

Stat 205 Homework 4

Answer all questions **on one side of the same sheet of paper**.

1. Page 214: Problems 6.S.2(b,c) and 6.S.3(a,b). The data are

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stem=c(2.3, 2.6, 2.4, 2.2, 2.3, 2.5, 1.9, 2.0)
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For 6.S.2(b) use `t.test(stem)`; for 6.S.3(b) use `qqnorm(stem)`.

2. Soap manufacturers sell special “antibacterial” soaps. However, ordinary soap might also kill bacteria. A researcher placed ordinary soap (treatment) onto $n_1 = 7$ petri dishes and sterile water (control) on $n_2 = 8$ other petri dishes; *E. Coli* was added to all petri dishes. After 24 hours the number of bacterial colonies was counted on each dish. The data, given in Problem 6.6.9 (p. 205), are

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control=c(30, 36, 66, 21, 63, 38, 35, 45)
soap=c(76, 27, 16, 30, 26, 46, 6)
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- (a) In R, obtain normal probability plots from each group – treatment and control – and comment on whether we can assume the data are normal in each group; e.g. `qqnorm(control)` and `qqnorm(soap)`. Include the plots in your writeup.
- (b) In R, obtain a 95% confidence interval for the difference in mean number of bacterial colonies $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ in soap vs. no-soap. Include the R output in your writeup (just the portion that reports the confidence interval). You will use something like `t.test(soap, control)`.
- (c) Interpret the confidence interval, i.e. write “With 95% confidence, the true mean difference in soap vs. no-soap bacterial colony counts are...”