

ISYE435/535 Exp Design For Engineering
Assignment 1
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Instructions: Do not consult anybody. Be brief and precise. I NEED TO SEE YOUR WORK! You MUST provide assumptions, formulas, graphs, flowcharts and reasoning for each situation. PUT YOUR NAME ON ALL PAGES AND NUMBER EACH PAGE.

Problem 1: The weight of snack packages produced by a food processing line is being analyzed. Twelve packages are randomly selected from the production process, and their weights are recorded in grams as follows: 249.6, 250.4, 249.9, 250.1, 249.7, 250.3, 249.8, 250.2, 250.0, 249.5, 250.6, 249.9 (Don't use Minitab, do it manually).

- a. Calculate the sample mean package weight.
- b. Calculate the sample variance and standard deviation.
- c. Construct a normal probability plot using the data. Based on the plot, determine whether the package weights appear to be normally distributed.
- d. Construct a 95% confidence interval for the population mean package weight. Based on this interval, would you reject the null hypothesis that the true mean weight is 250 grams?

Problem 2: The diameter of a ball bearing was measured by 12 inspectors, each using two different kinds of calipers. The results are as follows:

| Inspector | Caliper 1 | Caliper 2 |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | 0.265 | 0.264 |
| 2 | 0.265 | 0.265 |
| 3 | 0.266 | 0.264 |
| 4 | 0.267 | 0.266 |
| 5 | 0.267 | 0.267 |
| 6 | 0.265 | 0.268 |
| 7 | 0.267 | 0.264 |
| 8 | 0.267 | 0.265 |
| 9 | 0.265 | 0.265 |
| 10 | 0.268 | 0.267 |
| 11 | 0.268 | 0.268 |
| 12 | 0.265 | 0.269 |

(a) Is there a significant difference between the means of the population of measurements from which the two samples were selected? Use $\alpha = 0.05$.

(b) Find the P-value for the test in part (a).

(c) Construct a 95 percent confidence interval on the difference in mean diameter measurements for the two types of calipers.

Problem 3: Two machines are used for filling plastic bottles with a net volume of 16.0 ounces. The filling processes can be assumed to be normal, with standard deviations of $\sigma_1 = 0.015$ and $\sigma_2 = 0.018$. The quality engineering department suspects that both machines fill the same net volume, whether this volume is 16.0 ounces. An experiment is performed by taking a random sample from the output of each machine.

| Machine 1 | | Machine 2 | |
|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| 16.03 | 16.01 | 16.02 | 16.03 |
| 16.04 | 15.96 | 15.97 | 16.04 |
| 16.05 | 15.98 | 15.96 | 16.02 |
| 16.05 | 16.02 | 16.01 | 16.01 |
| 16.02 | 15.99 | 15.99 | 16.00 |

(a) State the hypotheses that should be tested in this experiment.

(b) Test these hypotheses using $\alpha = 0.05$. What are your conclusions?

(c) Find the P-value for this test.

(d) Find a 95 percent confidence interval on the difference in mean fill volume for the two machines.