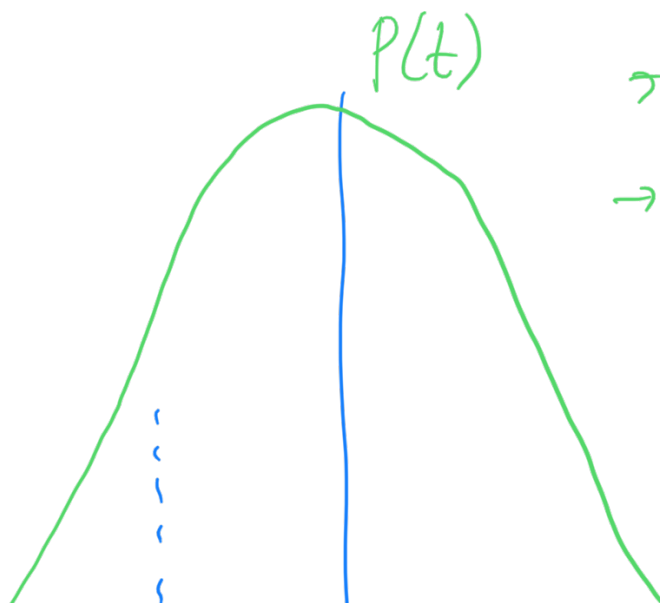


## Physics 341 - Lecture 13

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{N}} \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Stats.} \\ \text{norm.} \\ \text{cdf, pdf} \\ \text{rvs} \end{array}$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\underbrace{S / \sqrt{N}}_{\text{?}}} \quad \leftarrow ?$$

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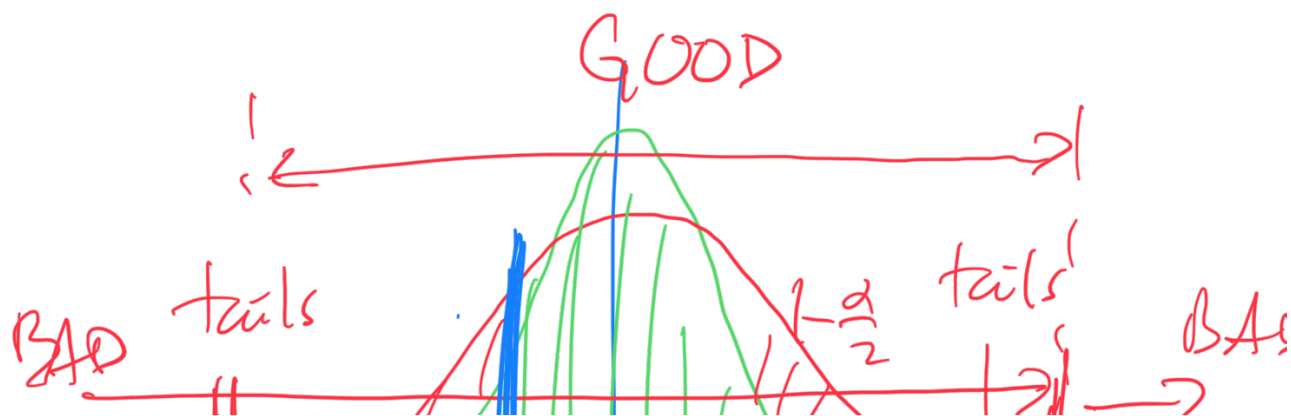
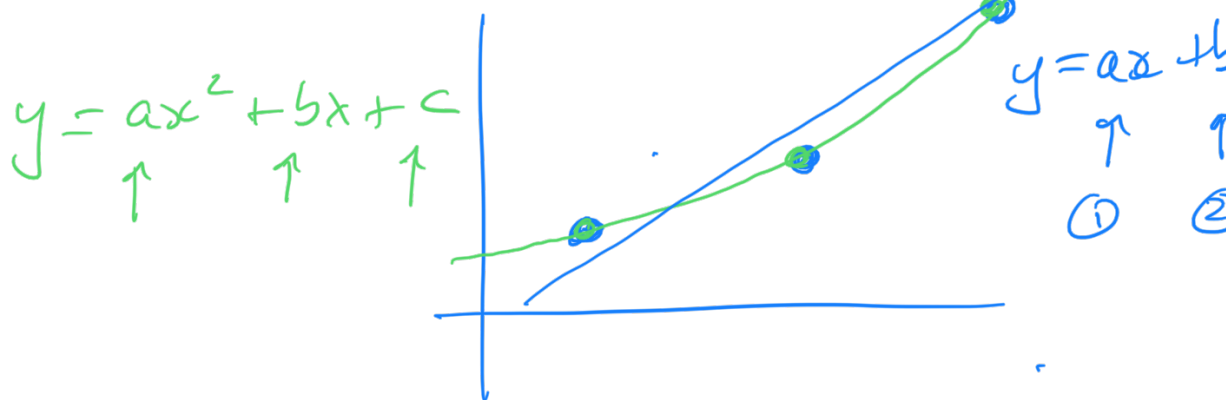


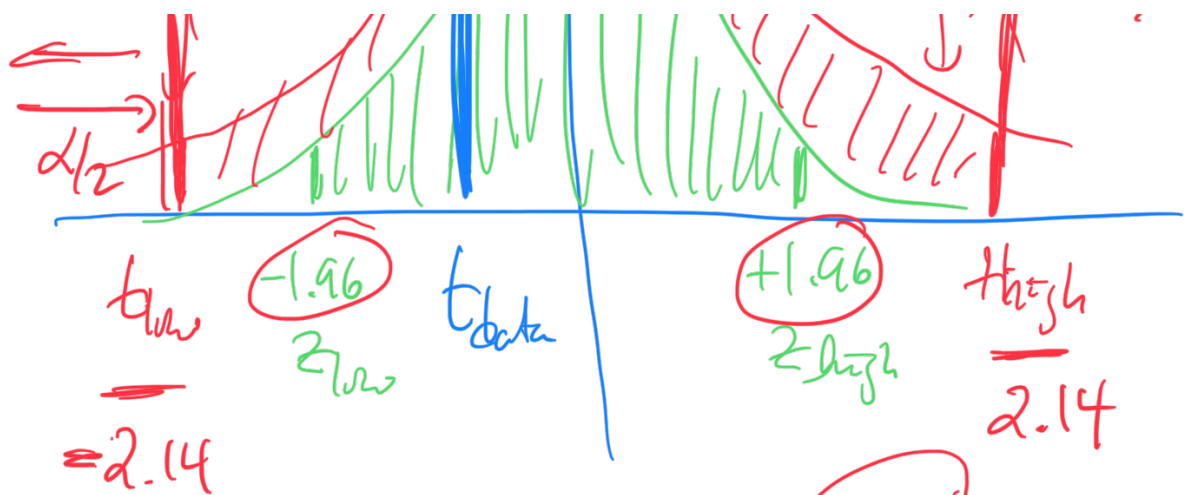
→ Symmetric  
→ for  $N \rightarrow$  "large"  
 $N \geq 50$   
 $P(t) \approx P_G(t)$   
 $\approx$  z-dist



$$t(N_{\text{dof}})$$

$$N_{\text{dof}} = N - 1$$





$$\alpha = .05 \quad \boxed{95\%} \quad CL$$

Step 1:

Is  $\sigma$  known?

YES

NO

z-distribution  
stats. norm

t-distribution  
stats. t

↑  
HW

↑

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{N}}$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{S / \sqrt{N}}$$

Stats. norm. ppf( $\alpha$ )



psychology profs  
econ profs

$\frac{\alpha}{2}$   
 $1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}$   
:

stats. norm.  
ppf( $\alpha$ )  
 $\alpha$   
1 -  
1 -  
:

Population

Sample

Mean

$\mu$

$\leftarrow \bar{x}$

std.

$\sigma$

$\leftarrow S$

Dev.

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i$$

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

R ↗ M S  
↓  
K