

1. How do you assess the statistical significance of an insight?

You assess statistical significance by conducting a **hypothesis test**, calculating a **p-value**, and comparing it to a **significance level** (typically $\alpha = 0.05$). If the p-value is less than α , the result is statistically significant, meaning it's unlikely to have occurred by random chance.

2. What is the Central Limit Theorem (CLT)? Explain it. Why is it important?

The **Central Limit Theorem** states that the **sampling distribution of the sample mean** approaches a **normal distribution** as the sample size increases, **regardless of the population's original distribution**, provided the sample size is large enough ($n > 30$ is a common rule of thumb).

Importance: It allows us to use **normal distribution-based inference** (like z-tests and confidence intervals) even when the population distribution is unknown.

3. What is statistical power?

Statistical power is the **probability of correctly rejecting the null hypothesis** when it is false (i.e., detecting an effect when there is one). High power (typically ≥ 0.8) reduces the risk of **Type II errors** (false negatives).

4. How do you control for biases?

- **Randomization:** Distributes potential confounding variables evenly.
- **Blinding:** Prevents participant or experimenter bias.
- **Stratification:** Ensures subgroups are evenly represented.
- **Matched sampling:** Matches individuals across groups to control variables.
- **Statistical control:** Using regression or ANCOVA to account for known confounders.

5. What are confounding variables?

Confounders are variables that are **correlated with both the independent and dependent variable**, potentially **distorting the true relationship** between them. They create a **false association** if not controlled for.

6. What is A/B testing?

A/B testing is an experiment where you **compare two versions** (A and B) of a variable (e.g., website design, email subject) to determine **which performs better** based on a predefined metric. It relies on **random assignment** and hypothesis testing.

7. What are confidence intervals?

A **confidence interval** gives a **range of values** that likely contains the population parameter with a certain **confidence level** (e.g., 95%). It reflects both the **estimate** and the **uncertainty** around it.