

# Chapter 10

## Two-Sample Tests

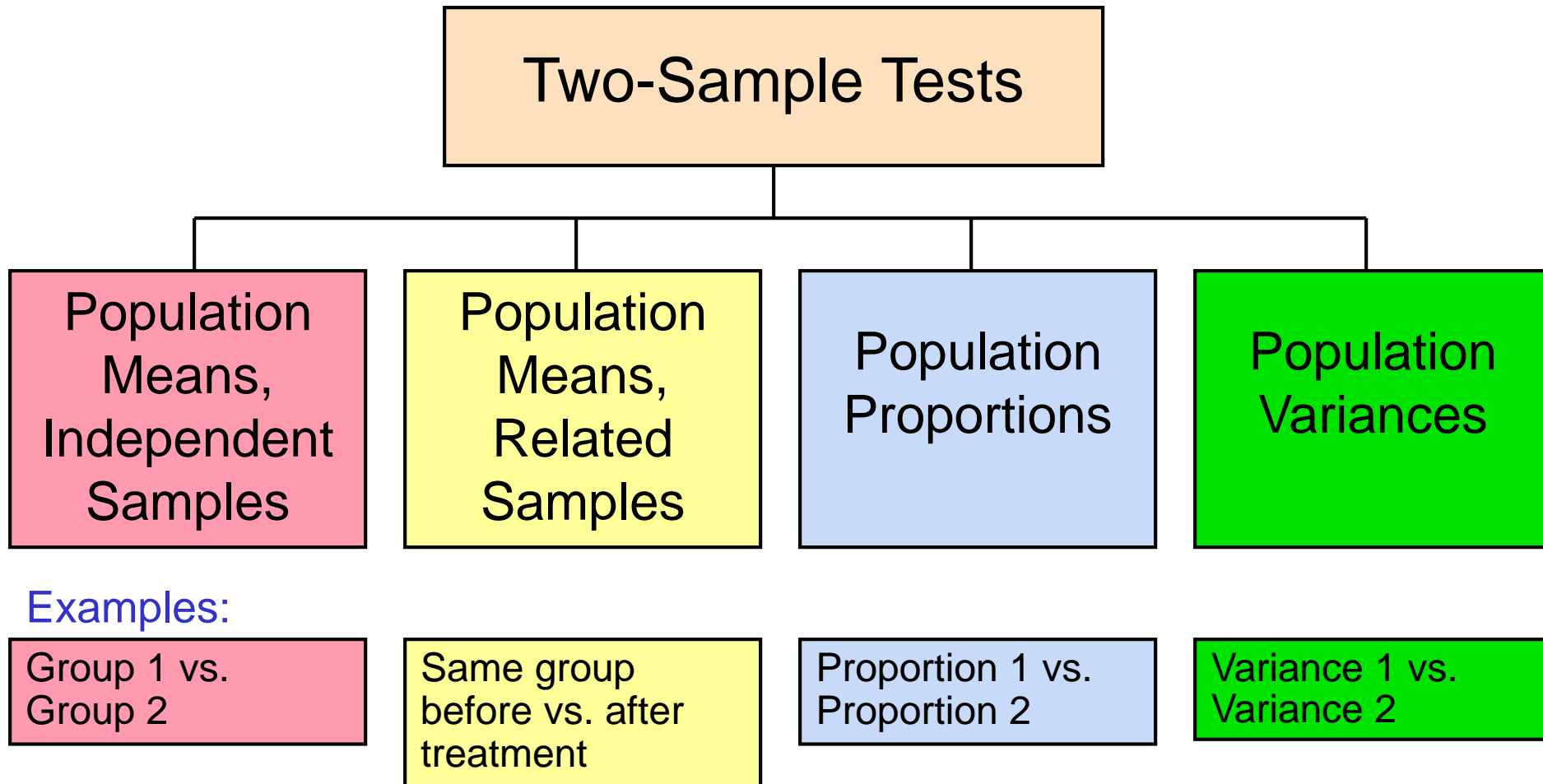
# Objectives

## In this chapter, you learn:

- How to compare the means of two independent populations.
- How to compare the means of two related populations.
- How to compare the proportions of two independent populations.
- How to compare the variances of two independent populations.

# Two-Sample Tests

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# Difference Between Two Means

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Population means,  
independent  
samples

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**Goal:** Test hypothesis or form a confidence interval for the difference between two population means,  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ .

$\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  unknown,  
assumed equal

$\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  unknown,  
not assumed equal

The point estimate for the difference is

$$\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2$$

# Difference Between Two Means: Independent Samples

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## ■ Different data sources

- Unrelated.
- Independent.
  - Sample selected from one population has no effect on the sample selected from the other population.

Population means,  
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$\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  unknown,  
assumed equal

Use  $S_p$  to estimate unknown  $\sigma$ . Use a **Pooled-Variance t test**.

$\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  unknown,  
not assumed equal

Use  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  to estimate unknown  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$ . Use a **Separate-variance t test**

# Hypothesis Tests for Two Population Means

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Two Population Means, Independent Samples

Lower-tail test:

$$H_0: \mu_1 \geq \mu_2$$

$$H_1: \mu_1 < \mu_2$$

i.e.,

$$H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 \geq 0$$

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Upper-tail test:

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# Hypothesis tests for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$

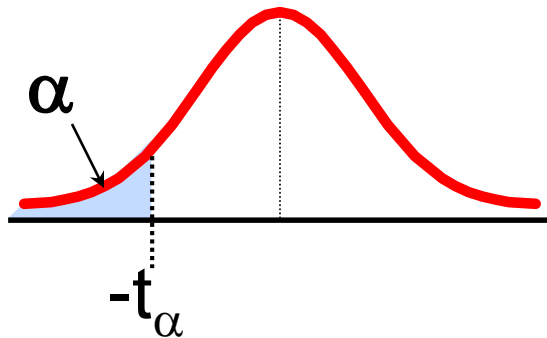
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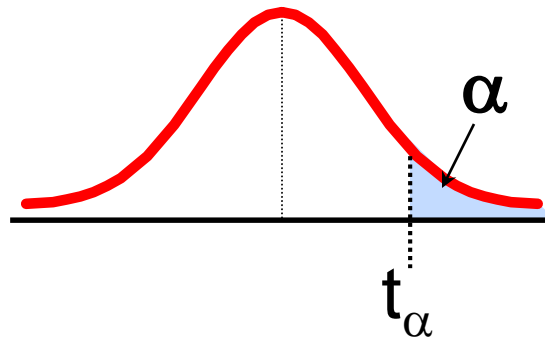


Reject  $H_0$  if  $t_{\text{STAT}} < -t_\alpha$

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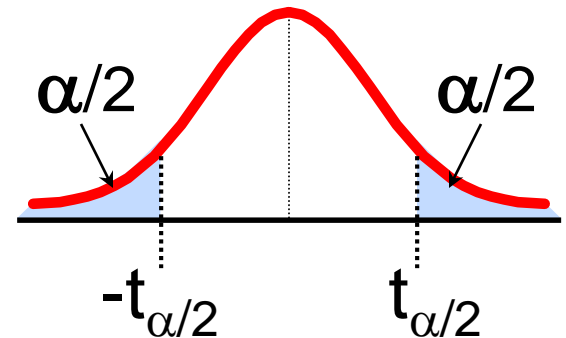


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Reject  $H_0$  if  $t_{\text{STAT}} < -t_{\alpha/2}$   
or  $t_{\text{STAT}} > t_{\alpha/2}$

# Hypothesis tests for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ with $\sigma_1$ and $\sigma_2$ unknown and assumed equal

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# Hypothesis tests for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ with $\sigma_1$ and $\sigma_2$ unknown and assumed equal

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- The pooled variance is:

$$S_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{(n_1 - 1) + (n_2 - 1)}$$

- \* • The test statistic is:

$$t_{\text{STAT}} = \frac{(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{S_p^2 \left( \frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}}$$

- Where  $t_{\text{STAT}}$  has d.f. =  $(n_1 + n_2 - 2)$ .

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The confidence interval for  
 $\mu_1 - \mu_2$  is:

$$\left( \bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2 \right) \pm t_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{S_p^2 \left( \frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}$$

Where  $t_{\alpha/2}$  has d.f. =  $n_1 + n_2 - 2$ .

# Pooled-Variance t Test Example

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You are a financial analyst for a brokerage firm. Is there a difference in dividend yield between stocks listed on the NYSE & NASDAQ? You collect the following data:

	<u>NYSE</u>	<u>NASDAQ</u>
<b>Number</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Sample mean</b>	<b>3.27</b>	<b>2.53</b>
<b>Sample std dev</b>	<b>1.30</b>	<b>1.16</b>

Assuming both populations are approximately normal with equal variances, is there a difference in mean dividend yield ( $\alpha = 0.05$ )?

# Pooled-Variance t Test Example: Calculating the Test Statistic

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**H0:  $\mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$  i.e. ( $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ )**

**H1:  $\mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0$  i.e. ( $\mu_1 \neq \mu_2$ )**

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The test statistic is:

$$t = \frac{(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{S_p^2 \left( \frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)}} = \frac{(3.27 - 2.53) - 0}{\sqrt{1.5021 \left( \frac{1}{21} + \frac{1}{25} \right)}} = 2.040$$

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$$S_p^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{(n_1 - 1) + (n_2 - 1)} = \frac{(21 - 1)1.30^2 + (25 - 1)1.16^2}{(21 - 1) + (25 - 1)} = 1.5021$$

# Pooled-Variance t Test Example: Hypothesis Test Solution

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$$H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0 \text{ i.e. } (\mu_1 = \mu_2)$$

$$H_1: \mu_1 - \mu_2 \neq 0 \text{ i.e. } (\mu_1 \neq \mu_2)$$

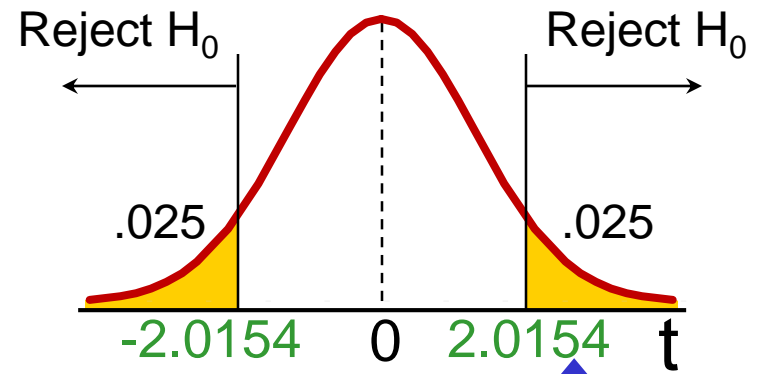
$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$df = 21 + 25 - 2 = 44$$

$$\text{Critical Values: } t = \pm 2.0154$$

**Test Statistic:**

$$t = \frac{3.27 - 2.53}{\sqrt{1.5021 \left( \frac{1}{21} + \frac{1}{25} \right)}} = 2.040$$



2.040

**Decision:**

Reject  $H_0$  at  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

**Conclusion:**

There is evidence of a difference in means.

# Pooled-Variance t Test Example: Confidence Interval for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$

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Since we rejected  $H_0$  can we be 95% confident that  $\mu_{\text{NYSE}} > \mu_{\text{NASDAQ}}$ ?

95% Confidence Interval for  $\mu_{\text{NYSE}} - \mu_{\text{NASDAQ}}$ :

$$\left(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2\right) \pm t_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{S_p^2 \left( \frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right)} = 0.74 \pm 2.0154 \times 0.3628 = (0.009, 1.471)$$

Since 0 is less than the entire interval, we can be 95% confident that  $\mu_{\text{NYSE}} > \mu_{\text{NASDAQ}}$ .

# Hypothesis tests for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ with $\sigma_1$ and $\sigma_2$ unknown, not assumed equal

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# Hypothesis tests for $\mu_1 - \mu_2$ with $\sigma_1$ and $\sigma_2$ unknown and not assumed equal

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This test is known at the  
**separate-variance t test**.

The formulae for this test are  
not covered in this chapter.  
See reference 3 for more  
details.

\* This test done via software is  
shown on the next slide.



### Case 2: $\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$

In some situations, we cannot reasonably assume that the unknown variances  $\sigma_1^2$  and  $\sigma_2^2$  are equal. There is not an exact  $t$ -statistic available for testing  $H_0 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 = \Delta_0$  in this case. However, an approximate result can be applied.

If  $H_0 : \mu_1 - \mu_2 = \Delta_0$  is true, the statistic

$$T_0^* = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2 - \Delta_0}{\sqrt{\frac{S_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{S_2^2}{n_2}}} \quad (10-15)$$

is distributed approximately as  $t$  with degrees of freedom given by

$$v = \frac{\left( \frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2} \right)^2}{\frac{(s_1^2 / n_1)^2}{n_1 - 1} + \frac{(s_2^2 / n_2)^2}{n_2 - 1}} \quad (10-16)$$

If  $v$  is not an integer, round down to the nearest integer.

# Separate-Variance t Test Example

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Assuming both populations are approximately normal with unequal variances, is there a difference in mean dividend yield ( $\alpha = 0.05$ )?

# Separate-Variance t Test In Excel, JMP, & Minitab

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	A	B
1	Separate-Variances t Test	
2	(assumes unequal population variances)	
3	<b>Data</b>	
4	Hypothesized Difference	0
5	Level of Significance	0.05
6	<b>Population 1 Sample</b>	
7	Sample Size	21
8	Sample Mean	3.27
9	Sample Standard Deviation	1.3000
10	<b>Population 2 Sample</b>	
11	Sample Size	25
12	Sample Mean	2.53
13	Sample Standard Deviation	1.1600
14		
15	<b>Intermediate Calculations</b>	
16	Numerator of Degrees of Freedom	0.0180
17	Denominator of Degrees of Freedom	0.0004
18	Total Degrees of Freedom	40.5744
19	Degrees of Freedom	40
20	Separate Variance Denominator	0.3665
21	Difference in Sample Means	0.7400
22	Separate-Variance t Test Statistic	2.0193
23		
24	<b>Two-Tail Test</b>	
25	Lower Critical Value	-2.0211
26	Upper Critical Value	2.0211
27	p-Value	0.0502
28	Do not reject the null hypothesis	

Test Inputs	
Hypothesized Difference Mean 2 - Mean 1)	0
Sample 1 Mean	3.27
Sample 1 Standard Deviation	1.3
Sample 1 Size	21
Sample 2 Mean	2.53
Sample 2 Standard Deviation	1.16
Sample 2 Size	25
Significance Level (alpha)	0.05
Test Results	
Result	Value
Observed Difference (Mean 2 - Mean 1)	-0.74
Standard Error of the Difference (Mean 2 - Mean 1)	0.3665
t-score	-2.0193
t critical values	+/- 2.0202
Observed Significance (p-value)	0.0501
Fail to Reject Null Hypothesis	

## Two-Sample T-Test and CI

Sample	N	Mean	StDev	SE Mean
1	21	3.27	1.30	0.28
2	25	2.53	1.16	0.23

Difference =  $\mu(1) - \mu(2)$

Estimate for difference: 0.740

95% CI for difference: (-0.001, 1.481)

T-Test of difference = 0 (vs not =): T-Value = 2.02 P-Value = 0.050 DF = 40

- Using  $\alpha=0.05$  this test fails to reject the null.
- For this data whether we can assume equal variances or not is important to determine because when we assumed equal variances the null was rejected.
- In Section 10.4 a test to help determine whether this is a reasonable assumption or not is discussed.

# Related Populations

## The Paired Difference Test

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Related  
samples

Tests Means of 2 **Related** Populations

- Paired or matched samples.
- Repeated measures (before/after).
- Use **difference** between paired values:

$$D_i = X_{1i} - X_{2i}$$

- Eliminates Variation Among Subjects.
- Assumptions:
  - Differences are normally distributed.
  - Or, if not Normal, use large samples.

# Related Populations

## The Paired Difference Test

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Related  
samples

The  $i^{\text{th}}$  paired difference is  $D_i$ , where

$$D_i = X_{1i} - X_{2i}$$

The point estimate for the  
paired difference  
population mean  $\mu_D$  is  $\bar{D}$ :

$$\bar{D} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n D_i}{n}$$

The sample standard  
deviation is  $S_D$ .

$$S_D = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (D_i - \bar{D})^2}{n-1}}$$

$n$  is the number of pairs in the paired sample

# The Paired Difference Test: Finding $t_{\text{STAT}}$

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Paired  
samples

- The test statistic for  $\mu_D$  is:

$$t_{\text{STAT}} = \frac{\bar{D} - \mu_D}{\frac{S_D}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

- Where  $t_{\text{STAT}}$  has  $n - 1$  d.f.

# The Paired Difference Test: Possible Hypotheses

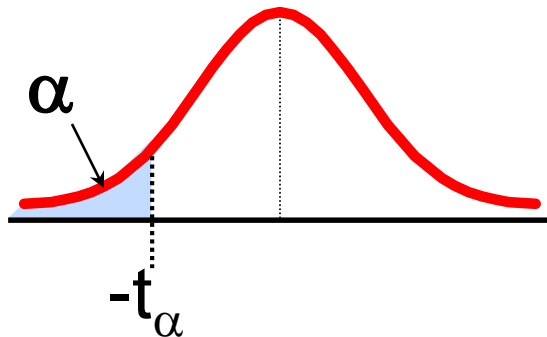
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## Paired Samples

Lower-tail test:

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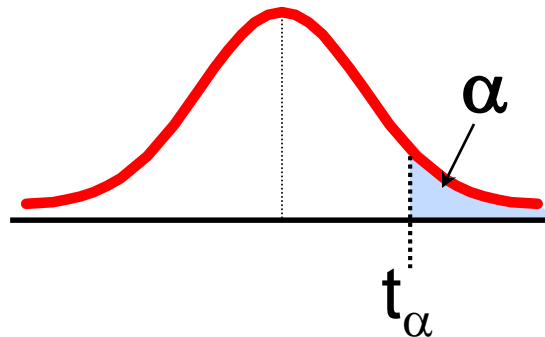


Reject  $H_0$  if  $t_{\text{STAT}} < -t_\alpha$

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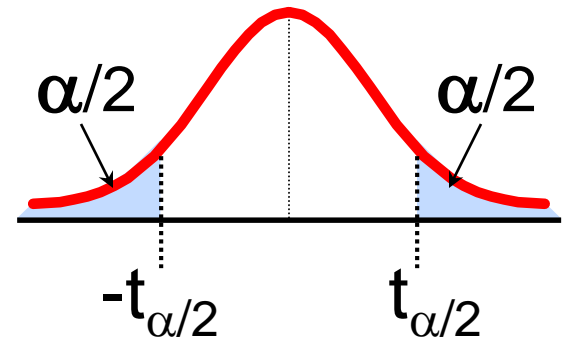


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Two-tail test:

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Reject  $H_0$  if  $t_{\text{STAT}} < -t_{\alpha/2}$   
or  $t_{\text{STAT}} > t_{\alpha/2}$

Where  $t_{\text{STAT}}$  has  $n - 1$  d.f.

# The Paired Difference Confidence Interval

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Paired  
samples

The confidence interval for  $\mu_D$  is:

$$\bar{D} \pm t_{\alpha/2} \frac{S_D}{\sqrt{n}}$$

where 
$$S_D = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (D_i - \bar{D})^2}{n-1}}$$



# Paired Difference Test: Example

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- Assume you send your salespeople to a “customer service” training workshop. Has the training made a difference in the number of customer complaints? You collect the following data:

<u>Salesperson</u>	<u>Number of Complaints:</u>		<u>(2) - (1) Difference, <math>D_i</math></u>
	<u>Before (1)</u>	<u>After (2)</u>	
C.B.	6	4	- 2
T.F.	20	6	-14
M.H.	3	2	- 1
R.K.	0	0	0
M.O.	4	0	- 4
			-21

$$\bar{D} = \frac{\sum D_i}{n}$$

$$= -4.2$$

$$S_D = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (D_i - \bar{D})^2}{n-1}}$$

$$= 5.67$$

# Paired Difference Test: Solution

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■ Has the training made a difference in the number of complaints (at the 0.01 level)?

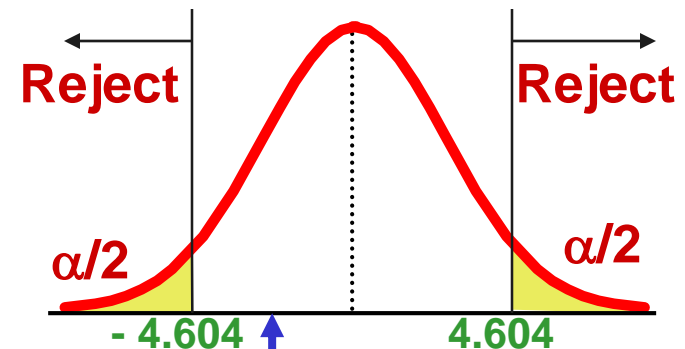
$$\begin{aligned} H_0: \mu_D &= 0 \\ H_1: \mu_D &\neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha = .01 \quad \bar{D} = -4.2$$

$$t_{0.005} = \pm 4.604$$
$$\text{d.f.} = n - 1 = 4$$

**Test Statistic:**

$$t_{\text{STAT}} = \frac{\bar{D} - \mu_D}{S_D / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{-4.2 - 0}{5.67 / \sqrt{5}} = -1.66$$



**Decision:** Do not reject  $H_0$   
( $t_{\text{stat}}$  is not in the rejection region).

**Conclusion:** There is insufficient evidence of a change in the number of complaints.

# The Paired Difference Confidence Interval -- Example DCOVA

The confidence interval for  $\mu_D$  is:

$$\bar{D} = -4.2, S_D = 5.67$$

$$\bar{D} \pm t_{\alpha/2} \frac{S_D}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{99\% CI for } \mu_D : -4.2 \pm 4.604 \frac{5.67}{\sqrt{5}} \\ & = (-15.87, 7.47) \end{aligned}$$

The probability this interval contains the true value of  $\mu_D$  is 99%.

# Two Population Proportions

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Population  
proportions

**Goal:** test a hypothesis or form a confidence interval for the difference between two population proportions,

$$\pi_1 - \pi_2$$

**Assumptions:**

$$n_1 \pi_1 \geq 5 \quad , \quad n_1(1 - \pi_1) \geq 5$$

$$n_2 \pi_2 \geq 5 \quad , \quad n_2(1 - \pi_2) \geq 5$$

The point estimate for  
the difference is

$$p_1 - p_2$$

# Two Population Proportions

DCOVA

Population  
proportions

In the null hypothesis we assume the null hypothesis is true, so we assume  $\pi_1 = \pi_2$  and pool the two sample estimates.

The pooled estimate for the overall proportion is:

$$\bar{p} = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

where  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are the number of items of interest in samples 1 and 2.

# Two Population Proportions

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Population  
proportions

The test statistic for  
 $\pi_1 - \pi_2$  is a Z statistic:

$$Z_{\text{STAT}} = \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2) - (\pi_1 - \pi_2)}{\sqrt{\bar{\mathbf{p}}(1 - \bar{\mathbf{p}}) \left( \frac{1}{\mathbf{n}_1} + \frac{1}{\mathbf{n}_2} \right)}}$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{p}} = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{n_1 + n_2}$  ,  $\mathbf{p}_1 = \frac{X_1}{n_1}$  ,  $\mathbf{p}_2 = \frac{X_2}{n_2}$

# Hypothesis Tests for Two Population Proportions

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Population proportions

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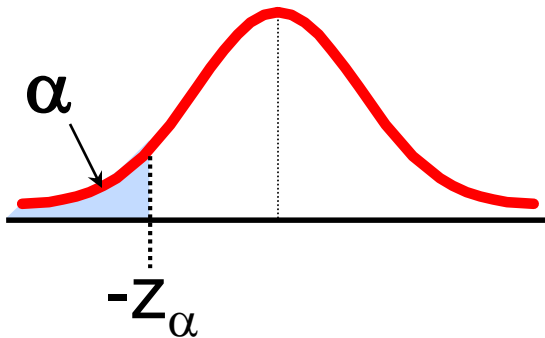
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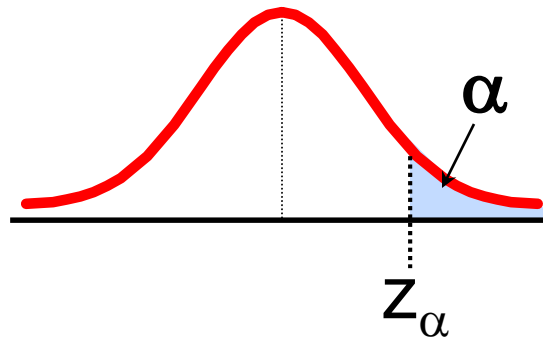
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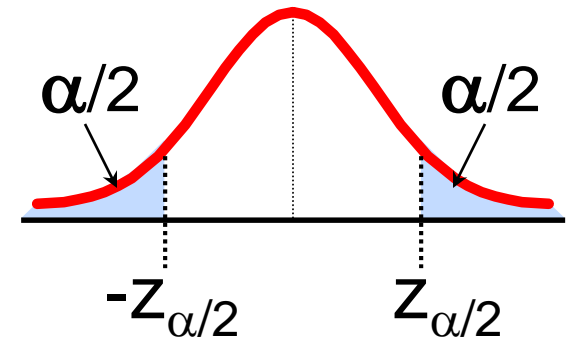
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Reject  $H_0$  if  $Z_{\text{STAT}} < -Z_\alpha$



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Reject  $H_0$  if  $Z_{\text{STAT}} < -Z_{\alpha/2}$   
or  $Z_{\text{STAT}} > Z_{\alpha/2}$



# Hypothesis Test Example: Two Population Proportions

DCOVA

Is there a significant difference between the proportion of men and the proportion of women who will vote Yes on Proposition A?

- In a random sample, 36 of 72 men and 35 of 50 women indicated they would vote Yes.
- Test at the .05 level of significance.

# Hypothesis Test Example: Two Population Proportions

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DCOVA

- The hypothesis test is:

$H_0: \pi_1 - \pi_2 = 0$  (the two proportions are equal).

$H_1: \pi_1 - \pi_2 \neq 0$  (there is a significant difference between proportions).

- The sample proportions are:

- Men:  $p_1 = 36/72 = 0.50$
- Women:  $p_2 = 35/50 = 0.70$

- The pooled estimate for the overall proportion is:

$$\bar{p} = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{n_1 + n_2} = \frac{36 + 35}{72 + 50} = \frac{71}{122} = .582$$

# Hypothesis Test Example: Two Population Proportions

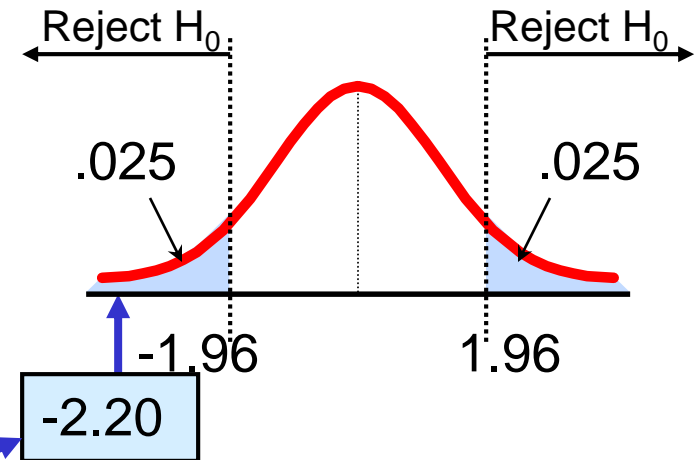
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The test statistic for  $\pi_1 - \pi_2$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{\text{STAT}} &= \frac{(p_1 - p_2) - (\pi_1 - \pi_2)}{\sqrt{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})\left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)}} \\ &= \frac{(.50 - .70) - (0)}{\sqrt{.582(1 - .582)\left(\frac{1}{72} + \frac{1}{50}\right)}} = -2.20 \end{aligned}$$

**Critical Values =  $\pm 1.96$**   
**For  $\alpha = .05$**



**Decision: Reject  $H_0$ .**

**Conclusion: There is evidence of a significant difference in the proportion of men and women who will vote yes.**

# Confidence Interval for Two Population Proportions

DCOVA

Population proportions

The confidence interval for  $\pi_1 - \pi_2$  is:

$$(p_1 - p_2) \pm Z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{n_1} + \frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{n_2}}$$

# Confidence Interval for Two Population Proportions -- Example

DCOVA

The 95% confidence interval for  $\pi_1 - \pi_2$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} & (0.50 - 0.70) \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{0.50(0.50)}{72} + \frac{0.70(0.30)}{50}} \\ & = (-0.37, -0.03) \end{aligned}$$

Since this interval does not contain 0 can be 95% confident the two proportions are different.

# Testing for the Ratio Of Two Population Variances

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Tests for Two  
Population  
Variances

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F test statistic

## Hypotheses

$F_{STAT}$

$$H_0: \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$$

$$H_1: \sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$$

$$H_0: \sigma_1^2 \leq \sigma_2^2$$

$$H_1: \sigma_1^2 > \sigma_2^2$$

$$S_1^2 / S_2^2$$

Where:

$S_1^2$  = Variance of sample 1 (the larger sample variance)

$n_1$  = sample size of sample 1

$S_2^2$  = Variance of sample 2 (the smaller sample variance)

$n_2$  = sample size of sample 2

$n_1 - 1$  = numerator degrees of freedom

$n_2 - 1$  = denominator degrees of freedom



# The F Distribution

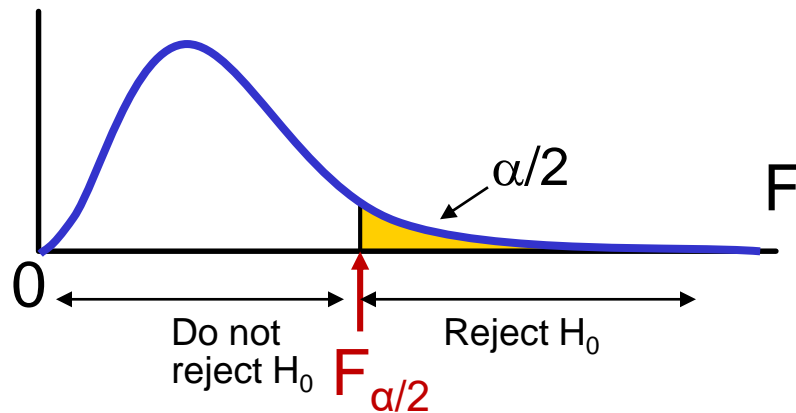
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- The F critical value is found from the F table.
- There are two degrees of freedom required: numerator and denominator.
- The larger sample variance is always the numerator.
- When  $F_{STAT} = \frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2}$   $df_1 = n_1 - 1$  ;  $df_2 = n_2 - 1$ .
- In the F table;
  - numerator degrees of freedom determine the column.
  - denominator degrees of freedom determine the row.

# Finding the Rejection Region

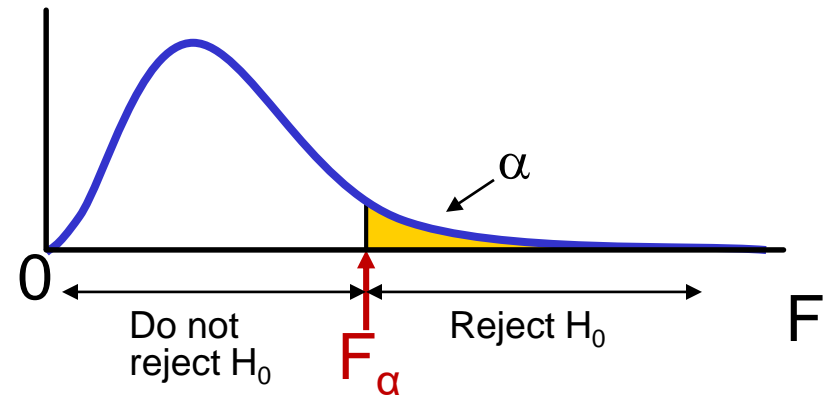
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$$H_0: \sigma_1^2 = \sigma_2^2$$
$$H_1: \sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$$



Reject  $H_0$  if  $F_{\text{STAT}} > F_{\alpha/2}$

$$H_0: \sigma_1^2 \leq \sigma_2^2$$
$$H_1: \sigma_1^2 > \sigma_2^2$$



Reject  $H_0$  if  $F_{\text{STAT}} > F_{\alpha}$



# F Test: An Example

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You are a financial analyst for a brokerage firm. You want to compare dividend yields between stocks listed on the NYSE & NASDAQ. You collect the following data:

	<u>NYSE</u>	<u>NASDAQ</u>
Number	21	25
Mean	3.27	2.53
Std dev	1.30	1.16

Is there a difference in the variances between the NYSE & NASDAQ at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level?

# F Test: Example Solution

DCOVA

- Form the hypothesis test:

$H_0: \sigma^2_1 = \sigma^2_2$  (there is no difference between variances.)

$H_1: \sigma^2_1 \neq \sigma^2_2$  (there is a difference between variances.)

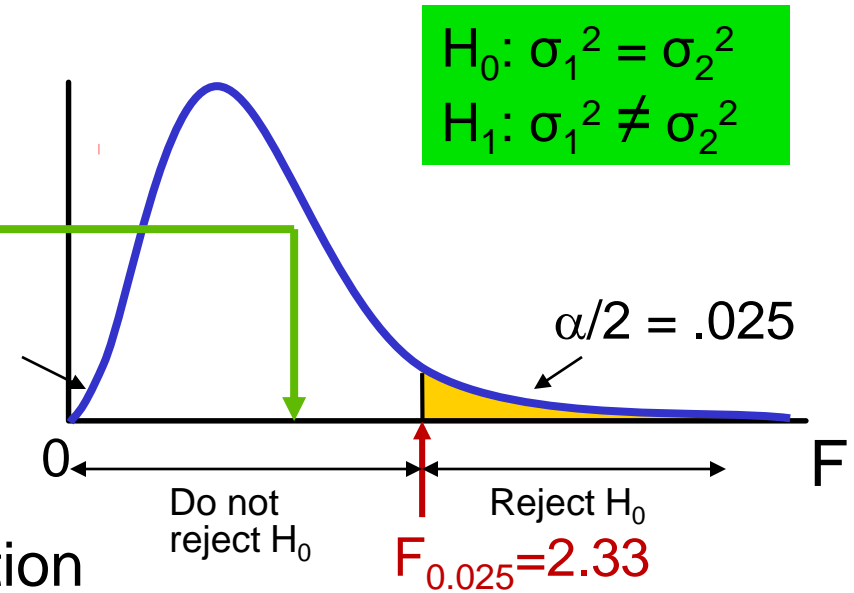
- Find the F critical value for  $\alpha = 0.05$ .
- Numerator d.f. =  $n_1 - 1 = 21 - 1 = 20$ .
- Denominator d.f. =  $n_2 - 1 = 25 - 1 = 24$ .
- $F_{\alpha/2} = F_{.025, 20, 24} = 2.33$ .

# F Test: Example Solution

DCOVA  
(continued)

- The test statistic is:

$$F_{STAT} = \frac{S_1^2}{S_2^2} = \frac{1.30^2}{1.16^2} = 1.256$$



- $F_{STAT} = 1.256$  is not in the rejection region, so we **do not reject  $H_0$** .
- Conclusion:** There is not sufficient evidence of a difference in variances at  $\alpha = .05$ .

# Chapter Summary

## **In this chapter we discussed:**

- Comparing the means of two independent populations.
- Comparing the means of two related populations.
- Comparing the proportions of two independent populations.
- Comparing the variances of two independent populations.