

## Solutions to problems from Kelley and Donnelly

**11.41** This problem requires a one-tailed dependent samples t test with  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

- null hypothesis: the mean difference in scores (post-test minus pre-test) is not greater than zero:  $\mu_D \leq 0$
- alternative hypothesis: the mean difference in scores is greater than zero:  $\mu_D > 0$
- sample of difference scores: 7, 6, 7, 8, 0, 2, -6
- sample mean:  $\bar{D} = 3.4286$
- sample standard deviation:  $s_D = 5.0943$
- sample standard error:  $s_{\bar{D}} = s_D/\sqrt{n} = 5.0943/\sqrt{7} = 1.9255$
- t value:  $t = \bar{D}/s_{\bar{D}} = 3.4286/1.9255 = 1.7806$
- degrees of freedom:  $df = n - 1 = 6$
- critical t value (one-tailed,  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $df = 6$ ): from Appendix B,  $t_c = 1.943$

In this one-tailed problem we are testing for an unusually high t value. The t value is not greater than  $t_c$ , so we do not reject the null hypothesis. There is not strong evidence that the instruction program improved students' scores on the standardized test.

**11.43** This problem requires a two-tailed dependent samples t test with  $\alpha = 0.10$ .

- null hypothesis: the mean difference in scores is zero:  $\mu_D = 0$
- alternative hypothesis: the mean difference in scores is not zero:  $\mu_D \neq 0$
- sample of difference scores: -8, 8, 8, 35, -3, 14, -5, 28
- sample mean:  $\bar{D} = 9.6250$
- sample standard deviation:  $s_D = 15.5374$
- sample standard error:  $s_{\bar{D}} = s_D/\sqrt{n} = 15.5374/\sqrt{8} = 5.4933$
- t value:  $t = \bar{D}/s_{\bar{D}} = 9.6250/5.4933 = 1.7521$
- degrees of freedom:  $df = n - 1 = 7$
- critical t value (two-tailed,  $\alpha = 0.10$ ,  $df = 7$ ): from Appendix B,  $t_c = 1.895$

In this two-tailed problem we are testing for an unusually extreme t value in either direction (positive or negative). The t value is not less than  $-t_c$  or greater than  $t_c$ , so we do not reject the null hypothesis. There is not strong evidence that the display location affected sales.