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#Variance Ratio F-test prototype
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#for testing equal variances in two samples
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#Assumptions:
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# Observed values  $x_{1.1} \dots x_{1.n}$  are a random sample from a normal distribution.
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# Observed values  $x_{2.1} \dots x_{2.n}$  are a random sample from a normal distribution.
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# Both sample are independent.
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## Note this test is seriously compromised by deviation from normal distribution.
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## Be sure to test for normal distribution before using this test!
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# Hypotheses:
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#1) Null:  $\sigma_1^2$  is equal to  $\sigma_2^2$ 
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#2) Alternative:  $\sigma_1^2$  is NOT equal to  $\sigma_2^2$  (two sided case)
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#  $\sigma_1^2 < \sigma_2^2$  (one sided case lower tail)
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#  $\sigma_1^2 > \sigma_2^2$  (one sided case upper tail)
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#Paperwork
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```
#read in data
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iris
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#assign variables
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```
x1 <- iris$Sepal.Length[iris$Species=="setosa"]
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x1
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```
x2 <- iris$Sepal.Length[iris$Species=="versicolor"]
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x2
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```
#assign number of observations
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```
n1 <- length(x1)
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n1
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```
n2 <- length(x2)
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n2
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```
#assign means
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```
x1bar <- mean(x1)
```

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x1bar
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```
x2bar <- mean(x2)
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x2bar
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```
#assign variances
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```
s1_sq <- var(x1)
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s1_sq
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```
s2_sq <- var(x2)
s2_sq
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#####Test Statistic#####
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#two sided case:
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```
f <- s2_sq/s1_sq #note: put larger variance in the numerator
f
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[1] 2.144345
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#one sided case lower tail:
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```
f_a <- s1_sq/s2_sq
f_a
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[1] 0.4663429
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#one sided case upper tail:
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```
f_b <- s2_sq/s1_sq
f_b
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[1] 2.144345
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#Sampling Distribution: if assumptions hold and Null Hypothesis is true, the  $F \sim F(n1-1)/(n2-1)$ 
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#Critical Values of the Test:
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alpha <- 0.05 #probability of type 1 error
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cv <- qf(1-alpha/2, n1-1, n2-1) #two sided cv
cv
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cv_a <- qf(alpha, n1-1, n2-1) #one sided lower cv
cv_a
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```
cv_b <- qf(1-alpha, n1-1, n2-1) #one sided upper cv
cv_b
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#Decision Rules:
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#If  $f > cv$ , then reject Null, otherwise accept Null (two sided case)
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#If  $f_a < cv_a$ , then reject Null, " (one sided lower tail)
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#If  $f_b > cv_b$ , then reject Null, " (one sided upper tail)
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#Probability Values:
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#two sided case
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```
p1 <- 2*pf(f, n1-1, n2-1) #if  $f < 1$  or equal to 1
p1
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```
p2 <- 2*(1-pf(f, n1-1, n2-1)) #if  $f > 1$ 
p2
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[1] 0.008657188
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#one sided case

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p3 <- pf(f, n1-1, n2-1) #lower tail
p3
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p4 <- 1-pf(f, n1-1, n2-1) #upper tail
p4
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#Confidence Intervals for Variance Ratio:

#two sided case: (ci_a ci_b)

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ci_a <- (s2_sq/s1_sq)*(1/qf(1-alpha/2, n1-1, n2-1))
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ci_a
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[1] 1.216865
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```
ci_b <- (s2_sq/s1_sq)*(qf(1-alpha/2, n2-1, n1-1))
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ci_b
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[1] 3.77874
```

#one sided case

```
ci_l <- (s2_sq/s1_sq)*(qf(1-alpha, n2-1, n1-1)) #lower tail (0-ci_l)
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ci_l
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ci_u <- (s2_sq/s1_sq)*(1/qf(1-alpha, n1-1, n2-1)) #upper tail (ci_u-infinity)
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ci_u
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#Now test the built in R function:

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var.test(x2,x1,alternative = "two.sided",conf.level = 0.95)
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Results of Hypothesis Test

Null Hypothesis: ratio of variances = 1

Alternative Hypothesis: True ratio of variances is not equal to 1

Test Name: F test to compare two variances

Estimated Parameter(s): ratio of variances = 2.144345

Data: x2 and x1

Test Statistic: F = 2.144345

**Test Statistic Parameters: num df = 49
 denom df = 49**

P-value: 0.008657188

95% Confidence Interval: LCL = 1.216865
UCL = 3.778740

#one sided case lower tail
`var.test(x2,x1,alternative = "less",conf.level = 0.95)`

#one sided case upper tail
`var.test(x2,x1,alternative = "greater",conf.level = 0.95)`