Difference of Two Independent Population Means

	SC	OC
Average life of Diehard(μ_1) batteries is longer that Everlast(μ_2)	$\mu_1 > \mu_2$	$\mu_1 \leq \mu_2$

Example 1: Test at the $\alpha = 1\%$ whether the **average life of Diehard batteries is longer than Everlast**. Sample from these two type of batteries are as such: Below is a sample information of these two brands.



Conclusion: Accept or reject H₀? Outside CR then Fail to Reject H₀ or Accept H₀

Comment: Accept or reject **SC**? Reject that the average life of Diehard batteries is longer than Everlast brand. **P-value:** 0.02256 more than $\alpha = 0.01$ accept Ho **Example 2 :** A researcher wants to test if the mean GPA of all male and female college students who participate in sports are different. She took a random sample of 33 male students and 38 female students who are involved in sports. She found out the mean GPAs of the two groups to be 2.62 and 2.74, respectively, with the corresponding standard deviations equal to .43 and .38. At 2% significance level, test whether the **mean** GPAs of the **two populations are different**.

SC: $\mu_m \neq \mu_f$ $H_0: \mu_m = \mu_f$ $H_0: \mu_m - \mu_f = 0$ Hint: Use H₁ to determine if it is LTT, TTT or RTT test OC: $\mu_m = \mu_f$ $H_1: \mu_m \neq \mu_f$ $H_1: \mu_m - \mu_f \neq 0$ Note: $\mu_m - \mu_f$ in H₁ is not equal then it is a TTT

When $\alpha = .02$, n > 30 and two –tailed test then by using bottom row of page Table 2 Critical value = $CV = Z = \pm 2.326$



Step 3

 $z = \frac{(2.62 - 2.74) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{.43^2}{33} + \frac{.38^2}{38}}} = \frac{-.12}{\sqrt{.0094}} = -1.24$ Falls Outside CR

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Step 1



Step 2

Conclusion: Accept or reject H₀? Outside CR then Fail to Reject H₀ or Accept H₀

Comment: Accept or reject **SC**? Reject that the **mean** GPAs of the two populations **are different**. **P-value:** 0.2159 more than $\alpha = 0.02$ accept Ho