

Z Test

Case 1 (One-Tailed Hypothesis Test)

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2. Given Data:

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Sample size (n): 30

Significance level (α): 0.05

3. Calculate the Z scores:

Z Test Statistics Formula

$$\text{Z Test} = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

The Z-scores is: -2.73861

z	.00	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
-3.4	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0002
-3.3	.0005	.0005	.0005	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0003
-3.2	.0007	.0007	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0005	.0005	.0005
-3.1	.0010	.0009	.0009	.0009	.0008	.0008	.0008	.0008	.0007	.0007
-3.0	.0013	.0013	.0013	.0012	.0012	.0011	.0011	.0011	.0010	.0010
-2.9	.0019	.0018	.0018	.0017	.0016	.0016	.0015	.0015	.0014	.0014
-2.8	.0026	.0025	.0024	.0023	.0023	.0022	.0021	.0021	.0020	.0019
-2.7	.0035	.0034	.0033	.0032	.0031	.0030	.0029	.0028	.0027	.0026
-2.6	.0047	.0045	.0044	.0043	.0041	.0040	.0039	.0038	.0037	.0036
-2.5	.0062	.0060	.0059	.0057	.0055	.0054	.0052	.0051	.0049	.0048
-2.4	.0082	.0080	.0078	.0075	.0073	.0071	.0069	.0068	.0066	.0064
-2.3	.0107	.0104	.0102	.0099	.0096	.0094	.0091	.0089	.0087	.0084
-2.2	.0139	.0136	.0132	.0129	.0125	.0122	.0119	.0116	.0113	.0110
-2.1	.0179	.0174	.0170	.0166	.0162	.0158	.0154	.0150	.0146	.0143
-2.0	.0228	.0222	.0217	.0212	.0207	.0202	.0197	.0192	.0188	.0183
-1.9	.0287	.0281	.0274	.0268	.0262	.0256	.0250	.0244	.0239	.0233
-1.8	.0359	.0351	.0344	.0336	.0329	.0322	.0314	.0307	.0301	.0294
-1.7	.0446	.0436	.0427	.0418	.0409	.0401	.0392	.0384	.0375	.0367
-1.6	.0548	.0537	.0526	.0516	.0505	.0495	.0485	.0475	.0465	.0455
-1.5	.0668	.0655	.0643	.0630	.0618	.0606	.0594	.0582	.0571	.0559
-1.4	.0808	.0793	.0778	.0764	.0749	.0735	.0721	.0708	.0694	.0681
-1.3	.0968	.0951	.0934	.0918	.0901	.0885	.0869	.0853	.0838	.0823
-1.2	.1151	.1131	.1112	.1093	.1075	.1056	.1038	.1020	.1003	.0985
-1.1	.1357	.1335	.1314	.1292	.1271	.1251	.1230	.1210	.1190	.1170
-1.0	.1587	.1562	.1539	.1515	.1492	.1469	.1446	.1423	.1401	.1379
-0.9	.1841	.1814	.1788	.1762	.1736	.1711	.1685	.1660	.1635	.1611
-0.8	.2119	.2090	.2061	.2033	.2005	.1977	.1949	.1922	.1894	.1867
-0.7	.2420	.2389	.2358	.2327	.2296	.2266	.2236	.2206	.2177	.2148
-0.6	.2743	.2709	.2676	.2643	.2611	.2578	.2546	.2514	.2483	.2451
-0.5	.3085	.3050	.3015	.2981	.2946	.2912	.2877	.2843	.2810	.2776
-0.4	.3446	.3409	.3372	.3336	.3300	.3264	.3228	.3192	.3156	.3121
-0.3	.3821	.3783	.3745	.3707	.3669	.3632	.3594	.3557	.3520	.3483
-0.2	.4207	.4168	.4129	.4090	.4052	.4013	.3974	.3936	.3897	.3859
-0.1	.4602	.4562	.4522	.4483	.4443	.4404	.4364	.4325	.4286	.4247
-0.0	.5000	.4960	.4920	.4880	.4840	.4801	.4761	.4721	.4681	.4641

4. Interpret the Z-Score:

With a Z-score of approximately -2.74, you would now check this value against the Z-table to find the corresponding p-value.

Look up 0.0030 in the Z-table. The value you find will give you the area to the left of this Z-score in the standard normal distribution.

5. Find the P-Value:

For $Z = -2.74$, the Z-table gives a value around 0.0030.

Since this is a one-tailed test (we're only interested if the mean is less than 60), the p-value is 0.0030.

6. Conclusion:

If your significance level (α) is 0.05, compare the p-value with α .

If Calculated value > 0.05 then we accept the null Hypothesis.

$0.0030 < 0.05$, so you to reject the null hypothesis.

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Case 2 (Two-Tailed Hypothesis Test)

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4. Find the P-Value:

For a two-tailed test, you need to consider both tails:

$$[\text{P-value}] = 2 * (\text{Table Value}) = 2 * 0.0030 = 0.0060]$$

5. Compare the P-Value with the Significance Level:

- Here, P-value = 0.0060, which is greater than the significance level of 0.05.

6. Conclusion:

If your significance level (α) is 0.05, compare the p-value with α .

If Calculated value > 0.05 then we accept the null Hypothesis.

0.0060 < 0.05, so you to reject the null hypothesis.

Since we are rejecting the null hypothesis, it means that the average protein intake of students is significantly different from 60 grams. The evidence from the sample data suggests that the true average protein intake is either higher or lower than 60 grams.

Interpretation:

Since the null hypothesis has been rejected, it means that the sample data provides sufficient evidence to conclude that the average protein intake of students is not 60 grams. The observed data suggests that there is a statistically significant difference between the actual average protein intake and the hypothesized value of 60 grams. This difference is unlikely to be due to random chance.

In other words, we can confidently say that the average protein intake among the students is either higher or lower than 60 grams, indicating that the assumed average (60 grams) does not accurately represent the students' true protein intake. This result could lead to further investigation or adjustments in dietary guidelines, depending on whether the intake is found to be above or below the 60-gram mark.