

See example below

Hypothesis Testing Worksheet

Null Hypothesis: $H_0: \mu = 2.3$

Significance Level: $\alpha = 0.01$

Alternate Hypothesis: $H_1: \mu \neq 2.3$

(as decimal)

1- Sample Mean: $\bar{x} = 2.51$ \neq or $<$ or $>$

2- Number of Samples: $n = 8$

3- Original Standard Deviation: $\sigma = 0.3$

4- New Standard Deviation: $= \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{0.3}{\sqrt{8}} = 0.106066017$

Do ONE:

P-Value: Left-Tailed: = Prob (Less than \bar{x}) =
(NORM.DIST)

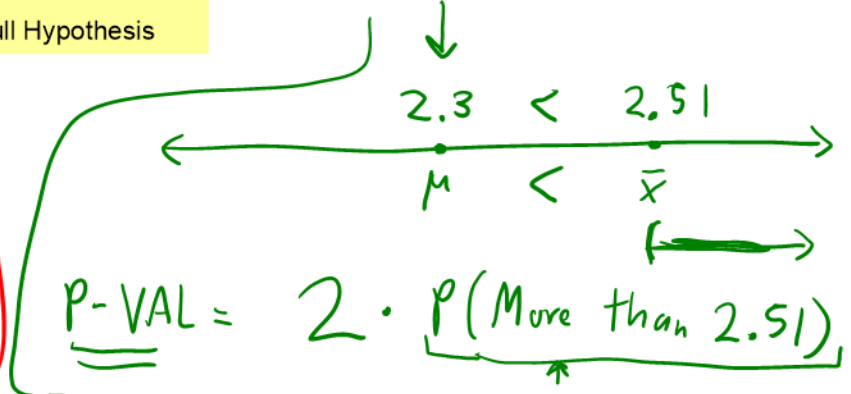
Right-Tailed: = Prob (More than \bar{x}) =
(1 - NORM.DIST)

\neq Two-Tailed: = $2 \cdot$ Prob (... than \bar{x}) =

Less than if $\bar{x} < \mu$
More than if $\bar{x} > \mu$

Conclusion:
If P-Value > Significance Level then: ACCEPT Null Hypothesis
If P-Value < Significance Level then: REJECT Null Hypothesis

Final Answer:
 $0.0474 > 0.01$ so
* Accept Null Hypothesis



From Brase and Brase 5th

The Environmental Protection Agency has been studying Miller Creek regarding ammonia nitrogen concentration. For many years, the concentration has been 2.3 mg/l. However, a new golf course and housing developments are raising concern that the concentration may have changed because of lawn fertilizer. Any change (either an increase or a decrease) in the ammonia nitrogen concentration can affect plant and animal life in and around the creek (Reference: EPA Report 832-R-93-005). Let x be a random variable representing ammonia nitrogen concentration (in mg/l). Based on recent studies of Miller Creek, we may assume that x has a normal distribution with $\sigma = 0.30$. Recently, a random sample of eight water tests from the creek gave the following x values.

- 2.1 2.5 2.2 2.8 3.0 2.2 2.4 2.9

The sample mean is $\bar{x} \approx 2.51$.

Let us construct a statistical test to examine the claim that the concentration of ammonia nitrogen has changed from 2.3 mg/l. Use level of significance $\alpha = 0.01$.

$1 - \text{NORM.DIST}(2.51, 2.3, 0.106, \text{true})$
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P-VAL
 $= 2 \cdot 0.0237$
 $= 0.0474$