

Statistics 411/511

Homework 4

Due Tuesday, October 26 by midnight

- **Instructions:** Please see the end of the [syllabus](#) for guidelines. Upload your homework to Gradescope via Canvas (access specific homework assignments from the “Assignments” link at the left of the Canvas course page). Your file must be a pdf document. **There will be a one-point deduction if you don’t assign pages** (see [this Gradescope help video](#)).
 - Do the computational part of the homework shortly after completing the week’s lab activity.
 - The problems are assigned from the **third edition** of the textbook. If you have another edition, consult the [copy on one-hour reserve at the library website](#) for the homework problems.
 - **Academic Integrity** You are encouraged to *discuss* the homework with other students, but what you turn in must be your own work in your own words. **DO NOT** copy someone else’s homework. You may share ideas and R code, but do not share R output or written language. The syllabus contains details and links to OSU’s Student Conduct Code and procedure for reporting suspected academic misconduct.
1. Revisit the blood pressure data from question 3 of Homework 1, `ex0112`. The research questions are similar to those in Homework 1: “Does the fish oil diet reduce diastolic blood pressure more than the regular oil diet, and if so, by how much?”
 - (a) Make side-by-side boxplots of the reduction in diastolic blood pressure for the two diet groups. Include your plot but not your R code.
 - (b) Does your plot in part (a) suggest that the equal variance assumption for the two-sample t-test is violated? Why or why not?
 - (c) Does your plot in part (a) tell you anything about the independence assumption for the two-sample t-test? (yes/no)
 - (d) State the null and alternative hypotheses to answer the research question with a two-sample *t*-test. Your hypotheses should be in terms of population parameters. Define any notation you use for the population parameters.
 - (e) Conduct a Welch’s *t*-test of your hypotheses in part (d). Include your R code but not output.
 - (f) Write a statistical conclusion to report the results of your hypothesis test in part (e).
 - (g) Obtain a two-sided confidence interval for the difference in population means. Do not submit R code or output. Instead, write a statistical conclusion reporting this interval.
 2. This problem deals with the data of exercise 3.18 on page 78 of the textbook. The data frame is not in the `Sleuth3` package. You can use the following R code to create `ex0318`:

```
> ex0318 <- data.frame(
+   Metabol=c(20.1, 22.9, 18.8, 20.9, 20.9, 22.7, 21.4,
+             20, 38.5, 25.8, 22, 23, 37.6, 30, 24.5),
+   Group=c(rep("Nontrauma", times=8), rep("Trauma", times=7)))
```

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(Note that the three +’s are R continuation prompts. Don’t type them.)

- (a) The research question is whether metabolic expenditure is higher in trauma patients than in non-trauma patients.

State null and alternative hypotheses in terms of the shift parameter discussed in item 2(g) of Lab 4 and on page 3 of Outline 4.

- (b) Conduct a Wilcoxon rank-sum test of your hypotheses in part (a). Submit your R code but not output.

- (c) Write a statistical conclusion for the hypothesis test in part (b).

3. Revisit the cat data of Homework 2. In problem 1 of Homework 2, you computed a paired t-statistic to test the null hypothesis that the mean difference is 0. Use the sign test to test the null hypothesis that the median difference is 0 vs. the alternative that the median water consumption is different for still water vs. flowing water. Include your R code and output.