

1. Mark the following T if it is always true, or F if it could be false.

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2. For each research question in (a)—(f), decide what statistical procedure, (I)—(VII) would most likely be used to answer it. Assume all assumptions have been met for using the procedure. *Fill each blank with one of (I)—(VII).*

- (I) One sample test for mean
- (II) Two sample test for means
- (III) One sample test for proportion
- (IV) Two sample test for proportions
- (V) Chi-square test
- (VI) ANOVA (analysis of variance)
- (VII) Construct confidence interval

- (a) Does support for a school bond issue (For or Against) differ by neighborhood in the city?

Use procedure _____

- (b) We sample the math self-esteem scores from a random sample of 25 females. What are the probable values of the population mean score for this group?

Use procedure _____

- (c) A researcher wants to know if intelligence as measured by IQ scores differs between college students on academic probation and those not on probation.

Use procedure _____

- (d) Do college grade point averages differ for students in the natural sciences, the social sciences, and the humanities?

Use procedure _____

- (e) Do a larger proportion of patients taking a new drug recover than of those taking the old one?

Use procedure _____

- (f) Does a majority of the adult population support tougher drinking and driving laws?

Use procedure _____

3. For each of the following situations, identify the correct statistic and procedure. *Check one response on each line.*
- (a) Testing whether or not a sample of test scores comes from a population whose mean is 50 and whose standard deviation is 5.
 Confidence interval _____ or Hypothesis test _____
 One sample _____ or Two sample _____
 z statistic _____ or t statistic _____
- (b) Estimating the mean of a population of weights based on a sample of weights (with mean 25 kg and standard deviation 1.5 kg).
 Confidence interval _____ or Hypothesis test _____
 One sample _____ or Two sample _____
 z statistic _____ or t statistic _____
- (c) Testing to see if there is a difference in cholesterol level between patients that are treated with two different types of medicine: one group gets Medicine A and the other group gets Medicine B.
 Confidence interval _____ or Hypothesis test _____
 One sample _____ or Two sample _____
 z statistic _____ or t statistic _____
4. Which of the following t scores is most likely to be significant (if the df are the same for all four t values)?
 (a). -0.23 (b). -2.01 (c). 1.98 (d). 0.50
5. You are hired to conduct a study to find out which of two brands of soda college students think taste better. In your study, students are given a blind taste test. They rate one brand and then rated the other, in random order. The ratings are given on a scale of 1 (awful) to 5 (delicious). Which type of test would be the best to compare these ratings?
 (a) one-sample t
 (b) paired difference t
 (c) two-sample t
 (d) chi-square
6. Weight is a measure that tends to be normally distributed. The mean weight of all women at a large university is 135 pounds, with a standard deviation of 12 pounds. If you randomly sample 36 women at this university, there is a 68% chance that the sample mean weight is between:
 (a) 119 and 151 pounds
 (b) 123 and 147 pounds
 (c) 125 and 145 pounds
 (d) 131 and 139 pounds
 (e) 133 and 137 pounds
7. In the population of US adults over 30 years old there are 53% women. The probability of finding 49 or fewer women in a simple random sample of 100 adults over 30 years old is closest too:
 (a) 0.0053
 (b) 0.053
 (c) 0.0499
 (d) 0.211
 (e) 0.801

8. A large number of 95% confidence intervals are constructed from a population using a fixed sample size. Which of the following statements is most accurate?
- (a) 95% of the intervals constructed using this process will include the population mean; 5% will not.
 - (b) 95% of the intervals constructed using this process will include the sample mean; 5% will not.
 - (c) 95% of the possible population means will be included by the interval; 5% will not.
 - (d) 95% of the possible sample means will be included by the interval; 5% will not.
9. A research article reports a P -value of 0.001. Which definition of a P -value is the most accurate?
- (a) The probability of observing a statistic (that is, an outcome) as extreme or more extreme than the one observed if the null hypothesis is true.
 - (b) The value that an observed statistic (outcome) must reach in order to be considered significant.
 - (c) The probability that an observed statistic (outcome) will not be significant.
 - (d) The probability that the observed statistic (outcome) will occur again.
10. A sample is taken to test a hypothesis. Which of the following is true?
- (a) It is impossible to prove the null hypothesis.
 - (b) It is always possible to prove the null hypothesis.
 - (c) It is possible to prove the null hypothesis under certain conditions.

Solutions to TF-MC

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2. (a) is (V)
(b) is (VII)
(c) is (II)
(d) is (VI)
(e) is (IV)
(a) is (III)

3.

- (a) Confidence interval _____ or Hypothesis test X _____
One sample X _____ or Two sample _____
 z statistic X _____ or t statistic _____
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4. (b)

5. (b)

6. (e) Standard deviation of the sample is $12/\sqrt{36} = 2$ pounds. Since 68% is within 1 standard deviation, answer is 135 ± 2 or 133 to 137 pounds.

7. (d) The proportion of women in the sample is approximately normally distributed, with mean 0.53 and standard deviation

$$\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.53(1 - 0.53)}{100}} = 0.0499.$$

Thus

$$z = \frac{0.49 - 0.53}{0.0499} = -0.801.$$

From the table,

$$P(Z < -0.801) = 0.212.$$

Alternatively, from the calculator,

$$P(\hat{p} < 0.49) = \text{normalcdf}(-10, 0.49, 0.53, 0.0499) = 0.211.$$

8. (a)

9. (a)

10. (a)