

1. Work in groups of about 5. Assume you form a random sample from some population and use your heights to test $H_0 : \mu = 66$ against $H_1 : \mu \neq 66$. Calculate the P -value for your test.
2. Use your height data to calculate a 90% confidence interval for the true population variance (using a chi-square distribution).
3. Work with another group to test $H_0 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$ against $H_1 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0$. Assume the 2 groups are random samples from 2 populations with the same variance and use the pooled estimator

$$S_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

and the test statistic

$$T = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2 - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}}$$

which has a t distribution with $n_1 + n_2 - 2$ degrees of freedom. Calculate the P -value for the test.

4. Using the pooled estimator for the common variance of 2 populations is only justified if those populations actually have the same variance. Check to see if this is reasonable using $F = \frac{\sigma_2^2 S_1^2}{\sigma_1^2 S_2^2}$, which has an F distribution with parameters $n_1 - 1$ and $n_2 - 1$ (order of these parameters matters), to test $H_0 : \sigma_1 = \sigma_2$ against $H_1 : \sigma_1 \neq \sigma_2$. Calculate the P -value for the test.
5. If the population is normally distributed, then the mean height should also be the median height. Pool all the data for the class together and test $H_0 : \theta = 0.5$ against $H_1 : \theta \neq 0.5$, where θ is the proportion of the population less than 66 inches tall. Calculate the P -value.