

# Hypothesis Tests for Variances and for two means

8.2

# Today's topics

Review:

- Hypothesis test steps

New:

- Hypothesis test for variances
- Hypothesis test for two means



## Note for 8.1, 8.3

$z$  }  $t$   $\sigma$  unknown

In all the examples from Tuesday's lecture, we are assuming that these samples are coming from distributions that are approximately normal for these methods to work.

(Otherwise, with small sample sizes, the CLT would not hold)

# Hypothesis Testing (Steps)

nothing happening

"uninteresting"

default

claims

$\sigma$

$\bar{X}$

$s^2$

1. Formulate  $H_0$  and  $H_A$  (based on the scenario)

→ 2. Identify a test statistic to use and its distribution under  $H_0$

3. Evaluate the test statistic

$p < \alpha$ ,  $\text{Reject } H_0$

4. Calculate a p-value, compare to  $\alpha$ .

OR Identify a rejection region

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim Z$$

5. Make a decision

▪ if  $p < \alpha$ , reject  $H_0$ . ↔ Otherwise, (if  $p > \alpha$ ), do not reject  $H_0$ .

→ 6. State conclusion **in the context of the original question.**

▪ "There is/isn't enough evidence to show that..."

\*  $p = 0.04999 \approx 0.05$

## General Form of CI for mean (review)

Estimate  $\pm$  (Critical Value \* SE of estimate)

e.g. if  $\sigma$  is known:

$$\bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} * \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

if  $\sigma$  is unknown:

$$\bar{x} \pm t_{n-1, \alpha/2} * \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

100 (1 -  $\alpha$ )%  
CI

# notes

$$\bar{x} \pm Z_{\alpha/2} * \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$\alpha = 0.05$   
 $\alpha = 0.1$

$$H_0: \mu = 100$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq 100 \leftarrow \text{2-sided}$$

test at

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$\bar{x}$

$\sigma$

$n$

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\underbrace{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}_{\text{value}}} \sim Z$$

$\rightarrow$  p-val compare to  $\alpha$   
 $p < \alpha$ , Reject

$$100(1-\alpha)\% \text{ CI}$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$$99\%$$

$$95\% \rightarrow 90\%$$

if  $\mu_0 \notin$  interval,

Reject  $H_0$  at  $\alpha$

$$(101.2, 110.5) \leftarrow \text{reject } H_0$$

$$\uparrow \text{ e.g. } (98.5, 103) \text{ DNR } H_0$$

$H_n: \mu < 100$

$\bar{X}$

$Z$

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} \sim Z$$

p-val

critical

$Z$

## Confidence Interval for $\sigma^2$ (review)

Confidence Interval for  $\sigma^2$  :

$$\left( \frac{(n-1) \cdot s^2}{\chi^2_{\alpha/2}}, \frac{(n-1) \cdot s^2}{\chi^2_{1-\alpha/2}} \right)$$



# Hypothesis Tests for Variance (or SDs)

Test statistic:

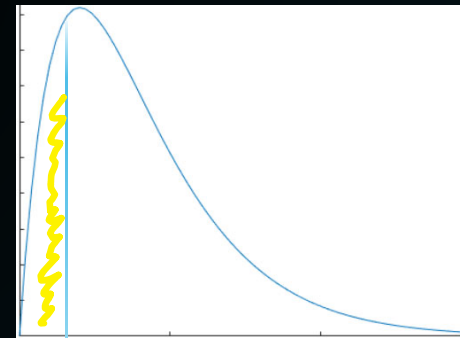
$$\chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{(n-1)}$$

Rejection Region:

Left-tailed:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \rightarrow H_0: \sigma^2 \geq \sigma_0^2 & \text{vs} \\ H_0: \sigma > \sigma_0 & \text{vs} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} H_1: \sigma^2 < \sigma_0^2 \\ H_1: \sigma < \sigma_0 \end{array}$$

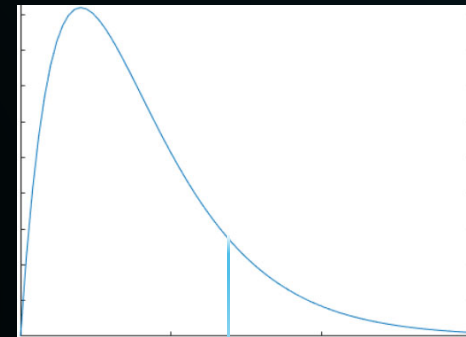
$\sigma = 7$



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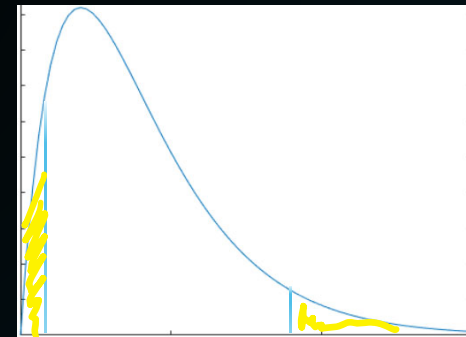
Right-tailed:

$$\begin{array}{ll} H_0: \sigma^2 \leq \sigma_0^2 & \text{vs} \\ H_0: \sigma \leq \sigma_0 & \text{vs} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} H_1: \sigma^2 > \sigma_0^2 \\ H_1: \sigma > \sigma_0 \end{array}$$



Two-tailed:

$$\begin{array}{ll} H_0: \sigma^2 = \sigma_0^2 & \text{vs} \\ H_0: \sigma = \sigma_0 & \text{vs} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} H_1: \sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2 \\ H_1: \sigma \neq \sigma_0 \end{array}$$



notes

# Hypothesis Tests for Variance (or SDs)

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Two-tailed:

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vs

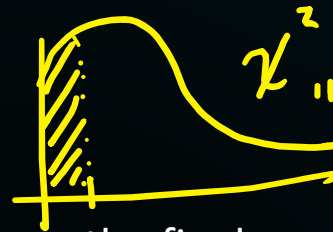
$$H_1: \sigma^2 \neq \sigma_0^2$$

$$H_0: \sigma = \sigma_0$$

vs

$$H_1: \sigma \neq \sigma_0$$

# Example



A sample of 12 random exam scores from the final exam was collected: 78, 81, 82, 77, 86, 79, 84, 87, 86, 91, 88, 88. ( $s = 4.48$ ). Last year's final had  $\sigma = 7$ . Is there enough evidence to suggest that the population standard deviation for this year is lower than 7? Test at  $\alpha = 0.05$

$$\begin{aligned} H_0: \sigma &= 7 \\ H_a: \sigma &< 7 \\ H_0: \sigma^2 &= 49 \\ H_a: \sigma^2 &< 49 \\ \text{Reject } H_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma_0^2} \sim \chi_{n-1}^2$$

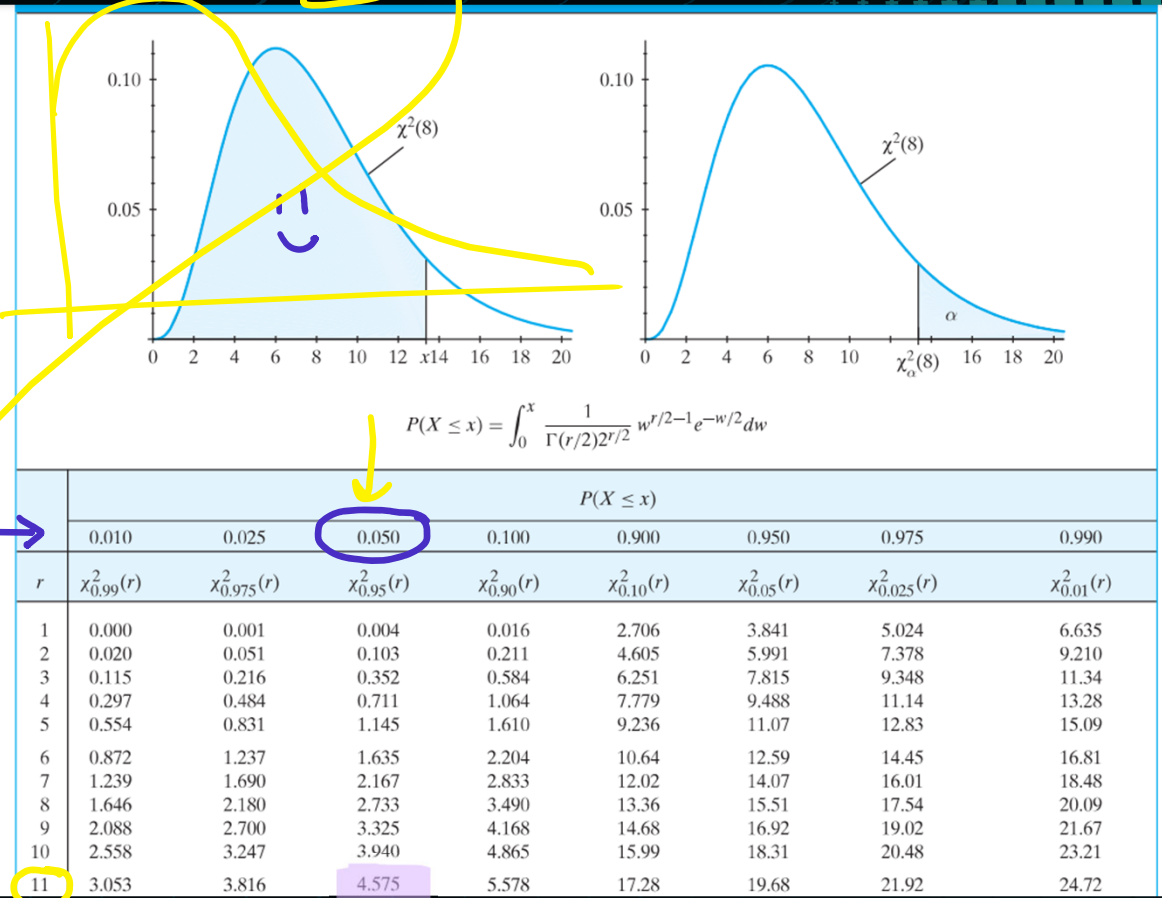
$$= \frac{11 \cdot 4.48^2}{7^2}$$

$$= 4.5056 \sim \chi_{11}^2$$

$$p = 0.047 < \alpha$$

There is significant evidence to suggest that the population SD this year is lower than 7 at  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

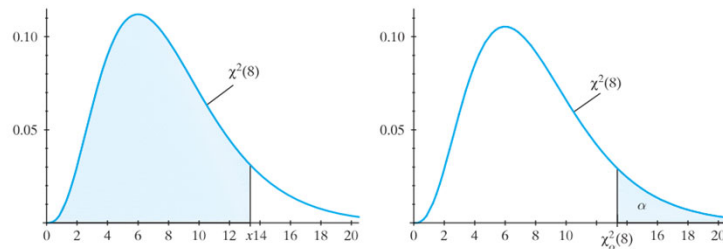
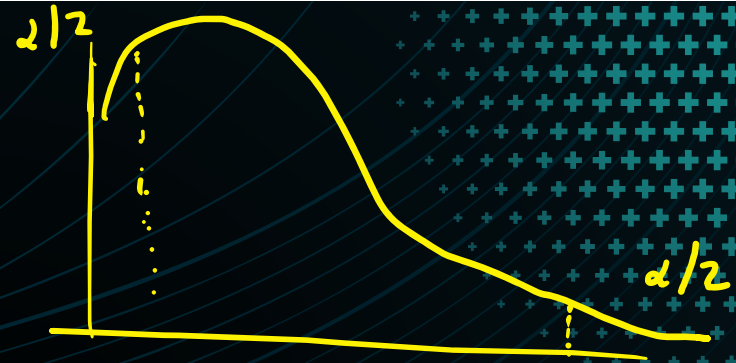
$H_1: \sigma < 7$   
 $\alpha = 0.05$   
 test. stat  $4.5056 \sim \chi^2_{11}$



# What if it's two sided?

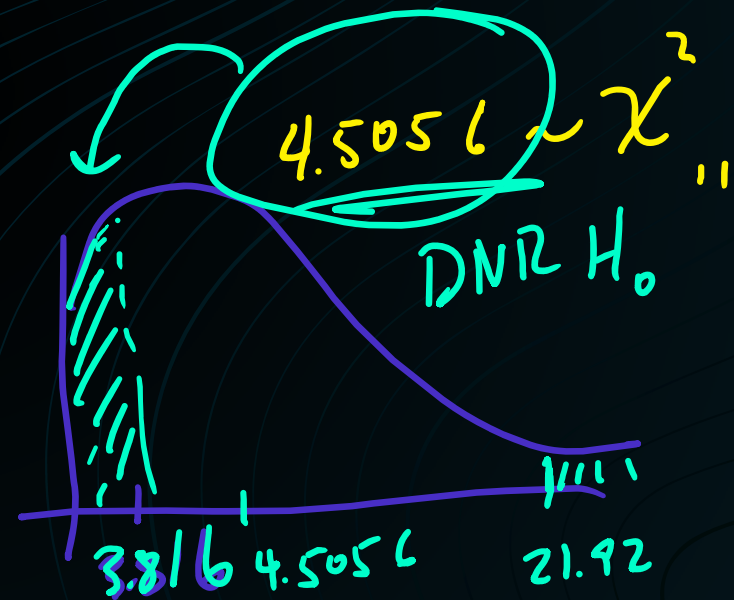
$H_0: \sigma = 7$   
 $H_1: \sigma \neq 7$

$\alpha = 0.05$

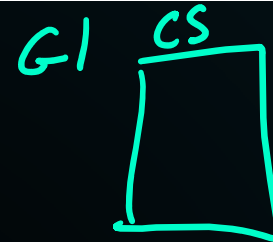


$$P(X \leq x) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{\Gamma(r/2)2^{r/2}} w^{r/2-1} e^{-w/2} dw$$

	$P(X \leq x)$							
	0.010	0.025	0.050	0.100	0.900	0.950	0.975	0.990
$r$	$\chi^2_{0.99}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.975}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.95}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.90}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.10}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.05}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.025}(r)$	$\chi^2_{0.01}(r)$
1	0.000	0.001	0.004	0.016	2.706	3.841	5.024	6.635
2	0.020	0.051	0.103	0.211	4.605	5.991	7.378	9.210
3	0.115	0.216	0.352	0.584	6.251	7.815	9.348	11.34
4	0.297	0.484	0.711	1.064	7.779	9.488	11.14	13.28
5	0.554	0.831	1.145	1.610	9.236	11.07	12.83	15.09
6	0.872	1.237	1.635	2.204	10.64	12.59	14.45	16.81
7	1.239	1.690	2.167	2.833	12.02	14.07	16.01	18.48
8	1.646	2.180	2.733	3.490	13.36	15.51	17.54	20.09
9	2.088	2.700	3.325	4.168	14.68	16.92	19.02	21.67
10	2.558	3.247	3.940	4.865	15.99	18.31	20.48	23.21
11	3.053	3.816	4.575	5.578	17.28	19.68	21.92	24.72



## Two Sample tests for means



Say we have two populations: with mean  $\mu_1$ , variance  $\sigma_1^2$ , and mean  $\mu_2$ , variance  $\sigma_2^2$ .

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n_1}$  and  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_{n_2}$  be two independent samples from each of these populations.

If  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  are large, or these populations are both approximately normal then a confidence interval for  $\mu_1 - \mu_2$  is:

$$\rightarrow (\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$$



$$\text{Var}[X-Y] = \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[Y]$$

## Review – Functions of Normal Distributions

Assuming i.i.d:

If each  $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , what is the distribution of  $\bar{X}$ ?

$$\bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$$

$n_1$  If each  $X_i$  has mean  $\mu_1$ , and variance  $\sigma_1^2$ ,  $\bar{X} \sim ?$   $\bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu_1, \frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1}\right)$

$n_2$  If each  $Y_i$  has mean  $\mu_2$ , and variance  $\sigma_2^2$ ,  $\bar{Y} \sim ?$   $\bar{Y} \sim N\left(\mu_2, \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}\right)$

$$\bar{X} - \bar{Y} \sim ? \quad N\left(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}\right)$$

## General form of CI for mean

CI: Estimate  $\pm$  Critical Value \* SE(estimate)

$\mu_1 - \mu_2$

$$(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$$

SE  $\bar{X} - \bar{Y}$

if  $\sigma_1^2 \neq \sigma_2^2$  unknown

## 2-sample confidence interval

$$(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) \pm t_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}$$

1 sample  
 $df = n - 1$

Two approaches for df:

1. Conservative

$$df = \min(n_1, n_2) - 1$$

e.g.  $n_1 = 6$   $n_2 = 50$   
 $df = 6 - 1 = 5$

2. Welch's T:

$$df = \left\lfloor \frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}\right)^2}{\frac{1}{n_1 - 1} \left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{n_2 - 1} \left(\frac{s_2^2}{n_2}\right)^2} \right\rfloor$$

floor function

$\lfloor 7.9 \rfloor \rightarrow 7$   
ceiling function

default

$X_1, X_2, \dots$  pop 1  $\sigma_x^2$  = variance  $\sigma_y^2$  pop 2  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots$   
**Two sample means – pooled variance**

If we can assume that population 1 and population 2 standard deviations are equal, we can use  $s_{\text{pooled}}$  as an estimator for both.

$$(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) \pm t_{\alpha/2} \cdot s_{\text{pooled}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

where

$$s_{\text{pooled}}^2 = \frac{(n_1 - 1) \cdot s_1^2 + (n_2 - 1) \cdot s_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

and  $df = n_1 + n_2 - 2$

$\sigma^2$

# Two sample means – Matched pairs

Assume that the differences  $D_i = X_i - Y_i$  are a random sample from normal distribution with mean  $\delta_D$  and standard deviation  $\sigma_D$ .

A confidence interval for  $\delta_D$  is

$$\bar{D} \pm t_{\alpha/2} \frac{s_D}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{df} = n-1$$

The test statistic for testing  $H_0: \delta = \delta_0$  is

$$T = \frac{\bar{D} - \delta_0}{s_D / \sqrt{n}}$$

Pair			Difference
1	$X_1$	$Y_1$	$D_1 = X_1 - Y_1$
2	$X_2$	$Y_2$	$D_2 = X_2 - Y_2$
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.	.	.	.
$n$	$X_n$	$Y_n$	$D_n = X_n - Y_n$

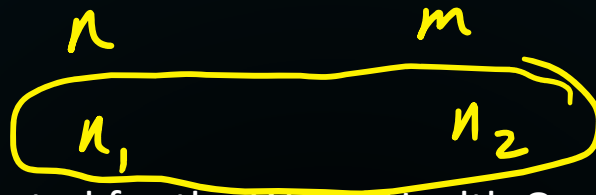
## Hypothesis test for 2 means

2 populations

$\sigma$  known

- |           | B   | A  | Diff |
|-----------|-----|----|------|
| $\bar{x}$ | 100 | 90 |      |
| $s^2$     | -   | -  | -    |
| $s$       | -   | -  | -    |
- Steps
- Determine which statistic to use t/z
  - Are the data paired? *before / after* "dependent"
  - Can the variances be pooled?
  - Follow the usual procedures for hypothesis testing:
    - Come up with  $H_0$  and  $H_A$ ,
    - Create and evaluate test statistic, identify the null distribution
    - Find p-value (or rejection region)
    - Make decision and conclusion.

## Example



Among the data collected for the World Health Organization air quality monitoring project is a measure of suspended particles, in  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . Let  $X$  and  $Y$  equal the concentration of suspended particles in  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  in the city centers of Melbourne and Houston, respectively. Using  $n = 13$  observations of  $X$  and  $m = 16$  observations of  $Y$ , we obtain  $\bar{x} = 72.9$ ,  $s_x = 25.6$ ,  $\bar{y} = 81.7$ ,  $s_y = 28.3$ . Perform a test to see if Houston has worse air quality at 0.05 significance and state the result.

$$n_2 = 16$$

$$n_1 = 13$$

$$H_0: \mu_X = \mu_Y \quad \mu_X - \mu_Y = 0$$

$$H_1: \mu_X < \mu_Y \quad \mu_X - \mu_Y < 0$$

# Continued: "Wald's t" 2-sample t-test

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$$H_0: \mu_x = \mu_y$$

$$H_1: \mu_x < \mu_y$$

$$\mu_x - \mu_y \leq 0$$

$$\frac{\text{est} - \mu_0}{SE_{\text{est}}}$$

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$

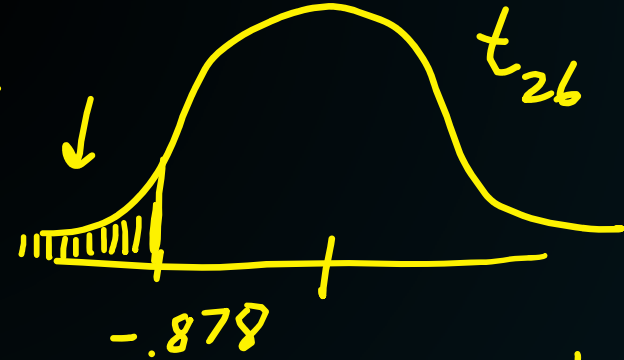
$$\sqrt{s^2} = s$$

Wald's

$$\bar{x} - \bar{y} = 0$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{\sqrt{\frac{s_x^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_y^2}{n_2}}} \sim t_{26}$$

$$t = \frac{72.9 - 81.7}{\sqrt{\frac{25.6^2}{13} + \frac{28.3^2}{16}}} = -0.878 \sim t_{26}$$



-0.878

$p = 0.194 > \alpha$   $\text{DNR } H_0$



$\sigma$

SD

SD: population parameter

- Usually refers to variable like X

$\sigma_x$  std. of X

SE: Standard error

- If I have something like  $\bar{X}$

~~SE~~

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{\sigma_x}{\sqrt{n}}$$

SE of  $\bar{X}$

$n_1 - 1$   
 $n_2 - 1$

$$(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) \pm t_{\alpha/2} \cdot s_{\text{pooled}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

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What if we want to pool the variance? ←

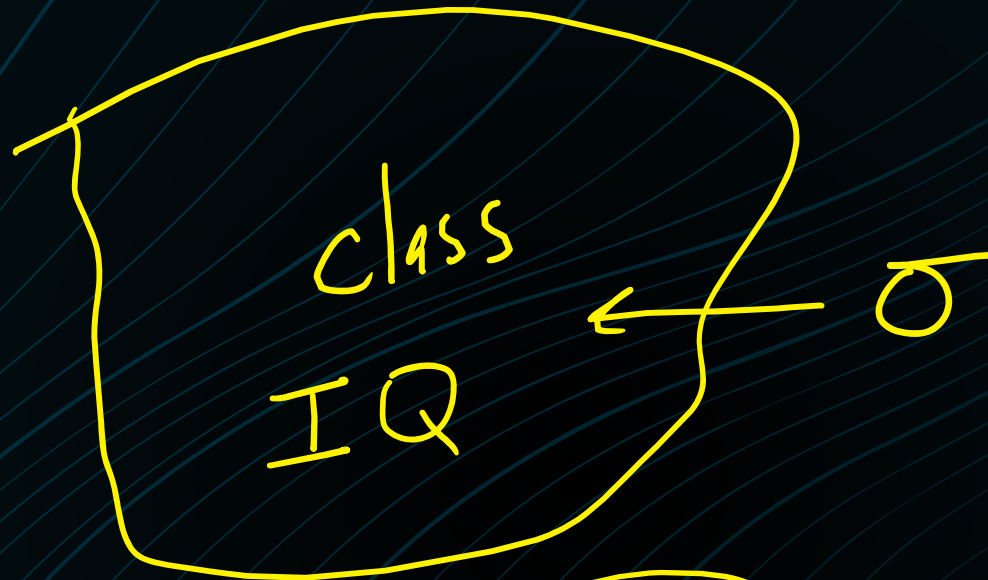
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$$H_0: \mu_x = \mu_y$$

$$H_1: \mu_x < \mu_y$$

$$s_p^2 = \frac{(13-1)25.6^2 + (16-1)28.3^2}{13+16-2} =$$

$$\frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y} - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{s_p^2}{13} + \frac{s_p^2}{16}}} \sim t_{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$



▫ Degrees of freedom: 2 sample

▫ If pairing:  $\rightarrow n-1$

→ ▫ If not pairing:

▫ If pooling:  $\rightarrow \underline{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$

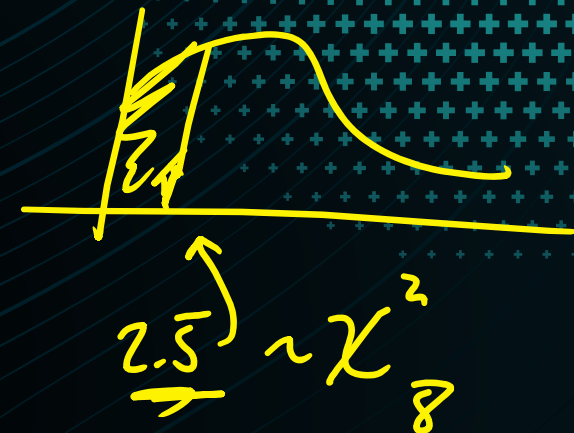
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▫ Conservative:  $\min(n_1, n_2) - 1$

→ ▫ Or Welch's  $\leftarrow$  default

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13	4.107	5.009	5.892	7.042	19.81	22.36
14	4.660	5.629	6.571	7.790	21.06	23.68
15	5.229	6.262	7.261	8.547	22.31	25.00



$$0.025 < p < 0.05$$