

# On Average, are Diamonds Certified by HRD Priced Higher than those Certified by Other Organizations?

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## 1 The Hypotheses

Let us state our Hypotheses:

- Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ) : On average, there is no difference in diamond's pricing, between HRD or any other organization
- Alternate Hypothesis ( $H_A$ ): On average, HRD certified diamonds are priced higher (one-sided test)

Mathematically, the hypotheses are expressed below:

- $H_0$ :  $\text{diff} = 0$
- $H_A$ :  $\text{diff} > 0$

## 2 The Data

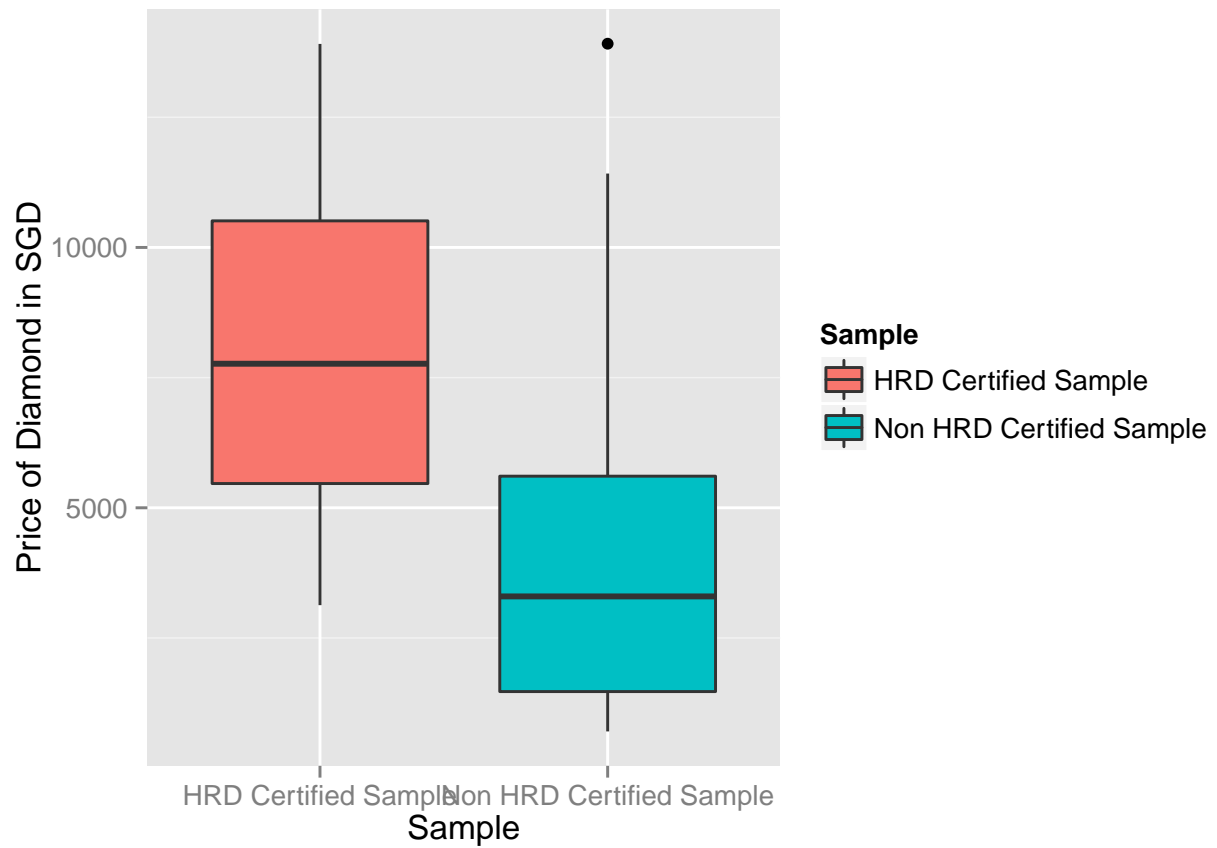
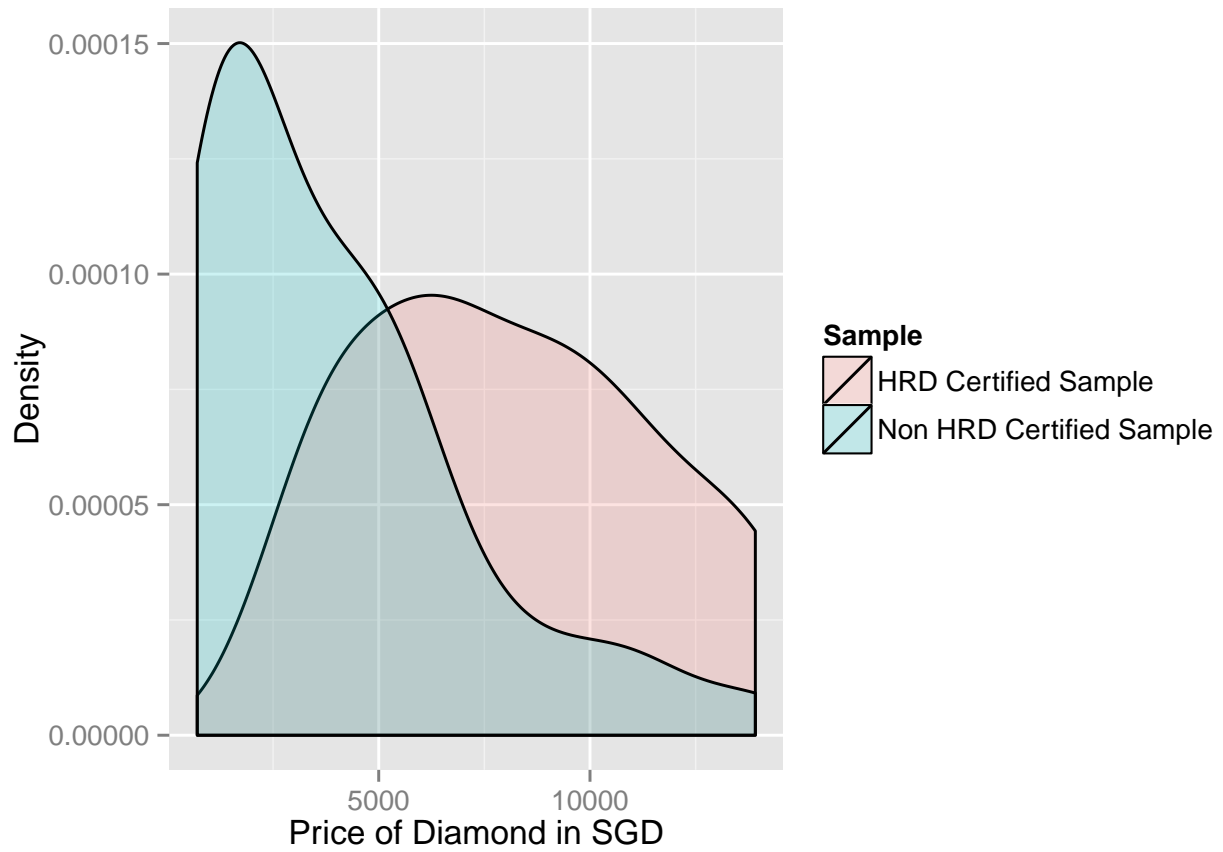
We separate the data sets - diamonds certified by HRD and other diamonds. There are 79 observations of HRD Diamonds and 229 non-HRD Certified Diamonds.

## 3 Central Limit Theorem: Checking the Conditions for Hypothesis Testing for Paired Data

The conditions for hypothesis testing:

- Independence: Sampled observations must be independent. Random sample must be collected with replacement because the size of HRD Certified diamond is small
- Sample Size / Skew: The no of elements must be more than 30.

We select a size of 40 with replacement.



## 4 The Test Statistic

```
zScore <- xBar / standardError(Diff)
zScore
```

```
## [1] 5.758039
```

```
# Calculating p-value
# 1-pnorm() because we are doing a one-sided test - greater than
pValue <- 1-pnorm( zScore )
pValue
```

```
## [1] 0.000000004254841
```

## 5 Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ) is Rejected

The **Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ )** is rejected because the pValue is lesser than the significance value of 0.05.