

A.P. Statistics
Assignment 7.6

Remember to show your thinking through your work.

1) The P-value for a two-sided test of the null hypothesis $H_0: \mu = 10$ is 0.06.

(a) Does the 95% confidence interval include the value 10? Why?

(b) Does the 90% confidence interval include the value 10? Why?

2) A 95% confidence interval for a population mean is (28, 35).

(a) Can you reject the null hypothesis that $\mu = 34$ at the 5% significance level? Why?

(b) Can you reject the null hypothesis that $\mu = 36$ at the 5% significance level? Why?

3) An understanding of cockroach biology may lead to an effective control strategy for these annoying insects. Researchers studying the absorption of sugar by insects feed cockroaches a diet containing measured amounts of a particular sugar. After 10 hours, the cockroaches are killed and the concentration of the sugar in various body parts is determined by a chemical analysis. The paper that reports the research states that a 95% confidence interval for the mean amount (in milligrams) of the sugar in the hindguts of the cockroaches is 4.2 ± 2.3 .

(a) Does this paper give evidence that the mean amount of sugar in the hindguts under these conditions is not equal to 7 mg? State H_0 and H_a and base a test on the confidence interval.

(b) Would the hypothesis that $\mu = 5$ mg be rejected at the 5% level in favor of a two-sided alternative?

