t -critical value.
we reject the null hypothesis.

c) p -value for $t = 6.28$, the p -value is very small
(less than 0.001)

Since $t = 6.28$ is much greater than $t_{critical} = 2.306$ & the
 p -value is less than 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis.
This suggests a significant difference in the shear strength
predictions between method 1 & method 2.