



# STAT011 Statistical Methods I

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## Lecture 16 Two-Sample $t$ Procedures I

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# Review

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- ▶ Sample standard deviation (SD)
- ▶ Degree of freedom
- ▶ Standard error (SE)
  - *SD of a statistic estimated from sample data*
- ▶  $t$  distribution `dt( , df = )`, `pt( , df = )`, `qt( , df = )`
- ▶ Statistical inference for a population mean based on  $t$  distribution
  - One-sample  $t$  confidence interval  $\bar{x} \pm t^* \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$
  - One-sample  $t$  test  $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0, t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}} \overset{\text{approx.}}{\sim} t(n - 1)$
- ▶ Examples

```
t.test( , conf.level = ), t.test( , alternative = , mu = )
```

# Review - Comparing $z$ and $t$ procedures

	$z$ procedures	$t$ procedures
<b>Population SD <math>\sigma</math></b>	Known	Unknown, use sample SD $s$
<b>Level <math>C</math> C.I.</b>	$\bar{x} \pm z^* \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ $z^* = \text{qnorm}(1 - (1 - C) / 2)$	$\bar{x} \pm t^* \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$ $t^* = \text{qt}(1 - (1 - C) / 2, \text{df} = n - 1)$
<b>Level <math>\alpha</math> significance test</b>	$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ $H_a : \mu > \mu_0, \mu < \mu_0, \mu \neq \mu_0$ $z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \overset{\text{approx.}}{\sim} N(0, 1)$ $P(Z \leq z), \text{pnorm}(z)$ $P(Z \geq z), 1 - \text{pnorm}(z)$ $2P(Z \geq  z ), 2 * (1 - \text{pnorm}(\text{abs}(z)))$	$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$ $H_a : \mu > \mu_0, \mu < \mu_0, \mu \neq \mu_0$ $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s / \sqrt{n}} \overset{\text{approx.}}{\sim} t(n - 1)$ $P(T \leq t), \text{pt}(t, \text{df} = n - 1)$ $P(T \geq t), 1 - \text{pt}(t, \text{df} = n - 1)$ $2P(T \geq  t ), 2 * (1 - \text{pt}(\text{abs}(t), \text{df} = n - 1))$

# Outline

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- ▶ Matched-pairs two-sample  $t$  procedures
- ▶ Two-sample  $t$  procedures
  - Two-sample  $t$  confidence interval
  - Two-sample  $t$  test
- ▶ Pooled two-sample  $t$  procedures (Lecture 17)
  - Pooled two-sample  $t$  confidence interval
  - Pooled two-sample  $t$  test

# Two-sample problems

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- ▶ Example: compare mean height of female students and mean height of male students.
- ▶ Although called " **two**-sample", it is not necessarily two data samples. It is usually a single data sample with a quantitative variable (*Height*) and a binary variable that has **two** categories (*Gender*: female or male).
  - We compare of the mean of *Height* for the two categories of *Gender*.
- ▶ In two-sample problems, we evaluate the relationship between a quantitative response variable and a categorical explanatory variable.
  - Are different levels of the categorical variable associated with different means of the quantitative variable? Do female and male students have different height?
  - The relationship is evaluated by **comparing the means of the response variable for the two groups of the categorical variable**.

# Two-sample problems

**Example 1** Homework 7 Q7: compare *Weight* for the two groups of values, before and after the study.

```
head(WTGain, 4)
```

```
##      ID WeightBefore WeightAfter
## 1    1          55.7          61.7
## 2    2          54.9          58.8
## 3    3          59.6          66.0
## 4    4          62.3          66.2
```

**Example 2** STAT 11 Survey: compare *Height* for male and female students.

```
head(Survey[, c("Height", "Gender")], 4)
```

```
##      Height Gender
## 1        61 Female
## 2        66   Male
## 3        70   Male
## 4        63 Female
```

► What is the difference in data between the two examples?

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- ▶ This is a **matched-pairs** two-sample problem.

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- ▶ The values from the two groups are **independent** from each other.
- ▶ This is a regular two-sample problem.

# Two-sample problems

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- ▶ **Matched-pairs two-sample problems** can be solved by taking the difference between the paired values and using **one-sample  $t$  procedures**.
- ▶ Regular two-sample problems
  - The values in one group are **independent** of the values in the other group
  - The sample sizes for the two groups are *not necessarily* the same
- ▶ **Regular two-sample problems** are solved by **two-sample  $t$  procedures**.



# Matched-pairs two-sample problems

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- ▶ **Matched-pairs two-sample problems** can be solved by taking the difference between the paired values and using **one-sample *t* procedures**.
  - Evaluating whether  $\mu_{WeightBefore} = \mu_{WeightAfter}$  is equivalent to whether  $\mu_{WeightBefore} - \mu_{WeightAfter}$  or whether  $\mu_{WeightChange} = 0$ 
    - Construct a CI for  $\mu_{WeightChange}$  and see whether 0 falls into the interval
    - Conduct a test of  $H_0 : \mu_{WeightChange} = 0$

# Two-sample problems

► **Question of interest:**

- Is population mean of group 1 the same as the population mean of group 2?

Group	Population Mean	Population SD	Sample Mean	Sample SD
1.	$\mu_1$	$\sigma_1$	$\bar{x}_1$	$s_1$
2.	$\mu_2$	$\sigma_2$	$\bar{x}_2$	$s_2$

- We are interested the difference between the population means,  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ .
- **Confidence interval** for  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ ,  
**Significance test** for  $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$  vs.  $H_a : \mu_1 > \mu_2$  or  $\mu_1 < \mu_2$  or  $\mu_1 \neq \mu_2$ .
- We use the observed sample means  $\bar{x}_1$  and  $\bar{x}_2$  to make inference about the population means  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$ .

# Population SDs are known

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**Suppose population SDs  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  are known.**

- ▶ Estimate  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$  from sample data:  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$
- ▶ By CLT

$$\bar{x}_1 \sim N\left(\mu_1, \frac{\sigma_1}{\sqrt{n_1}}\right) \text{ and } \bar{x}_2 \sim N\left(\mu_2, \frac{\sigma_2}{\sqrt{n_2}}\right)$$

- ▶ What is the distribution of  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ ?

# Population SDs are known

```
set.seed(15)
# x1 ~ N(10, 3), x2 ~ N(5, 4)
x1 <- rnorm(1000, mean = 10, sd = 3)
x2 <- rnorm(1000, mean = 5, sd = 4)
c(mean(x1), mean(x2), sd(x1), sd(x2), var(x1), var(x2))
```

```
## [1] 10.110928  4.873001  3.072772  4.022100  9.441929 16.177286
```

```
# Mean and SD of x1 + x2
c(mean(x1 + x2), sd(x1 + x2), var(x1+x2))
```

```
## [1] 14.983929  5.114448 26.157578
```

```
# Mean and SD of x1 - x2
c(mean(x1 - x2), sd(x1 - x2), var(x1-x2))
```

```
## [1]  5.237927  5.008079 25.080851
```

- ▶  $\mu_{X_1 \pm X_2} = \mu_{X_1} \pm \mu_{X_2}$
- ▶  $Var_{X_1 \pm X_2} = Var_{X_1} + Var_{X_2} \Rightarrow \sigma_{X_1 \pm X_2} = \sqrt{\sigma_{X_1}^2 + \sigma_{X_2}^2}$

# Population SDs are known

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$$\bar{x}_1 \sim N\left(\mu_1, \frac{\sigma_1}{\sqrt{n_1}}\right) \text{ and } \bar{x}_2 \sim N\left(\mu_2, \frac{\sigma_2}{\sqrt{n_2}}\right)$$

- ▶ Mean of  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ :

$$\mu_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2} = \mu_{\bar{x}_1} - \mu_{\bar{x}_2} = \mu_1 - \mu_2$$

- ▶ SD of  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ :

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$$

# Population SDs are known

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Therefore

$$\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \sim N\left(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}\right)$$

Standardize  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$ ,

$$\frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

# Population SDs are known

## Two-sample $z$ statistic

Suppose that  $\bar{x}_1$  is the mean of an SRS of size  $n_1$  drawn from an  $N(\mu_1, \sigma_1)$  population and that  $\bar{x}_2$  is the mean of an independent SRS of size  $n_2$  drawn from an  $N(\mu_2, \sigma_2)$  population. Then the two-sample  $z$  statistic

$$z = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

has the standard Normal  $N(0, 1)$  sampling distribution.

- What if the population SDs are **unknown**?

# Population SDs are **unknown**

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**Two-sample  $t$  statistic:** Replace  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  in the  $z$  statistic by  $s_1$  and  $s_2$

$$t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} \underset{\text{approx.}}{\sim} t(k)$$

- ▶ The two-sample  $t$  statistic approximates a  $t(k)$  distribution with degree of freedom

$$k \approx \frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}\right)^2}{\frac{1}{n_1-1} \left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{n_2-1} \left(\frac{s_2^2}{n_2}\right)^2} \text{ (Welch-Satterthwaite formula) or}$$

$$k \approx \min(n_1 - 1, n_2 - 1) \text{ (the smaller of } n_1 - 1 \text{ and } n_2 - 1 \text{)}$$



# Two-sample $t$ confidence interval

Suppose that an SRS of size  $n_1$  is drawn from a Normal population with unknown mean  $\mu_1$  and that an independent SRS of size  $n_2$  is drawn from another Normal population with unknown mean  $\mu_2$ . The confidence interval for  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$  given by

$$(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

has confidence level at least  $C$ . Here,  $t^*$  is the value for the  $t(k)$  density curve with area  $C$  between  $-t^*$  and  $t^*$ , where  $k$  is approximated by either the Welch-Satterthwaite formula or the smaller of  $n_1 - 1$  and  $n_2 - 1$ .

# Two-sample $t$ test

To test the hypothesis  $H_0 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$ , compute the two-sample  $t$  statistic

$$t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} \underset{\sim}{\text{approx.}} t(k)$$

In terms of a random variable  $T$  having the  $t(k)$  distribution ( $k$  is approximated by either the Welch-Satterthwaite formula or the smaller of  $n_1 - 1$  and  $n_2 - 1$ ), the  $P$ -value for a test of  $H_0$  against

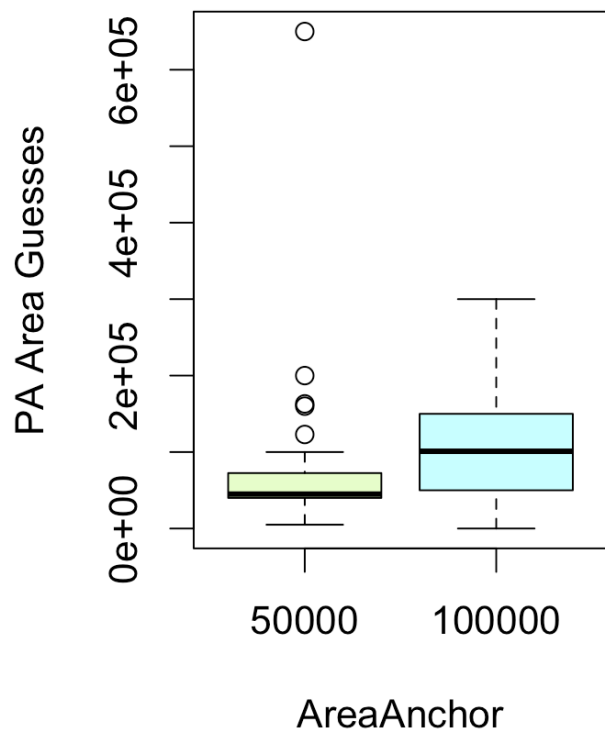
$$H_a : \mu_1 > \mu_2 \text{ is } P(T \geq t)$$

$$H_a : \mu_1 < \mu_2 \text{ is } P(T \leq t)$$

$$H_a : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2 \text{ is } 2P(T \geq |t|)$$

# Example - STAT011 Survey

**Boxplot of AreaGuess**



## Version 1:

- ▶ Is the area of Pennsylvania more or less than **50,000** square miles?
- ▶ Give your best guess at the area of Pennsylvania in square miles.

## Version 2:

- ▶ Is the area of Pennsylvania more or less than **100,000** square miles?
- ▶ Give your best guess at the area of Pennsylvania in square miles.

# Example - STAT011 Survey

```
mysummary <- function(x){  
  c(mean=mean(x), sd=sd(x), n=length(x))  
}  
# Transform Area in miles to thousand square miles  
Survey$AreaGuess <- Survey$AreaGuess/1000  
aggregate(AreaGuess ~ AreaAnchor, data=Survey, FUN=mysummary)
```

```
##   AreaAnchor AreaGuess.mean AreaGuess.sd AreaGuess.n  
## 1      50000      62.85715      70.18477      91.00000  
## 2     100000     109.70252      74.57255      21.00000
```

$$\bar{x}_1 = 62.9, s_1 = 70.2, n_1 = 91$$

$$\bar{x}_2 = 109.7, s_2 = 74.6, n_2 = 21$$

- ▶ 95% confidence interval for the difference in the two population means of *AreaGuess*.
- ▶ A level 0.05 test for whether the two population means are the same or not.

# Example - STAT011 Survey

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## 95% confidence interval (by hand)

▶

$$\begin{aligned} & (\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}} \\ &= (62.9 - 109.7) \pm 2.09 \sqrt{\frac{70.2^2}{91} + \frac{74.6^2}{21}} \\ &= -46.8 \pm 37.3 \end{aligned}$$

$t^* = 2.09 = \text{qt}(0.975, \text{df}=20)$  (the smaller of  $n_1 - 1$  and  $n_2 - 1$  is  $21 - 1 = 20$ )

- ▶ We are 95% confidence that the interval  $[-84.1, -9.5]$  will contain the true population mean difference in *AreaGuess*.
- ▶ The interval does not contain 0. So the difference in *AreaGuess* between the two groups is significantly different from 0 - wording significantly affected the area of PA guessed by the students.

# Example - STAT011 Survey

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## Level 0.05 test (by hand)

▶  $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$  vs.  $H_a : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$

▶ 
$$t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} = \frac{(62.9 - 109.7) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{70.2^2}{91} + \frac{74.6^2}{21}}}$$
$$= -2.63$$

df= 20,  $t < t^* = -2.09$  (`qt(0.975, df=20)`) or  $P = 0.016 < 0.05$ , `2*(1-pt(2.63,df=20))`

- ▶ We reject  $H_0$  at level 0.05. There is significant difference in *AreaGuess* between the two groups. Wording significantly affected the area of PA guessed by the students.

# Two-sample $t$ procedure in R

## 95% confidence interval and level 0.05 test using R

```
# t.test(x = , y = , alternative = , mu = , conf.level = )  
t.test(Survey$AreaGuess[Survey$AreaAnchor=="50000"],  
       Survey$AreaGuess[Survey$AreaAnchor=="100000"])
```

```
##  
## Welch Two Sample t-test  
##  
## data: Survey$AreaGuess[Survey$AreaAnchor == "50000"] and Survey$AreaGuess[Survey$  
## t = -2.6231, df = 28.745, p-value = 0.0138  
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0  
## 95 percent confidence interval:  
## -83.38516 -10.30558  
## sample estimates:  
## mean of x mean of y  
## 62.85715 109.70252
```

► 95% CI:  $[-83.4, -10.3]$

► Level 0.05 test:  $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$  vs.  $H_a : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$   
 $t = -2.62, df = 28.75$  and  $P = 0.014 < 0.05$

# Two-sample $t$ procedure in R

## 95% confidence interval and level 0.05 test using R (simpler coding)

```
# t.test(Response ~ Explanatory, data = , alternative = , mu = , conf.level = )  
t.test(AreaGuess ~ AreaAnchor, data=Survey)
```

```
##  
## Welch Two Sample t-test  
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## data: AreaGuess by AreaAnchor  
## t = -2.6231, df = 28.745, p-value = 0.0138  
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0  
## 95 percent confidence interval:  
## -83.38516 -10.30558  
## sample estimates:  
## mean in group 50000 mean in group 100000  
## 62.85715 109.70252
```

- **Note:** the results are slightly different from the calculations by hand, where we use the smaller of  $n_1 - 1$  and  $n_2 - 1$  as the degree of freedom. Here, the R function uses the Welch-Satterthwaite formula for df.



# Summary

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- ▶ **Matched-pairs two-sample  $t$  procedures**

- Use one-sample  $t$  procedures

- ▶ **Two-sample  $t$  procedures**

- Two-sample  $t$  confidence interval  $(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm t^* \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$

- Two-sample  $t$  test  $t = \frac{(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}} \overset{\text{approx.}}{\sim} t(k)$

- $k$  is approximated by either the Welch-Satterthwaite formula or the smaller of  $n_1 - 1$  and  $n_2 - 1$

- `t.test(x = , y = )` or `t.test(Response ~ Explanatory, data = )`