

Current Population Survey

Looking at the April 2021 CPS
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Over 130 other survey, including many sponsored by other federal agencies.

Current Population Survey, or *CPS*

Sponsored jointly by the U.S. Census Bureau and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), an agency of the US Department of Labor

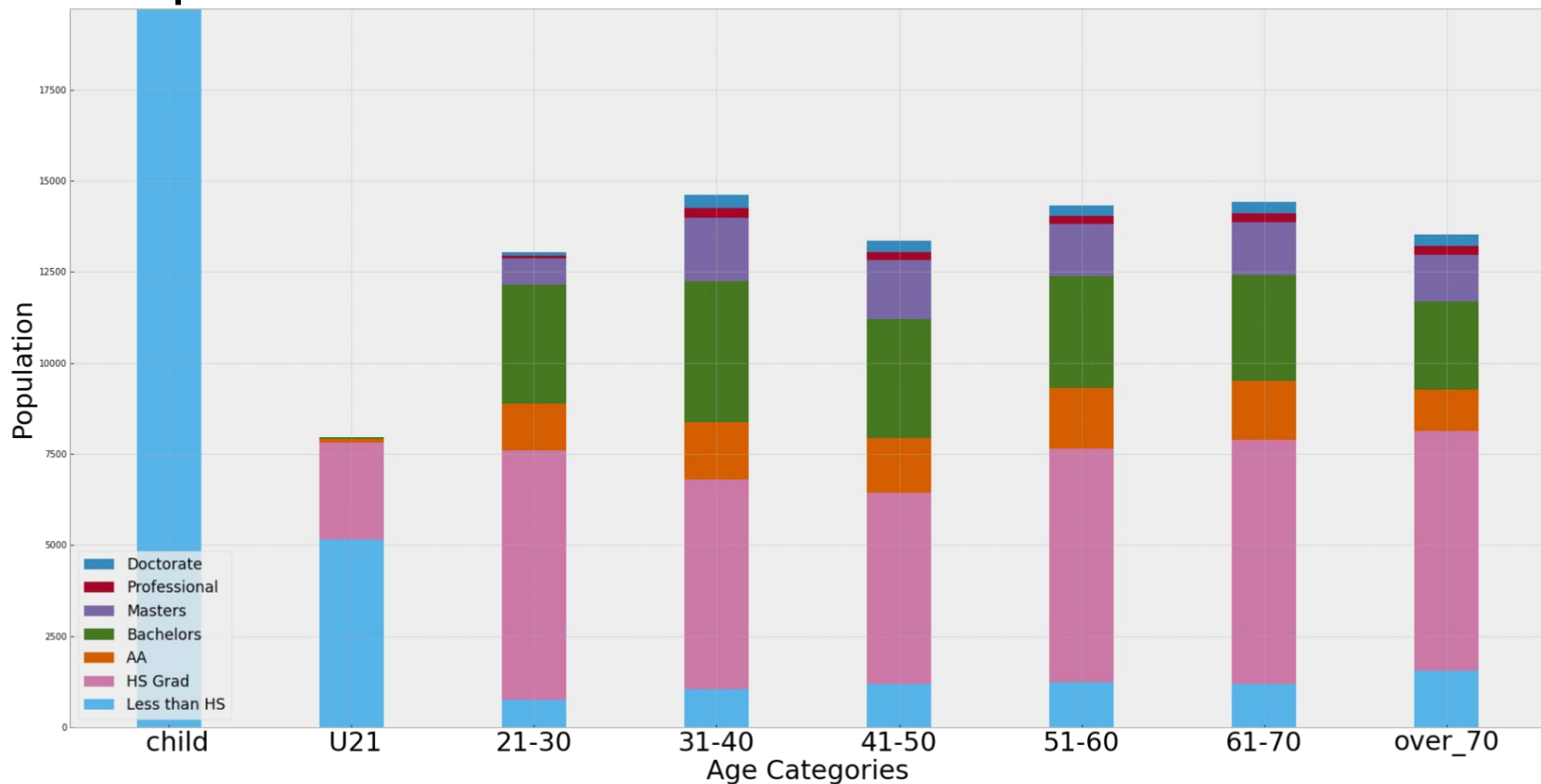
The primary source of labor force statistics for the population of the US

Monthly sample of about 60,000 occupied households

Excludes armed forces, except as incidental household members.



Sample: Education Levels



Hypothesis 1: Veteran Employment

Initial formulation of : Working vs Not Working

How does the population of veterans compare to the non-veterans for working status?

That is, is there a difference in proportion of working status between veterans and non-veterans.

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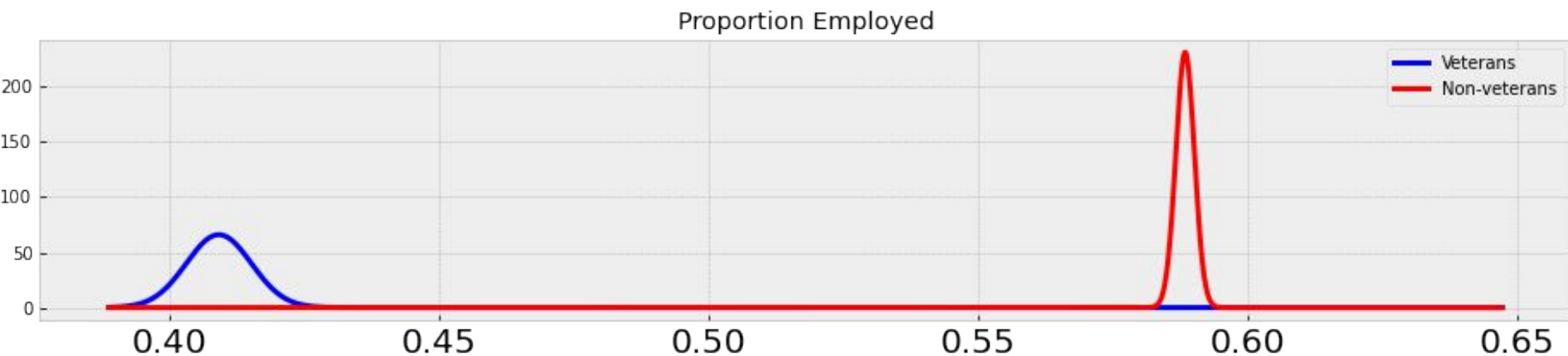
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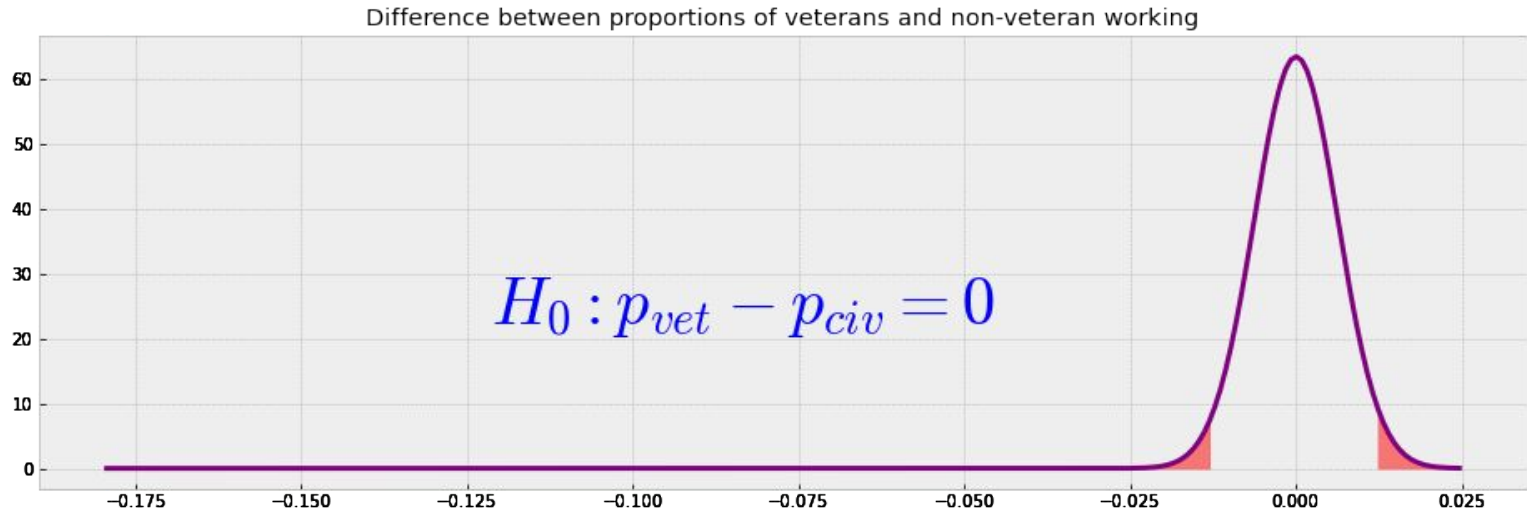
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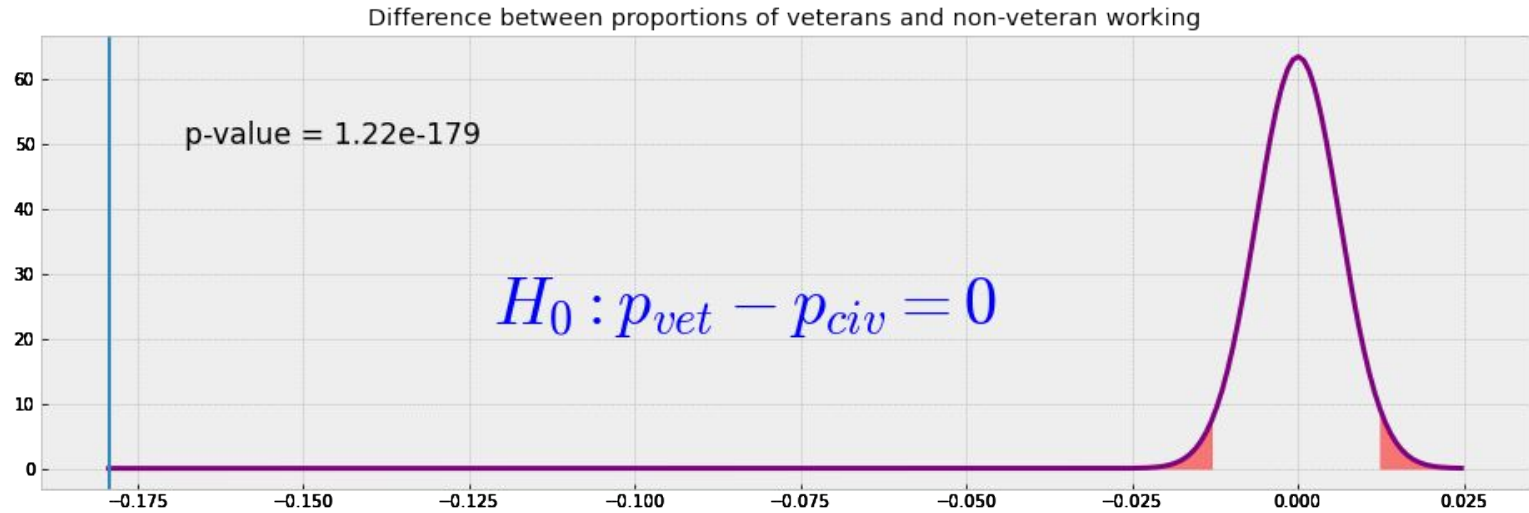
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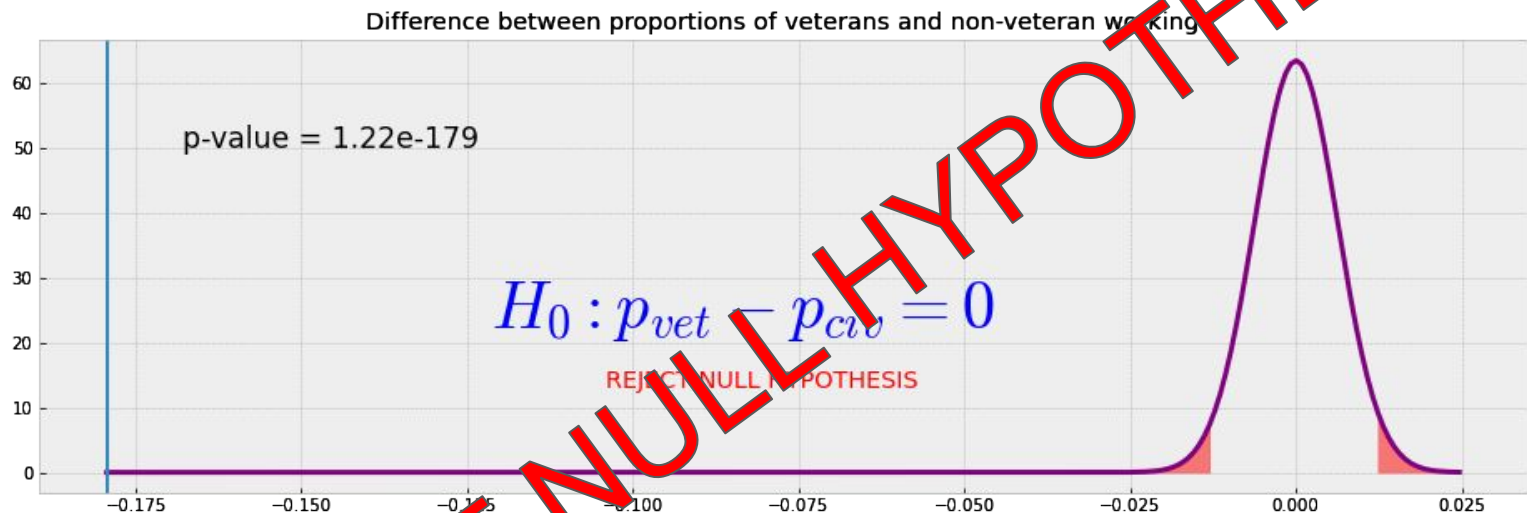
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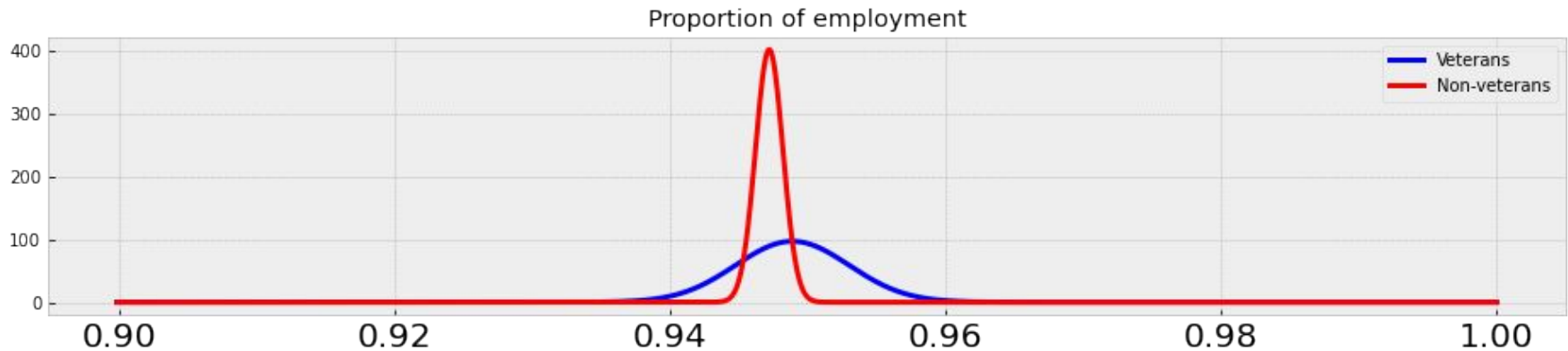
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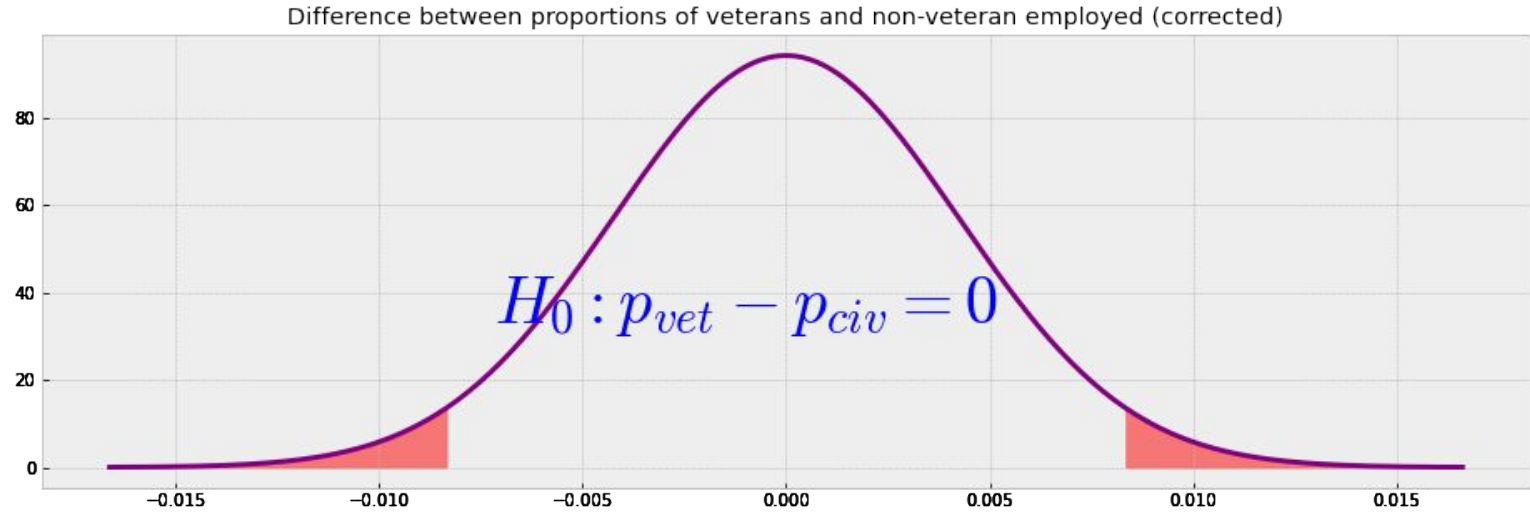
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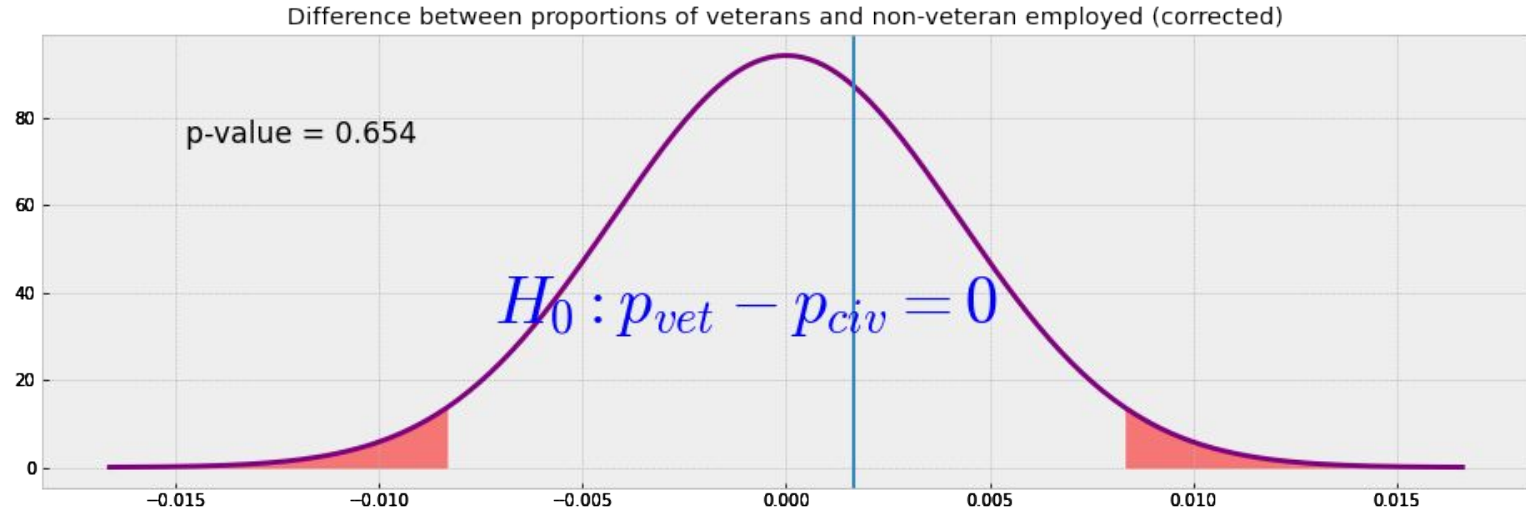
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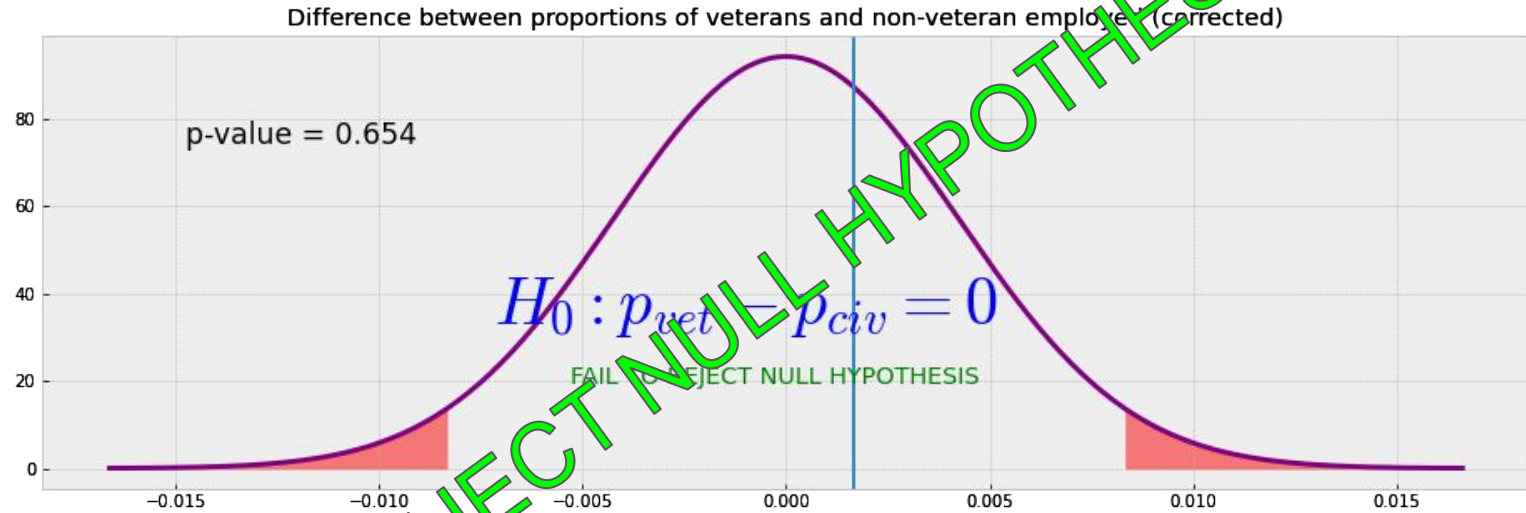
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Follow up:

Same groups (vet/civilian), comparing different categories?

- Age groups
- Regions

Different groups, same comparison (employment proportion)?

- Education level
- Metropolitan size

Time series analysis