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 Assume that the two samples are independent and the two corresponding populations are normally distributed.
 Do these samples suggest that the average # brake pads produced by the two shifts differ?
 (Use significance level $\alpha = 0.01$)

(a) State the appropriate null hypothesis H_0 & alternative hypothesis H_A .

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Let } \mu_1 \equiv (\text{Mean \# of brake pads produced by day shift}) \\ \text{Let } \mu_2 \equiv (\text{Mean \# of brake pads produced by night shift}) \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 \\ H_A : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} H_0 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0 \\ H_A : \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0 \end{array}$$

(b) Compute the independent t -test statistic value for this hypothesis test.

$$t = \frac{(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) - \delta_0}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} = \frac{(52 - 55) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{4.4^2}{10} + \frac{4.6^2}{13}}} \approx \boxed{-1.58917}$$

(c) Identify the two appropriate independent t -cutoffs and lookup/compute their values.

First, determine the appropriate # degrees of freedom:

$$\nu^* = \left\lfloor \frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}\right)^2}{\frac{(s_1^2/n_1)^2}{n_1 - 1} + \frac{(s_2^2/n_2)^2}{n_2 - 1}} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{\left(\frac{4.4^2}{10} + \frac{4.6^2}{13}\right)^2}{\frac{(4.4^2/10)^2}{10 - 1} + \frac{(4.6^2/13)^2}{13 - 1}} \right\rfloor \approx \left\lfloor \frac{12.69990286}{0.637236965} \right\rfloor = \lfloor 19.92963929 \rfloor = 19$$

$$t_{\nu^*, \alpha/2}^* = t_{19; 0.005}^* \stackrel{LOOKUP}{\approx} \boxed{2.861} \quad t_{\nu^*, 1-\alpha/2}^* \stackrel{SYM}{=} -t_{\nu^*, \alpha/2}^* = -t_{19; 0.005}^* \approx \boxed{-2.861}$$

(d) Compute the appropriate P-value using software.

$$\text{P-value} = 2 \cdot [1 - \Phi_t(|t|; \nu^*)] = 2 \cdot [1 - \Phi_t(1.58917; \nu = 19)] \stackrel{SW}{\approx} 2 \cdot [1 - 0.9357] = \boxed{0.1286}$$

(e) Using the computed independent t -cutoffs, render the appropriate decision.

$$\text{Since } t_{\nu^*, 1-\alpha/2}^* < t < t_{\nu^*, \alpha/2}^*, \quad \boxed{\text{Accept (or Fail to Reject) } H_0}$$

(f) Using the computed P-value, render the appropriate decision.

$$\text{Since P-value} \approx 0.1286 > 0.01 = \alpha, \quad \boxed{\text{Accept (or Fail to Reject) } H_0}$$

There is not enough compelling evidence from the data to conclude that the avg # of brake pads produced by the two shifts differ.

(g) Construct the approximate 99% independent t -CI for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$.

$$(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) \pm t_{\nu^*, \alpha/2}^* \cdot \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}} \Rightarrow (52 - 55) \pm 2.861 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4.4^2}{10} + \frac{4.6^2}{13}} \Rightarrow -3 \pm 5.4009 \Rightarrow \boxed{(-8.4009, 2.4009)}$$

A negative sign in the CI indicates that the night shift produces more brake pads on avg than the day shift.
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Notice that the CI contains zero, which is expected since H_0 was accepted.

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(b) Compute the pooled t -test statistic value for this hypothesis test.

$$1^{\text{st}}, \text{ compute pooled sample variance: } s_{\text{pool}}^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2} = \frac{(10 - 1) \cdot 4.4^2 + (13 - 1) \cdot 4.6^2}{10 + 13 - 2} \approx 20.38857$$

$$t_{\text{pool}} = \frac{(\bar{x} - \bar{y}) - \delta_0}{\sqrt{s_{\text{pool}}^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)}} = \frac{(52 - 55) - 0}{\sqrt{20.38857 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{13}\right)}} \approx \boxed{-1.5796}$$

(c) Identify the two appropriate pooled t -cutoffs and lookup/compute their values.

$$\nu_{\text{pool}} = n_1 + n_2 - 2 = 10 + 13 - 2 = 21$$

$$t_{\nu_{\text{pool}}; \alpha/2}^* = t_{21; 0.005}^* \stackrel{\text{LOOKUP}}{\approx} \boxed{2.831} \quad t_{\nu_{\text{pool}}; 1-\alpha/2}^* = -t_{\nu_{\text{pool}}; \alpha/2}^* \stackrel{\text{LOOKUP}}{\approx} \boxed{-2.831}$$

(d) Compute the appropriate P-value using software.

$$\text{P-value} = 2 \cdot [1 - \Phi_t(|t_{\text{pool}}|; \nu_{\text{pool}})] = 2 \cdot [1 - \Phi_t(1.5796; \nu = 21)] \stackrel{\text{SW}}{\approx} 2 \cdot [1 - 0.9354] = \boxed{0.1292}$$

(e) Using the computed pooled t -cutoffs, render the appropriate decision.

$$\text{Since } t_{\nu_{\text{pool}}; 1-\alpha/2}^* < t_{\text{pool}} < t_{\nu_{\text{pool}}; \alpha/2}^*, \quad \boxed{\text{Accept (or Fail to Reject) } H_0}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} (\bar{x} - \bar{y}) \pm t_{\nu_{\text{pool}}; \alpha/2}^* \cdot \sqrt{s_{\text{pool}}^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)} &\Rightarrow (52 - 55) \pm 2.831 \cdot \sqrt{20.38857 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{13}\right)} \\ &\Rightarrow -3 \pm 5.3768 \Rightarrow \boxed{(-8.3768, 2.3768)} \end{aligned}$$

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