

Confidence interval, sample-size formula and test statistic, concerning:

Population mean : (large sample, $n > 30$):

$$\bar{x} \pm z_c \times \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \qquad n = \left(\frac{z_c \times s}{E} \right)^2 \qquad \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s} \times \sqrt{n}$$

Replace s by F if available (rare).

EXAMPLE: A random sample of 55 from a specific population yields the mean of 73.5 and standard deviation of 13.2 .

i) Construct 90% confidence interval for the population mean:

$$73.5 \pm 1.645 \times 13.2 \div \sqrt{55} = 73.5 \pm 2.93$$

Answer: **(70.57, 76.43)**

ii) How many more observations would we need to be within 1 unit of the correct answer (using the same level of confidence)?

$$(1.645 \times 13.2 \div 1)^2 = 471.498$$

Answer: $472 - 55 = 417$

iii) Test $H_0: \mu = 75$ against $H_1: \mu < 75$ using $\alpha = 1\%$

Critical value: -2.326

Computed value: $(73.5 - 75) \times \sqrt{55} \div 13.2 = -0.843$

Not enough evidence to reject H_0 .

Small sample: Need Normal population, use t_{n-1} instead of z .

EXAMPLE: Consider the following (random independent) sample: 72, 81, 69, 77, 73, from a specific Normal population.

i) Construct a 80% confidence interval for : .

$$Gx = 372, \quad Gx^2 = 27764, \quad \bar{x} = 372 \div 5 = 74.4$$

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{27764 - 372^2 / 5}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{87.2}{4}} = 4.669$$

$$74.4 \pm 1.533 \times 4.669 \div \sqrt{5} = 74.4 \pm 3.20 \text{ or } (71.20, 77.60)$$

ii) Test $H_0: \mu = 75$ against $H_1: \mu < 75$ using $\alpha = 1\%$

Critical value: -3.747

$$\text{Computed value: } (74.4 - 75) \times \sqrt{5} \div 4.669 = -0.287$$

Not enough evidence to reject H_0 .

Population proportion p ($n\hat{p} > 5, n\hat{q} > 5$):

$$\hat{p} \pm z_c \times \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p} \times \hat{q}}{n}} \quad \hat{p} \times \hat{q} \times \left(\frac{z_c}{E}\right)^2 \quad \frac{\hat{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0 \times q_0}{n}}}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \times \left(\frac{z_c}{E}\right)^2$$

EXAMPLE: In a sample of 72 Brock students, 37 use a bus to get to school.

i) The 95% CI for the proportion of all Brock students who use bus is: $\frac{37}{72} \pm 1.96 \times \sqrt{\frac{37 \times (72 - 37)}{72^3}} = 0.514 \pm 0.115$ or (39.9%, 62.9%)

ii) How many students (in total) do we need to sample to reduce the margin of error to $\pm 3\%$?

$$\frac{37 \times (72 - 37)}{72^2} \times (1.96 \div 0.03)^2 = 1066.3 \quad \text{ie. } 1067$$

iii) Test $H_0: p = 1/2$ against $H_1: p \neq 1/2$ using $\alpha = 5\%$

Critical values: ± 1.96 Computed (observed) value of the

test statistic: $\frac{37/72 - 1/2}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{72}}} = 0.2357$ (cannot reject H_0).

Difference in population means (large samples)

$$\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \pm z_c \times \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}} \qquad \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

EXAMPLE: A sample of 49 adult Canadian males had an average (sample mean) height of 179.2 cm, with the standard deviation of 7.4 cm. For a sample of 55 females, the average height was 167.8 cm, with the standard deviation of 9.4 cm.

i) Construct a 90% CI for the difference between the corresponding population means (male - female):

$$179.2 - 167.8 \pm 1.645 \times \sqrt{\frac{7.4^2}{49} + \frac{9.4^2}{55}} = 11.4 \pm 2.7 \quad \text{or}$$

(8.7 cm, 14.1 cm)

ii) Test $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$ against $H_1: \mu_1 > \mu_2$ using $\alpha = 1\%$
 The critical value is **2.326**, the computed value of the test statistic:

$$\frac{179.2 - 167.8}{\sqrt{\frac{7.4^2}{49} + \frac{9.4^2}{55}}} = \frac{11.4}{1.6505} = 6.907$$

Conclusion: Yes, this represents a highly significant evidence that the female population mean is smaller than that of the male population.

Small samples (at least one $n \geq 30$): Both populations must be *Normal* and have the *same* standard deviation σ . Also, use t instead of z .

$$\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \pm t_c \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} \times \sqrt{\frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}}$$

$\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$

and

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}} \times \sqrt{\frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}}$$

EXAMPLE: Same as before, except now our male sample consists of only 172, 181, 177, 183, 169 cm, and the female sample is: 162, 158, 174, 171 cm.

i) Same as before.

$$Gx_1 = 882, Gx_1^2 = 155724, Gx_2 = 665, Gx_2^2 = 110725$$

This implies that $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 = \frac{882}{5} - \frac{665}{4} = 10.15$ and

$$\begin{aligned} (n_1 - 1) s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1) s_2^2 &= \Sigma x_1^2 - \frac{(\Sigma x_1)^2}{n_1} + \Sigma x_2^2 - \frac{(\Sigma x_2)^2}{n_2} \\ &= 155724 - \frac{882^2}{5} + 110725 - \frac{665^2}{4} = 307.95 \end{aligned}$$

So, we have:

$$10.15 \pm 1.895 \times \sqrt{0.2 + 0.25} \times \sqrt{307.95/7} = 10.15 \pm 4.45 \quad \text{or} \\ (5.70, 14.60) \text{ cm}$$

ii) Same as before.

Critical value of t is 2.998, computed value of the test statistic is:

$$\frac{10.15}{\sqrt{0.2 + 0.25} \times \sqrt{307.95/7}} = 2.281$$

Conclusion: Now, we cannot reject the null hypothesis !!

Difference in population proportions (both samples 'large' in the $n\hat{p} > 5, n\hat{q} > 5$ sense).

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \pm z_c \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1 \hat{q}_1}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2 \hat{q}_2}{n_2}} \quad \frac{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right) \cdot \hat{p}_o \hat{q}_o}}$$

EXAMPLE: Out of a random sample of 51 Brock female students, 28 use bus to get to school, whereas for a sample of 42 male students the number is only 18.

i) Construct an 80% CI for the *populations'* difference:

$$\frac{28}{51} - \frac{18}{42} \pm 1.282 \times \sqrt{\frac{28 \times 23}{51^3} + \frac{18 \times 24}{42^3}} = 0.1204 \pm 0.1325 \quad \text{or} \\ (-1.21\%, 25.92\%)$$

ii) Test, using 5% level of significance, whether the two population proportions are the same, against the $p_F > p_M$ alternate.

Critical value (z_c) is 1.645, the computed value of the test statistic

is:
$$\frac{0.1204}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{51} + \frac{1}{42}\right) \cdot \frac{46}{93} \cdot \frac{47}{93}}} = \frac{0.1204}{0.1042} = 1.156$$

Conclusion: We don't have sufficient evidence to prove that the proportion of female students who use bus is higher than that of their male counterparts (at 5% level of significance).

Test for μ_d (the population mean of paired differences).

Test statistic:

$$\frac{\bar{d}}{s_d / \sqrt{n}}$$

EXAMPLE: A random sample of 7 cars was tested in terms of the distance travelled on one litre of regular, and one litre of high-octane gasoline. The results are given in the following table:

regular	7.31	11.23	8.60	9.42	10.08	10.70	8.18
hi-oct.	7.53	11.02	8.88	9.38	9.99	10.54	7.92

difference	-0.22	0.21	-0.28	0.04	0.09	0.16	0.26
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We have to assume that the distribution of these differences is (at least approximately) Normal.

$$H_0: \mu_d = 0 \quad H_1: \mu_d \neq 0 \quad \alpha = 5\%$$

Critical values: ± 2.447 (Using t with 6 df.)

To compute the test statistic, we first need $\bar{d} = 0.26$ and $S_d^2 = 0.2738$

$$\text{Then: } \frac{0.26 / 7}{\sqrt{\frac{0.2738 - 0.26^2 / 7}{6 \times 7}}} = \frac{0.03714}{0.07930} = 0.468$$

Conclusion: No statistical evidence that either type of gasoline would be more economical than the other (at any practical level of significance).

Regression:

$$SS_x = \sum x^2 - \frac{(\sum x)^2}{n}$$

$$SS_y = \sum y^2 - \frac{(\sum y)^2}{n}$$

$$SP_{xy} = \sum xy - \frac{(\sum x) \cdot (\sum y)}{n}$$

$$b = SP_{xy} / SS_x \quad \text{and} \quad a = \bar{y} - b \cdot \bar{x}$$

Best (**least-squares**) straight (regression) **line**:

$$y = bX + a$$

Prediction interval for a new value of y taken at x_o :

Point estimate:

$$y_p \equiv a + b \cdot x_o$$

Residual standard error:

$$s_r \equiv \sqrt{\frac{SS_y - b \cdot SP_{xy}}{n-2}}$$

PI:

$$y_p \pm t_c \cdot s_r \cdot \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_o - \bar{x})^2}{SS_x}}$$

(Use t distribution with $n-2$ df.)

To **test** $H_0: \beta = 0$ against , use $\frac{b}{s_r} \times \sqrt{SS_x}$

(same distribution).

Correlation coefficient: $r \equiv \frac{SP_{xy}}{\sqrt{SS_x \cdot SS_y}}$

Coefficient of determination: r^2 (in %)