

# Statistics with SpaRRows

Lecture 5

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# Outline

- Check-in: 95CI
- T-test
- Other probability distributions you'll come across
- Conventions: how to report t-test?

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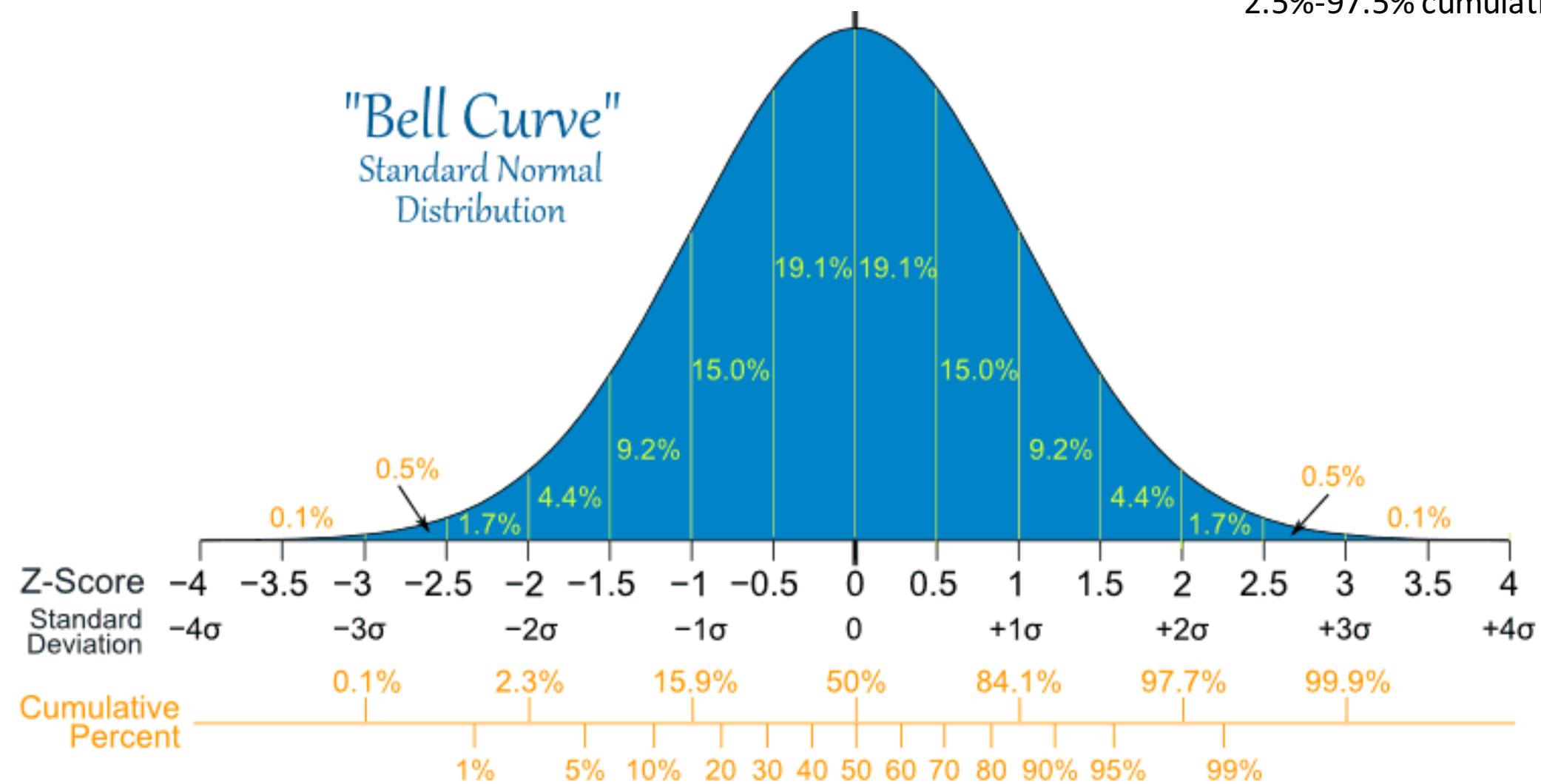
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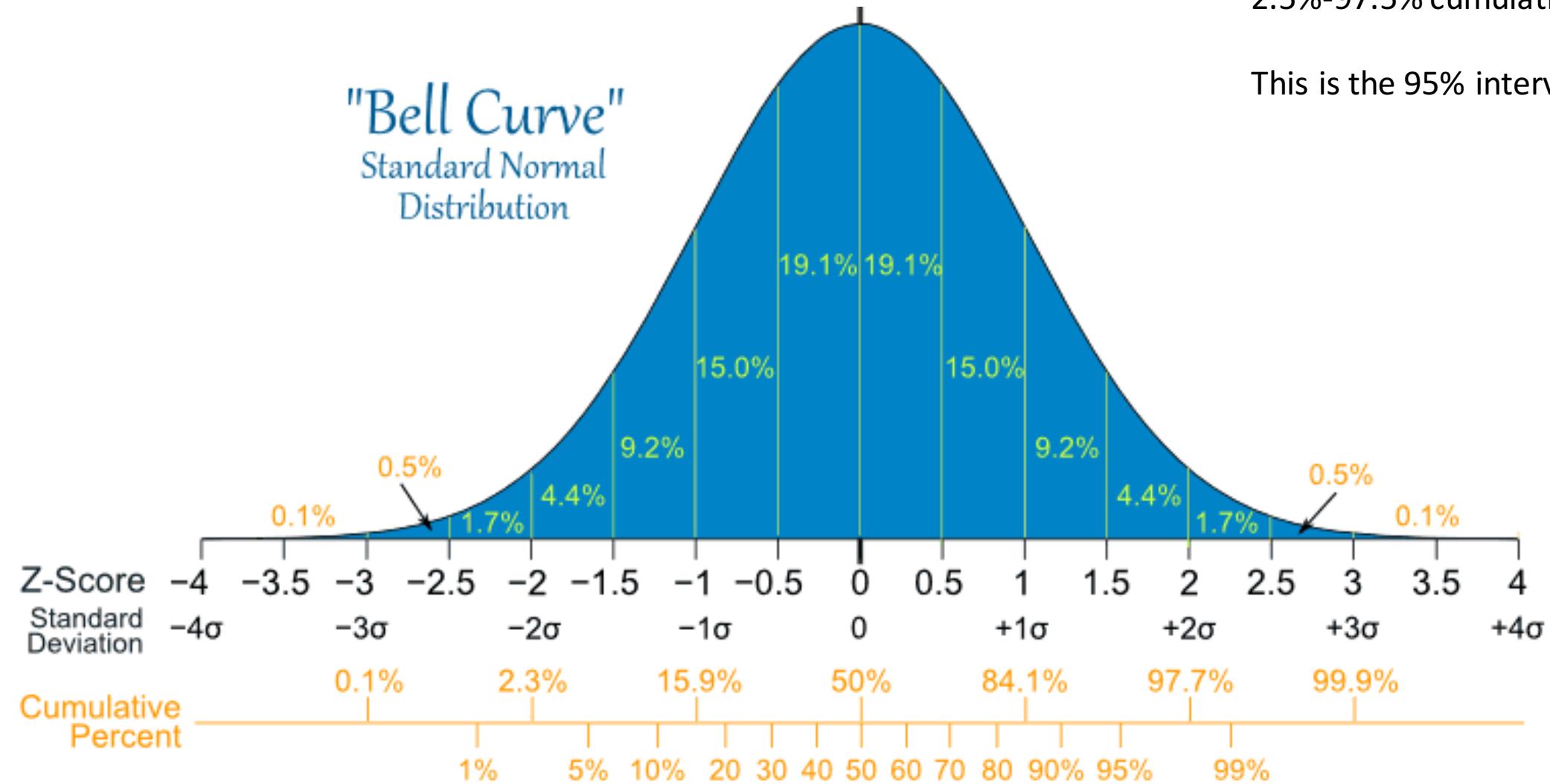
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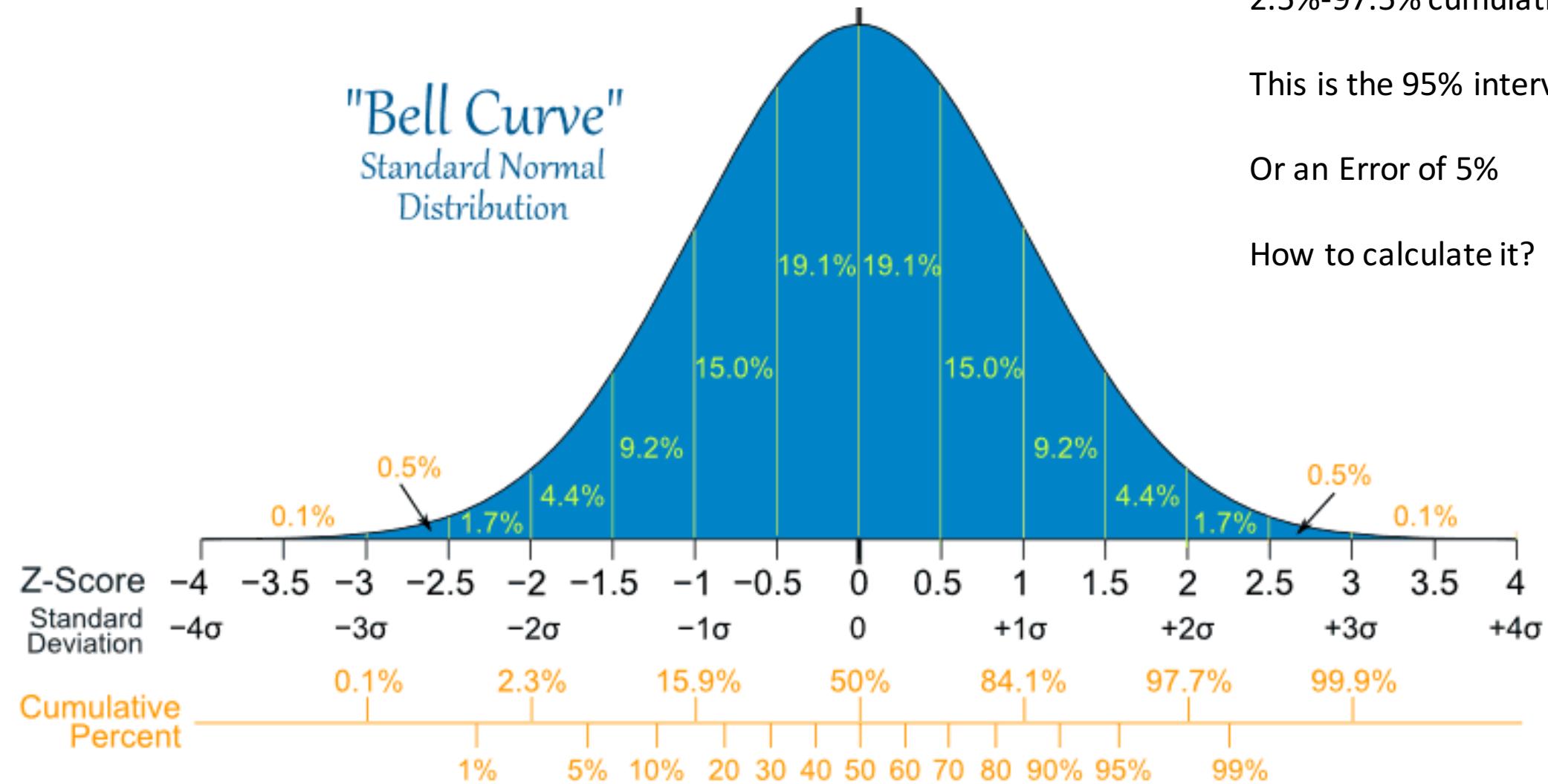


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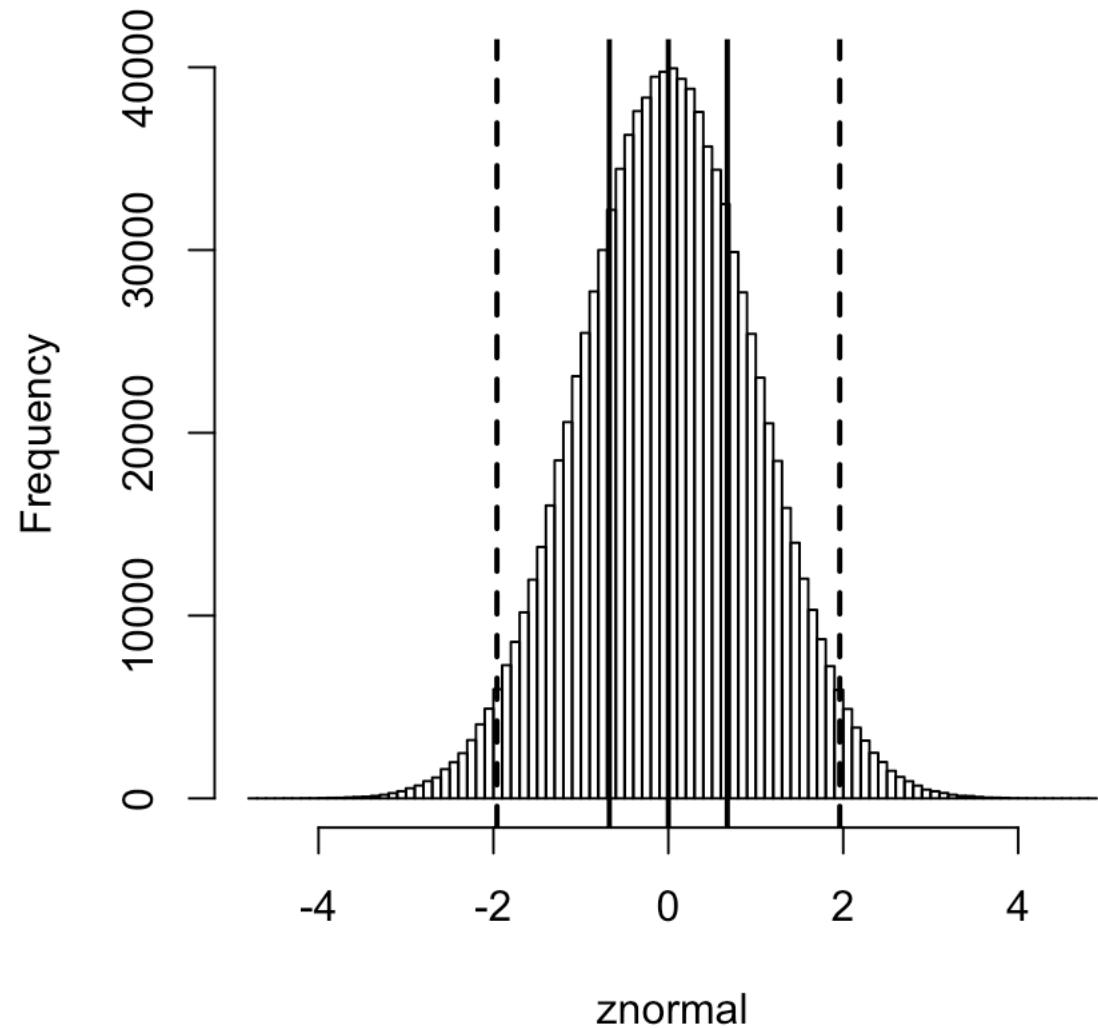


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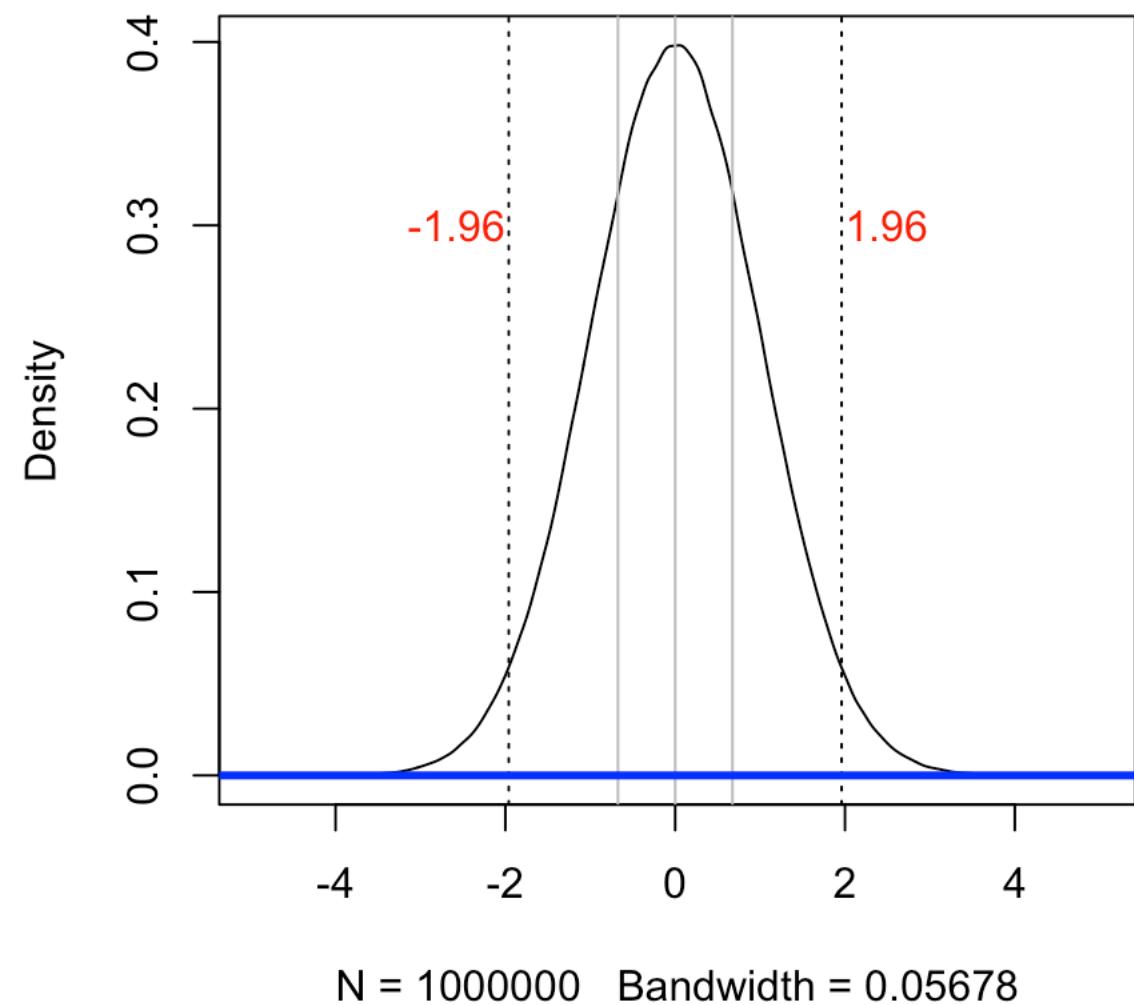
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Rule-of-thumb:  
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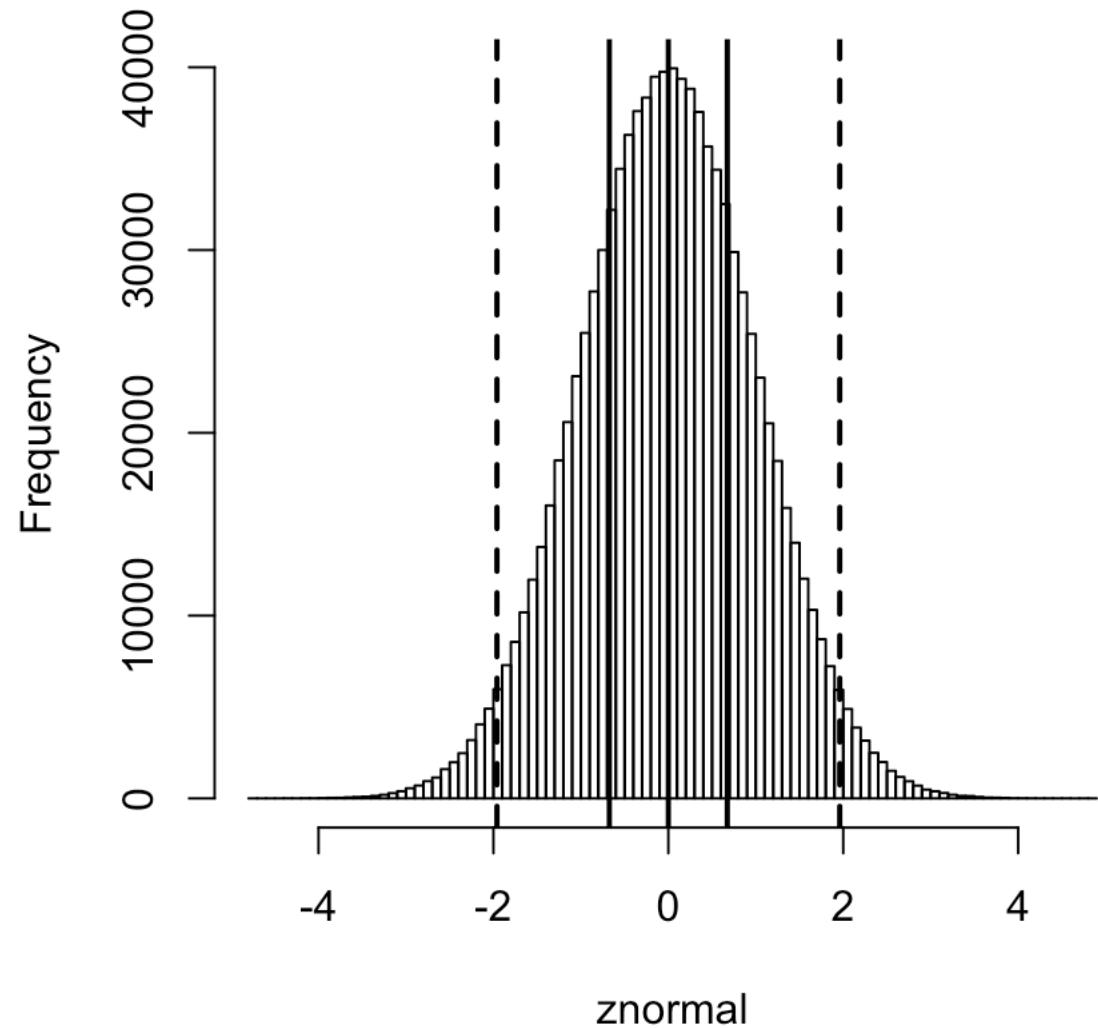
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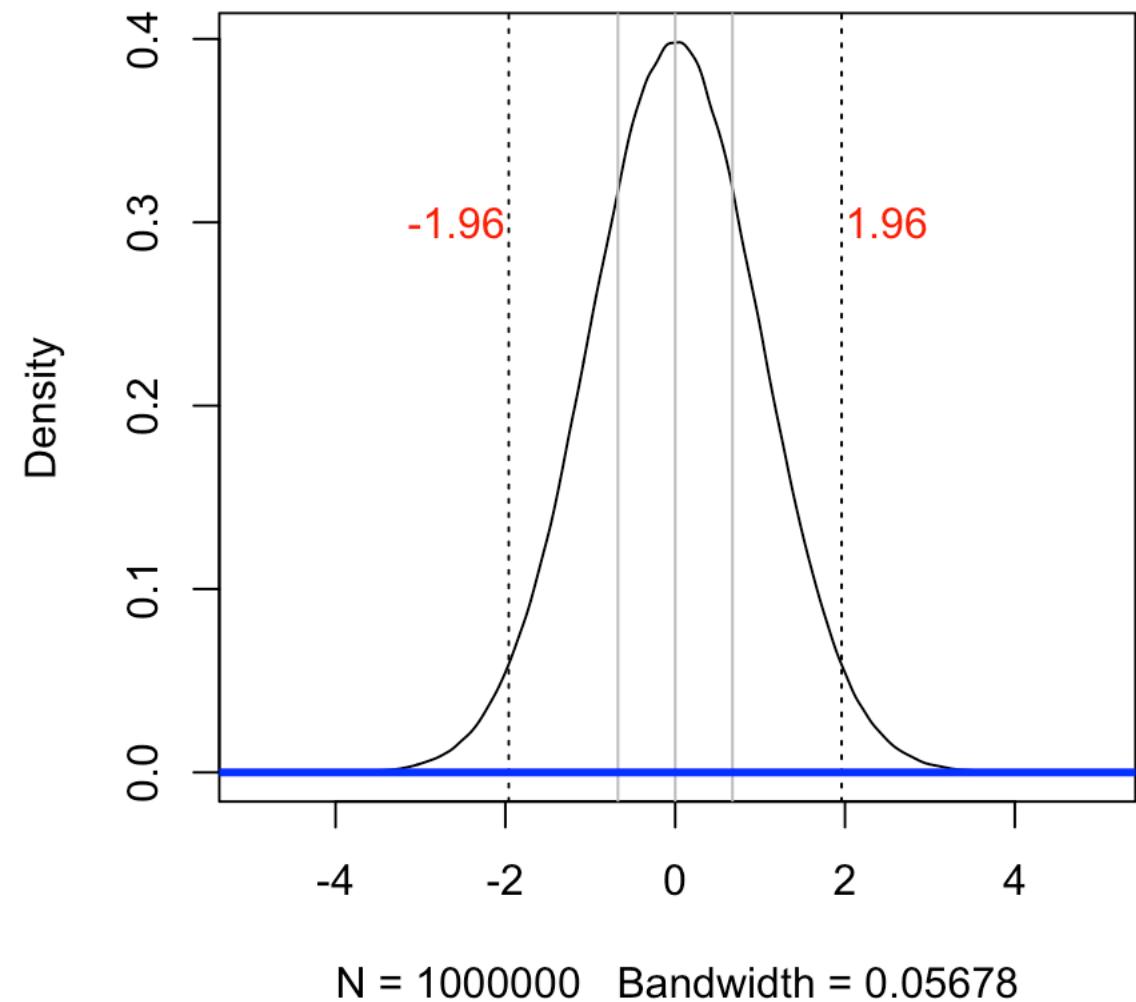
Is the sample from 2001 representative of the whole population?

Does the mean of 2001 fall within all possible means of the true distribution? We allow an error of 5%.

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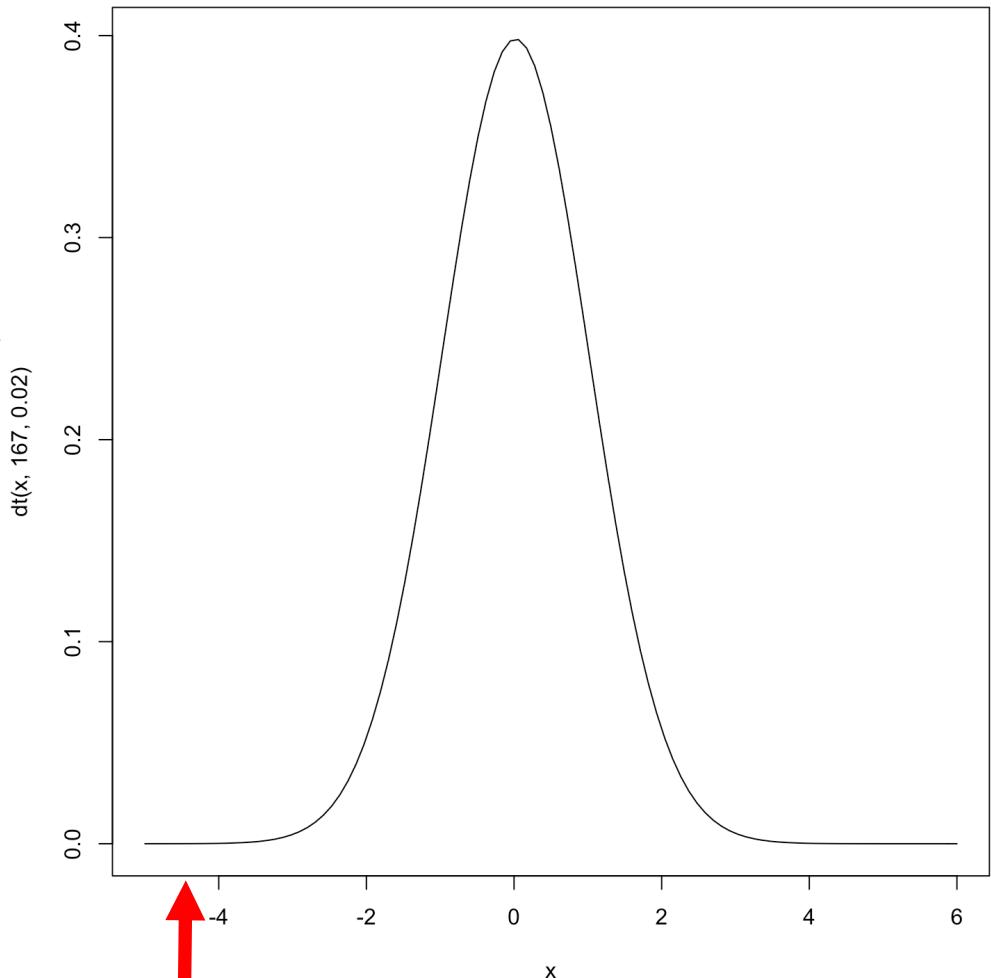
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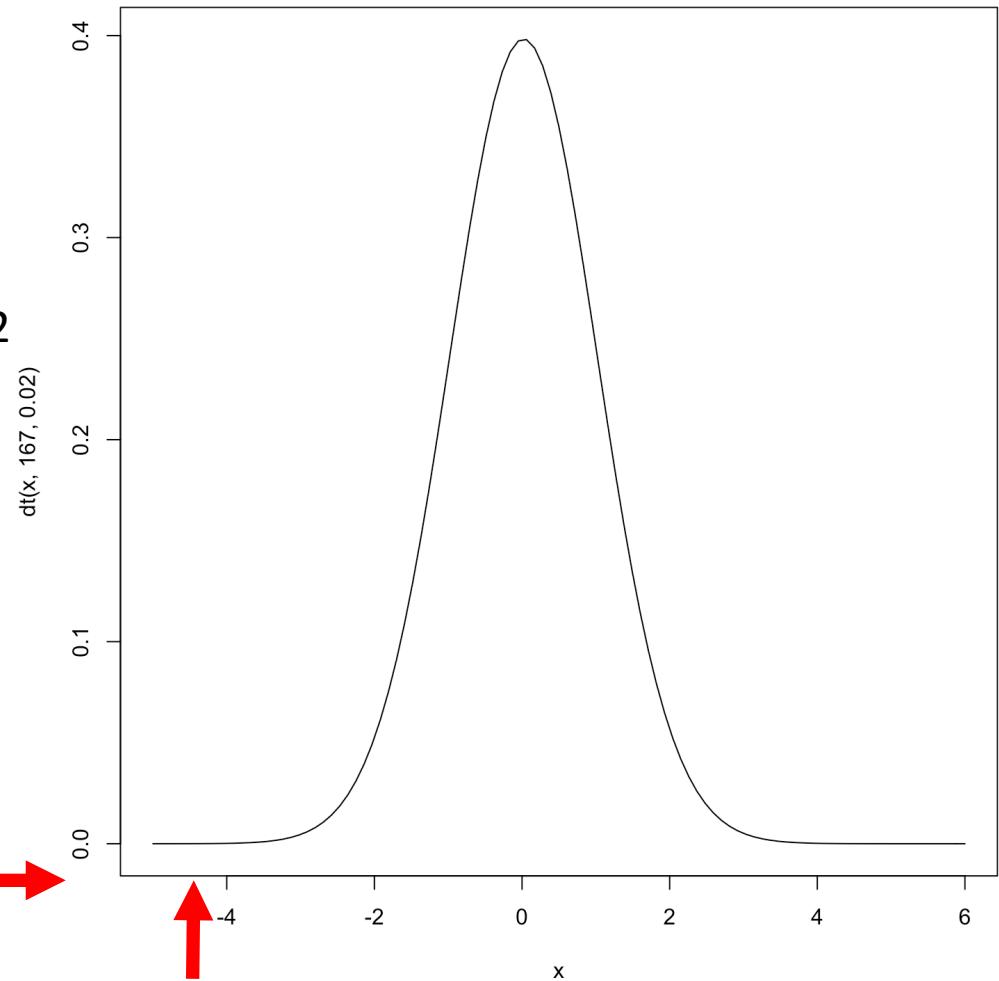
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3	0.277	0.765	1.638	2.353	2.605	3.182	3.482	4.541	5.841	7.453	10.214	13.733
4	0.271	0.741	1.533	2.132	2.333	2.776	2.999	3.747	4.604	5.598	7.173	8.729
5	0.267	0.727	1.476	2.015	2.191	2.571	2.757	3.365	4.032	4.773	5.894	6.993
6	0.265	0.718	1.440	1.943	2.104	2.447	2.612	3.143	3.707	4.317	5.208	6.217
7	0.263	0.711	1.415	1.895	2.046	2.365	2.517	2.998	3.499	4.029	4.785	5.777
8	0.262	0.706	1.397	1.860	2.004	2.306	2.449	2.896	3.355	3.833	4.501	5.490
9	0.261	0.703	1.383	1.833	1.973	2.262	2.398	2.821	3.250	3.690	4.297	5.284
10	0.260	0.700	1.372	1.812	1.948	2.228	2.359	2.764	3.169	3.581	4.144	5.131
11	0.260	0.697	1.363	1.796	1.928	2.201	2.328	2.718	3.106	3.497	4.025	5.019
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16	0.258	0.690	1.337	1.746	1.869	2.120	2.235	2.583	2.921	3.252	3.686	4.673
17	0.257	0.689	1.333	1.740	1.862	2.110	2.224	2.567	2.898	3.222	3.646	4.662
18	0.257	0.688	1.330	1.734	1.855	2.101	2.214	2.552	2.878	3.197	3.610	4.651
19	0.257	0.688	1.328	1.729	1.850	2.093	2.205	2.539	2.861	3.174	3.579	4.640
20	0.257	0.687	1.325	1.725	1.844	2.086	2.197	2.528	2.845	3.153	3.552	4.629
21	0.257	0.686	1.323	1.721	1.840	2.080	2.189	2.518	2.831	3.135	3.527	4.618
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23	0.256	0.685	1.319	1.714	1.832	2.069	2.177	2.500	2.807	3.104	3.485	4.596
24	0.256	0.685	1.318	1.711	1.828	2.064	2.172	2.492	2.797	3.091	3.467	4.585
25	0.256	0.684	1.316	1.708	1.825	2.060	2.167	2.485	2.787	3.078	3.450	4.574
26	0.256	0.684	1.315	1.706	1.822	2.056	2.162	2.479	2.779	3.067	3.435	4.563
27	0.256	0.684	1.314	1.703	1.819	2.052	2.158	2.473	2.771	3.057	3.421	4.552
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250	0.254	0.675	1.285	1.651	1.758	1.969	2.065	2.341	2.596	2.832	3.123	4.306
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20	0.257	0.687	1.325	1.725	1.844	2.086	2.197	2.528	2.845	3.153	3.552
21	0.257	0.686	1.323	1.721	1.840	2.080	2.189	2.518	2.831	3.135	3.527
22	0.256	0.686	1.321	1.717	1.835	2.074	2.183	2.508	2.819	3.119	3.505
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31	0.256	0.682	1.309	1.696	1.810	2.040	2.144	2.453	2.744	3.022	3.375
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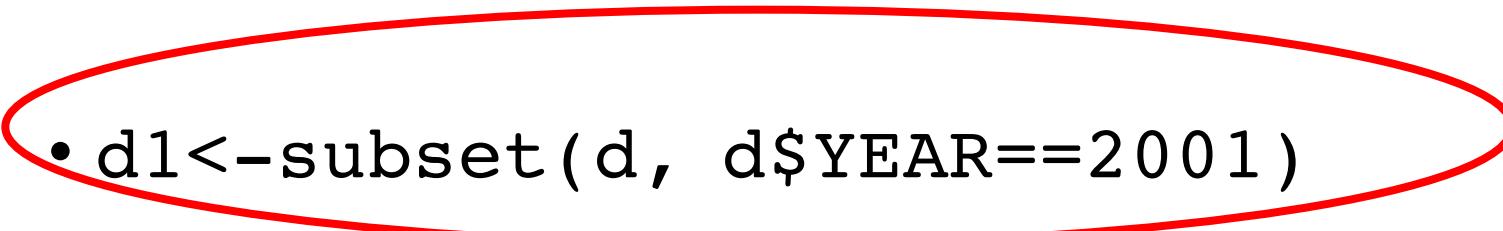
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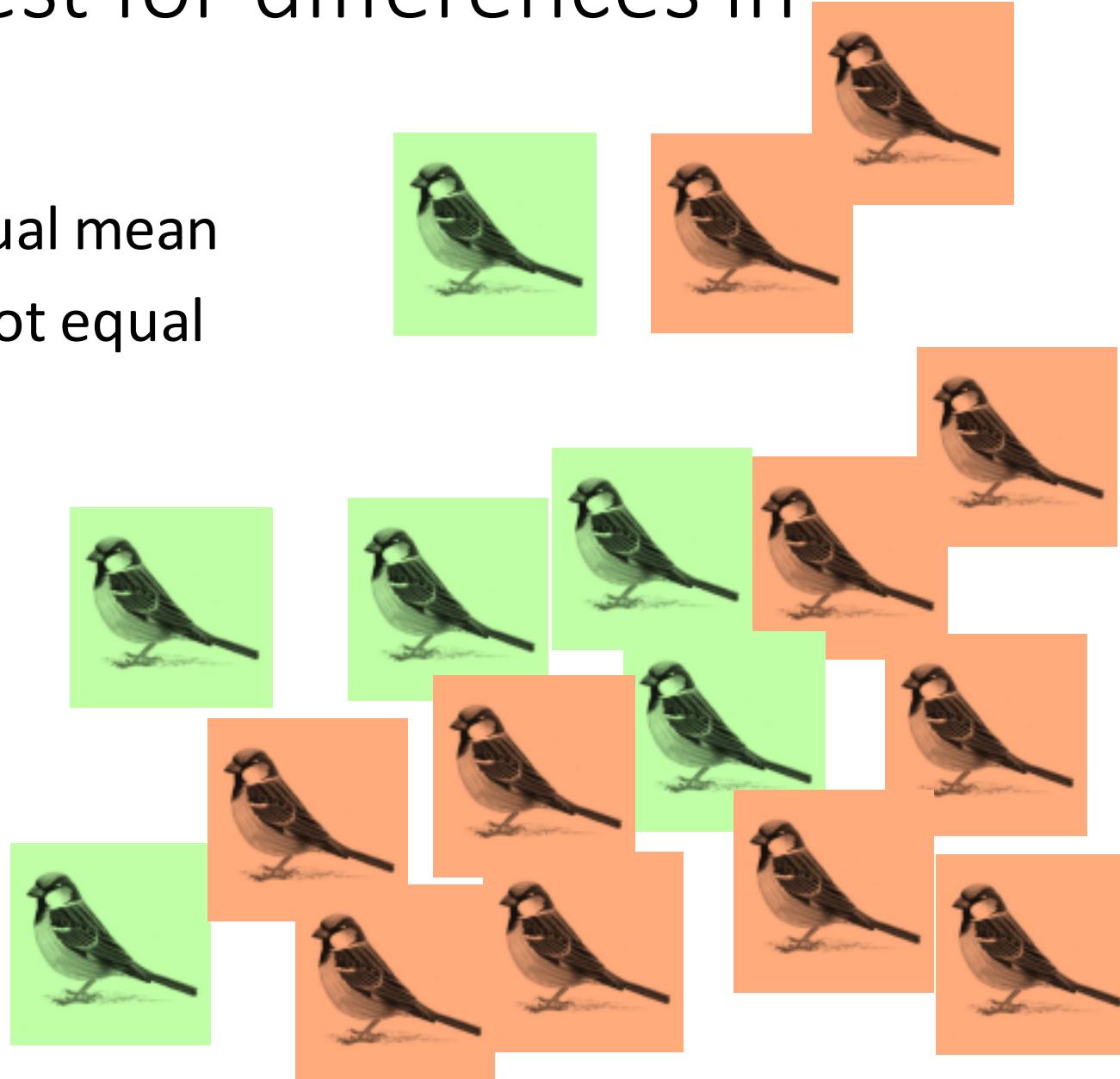
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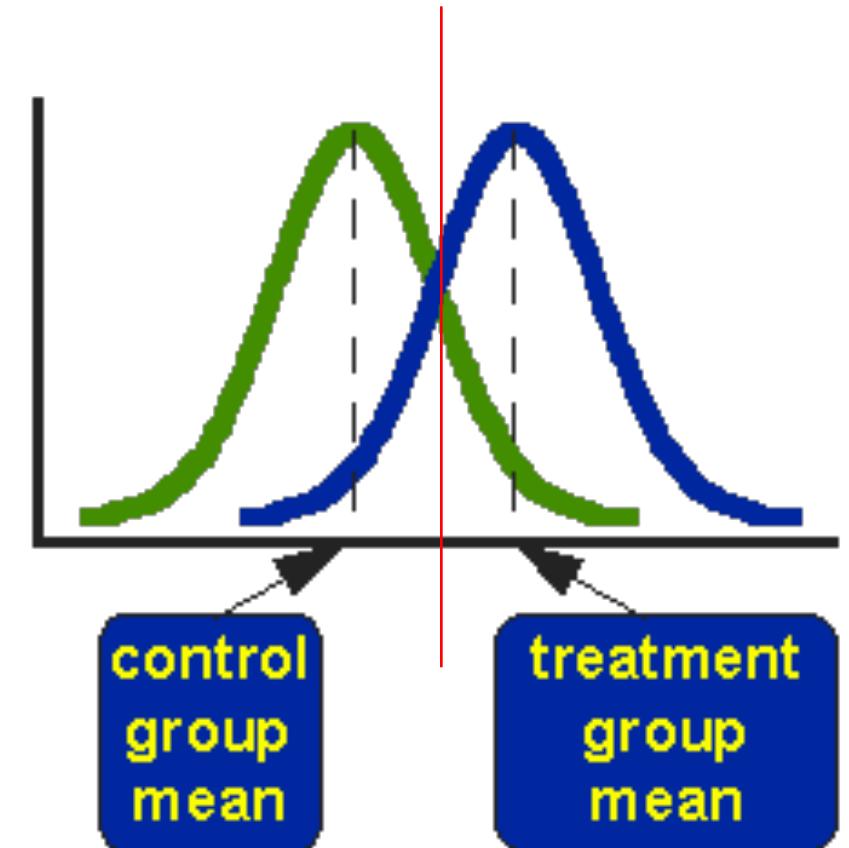
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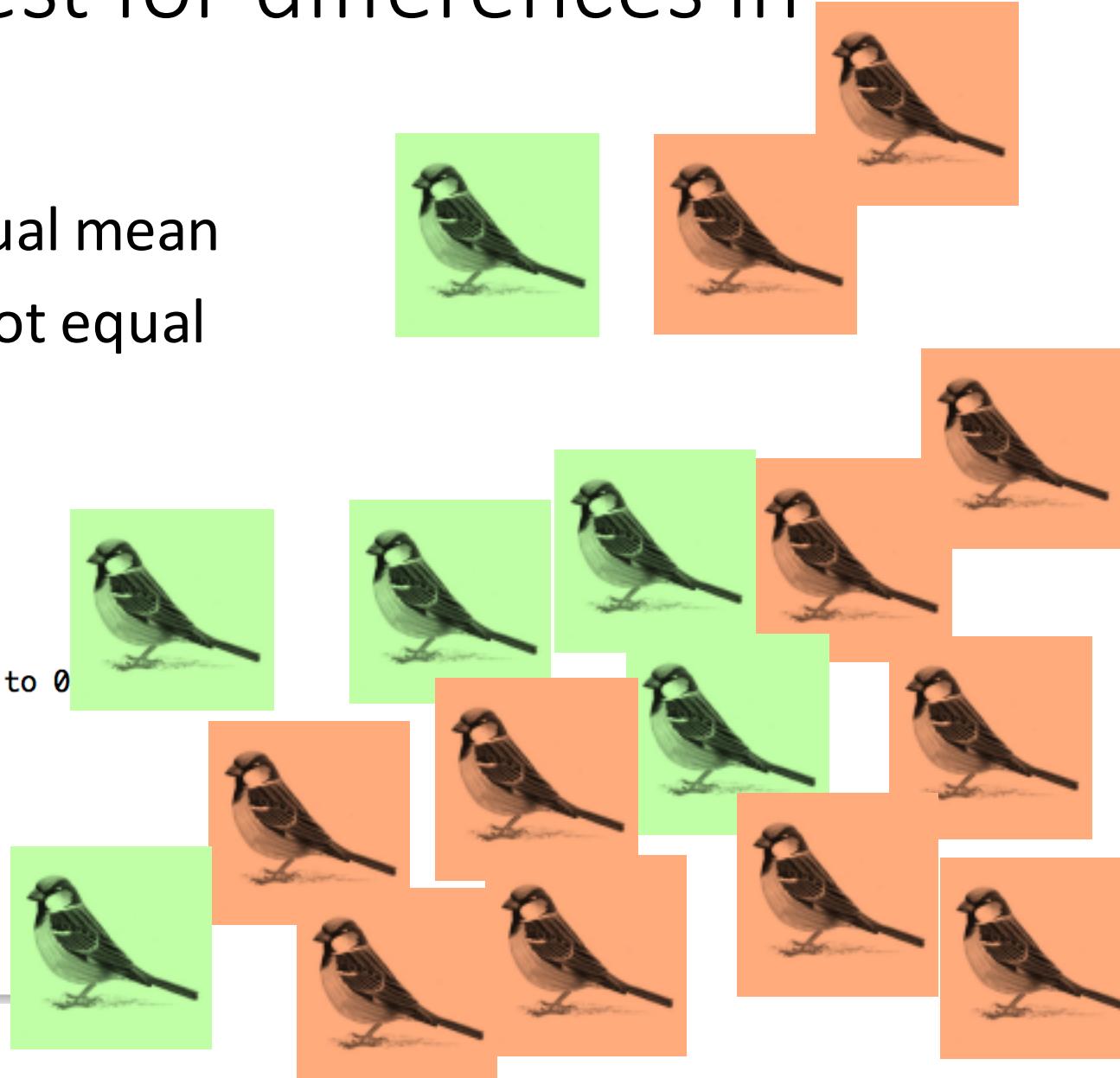
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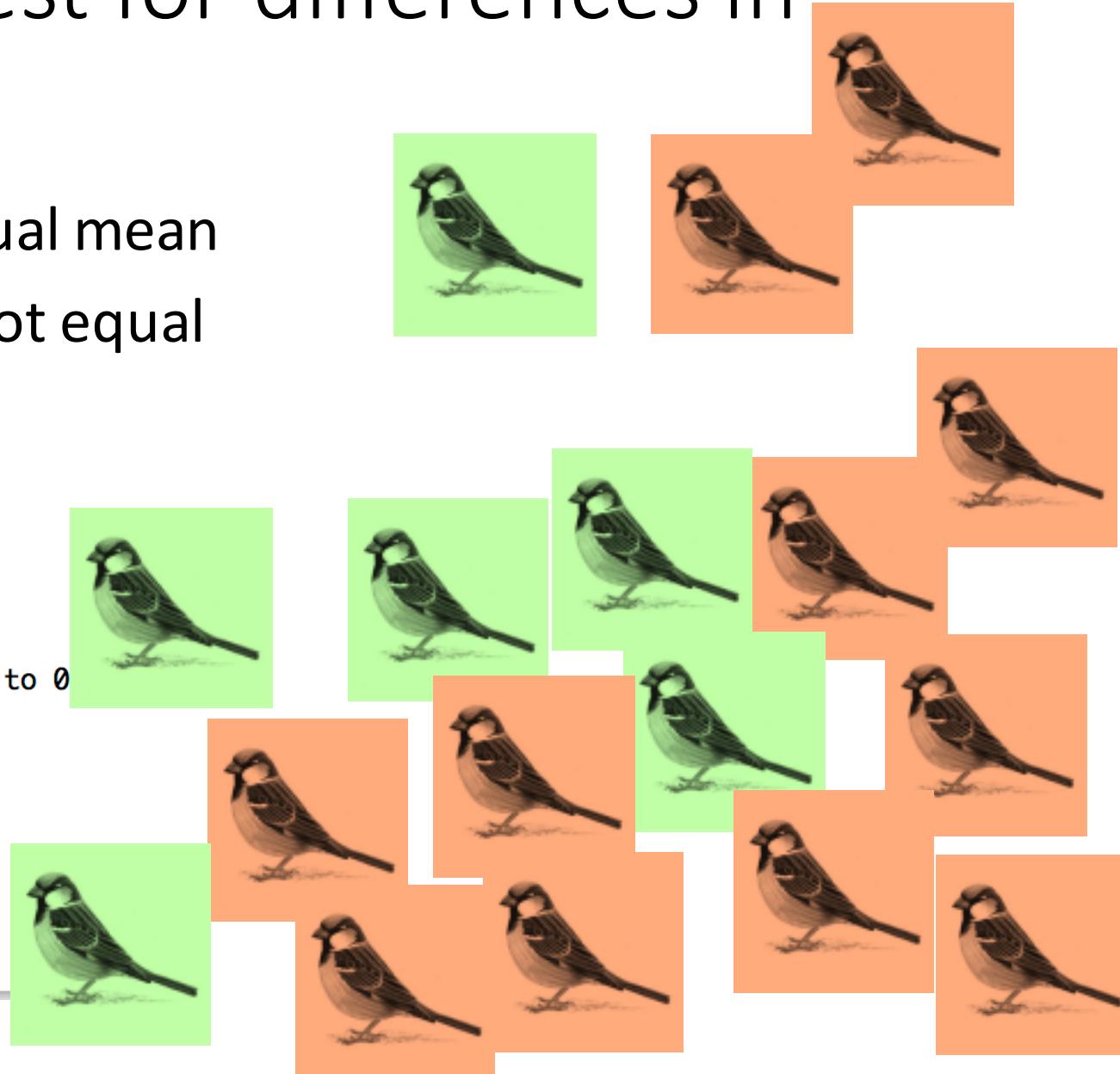
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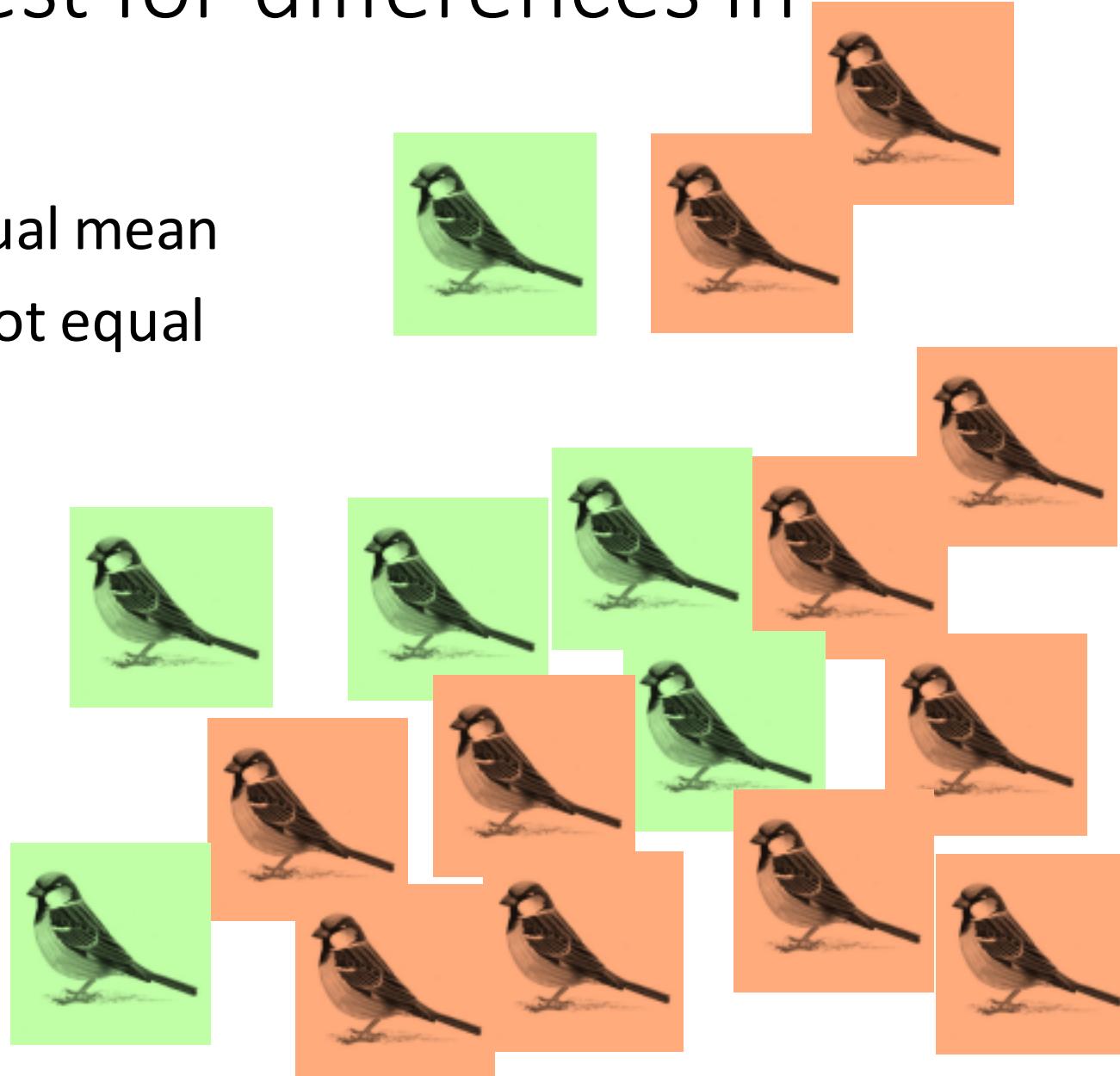
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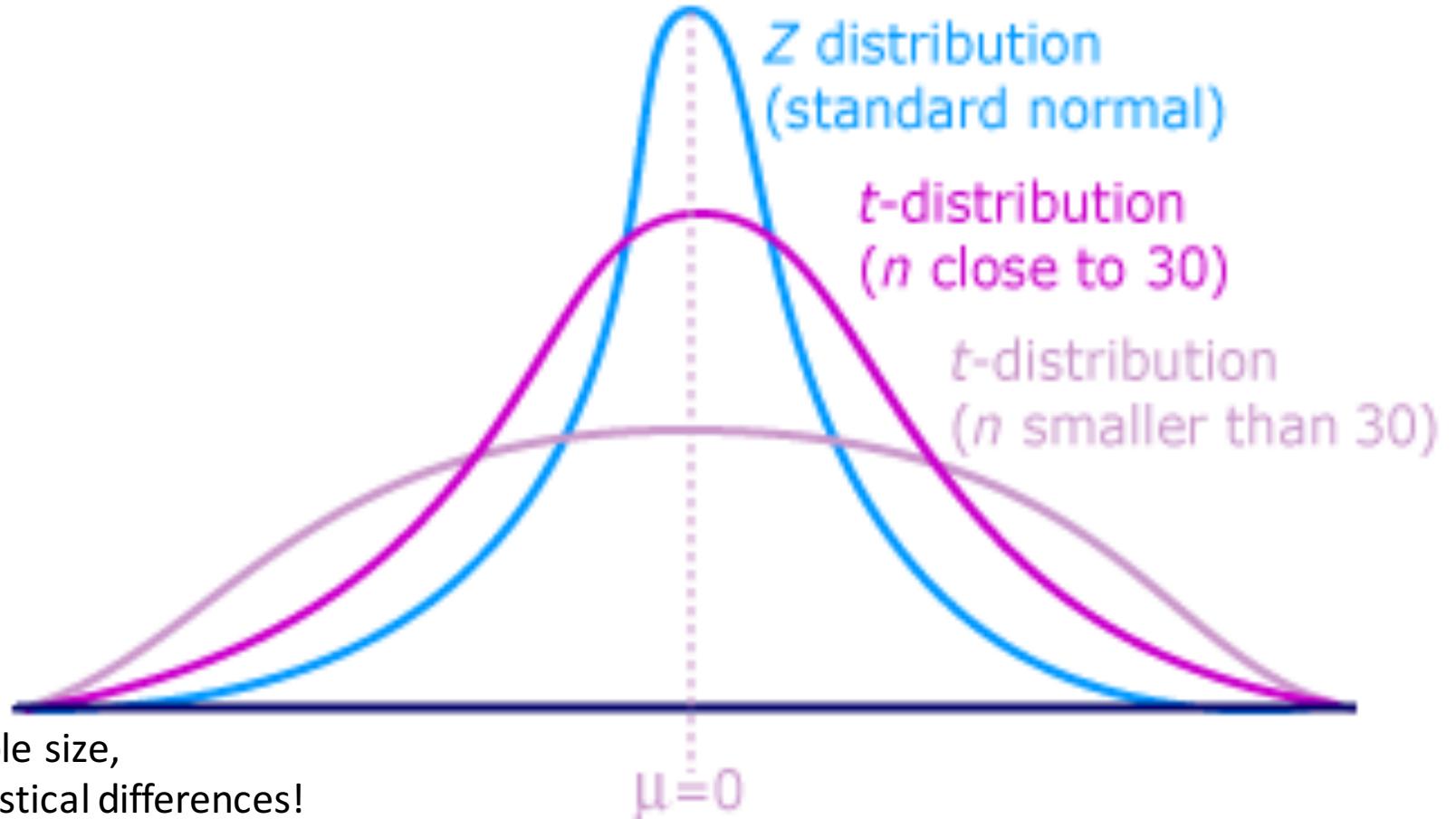
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alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0  
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sample estimates:  
mean in group 0 mean in group 1  
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# Convention – reality check

- How to report results from a t-test?

- In text:

Male and female tarsi did not differ in size between male and females (mean: 18.18, two sample t-test:  $t=1.23$ ,  $df=139$ ,  $p<0.22$ ).

( $t_{df=139}=1.23$ ,  $p<0.001$ ).

- In a table

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> t.test(d1$Tarsus~d1$Sex,na.rm=TRUE)
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Variable	Mean females±SE	N females	Mean males±SE	N males	t	df	p
Tarsus	18.27±0.09		18.11±0.13		1.23	139	0.22
Wing							
Ect							

## DO IT NOW – HO 5

- Test if wing length in 2001 differs from the grand-total mean in wing length
- Test if male and female wing length differ in 2001
- Test if male and female wing length differ in the full dataset
- Report in a table, don't forget the N's!
- Report in text

# Exercise – discussion

- What did you notice happened when you took smaller samples?
- Why did the precision go down?
- How many sparrows do you have to sample to get the correct answer?