

Chapter 10. Two Sample Tests

Previously: Three types of **one sample test** (each with one- and two-tailed versions)

Normal z-test

Compare **sample mean** \bar{x} to null value μ_0 with **known** std.dev. σ_X

Requirement.

$n > 30$ or X data is normal

t-test

Compare **sample mean** \bar{x} to null value μ_0 with **unknown** std.dev. (use s instead)

Requirement. X data is normal

Proportion test

Compare **sample proportion** $\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n}$ to null value p_0 (*probably use "+4 rule"*)

Requirement. $\frac{x}{n}$ "not near" 0 or 1

Steps:

1. Convert sample value to "**statistic**" (or "**score**") with respect to null value
2. Compute two-tailed (or one-tailed) probability of statistic: "**p-value**"
3. **Reject if** $p < \alpha$ ("statistically significant difference"), otherwise **Fail to Reject** ("not statistically significant difference")

Important ones.

Two Sample Tests.

Instead of comparing observed value to given value μ_0 or p_0 , we compare **two observed values** *with each other*!

Normal z-test

Compare **two sample means** \bar{x}_A and \bar{x}_B with **known** std.dev. σ_A, σ_B

Requirement.

$n_A, n_B > 30$ or X data is normal

t-test

Compare **two sample means** \bar{x}_A and \bar{x}_B with unknown std. dev. (use s_A and s_B instead)

Requirement. X data is normal

Proportion test

Compare **two sample proportions**

$$\hat{p}_A = \frac{\#a}{n} \text{ and } \hat{p}_B = \frac{\#b}{m}$$

Requirement. $\frac{\#a}{n}, \frac{\#b}{m}$ "not near" 0 or 1

Lower Power

t-test splits into three types!

Higher Power

Unequal Variance.

"Add" the sample std.dev. to get combined s_{total} .

Higher std.dev.; degrees of freedom is "**average**"

Equal Variance.

"Pool" the sample std.dev. to get a high quality estimate s_{pool} !

Lower std.dev.; degrees of freedom is **sum**.

Paired Samples.

Compute **difference** of paired samples then do *one sample t-test*

Use if X_A and X_B are **not independent**!

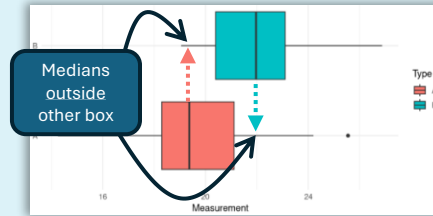
Chapter 10. Equal and Unequal Variance *t*-Test Example

Example Data for Two Sample *t*-Test

Two possible structures for data:

- **two columns** of **values** to compare
- one column of **values** and another column giving **type** of each value (“tidy” organization)

	A	B	C
1	Type	Measurement	
2	A	20.99	
3	A	19.72	
4	B	20.80	
5	B	25.70	
6	A	21.30	
7	A	23.05	
8	A	19.53	



Boxplot:

- Do medians appear to be different?
- Are medians *outside* of each other’s quartile box?

Two sample *t*-test gives *p*-value for equality of means.

Standard test **does not** assume equal var.

Test for equality of means of inputs

- compare two columns
- compare two categories of values

Equal variance test has **higher power**

(and lower *p*-values)...

only use if you are **certain** std.dev. should be same!

(maybe do *F*-test for equal variance first??)

```
# Perform a two-sample t-test not assuming equal variance [12]
t.test(Measurement ~ Type, data = two_sample_unequal_var, var.equal = FALSE)
```

Welch Two Sample t-test

data: Measurement by Type
t = -3.8538, df = 50.248, p-value = 0.0003311
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group A and group B is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-3.305923 -1.040744
sample estimates:
mean in group A mean in group B
19.75967 21.93300

Reject Null Hypothesis
Means are different!

equal variance
test has **more
power**

so it gives
better *p*-value

```
# Perform a two-sample t-test ASSUMING equal variance [13]
t.test(Measurement ~ Type, data = two_sample_unequal_var, var.equal = TRUE)
```

Two Sample t-test

data: Measurement by Type
t = -4.0359, df = 68, p-value = 0.0001404
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group A and group B is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-3.247907 -1.098760
sample estimates:
mean in group A mean in group B
19.75967 21.93300

p-value is even **lower**,
because equal variance
test has **higher power**

Test above compares “**Measurement**” by “**Type**”

- Comparing means 19.76 and 21.93
- *p*-value is 0.0003 = 0.03%
- df = 50.2 (unequal variance tests have decimal df)
each sample had less than 50 data points

Test above compares “**Measurement**” by “**Type**”

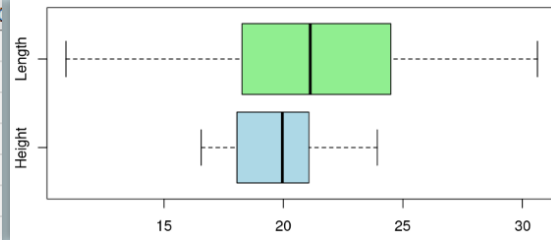
- Comparing means 19.76 and 21.93
- *p*-value is 0.0001 = 0.01%
- df = 68 (68 + 2 = 70 **total** data points used)

Chapter 10. Paired Sample t -Test Example

Example Data for Paired Sample t -Test

- **two columns** of values to compare
- columns are **pairs** of observations from same source
(*columns must have same length*)
- note: 'equal means' is equivalent to 'mean difference is 0'

	A	B
1	Height	Length
2	19.66	18.43
3	17.78	16.61
4	16.56	21.50
5	21.06	25.50
6	21.24	26.30
7	22.01	17.93
8	21.07	22.40



Paired sample data will often have one variable with much larger variance than the other!
By using the difference, we reduce this variance!

Paired sample t -test gives p -value for **equality of means** \iff **mean difference = 0**

Two sample t -test

Usual t -test computes means then takes difference.

```
# Perform a sample t-test (not paired sample)
t.test(two_sample_paired$Height, two_sample_paired$Length)
```

Welch Two Sample t-test

```
data: two_sample_paired$Height and two_sample_paired$Length
t = -2.424, df = 53.806, p-value = 0.01874
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-3.1175884 -0.2949116
sample estimates:
mean of x mean of y
19.71500 21.42125
```

If $\alpha = 1\%$ then

Fail to Reject Null Hypothesis

paired sample
test has **more
power**
 \implies
so it gives
better p -value

Paired sample t -test

Paired t -test takes difference then computes means!

```
# Perform a paired sample t-test on the two_sample_paired data
t.test(two_sample_paired$Height, two_sample_paired$Length, paired = TRUE)
```

Paired t-test

```
data: two_sample_paired$Height and two_sample_paired$Length
t = -2.8818, df = 39, p-value = 0.006398
alternative hypothesis: true mean difference is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-2.9038362 -0.5086638
sample estimates:
mean difference
-1.70625
```

Reject the Null Hypothesis
Means are definitely different!

Test above compares “Height” to “Length”

- **Mean values.** Height: 19.7
Length: 21.4
- p -value is 0.019 = 1.9%
- $df = 53.8$ (unequal variance test; each sample had between 25 and 50 data points)

Test above compares “Height” to “Length”

- **Avg difference** (Height – Length) is -1.71
Note: $19.7 - 21.4 = -1.71$
- p -value is 0.006 = 0.6%
- $df = 39$ ($39 + 1 = 40$ **pairs** of data points used = 80 data points total)

Chapter 10. Proportion Test Example

Example Data for Proportion Test

Column of **categorical values**, e.g.

- yes / no
- A / B / C
- 1 / 2 / 3 / 4

Test will compare proportion of values against null hypothesis proportion.

	A	B	C	
1	yes/no	choice	value	
2	no	C	4	
3	yes	A	2	
4	no	C	2	
5	yes	C	3	
6	yes	B	2	
7	no	A	2	
8	yes	B	3	



Example:

- bar chart shows 41 'no' and 59 'yes'
- want to test whether this is just random variation from 50% 'no' and 'yes'

Single sample population proportion test

Data shows 59/100 'yes' answers.

Use a proportion test against

H_0 : true proportion is 50%

to test whether this is within range of expected random variation

```
# Perform a population proportion test for "yes" vs null hypothesis p = 0.5
yes_count <- sum(population_proportions$`yes/no` == "yes")
total_count <- nrow(population_proportions)

prop.test(yes_count, total_count, p = 0.5)
```

1-sample proportions test with continuity correction

```
data: yes_count out of total count, null probability 0.5
X-squared = 2.89, df = 1, p-value = 0.08913
alternative hypothesis: true p is not equal to 0.5
95 percent confidence interval:
 0.4870348 0.6859677
sample estimates:
p
0.59
```

Note: R uses χ^2 test for these, which is better...

Two sample population proportion test

Data shows 59/100 'yes' and 41/100 'no'.

Use a proportion test against

H_0 : true proportions are equal (both 50%)

to test whether this is within range of expected random variation

```
# Population proportion test

sum(population_proportions$`yes/no` == "yes")
sum(population_proportions$`yes/no` == "no")
nrow(population_proportions)

prop.test(c(yes_count, no_count), c(total_count, total_count))

2-sample test for equality of proportions with continuity correction

data: c(yes_count, no_count) out of c(total_count, total_count)
X-squared = 5.78, df = 1, p-value = 0.01621
alternative hypothesis: two.sided
95 percent confidence interval:
 0.33367327 0.32632673
sample estimates:
prop 1 prop 2
0.59 0.41
```