

1. Suppose you currently use a windows laptop and now wish to use an iOS-based MacBook; formulate the three ways to write the null hypothesis and alternate hypothesis on the laptop performance (you may choose ANY ONE performance parameter of your choice).  
[3 marks]

Three cases:

1.  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$  ;  $H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$

2.  $H_0: \mu \geq \mu_0$  ;  $H_1: \mu < \mu_0$

3.  $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$  ;  $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$

0.5 marks (x3) for stating the type

0.5 marks (x3) for explaining through statements

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2. Two types of plastic are suitable for use by an electronic calculator manufacturer. The breaking strength of this plastic is important. It is known that  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = 1.0$  psi. From random samples of  $n_1 = 10$  and  $n_2 = 12$  we obtain  $\bar{y}_1 = 162.5$  and  $\bar{y}_2 = 155.0$ . The company will not adopt plastic 1 unless its breaking strength exceeds that of plastic 2 by at least 10 psi. Based on the sample information, should they use plastic 1? [4+2 marks]

- a. In answering this question, set up and test appropriate hypotheses using  $\alpha = 0.01$ .  
b. Construct a 99 percent confidence interval on the true mean difference in breaking strength.

Given:  $\bar{y}_1 = 162.5$

$\bar{y}_2 = 155$

$n_1 = 10$

$n_2 = 12$

$\sigma_1 = 1$

$\sigma_2 = 1$

Hypothesis:  $H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 10$   $H_1: \mu_1 - \mu_2 > 10$

1 mark for setting the correct hypothesis

$\therefore$  we know the variances, we use the z-test

$$Z_0 = \frac{\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2 - 10}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} = \frac{162.5 - 155 - 10}{\sqrt{\frac{1^2}{10} + \frac{1^2}{12}}} = -5.84$$

(1 mark for using z test, 1 mark for calculation)

Now,

$$Z_{0.01} = 2.325 ; \text{ do not reject}$$

- 0.5 marks for reading value from table

- 0.5 marks for conclusion

b) Confidence Interval:

$$\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2 - z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}} \leq \mu_1 - \mu_2 \leq \bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2 + z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$$

$$(162 - 155) - \left( 2.575 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1^2}{10} + \frac{1^2}{12}} \right) \leq \mu_1 - \mu_2 \leq (162.5 - 155) + \left( 2.575 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1^2}{10} + \frac{1^2}{12}} \right)$$

$$6.40 \leq \mu_1 - \mu_2 \leq 8.6$$

(2 marks for correct answer)

3. Suppose that you want to compare the growth of garden flowers with different conditions of sunlight, water, fertilizer and soil conditions. Complete the following 3 guideline steps for designing experiments. [3 marks]

- Recognition of and statement of the problem
- Selection of the response variable
- Choice of factors, levels and ranges

1 mark each for correct steps

4. A normally distributed random variable has an unknown mean  $\mu$  and a known variance  $\sigma^2 = 9$ . Find the sample size ( $n$ ) required to construct a 95 percent confidence interval on the mean that has total length of 1.0. [2 marks]

Desired Confidence Interval	Z-score
90%	1.645
95%	1.96
99%	2.56

Total length is 1 so half length = 0.5

$$\alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow 95\% \text{ CI} \therefore \alpha/2 = 0.025$$

$$z_{0.025} = 1.96 \quad (0.5 \text{ marks})$$

$\mu$  on two sided 95% confidence interval is given as,

$$\bar{y} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{y} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$\therefore$  Simplifying for  $\mu$  on half length, we get

$$0.5 = z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (0.5 \text{ marks})$$

$\downarrow$   
 half length

$$\sigma^2 = 9 \Rightarrow \sigma = 3 \quad (0.5 \text{ marks})$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{n} = \frac{(1.96)(3)}{(0.5)}$$

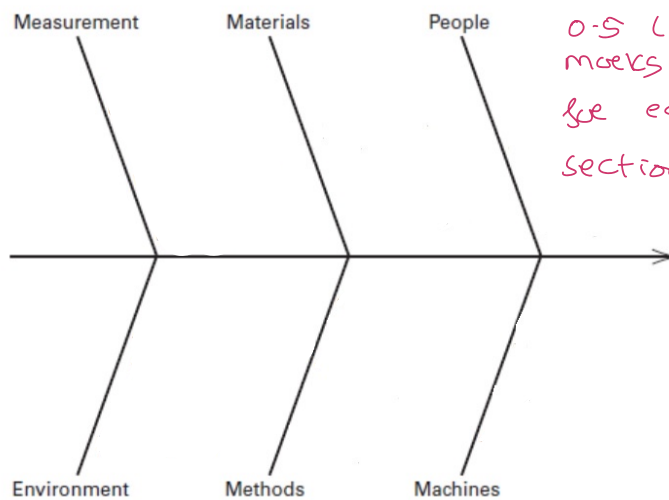
$$\therefore \sqrt{n} = 11.76$$

$$n = 138.29$$

$$\therefore n \approx 139$$

(0.5 marks)

5. Construct a cause-and-effect diagram identifying the factors that potentially influence the daily battery life of your mobile phone. [3 marks]



0.5 (x6)  
marks  
for each  
section

6. The time to repair an electronic instrument is a normally distributed random variable measured in hours. The repair times for 4 such instruments chosen at random are as follows:

Hours			
222	362	168	250

- You wish to know if the mean repair time exceeds 225 hours. Set up appropriate hypotheses for investigating this issue.
- Test the hypotheses you formulated in part (a). What are your conclusions? (Is the null hypothesis accepted or rejected). Use  $\alpha=0.05$ .
- Construct a 95 percent confidence interval on mean repair time.

[1+3+2 marks]

a. Hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu = 225$$

$$H_1: \mu > 225$$

(1 mark for correct hypothesis)

$$b. \quad \bar{y} = \frac{222 + 362 + 168 + 250}{4}$$

$$= 250.5 \quad (0.5 \text{ marks})$$

$$s^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \bar{y})^2}{n-1}$$

$$= \frac{(250.5 - 222)^2 + (250.5 - 362)^2 + (168 - 250.5)^2 + (250 - 250.5)^2}{4-1}$$

$$= \frac{20051}{3}$$

$$= 6683.67$$

$$s = \sqrt{6683.67}$$

$$= 81.75 \quad (1 \text{ mark})$$

Since we don't know the variance, we will use the t-test

$$t_0 = \frac{\bar{y} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}} = \frac{250.5 - 225}{\frac{81.75}{\sqrt{4}}}$$

$$= 0.62 \quad (1 \text{ mark})$$

$$t_{\alpha/2, n-1} = t_{0.025, 4} = 2.353$$

do not reject  $H_0$   
(0.5 mark)

c) 95% confidence interval

$$\bar{y} - t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \mu \leq \bar{y} + t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$250.5 - (2.353) \frac{(81.75)}{\sqrt{4}} \leq \mu \leq 250.5 + (2.353) \cdot \frac{(81.75)}{\sqrt{4}}$$

$$154.32 \leq \mu \leq 346.68$$

(2 marks)

7. Answer the following:

[3+4 marks]

- What is replication? Why do we need replication in experiment? Explain with a suitable example. (1 mark x 3)
- What are blocking and randomization in designing an experiment? Explain their need with a suitable example. (2+2 marks)

refer to 16 slides