

## Test of Significance for Difference of Means:

Test statistic:  $Z_{\text{cal}} = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}}$

If  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma$ ,  $Z_{\text{cal}} = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}}$

formula:  $\sigma^2 = \frac{n_1 s_1^2 + n_2 s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2}$

Problem 1: The means of 2 large samples 1000 and 2000 members are 67.5 inches and 68.0 inches respectively. Can the samples be regarded as drawn from the same population of S.D. 2.5 inches.

Solution:

Given:  $n_1 = 1000$      $n_2 = 2000$

$\bar{x}_1 = 67.5$      $\bar{x}_2 = 68$

$\sigma = 2.5$  inches.

Null Hypothesis:  $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$

Two samples drawn from the same population of S.D. 2.5 inches.

Alternative Hypothesis:  $H_1: \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$  (Two Tailed Test)

$$Z_{\text{cal}} = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}} = \frac{67.5 - 68}{2.5 \sqrt{\frac{1}{1000} + \frac{1}{2000}}} = \frac{-0.5}{0.0968} = -5.16$$

$|Z_{\text{cal}}| = 5.16$

$\therefore$  We reject  $H_0$  at 5% L.O.S.

$Z_{\text{tab}} = 1.96$

Here,  $|Z_{\text{cal}}| > Z_{\text{tab}}$   $\therefore$  The samples are not drawn from the same population of S.D. 2.5 inches.

2) A simple sample of heights of 6400 English men has a mean of 170 cm and a S.D. of 6.4 cm, while a simple sample of heights of 1600 Americans has a mean of 172 cm and a S.D. of 6.3 cm. Do the data indicate that Americans are the average taller than the English men?

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

$$n_1: n_1 = 6400$$

$$\bar{x}_1 = 170$$

$$\sigma_1 = 6.4$$

$$n_2 = 1600$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = 172$$

$$\sigma_2 = 6.3$$

Null Hypothesis:  $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$

Both means do not differ significantly.

Alternative Hypothesis:  $H_1: \mu_1 > \mu_2$

$$Z_{\text{cal}} = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} = \frac{170 - 172}{\sqrt{\frac{40.96}{6400} + \frac{39.69}{1600}}} = \frac{-2}{\sqrt{0.025}}$$

$$[Z_{\text{cal}}] = 12.658$$

$$Z_{\text{tab}} = 2.33$$

$$Z_{\text{cal}} > Z_{\text{tab}}$$

∴ we reject null hypothesis  $H_0$ .

∴ Americans are taller than the Englishmen.

Nature of Test	Level of Significance.		
	1%.	5%.	10%.
-Two-tailed test	2.58	1.96	1.645
One-tailed test	2.33	1.645	1.28 (right)
	-2.33	-1.645	-1.28 (left)

3.) The average hourly wages of a sample of 100 workers in plant A was ₹ 2.56 with SD 1.08. The average wages of a sample of 200 workers in plant B was ₹ 2.87 with SD 1.28 on average. Assume that hourly wages paid by plant B were higher than those paid by plant A.

Solution:  $n_1 = 100 \quad s_1 = 1.08 \quad \bar{x}_1 = 2.56$   
 $n_2 = 200 \quad s_2 = 1.28 \quad \bar{x}_2 = 2.87$

Null Hypothesis:  $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$

i.e., they do not differ.

Alternative Hypothesis:  $H_1: \mu_1 < \mu_2$  (left tailed)

$$Z_{\text{cal}} = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{n_1 s_1^2 + n_2 s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2} = \frac{(150)(1.08)^2 + (200)(1.28)^2}{150 + 200}$$

$$= \frac{502.64}{350} = 1.436$$

$$\sigma = 1.1983$$

$$Z_{\text{cal}} = \frac{2.56 - 2.87}{\sqrt{1.436} \sqrt{\frac{1}{150} + \frac{1}{200}}} = \frac{-0.31}{(1.1983)(0.1077)}$$

$$= \frac{-0.31}{0.1292}$$

$$= -2.39$$

$$|Z_{\text{cal}}| = +2.39$$

Critical value :  $-1.645\%$ .

$$|Z_{\text{tab}}| = -1.645 \text{ (left tailed)}$$

$$\therefore Z_{\text{cal}} > Z_{\text{tab}}$$

$\therefore$  we reject  $H_0$ ,

$\therefore$  Hourly wages are paid higher by plant A.