

A-level  
**MATHS**  
Statistics

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Total number of marks: 44

16

An educational expert found that the correlation coefficient between the hours of revision and the scores achieved by 25 students in their A-level exams was 0.379

Her data came from a bivariate normal distribution.

Carry out a hypothesis test at the 1% significance level to determine if there is a positive correlation between the hours of revision and the scores achieved by students in their A-level exams.

The critical value of the correlation coefficient is 0.4622

[4 marks]

$$r = 0.379$$

1% s.l

$$C.V = 0.4622$$

$$H_0 : \rho = 0 \quad \text{no}$$

$$H_1 : \rho > 0 \quad \text{positive}$$

test statistic 0.379 < critical value 0.4622

so insufficient evidence to suggest that there is a positive correlation between hours of revision & scores achieved

so accept  $H_0$

14 A survey was conducted into the health of 120 teachers.

The survey recorded whether or not they had suffered from a range of four health issues in the past year.

In addition, their physical exercise level was categorised as low, medium or high.

50 teachers had a low exercise level, 40 teachers had a medium exercise level and 30 teachers had a high exercise level.

The results of the survey are shown in the table below.

|                   | Low exercise | Medium exercise | High exercise |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Back trouble      | 14           | 7               | 10            |
| Stress            | 38           | 14              | 5             |
| Depression        | 9            | 2               | 1             |
| Headache/Migraine | 4            | 5               | 5             |

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14 (a) Find the probability that a randomly selected teacher:

14 (a) (i) suffers from back trouble and has a high exercise level;

[1 mark]

$$P(T \cap H.E) = \frac{10}{120} = \boxed{\frac{1}{12}}$$

14 (a) (ii) suffers from depression.

[2 marks]

$$P(D) = \frac{9 + 2 + 1}{120} = \frac{12}{120} = \boxed{\frac{1}{10}}$$

14 (a) (iii) suffers from stress, given that they have a low exercise level.

[2 marks]

$$P(S | L.E) = \frac{P(S \cap L.E)}{P(L.E)} = \frac{\frac{38}{120}}{\frac{65}{120}} = \boxed{\frac{38}{65}}$$

14 (b) For teachers in the survey with a low exercise level, explain why the events 'suffers from back trouble' and 'suffers from stress' are **not** mutually exclusive.

[2 marks]

$$14 + 38 = 52 \quad 52 > 50$$

greater number of sum of back trouble & stress than total number with low exercise level so not mutually exclusive

14

It is known that a hospital has a mean waiting time of 4 hours for its Accident and Emergency (A&E) patients.

After some new initiatives were introduced, a random sample of 12 patients from the hospital's A&E Department had the following waiting times, in hours.

4.25 3.90 4.15 3.95 4.20 4.15  
5.00 3.85 4.25 4.05 3.80 3.95

Carry out a hypothesis test at the 10% significance level to investigate whether the mean waiting time at this hospital's A&E department has changed.

You may assume that the waiting times are normally distributed with standard deviation 0.8 hours.

[7 marks]

$$n = 12 \quad 10\% \text{ s.l.} \quad \sigma = 0.8$$

$$\bar{x} = 4.125 \quad \mu = 4$$

$$X \sim N(4, 0.8^2)$$

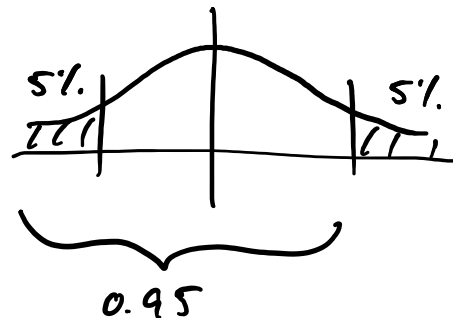
$$H_0: \mu = 4 \quad H_1: \mu \neq 4 \quad \text{so } 5\% \text{ s.l. at each ends}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{\text{new}} &= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \\ &= \frac{0.8}{\sqrt{12}} = 0.2309 \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu = 4$$

$$\text{area} = 0.95$$

$$x = 4.3799$$



$$\bar{x}, 4.125 < x, 4.3799$$

so insufficient evidence to suggest that mean waiting time changed

so accept  $H_0$

17 Suzanne is a member of a sports club.

For each sport she competes in, she wins half of the matches.

17 (a) After buying a new tennis racket Suzanne plays 10 matches and wins 7 of them.

Investigate, at the 10% level of significance, whether Suzanne's new racket has made a difference to the probability of her winning a match.

[7 marks]

$$X \sim B(10, 0.5) \quad X = \text{number of wins} \quad 10\% \text{ s.l}$$

$$H_0: p = 0.5 \quad H_1: p \neq 0.5 \Rightarrow \text{so } 5\% \text{ s.l} \\ \text{at each ends}$$

$$P(X \leq 1) = 0.0107$$

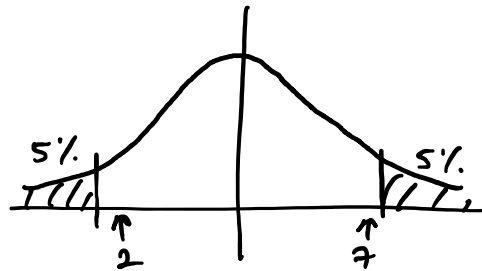
$$P(X \leq 2) = 0.0547$$

$$P(X \leq 3) = 0.1719$$

$$P(X \leq 6) = 0.8281$$

$$P(X \leq 7) = 0.9453$$

$$P(X \leq 8) = 0.9893$$



critical region:  $x \leq 1, x \geq 8$

$$0.9453 < 1 - 0.05$$

$$(0.9453 < 0.95)$$

so insufficient evidence that new racket made difference  
so accept  $H_0$

17 (b) After buying a new squash racket, Suzanne plays 20 matches. Find the minimum number of matches she must win for her to conclude, at the 10% level of significance, that the new racket has improved her performance.

[5 marks]

$$X \sim B(20, 0.5) \quad 10\% \text{ s.l}$$

$$H_0: p = 0.5 \quad H_1: p > 0.5$$

$$P(X \leq 12) = 0.8684$$

$$P(X \leq 13) = 0.9423 \quad 0.9423 > 0.9$$

$$P(X \leq 14) = 0.9793$$

$$P(X \geq a) = 1 - P(X \leq 13) \quad a = 14$$

critical region =  $x \geq 14$

minimum of 11

17 Elizabeth's Bakery makes brownies.

It is known that the mass,  $X$  grams, of a brownie may be modelled by a normal distribution.

10% of the brownies have a mass less than 30 grams.

80% of the brownies have a mass greater than 32.5 grams.

17 (a) Find the mean and standard deviation of  $X$ .

[7 marks]

$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$P(X < 30) = 0.1$$

$$P(X > 32.5) = 0.8$$

$$P\left(Z < \frac{30 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = 0.1$$

$$P\left(Z > \frac{32.5 - \mu}{\sigma}\right) = 0.8$$

$$\frac{30 - \mu}{\sigma} = -1.28$$

$$\frac{32.5 - \mu}{\sigma} = -0.84$$

$$\mu = 30 + 1.28\sigma$$

$$\mu = 32.5 + 0.84\sigma$$

$$30 + 1.28\sigma = 32.5 + 0.84\sigma$$

$$0.44\sigma = 2.5$$

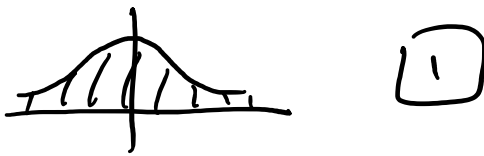
$$\sigma = 5.68$$

$$\mu = 37.3$$

use  $1 - 0.8$   
as  $>$  inequality  
sign

17 (b) (i) Find  $P(X \neq 35)$

[1 mark]



17 (b) (ii) Find  $P(X < 35)$

$$P(X < 35) = P\left(Z < \frac{35 - 37.3}{5.68}\right) = P(Z < -0.405) \quad [2 \text{ marks}]$$

$$= \boxed{0.343}$$

Alternative (on calculator)

Normal CD

Lower : 0

Upper : 35

$\sigma$  : 5.68

$\mu$  : 37.3

$$P(X < 35) = 0.3427646381 = \boxed{0.343}$$

17 (c) Brownies are baked in batches of 13.

Calculate the probability that, in a batch of brownies, no more than 3 brownies are less than 35 grams.

You may assume that the masses of brownies are independent of each other.

[2 marks]

$$n=13 \quad Y \sim B(13, 0.343)$$

$$P(X \leq 3) = \boxed{0.297}$$

(Let  $Y$  be number of brownies (in a batch) with mass less than 35 grams).