

IST 011

4) Comparing Two Populations

	Schizophrenia	Normal
Sample size	41	49
Mean time	104,23	62,24
Standard deviation	62,24	16,34

a) Define the parameters of interest to the researchers

μ_s ... mean time of schizophrenic persons

μ_n ... mean time of normal persons

b) Set up the null and alternative hypothesis for testing the researcher theory

$$H_0: \mu_s = \mu_n \text{ vs. } H_1: \mu_s > \mu_n$$

c) p-value is reported as 0.001 $\alpha = 0,01$ conclusion?

as the p-value 0,001 is smaller than $\alpha = 0,01$ we reject the null hypothesis (accept the alternative).

d) find 99% confidence interval for target parameter

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_s - \mu_n \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{s_s^2}{n_s} + \frac{s_n^2}{n_n}} &= 104,23 - 62,24 \pm z_{0,005} \sqrt{\frac{62,24^2}{41} + \frac{16,34^2}{49}} \\ &= 41,99 \pm z_{0,005} \cdot 9,9966 = 41,99 \pm 2,58 \cdot 9,9966 \end{aligned}$$

gives (16,1988 ; 67,7812) as the confidence interval.