

HYPOTHESIS IS TESTING



HYPOTHESIS TESTING



Hypothesis Testing is the application of statistical methods to real-world questions.



We start with an assumption, called the null hypothesis



We run an experiment to test this null hypothesis



HYPOTHESIS TESTING

- Based on the results of the experiment, we either **reject** or **fail to reject** the null hypothesis
- If the null hypothesis is rejected, then we say the data supports another, mutually exclusive **alternate hypothesis**
- We never “PROVE” a hypothesis!



FRAMING THE HYPOTHESIS

- How do we frame the question that forms our null hypothesis?
- At the start of the experiment, the null hypothesis is assumed to be true.
- If the data fails to support the null hypothesis, only then can



FRAMING THE HYPOTHESIS

If testing something assumed to be true, the null hypothesis can reflect the assumption:

Claim: *"Our product has an average shipping weight of 3.5kg."*

Null hypothesis: average weight = 3.5kg

Alternate hypothesis: average weight \neq



FRAMING THE HYPOTHESIS

If testing a claim we *want* to be true,
but can't assume, we test its opposite:

Claim: *"This prep course
improves test scores."*

Null hypothesis: old scores \geq new scores

Alternate hypothesis: old scores $<$ new
scores



FRAMING THE HYPOTHESIS

The null hypothesis should contain an equality ($=, \leq, \geq$):

average shipping weight =

3.5kg

$$H_0: \mu = 3.5$$

The alternate hypothesis should not have an equality ($\neq, <, >$):

average shipping weight \neq

3.5kg

$$H_1: \mu \neq 3.5$$



FRAMING THE HYPOTHESIS

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old scores \geq new

$$H_0: \mu_0 \geq \mu_1$$

The alternate hypothesis should not have an equality ($\neq, <, >$):

old scores $<$ new
scores

$$H_1: \mu_0 < \mu_1$$



HYPOTHESIS TESTING

- So what lets us reject or fail to reject the null hypothesis?



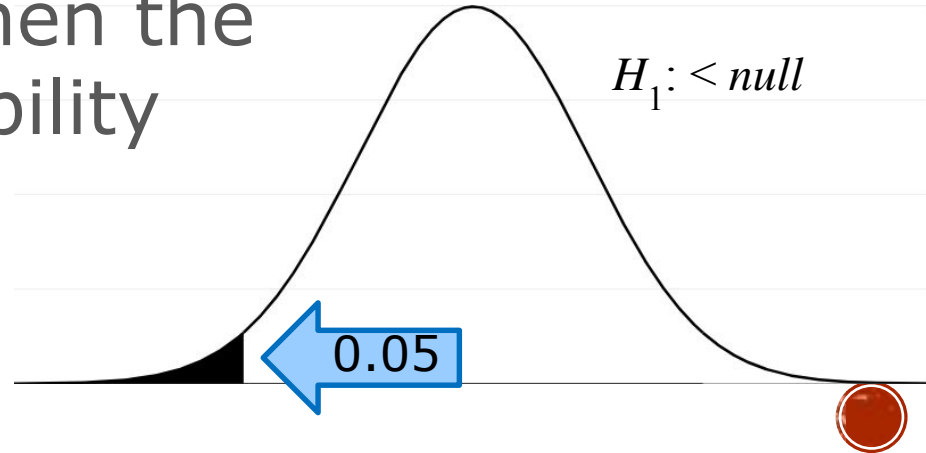
HYPOTHESIS TESTING

- We run an experiment and record the result.
- Assuming our null hypothesis is valid, if the probability of observing these results is very small (inside of 0.05) then we reject the null hypothesis.
- Here 0.05 is our level of significance
 $\alpha = 0.05$



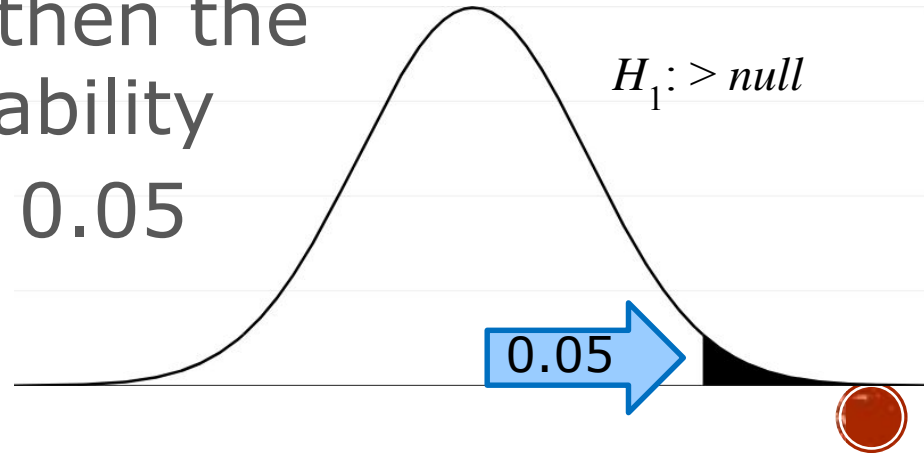
HYPOTHESIS TESTING - TAILS

- The level of significance α is the area inside the *tail(s)* of our null hypothesis.
- If $\alpha = 0.05$ and the alternative hypothesis is *less than* the null, then the left-tail of our probability curve has an area of 0.05



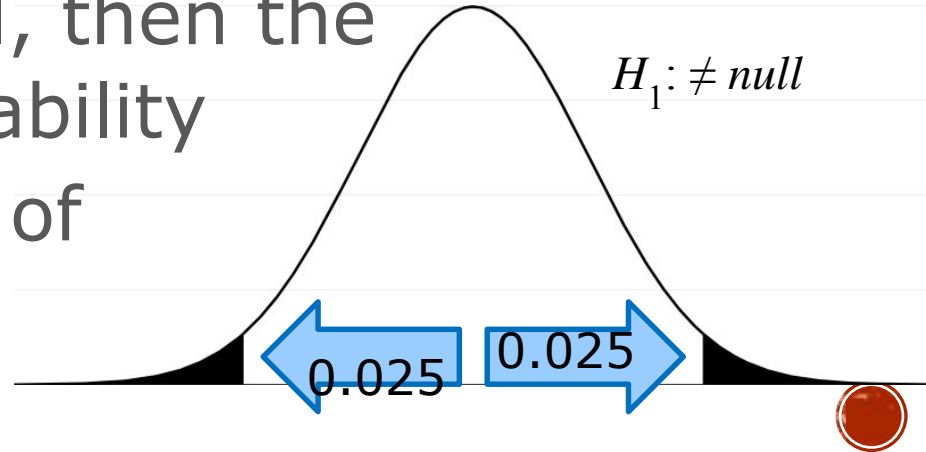
HYPOTHESIS TESTING - TAILS

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- If $\alpha = 0.05$ and the alternative hypothesis is *more than* the null, then the right-tail of our probability curve has an area of 0.05



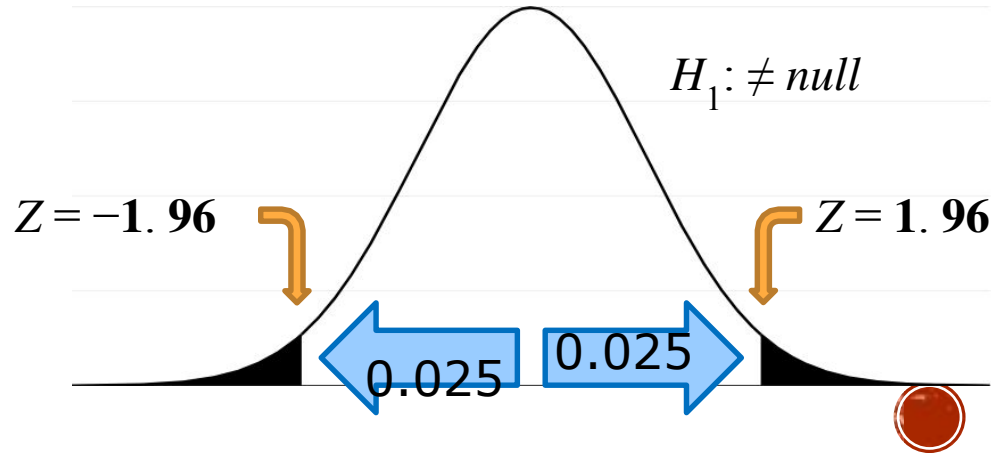
HYPOTHESIS TESTING - TAILS

- The level of significance α is the area inside the *tail(s)* of our null hypothesis.
- If $\alpha = 0.05$ and the alternative hypothesis is *not equal to* the null, then the two tails of our probability curve *share* an area of 0.05



HYPOTHESIS TESTING - TAILS

- These areas establish our **critical values** or Z-scores:



TESTS OF MEAN VS.

PROPORTION

- Each of these two types of tests has their own test statistic to calculate.
- Let's review the situation for each test before we work through some examples in the upcoming lectures.



TESTS OF MEAN VS.

PROPORTION

- **Mean**
when we look to find an **average**, or specific value in a population we are dealing with means
- **Proportion**
whenever we say something like "**35%**" or "**most**" we are dealing with proportions



TEST STATISTICS

- When working with means:

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

assumes we know
the population
standard deviation

- When working with proportions:

$$Z = \frac{\bar{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p \cdot q}{n}}} = \frac{\bar{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$



HYPOTHESIS TESTING –

In a **traditional test**:

- take the level of significance α
- use it to determine the critical value
- compare the test statistic to the critical value

In a **P-value test**:

- take the test statistic
- use it to determine the P-value
- compare the P-value to the level of significance α



HYPOTHESIS TESTING – P-VALUE TEST

“If the P-value is
low,
the null must go!”

reject H_0

“If the P-value is
high,
the null must fly!”

fail to reject H_0





TESTING EXAMPLE EXERCISE #1

TESTING EXERCISE #1 - MEAN

- For this next example we'll work in the left-hand side of the probability distribution, with negative z-scores
- We'll show how to run the hypothesis test using the traditional method, and then with the P-value method



TESTING EXERCISE #1 - MEAN

- A company is looking to improve their website performance.
- Currently pages have a mean load time of 3.125 seconds, with a standard deviation of 0.700 seconds.
- They hire a consulting firm to improve load times.

$$\mu = 3.125$$
$$\sigma = 0.700$$



TESTING EXERCISE #1 - MEAN

- Management wants a 99% confidence level
- A sample run of 40 of the new pages has a mean load time of 2.875 seconds.
- Are these results statistically faster than before?

$$3.125 = \mu$$

$$0.700 = \sigma$$

$$0.01 = \alpha$$

$$40 = n$$

$$\tilde{x} = 2.875$$



TESTING SOLUTION #1 - MEAN

1. State the null hypothesis:
2. State the alternative hypothesis:

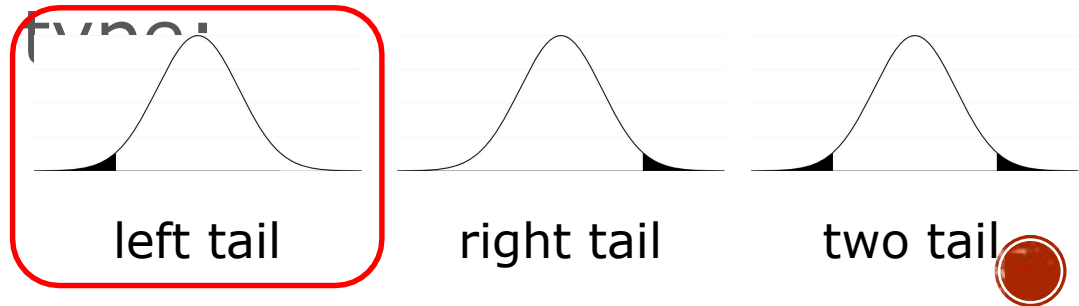
$$H_0: \mu \geq 3.125$$

$$H_1: \mu < 3.125$$

3. Set a level of significance:

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

4. Determine the test



TESTING SOLUTION #1 - MEAN

TRADITIONAL METHOD:

5. Test Statistic:

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{2.875 - 3.125}{0.7 / \sqrt{40}} = -2.259$$

6. Critical Value:

*z-table lookup on
0.01*

$$z = -2.325$$

$$\mu = 3.125$$

$$\sigma = 0.700$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$$n = 40$$

$$\bar{x} = 2.875$$

$$Z = -2.259$$

$$z = -2.325$$



TESTING SOLUTION #1 - MEAN

TRADITIONAL METHOD:

7. Fail to Reject the Null

Hypothesis Since $-2.259 > -2.325$, the

test statistic falls outside the rejection region

We can't say that the new web pages are statistically faster

$$\mu = 3.125$$

$$\sigma = 0.700$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$$n = 40$$

$$x_{\Pi_5} = 2.875$$

$$Z = -2.259$$

$$z = -2.325$$



TESTING SOLUTION #1 - MEAN

P-VALUE METHOD:

5. Test Statistic:

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{2.875 - 3.125}{0.7 / \sqrt{40}} = -2.259$$

6. P-Value:

*z-table lookup on
-2.26*

$$P = 0.0119$$

$$\mu = 3.125$$

$$\sigma = 0.700$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$$n = 40$$

$$\bar{x} = 2.875$$

$$Z = -2.259$$

$$P = 0.0119$$



TESTING SOLUTION #1 - MEAN

P-VALUE METHOD:

7. Fail to Reject the Null

Hypothesis Since $0.0119 > 0.01$,
the

P-value is greater than the
level of significance α

We can't say that the new web
pages are statistically faster

$$\mu = 3.125$$

$$\sigma = 0.700$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$$n = 40$$

$$x_{\text{H}} = 2.875$$

$$Z = -2.259$$

$$P = 0.0119$$





TESTING EXAMPLE EXERCISE #2

TESTING EXERCISE #2 - PROPORTION

- A video game company surveys 400 of their customers and finds that 58% of the sample are teenagers.
- Is it fair to say that most of the company's customers are teenagers?



TESTING SOLUTION #2 - PROPORTION

1. Set the null hypothesis: $H_0: P \leq 0.50$
2. Set the alternative hypothesis: $H_1: P > 0.50$
3. Calculate the test statistic:

$$Z = \frac{\underline{p\bar{\Sigma}} - \underline{p}}{\sqrt{\frac{\underline{p \cdot q}}{n}}} = \frac{0.58 - 0.50}{\sqrt{\frac{0.50(1 - 0.50)}{400}}} = \frac{0.08}{0.025} = 3.2$$



TESTING SOLUTION #2 - PROPORTION

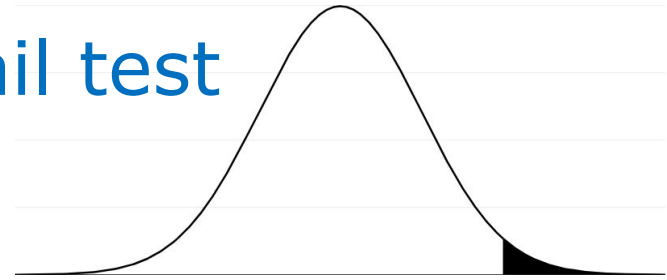
4. Set a significance level: $\alpha = 0.05$

5. Decide what type of tail is involved:

$H_1: P > 0.50$ means a right-tail test

6. Look up the critical value:

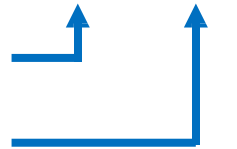
$$Z = 1.645$$



Critical Value =

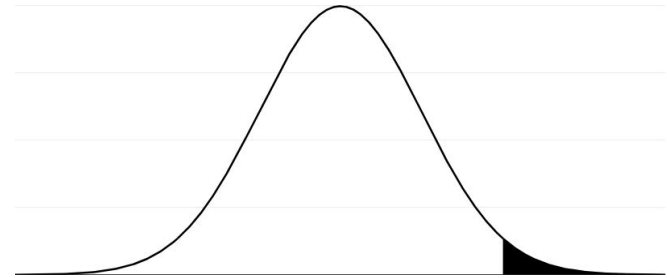
1.645 Test Statistic

= 3.2

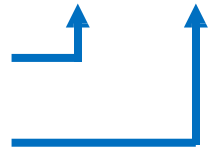


TESTING SOLUTION #2 - PROPORTION

7. Based on the sample, we reject the null hypothesis, and support the claim that most customers are teenagers.



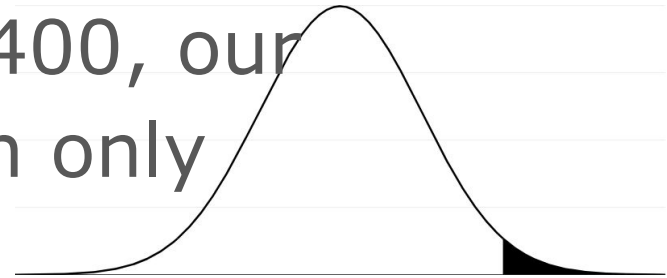
Critical Value =
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= 3.2



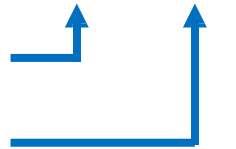
TESTING SOLUTION #2 - PROPORTION

NOTE: The size of the sample matters! If we had started with a sample size of 40 instead of 400, our test statistic would have been only 1.01,

and we would fail to reject the null hypothesis.



Critical Value =
1.645 Test Statistic
= 3.2





TYPE 1 AND TYPE 2 ERRORS

TYPE I AND TYPE II ERRORS

- Often in medical fields (and other scientific fields) hypothesis testing is used to test against results where the "truth" is already known.
- For example, testing a new diagnostic test for cancer for patients you have already successfully diagnosed by other means.



TYPE I AND TYPE II ERRORS

- In this situation, you already know if the Null Hypothesis is True or False.
- In these situations where you already know the "truth", then you would know its possible to commit an error with your results .



TYPE I AND TYPE II ERRORS

- This type of analysis is common enough that these errors already have specific names:
- Type I Error
- Type II Error



TYPE I AND TYPE II ERRORS

- If we reject a null hypothesis that should have been supported, we've committed a
Type I Error

H_0 : *There is no fire*

Pull the fire alarm,
only to find out there
really was no fire.



TYPE I AND TYPE II ERRORS

- If we fail to reject a null hypothesis that should have been rejected we've committed a **Type II Error**

H_0 : *There is no fire*

Don't pull the fire alarm, only to find there really is a fire.

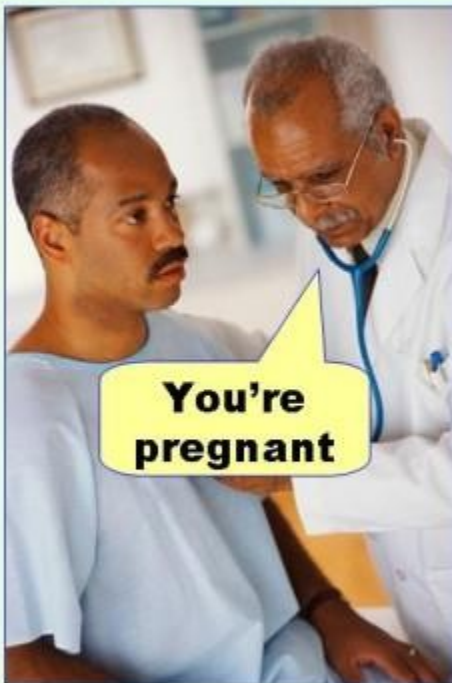




H_0 : Not pregnant

H_1 : Are pregnant

Type I error
(false positive)



Type II error
(false negative)





STUDENT'S T-DISTRIBUTION

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- Developed by William Sealy Gossett while he was working at Guinness Brewery
- Published under the pseudonym "Student" as Guinness wouldn't let him use his name.
- Goal was to select the best barley from small samples, when the population standard deviation was



PURPOSE OF A T-TEST

- Using the t-table, the Student's t-test determines if there is a significant difference between two sets of data
- Due to variance and outliers, it's not enough just to compare mean values
- A t-test also considers sample variances



TYPES OF STUDENT'S T-TEST

- One-sample t-test

Tests the null hypothesis that the population mean is equal to a specified value μ based on a sample mean \bar{x}



TYPES OF STUDENT'S T-TEST

- Independent two-sample t-test

Tests the null hypothesis that two sample means μ_1 and μ_2 are equal



TYPES OF STUDENT'S T-TEST

- **Dependent, paired-sample t-test**

Used when the samples are dependent:

- one sample has been tested twice (repeated measurements)
- two samples have been matched or "paired"



ONE-SAMPLE STUDENT'S T-TEST

- Calculate the t-statistic

$$t = \frac{x_{\bar{H}} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}}$$

$x_{\bar{H}}$ = sample mean

μ = population mean

s = sample standard
error

n = sample size



ONE-SAMPLE STUDENT'S

T-TEST

- Compare to a t-score

$$t \leq t_{n-1, \alpha}$$

t = t-statistic
 $t_{n-1, \alpha}$ = critical value of freedom
 α = significance level



INDEPENDENT TWO-SAMPLE T-TEST

The calculation of the t-statistic differs slightly for the following scenarios:

- equal sample sizes, equal variance
- unequal sample sizes, equal variance
- equal or unequal sample sizes,
unequal variance



INDEPENDENT TWO-SAMPLE

T-TEST

- Calculate the t-statistic

$$t = \frac{\text{signal}}{\text{noise}} = \frac{\text{difference in means}}{\text{sample variability}} = \frac{\overline{x_1} - \overline{x_2}}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

$\overline{x_1}, \overline{x_2}$ = sample means

s_1^2, s_2^2 = sample variances

n_1, n_2 = sample sizes



INDEPENDENT TWO-SAMPLE

T-TEST

- Compare to a t-score

$$t \leq t_{df, \alpha}$$

t = t-statistic

$t_{df, \alpha}$ = t-critical

df = degrees of freedom

α = significance level

Since we have two, potentially unequal-sized samples with different variances, determining the degrees of freedom is a little more complicated.



DEGREES OF FREEDOM

- The Satterthwaite Formula:

$$df = \frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2} \right)^2}{\frac{1}{n_1 - 1} \left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{n_2 - 1} \left(\frac{s_2^2}{n_2} \right)^2}$$



DEGREES OF FREEDOM

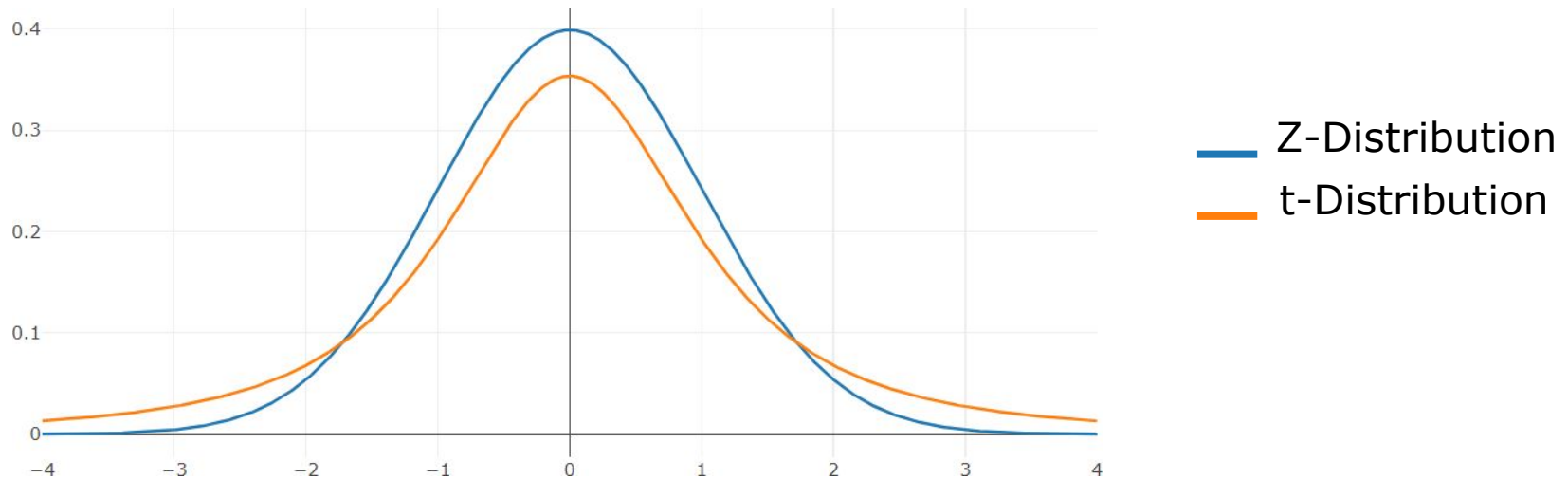
- The General Formula:

$$df = n_1 + n_2 - 2$$



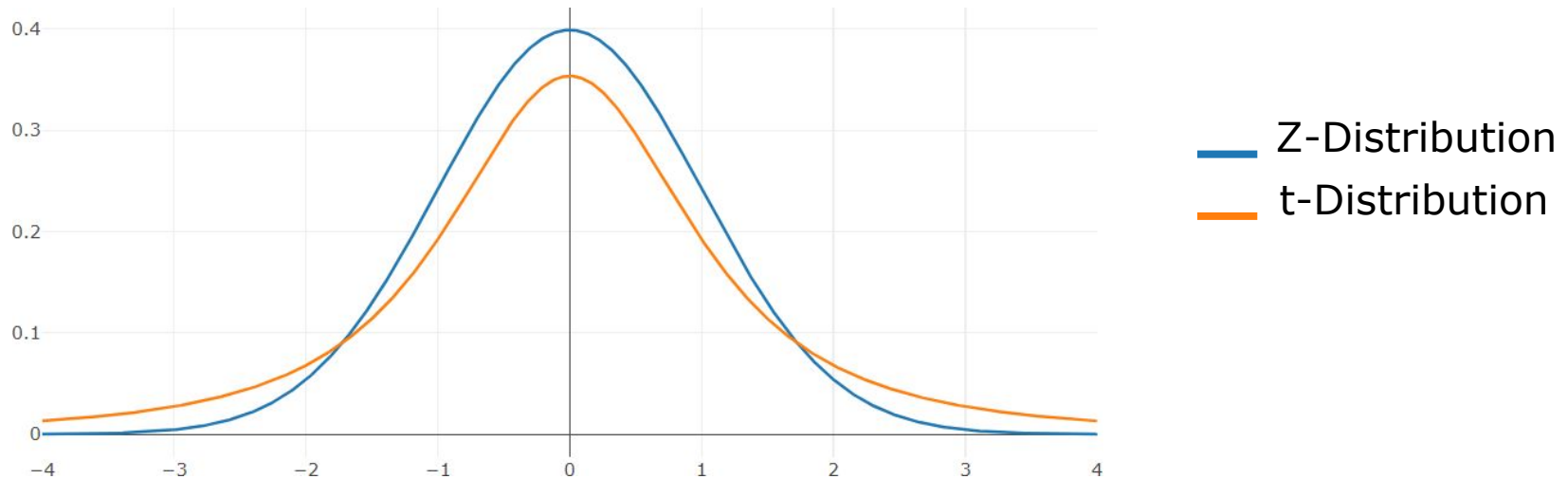
STUDENT'S T-DISTRIBUTION

- t-Distributions have fatter tails than normal Z-Distributions



STUDENT'S T-DISTRIBUTION

- They approach a normal distribution as the degrees of freedom increase.





STUDENT'S T-DISTRIBUTION EXAMPLE EXERCISE

STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

An auto manufacturer has two plants that produce the same car.



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

They are forced to close one of the plants.



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

- The company wants to know if there's a
- significant difference in production between



- the two plants.



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

Daily production over the
same 10 days is as
follows:



Plant A	Plant B
1184	1136
1203	1178
1219	1212
1238	1193
1243	1226
1204	1154
1269	1230
1256	1222
1156	1161
1248	1148



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

First compare sample means

$$\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B = 1222 - 1186 = 36$$

From this sample, it looks like
Plant A produces 36 more
cars per day than Plant B

	Plant A	Plant B
	1184	1136
	1203	1178
	1219	1212
	1238	1193
	1243	1226
	1204	1154
	1269	1230
	1256	1222
	1156	1161
	1248	1148
	\bar{x}_A	\bar{x}_B
Mean	1222	1186



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

Is 36 more cars enough to say that the plants are different?

$$H_0 : X_A \leq X_B$$

$$H_1 : X_A > X_B$$

one-tailed test

$$(10 + 10 - 2) = 18 \text{ degrees of freedom}$$

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Mean	1222	1186



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

Compute the variance

A	(x-1222)	(x-1222) ²
1184	-38	1444
1203	-19	361
1219	-3	9
1238	16	256
1243	21	441
1204	-18	324
1269	47	2209
1256	34	1156
1156	-66	4356
1248	26	676
		11232

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1}$$

$\sum (x - 1222)^2$	11232
$\frac{\sum (x - 1222)^2}{9}$	1248

Plant A	Plant B
1184	1136
1203	1178
1219	1212
1238	1193
1243	1226
1204	1154
1269	1230
1256	1222
1156	1161
1248	1148
\bar{x}_A	\bar{x}_B
1222	1186
1248	1246



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

Compute the t-value

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} \\
 &= \frac{36}{\sqrt{\frac{1248}{10} + \frac{1246}{10}}} = \frac{36}{15.792} \\
 &= \mathbf{2.28}
 \end{aligned}$$

	Plant A	Plant B
	1184	1136
	1203	1178
	1219	1212
	1238	1193
	1243	1226
	1204	1154
	1269	1230
	1256	1222
	1156	1161
	1248	1148
	\bar{x}_A	\bar{x}_B
Mean	1222	1186
Variance	1248	1246



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

Look up our critical value from a
t-table

a one-tailed test

95% confidence

18 degrees
of freedom

critical value = 1.734

cum. prob	$t_{.90}$	$t_{.95}$	$t_{.975}$	$t_{.99}$	$t_{.995}$
one-tail	0.10	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.005
two-tails	0.20	0.10	0.05	0.02	0.01
17	1.333	1.740	2.110	2.567	2.898
18	1.330	1.734	2.101	2.552	2.878
19	1.328	1.729	2.093	2.539	2.861



STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

Compare our t-value (2.28)
to the critical value (1.734):

$$2.28 > 1.734$$

since our computed t-value is
greater than the critical
value, we reject the null
hypothesis.

Plant A	Plant B
1184	1136
1203	1178
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STUDENT'S T-TEST EXAMPLE

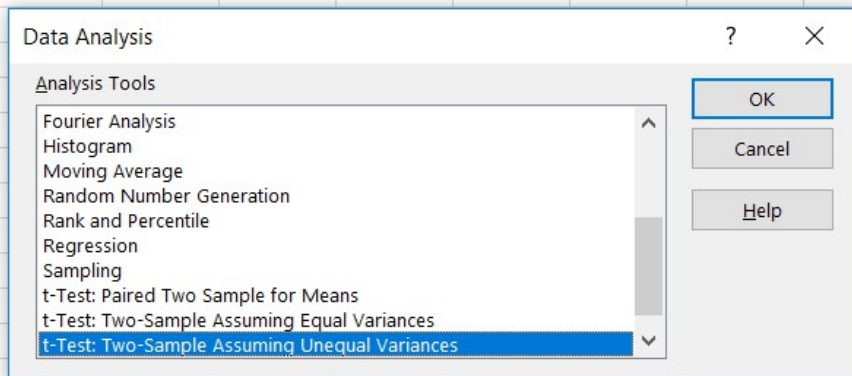
We believe with 95% confidence that Plant A produces more cars per day than Plant B.
We decide to close Plant B.





STUDENT'S T-TEST WITH EXCEL

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	t-Test: Two-Sample Assuming Unequal Variances										
2											
3		Variable 1	Variable 2								
4	Mean	1186	1222								
5	Variance	1246	1248								
6	Observations	10	10								
7	Hypothesized Mean Difference	0									
8	df	18									
9	t Stat	-2.279577051									
10	P(T<=t) one-tail	0.017522528									
11	t Critical one-tail	1.734063607									
12	P(T<=t) two-tail	0.035045056									
13	t Critical two-tail	2.10092204									
14											



STUDENT'S T-TEST WITH PYTHON

```
>>> from scipy.stats import ttest_ind  
  
>>> a = [1184, 1203, 1219, ... 1248]  
>>> b = [1136, 1178, 1212, ... 1148]  
  
>>> ttest_ind(a,b).statistic  
2.2795770510504845  
  
>>> ttest_ind(a,b).pvalue/2  
0.017522528133638322
```





NEXT UP: ANOVA

Testing of Hypothesis

