

Homework 9

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10.25 It is claimed that automobiles are driven on average more than 20,000 kilometers per year. To test this claim, 100 randomly selected automobile owners are asked to keep a record of the kilometers they travel. Would you agree with this claim if the random sample showed an average of 23,500 kilometers and a standard deviation of 3900 kilometers? Use a P -value in your conclusion.

10.27 A study at the University of Colorado at Boulder shows that running increases the percent resting metabolic rate (RMR) in older women. The average RMR of 30 elderly women runners was 34.0% higher than the average RMR of 30 sedentary elderly women, and the standard deviations were reported to be 10.5 and 10.2%, respectively. Was there a significant increase in RMR of the women runners over the sedentary women? Assume the populations to be approximately normally distributed with equal variances. Use a P -value in your conclusions.

10.19 In a research report, Richard H. Weindruch of the UCLA Medical School claims that mice with an average life span of 32 months will live to be about 40 months old when 40% of the calories in their diet are replaced by vitamins and protein. Is there any reason to believe that $\mu < 40$ if 64 mice that are placed on this diet have an average life of 38 months with a standard deviation of 5.8 months? Use a P -value in your conclusion.

10.31 A manufacturer claims that the average tensile strength of thread A exceeds the average tensile strength of thread B by at least 12 kilograms. To test this claim, 50 pieces of each type of thread were tested under similar conditions. Type A thread had an average tensile strength of 86.7 kilograms with a standard deviation of 6.28 kilograms, while type B thread had an average tensile strength of 77.8 kilograms with a standard deviation of 5.61 kilograms. Test the manufacturer's claim using a 0.05 level of significance.

10.39 The following data represent the running times of films produced by two motion-picture companies:

| Company | Time (minutes) | | | | | | |
|---------|----------------|-----|----|-----|----|----|-----|
| 1 | 102 | 86 | 98 | 109 | 92 | | |
| 2 | 81 | 165 | 97 | 134 | 92 | 87 | 114 |

Test the hypothesis that the average running time of films produced by company 2 exceeds the average running time of films produced by company 1 by 10 minutes against the one-sided alternative that the difference is less than 10 minutes. Use a 0.1 level of significance and assume the distributions of times to be approximately normal with unequal variances.