

Task 5

Inferential Statistics:

1. Using sample data to make inferences or draw a conclusion of the population
2. Uses probability to determine how confident we can be that the conclusions we make are correct. (Confidence intervals and margins of error)

Types of data

Quantitative	Qualitative
Numerical Data	Descriptive data based on observations
Discrete (Counting)	Involves 5 senses
Continuous (Measurement)	See, feel, taste, hear, smell

THE FOUR LEVELS OF MEASUREMENT:				
	Nominal	Ordinal	Interval	Ratio
Categorizes and labels variables	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ranks categories in order		✓	✓	✓
Has known, equal intervals			✓	✓
Has a true or meaningful zero				✓

Hypothesis testing

Rejecting hypothesis: if data gives strong evidence that hypothesis is wrong it is rejected

Failing to Reject: if data is similar to hypothesis but not exactly the same, then we fail to reject the hypothesis

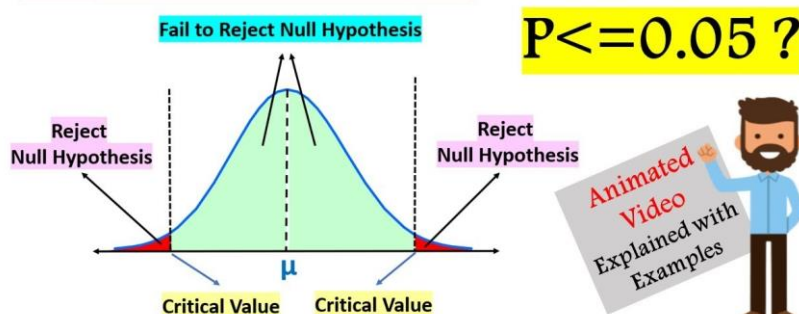
The null hypothesis: statistical hypothesis that proposes that no statistical significance exists in a set of given observations and is used to assess the credibility of a hypothesis by using sample data.

Statistical test requirements:

- 1. Data**
- 2. Null or Primary hypothesis**
- 3. Alternative hypothesis (it is the opposite of the null hypothesis)**

P-values are numbers between 0 and 1 that describes how likely you are to have found a particular set of observations if the null hypothesis were true, to help decide whether to reject the null hypothesis. (The likelihood that an observed outcome is the result of chance)

P~Value in Statistics



A p-value is composed of three parts:

- 1. The probability random chance would result in the observation**
- 2. The probability of observing something else that is equally rare**
- 3. The probability of observing something rarer or more extreme**

Confidence intervals

confidence interval expresses a range of values within which we are pretty sure the population parameter lies. (how much sure? can be answer by confidence level) e.g. A 95% confidence interval says that for every 100

confidence intervals we calculate from sample data, about 95 of them will contain the population parameter and 5 will not.

Regression analysis

a reliable method of identifying which variables have impact on a topic of interest. The process of performing a regression allows you to confidently determine which factors matter most, which factors can be ignored, and how these factors influence each other.

