

Inference: t-test (test whether a parameter equals to a constant) usually zero.  
(central limit theorem) CLT

MLR.6:  $u_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  independently of  $x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{ik}$ .

$$\Rightarrow y | x \sim N(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k, \sigma^2).$$

MLR.1 to MLR.6 is called classical linear model assumption (CLM)

Theorem 4.1: Under assumptions MLR.1-MLR.6

$$\hat{\beta}_j \sim N(\beta_j, \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j)), \quad \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{sd}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \sim N(0, 1)$$

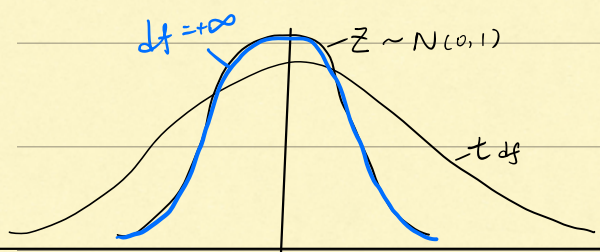
Theorem 4.2:  $\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \sim t_{n-k-1}$

$$t_{df} = \frac{X}{\sqrt{\frac{Y}{df}}}$$

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{sd}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \div \frac{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)}{\text{sd}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \quad \left( \frac{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)}{\text{sd}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \right)^2 = \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n u_i^2} \stackrel{\text{not}}{\sim} \chi^2(n-k-1)$$

$$X \sim N(0, 1) \quad Y \sim \chi^2(df)$$

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{sd}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \sim N(0, 1)$$



as  $df \uparrow$ ,  $t_{df} \rightarrow Z$

$$E(t_{df}) = 0, \quad df > 1.$$

$$\text{Var}(t_{df}) = \frac{df}{df-2}, \quad df > 2$$

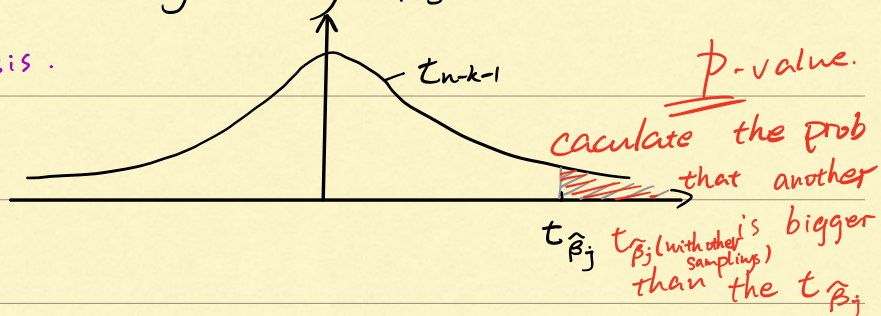
test Null hypothesis:  $H_0: \beta_j = 0$ .

$$\Rightarrow \text{t statistic / t ratio} : t_{\hat{\beta}_j} \equiv \frac{\hat{\beta}_j}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)}$$

if  $|t_{\hat{\beta}_j}|$  is large, we reject  $H_0$ .

set  $H_1: \beta_j > 0$ , (ignoring  $\beta_j < 0$ ).

(one-sided)  
alternative hypothesis.

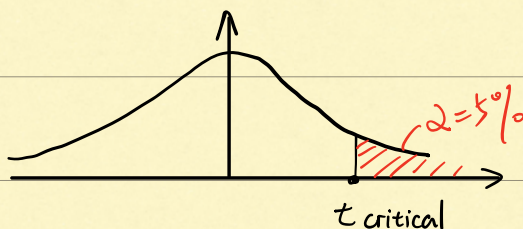


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type I error:  $H_0$  is true, but reject  $H_0$

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type II error:  $H_0$  is false, but accept  $H_0$

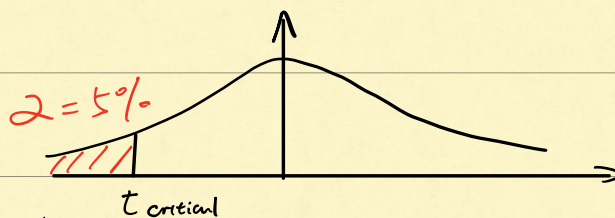
$\alpha$  = prob of type I error. (we can stand)  
(given)  
= significance level size of the test.

$\alpha = 0.05$  (usually)



if  $t_{\hat{\beta}_j} > t_{critical}$  reject  $H_0$ .

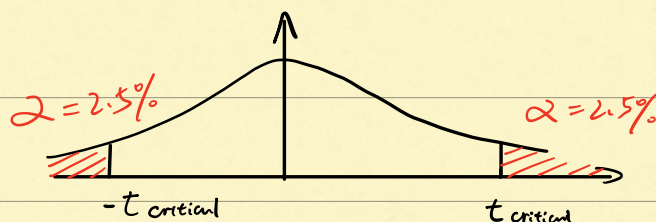
$t_{\hat{\beta}_j} \leq t_{critical}$  accept  $H_0$ .



if  $t_{\hat{\beta}_j} < t_{critical}$  reject  $H_0$ .

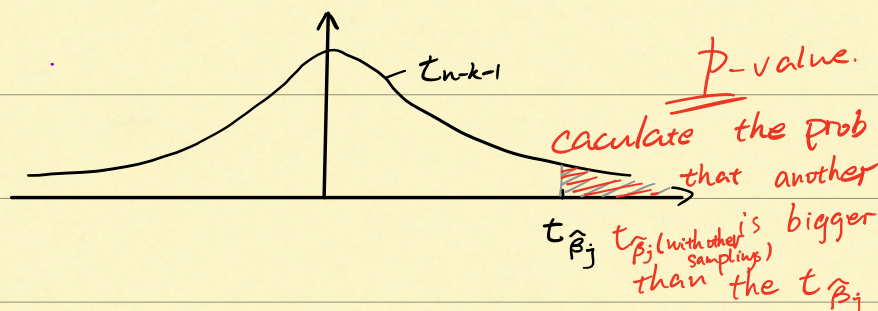
$t_{\hat{\beta}_j} \geq t_{critical}$  accept  $H_0$ .





if  $|t_{\hat{\beta}_j}| > t_{\text{critical}}$  reject  $H_0$ .  
 $|t_{\hat{\beta}_j}| \leq t_{\text{critical}}$  accept  $H_0$ .

P-value



one-sided

$p\text{-value} = P(T > t_{\hat{\beta}_j})$  or  $P(T < t_{\hat{\beta}_j})$   
 twosided.

$p\text{-value} = P(|T| > t_{\hat{\beta}_j})$

if  $p\text{-value} > \alpha$  accept  $H_0$

$p\text{-value} < \alpha$  reject  $H_0$

Statistical significance depends on  $t_{\hat{\beta}_j}$

not necessarily mean economically (or practically)

Significant (depends on  $\hat{\beta}_j$ ).

Confidence intervals (two-sided).

by theorem 4.2 :  $\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \sim t_{n-k-1}$

$$P(-c < \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)} < c) = 1 - \alpha$$

(C2)

$c$  is the  $(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2})^{\text{th}}$  percentile in a  $t_{n-k-1}$  distribution.

$$\hat{\beta}_j - c \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j) < \beta_j < \hat{\beta}_j + c \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)$$

$1 - \alpha$  confidence intervals :  $\beta_j \in [\hat{\beta}_j - c \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j), \hat{\beta}_j + c \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)]$

Test hypotheses about a linear combination of the parameters.

$$\ln(\text{wage}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 jc + \beta_2 \text{univ} + \beta_3 \text{exper} + u.$$

$$H_0 : \underline{\beta_1 = \beta_2}, \quad H_1 : \beta_1 < \beta_2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta_1 - \beta_2 = 0$$

$$E(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) = \beta_1 - \beta_2,$$



$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) = \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) + \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_2) - 2\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) &= \sqrt{\widehat{\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)}} = \sqrt{\widehat{\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1)} + \widehat{\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_2)} - 2\widehat{\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2)}} \\ &= \sqrt{[\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)]^2 + [\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_2)]^2 - 2\widehat{\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2)}} \end{aligned}$$

Method 1.

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)} \sim t_{n-k-1}$$

Method 2.

$$\text{Let } \theta = \beta_1 - \beta_2 \Rightarrow H_0: \theta = 0, H_1: \theta < 0$$

$$\beta_1 = \theta + \beta_2$$

$$\log(\text{wage}) = \beta_0 + (\theta + \beta_2)jc + \beta_2 \text{univ} + \beta_3 \text{exper} + u.$$

$$= \beta_0 + \theta jc + \beta_2(jc + \text{univ}) + \beta_3 \text{exper} + u.$$

$$t = \frac{\hat{\theta}}{\text{se}(\hat{\theta})} \quad \text{se}(\hat{\theta}) = \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)$$

R code: `w = jc + univ, lm(y ~ jc + w + exper)`

(Alternatively) `lm(y ~ jc + I(jc + univ) + exper)`