

Step By Step with EasyCalc (rev10)

EXAMPLE 2 An Outlier's Effect

Our bodies have a natural electrical field that is known to help heal wounds. Does changing the field strength slow healing? A series of experiments with newts investigated this question. In one experiment, the two hind limbs of 12 newts were assigned at random to either experimental or control groups. The electrical field in the experimental limbs was reduced to zero by applying a voltage. The control limbs were left alone. Here are the rates at which new cells closed a razor cut in each limb, in micrometers per hour.

Newt	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Control Limb	36	41	39	42	44	39	39	56	33	20	49	30
Experimental Limb	28	31	27	33	33	38	45	25	28	33	47	23

Click on *Hypothesis for Two Samples - Matched Pairs* and enter the data into var1 and var2.

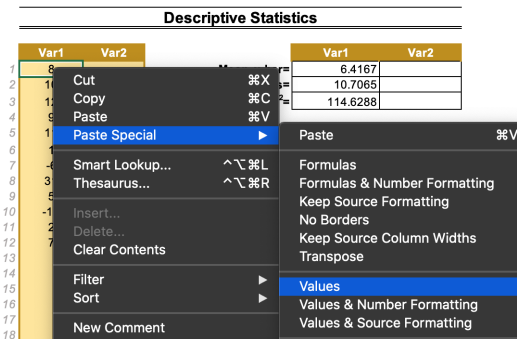
	Var1	Var2	Difference
1	36	28	8
2	41	31	10
3	39	27	12
4	42	33	9
5	44	33	11
6	39	38	1
7	39	45	-6
8	56	25	31
9	33	28	5
10	20	33	-13
11	49	47	2
12	30	23	7

The obvious outlier is pair #8 with a difference of 31. A stem and leaf plot also shows this:

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-1 | 3
0 | 6
0 | 12579
1 | 012
2 |
3 | 1
    
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Let's see if there is a second outlier. Highlight the *Difference* column, and right click Copy. Click **Index** and then on the *Descriptive Statistics* page. Right click on **var1 #1** and select **Paste Special > Values**.



We now have the descriptive statistics and the values that are outliers.

Descriptive Statistics	
Var1	Var2
8	
10	
12	
9	
11	
1	
-6	
31	
5	
-13	
2	
7	

	Var1	Var2
Mean \bar{x} =	6.4167	
Sample st.dev. s=	10.7065	
Sample Variance s^2 =	114.6288	
Population st. dev. σ =	10.2507	
Population Variance σ^2 =	105.0764	
Five Number Summary		
Min=	-13	
Q1=	1.25	
Med=	7.5	
Q3=	10.75	
Max=	31	
Mode=	#N/A	
Skewness=	0.4419	
Percentile=	40%	45%
	5.4	
Outliers	≤ -13	
	≥ 25	

On the bottom we see it appears 31 and -13 are both outliers. Let's conduct the hypothesis tests on all the data, and then again removing the outliers one by one. Click **Index**, and back to *Hypothesis for Two Samples - Matched Pairs*.

All Data

Hypothesis test set-up: $\begin{cases} H_0: \mu_d = 0 \\ H_1: \mu_d > 0 \end{cases}$ claim

Hypothesis Test for Matched Pairs Using Data			
Var1	Var2	Difference	
36	28	8	Sample Difference Mean= 6.4167
41	31	10	Standard Deviation= 10.7065
39	27	12	Variance= 114.6288
42	33	9	Sample Size= 12
44	33	11	Degrees of Freedom= 11
39	38	1	Hypothesized Difference= 0
39	45	-6	Type: Ha: $\mu_d > 0$
56	25	31	t-statistic= 2.0761
33	28	5	P-Value= 0.0311
20	33	-13	
49	47	2	
30	23	7	

With P -value = 0.0311 there is some evidence at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level that $\mu_d > 0$.

Removing $x = 31$ (Delete out either the var1 or var2 data values)

Hypothesis Test for Matched Pairs Using Data			
Var1	Var2	Difference	
36	28	8	Sample Difference Mean= 4.1818
41	31	10	Standard Deviation= 7.7565
39	27	12	Variance= 60.1636
42	33	9	Sample Size= 11
44	33	11	Degrees of Freedom= 10
39	38	1	Hypothesized Difference= 0
39	45	-6	Type: Ha: $\mu_d > 0$
33	28	5	t-statistic= 1.7881
20	33	-13	P-Value= 0.0520
49	47	2	
30	23	7	

Now we have P -value = 0.052, so not enough evidence at $\alpha = 0.05$

Removing Both Outliers

Hypothesis Test for Matched Pairs Using Data			
Var1	Var2	Difference	
36	28	8	Sample Difference Mean= 5.9000
41	31	10	Standard Deviation= 5.5468
39	27	12	Variance= 30.7667
42	33	9	Sample Size= 10
44	33	11	Degrees of Freedom= 9
39	38	1	Hypothesized Difference= 0
39	45	-6	Type: Ha: $\mu_d > 0$
33	28	5	t-statistic= 3.3637
49	47	2	P-Value= 0.0042
30	23	7	

With P -value = 0.0042 we have strong evidence that $\mu_d > 0$.