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1 Assume two independent samples:

```
set.seed(123)
a=rnorm(1368, 0.065, 1 )
b=rnorm(1315, -0.06, 0.99)
```

Assume, population variances are unknown (and unequal). Test the null hypothesis, $H_0: \mu_a - \mu_b = 0$ against the alternative, $H_1: \mu_a \neq \mu_b$

R can directly solve this problem:

```
t.test(a,b)
```

Make sure, your results can match the ones directly calculated by R.

2 Assume, in the above example, population variances are unknown but assume to be equal. Test the null hypothesis, $H_0: \mu_a - \mu_b = 0$ against the alternative, $H_1: \mu_a \neq \mu_b$

R can directly solve this problem:

```
t.test(a,b, var.equal = T)
```

Make sure, your results can match the ones directely calculated by R

3 Use Chile data as on slide no. 21. There is a categorical variable education in which PS refers to post secondary education (or higher education). Assume, we are interested in investigating the association between education and voting YES.

Create a category of highly educated people using variable PS (make only 2 categories, poportion with high education (PS) and a proportion without high education)

Create a category of voters who voted YES (make only 2 categories, poportion who voted YES and a proportion who did not vote YES)

- Assume the proportion of people who have higher education and voted yes is P_x
- Assume the proportion of people who have no higher education and voted YES is P_y
- Test the null hypothesis, $H_0: P_y P_x = 0$ against two sided alternative
- Also calculate the confidence interval of the difference in two proportions $(P_y P_x)$.

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Solution no. 1:

- We want to test:
 - Null hypothesis: $H_0: \mu_a \mu_b = 0$
 - Two sided alternative: $H_1: \mu_a \mu_b \neq 0$
- Now, calculate the mean and the standard deviations of a and b

```
a_bar=mean(a)
b_bar=mean(b)
s_a= sd(a)
s_b=sd(b)
```

• Now calculate t statistics:

• Now we calculate the corresponding p values:

```
2*(1 - pnorm(t_stats))
## [1] 0.000480767
```

In question, no 1, we are told that population variances are unknown (and unequal) which requires calculating degrees of freedom. However, I used pnorm (which uses a z score) because n>30 in this example. If n<30, then we need to calculate degrees of freedom using formula discussed in the lecture.

Solution no. 2:

• In question, no 2, we are told that population variances are unknown but equal which requires calculating standard errors using formula: $se_d = \sqrt{\frac{s_p^2}{n_x} + \frac{s_p^2}{n_y}}$ And s_n^2 , for in the formula is calculated as follows:

$$s_p^2 = \frac{(n_x - 1)s_x^2 + (n_y - 1)s_y^2}{n_x + n_y - 2}$$

• Now we calculate the corresponding p values:

```
2*(1 - pnorm(t_stats))
## [1] 0.000483507
```

Solution no. 3:

 We first tell R that people with PS education should be assigned TRUE, otherwise FALSE.

```
library(car); data("Chile")
Chile$PS_educ <- factor(Chile$education=="PS")
```

We also tell R that people who voted YES should be assigned TRUE, otherwise FALSE.

```
Chile$voteYES <- factor(Chile$vote=="Y")</pre>
```

Before defining the table it is important to understand the question. Our interest is in finding the association of education and voting YES.

```
tab <- xtabs(-PS_educ + voteYES, data=Chile)
tab <- tab[ , c("TRUE", "FALSE")]; tab

## voteYES
## PS_educ TRUE FALSE
## FALSE 733 1351
## TRUE 130 308</pre>
```

- Proportion who have no higher education and voted YES: $\hat{p}_y = \frac{733}{1351 + 733} = 0.352$
- Proportion who have higher education and voted YES: $\hat{p}_x = \frac{130}{130+308} = 0.297$
- Difference of the two proportions: $\hat{p}_y \hat{p}_x = 0.297 0.352 = -0.054$
- Formulae for calculation of CI, se_d , se_0 , and z score can be seen in the main lecture

• I use R to directly calculate

```
##
## 2-sample test for equality of proportions with continuity
## correction
##
## Ata: tab
## X-squared = 4.61, df = 1, p-value = 0.0318
## alternative hypothesis: two.sided
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 0.00609977 0.10374782
## sample estimates:
## prop 1 prop 2
## 0.351777 0.296804
```

P value is less than 5%, we can clearly reject the null hypothesis. This means there is statistical difference in the two proportions. This implies that people who have no higher education have a higher tendency to vote for a YES as compared to people who have higher education.