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(i) This problem relates to the methods we learned in class because it requires an understanding of R, p-values, confidence intervals and paired data.

Let μ_1 = average percentage of soil passing through sieve at location 1

Let μ_2 = average percentage of soil passing through sieve at location 2

$H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$

$H_a: \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0$

(a)

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Soil=read.table("SoilDataNhi.txt", header = T)
attach(soil)
t.test(Soil1, Soil2, paired = T)

Paired t-test

data: Soil1 and Soil2
t = -2.182, df = 31, p-value = 0.03681
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -5.4896542 -0.1853458
sample estimates:
mean of the differences
 -2.8375
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From the output, we are 95% certain that the true difference in means lies between -5.4896542 and -0.1853458.

(b)

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wilcox.test(Soil1, Soil2, conf.int=T, conf.level=0.95,
            paired=TRUE)

Wilcoxon signed rank test with continuity correction

data: Soil1 and Soil2
V = 141, p-value = 0.03688
alternative hypothesis: true location shift is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -5.4500073 -0.1000166
sample estimates:
(pseudo)median
 -2.949974
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By utilizing our signed-rank procedure, we find that the resulting p-value and 95% confidence interval are remarkably similar to those found in part (a).