PSYC 7710 Lab

Lab 8 Activity

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Directions:

- A. Answer the following questions and save the code you used in an R script.
- B. You have until the end of lab to complete.
- C. Set the seed at 42 before **EACH** random draw.

Questions:

- 1. Simulate 2 standardized vectors of data with size 50 from a multivariate normal distribution. The two vectors should have a correlation value of .300. Name the data my_cor_data .
- 2. Run a permutation test on the correlation between the two vectors in my_cor_data. Report the p-value, plot the null distribution as a histogram, and overlay the histogram with a vertical line indicating the observed correlation value.
- 3. Simulate 2 vectors of data with size 50 from a univariate normal distribution. The first vector should have a mean value of 5, the second vector should have a mean value of 4, and both vectors should have a standard deviation of 2. Concatenate the two vectors and assign them to group 1 and group 2. Name the data my_group_mean_data.
- 4. Run a permutation test on the mean difference between the two groups in my_group_mean_data. Report the p-value, plot the null distribution as a histogram, and overlay the histogram with a vertical line indicating the observed mean difference value.
- 5. Use the lm base R function to estimate the test statistics from questions 2 and 4. Which p-value is lower for both statistics, the lm function or the permutation tests? How close are the p-values across both methods for each statistic?