

Single Sample and Paired Sample Sign Tests (From OCR 4735)

Q1, (Jun 2008, Q2)

(i)	Wilcoxon test requires a symmetric distribution not supported by the diagram	B1	1	Or equivalent

(ii)	$H_0: m = 1.80, H_1: m > 1.80$ Use sign test Number exceeding 1.8 = 20 Use B(30,0.5), $P(\geq 20)$ Or $P(\leq 10)$ 0.0494 Compare with 0.05 correctly 2.008 Conclude there is significant evidence that the median time exceeds 1.80 sec	M1 A1 M1 A1 M1 A1√	7 (8)	Needs "population median" if words OR: 1.645 if $N(15,7.5)$, $z = 1.643, 1.816,$ used; OR CR ($X \geq 20$) ft p or z

Q2, (Jun 2009, Q2)

(i)	Non-parametric test used when the distribution of the variable in question is unknown	B1	1	
(ii)	$H_0: m_{V-A} = 0, H_1: m_{V-A} \neq 0$ where m_{V-A} is the median of the population differences Difference and rank, bottom up $P = 65, Q = 13$ $T = 13$ Critical region: $T \leq 13$ 13 is inside the CR so reject H_0 and accept that there is sufficient evidence at the 5% significance level that the medians differ Use B(12, 0.5) $P(\leq 4) = 0.1938$ or CR = {0,1,2,10,11,12} > 0.025 , accept that there is insufficient evidence, etc CWO	B1 M1 A1 B1 M1 A1 M1 A1 A1	9	Allow $m_V = m_A$ etc Allow $P > Q$ stated Penalise over-assertive conclusions once only. Or 4 not in CR
(iii)	Wilcoxon test is more powerful than the sign test	B1	1 {11}	Use more information, more likely to reject NH

Q3, (Jun 2012, Q5)

(i)	For $n = 4$ $P(X = 0)$ or $P(X = 4) = 2^{-4} = 0.0625$ $0.0625 > 0.05$ so H_0 cannot be rejected	M1 A1 [2]	or $0.9375 < 0.95$	
(ii)	Sample of times considered random $H_0: m = 30, H_1: m < 30$ Use sign test $X \sim B(72, \frac{1}{2})$ $P(X \leq 28) =$ (from $N(36, 18)$) $\Phi \left(\frac{28.5 \text{ or } 43.5 - 36}{18^{1/2}} \right)$ $= 0.0385$ or 0.0386 Or from $B(72, \frac{1}{2}) = 0.0382$ Compare with 0.05 and reject H_0 There is sufficient evidence to accept that the median time for Elena's swims is less than 30s	B1 B1 M1 M1 M1 M1 A1 A2 M1 A1ft [9]	Allow 'data above or below median' Both hypotheses, median or m May be implied $= (-)1.767$ or $CV = (-)1.645$ Using calculator procedure or $-1.767 < -1.645$ not over-assertive	No, or wrong, CC (27.5 or 44.5) -1.886 or -2.003 M0 Any other CC M0 0.0297 or 0.0227 A1 0.03818457 No, or wrong, CC M1A1ft

Q4, (Jun 2016, Q1)

(i)	$H_0: p = \frac{1}{2}, H_1: p > \frac{1}{2}$ Find signs of differences Obtain 7+, 3- Attempt $P(X \geq 7)$ or $P(X \leq 3)$ 0.1719 "0.1719" > 0.05 , so do not reject H_0 Insuff. evidence that type P is better.	B1 M1 A1 M1ft A1ft M1 A1 [7]	For both. Allow any sensible hypotheses. +++--+--+ or vv or vv Allow 0.172 (0.0547 from 8+) Ft candidate's p . In context, not over-assertive. Cwo.	Attempt to find CR. M1 (not ft) $X \geq 9$ or $X \leq 1$ A1 (not ft) "7" (or "3") not in CR, so d.n.r. H_0 .ft NOT "suff evidence that there is no difference between the bows."
(ii)	Magnitude of differences taken into account.	B1 [1]	Uses more information. More powerful.	