

Exercise 1

Spring 2021 STAT400 Homework 10 Solutions

King Joffrey's mom has a million muffins and thinks that at least half of them are poisoned. She obtains a random sample of a sample of 200 muffins and finds that only 80 of them are poisoned. She now thinks it's possible that fewer than half are poisoned. Let p represent the true proportion of poisoned muffins.

- (1.5 points) Perform an appropriate test at significance level $\alpha = 0.01$ to test her hypothesis.
- (1 point) Change the Null Hypothesis from 1(a) to $p \geq 0.4$, and perform a test at significance level $\alpha = 0.05$.
- (0.5 point) Create a 95% confidence interval for p .
- (0.5 point) Create a 95% confidence upper bound for p .

$$\text{a) } H_0: p \geq 0.50$$

$$H_a: p < 0.50$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{80}{200} = 0.40; \quad \text{standard error} : \sqrt{\frac{0.50(1-0.50)}{200}} \approx 0.035355$$

$$\text{test statistic} : z = \frac{0.40 - 0.50}{0.035355} \approx -2.8284 \rightarrow \text{p-value} \approx 0.0023389$$

Because $p\text{-value} < \alpha$, we reject the null hypothesis. To a 99% confidence level, we have sufficient evidence to conclude the true proportion of poisonous muffins is less than 0.50.

$$\text{b) } H_0: p \geq 0.40$$

$$H_a: p < 0.40$$

$$\hat{p} = 0.40; \quad \text{test statistic} : z = \frac{0.40 - 0.40}{\sqrt{\frac{0.40(1-0.60)}{200}}} = 0 \rightarrow \text{p-value} = 0.50$$

Because $p\text{-value} > \alpha$, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. To a 95% confidence level, we do not have sufficient evidence to conclude the true proportion is less than 0.40.

$$\text{c) } \hat{p} = 0.40$$

$$\text{standard error} = \sqrt{\frac{0.40(1-0.40)}{200}} \approx 0.03464; \quad z_{\alpha/2} \approx 1.95996$$

$$(0.3321, 0.4679)$$

$$\text{d) } z_{\alpha} \approx 1.64485$$

$$(0, 0.45698)$$

Exercise 2

Vision is at the new Infinity Stone kiosk at Marketplace Mall. His current Infinity Stone allows him to fire lasers with high accuracy. If he is shooting at targets a mile away, his laser blasts are currently on target $\mu_{current} = 0$, but have a (population) standard deviation of $\sigma_{current} = 2\text{cm}$.

With the new infinity stone, he tries shooting the same target, and misses by the following amounts:

new.laser = c(1.3, -0.8, 2.3, 3.3, 2.7, 5.8, 0.6, 0.2, 2.0, 0.0)

*Notes:

- 0 means the shot was on target, negative means it missed to the left, and positive means it missed to the right.
 - Assume we don't care about missing up or down.
 - You may use R to calculate s^2
- a) (1.5 point) Perform a hypothesis test at $\alpha = 0.05$ to test whether there is sufficient evidence to suggest that the new Infinity Stone gives his laser blasts a smaller standard deviation, σ_{new} than the current one.
- b) (1 point) Vision is noticing that these measurements have more positive numbers than negative ones but Wanda is not around to interpret Stats things for him. Perform an appropriate test at $\alpha = 0.05$ to see whether the new stone still keeps his lasers centered on target (e.g. whether $\mu_{new} = 0$ for the new stone).
- c) (0.5 points) Create a 95% Confidence interval for σ_{new} .
- d) (0.5 points) Create a 95% Confidence interval for μ_{new} .

a) $H_0: \sigma_{new} \geq 2.0\text{ cm}$

$H_a: \sigma_{current} < 2.0\text{ cm}$

test statistic: $\chi^2_9 = \frac{(10-1) \cdot 3.7293}{(2.0)^2} = 8.3910 \rightarrow \text{p-value} \approx 0.5047$

Because p-value $> \alpha$, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. To a 95% confidence level, we do not have sufficient evidence to conclude the new Infinity Stone is more precise than the current.

b) $H_0: \mu_{new} = 0$

$H_a: \mu_{new} \neq 0$

$\bar{x} = 1.74$; $s \approx 1.931148$; $SE = \frac{1.931148}{\sqrt{10}} \rightarrow \text{test statistic: } t_9 = \frac{1.74}{0.6106827} \approx 2.84927$

p-value ≈ 0.019112 Because p-value $< \alpha$, we reject the null hypothesis. To a 95% confidence level, we have significant evidence to conclude the new lasers are not centered.

c) $\chi^2_{0.025,9} = 2.700389$; $\chi^2_{0.975,9} = 19.02277$

95% Confidence Interval for σ_{new}^2 : $\left(\frac{9 \cdot 3.7293}{19.02277}, \frac{9 \cdot 3.7293}{2.700389} \right) = (1.764412, 12.42932)$

95% Confidence Interval for σ_{new} : $(1.328312, 3.525524)$

d) $t_{\alpha/2,9} = 2.262157$; standard error = $\frac{1.931148}{\sqrt{10}} \approx 0.6106827$; $\bar{x} = 1.74$

95% Confidence Interval for $\mu_{new} = (1.74 - 2.26 \cdot 0.6107, 1.74 + 2.26 \cdot 0.6107)$

95% Confidence Interval for $\mu_{new} = (0.3585, 3.12146)$

Exercise 3

Albert collects two samples of exam scores for the same midterm: students who are reading the textbook (Group 1), and students who **are not** reading the textbook (Group 2), and notices that exams scores seem lower in group 2.

Test whether this difference is significant or not. Here are some summary statistics:

Group 1: $n_1 = 30$, $\bar{x} = 92.2$. $s_X = 2.5$,

Group 2: $n_2 = 20$, $\bar{y} = 83.1$. $s_Y = 4.0$

- (1.5 points) Perform the appropriate test to determine if this difference is significant at $\alpha = 0.05$, using Welch's formula for degrees of freedom. Please show all work. Identify your test statistic, calculate its value and distribution under H_0 (show your work for the df calculation), p-value, and decision.
- (1 point) Perform a similar appropriate test at $\alpha = 0.05$, but now assume that there is equal variance between the two groups (use pooled variance)
- (0.5 points) How many degrees of freedom would there be if we used the conservative method instead of Welch's t? Would you expect the p-value to be larger or smaller than using Welch's?

$$a) H_0: X \leq Y \rightarrow X - Y \leq 0$$

$$H_a: X > Y \rightarrow X - Y > 0$$

$$\text{Welch's df} = \left\lfloor \frac{\left(\frac{2.5^2}{30} + \frac{4.0^2}{20}\right)^2}{\frac{1}{29}\left(\frac{2.5^2}{30}\right) + \frac{1}{19}\left(\frac{4.0^2}{20}\right)} \right\rfloor = 28 ; \text{Standard error} = \sqrt{\frac{2.5^2}{30} + \frac{4.0^2}{20}} \approx 1.004158$$

$$\text{test statistic} : t = \frac{92.2 - 83.1}{1.004158} \approx 9.062319 \rightarrow \text{p-value} = 0$$

Because $p\text{-value} < \alpha$, we reject the null hypothesis. To a 95% confidence level, we have sufficient evidence to conclude that students who read the textbook score better.

$$b) H_0: X \leq Y \rightarrow X - Y \leq 0$$

$$H_a: X > Y \rightarrow X - Y > 0$$

$$s_{\text{pooled}} = \sqrt{\frac{29 \cdot 2.5^2 + 19 \cdot 4.0^2}{30 + 20 - 2}} \approx 3.1795$$

$$t\text{-statistic} = \frac{92.2 - 83.1}{3.1795 \sqrt{\frac{1}{30} + \frac{1}{20}}} \approx 9.91448, \text{ df} = 30 + 20 - 2 = 48 \rightarrow \text{p-value} = 0$$

Because $p\text{-value} < \alpha$, we reject the null hypothesis. To a 95% confidence level, we have sufficient evidence to conclude that students who read the textbook score better.

$$c) \text{conservative df} = \min(30, 20) - 1 = 19$$

I would expect the p-value from the conservative df method to be greater than using Welch's.