

Tests of conformity

One-tailed Student test of conformity

■ One-tailed tests

- $H_0: m \geq m_0, H_A: m < m_0$
- $H_0: m \leq m_0, H_A: m > m_0$

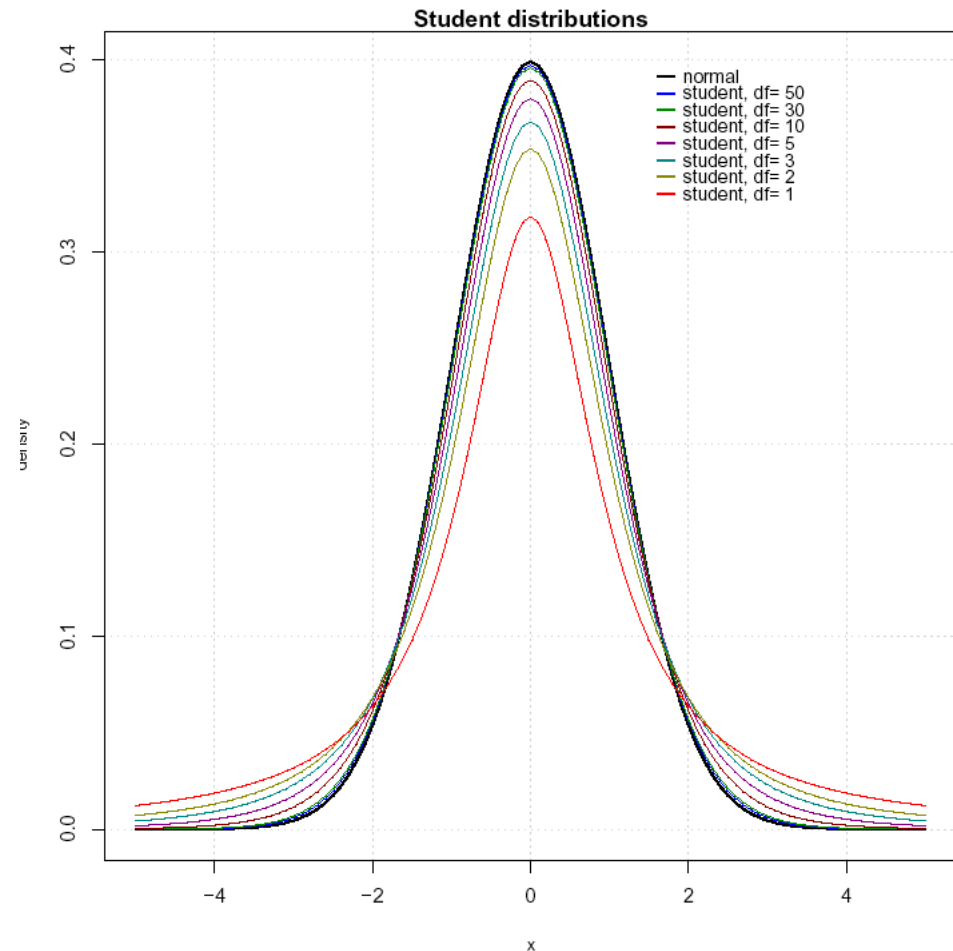
■ Principle of the test

- Estimate the difference between m and m_0
- Compare this estimation with the theoretical distribution

■ Usually, the variance is a priori not know, and has to be estimated

- The theoretical distribution is thus the *Student* (t)
- We estimate a single parameter (the standard error). We thus have $k=n-1$ degrees of freedom
- α is placed on a single tail \rightarrow use the value for $t_{1-\alpha}$ in Student theoretical distribution.

$$t_{obs} = \frac{\bar{x} - m_0}{\hat{\sigma} / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{\bar{x} - m_0}{s / \sqrt{n-1}}$$

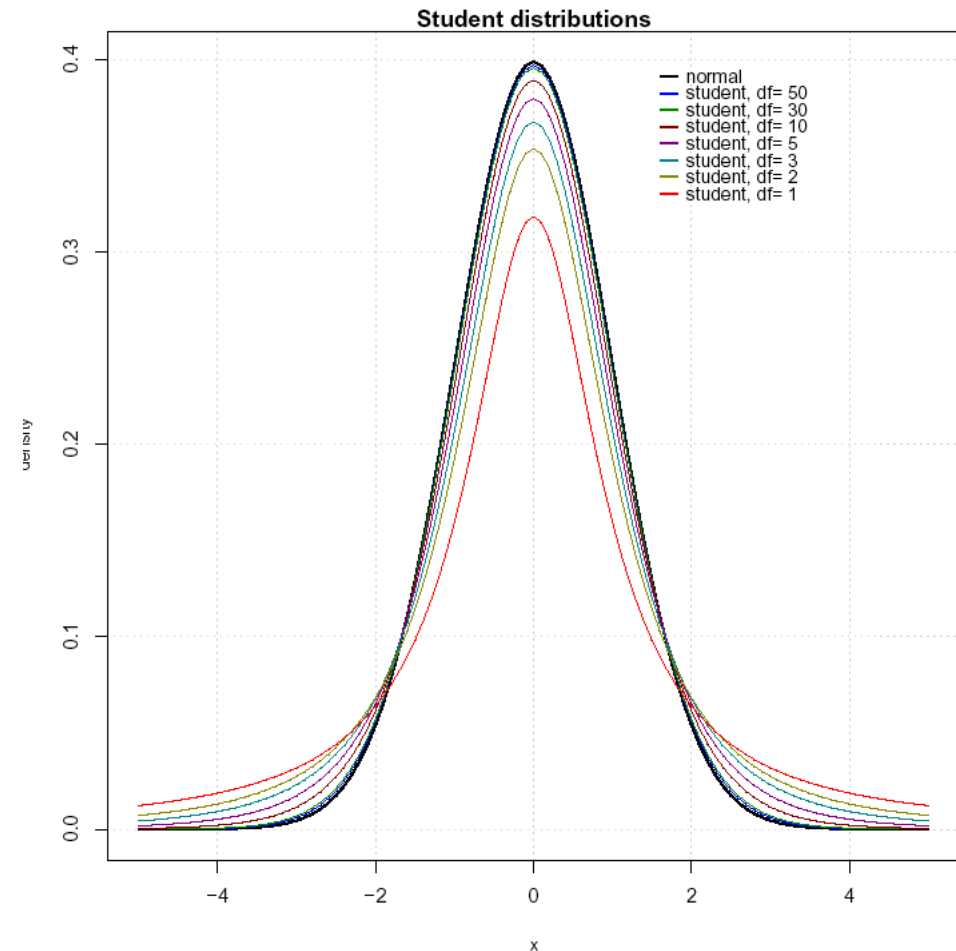


$$H_0 : m \leq m_0 \quad \text{Reject } H_0 \text{ if } t_{obs} \geq -t_{1-\alpha}$$

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Two-tailed Student test of conformity

- Two-tailed tests
 - $H_0: m = m_0; H_A: m \neq m_0$
- Principle of the test
 - Estimate the absolute value of difference between m and m_0
 - Compare this estimation with the theoretical distribution
- Usually, the variance is a priori not know, and has to be estimated
 - The theoretical distribution is thus the *Student (t)*
 - We estimate a single parameter (the standard error). We thus have $k=n-1$ degrees of freedom
 - α is **shared between the two tails** → use the value for $t_{1-\alpha/2}$ in Student theoretical distribution.



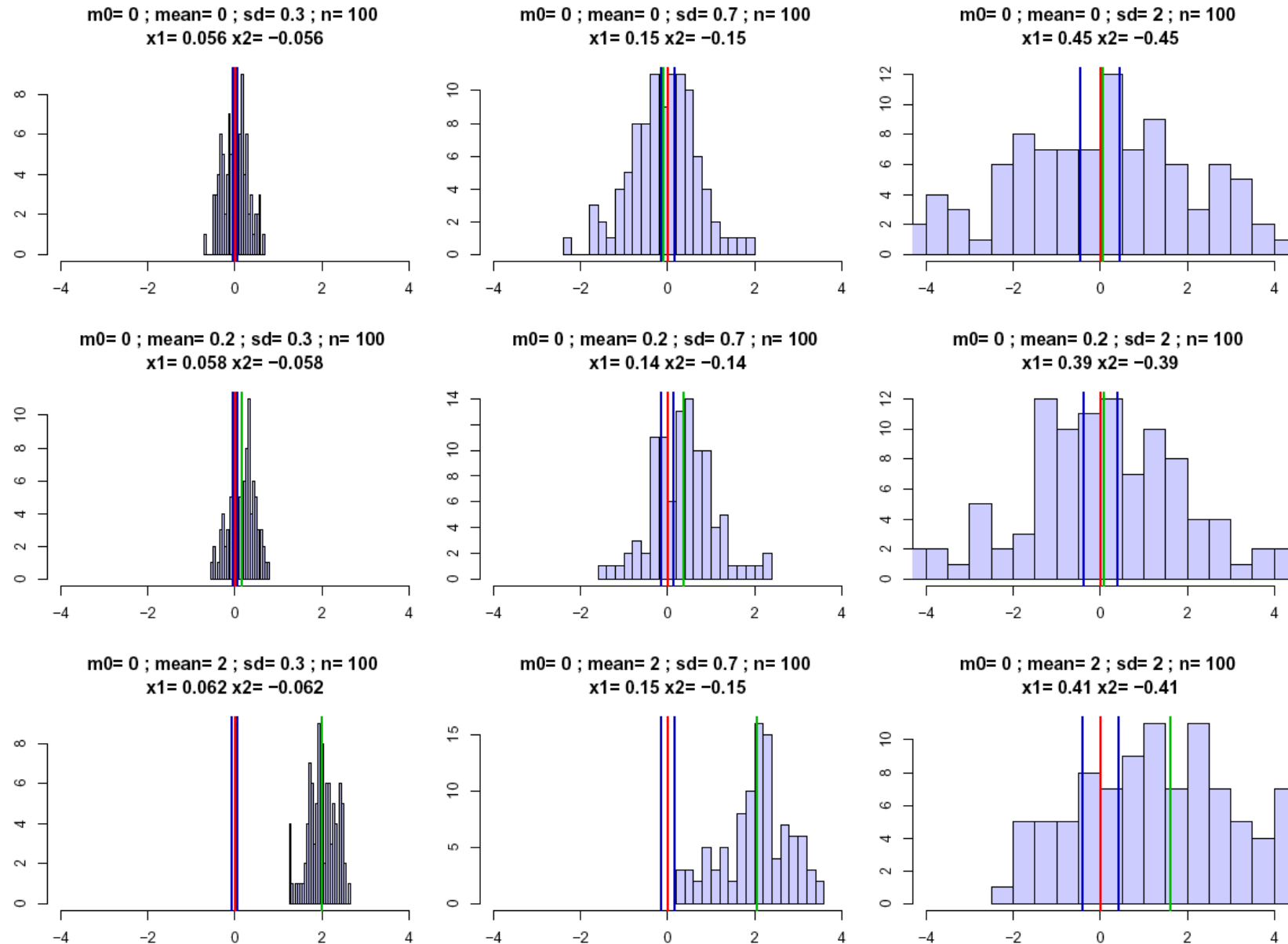
$$t_{obs} = \frac{|\bar{x} - m_0|}{\hat{\sigma} / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{|\bar{x} - m_0|}{s / \sqrt{n-1}}$$

$$H_0 : m = m_0$$

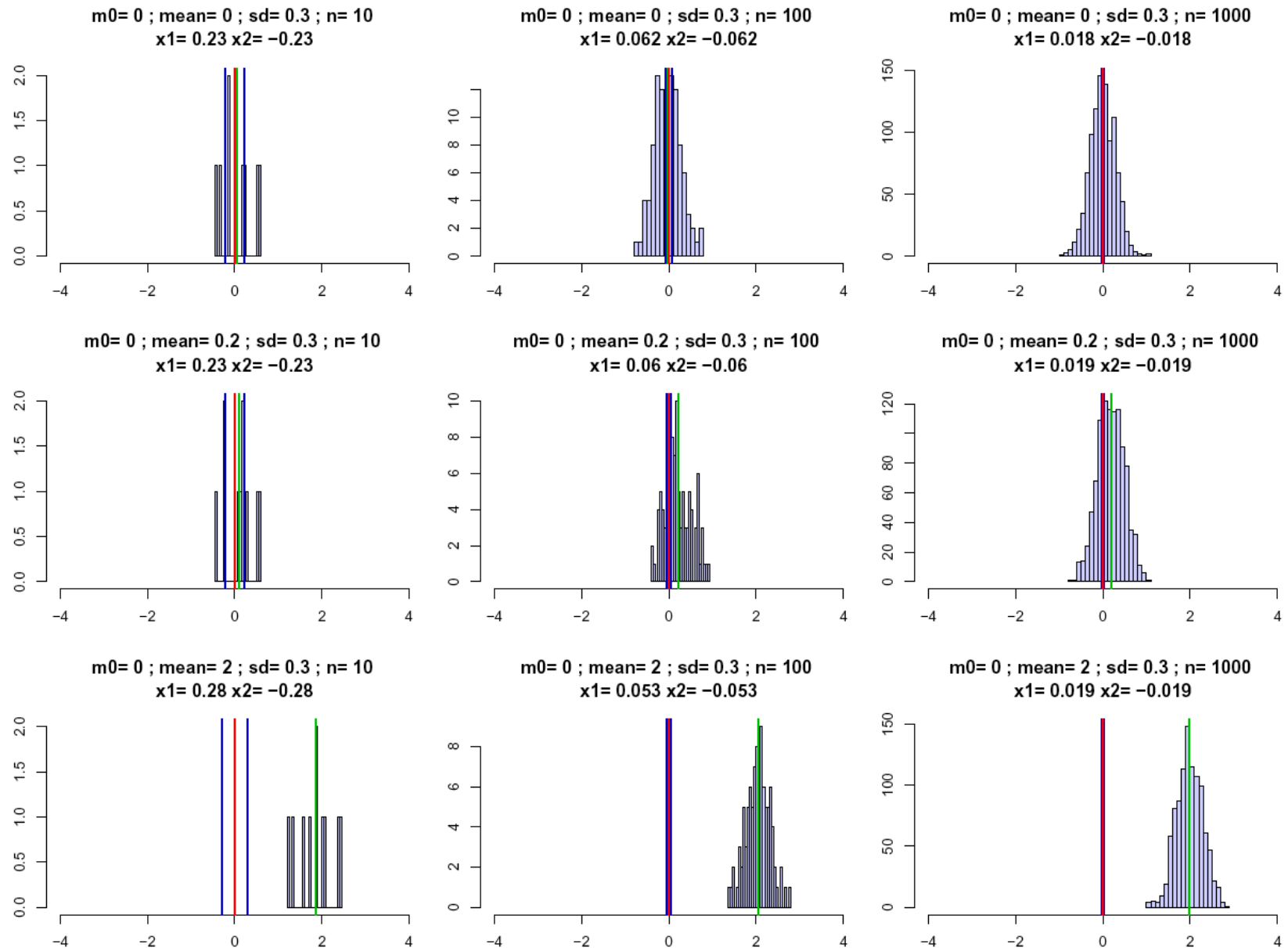
Reject H_0 if

$$t_{obs} \geq t_{1-\alpha/2}$$

Conformity of the mean - effect of mean and variance



Conformity of the mean - effect of sample size



Example: conformity of the mean with DNA chip data

- For a given DNA chip with 5921 spots, we calculated the following parameters
 - mean log-ratio = 0.0112
 - standard deviation = 0.4653009
- Test whether the mean of log-ratios is zero, with a risk of 5% first type error.
- What would be the probability to be wrong if you reject the null hypothesis ?

Student test of conformity with one microarray chip

- We perform a two-tailed test.
- The risk α is thus shared between the two tails \rightarrow use the value for $t_{1-\alpha/2}$ in Student's table.
- To calculate t_{obs} we use the absolute value of the difference between the observed and the expected mean.
- In this case, the observed Student statistics is smaller than the theoretical one.
- The probability to be wrong if we reject the null hypothesis is 0.065, thus larger than our α .
- We can thus not reject the null hypothesis (we accept it).

$$H_0 : m = 0$$

$$\bar{x} = 0.0112$$

$$s = 0.4653009$$

$$n = 5921$$

$$m_0 = 0$$

$$\hat{\sigma} = s \sqrt{\frac{n}{n-1}} = 0.4653795$$

$$t_{obs} = \frac{|\bar{x} - m_0|}{\hat{\sigma} / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{|\bar{x} - m_0|}{s / \sqrt{n-1}} = 1.848477$$

$$df = n - 1 = 5920$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$t_{theor} = t_{1-\alpha/2, df} = 1.9604$$

$$t_{obs} < t_{theor} \rightarrow A(H_0)$$

$$P.value = 0.06458322$$

Exercise : single-gene test

- DNA chip data
 - measurement of gene expression in methionine+minimal medium (red channel) versus minimal medium (green channel)
 - 3 repetitions (DNA chip). The log-ratio is calculated for each chip.
- Question:
 - A given gene has the following log-ratios: 2.0, 3.1, 0.3.
 - Is this gene activated in presence of methionine ?