

Question 26 (H7.4; B7.1.1, 7.2.3)

This interval is so large as to be useless. We could shrink it by increasing the sample size from 1, or by reducing the desired confidence from 90%. The latter, however, may not be useful.

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Question 27 (H7.3; B7.3.1)

$$\begin{aligned}(\mu_-, \mu_+) &= \left(\bar{x} + \frac{q_{0.025}s}{\sqrt{20}}, \bar{x} + \frac{q_{0.975}s}{\sqrt{20}} \right) \\&= \left(85 - \frac{2.093 \times 11}{\sqrt{20}}, 85 + \frac{2.093 \times 11}{\sqrt{20}} \right) \\&= (79.85, 90.15),\end{aligned}$$

where q_α are quantiles from $t(19)$.

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Question 28 (H5.5, 7.5; B5.3, 7.5)

The important statistical concept here is the *central limit theorem*, which means that, since the sample is fairly large, we can reasonably assume that the distribution of the mean is approximately normal. This leads to an approximate confidence interval

$$\left(\bar{x} - \frac{1.645 \times s}{\sqrt{200}}, \bar{x} + \frac{1.645 \times s}{\sqrt{200}} \right),$$

using quantiles of the normal distribution ($q_{0.95} = 1.645$).

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Question 29 (H8.5; B8 Intro)

The statement is incorrect. The observed data 'are compatible with the hypothesis'. That is, the observed data have a high probability of occurring if the hypothesis is true, but that does not mean it is necessarily true. The investigator has no evidence that the hypothesis is incorrect.

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Question 30 (H8.5, 2.3, S5; B8.3.1)

For a binomial distribution $B(6, 0.5)$, the probability of observing zero successes is

$$P(N=0) = p^0 q^6 = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^6 = \frac{1}{64} = 0.0156,$$

and, by symmetry, $P(N=6) = 0.0156$. Hence, only about 0.031 of the time would we expect to observe so extreme a number of successes if the null hypothesis were true. This is a very small proportion of the time and hence we doubt the truth of the null hypothesis—we reject it.

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Question 31 (H8.2; B8.2.1, 8.3)

Any correct examples will do. For example

(a) a medical researcher wishes to know if treatment *A* is *better* than treatment *B*;

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(b) an educationalist wishes to know whether one method for teaching reading has different results from another.

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Question 32 (H7.3; B8.2.3)

One will work with the 20 *difference* measures, so that $t(19)$ will be appropriate.

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