

Program Name: **mawi**

Language: SAS

Objective: Mann-Whitney test for equivalence of two continuous distributions, computation of the test statistic and its critical upper bound

Input:

ALPHA	significance level
M	sample size in Group 1
N	" " " " " 2
EPS1_	distance from 1/2 of the left-hand endpoint of the equivalence range for $\pi_+ \equiv P[X_i > Y_j]$
EPS2_	distance from 1/2 of the right-hand endpoint of the equivalence range for $\pi_+ \equiv P[X_i > Y_j]$
PATH	full pathname of the file containing the set of raw data

Output:

ALPHA	value read from input file
M	" " " " " " "
N	" " " " " " "
EPS1_	" " " " " " "
EPS2_	" " " " " " "
WXY	observed value of the Mann-Whitney statistic
SIGMAH	estimated standard error of WXY
CRIT	critical upper bound to the absolute value of the centred, standardized test statistic
REJ	indicator of the decision to be taken [REJ=1 \Leftrightarrow rejection of the null hypothesis of inequivalence; REJ=0 \Leftrightarrow acceptance of H]