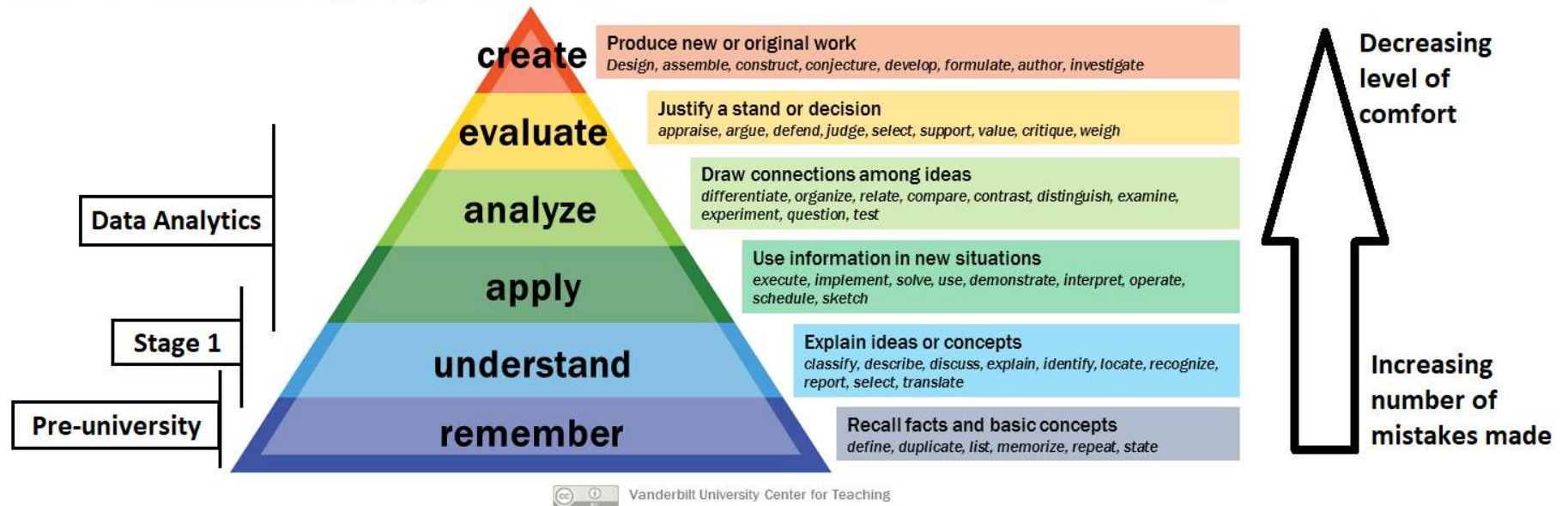


# “It’s hard.....”

## Previous Learning Experience

## Bloom’s Taxonomy





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Laboratory & Professional Skills:  
Data Analysis

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## Data Analysis in R

Week 5 Introduction to one- and two-sample tests. One sample tests

# Last week

- The normal distribution - because it is the basis of many tests (parametric tests such as  $t$ -test, regression and ANOVA)
  - Properties of normal distributions
  - Sampling distribution of the mean and the standard error
  - Confidence intervals
- In RStudio
  - Calculate probabilities and quantiles from normal distributions
  - Calculate confidence intervals

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# Learning objectives

By actively following the material and carrying out the independent study the successful student will be able to :

- Appreciate that  $t$ -tests are based on the normal distribution and have assumptions relating to it
- Understand the principles of  $t$ -tests
- Select, appropriately, one-sample  $t$ -tests and their non-parametric equivalent (MLO 2)
- Recognise when two samples are not independent (MLO 2)
- Know what functions are used in R to run these tests and how to interpret them(MLO 3 and 4)
- Know how to state the results of these tests scientifically (MLO 3 and 4)

# Introduction to one- and two-sample tests

*T*-tests and their non-parametric  
equivalents



# Reminder: The choice of test depends on ....

## 1. Type of data

The type of values a variable can take: Discrete or continuous?

## 2. Their role in the analysis

Which is the response and which is/are explanatory?

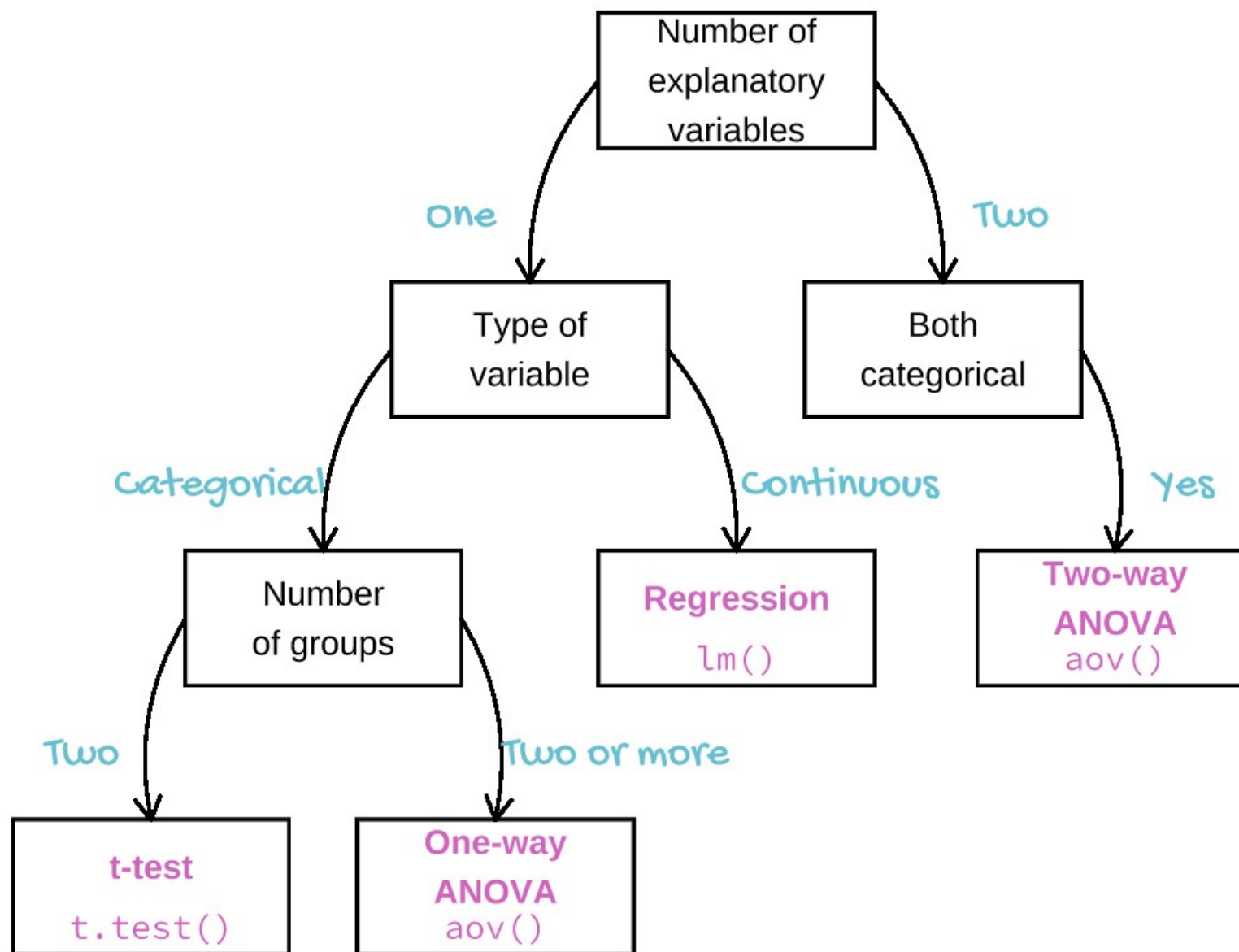
(week 3 Hypothesis testing, data types, reading data in to R and saving figures)

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# Types of $t$ -test

## 1. One-sample

- Compares the mean of sample to a particular value (compares the response to a reference)
  - Includes paired-sample test – compares the mean difference to zero (i.e., compares dependent means)

## 2. Two-sample

- Compares two (independent) means to each other

*t*-tests in general

# Assumptions

All *t*-tests assume the “residuals” are normally distributed and have homogeneity of variance

A residual is the difference between the predicted and observed value

Predicted value is the mean / group mean

$t$ -tests in general: assumptions

## Checking Assumptions

- Common sense
  - Data should be continuous
  - No/few repeats
- Plot the residuals
- Using a test in R

$t$ -tests in general: assumptions

## When residuals are not normally distributed

- Transform (not really covered)
  - E.g. Log to remove skew
- Use a non-parametric test (covered)
  - Fewer assumptions
  - Generally less powerful



# The one-sample $t$ -test

A parametric test

$t$ -tests

## One-sample $t$ -tests

Tests whether the mean of a single sample differs from an expected value (i.e.,  $H_0$ )

- Example: Fields are sprayed if crop plants have a disease score\* of 76.
- 20 plants in a field are measured
- Is their mean significantly different from the reference of 76?

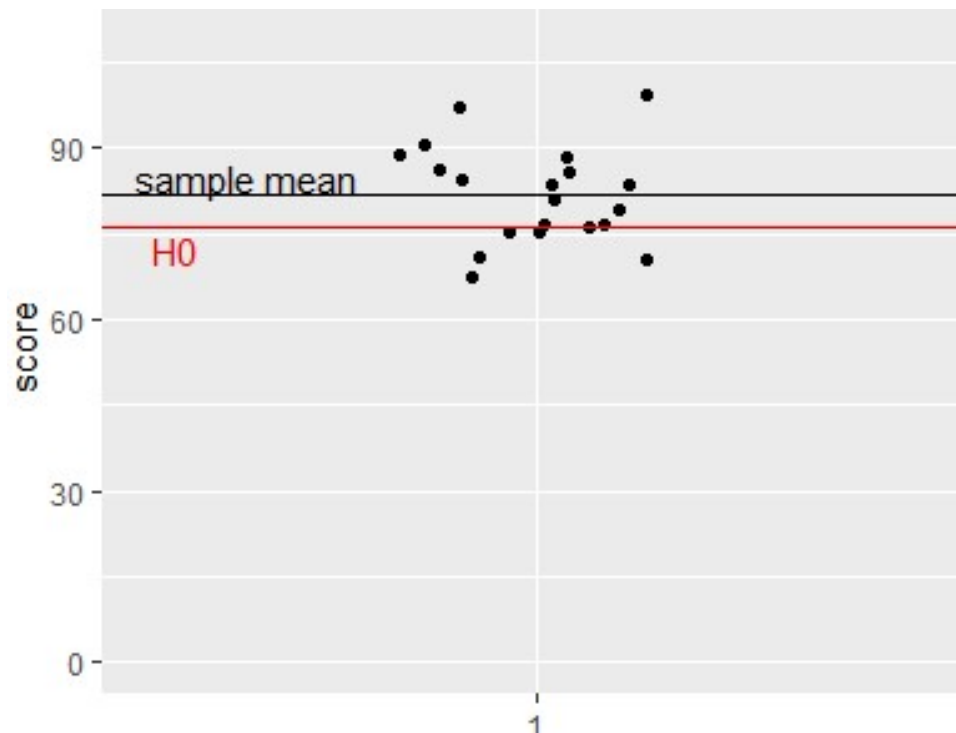
\*Arbitrary scale

## $t$ -tests

# One-sample $t$ -tests - example

```
plants %>%  
  summarise(mean = mean(score),  
            sd = sd(score),  
            n = length(score))
```

	mean	sd	length
1	81.803	8.533749	20



	score
1	76.11
2	76.52
3	83.37
4	88.28
5	83.67
6	67.40
7	75.43
8	97.03
9	75.46
10	90.42
11	99.30
12	79.00
13	85.55
14	81.12

## *t*-tests

# One-sample *t*-tests - example

- $H_0$ : mean = 76

- Standard formula for all *t*-tests

$$t = \frac{\textit{statistic} - \textit{hypothesised value}}{\textit{s.e. of statistic}}$$

- d.f.=  $n - 1$

*t*-tests

## One-sample *t*-tests - example

$$t = \frac{\text{statistic} - \text{hypothesised value}}{\text{s.e. of statistic}}$$

$$\bar{x} = 81.8$$

$$\mu = 76.00$$

Is the difference between the obtained value and the expected value big relative to the variability?

## *t*-tests

# One-sample *t*-tests - example

```
t.test(plants$score, mu = 76)
      One Sample t-test

data:  plants$score
t = 3.0411, df = 19, p-value = 0.006721
alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 76
95 percent confidence interval:
 77.80908 85.79692
sample estimates:
mean of x
 81.803
```

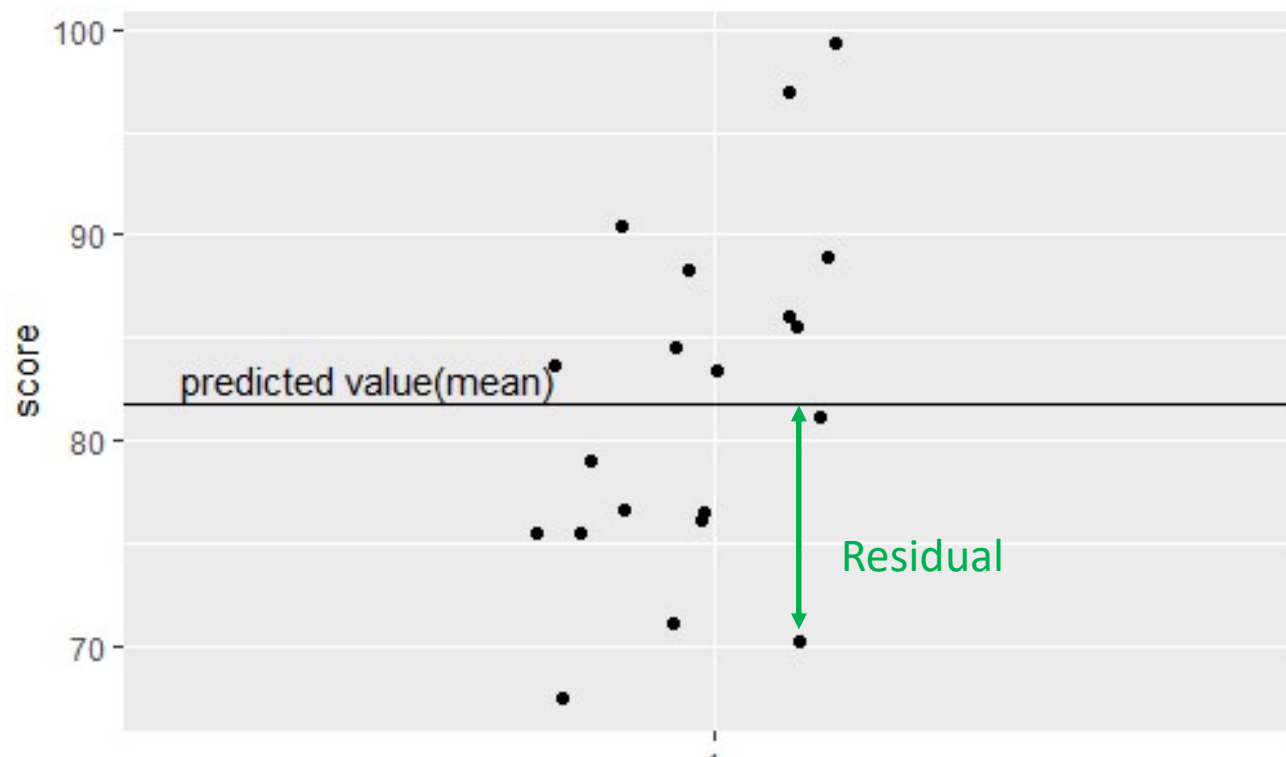
Note: you can also use

```
t.test(data = plants, score ~ 1, mu = 76)
```

$t$ -tests

# One-sample $t$ -tests - example

Checking the assumptions: normally and homogenously distributed residuals



## $t$ -tests

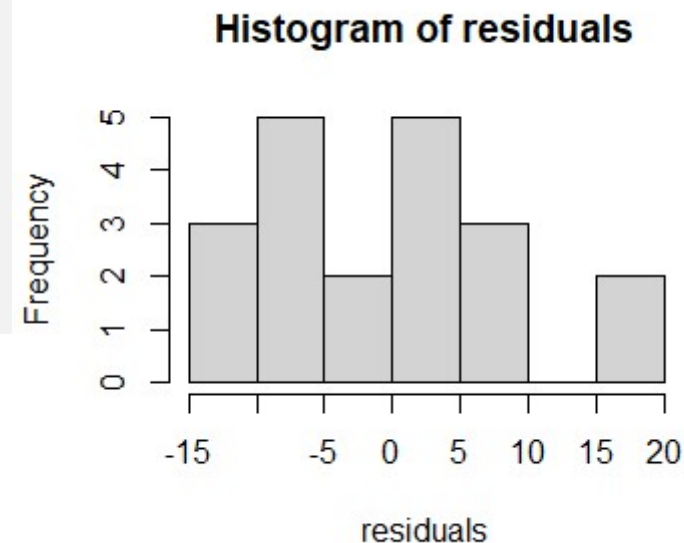
# One-sample $t$ -tests - example

Checking the assumptions: normally and homogenously distributed residuals

```
residuals <- plants$score - mean(plants$score)
hist(residuals)
shapiro.test(residuals)
```

Shapiro-wilk normality test

```
data: residuals
W = 0.9725, p-value = 0.8065
```





## $t$ -tests

# One-sample $t$ -tests - example

Reporting the result: “significance of effect, direction of effect, magnitude of effect”

The disease score for plants in this field ( $\bar{x} = 81.8$ ) is significantly higher than 76 ( $t = 3.04$ ;  $d.f. = 19$ ;  $p = 0.0067$ ).

## $t$ -tests

# One-sample $t$ -tests - summary

- Parametric
- To test whether the mean of a single sample differs from an expected value
- $t$  is size of difference relative to the s.e.
- Function in R:  
`t.test(df$response, mu = Exp)`
- If  $p < 0.05$  the test is significant
- assumptions: normally and homogeneously distributed residuals
- Significance, direction, magnitude
- Figure: probably not needed

# The paired sample $t$ -test

A parametric test

$t$ -tests

## Paired-sample $t$ -tests

- Two samples but values are not independent (could not reorder)

Actually a one-sample test

$t$ -tests

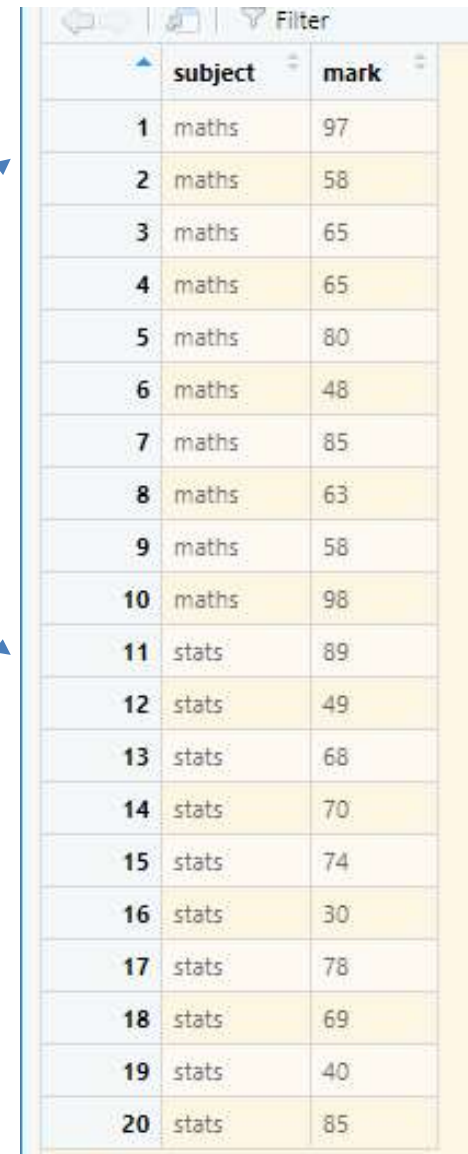
## Paired-sample $t$ -tests example

Is there a difference between the maths and stats marks of 10 students?

The one sample is the difference between the pairs of values

n.b. tidy data

Same student



	subject	mark
1	maths	97
2	maths	58
3	maths	65
4	maths	65
5	maths	80
6	maths	48
7	maths	85
8	maths	63
9	maths	58
10	maths	98
11	stats	89
12	stats	49
13	stats	68
14	stats	70
15	stats	74
16	stats	30
17	stats	78
18	stats	69
19	stats	40
20	stats	85

## *t*-tests

# Paired-sample *t*-tests - example

- $H_0$ : mean difference = 0
- Standard formula for all *t*-tests

$$t = \frac{\text{statistic} - \text{hypothesised value}}{\text{s.e. of statistic}}$$

- $t_{[d.f]} = \frac{\bar{d} - 0}{\text{s.e. of } \bar{d}}$
- d.f. =  $n - 1$  (where  $n$  is the number of pairs)

$t$ -tests

# Paired-sample $t$ -tests

Run paired sample  $t$ -test

```
t.test(data = marks, mark ~ subject, paired = TRUE)
```

Paired t-test

data: mark by subject

$t = 2.3399$ ,  $df = 9$ ,  $p\text{-value} = 0.04403$

alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0

95 percent confidence interval:

0.2159788 12.7840212

sample estimates:

mean of the differences

6.5

## $t$ -tests

# Paired-sample $t$ -tests - example

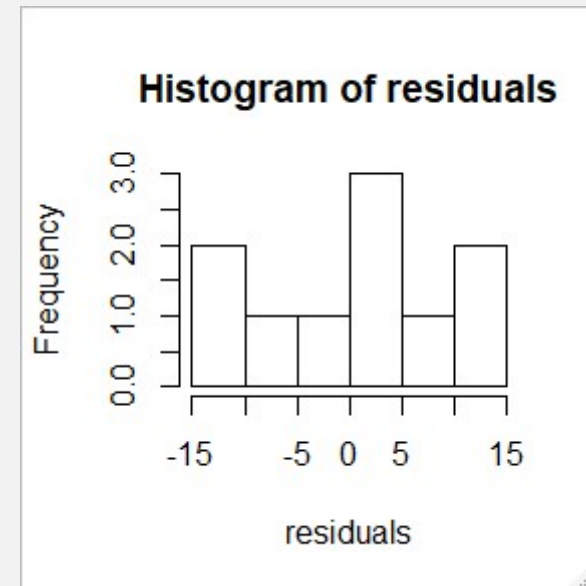
Checking the assumptions: normally and homogenously distributed residuals

```
diffs <- marks$mark[marks$subject == "maths"] -  
marks$mark[marks$subject == "stats"]
```

```
residuals <- diffs - mean(diffs)  
hist(residuals)  
shapiro.test(residuals)
```

Shapiro-wilk normality test

```
data: residuals  
W = 0.91246, p-value = 0.2983
```





*t*-tests

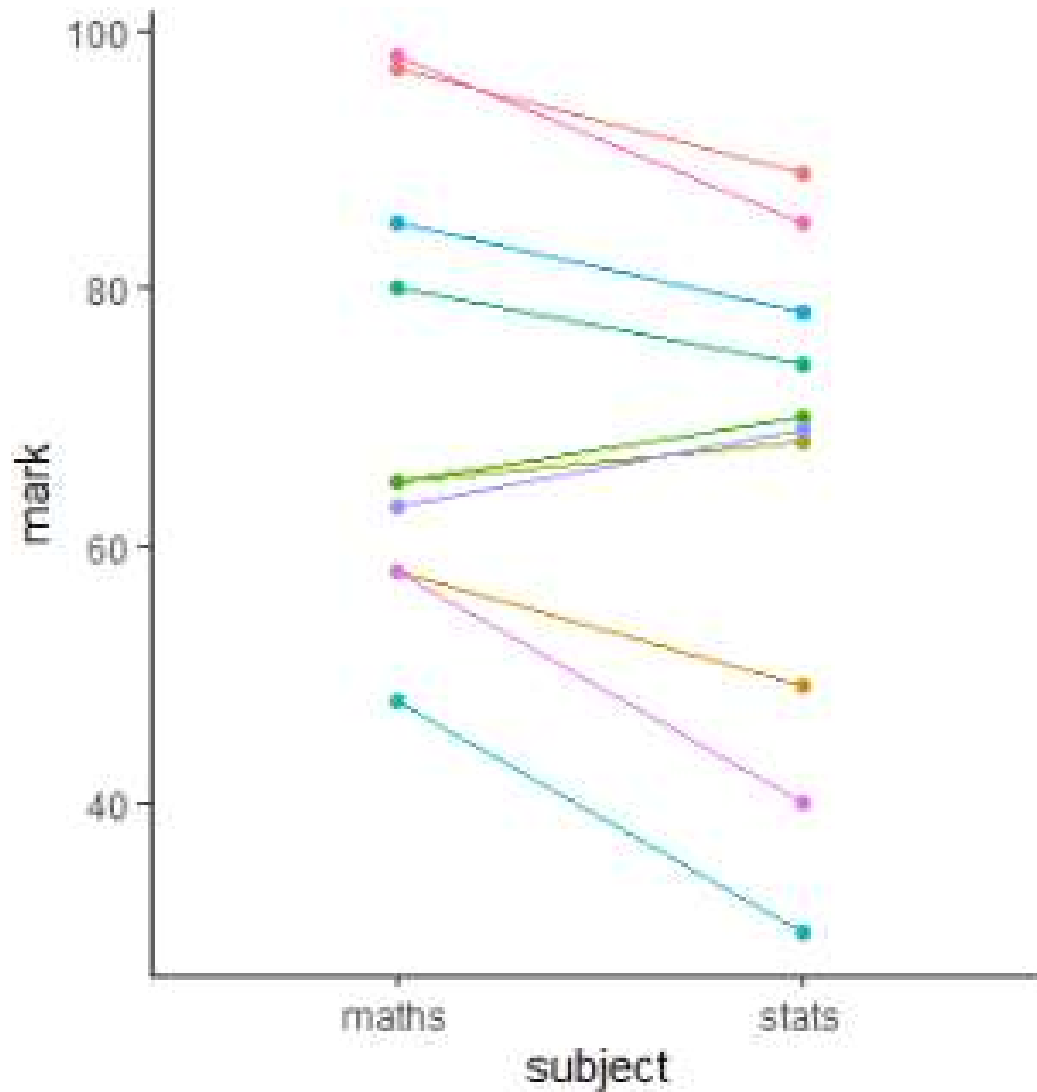
## Paired-sample *t*-tests

Reporting the result: “significance of effect, direction of effect, magnitude of effect”

Individual students score significantly higher in maths than in statistics ( $t = 2.34$ ;  $d.f. = 9$ ;  $p = 0.044$ ) with an average difference of 6.5%.

$t$ -tests

## Paired-sample $t$ -tests: figure



## $t$ -tests

# Paired-sample $t$ -tests - summary

- Parametric
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- Figure: none or spaghetti plot

# The one sample Wilcoxon

Non-parametric equivalent of the  
paired-sample  $t$ -test

# When the $t$ -test assumptions are not met: non- parametric tests

- Non-parametric tests make fewer assumptions
- Based on the **ranks** rather than the actual data
- Null hypotheses are about the **mean rank** (not the mean)

## Non-parametric tests

# *t*-test equivalents

i,.e., the type of question is the same but the response variable is not normally distributed or it is impossible to tell (small samples)

- one – sample *t*-test and paired-sample *t*-test: the one-sample Wilcoxon
- Two-sample *t*-test (next week): two-sample Wilcoxon aka Mann-Whitney

Non-parametric tests

# one/paired-sample Wilcoxon

Marks – small sample.

Wilcoxon might be more appropriate

```
wilcox.test(data = marks, mark ~ subject, paired = TRUE)
```

wilcoxon signed rank test with continuity correction

data: mark by subject

V = 48.5, p-value = 0.03641

alternative hypothesis: true location shift is not equal to 0

warning message:

In wilcox.test.default(x = c(97L, 58L, 65L, 65L, 80L, 48L, 85L, :  
cannot compute exact p-value with ties

## Non-parametric tests

# one/paired-sample Wilcoxon

Reporting the result: “significance of effect, direction of effect, magnitude of effect”

Individual students score significantly higher in maths than in statistics (Wilcoxon:  $V = 48.5$ ;  $n = 10$ ;  $p = 0.036$ ) with a median difference of 7.5%.



*t*-tests

## Wilcoxon- summary

- Non-parametric
- when assumptions for *t*-test not met
- To test whether the mean rank difference between pairs of values is zero
- Function in R:  
`wilcox.test(data = df, response ~ explanatory, paired = TRUE)`
- If  $p < 0.05$  the test is significant
- Few assumptions
- Figure: none or spaghetti plot