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- Find the 95% confidence interval for μ
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Use the following to answer questions 2 and 3.

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3. Suppose I had measured the lifetimes of a random sample of 100 tires rather than 64. Which of the following statements is true?
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4. To assess the accuracy of a laboratory scale, a standard weight known to weigh 1 gram is repeatedly weighed a total of n times, and the mean \bar{x} of the weighings is computed. Suppose the scale readings are Normally distributed, with unknown mean m and standard deviation $\sigma = 0.01$ g. How large should n be, so that a 95% confidence interval for m has a margin of error of ± 0.0001 ?
- 100
 - 196
 - 10,000
 - 38,416

5. In their advertisements, the manufacturers of a certain brand of breakfast cereal would like to claim that eating their oatmeal for breakfast daily will produce a mean decrease in cholesterol of more than 10 points in one month for people with cholesterol levels over 200. In order to determine if this is a valid claim, they hire an independent testing agency, which then selects 25 people with a cholesterol level over 200 to eat their cereal for breakfast daily for a month. The agency should be testing the null hypothesis $H_0: \mu = 10$ and the alternative hypothesis
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- 0.0668.
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7. Based on the P -value calculated above, what's the conclusion?

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- the probability, assuming the null hypothesis is true, that the test statistic will take a value at least as extreme as that actually observed.
 - the probability, assuming the null hypothesis is false, that the test statistic will take a value at least as extreme as that actually observed.
 - the probability the null hypothesis is true.
 - the probability the null hypothesis is false.
9. If you observe a sample mean of $\bar{x} = 115.35$, what is the corresponding P -value?
- 0.0588
 - 0.0294
 - 0.7871
 - None of the above
10. Does the P -value support the suspicion that the incoming freshmen have a different mean score than 110 if the level of significance is 0.05?

11. Suppose you observed the same sample mean $\bar{x} = 115.35$, but based on a sample of 100 students. What would the corresponding P -value be?
- 0.0037
 - 0.0074
 - 0.9926
 - None of the above

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13. Suppose the time that it takes a certain large bank to approve a home loan is Normally distributed with mean (in days) μ and standard deviation $\sigma = 1$. The bank advertises that it approve loans in 5 days, on average, but measurements on a random sample of 500 loan applications to this bank gave a mean approval time of $\bar{x} = 5.3$ days. Is this evidence that the mean time to approval is actually longer than advertised? To answer this, test the hypotheses

$$H_0: \mu = 5, H_a: \mu > 5$$

at significance level $\alpha = 0.01$. You conclude that

- H_0 should be rejected.
 - H_0 should not be rejected.
 - H_a should be rejected.
 - there is a 5% chance that the null
14. A radio show conducts a phone-in survey each morning. Listeners are asked to call in with a response to the question of the day. One morning in 2011, listeners were asked if they supported or opposed term limits for members of Congress. Remarkably, 88% of listeners that called in favored term limits. We may safely conclude that
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An SRS of 18 recent birth records at the local hospital was selected. In the sample, the average birth weight was 119.6 ounces and the standard deviation was 6.5 ounces. Assume that in the population of all babies born in this hospital, the birth weights follow a Normal distribution, with mean μ .

16. The standard error of the mean is
- 6.50.
 - 1.53.
 - 0.36.
 - 0.02.

17. We are interested in a 95% confidence interval for the population mean birth weight. The margin of error associated with the confidence interval is
- 6.50 ounces.
 - 3.23 ounces.
 - 3.003 ounces.
 - 0.76 ounces.
18. A 95% confidence interval for the population mean birth weight based on these data is
- 119.6 ± 3.23 ounces.
 - 119.6 ± 3.00 ounces.
 - 119.6 ± 0.76 ounces.
 - 119.6 ± 6.50 ounces.

Use the following to answer Questions 19–24

A special diet is intended to reduce systolic blood pressure. If the diet is effective, the target is to have the average systolic blood pressure of this group be below 150. After six months on the diet, an SRS of 28 patients with high blood pressure had an average cholesterol of $\bar{x} = 143$, with standard deviation $s = 21$. Is this sufficient evidence that the diet is effective in meeting the target? Assume the distribution of the cholesterol for patients in this group is approximately Normal with mean μ .

19. The appropriate hypotheses are
- $H_0: \mu = 150, H_a: \mu > 150$.
 - $H_0: \mu = 150, H_a: \mu < 150$.
 - $H_0: \mu = 143, H_a: \mu < 143$.
 - $H_0: \mu = 150, H_a: \mu \neq 150$.
20. The appropriate degrees of freedom for this test are
- 27.
 - 28.
 - 20.
 - 149.
21. Based on the data, the value of the one-sample t statistic is
- 0.33.
 - 1.76.
 - 1.76.
 - 0.33.
22. The P -value for the one-sample t test is
- larger than 0.10.
 - between 0.10 and 0.05.
 - between 0.025 and 0.05.
 - below 0.025.
23. Suppose the mean and standard deviation obtained were based on a sample of 10 patients, rather than 28. The P -value would be
- larger.
 - smaller.
 - unchanged, because the difference between \bar{x} and the hypothesized value $\mu = 150$ is unchanged.
 - unchanged, because the variability measured by the standard deviation stays the same.

24. A 95% confidence interval for the average blood pressure of all similar patients who have been on the diet for 6 months is
- 143 ± 21 .
 - 143 ± 7.78 .
 - 143 ± 8.14 .
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$$H_0: \mu = 65, H_a: \mu \neq 65.$$

25. Based on the data, the value of the one-sample t statistic is
- 5.
 - 4.90.
 - 2.45.
 - 1.23.
26. Based on these data,
- we would reject H_0 at significance level 0.10 but not at 0.05.
 - we would reject H_0 at significance level 0.05 but not at 0.025.
 - we would reject H_0 at significance level 0.025 but not at 0.01.
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Key:

- 1a) 90 ± 2.94 1b) ii 2) 48.775 to 51.225 months 3)b 4)d 5)b 6)c
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 8)a 9)a 10)No 11)b 12)yes 13)a 14)d 15)a 16)b 17)b 18)a 19)b 20)a
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- z-test on mean error: 2.94
- a. Find the 95% confidence interval for μ $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = 1.5$ $z = 1.96$ (87.06, 92.94)
- b. Which of the following would produce a confidence interval with a smaller margin of error than the 95% confidence interval you computed above?
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z-test on mean $z = 1.96$ $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = .625$ error = 1.22
(48.78, 51.22)

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margin of error $\pm z(\text{SD of Stat})$

$$\text{error} = z(\text{St. of } \bar{x}) \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$.0001 = 1.96 \left(\frac{.01}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

$$\frac{.0001}{1} = \frac{.0196}{\sqrt{n}}$$

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- z-test on Mean* $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = 1$ $z = -2.4$
p-value: .016

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Fail to Reject H_0
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$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\bar{x}} &= .045 \\ z &= 6.71 \\ p\text{-value} &= 9.9 \times 10^{-12} < .01 \end{aligned}$$

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II: null is false, fail to reject*

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$$n = 4$$

$$\bar{x} = 70$$

$$s_x = 4.08$$

$$s_{\bar{x}} = 2.04$$

$$T = 2.45 \quad p\text{-value} = .09$$

26. Based on these data,
- we would reject H_0 at significance level 0.10 but not at 0.05.
 - we would reject H_0 at significance level 0.05 but not at 0.025.
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