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#Levene test prototype
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#for testing equal variances in two samples
#this test employs transformation of data values to difference values around each mean
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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 less 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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```
#this variable will be needed in r function for Levene
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```
iris_sv <- iris[1:100,]
```

```
#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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#Transformation to Absolute Difference from Mean: absolute value of each observation subtracted from the respective mean

```
x1t <- abs(x1-x1bar)
```

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x1t
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```
x2t <- abs(x2-x2bar)
```

```
x2t
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#means of transformed differences from mean

```
x1tbar <- mean(x1t)
```

```
x1tbar
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```
x2tbar <- mean(x2t)
```

```
x2tbar
```

#variances of transformed differences from mean

```
st1 <- var(x1t)
```

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st1
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```
st2 <- var(x2t)
```

```
st2
```

#pooled variance of transformed observations

```
stp <- sqrt((((n1-1)*st1)+(n2-1)*st2)/(n1+n2-2))
```

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stp
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#####Test Statistic#####

```
t <- (x1tbar-x2tbar)/sqrt((stp^2/n1)+(stp^2/n2))
```

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t
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```
[1] -2.904265
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t_sq <- t^2
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t_sq
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[1] 8.434755
```

#Sampling Distribution: if assumptions hold and Null Hypothesis is true, then $t \sim t(n_1+n_2-2)$

#Critical Values of the Test:

```
alpha <- 0.05 #probability of type 1 error
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#two sided case

```
c1 <- qt(alpha/2, n1+n2-2) #lower cv
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c1
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```
c2 <- qt(1-alpha/2, n1+n2-2) #upper cv
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c2
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```
abs_c <- abs(c1) #cv used for two sided test
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abs_c
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```
#one sided case
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```
c3 <- qt(alpha, n1+n2-2) #lower cv
```

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c3
```

```
c4 <- qt(1-alpha, n1+n2-2) #upper cv
```

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c4
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#Decision Rules:
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```
#if abs(t) > abs_c, then reject Null, otherwise accept (two sided case)
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```
#if t < c3, then reject Null, " (one sided lower tail)
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```
#if t > c4, 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*pt(t, n1+n2-2) #if t is < or equal to 0
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p1
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[1] 0.004549242
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```
p2 <- 2*(1-pt(t, n1+n2-2)) #if t is > 0
```

```
p2
```

```
#one sided case
```

```
p3 <- pt(t, n1+n2-2) #lower tail
```

```
p3
```

```
p4 <- 1-pt(t, n1+n2-2) #upper tail
```

```
p4
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#Test the built in R function for Levene test
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```
library(car)
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```
#leveneTest(data,type,center)
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leveneTest(iris_sv$Sepal.Length,iris_sv$Species,center = mean)
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Levene's Test for Homogeneity of Variance (center = mean)
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Df F value Pr(>F)
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group 1 8.4348 0.004549 **
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