## Chapter 9-10 Confidence Intervals and Hypothesis Testing

CI and HT for the difference of Two Means - Examples

Statistics

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- A study was conducted in which two types of engines, A and B, were compared.
- Gas mileage, in km/l, was measured.
  - 50 experiments for engine type *A*
  - 60 experiments for engine type *B*.
- The same type of gasoline and road/ weather conditions apply.
- The variables are
  - $X_A = \text{gas mileage using engine type } A$ , and
  - $X_{\rm B} = {\sf gas}$  mileage using engine type B.

The data were summarized as follows:

$$\overline{x}_A = 14.4 \text{ km/l}, \quad \overline{x}_B = 12.2 \text{ km/l}.$$

- Assume that the population standard deviations are known as:
- $\sigma_{\rm A}=5$  km/l and,  $\sigma_{\rm B}=4$  km/l,
- A) Test whether  $\mu_A = \mu_B$  or not with  $\alpha = 0.04$
- B) Find a 96% confidence interval for on  $\mu_{\rm A}-\mu_{\rm B}$ .

- **Step1:** The hypothesis are:
  - $H_0: \mu_A \mu_B = 0$
  - $H_1: \mu_A \mu_B \neq 0$
- Step2: The test statistic for step 2:  $z=\frac{(x_1-x_2)-d_0}{\sqrt{\sigma_1^2/n_1+\sigma_2^2/n_2}}$
- **Step 3**: R-  $[-z_{0.02}, z_{0.02}]$  = R [-2.05, 2.05]
- Step 4:  $z_{obs} = \frac{14.4 12.2 0}{(5^2/50 + 4^2/60)^{0.5}} = 2.51$
- **Step5:** Since  $z_{obs} = 2.51 > 2.05$  we reject the hypothesis.

- Find z-value from the standard normal table (or EXCEL) and
- Substitute into the formula:

$$\mu_{A} - \mu_{B} \in (\overline{x}_{A} - \overline{x}_{B}) \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{A}^{2}}{n_{A}} + \frac{\sigma_{B}^{2}}{n_{B}}}$$

$$\mu_{A} - \mu_{B} \in 2.2 \pm 2.05 \sqrt{\frac{25}{50} + \frac{16}{60}} = 2.2 \pm 1.795$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.41 \, \text{km/l} < \mu_{A} - \mu_{B} < 3.99 \, \text{km/l}.$$

- A study was conducted to estimate the difference in the amounts of the chemical orthophosphorous measured (in mg/l) at two different stations on a river.
  - 15 samples from station 1,
  - 12 samples from station 2, all at random locations.
- The variables:
  - $X_1$  = amount of chemical measured at station 1, and
  - $X_2$  = amount of chemical measured at station 2.,

The data were summarized as follows:

• 
$$\bar{x}_1 = 3.84 \ mg/l$$
 ,  $s_1 = 1.65 \ mg/l$  ,  $n_1 = 15$ 

• 
$$\bar{x}_2 = 1.49 \ mg/l$$
 ,  $s_2 = 0.92 \ mg/l$  ,  $n_2 = 12$ 

• Assume  $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$ .

 Find a 95% CI for the difference between the true mean content at these two stations.

• Since we assume that  $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = \sigma^2$ , we first estimate this common variance for both stations from the pooled estimate:

$$S_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$
, hence  
 $S_p^2 = \frac{(14)(1.65)^2 + (11)(0.92)^2}{25} = 1.897$ .

• From t-table, with 25 degrees of freedom, we get  $t_{0.025} \approx 2.06$ 

- Assuming  $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2 = \sigma^2$ , and using the summary statistics
- A 95% CI is calculated as:

• 
$$\mu_1 - \mu_2 \in (\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t_{\alpha/2} s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} = 2.35 \pm 1.10 = [1.25, 3.45]$$

How do we interpret this interval?

## Example – 3: Comparing Chemical Concentration Revisited with Revisited with $\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$

- In Example 2, we assumed that the population variances were equal.
- One may not be very comfortable with the assumption of equal variances as the sample variances are not very close.
- Let's drop the assumption of equal variances and construct an approximate CI again.

## Example – 3: Comparing Chemical Concentration Revisited with Revisited with $\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$

- Assuming  $\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$ , and using the observed statistics value:
- using the messy formula =>> v= 22.6 ~ 23
- $t_{0.025}(v=23) = 2.07$
- The CI is given by:

• 
$$\mu_1 - \mu_2 \in (\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}} = 2.35 \pm 1.04 = [1.31, 3.39]$$

## Paired Observations

HT and CI for paired observations

#### Paired Observations

• Example: tires of the two brands are assigned at random to the left and right rear wheels of 8 taxis and the following distances, in kilometers, are recorded. Use  $\alpha=0.01$ 

A) Test the hypothesis that they have equal lifetime

• B) Find a CI for  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ 

| Taxi | <b>Brand A</b> | <b>Brand B</b> |
|------|----------------|----------------|
| 1    | 34,400         | 36,700         |
| 2    | 45,500         | 46,800         |
| 3    | 36,700         | 37,700         |
| 4    | 32,000         | 31,100         |
| 5    | 48,400         | 47,800         |
| 6    | 32,800         | 36,400         |
| 7    | 38,100         | 38,900         |
| 8    | 30,100         | 31,500         |

#### HT for Paired Observations

• Let  $\overline{D}$  and  $S_d$  are mean and standard deviation of difference of n random pairs of measurement, then

$$T = \frac{D - \mu_D}{S_d / \sqrt{n}}$$

• is a T RV with n-1 dof.

#### HT for Paired Observations

- **Step1:** The hypothesis are:
  - $H_0: \mu_1 \mu_2 = \mu_D$
  - $H_1: \mu_1 \mu_2 \neq \mu_D$
- Step2: The test statistic:  $T = \frac{\overline{D} \mu_D}{S_d / \sqrt{n}}$  with v = n 1
- Step 3: R-  $[-t_{\alpha \setminus 2}, t_{\alpha \setminus 2}]$ ,
- Step 4: Calculate  ${
  m t_{obs}}$  using the formula in step2 using  ${ar d_{obs}}$
- Step5: if t<sub>obs</sub> is in the critical region, we reject the null hypothesis.

#### HT for Paired Observations

| Taxi | Brand A | Brand B | D      |
|------|---------|---------|--------|
| 1    | 34,400  | 36,700  | -2,300 |
| 2    | 45,500  | 46,800  | -1,300 |
| 3    | 36,700  | 37,700  | -1,000 |
| 4    | 32,000  | 31,100  | 900    |
| 5    | 48,400  | 47,800  | 600    |
| 6    | 32,800  | 36,400  | -3,600 |
| 7    | 38,100  | 38,900  | -800   |
| 8    | 30,100  | 31,500  | -1,400 |
|      |         |         |        |

•  $\bar{d}$ =-1113,  $s_d = 1454$ 

• Step1:  $H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$  vs  $H_1: \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0$ 

• Step2:  $T = \frac{\overline{D} - \mu_D}{S_d / \sqrt{n}}$  with v = 7

• **Step 3**: R - [ -3 .499, 3.499],

• Step 4:  $t_{obs} = \frac{1.113 - 0}{1454/\sqrt{8}} = -2.16$ 

• **Step5:** Do not reject.

#### CI for Paired Observations

If  $\bar{d}$  and  $s_d$  are the mean and standard deviation, respectively, of the normally distributed differences of n random pairs of measurements, a  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence interval for  $\mu_D = \mu_1 - \mu_2$  is

$$\bar{d} - t_{\alpha/2} \frac{s_d}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu_D < \bar{d} + t_{\alpha/2} \frac{s_d}{\sqrt{n}},$$

where  $t_{\alpha/2}$  is the t-value with v = n - 1 degrees of freedom, leaving an area of  $\alpha/2$  to the right.

#### CI for Paired Observations

#### • Solution:

 $n = 8, \bar{d} = -1112.5, s_d = 1454$ , with  $t_{0.005} = 3.499$  with 7 degrees of freedom. So,

$$-1112.5 \pm (3.499) \frac{1454}{\sqrt{8}} = -1112.5 \pm 1798.7,$$

which yields  $-2911.2 < \mu_D < 686.2$ .

| $H_0$                               | Value of Test Statistic                                                                                                                                                                                                        | $H_1$                                                              | Critical Region                                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\mu=\mu_0$                         | $z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}};  \sigma \text{ known}$                                                                                                                                                         | $\mu < \mu_0$ $\mu > \mu_0$ $\mu \neq \mu_0$                       | $egin{aligned} z < -z_{lpha} \ z > z_{lpha} \ z < -z_{lpha/2} 	ext{ or } z > z_{lpha/2} \end{aligned}$ |
| $\mu=\mu_0$                         | $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}};  v = n - 1,$<br>$\sigma \text{ unknown}$                                                                                                                                              | $\mu < \mu_0$ $\mu > \mu_0$ $\mu \neq \mu_0$                       | $t < -t_{\alpha}$ $t > t_{\alpha}$ $t < -t_{\alpha/2} \text{ or } t > t_{\alpha/2}$                    |
| $\mu_1 - \mu_2 = d_0$               | $z = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - d_0}{\sqrt{\sigma_1^2/n_1 + \sigma_2^2/n_2}};$<br>$\sigma_1 \text{ and } \sigma_2 \text{ known}$                                                                                          | $\mu_1 - \mu_2 < d_0  \mu_1 - \mu_2 > d_0  \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq d_0$ |                                                                                                        |
| $\mu_1 - \mu_2 = d_0$               | $t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - d_0}{s_p \sqrt{1/n_1 + 1/n_2}};$ $v = n_1 + n_2 - 2,$ $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 \text{ but unknown},$ $s_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$                          | $\mu_1 - \mu_2 < d_0  \mu_1 - \mu_2 > d_0  \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq d_0$ |                                                                                                        |
| $\mu_1 - \mu_2 = d_0$               | $t' = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - d_0}{\sqrt{s_1^2/n_1 + s_2^2/n_2}};$ $v = \frac{(s_1^2/n_1 + s_2^2/n_2)^2}{\frac{(s_1^2/n_1)^2}{n_1 - 1} + \frac{(s_2^2/n_2)^2}{n_2 - 1}};$ $\sigma_1 \neq \sigma_2 \text{ and unknown}$ | $\mu_1 - \mu_2 < d_0  \mu_1 - \mu_2 > d_0  \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq d_0$ |                                                                                                        |
| $ \mu_D = d_0 $ paired observations | $t = \frac{\overline{d} - d_0}{s_d / \sqrt{n}};$ $v = n - 1$                                                                                                                                                                   | $\mu_D < d_0$ $\mu_D > d_0$ $\mu_D \neq d_0$                       | $t < -t_{\alpha}$ $t > t_{\alpha}$ $t < -t_{\alpha/2} \text{ or } t > t_{\alpha/2}$                    |

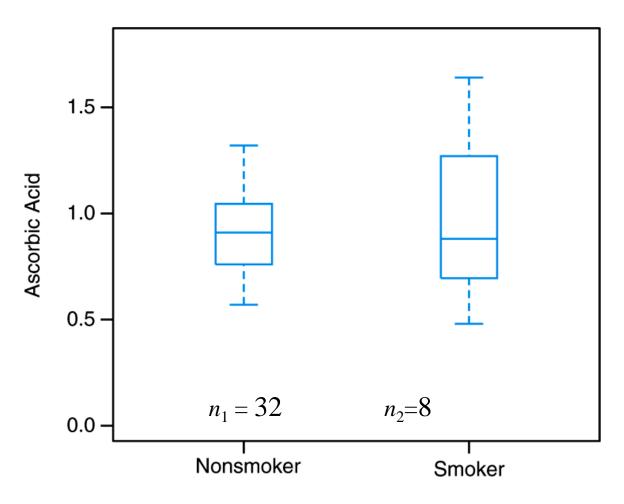
# Graphical Methods for Comparing Means

#### **Graphical Methods for Comparing Means**

Box plots can be used for visual comparison of data from several samples to compare the corresponding population means and variances.

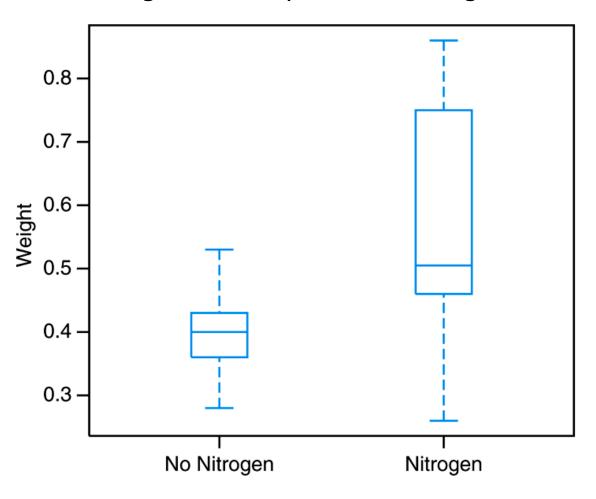
How do you interpret Figure 1? See Exercise 10.40

Figure 1. Box plots of plasma ascorbic acid in smokers and nonsmokers



#### **Graphical Methods for Comparing Means**

Figure 2. Box plots of seedling data



Interpretation?
See Exercise 10.40