

## Quick Questions 22 Nonparametric Hypothesis Testing of Ordinal Data Part II

- I. Linda is tracking the number of work days missed by employees before and after taking part in the company-sponsored lunchtime physical fitness program. This problem first appeared on page 101. At that time it was assumed the populations were approximately normal. If this assumption is not correct, a paired difference sign test may be conducted at the .10 level of significance to determine whether median work days missed has changed.

Employee	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Before	8	9	6	8	3	4	5
After	6	7	5	6	5	2	5
Sign	+	+	+	+	-	+	0

- Employee G missed the same number of days and will be excluded from the study.
  - Five of six missed fewer days.
  - The Binomial table (ST 1) yields the following:  $p(x \geq 5) = .094 + .016 = .11$ . For this two-tail problem,  $p = 2(.11) = .22$ .
  - Accept  $H_0$  because .22 is greater than .10. Employee absenteeism has not changed.
  - Note:** The null hypothesis would have been rejected if all 6 employees had changed their absenteeism ( $p(x \geq 6) = .016$  and  $2(.016) = .032 < .10$ ).
- II. The page 112 ANOVA high school and college grades study assumed the populations were normally distributed with equal variances. These assumptions are not true or unknown. Conduct a .05 level of significance Kruskal-Wallis test to determine the equality of treatment median grades. Page 112 data has been increased to conform with the  $n \geq 5$  test requirement.

High H.S. Grades $T_1$		Medium H.S. Grades $T_2$		Low H.S. Grades $T_3$	
College Grades	Rank ( $R_1$ )	College Grades	Rank ( $R_2$ )	College Grades	Rank ( $R_3$ )
3.4	13	3.2	11	2.1	2
3.5	14	2.8	6	2.5	4
3.1	9.5	3.0	8	2.7	5
3.3	12	3.1	9.5	2.3	3
3.6	<u>15</u>	2.9	<u>7</u>	1.8	<u>1</u>
	63.5		41.5		15

H is the designated statistic.
N, the number of observations, is 15.
k, the number of samples, is 3.
$n_k$ , a sample's size, is 5.
$R_k$ is a sample's rank total.
$df = k - 1 = 3 - 1 = 2 \rightarrow \chi^2 = 9.21$

$$H = \frac{12}{N(N+1)} \left[ \frac{(\sum R_1)^2}{n_1} + \frac{(\sum R_2)^2}{n_2} + \dots + \frac{(\sum R_k)^2}{n_k} \right] - 3(n+1)$$

$$= \frac{12}{15(15+1)} \left[ \frac{(63.5)^2}{5} + \frac{(41.5)^2}{5} + \frac{(15)^2}{5} \right] - 3(15+1)$$

$$= .05(806.45 + 344.45 + 45.00) - 48.00 = 11.795$$

$H_0$  is rejected because  $11.80 > 9.21$ . Medians are not equal.