Practice Quiz 9

Statistics 200 Spring 2009

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1. (5 pts.) Domestic goats follow gaze direction and use social cues in an object choice task, published online in Animal Behavior in January of 2005, included information on goats' performance in a bucket-selection task. Based on the data obtained, we want to determine if a sample of 13 adult goats tended to be more successful in picking the bucket with food when cued by the experimenter pointing at it with a finger, compared to control conditions where no cue was given.

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Point 13 10.923 2.691 0.746 Control 13 9.308 1.437 0.398 Difference 13 1.615 3.477 0.964 T-Test of mean difference = 0 (vs > 0): T-value = XXXXX P-Value = 0.060
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- (a) The data arise from a (i) two-sample (ii) paired design.
- (b) The t-statistic has been X-ed out. Based on the size of the p-value, the t-statistic must be (i) large (ii) not large (iii) borderline
- (c) Are you convinced that in general goats respond to the pointing cue? (Answer yes or no or inconclusive.)
- (d) Based on your conclusion in (c), would a confidence interval for population mean of differences contain zero?
 (Answer yes or no or borderline.)
- (e) What would the p-value have been if a two-sided alternative had been used?
- (f) Would the sample difference have been more convincing if the sample size were much larger?

2. (5 pts.) Domestic goats follow gaze direction and use social cues in an object choice task, published online in Animal Behavior in January of 2005, included information on goats' performance in a bucket-selection task. Based on the data obtained, we want to determine if adult and juvenile goats may be equally successful in general when it comes to picking the bucket with food when cued by the experimenter pointing at it with a finger.

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N
                  Mean
                            StDev
                                    SE Mean
Adults
          13
                  10.92
                             2.69
                                        0.75
                                        0.75
Juveniles 10
                  12.10
                             2.38
Difference = mu Adults - mu Juveniles
Estimate for difference:
95% CI for difference: (-3.39, 1.03)
T-Test of difference = 0 (vs not =): T-Value = -1.11 P-Value = XXXXX
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- (a) This was a (i) paired (ii) two-sample study.
- (b) Does the confidence interval contain zero? (i) No, not even close. (ii) No, not quite. (iii) Yes, just barely. (iv) Yes, clearly.
- (c) The test statistic is best described as (i) large (ii) not large (iii) borderline.
- (d) The p-value has been X-ed out; based on the size of the test statistic, the p-value is best described as (i) small (ii) not small (iii) borderline.
- (e) Is there compelling evidence of a difference in mean scores for all adult and juvenile goats performing this bucket selection task?