

# Comparing two populations:

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$$X_i \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) \quad \text{size } n$$

$$Y_i \sim N(\mu_2, \sigma_2^2) \quad \text{size } m$$

want to know if  $\mu_1 = \mu_2$

$$\bar{X} - \bar{Y} \sim N(\mu_1 - \mu_2, \frac{\sigma_1^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{m})$$

Thus if we knew  $\sigma_1^2$  &  $\sigma_2^2$ , then

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{m}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

but we typically don't know pop. variances.

If n AND m are both large ( $n$  &  $m \geq 30$ )

then we can assume  $\sigma_1^2 \approx s_1^2$  and  $\sigma_2^2 \approx s_2^2$

and use

$$Z \approx \frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n} + \frac{s_2^2}{m}}} \stackrel{\text{approx}}{\sim} N(0, 1)$$

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In truth: the distr. of

$$\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n} + \frac{s_2^2}{m}}}$$

is unknown, it's  
NOT t-distr. !!!

But we have the Welch-Satterthwaite approx.

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$$\frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n} + \frac{s_2^2}{m}}} \approx T_\nu$$
$$w/ \quad \nu = \frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n} + \frac{s_2^2}{m}\right)^2}{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n-1} + \left(\frac{s_2^2}{m}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{m-1}}$$

(round down recommended)

So: Hypothesis test:

$$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$$

$$H_1: \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$$

test statistic:

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n} + \frac{s_2^2}{m}}}$$

note:

$$\mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$$

is  $H_0$ .

$$p\text{-value} = 2 \cdot \text{pt}(-|t|, \nu)$$

In R if we have datasets:  $x$  &  $y$

this is done w/  $t.test(x, y)$

@  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

Can adjust for  $H_1: \mu_1 > \mu_2$  or  $H_1: \mu_1 < \mu_2$  also

$t.test(x, y, mu = \Delta_0, alternative = "greater", conf.level = 1 - \alpha)$

## paired t-test

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If  $X$  &  $Y$  are paired, e.g. before & after  
or same object measured at diff. times  
or under diff. conditions.

e.g. patient before treatment  
& after treatment

$H_0: \mu_1 \leq \mu_2$  }  $X = \text{before}$  } hyp. is that  
 $H_1: \mu_1 > \mu_2$  }  $Y = \text{after}$  } treatment increases  
mean observation.

test statistic:

$$t = \frac{\bar{D} - 0}{\frac{s_D}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

w/  $D_1 = Y_1 - X_1, D_2 = Y_2 - X_2, \dots, D_n = Y_n - X_n$

$s_D = \text{std. dev. of the } D_i$

& do regular 1-mean t-test:

$$H_0: D > 0$$

$$H_1: D \leq 0$$

## Z-sample prop.-test:

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$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p_1)$$

$$Y \sim \text{Bin}(m, p_2)$$

$$\frac{X}{n} - \frac{Y}{m} \stackrel{\text{approx}}{\sim} N\left(p_1 - p_2, \frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{n} + \frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{m}\right)$$

Rule of thumb:

$$n \geq 30, m \geq 30$$

$$p_1 n \text{ \& } (1-p_1)n \geq 5$$

$$p_2 m \text{ \& } (1-p_2)m \geq 5$$

Hypothesis test:

$$H_0: p_1 = p_2$$

$$H_1: p_1 \neq p_2$$

test stat:

$$z = \frac{\frac{X}{n} - \frac{Y}{m}}{\sqrt{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p}) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m}\right)}}$$

w/ pooled proportion:

$$\hat{p} = \frac{X+Y}{n+m}$$

for  $H_0: p_1 \geq p_2 + \Delta_0$

$H_1: p_1 < p_2 + \Delta_0$

$$\hat{p}_1 = \frac{X}{n}, \hat{p}_2 = \frac{Y}{m}$$

use:

$$z = \frac{\frac{X}{n} - \frac{Y}{m} - \Delta_0}{\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1-\hat{p}_1)}{n_0} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1-\hat{p}_2)}{m}}}$$

ex:

Biden support in Florida vs. Pennsylvania

Fox News poll

$n = 1004$

FL:  $p_1 = 0.46$

PA:  $m = 803$

$p_2 = 0.50$

$H_0: p_1 = p_2$

$H_1: p_1 \neq p_2$

w/  $p_1$  &  $p_2$  close &  $n, m$  close & large

pooled vs non-pooled are similar

$$z = \frac{0.46 - 0.50}{\sqrt{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})\left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m}\right)}}$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{(0.46)(1004) + (0.50)(803)}{1004 + 803}$$

$$\hat{p} \approx 0.478$$

$$z \approx -1.69$$

$$p\text{-val} = 2 \times P_{norm}(-1.69) \approx 0.091$$

$\Rightarrow$  can't reject

$H_0: p_1 = p_2$

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ex

2 batches of medicine

$$n=7 \text{ w/ } \bar{x}=101.3, s_1=2.8$$

$$m=10 \text{ w/ } \bar{y}=99.8, s_2=3.1$$

$$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$$

$$H_1: \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$$

$$t = \frac{101.3 - 99.8}{\sqrt{\frac{(2.8)^2}{7} + \frac{(3.1)^2}{10}}} \approx 1.04$$

$$v = 13.9 \Rightarrow \text{use } \boxed{v=13}$$

$$p_{\text{total}} = 2 \cdot pt(-1.04, 13)$$

$$= 0.31 \Rightarrow \text{can't reject } H_0$$

Batches are very similar,