

1. As an ornithologist, you wish to determine the average body mass of *Seiurus noveboracensis*. You randomly capture 31 adults of *Seiurus noveboracensis*, resulting in a sample mean of 20.47 grams and a sample standard deviation of 3.53 grams. You decide to report a 95% confidence interval.
 - (a) Determine the lower bound of the confidence interval.
 - (b) Determine the upper bound of the confidence interval.

SOLUTION We are given the sample size, sample mean, sample standard deviation, and confidence level.

$$n = 31$$

$$\bar{x} = 20.47$$

$$s = 3.53$$

$$CL = 0.95$$

Determine the degrees of freedom (because we don't know σ and we are doing inference so we need to use the t distribution).

$$df = n - 1 = 30$$

Determine the critical t value, t^* , such that $P(|T| < t^*) = 0.95$.

$$t^* = 2.04$$

Calculate the standard error.

$$SE = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{3.53}{\sqrt{31}} = 0.634$$

We want to make an inference about the population mean.

$$\mu \approx \bar{x} \pm t^* SE$$

Determine the bounds.

$$\begin{aligned} CI &= (\bar{x} - t^* SE, \bar{x} + t^* SE) \\ &= (20.47 - 2.04 \times 0.634, 20.47 + 2.04 \times 0.634) \\ &= (19.2, 21.8) \end{aligned}$$

We are 95% confident that the population mean is between 19.2 and 21.8.

(a) Lower bound = 19.2

(b) Upper bound = 21.8

2. A teacher has 6 students who have each taken two quizzes. Perform a two-tail test with significance level 0.04 to determine whether students' performance changed on average.

	student1	student2	student3	student4	student5	student6
quiz 1:	62.9	83.4	55.8	57.7	85.9	62.3
quiz 2:	48.8	78.3	49.1	52.3	88.8	53.9

- (a) State the null hypothesis.
- (b) State the alternative hypothesis.
- (c) Evaluate the critical value. (The critical value is either z^* or t^* . Determine its value.)
- (d) Determine the standard error of the relevant sampling distribution.
- (e) Evaluate the absolute value of the test statistic. (The test statistic is either z_{obs} or t_{obs} . Determine its absolute value.)
- (f) If possible, evaluate the p -value. Otherwise, describe an interval containing the p -value.
- (g) Do we reject or retain the null?

SOLUTION We are given paired data. We are considering a mean of differences. Label the given information.

$$n = 6$$

$$\alpha = 0.04$$

State the hypotheses.

$$H_0 : \mu_{\text{diff}} = 0$$

$$H_A : \mu_{\text{diff}} \neq 0$$

Determine the degrees of freedom.

$$df = n - 1 = 5$$

We determine t^* such that $P(|T| > t^*) = 0.04$.

$$t^* = 2.76$$

Subtract each student's scores to get the differences.

	student1	student2	student3	student4	student5	student6
quiz2-quiz1:	-14.1	-5.1	-6.7	-5.4	2.9	-8.4

Find the sample mean.

$$\overline{x}_{\text{diff}} = -6.13$$

Find the sample standard deviation.

$$s_{\text{diff}} = 5.52$$

Determine the standard error.

$$SE = \frac{s_{\text{diff}}}{\sqrt{n}} = 2.25$$

Calculate the observed t score.

$$t_{\text{obs}} = \frac{\overline{x}_{\text{diff}} - (\mu_{\text{diff}})_0}{SE} = \frac{-6.13 - 0}{2.25} = -2.724$$

Compare $|t_{\text{obs}}|$ and t^* .

$$|t_{\text{obs}}| < t^*$$

We can determine an interval for the p -value using the t table.

$$0.04 < p\text{-value} < 0.05$$

We conclude that we should retain the null hypothesis.

(a) $H_0 : \mu_{\text{diff}} = 0$

(b) $H_A : \mu_{\text{diff}} \neq 0$

(c) $t^* = 2.76$

(d) $SE = 1.776631$

(e) $|t_{\text{obs}}| = 2.724$

(f) $0.04 < p\text{-value} < 0.05$

(g) retain the null

3. You are interested in whether a treatment causes an effect on a continuously measurable attribute. You use a treatment group with 5 cases and a control group with 5 cases. You decide to run a hypothesis test with a significance level of 0.04. Your data is below. Please use 5 for the degrees of freedom (calculated with the Welch-Satterthwaite equation).

treatment	control
14.8	13.4
12.3	12.2
15.1	10.8
13.4	13
17.7	10.6

- (a) State the null hypothesis.
- (b) State the alternative hypothesis.
- (c) Evaluate the critical value. (The critical value is either z^* or t^* . Determine its value.)
- (d) Determine the standard error of the relevant sampling distribution.
- (e) Evaluate the absolute value of the test statistic. (The test statistic is either z_{obs} or t_{obs} . Determine its absolute value.)
- (f) If possible, evaluate the p -value. Otherwise, describe an interval containing the p -value.
- (g) Do we reject or retain the null?

SOLUTION We are given unpaired data. We are considering a difference of means. Label the given information.

$$n_1 = 5$$

$$n_2 = 5$$

$$\alpha = 0.04$$

State the hypotheses.

$$H_0 : \mu_2 - \mu_1 = 0$$

$$H_A : \mu_2 - \mu_1 \neq 0$$

We are using a two-tail test. Find t^* such that $P(|T| > t^*)$ by using a t table.

$$t^* = 2.76$$

Determine the sample statistics. Use a calculator!

$$\bar{x}_1 = 14.7$$

$$s_1 = 2.04$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = 12$$

$$s_2 = 1.26$$

Calculate the standard error.

$$\begin{aligned} SE &= \sqrt{\frac{(s_1)^2}{n_1} + \frac{(s_2)^2}{n_2}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(2.04)^2}{5} + \frac{(1.26)^2}{5}} \\ &= 1.07 \end{aligned}$$

Determine the test statistic.

$$\begin{aligned} t_{\text{obs}} &= \frac{(\bar{x}_2 - \bar{x}_1) - (\mu_2 - \mu_1)_0}{SE} \\ &= \frac{(12 - 14.7) - (0)}{1.07} \\ &= -2.52 \end{aligned}$$

Compare $|t_{\text{obs}}|$ and t^* .

$$|t_{\text{obs}}| < t^*$$

We can determine an interval for the p -value using the t table.

$$0.05 < p\text{-value} < 0.1$$

Compare p -value and α .

$$p\text{-value} > \alpha$$

We conclude that we should retain the null hypothesis.

$$(a) H_0 : \mu_2 - \mu_1 = 0$$

- (b) $H_A : \mu_2 - \mu_1 \neq 0$
- (c) $t^* = 2.76$
- (d) $SE = 1.07$
- (e) $|t_{\text{obs}}| = 2.52$
- (f) $0.05 < p\text{-value} < 0.1$
- (g) retain the null

4. From a very large population, a random sample of 1300 individuals was taken. In that sample, 81% were blue. Determine a 95% confidence interval of the population proportion.
- (a) Find the lower bound of the confidence interval.
 - (b) Find the upper bound of the confidence interval.

SOLUTION Determine z^* such that $P(|Z| < z^*) = 0.95$.

$$z^* = 1.96$$

Calculate the standard error.

$$SE = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{(0.81)(1 - 0.81)}{1300}} = 0.0109$$

Calculate the margin of error.

$$ME = z^* SE = (1.96)(0.0109) = 0.0214$$

To find the confidence interval's bounds, find the sample proportion plus or minus the margin of error.

$$p \approx \hat{p} \pm ME$$

Determine the interval.

$$(0.789, 0.831)$$

We are 95% confident that the true population proportion is between 78.9% and 83.1%.

- (a) The lower bound = 0.789, which can also be expressed as 78.9%.
- (b) The upper bound = 0.831, which can also be expressed as 83.1%.

5. Your boss wants to know what proportion of a very large population is glowing. She also wants to guarantee that the margin of error of a 99% confidence interval will be less than 0.01 (which is 1 percentage points). How large of a sample is needed? Please round up, using only 2 significant digits.

SOLUTION Determine z^* such that $P(|Z| < z^*) = 0.99$.

$$z^* = 2.58$$

Determine the maximal standard error.

$$ME = z^* SE$$

$$SE = \frac{ME}{z^*} = \frac{0.01}{2.58} = 0.00388$$

Calculate n . Because we have no idea what p is, we will use a conservative approach and use $p = 0.5$.

$$SE = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

$$n = \frac{p(1-p)}{SE^2} = \frac{(0.5)(0.5)}{(0.00388)^2} = 16606.4406419$$

When determining a necessary sample size, always round up (ceiling).

$$n = 16607$$

Also, for simplicity, you should probably only use about 2 significant digits, while still rounding up.

$$n = 17000$$

6. An experiment is run with a treatment group of size 290 and a control group of size 248. The results are summarized in the table below.

	treatment	control
omnivorous	217	171
not omnivorous	73	77

Using a significance level of 0.2, determine whether the treatment causes an effect on the proportion of cases that are omnivorous.

- (a) State the null hypothesis.
- (b) State the alternative hypothesis.
- (c) Evaluate the critical value. (The critical value is either z^* or t^* . Determine its value.)
- (d) Determine the standard error of the relevant sampling distribution.
- (e) Evaluate the absolute value of the test statistic. (The test statistic is either z_{obs} or t_{obs} . Determine its absolute value.)
- (f) If possible, evaluate the p -value. Otherwise, describe an interval containing the p -value.
- (g) Do we reject or retain the null?

SOLUTION State the hypotheses.

$$H_0 : p_2 - p_1 = 0$$

$$H_A : p_2 - p_1 \neq 0$$

Find z^* such that $P(|Z| > z^*) = 0.2$.

$$z^* = \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) = 1.28$$

Determine the sample proportions.

$$\hat{p}_1 = \frac{217}{290} = 0.748$$

$$\hat{p}_2 = \frac{171}{248} = 0.69$$

Determine the difference of sample proportions.

$$\hat{p}_2 - \hat{p}_1 = 0.69 - 0.748 = -0.058$$

Determine the pooled proportion (because the null assumes the population proportions are equal).

$$\hat{p} = \frac{217 + 171}{290 + 248} = 0.721$$

Determine the standard error.

$$\begin{aligned} SE &= \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}(1 - \hat{p})}{n_2}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(0.721)(0.279)}{290} + \frac{(0.721)(0.279)}{248}} \\ &= 0.0388 \end{aligned}$$

We can be more specific about what the null hypothesis claims.

$$H_0 : \hat{P}_2 - \hat{P}_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 0.0388)$$

We want to describe how unusual our observation is under the null by finding the p -value. To do so, first find the z score.

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \frac{(\hat{p}_2 - \hat{p}_1) - (p_2 - p_1)_0}{SE} \\ &= \frac{(0.69 - 0.748) - 0}{0.0388} \\ &= -1.49 \end{aligned}$$

Determine the p -value.

$$\begin{aligned} p\text{-value} &= 2 \cdot \Phi(-|z|) \\ &= 2 \cdot \Phi(-1.49) \\ &= 0.1362 \end{aligned}$$

Compare the p -value to the significance level.

$$p\text{-value} < \alpha$$

So, we reject the null hypothesis. Thus the difference in proportions is significant.

- (a) $H_0 : p_2 - p_1 = 0$
- (b) $H_A : p_2 - p_1 \neq 0$
- (c) $z^* = 1.28$
- (d) $SE = 0.0388$
- (e) $|z_{\text{obs}}| = 1.49$
- (f) $p\text{-value} = 0.1362$
- (g) reject the null

1. (a) LB = 19.2
(b) UB = 21.8
2. (a) $H_0 : \mu_{\text{diff}} = 0$
(b) $H_A : \mu_{\text{diff}} \neq 0$
(c) $t^* = 2.76$
(d) $SE = 1.78$
(e) $|t_{\text{obs}}| = 2.724$
(f) $0.04 < p\text{-value} < 0.05$
(g) retain
3. (a) $H_0 : \mu_2 - \mu_1 = 0$
(b) $H_0 : \mu_2 - \mu_1 \neq 0$
(c) $t^* = 2.76$
(d) $SE = 1.07$
(e) $|t_{\text{obs}}| = 2.52$
(f) $0.05 < p\text{-value} < 0.1$
(g) retain
4. (a) LB of p CI = 0.789 or 78.9%
(b) UB of p CI = 0.831 or 83.1%
5. $n \approx 17000$
6. (a) $H_0 : p_2 - p_1 = 0$
(b) $H_A : p_2 - p_1 \neq 0$
(c) $z^* = 1.28$
(d) $SE = 0.039$
(e) $|z_{\text{obs}}| = 1.49$
(f) $p\text{-value} = 0.1362$
(g) reject