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Preface

PASS (Power Analysis and Sample Size) is an advanced, easy-to-use statistical analysis software package. The system was designed and written by Dr. Jerry L. Hintze and other members of the development team over the last twenty years. Dr. Hintze drew upon his experience both in teaching statistics at the university level and in various types of statistical consulting.

The present version, written for 32-bit and 64-bit versions of Microsoft Windows (7, Vista, XP) computer systems, is the result of several iterations. Experience over the years with several different types of users has helped the program evolve into its present form.

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We believe **PASS** to be an accurate, exciting, easy-to-use program. If you find any portion which you feel needs to be changed, please let us know. Also, we openly welcome suggestions for additions and enhancements.

Verification

All calculations used in this program have been extensively tested and verified. First, they have been verified against the original journal article or textbook that contained the formulas. Second, they have been verified against second and third sources when these exist.