

You have 30 minutes. Take your time!  
 Note that this sheet has **two sides**.

Name: A. Student

In class we considered an example where a single stand was sampled both before and after a treatment was applied. In the same plots, species evenness measured before and after the treatment. We applied a paired test for differences using the Excel Analysis ToolPak wizard. Here's the output:

t-Test: Paired Two Sample for Means		
	StandA	StandB
Mean	0.76283	0.81675
Variance	0.00257	0.01493
Observations	15	15
Pearson Correlation	0.61562	
Hypothesized Mean Difference	0	
df	14	
t Stat	-2.10176	
P(T<=t) one-tail	0.0270	
t Critical one-tail	1.76131	
P(T<=t) two-tail	0.05415	
t Critical two-tail	2.14478	

TWO TAIL [ ]  
 ONE TAIL [ ]

ONE: The table says the hypothesized mean difference is "0".

a) Give the **statistical** null hypothesis; i.e., use symbols not words:

Ho:  $\mu_A - \mu_B = 0$

b) One possible research hypothesis is that evenness in Stand A is different than in Stand B. Give the corresponding **statistical** alternative hypothesis. Then, using the results above draw a conclusion for this statistical test, and explain your rationale.

Ha:  $\mu_A - \mu_B \neq 0$

FAIL to reject because  $t_{calc}$  not less than  $t_{crit}$

c) Another possible research hypothesis is that evenness in Stand A is **lower** than in Stand B. Give the corresponding **statistical** alternative hypothesis. Then, using the results above draw a conclusion for this statistical test, and explain your rationale.

Ha:  $\mu_A - \mu_B < 0$

REJECT because  $t_{calc} < -t_{crit}$   
 (one-tailed test)

TWO: Two ways of expressing a confidence interval are:

a)  $\bar{x} \pm t_{\alpha/2, n-1} \cdot s_{\bar{x}}$     b)  $\bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot s_{\bar{x}}$

What is the difference between them? Explain.

As  $n$  becomes large,  $t$  becomes  $Z$ .  
The heuristic rule is to use  $t$  if  $n < 100$ .  
Thus, use a) if  $n < 100$ .

THREE: Following is a partial setup for a goodness-of-fit test. The data are counts of students, by season they were born in, who took FW4130 a while back. The research hypothesis is that students are **twice as likely** to have been born in fall or winter than in spring or summer. This defines the expected ratio.

Fill in all of the blanks in the table.

Season	Observed frequency	Expected ratio	Expected proportion	Expected frequency
Spring	3	1	0.167	6
Summer	8	1	0.167	6
Fall	11	2	0.333	12
Winter	14	2	0.333	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>

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