

Problem 1 *Conduct nonparametric tests of hypothesis using the 5-step process to test to see if there is any difference within the annual mean earning wages of Hispanic and Non-Hispanic workers.*

Step 1: State the Null Hypothesis and Alternate Hypothesis

H_o : No significant difference within the annual mean earning wages of Hispanic and Non-Hispanic.

H_1 : A significant difference does exist within the mean earning wages of Hispanic and Non-Hispanic.

Step 2: Select a Level of Significance that is used to find the critical value

This means to set an appropriate alpha value α . We will use $\alpha = 0.05$, which is typical

Step 3: Identify the test Statistic

The test statistic is something standard you will find in most test books:

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

is the form given for when we know the population standard deviation (σ) of the population. μ_0 is the null hypothesis mean and \bar{x} is the mean found and being tested

while n is the number of measurements the test \bar{x} is based on. If the population standard deviation is not known, substitute the sample deviation s for σ .

Step 4: State the decision Rule

Examine the area under the normal curve and get a p -value for $P(z > t)$. Reading from a z -score table you find a value which you have to add .5 to, since this is a one-tailed test for the region beyond the z -score, as indicated by the fact we are checking for $\mu > \mu_0$. This,

$$0.5 + P(z > t).$$

If this value is greater than $\alpha = 0.05$, we cannot reject the null hypothesis and we conclude that true mean for West Coast breakfasts is higher than \$7.58.

Step 5: Take a sample and arrive at a decision

Here we need to come up with some actual numbers. Let's say you have some data and discover that a recent survey indicated that the average wage for all races was \$75,800 with a standard deviation of \$4,200. It is being tested if average wages for Non-Hispanics were higher than \$75,800. A sample of 81 Non-Hispanic workers had an average wage cost of \$76,500. At $\alpha = 0.05$ what is the test value and is what is the decision?

Null hypothesis (H_o): $\mu = \$75,800$

That is, the null hypothesis is that sample of the 81 workers is from a population with the same mean

Alternative hypothesis (H_1): $\mu > \$75,800$

That is, the possibility that the Non-Hispanic workers really are earning more.

The test statistic:

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \frac{76500 - 75800}{4200/\sqrt{81}} \\ &= 1.5 \end{aligned}$$

Your **test statistic** is 1.5.

This is where the $\alpha = 0.05$ comes in. First, we need to examine the area under the normal curve and get a p -value for $P(z > 1.5)$. Reading from my z-score table I find 0.4332 which I have to add .5 to, since this is a one-tailed test for the region beyond the z-score, as indicated by the fact we are checking for $\mu > \$75,800$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} P(z > 1.5) &= 0.5 + .4332 \\ &= 0.9332 \end{aligned}$$

Since $0.9332 > \alpha = 0.05$, we cannot reject the null hypothesis and we conclude that truly Non-Hispanic workers are making a higher average wage.