

I . Short Review

1. STATA

- Command : mean ‘var’, ci ‘var’, ttest ‘var’ == ‘H₀ value’
- For two sample t test : ttest ‘var’ , by(‘var’)
- Interpreting the table in STATA will be covered in the session.

2. Testing Hypotheses for Difference Between Two Means

- Step 1: Determine Appropriate Test

If N_1 and $N_2 \geq 20$, $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \sim N(\mu_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}, \sigma_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2})$. $\sigma_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{S_1^2}{N_1} + \frac{S_2^2}{N_2}}$

If N_1 or $N_2 < 20$, $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \sim t(\mu_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}, \sigma_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}, N_1+N_2-2)$.

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2} = \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_1} + \frac{1}{N_2}}, \quad \hat{\sigma}(\text{pooled variance}) = \sqrt{\frac{(S_1^2(N_1-1)) + (S_2^2(N_2-1))}{N_1+N_2-2}}$$

- Step 2: Formulate the Null Hypothesis

$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$ or $\mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$; $H_A: \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$ or $\mu_1 >$ or $< \mu_2$

- Step 3: Calculate the Test Statistic

$$Z_{\text{obs}} \text{ or } t_{\text{obs}} = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2})}{\sigma_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}}$$

- Step 4: Find Critical Value (95%)

$Z_{\text{crit}} = 1.96$ (two tailed test. For one tail : 1.65, sign is important)

t_{crit} : Find a value with DoF and $\alpha = 0.05$

- Step 5: Compare Critical to Observed

- Step 6: Decide on Null Hypothesis Reject H_0 , and Interpretation.

II. Problems

1. Fill in the blank (?)

ttest realrinc == 19000					
One-sample t test					
Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
realrinc	689	21833.32	788.6	20699.81	(?)
mean = mean(realrinc)					t = 3.5929
Ho: mean = 19000					DoF = 688
Ha: mean < 19000		Ha: mean != 19000		Ha: mean > 19000	
Pr(T < t) = 0.9998		Pr(T > t) = 0.0004		Pr(T > t) = 0.0002	

2. Fill in the blank, and what is the result of the test

Two-sample t test with unequal variances					
Group	Obs	Mean	Std. Err.	Std. Dev.	[95% Conf. Interval]
0	351	16850.78	899.9806	16861.13	15080.73 18620.83
1	338	27007.51	1248.421	22951.94	24551.83 29463.18
combined	689	21833.32	788.6	20699.81	20284.97 23381.68
Diff:	(? mean)		(? Std.err)		
diff = mean(0) - mean(1)					t = (?)

3. Ten cigarettes of Brand A had an average nicotine content of 3.1mm with standard deviation of 0.5mm, while eight cigarettes of Brand B had an average nicotine content of 2.7mm with standard deviation of 0.7mm. Test the difference. (Assumption : two sets of data is independent)