

NDK_MEANTEST

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- C/C++
- .Net

```
int __stdcall NDK_MEANTEST(double * X,  
                           size_t  N,  
                           double  target,  
                           double  alpha,  
                           WORD     method,  
                           WORD     retType,  
                           double * retVal  
                           )
```

Calculates the p-value of the statistical test for the population mean.

Returns

status code of the operation

Return values

NDK_SUCCESS Operation successful

NDK_FAILED Operation unsuccessful. See [Macros](#) for full list.

Parameters

[in] **X** is the sample data (a one dimensional array).

[in] **N** is the number of observations in X.

[in] **target** is the assumed mean value. If missing, a default of zero is assumed.

[in] **alpha** is the statistical significance level. If missing, the default of 5% is assumed.

[in] **method** is the statistical test to perform (1=parametric).

[in] **retType** is a switch to select the return output:

Method	Value	Description
TEST_PVALUE	1	P-Value
TEST_SCORE	2	Test statistics (aka score)
TEST_CRITICALVALUE	3	Critical value.

[out] **retVal** is the calculated test statistics.

Remarks

1. The sample data may include missing values (NaN).
2. The test hypothesis for the population mean: $[H_0: \mu = \mu_0] [H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0]$

Where:

- $[H_0]$ is the null hypothesis.
- $[H_1]$ is the alternate hypothesis.
- $[\mu_0]$ is the assumed population mean.

- μ is the actual population mean.
3. For the case in which the underlying population distribution is normal, the sample mean/average has a Student's t with T-1 degrees of freedom sampling distribution: $\bar{x} \sim t_{\nu=T-1}(\mu, \frac{S^2}{T})$ Where:
 - \bar{x} is the sample average.
 - μ is the population mean/average.
 - S is the sample standard deviation. $S^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^T (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{T-1}$
 - T is the number of non-missing values in the data sample.
 - $t_{\nu}()$ is the Student's t-Distribution.
 - ν is the degrees of freedom of the Student's t-Distribution.
 4. The Student's t-Test for the population mean can be used for small and for large data samples.
 5. This is a two-sides (i.e. two-tails) test, so the computed p-value should be compared with half of the significance level ($\frac{\alpha}{2}$).
 6. The underlying population distribution is assumed normal (Gaussian).

Requirements

Header	SFSDK.H
Library	SFSDK.LIB
DLL	SFSDK.DLL

Examples

```
int NDK_MEANTEST(double[] pData,
                 UIntPtr nSize,
                 double target,
                 double alpha,
                 UInt16 argMethod,
                 UInt16 retType,
                 out double retVal
                )
```

Namespace: NumXLAPI
Class: SFSDK
Scope: Public
Lifetime: Static

Calculates the p-value of the statistical test for the population mean.

Returns

status code of the operation

Return values

NDK_SUCCESS Operation successful

NDK_FAILED Operation unsuccessful. See [Macros](#) for full list.

Parameters

[in] **pData** is the sample data (a one dimensional array).

[in] **nSize** is the number of observations in pData.

[in] **target** is the assumed mean value. If missing, a default of zero is assumed.

[in] **alpha** is the statistical significance level. If missing, the default of 5% is assumed.

[in] **argMethod** is the statistical test to perform (1=parametric).

[in] **retType** is a switch to select the return output:

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Where:
 - $[H_{\{0\}}]$ is the null hypothesis.
 - $[H_{\{1\}}]$ is the alternate hypothesis.
 - $[\mu_o]$ is the assumed population mean.
 - $[\mu]$ is the actual population mean.
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 - $[\mu]$ is the population mean/average.
 - $[S]$ is the sample standard deviation. $[S^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^T (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{T-1}]$
 - $[T]$ is the number of non-missing values in the data sample.
 - $[t_{\{\nu\}}()]$ is the Student's t-Distribution.
 - $[\nu]$ is the degrees of freedom of the Student's t-Distribution.
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Exceptions



Exception Type	Condition
None	N/A

Requirements

Namespace	NumXLAPI
Class	SFSDK
Scope	Public
Lifetime	Static
Package	NumXLAPI.DLL

Examples

References

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See Also

[template("related")]
