

Inference for Difference Between Many Proportions

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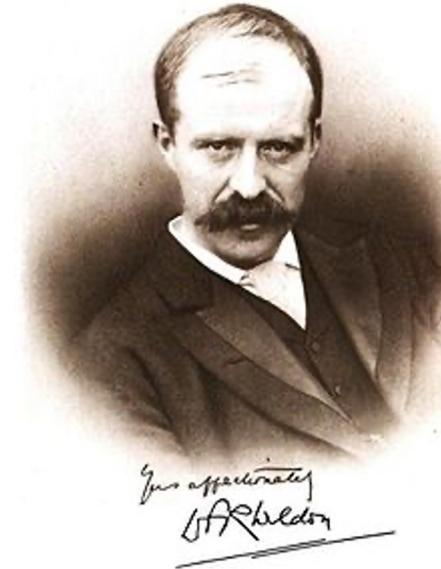
Plan for Today

- Chi-Square Test of Independence
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Chi-Square test of Goodness of Fit (GOF)

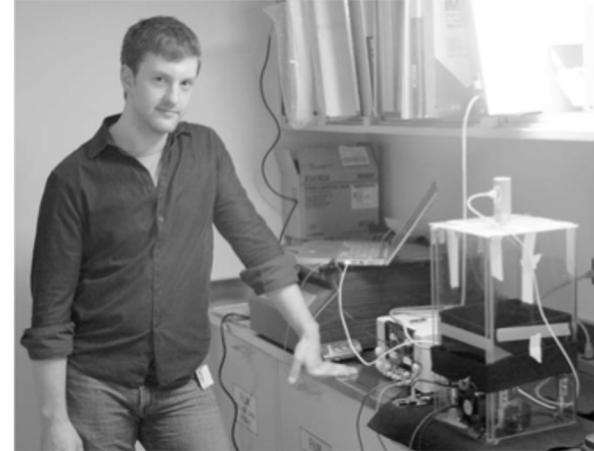
Weldon's dice

- Walter Frank Raphael Weldon (1860 - 1906), was an English evolutionary biologist and a founder of biometry. He was the joint founding editor of Biometrika, with Francis Galton and Karl Pearson.
- In 1894, he rolled 12 dice 26,306 times, and recorded the number of 5s or 6s (which he considered to be a success).
- It was observed that 5s or 6s occurred more often than expected, and Pearson hypothesized that this was probably due to the construction of the dice. Most inexpensive dice have hollowed-out pips, and since opposite sides add to 7, the face with 6 pips is lighter than its opposing face, which has only 1 pip.



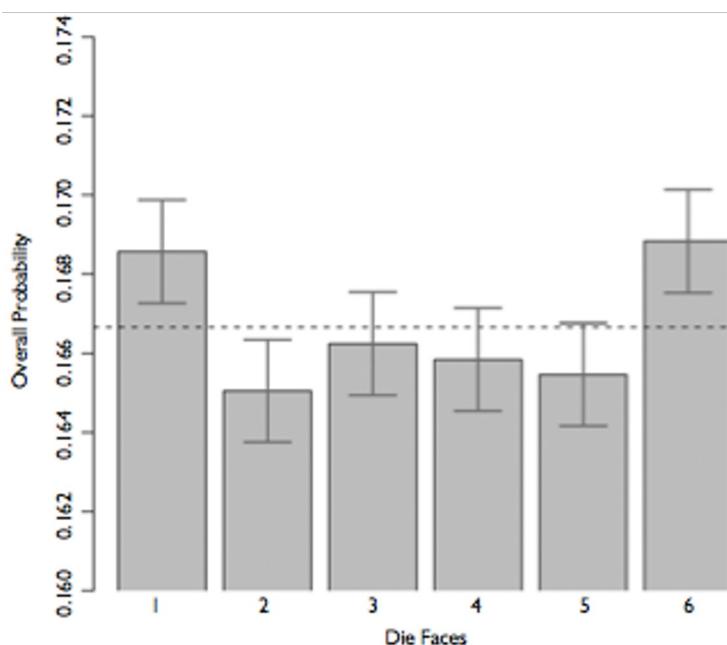
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- In 2009, Zacariah Labby (U of Chicago), repeated Weldon's experiment using a homemade dice-throwing, pip counting machine.
www.youtube.com/watch?v=95EErdouO2w
- The rolling-imaging process took about 20 seconds per roll.
- Each day there were ~150 images to process manually.
- At this rate Weldon's experiment was repeated in a little more than six full days.



Labby's dice (cont.)

- Labby did not actually observe the same phenomenon that Weldon observed (higher frequency of 5s and 6s).
- Automation allowed Labby to collect more data than Weldon did in 1894, instead of recording "successes" and "failures", Labby recorded the individual number of pips on each die.



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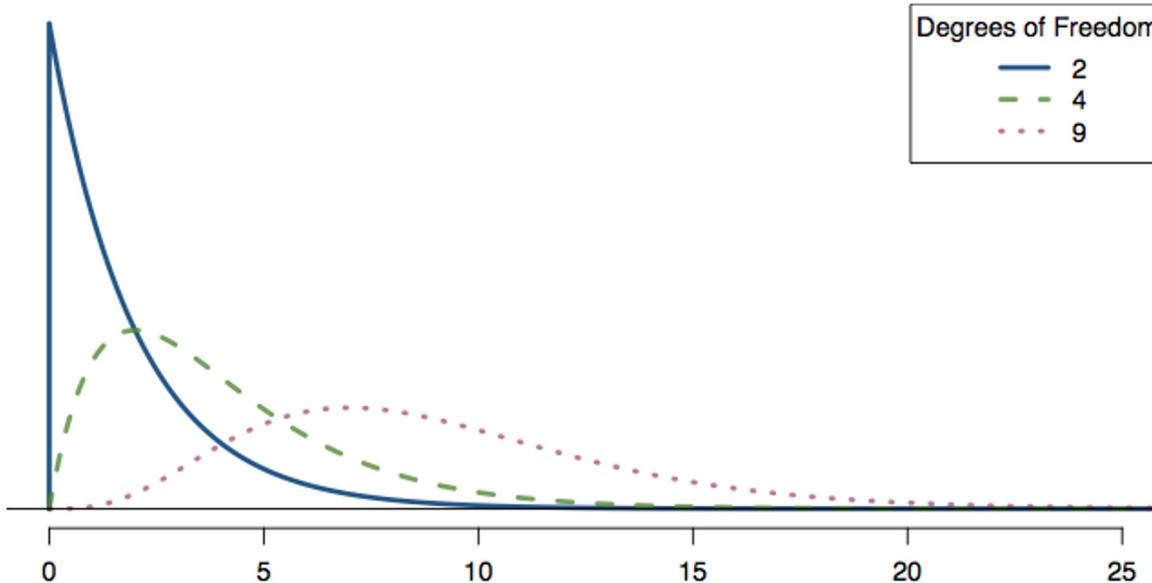
Remember

So far we've seen three other continuous distributions:

- Z (normal) distribution: unimodal and symmetric with two parameters: mean and standard deviation
- T distribution: unimodal and symmetric with one parameter: degrees of freedom
- F distribution: unimodal and right skewed with two parameters: degrees of freedom or numerator (between group variance) and denominator (within group variance)

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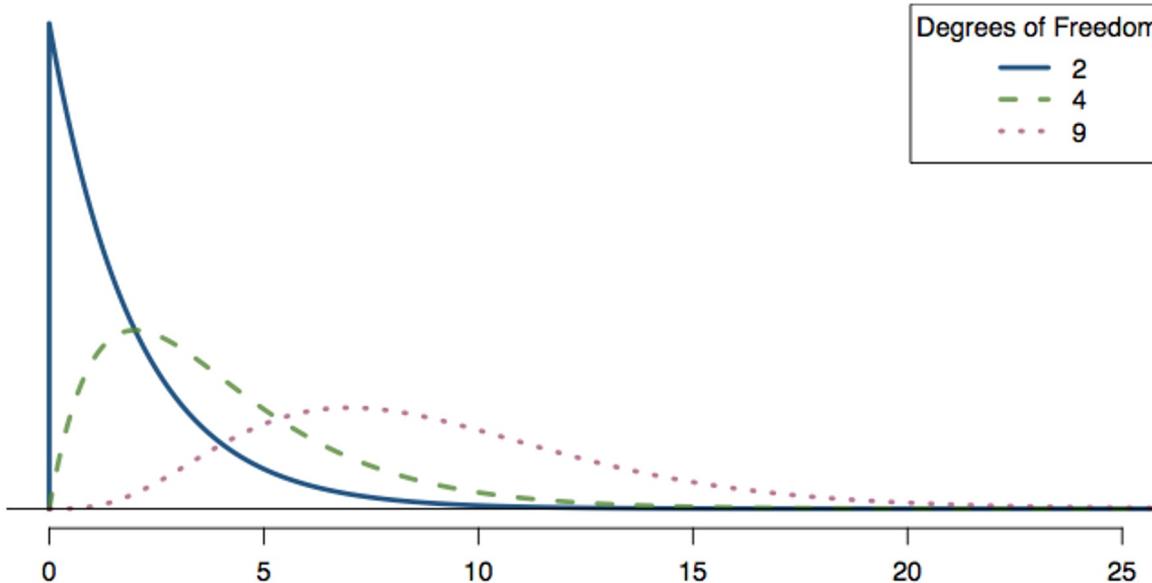


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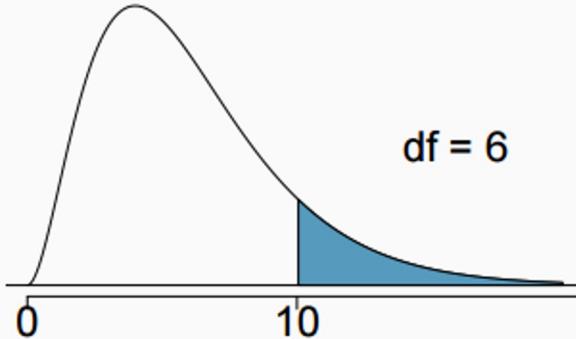
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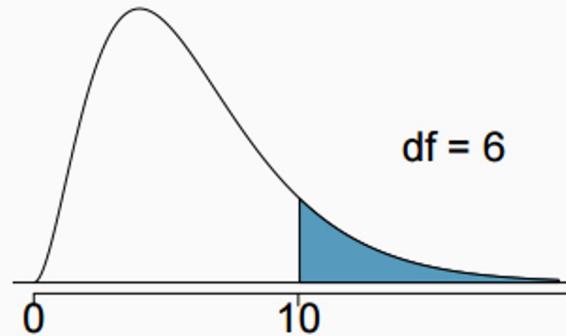
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	3	3.66	4.64	6.25	7.81	9.84	11.34	12.84	16.27
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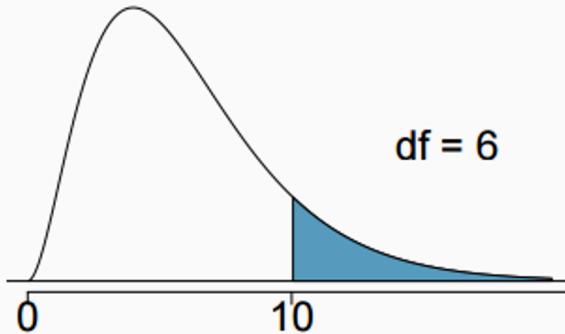
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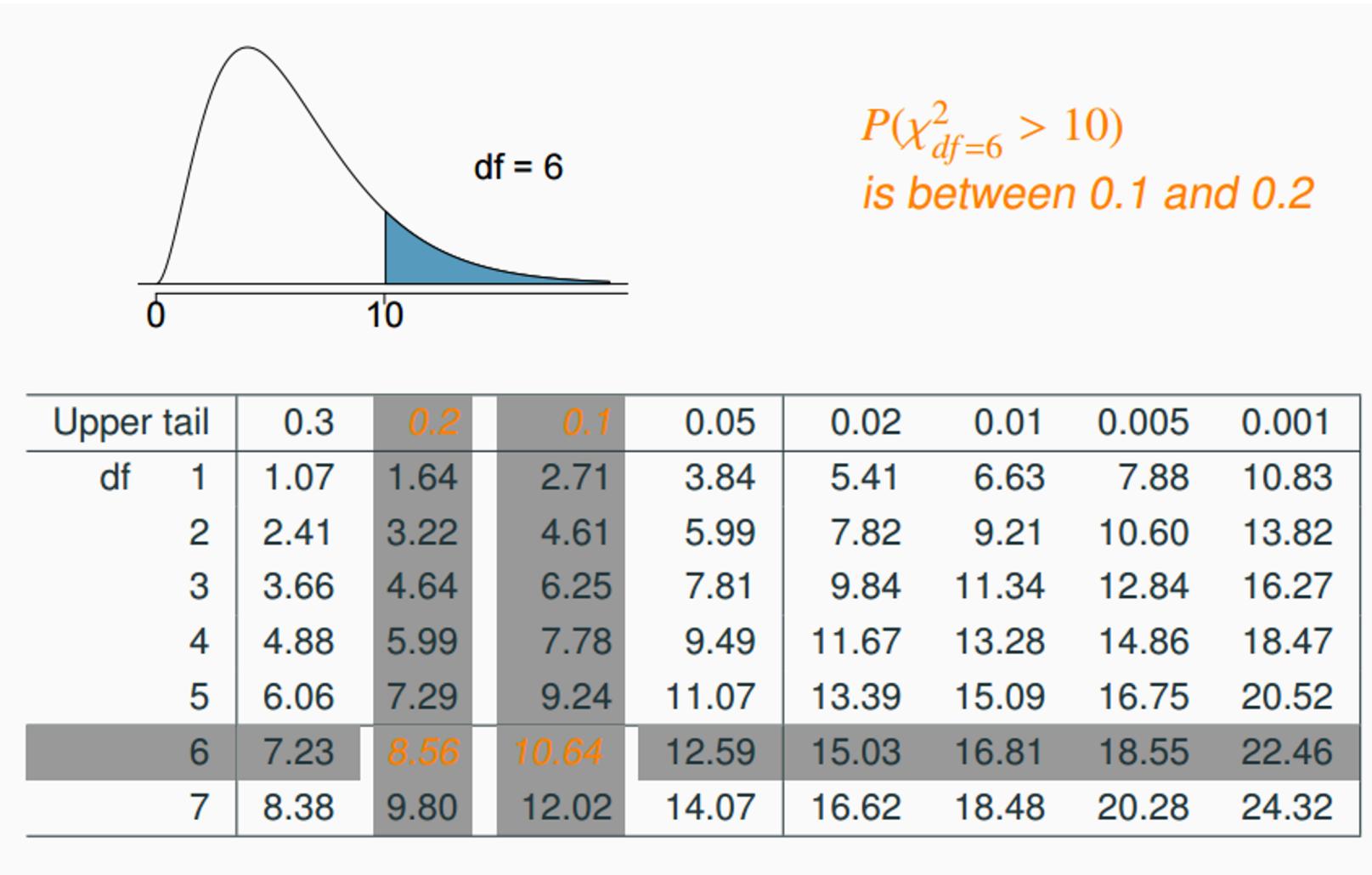
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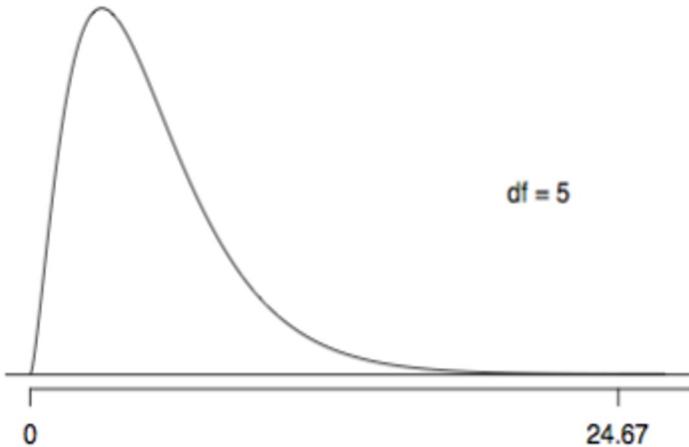
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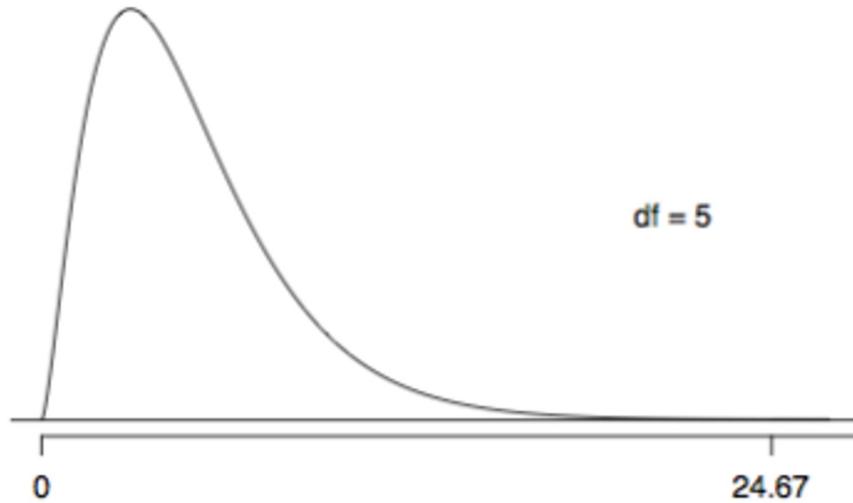
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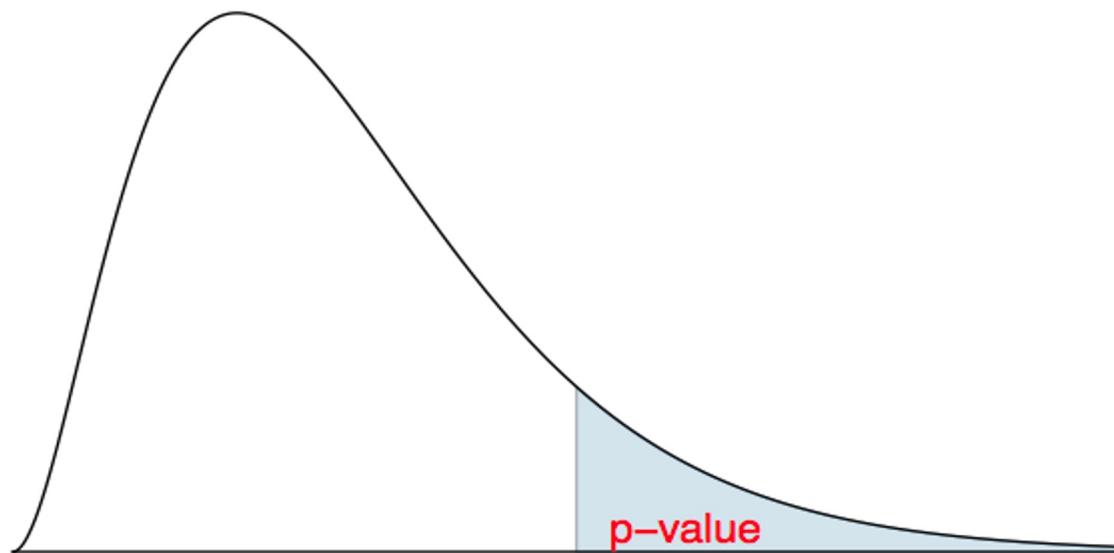
Turns out...

- The 1-6 axis is consistently shorter than the other two (2-5 and 3-4), thereby supporting the hypothesis that the faces with one and six pips are larger than the other faces.
- Pearson's claim that 5s and 6s appear more often due to the carved-out pips is not supported by these data.
- Dice used in casinos have flush faces, where the pips are filled in with a plastic of the same density as the surrounding material and are precisely balanced.



Recap: p-value for a chi-square test

- The p-value for a chi-square test is defined as the tail area *above* the calculated test statistic.
- This is because the test statistic is always positive, and a higher test statistic means a stronger deviation from the null hypothesis.



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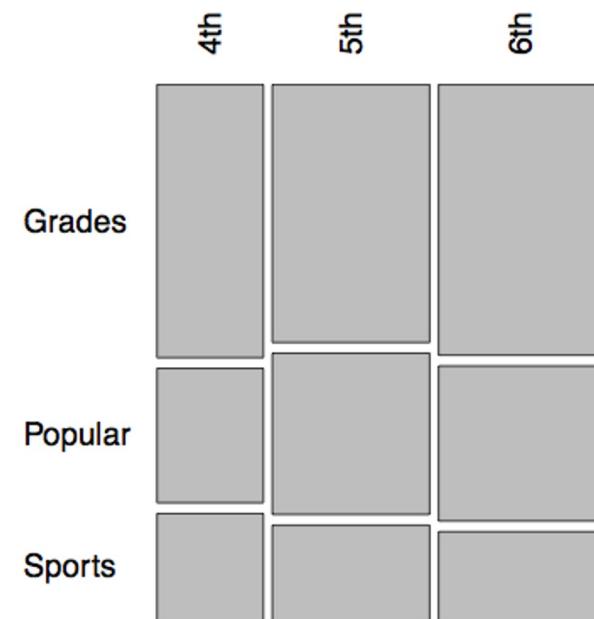
Failing to check conditions may unintentionally affect the test's error rates.

Chi-Square Test of Independence

Motivation: Popular kids

In the dataset `popular`, students in grades 4-6 were asked whether good grades, athletic ability, or popularity was most important to them. A two-way table separating the students by grade and by choice of most important factor is shown below. Do these data provide evidence to suggest that goals vary by grade?

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where k is the number of cells, R is the number of rows, and C is the number of columns in our contingency table, O is observed counts, and E is expected counts

Note: we calculate df differently for one-way and two-way tables.

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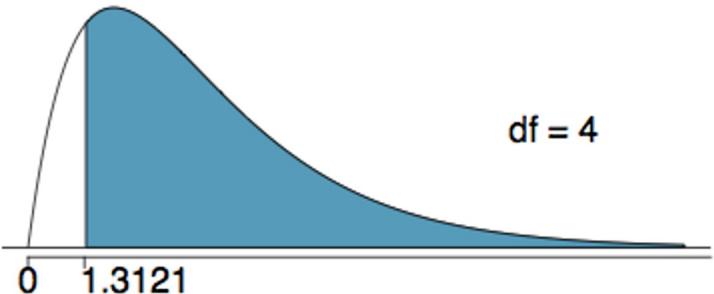
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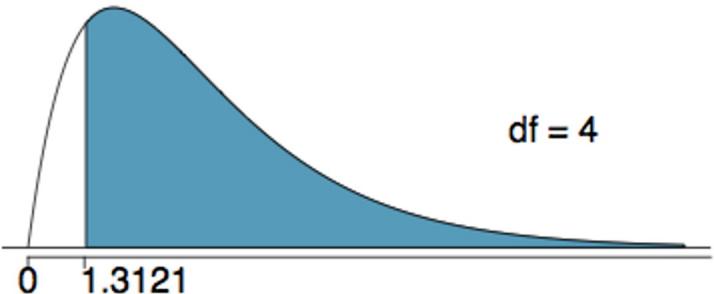
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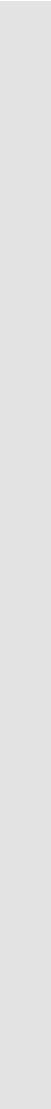
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Based on these calculations what is the conclusion of the hypothesis test?

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