

**EXAMPLE**

Healthy streams  
Performing a significance test about  $\mu$



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**PROBLEM:** The level of dissolved oxygen (DO) in a stream or river is an important indicator of the water's ability to support aquatic life. A researcher measures the DO level at 15 randomly chosen locations along a stream. Here are the results in milligrams per liter (mg/l):

4.53	5.04	3.29	5.23	4.13	5.50	4.83	4.40
5.42	6.38	4.01	4.66	2.87	5.73	5.55	

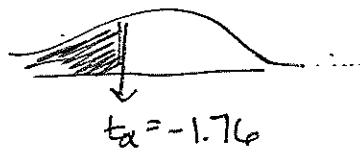
An average dissolved oxygen level below 5 mg/l puts aquatic life at risk.

- (a) Do the data provide convincing evidence at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  significance level that aquatic life in this stream is at risk?
- (b) Given your conclusion in part (a), which kind of mistake—a Type I error or a Type II error—could you have made? Explain what this mistake would mean in context.

$n=15$   
 $H_0: \mu = 5$       The data has slight skewness <sup>(left)</sup> as seen  
 $H_a: \mu < 5$       By the Box plot. w/  $n=15$ , use t-test. (no pop st. Dev)

The parameter of interest is the mean DO level in a stream.

$\bar{x} = 4.77$   
 $S_x = .9396$



$$t = \frac{4.77 - 5}{\frac{.9396}{\sqrt{15}}} = \frac{-.23}{.243} = -.9465$$

There is insufficient evidence to reject the  $H_0$  (null)  $\mu = 5$  therefore we do not have evidence to support a claim that the DO level is less than 5 putting aquatic life at risk.

(b) Potentially made a type II error. If we made a type II error which we would not support an insufficient DO level when in fact it may be unacceptable - this could result in Aquatic life being at risk

\* STATE  $H_0 + H_a$

③ How much juice? One company's bottles of grapefruit juice are filled by a machine that is set to dispense an average of 180 milliliters (ml) of liquid. A quality-control inspector must check that the machine is working properly. The inspector takes a random sample of 40 bottles and measures the volume of liquid in each bottle.

$H_0: \mu = 180$   
 $H_a: \mu \neq 180$

4. Attitudes The Survey of Study Habits and Attitudes (SSHA) is a psychological test that measures students' attitudes toward school and study habits. Scores range from 0 to 200. Higher scores indicate better attitudes and study habits. The mean score for U.S. college students is about 115. A teacher suspects that older students have better attitudes toward school, on average. She gives the SSHA to an SRS of 45 of the over 1000 students at her college who are at least 30 years of age.

⑤ Cold cabin? During the winter months, the temperatures at the Starneses' Colorado cabin can stay well below freezing (32°F or 0°C) for weeks at a time. To prevent the pipes from freezing, Mrs. Starnes sets the thermostat at 50°F. The manufacturer claims that the thermostat allows variation in home temperature of  $\sigma = 3^\circ\text{F}$ . Mrs. Starnes suspects that the manufacturer is overstating the consistency of the thermostat.

$H_0: \sigma = 3$   
 $H_a: \sigma > 3$

6. Ski jump When ski jumpers take off, the distance they fly varies considerably depending on their speed, skill, and wind conditions. Event organizers must position the landing area to allow for differences in the distances that the athletes fly. For a particular competition, the organizers estimate that the variation in distance flown by the athletes will be  $\sigma = 10$  meters. An experienced jumper thinks that the organizers are underestimating the variation.

In Exercises 7 and 8, explain what's wrong with the stated hypotheses. Then give correct hypotheses.

7. Stating hypotheses

(a) A change is made that should improve student satisfaction with the parking situation at a local high school. Before the change, 37% of students approve of the parking that's provided. The null hypothesis  $H_0: p > 0.37$  is tested against the alternative  $H_a: p = 0.37$ .

$H_0 =$   
 $H_a >$

(b) A researcher suspects that the mean birth weights of babies whose mothers did not see a doctor before delivery is less than 3000 grams. The researcher states the hypotheses as

$H_0: \bar{x} = 3000$  grams  
 $H_a: \bar{x} < 3000$  grams

8. Stating hypotheses

(a) A change is made that should improve student satisfaction with the parking situation at your school.

Before the change, 37% of students approve of the parking that's provided. The null hypothesis  $H_0: \hat{p} = 0.37$  is tested against the alternative  $H_a: \hat{p} > 0.37$ .

(b) A researcher suspects that the mean birth weights of babies whose mothers did not see a doctor before delivery is less than 3000 grams. The researcher states the hypotheses as

$H_0: \mu = 3000$  grams  
 $H_a: \mu \leq 2999$  grams

9. No homework? Refer to Exercise 1. The math teachers inspect the homework assignments from a random sample of 50 students at the school. Only 68% of the students completed their math homework. A significance test yields a P-value of 0.1265.

(a) Explain what it would mean for the null hypothesis to be true in this setting.  
 (b) Interpret the P-value.

10. Attitudes Refer to Exercise 4. In the study of older students' attitudes, the sample mean SSHA score was 125.7 and the sample standard deviation was 29.8. A significance test yields a P-value of 0.0101.

(a) Explain what it would mean for the null hypothesis to be true in this setting.  
 (b) Interpret the P-value.

11 How much juice? Refer to Exercise 3. The mean amount of liquid in the bottles is 179.6 ml and the standard deviation is 1.3 ml. A significance test yields a P-value of 0.0589. Interpret the P-value.

12. Don't argue Refer to Exercise 2. Yvonne finds that 96 of the 150 students (64%) say they rarely or never argue with friends. A significance test yields a P-value of 0.0291. Interpret the P-value.

13 Interpreting a P-value A student performs a test of  $H_0: \mu = 100$  versus  $H_a: \mu > 100$  and gets a P-value of 0.044. The student says, "There is a 0.044 probability of getting the sample result I did by chance alone." Explain why the student's explanation is wrong.

14. Interpreting a P-value A student performs a test of  $H_0: p = 0.3$  versus  $H_a: p < 0.3$  and gets a P-value of 0.22. The student says, "This means there is about a 22% chance that the null hypothesis is true." Explain why the student's explanation is wrong.

15. No homework Refer to Exercises 1 and 9. What conclusion would you make at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level?

16. Attitudes Refer to Exercises 4 and 10. What conclusion would you make at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level?

# packet

(11)  $P = .0589$  is relatively small  $\rightarrow$  significantly small enough to reject  $H_0 = 180$  and say it's underfilling

(12) prob of getting a sample result at least as extreme as the one we got in the  $H_0$  ( $\mu = 100$ ) was true so .044 or 4.4% chance of getting a  $\bar{x}$  at least as big as 100

(13)  $\alpha = .10$  P value  $.0589 < .10 \Rightarrow$  Reject Null ( $\mu = 180$ )  
(b) if  $\alpha = .05$  my result would change to FTR  $H_0$  B/C  $.0589 > .05$ .

(21)  $H_0: \mu = 1$   $\bar{x} = .975$ . The parameter of interest is the mean weight of all loaves of bread  
 $H_a: \mu < 1$   
p value =  $.0806$   
 $\alpha = .01$   $> .0806 > .01 \Rightarrow$  FTR  $H_0$

There is insufficient evidence to reject the  $H_0 \rightarrow$  Bread mean = 1 and support the claim that they are too light at an  $\alpha = .01$

(23)  $H_0: \mu = \$85K$   $H_a: \mu > \$85K$  (test) A type I error would be to conclude a false rejection of  $H_0$  ( $\mu = 85K$ ) and take the alternative assuming income  $> 85K$ . This consequence would be opening an upscale restaurant in a neighborhood whose income can't support it  $\Rightarrow$  no business.

A type II error would be falsely failing to reject  $H_0$  and thus not opening the restaurant and thus missing out on an opportunity

$H_0: p = 12$   
 $H_a: p > 12$

Reject  $H_0$  falsely

(24) A Type I error would be concluding our alternative is correct when we should not have. This means we would air show but not get the viewers expected. A Type II error would be falsely FTR  $H_0$  and then not airing the show that would have been successful.

(25)  $H_0: p = .22$   $\alpha = .05$  Parameter is proportion of calls involving life threatening emergencies that take more than 8 min. to arrive.  
 $H_a: p < .22$   
 test if less than 22%

Type I Error: Reject  $H_0$  + should not have. If we reject  $p = .22$  and say its less than .22 (falsely) then adjustments cant be made / wont be made for better service + life threatening response time is  $> 8$  min for more people than thought.

Type II error: FTR  $H_0$  + should have rejected it. If we dont reject  $p = .22$  but in fact its actually less than .22 then responders get possible reprimand for not doing better.

(b) Type I worse in this case

(c)  $\alpha = .05 \Rightarrow 5\%$  chance making a type I error when is low. I think  $.01 = \alpha$  would be better considering study to help save lives.

(29) d (30) a (31) C Assuming  $H_0$  true

(33) (a)  $P(\text{Deg by wom}) = .4168 \leftarrow (.7)(.43) + (.24)(.41) + (.06)(.29)$   
 $(24,611)(.4168) = 10,258$   
 (b) not independent

(34) The mistake is in saying that 95% of other polls would have results close to the result of the poll. Other surveys should be close to the truth, not necessarily close to the result of this survey.

(35) Conditions

SRS ✓ Random ✓  
 10% rule  $60 \times 10 = 600 \rightarrow$  more than 600 at his "large urban school"  
 $n p_0 \geq 10 \Rightarrow 60(.8) = 48 \geq 10 \checkmark$   
 $n q_0 \geq 10 \Rightarrow 60(.2) = 12 \geq 10 \checkmark$  normal

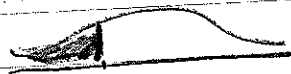
(38) Conditions

random  $\rightarrow$  no SES - vol. response

$H_0: p = .80$     $H_a: p < .80$     $\hat{p} = \frac{41}{60} = .683$     $\alpha = .05$

(39) (a)  $z = -2.26$

$P\text{-value} = .0119$



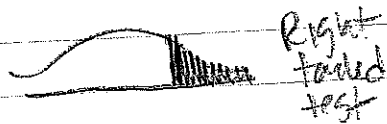
$.0119 < .05$     $z = -1.645$   
 $z = -2.26 < z^* = 1.645$   
 $\rightarrow$  Reject  $H_0$ .

Sufficient evidence at  $\alpha = .05$  to reject the null  $p = .80$  and support claim  $p < .80$ .

(41) (a)  $P(z \geq 2.19) = 0.0143$

b)  $\alpha = .01$     $0.0143 > .01$  FTR  $H_0$   
 If  $\alpha = .05 \rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$

Decision changes B/c  $.0143 < .05$

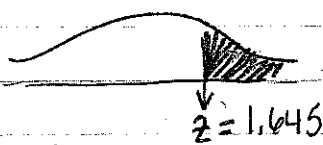


(c)  $2.19 = \frac{\hat{p} - .5}{\sqrt{\frac{(.5)(.5)}{200}}} \Rightarrow \hat{p} = .5774$

43) The parameter of interest is the true proportion of students (middle school) w/ bullying behavior.

Conditions  
 random ✓  
 10% rule ✓  
 $np_0 \geq 10$  ✓  
 $nq_0 \geq 10$  ✓

$H_0: p = .75$   
 $H_a: p > .75$   
 media claim



$$\hat{p} = \frac{445}{558} = .797$$

$$z = \frac{.797 - .75}{\sqrt{\frac{(.75)(.25)}{558}}} = 2.59 \rightarrow \text{Reject } H_0$$

$p\text{-val} = .004$   
 $.004 < .05$  (2-tail)

At  $\alpha = .05$ , there is sufficient evidence to reject the null  $p = .75$  and support the claim that the true proportion of M.S. students w/ bullying behavior is greater than .75

44) The parameter of interest is the true proportion of seeds that will germinate

Conditions  
 SRS ✓  
 10% rule ✓

$H_0: p = .8$   
 $H_a: p > .8$   
 $\hat{p} = \frac{339}{400} = .8475$



$$z = \frac{.8475 - .8}{\sqrt{\frac{(.8)(.2)}{400}}} = 2.375 \rightarrow \text{Reject } H_0$$

$p\text{-val} = .0088$   
 $.0088 < .05$

There is sufficient evidence @  $\alpha = .05$  to reject null that  $p = .8$  and accept the alternative that the true proportion is greater than .8

45)  $H_0: p = .37$   $\hat{p} = \frac{83}{200} = .415$  if  $\alpha = .05$   $p\text{-value} = .093$   $.093 > .05 \rightarrow \text{Fail to reject } H_0$   
 $H_a: p > .37$

Type I error: Reject  $H_0$  & should not have. If we were to falsely reject  $H_0$  & accept claim, it would falsely show more than 37% approve the parking plan. Type II error: Fail to reject  $H_0$  & should have rejected. If we don't reject  $H_0$  we would not support claim of  $p_0 > .37$  when we should have. In this case, insuff. evidence to support claim based on  $\alpha = .05$  (above)

SRS ✓  
 ✓ # 300 < 10% of 5000 Alzheimer patients  
 (46)  $H_0: p = .10$   
 $H_a: p < .10$   
 $\frac{25}{300} = \hat{p} = .083$   $p\text{-val} = .168$   
 $\alpha = .05$   $.168 > .05$  Fail to

Type I Error: Reject  $H_0$  should not have. In this case a Type I error would conclude that the  $p = .10$  is not true for patients experiencing nausea + support comp claims that less than 10% exp. nausea erroneously. They would dispense the med under false side effect assumption.

Type II Error would occur if we did not reject the .10 of patients exp. nausea & thus not support the market claim & potentially not dispensing the drug treatment or see more people exp. nausea than thought.

At a significance level of .05, we cannot reject the  $H_0$  so there is not enough evidence to support the claim.

(52)  $H_0: p = .73$   
 CONDT  $H_a: p \neq .73$   
 Wb ruler  $\hat{p} = .66$   
 $n\hat{p}/n\hat{q} \geq 10$   $\alpha = .05/2 = .025$   $p = .026$   
 SRS ✓  $z^* = \pm 1.96$   $z = -2.23$  reject

At an  $\alpha = .05$ , there is sufficient evidence to reject the  $H_0$  and support the claim that the proportion is diff. from the national value of .73

(58)  $\alpha = .05$   $p = .011$   $z = 2.53$   $n = 439$   $x = 249$   
 USC  $\hat{p} = .5$   $n\hat{p} = 439(.5) \geq 10$   
 $n\hat{q} = 439(.5) \geq 10$  } normal

parameter of interest is

proportion of 13-17yo who feel

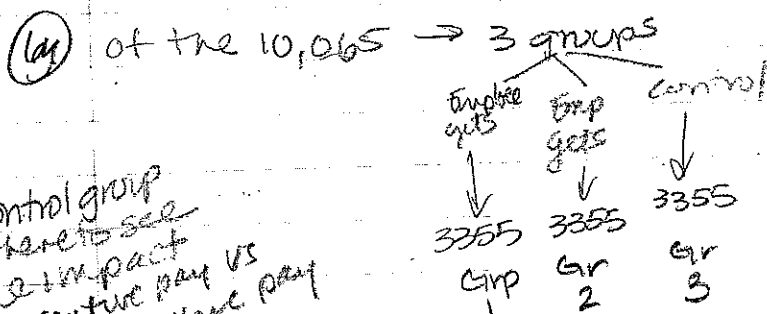
they should wait till marriage

$p = .011 \Rightarrow$  slow and  $< .05$  ( $\alpha$ )

which is significant enough to reject  $H_0$  and support claim that its different  
 mean<sup>prop</sup> of .56

(63) The distribution of  $X-Y$  has a normal distribution with  $\mu_{X-Y} = \mu_X - \mu_Y = 5.3 - 5.26 = .04$  and standard deviation  $\sigma_{X-Y} = \sqrt{\sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2} = \sqrt{0.01^2 + 0.02^2} = .0224$ . It is important that  $X-Y$  is a positive #

(a)  $P(X-Y > 0) \Rightarrow$   
 normal cdf  $(0, \infty, .04, .0224) = .963 = 96.3\%$  chance the mean diff  $> 0$



control group  
 here to see  
 true impact  
 w/ incentive pay vs  
 no incentive pay

Random # generator  
 $\rightarrow$  use # 1,2,3. go down  
 list + use next # to  
 assign the person to  
 a group.

(60) SRS  $\checkmark$   
 $\checkmark$  10% rule:  $75(10) = 750$  likely to dispense more than 750 bags in a day  
 sample  $\geq 30 \Rightarrow$  normal.

(68) (a) The parameter of interest is the proportion of invoices that contain items that # can be found lower than what charging.

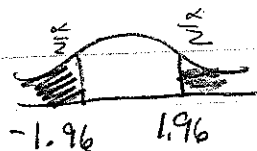
$H_0: p = .5$      $n\hat{p} = 25(.5) = 12.5$   
 $H_a: p < .5$      $n\hat{q} = 25(.2) = 5$  } not normal  
 strong skew right  
 conditions not met  
 SRS  $\checkmark$      $25(10) = 250 \checkmark$



\* T-test.

(69)  $H_0: \mu = 64$   $H_a: \mu \neq 64$   $\alpha = .05$

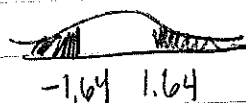
$t = \frac{62.8 - 64}{5.36/\sqrt{65}} = -1.02$   
 FTReject  $H_0$



$p\text{-val} = .137 \times 2 = .2738$

Because given/calculated mean is less than (different from) 64, it may support Alternative. This was found to not be supported based on t-test

(72)  $z = \frac{19.28 - 19.2}{.8/\sqrt{75}} = .889$



$\alpha = .10/2$

$p = .051 \times 2 = .101 < .1$

conclusion: There is insufficient evidence to support claim w/  $\alpha = .1$ . Pvalue = .101 > .01 therefore we fail to reject the null that the true mean is 19.2 + support the claim that it is different from that

(74)  $H_0: \mu_d = 0$   
 $H_a: \mu_d > 0$   
 claim

(Aft - bef)

The parameter of interest is the mean difference of additional hours people get w/ drug.

L1 → data T-test (#2)

$t = 3.67$   $p = .002$

$.002 < .01 \rightarrow$  Reject  $H_0$ .

$\bar{x} = 2.33$   $s_x = 2.00$

There is sufficient evidence @  $\alpha = .01$  to support the claim that the drug will offer ~~the~~ insomniacs more sleep. Possible Type I error ( $P(\text{Type I}) = .01$ ), which could mean that insomniacs will take the drug and not get the anticipated extra sleep.

77  $H_0: \mu = 11.5$   $\mu$  is the true mean hardness  
 $H_a: \mu \neq 11.5$  of tablets using  $\alpha = .05$   
use t-test ( $n = 20$ )

$t = .77$

$p = .4494$

10% rule, normal  $\rightarrow$  check graph for  
skewness/outliers.

$.4494 > .05 \rightarrow$  Fail to reject  $H_0 \rightarrow$  can not reject  $\mu$  hardness of 11.5  
no evidence to support the alternative that it is  
~~less than~~ different from 11.5.

mult. choice

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