

# Learning Objectives

- **Select** the proper inferential test when comparing two groups
- **Describe** conditions under which we would select a *paired-samples t-test*
- **Conduct** a paired *t*-test
  - With effect size!

# Which test to use?

*What do we want?*

Is our mean different from a specific population mean ( $\mu$ )?



Are these two sample means different from each other?



# Paired-Samples $t$ -test

- a.k.a., repeated-measures  $t$ , dependent  $t$

## Requirements:

- Compare exactly 2 groups
- DV is interval/ratio (for parametric tests)
- DV is approximately normal
  - Or,  $N > 30$  (making distribution of  $\bar{X}$  approx. normal)
- Absence of outliers

However,  $t$ -tests are relatively **robust**, meaning violations of these assumptions are often not problematic

# Example: *Paired t-test*

- Stroop Color-Word task
  - $N = 10$
  - DV = ms until correct response

**Green** = rtSame

**Blue** = rtDifferent

# Equivalent Paired $t$ -test formulae

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Where,  $\mu_D = 0$

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# Paired *t*-test

rtDiff	rtSame
659	782
1183	577
1032	780
871	950
711	488
854	658
915	327
765	822
982	456
1092	539

$$t_{\text{obt}} = \frac{\bar{D}_{\text{obt}}}{\sqrt{\frac{SS_D}{N(N-1)}}}$$

$$\bar{D}_{\text{obt}} = \frac{\Sigma D}{N} = \frac{2685}{10} = 268.5$$

$$SS_D = \Sigma D^2 - \frac{(\Sigma D)^2}{N}$$

# Paired $t$ -test

$$N = 10$$

$$\Sigma D = 2,685$$

$$\Sigma D^2 = 1,471,733$$

$$\bar{D}_{\text{obt}} = 268.5$$

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$$= 1,471,733 - \frac{2,685^2}{10} = 750,810.5$$



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$$t_{\text{obt}} = \frac{\bar{D}_{\text{obt}}}{\sqrt{\frac{SS_D}{N(N-1)}}}$$

$$t_{\text{obt}} = \frac{268.5}{\sqrt{\frac{750,810.5}{90}}}$$

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$$t_{\text{obt}} = \frac{268.5}{91.3364}$$

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$$t_{\text{crit}} = \dots$$

$$\alpha_{2\text{-tail}} = .05$$

$$df = N - 1$$

$$t_{\text{obt}} = 2.940$$

$$t_{\text{crit}} = \pm 2.262$$

$$t_{\text{obt}} > t_{\text{crit}}$$

**Decision:** Reject  $H_0$

APA reporting with  $p$ -value calculated in Jamovi:

“People responded slower to mismatching- vs. matching-Stroop trials,  $t(9) = 2.940$ ,  $p = .017$ .”

# Cohen's $d_z$

$$N = 10$$

$$\Sigma D = 2685$$

$$\Sigma D^2 = 1471733$$

$$\bar{D}_{\text{obt}} = 268.5$$

$$SS_D = 750,810.5$$

$$s_D = 288.83$$

$$t_{\text{obt}} = 2.940$$

$$t_{\text{crit}} = \pm 2.262$$

$$\alpha_{2\text{-tail}} = .05$$

$$df = 9$$

$$\text{Cohen's } d_z = \frac{\bar{D}_{\text{obt}}}{s_D}$$

$$s_D = \sqrt{\frac{SS_D}{N-1}} = \sqrt{\frac{750,810.5}{9}} = 288.83$$

$$d_z = \frac{\bar{D}_{\text{obt}}}{s_D} = \frac{268.5}{288.83} = .930$$

How large is this effect?

# Comparing *paired t-test* vs. *sign test*

rtDiff	rtSame	<i>D</i>	<i>Sign</i>
659	782	-123	-
1183	577	606	+
1032	780	252	+
871	950	-79	-
711	488	223	+
854	658	196	+
915	327	588	+
765	822	-57	-
982	456	526	+
1092	539	553	+

$$t = 2.940, p = .017$$

$$P(\geq 7) = .172^*$$

*When N=10*

*\*This is for 1-tail test. For non-directional test, multiply by 2 to account for  $P(\leq 3)$ ; which is the other tail of binomial dist.*

$P_{2\text{-tail}}$  for our result or even more extreme (positive or negative) is  $p = .344$