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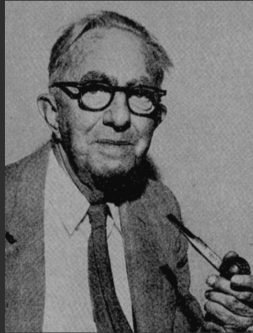
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w	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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1 sage: var('k,t')
2 (k, t)
3 sage: product(1+e^(k*t),k,1,4)
4 e^(10*t) + e^(9*t) + e^(8*t) + 2*e^(7*t) + 2*e^(6*t) + 2*e^(5*t) + 2*e^(4*t) + 2*
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2 > wilcox.test(x, mu = 14.60, alternative = "two.sided")
3
4     Wilcoxon signed rank exact test
5
6 data: x
7 V = 15, p-value = 0.123
8 alternative hypothesis: true location is not equal to 14.6
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– Nonparametric counterpart of the pooled two-sample t-test

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