

Chapter 8 - Power

8.1 Peer pressure study:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{a. } d &= \frac{\mu_1 - \mu_0}{\sigma} \\ &= \frac{520 - 500}{80} \\ &= .25\end{aligned}$$

b. $f(n)$ for 1-sample t-test = \sqrt{n}

$$\begin{aligned}\delta &= d\sqrt{n} \\ &= .25\sqrt{100} \\ &= 2.5\end{aligned}$$

c. Power = .71

8.3 Changing power in Exercise 8.1:

a. For power = .70, $\delta = 2.475$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta &= d\sqrt{n} \\ 2.475 &= .25\sqrt{n} \\ n &= 98.01 \approx 99 \text{ (Round up, because students come in whole lots)}\end{aligned}$$

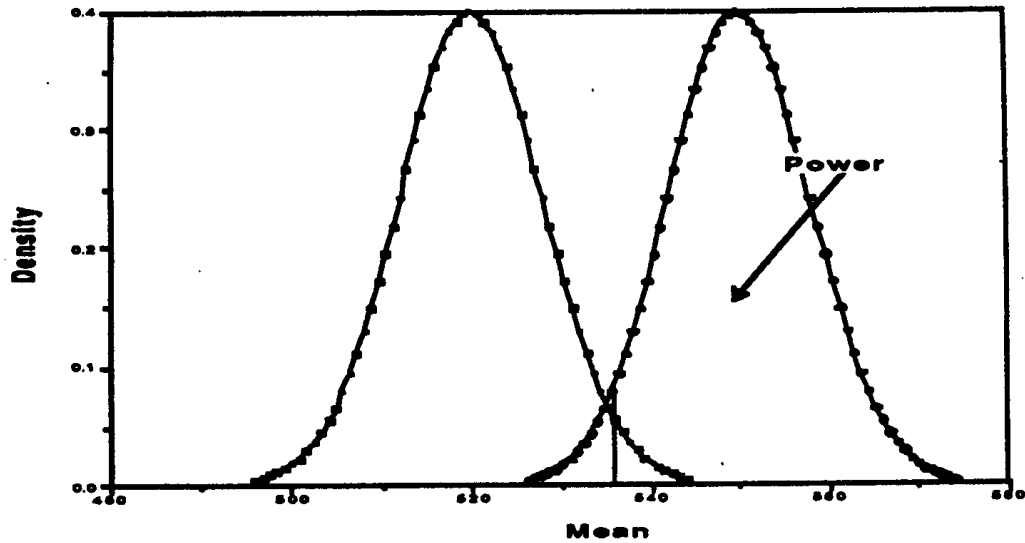
b. For power = .80, $\delta = 2.8$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta &= d\sqrt{n} \\ 2.8 &= .25\sqrt{n} \\ n &= 125.44 \approx 126 \text{ (Round up)}\end{aligned}$$

c. For power = .90, $\delta = 3.25$

$$\begin{aligned}\delta &= d\sqrt{n} \\ 3.25 &= .25\sqrt{n} \\ n &= 169\end{aligned}$$

8.5 Sampling distributions of the mean for the situation in Exercise 8.4:



8.7 Avoidance behavior in rabbits using 1-sample t test:

a.
$$d = \frac{\mu_1 - \mu_0}{\delta} = \frac{5.8 - 4.8}{2} = \frac{1}{2} = .5$$

For power = .50, $\delta = 1.95$

$$\delta = d\sqrt{n}$$

$$1.95 = .5\sqrt{n}$$

$$n = 15.21 \approx 16$$

b. For power = .80, $\delta = 2.8$

$$\delta = d\sqrt{n}$$

$$2.8 = .5\sqrt{n}$$

$$n = 31.36 \approx 32$$

8.9 Avoidance behavior in rabbits with unequal N s:

$d = .5$

$$n = n_h = \frac{2n_1n_2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

$$= \frac{2(20)(15)}{20 + 15} = 17.14$$

$$\delta = d\sqrt{\frac{n}{2}} = 5\sqrt{\frac{17.14}{2}} = 1.46$$

power = .31

8.11 *t* test on data for Exercise 8.10

$$t = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{s_p^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_p^2}{n_2}}}$$

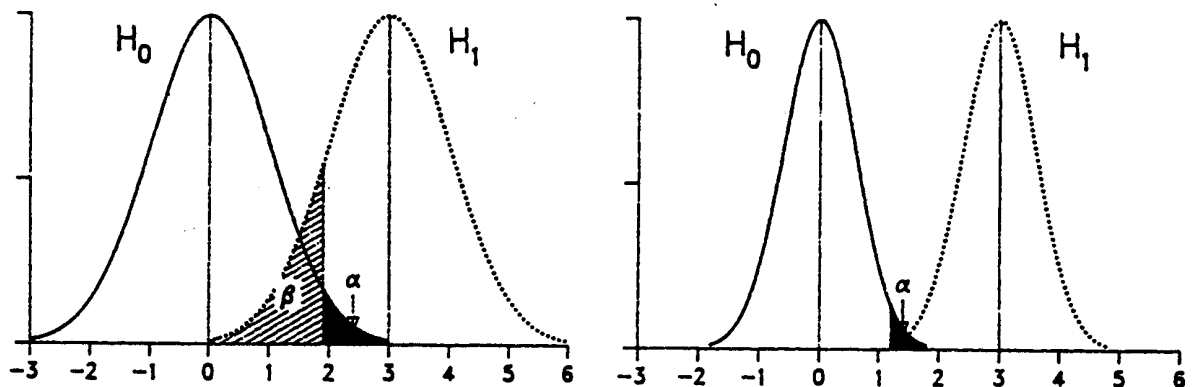
$$= \frac{25 - 30}{\sqrt{\frac{64}{20} + \frac{64}{20}}}$$

$$= -1.98$$

$[t_{.025}(38) = \pm 2.025]$ Do not reject the null hypothesis

t is numerically equal to δ although *t* is calculated from statistics and δ is calculated from parameters. In other words, $\delta =$ the *t* that you would get if the data exactly match what you think are the values of the parameters.

8.13 Diagram to defend answer to Exercise 8.12:



With larger sample sizes the sampling distribution of the mean has a smaller standard error, which means that there is less overlap of the distributions. This results in greater power, and therefore the larger *n*'s significant result was less impressive.

8.15 Social awareness of ex-delinquents--which subject pool would be better to use?

$$\begin{array}{ll} \bar{X}_{\text{normal}} = 38 & n = 50 \\ \bar{X}_{\text{H.S. Grads}} = 35 & n = 100 \\ \bar{X}_{\text{dropout}} = 30 & n = 25 \end{array}$$

$$d = \frac{38 - 35}{\sigma}$$

$$n_h = \frac{2(50)(100)}{150} = 66.67$$

$$\delta = \frac{3}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{66.67}{2}} = \frac{17.32}{\sigma}$$

$$d = \frac{38 - 30}{\sigma}$$

$$n_h = \frac{2(50)(25)}{75} = 33.33$$

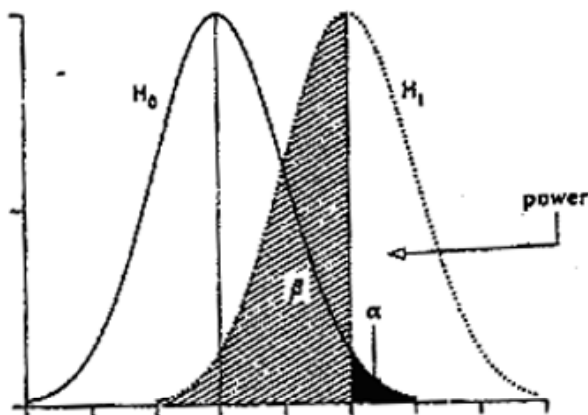
$$\delta = \frac{8}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{33.33}{2}} = \frac{32.66}{\sigma}$$

Assuming equal standard deviations, the H.S. dropout group of 25 would result in a higher value of δ and therefore higher power. (You can let σ be any value you choose, as long as it is the same for both calculations. Then calculate δ for each situation.)

8.17 Total sample sizes required for power = .60, $\alpha = .05$, two-tailed ($\delta = 2.2$):

Effect Size	d	One-sample t	Two-sample t	
			Per Group	Overall
Small	0.2	120	242	484
Medium	0.5	20	39	78
Large	0.8	8	16	32

8.19 When can power = β ?



The mean under H_1 should fall at the critical value under H_0 . The question implies a one-tailed test. Thus the mean is 1.645 standard errors above μ_0 , which is 100.

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= 100 + 1.64\sigma_x \\ &= 100 + 1.645\left(15 / \sqrt{25}\right) \\ &= 104.935\end{aligned}$$

When $\mu = 104.935$, power would equal β .