Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test

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 Assign Ranks, R_i, to the n₁ + n₂ Sample Observations
If Unequal Sample Sizes, Let n₁ Refer to Smaller-Sized Sample

Smallest Value = 1

2. Sum the Ranks, T_i , for Each Sample Test Statistic Is T_A (Smallest Sample)

Null hypothesis: both samples come from the same underlying distribution

Distribution of T is not quite as simple as binomial, but it can be computed

Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test Example

 You're a production planner. You want to see if the operating rates for 2 factories is the same.
For factory 1, the rates (% of capacity) are 71, 82, 77, 92, 88. For factory 2, the rates are 85, 82, 94 & 97. Do the factory rates have the same probability distributions?

- > Ho: Test Statistic:
- > Ha:
- $> n_1 = n_2 =$
- > Critical Value(s):

Decision:



- > Ho: Identical Distrib.
- Ha: Shifted Left or Right
- > *n*1 = *n*2 =
- > Critical Value(s):

Test Statistic:

Decision:

 Σ Ranks

- > Ho: Identical Distrib.
- Ha: Shifted Left or Right
- > $n_1 = 5$ $n_2 = 4$
- > Critical Value(s):

Test Statistic:

Decision:

 Σ Ranks

Wilcoxon Rank Sum Table 12 (Rosner) (Portion)

α = .05 two-tailed

a. $\alpha = .02$	5 one-	tailed;	$\alpha = .03$	5 two-ta	ailed							
<i>n</i> ₁ <i>n</i> ₂	3	3	4	1	ŝ	5	(5	7	7	8	}
	T_L	T_{U}	T_L	T_{u}	T_L	T_{u}	T_L	T_{U}	T_L	T_{ν}	T_L	Tu
3	5	16	6	18	6	21	7	23	7	26	8	28
4	6	18	11	25	12	28	12	32	13	35	14	38
5	6	21	12	28	18	37	19	41	20	45	21	49
6	7	23	12	32	19	41	26	52	28	56	29	61
7	7	26	13	35	20	45	28	56	37	68	39	73
8	8	28	14	38	21	49	29	61	39	73	49	87
9	8	31	15	41	22	53	31	65	41	78	51	93
10	9	33	16	44	24	56	32	70	43	83	54	98

- > Ho: Identical Distrib.
- Ha: Shifted Left or Right
- > $n_1 = 5$ $n_2 = 4$
- > Critical Value(s):



Decision:



Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rate Rank		Rank	
Rank Sum				

Factory 1		Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71		85		
82		82		
77		94		
92		97		
88			•••	
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85		
82		82		
77		94		
92		97		
88		•••	•••	
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85		
82		82		
77	2	94		
92		97		
88			•••	
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85		
82	3	82	4	
77	2	94		
92		97		
88				
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85		
82	<i>*</i> 3 3.5	82	4 3.5	
77	2	94		
92		97		
88			•••	
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85	5	
82	<i>*</i> 3 3.5	82	4 3.5	
77	2	94		
92		97		
88				
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85	5	
82	<i>×</i> 33.5	82	4 3.5	
77	2	94		
92		97		
88	6			
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85	5	
82	<i>×</i> 3.5	82	4 3.5	
77	2	94		
92	7	97		
88	6		•••	
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85	5	
82	<i>×</i> 3.5	82	4 3.5	
77	2	94	8	
92	7	97		
88	6			
Rank Sum				

Facto	ory 1	Factory 2		
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank	
71	1	85	5	
82	<i>×</i> 33.5	82	4 3.5	
77	2	94	8	
92	7	97	9	
88	6		•••	
Rank Sum				

Factory 1		Factory 2	
Rate	Rank	Rate	Rank
71	1	85	5
82	<i>×</i> 3.5	82	4 3.5
77	2	94	8
92	7	97	9
88	6		
Rank Sum	19.5		25.5

- > Ho: Identical Distrib.
- Ha: Shifted Left or Right
- > $n_1 = 5$ $n_2 = 4$
- > Critical Value(s):

Test Statistic: $T_2 = 5 + 3.5 + 8 + 9 = 25.5$ (Smallest Sample)

Decision:



- > Ho: Identical Distrib.
- Ha: Shifted Left or Right
- > $n_1 = 5$ $n_2 = 4$
- > Critical Value(s):

RejectDo Not
RejectReject1228ΣRanks

Test Statistic: $T_2 = 5 + 3.5 + 8 + 9 = 25.5$ (Smallest Sample)

Decision: Do Not Reject

- > Ho: Identical Distrib.
- Ha: Shifted Left or Right
- > $n_1 = 6$ $n_2 = 5$
- > Critical Value(s):

 $\begin{array}{c|c} Reject & Do Not \\ Reject & Reject \\ \hline 12 & 28 \Sigma Ranks \\ \end{array}$

Test Statistic: $T_2 = 5 + 3.5 + 8 + 9 = 25.5$ (Smallest Sample)

Decision: Do Not Reject

Wilcoxon Rank Sum Test Activity

For Team A, its population is composed of the following: 2, 6, 4, 23, 7, & 6. For Team B, it has 6, 8, 7, 10, & 8. Do the populations of both have the same probability distributions?

Team A		Team B	
Population	Rank	Population	Rank
2	1	6	4
6	4	8	8.5
4	2	7	6.5
23	11	10	10
7	6.5	8	8.5
6	4		
Rank Sum	28.5		37.5

- > Ho: Identical Distrib.
- Ha: Shifted Left or Right
- > $n_1 = 6$ $n_2 = 5$
- > Critical Value(s):

Test Statistic: T₂ = 4+8.5+6.5+10+8.5 = 37.5 (Smallest Sample)

Decision: Do Not Reject

