

Data Analysis in Excel

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Hypothesis Testing with Excel

- Researchers are interested in answering many types of questions. For example,
 - Does a new medication lower blood pressure?
 - Does smoking cause death?
 - Does practicing sports reduce heart attacks?
- These types of questions can be addressed through **statistical hypothesis testing**.
- Hypothesis testing is a decision-making process for evaluating claims about a **population**.

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Hypothesis Testing : Null and Alternative Hypothesis

Research studies and testing usually formulate two hypotheses : One will describe the prediction while the other will describe all other possible outcomes. For example, you predict that there is no difference between A and B (null hypothesis). The only other possible outcome is that there is a difference (alternative hypothesis) between A and B .

Rejecting the null hypothesis is a central scientific task in all scientific research by proving the significance of the relationship between the phenomena.

- The **Null** hypothesis , denoted by H_0 (starting point in the hypothesis testing) .
- The **alternative** hypothesis, denoted by H_1

Both null and alternative hypothesis are necessary.

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Hypothesis Testing Approach

- **Neyman and Pearson approach:** selects between the null hypothesis H_0 And an **alternative hypothesis** H_1
- The alternative hypothesis H_1 is the complementary hypothesis of H_0 .

This Approach has become the standard in scientific research.

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Example :

Imagine that you have a **population** to which **no treatment** has been applied, and you already know the (mean and the standard deviation for this population). **Another population** exists same as the first but some treatment has been applied. You don't know the mean and the standard deviation for this population. Now samples are drawn from the second population and the statistics are derived from the sample.

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Example (cont.)

Hypothesis Testing steps :

- **Step 1: State the hypotheses:**

H0 : the treatment has **no effect**.

H1 : there will be **an effect of** treatment and there is a difference between the treated and untreated populations.

- **Step 2: Compute the test statistic.**

The value of the test statistic (p-value) is used to make a decision regarding the null hypothesis. we will use the Ttest to compute the p-value. which can be computed in Excel by using the Ttest or Tdist functions.

Step 3: Make a decision depending on table 1 in the next slide

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Interpreting significance probabilities

Significance probability (p)	Interpretation
$p \leq 0.01$	Strong evidence to reject H_0
$0.01 < p \leq 0.05$	Significant evidence to reject H_0
$0.05 < p \leq 0.10$	weak evidence against H_0
$p > 0.10$	Insignificant evidence to reject H_0

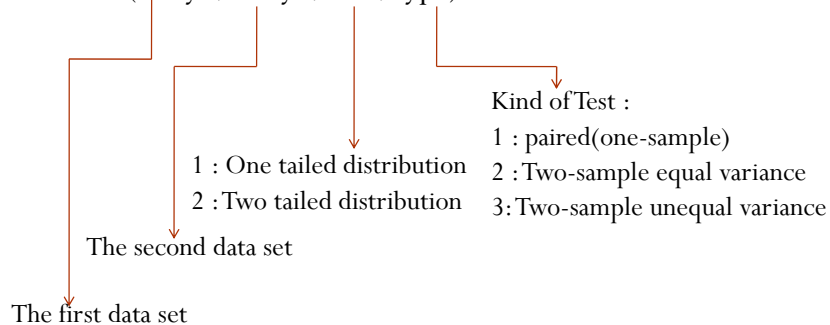
Table 1: Interpreting Significance Probabilities

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1. T-Test Function .

(T-test Function Syntax in Excel)

- Ttest (array1, array2, tails, type)



- In this course, we will use paired for the one sample test and two-sample equal variance for the two samples test

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2. Tdist Function Syntax in Excel

- Tdist(t,deg_freedom,tails)

the t-value computed
from the following
formula :

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{\sigma_{x,y} * \sqrt{2/n}}$$

1 : one tailed distribution
2 : two tailed distribution

In one sample test : $n - 1$
In two sample test : $2n - 2$
Where n is the sample size

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One sample & Two Samples Tests

- **One sample** test(paired): The mean of a population has a specific value (estimate) specified by a null hypothesis:

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \quad \text{Specific value}$$

- **Two-sample** test: the mean of both samples **x** and **y** are equal:

$$H_0 : \mu_x = \mu_y$$

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One sided & Two Sided Test

- In **one-sided test (one – tailed test)**, the alternative hypothesis takes only the values greater than the theoretical value μ_0 , or less than the theoretical value μ_0 , this is written as:

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \quad H_1 : \mu > \mu_0 \quad \text{Right tailed}$$

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \quad H_1 : \mu < \mu_0 \quad \text{Left tailed}$$

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One sided & Two Sided Tests

- In **two-sided test (two-tailed test)**, the alternative hypothesis takes either values greater than or less than but not equal to the theoretical value μ_0 , this is written as:

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$$

$$H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_0$$

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How to solve (one sample test) using TTest

Step 1 State the hypotheses and identify the claim.

Step 2 To Find the *P*-value using **Ttest** in Excel (Put the in μ column and repeat it with the same number of samples).

Step 3 Make the decision depending on Table 1

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How to solve (one sample test) using TDist

Step 1 State the hypotheses and identify the claim.

Step 2 To find p-value using the **Tdist** function :

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$$

Compute the test value.
 \bar{x}

Where: \bar{x} is the sample mean, σ sample standard deviation, n is the sample size, and μ_0 is the population mean. Distribution of the sample is assumed to be normal then you'll use **Tdist** function to find P-value with degree of freedom = $n - 1$.

Step 3 Make the decision depending on Table 1

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How to solve (two samples test) using Ttest

Step 1 State the hypotheses and identify the claim.

Step 2 Find the P -value using **Ttest** in Excel

Step 3 Make the decision depending on Table 1

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How to solve (two samples test) using TDist

Step 1 State the hypotheses and identify the claim.

Step 2 To find p-value

Compute the test value.
$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{\sigma_{x,y} * \sqrt{2/n}} \quad \text{where: } \sigma_{x,y} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2)}$$

Then use **Tdist** function **with degree of freedom = $2n - 2$**

Step 3 Make the decision depending on Table 1

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Example: One Sample TTest in Excel

Step 1:

$$H_0 : \mu = 40.5$$

$$H_1 : \mu > 40.5$$

Step 3:

P-value > 0.05: data is not sufficient to reject the null hypothesis.

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	X		Step 2			
2	38	40.5		TTest(A2:A16, B2:B16, 2, 1)		
3	44	40.5				
4	50.5	40.5			0.966297	
5	41	40.5				
6	48.5	40.5				
7	41.5	40.5				
8	41	40.5		Null Hypothesis		
9	30	40.5		Mu0 = 40.5		
10	43	40.5				
11	47	40.5				
12	34	40.5				
13	33.5	40.5				
14	43	40.5				
15	32.5	40.5				
16	41	40.5				
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19	Actual Average =		40.56667			

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Example: Two Sample T-Test in Excel

Step 1:

$$H_0 : \mu_x = \mu_y$$

Assume same variance for the two samples.

X	Y
38	40
44	42
50.5	49
41	43
48.5	47
41.5	42
41	41.2
30	30.5
43	42
47	48
34	34
33.5	34
43	42
32.5	33
41	40

TTest(A2:A16, B2:B16, 2, 2)

0.979984

Step 2: using option

Step 3:

P-value > 0.05: data is not sufficient to reject the null hypothesis.

Note:

Type 2: Two-sample equal variance (homoscedastic)

Type 3:3 Two-sample unequal variance (heteroscedastic)

Average	
40.56667	40.51333

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Example: One Sample using Tdist in Excel

- A hospital decided to perform a study about the appropriateness of the total discharge cost for the patients. Based on other well-founded studies, the charge schedule is appropriate if the average discharge cost is \$6000. A sample of 10 discharged patients had a mean of \$6586.3 and a standard deviation of \$5262.73 was withdrawn randomly from the hospital database. Assume that the sample is normally distributed.
- What can you conclude about appropriateness of the the observed costs ?

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Solution

- **Step 1: hypothesis**

- H_0 : mean = 6000 (claim)
- H_1 : mean \neq 6000

- **Step 2: t-statistic, $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{6586.3 - 6000}{5262.73 / \sqrt{10}} = 0.3523$**

$$P\text{-value} = Tdist(0.3523, 9, 2) = 0.733$$

- **Step 3:**

According to table 1 :data is not sufficient to reject the null hypothesis.

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Example: One Sample using Tdist in Excel

- A study on a children hospital found that the average number of infections per week is 16.3. An investigator wanted to test such claim by recording the results of the infections within a ten week period. He found that the sample mean of this 10 week period was 17.7 infections with a standard deviation of 1.8. Assume that the sample is normally distributed.
- Can you decided to reject of not reject the claim of the 16.3 infections per week recorded by the original study ?

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Solution

- **Step 1:** hypothesis
 $H_0: \mu = 16.3$ (claim) and $H_1: \mu \neq 16.3$

- **Step 2:** Compute the t-statistic:

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} = \frac{17.7 - 16.3}{1.8/\sqrt{10}} = 2.46$$

$P\text{-value} = TDIST(2.46, 9, 2) = 0.036159$

- **Step 3:** Significant evidence to reject H_0 (claim)

Note: here we can't use Ttest because we don't have the records in details

As in table1 : we can reject the null hypothesis. Hence, the mean infections is not 16.3.

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