

## Student t distribution

→ In  $z$  <sup>test</sup> stats when we perform any analysis using  $z$ -score  
we require  $\sigma$  (population standard deviation) → is already known

but:

How do we perform any analysis when we don't know  
the population standard deviation?

↓ using the

Student's  $t$  distribution

$t$  stats

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

$Z$  table

new  
formula

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

$S$  = Sample standard deviation

$t$  table  $\Rightarrow$   $t$  test

to calculate  $t$ -statistics value

Degree of freedom

$$\text{dof} = n - 1 = 3 - 1 = \underline{\underline{2}}$$

3 people



note : In  $t$ -test, each dof has corresponding  $t$  value which can be seen from  $t$ -table.