

Hypothesis testing



Question → Answer: hypothesis → Test: true or not?

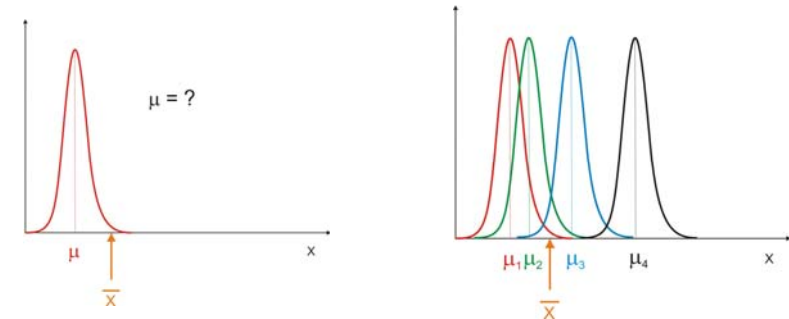
Question

Very frequently: what is the possible value of μ ?

Sample: we know only the average!

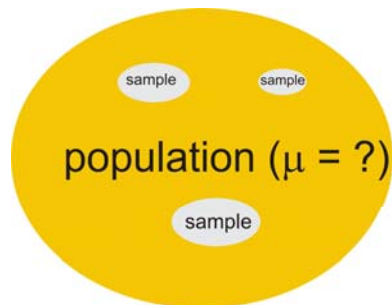
$\mu \neq \text{average}$. Random deviation or not?

Standard error: the measure of the random deviation.



Average is not the mean!

Why?

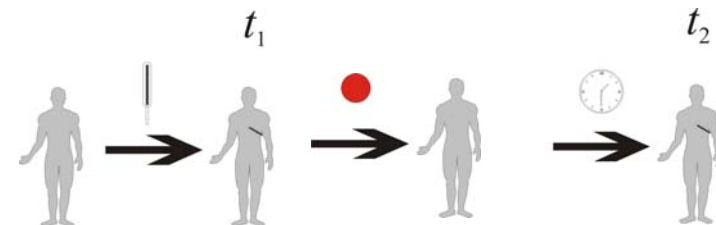


1. Finite no. of elements (random deviation)
2. Systematic deviation. (the hypothesis is not true, the value of the μ is different)

Example

Question: The medicine decreases the fever or not?

experiment



$$x = \Delta t = t_2 - t_1$$

How many trials?

Outcome: 1. $\Delta t > 0$; 2. $\Delta t = 0$; 3. $\Delta t < 0$

Only 1?

Not only the medicine influences the fever!

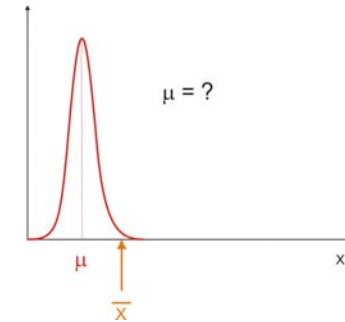


We suppose that other effects are random events!

Population:

1. Effective $\mu \neq 0$!
2. Not effective $\mu = 0$!

Sample



The average deviates around the mean!

The average normally is not 0! Why?

1. **Random event**, due to the finite no. of the elements.
2. Our **base hypothesis is not true**.

Which case is true?

Nullhypothesis

Population: 1. Effective $\mu \neq 0$! 2. Not effective $\mu = 0$!

Sample:

average $\neq 0$

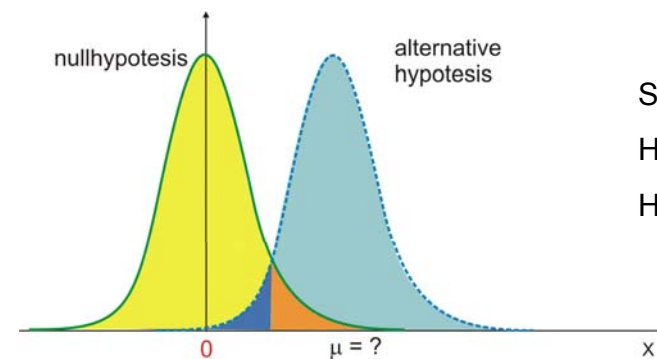
average should be 0

Alternative hypothesis
 $\mu = ?$

Nullhypothesis!

Random deviation
(finite no. of elements)

Why the nullhypothesis?



Symbols.

H_0 : nullhypothesis

H_1 : alternative hypothesis

Nullhypothesis: the mathematical statistics is able to calculate the possible **random deviation** of the average from the μ !!!

Example

Medicine decreases the fever or not?



Nullhypothesis: not! μ is 0. But the average is not 0.

sample	average
1.	-0.2 °C
2.	-1 °C
3.	-1.5 °C



If the difference is larger,
seems to be more sure.

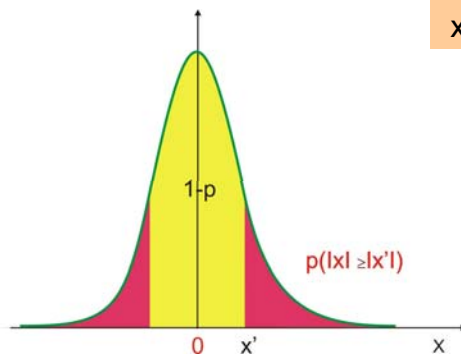
Large difference?

What is the measure of the difference?

Standard error: average deviation of the averages around the μ .

$$(\bar{x} \pm s_{\bar{x}}) \sim 68\% - \text{confidence interval}$$

Base: nullhypothesis!



Question:
x' average may be 0?

Condition:
Known distribution is necessary.

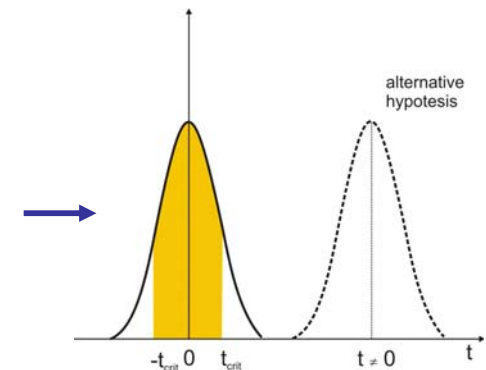
t-value

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s_{\bar{x}}}$$

Compare the difference to the standard error.
(μ is frequently 0)

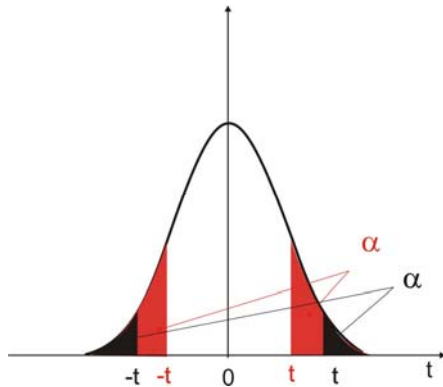
The average deviates around the μ , so the t -value deviates around the 0.

(if the nullhypothesis is true!)



Why is it better?

We are able to calculate the random distribution of the t values!!! (Student's t -distribution)



This describes the random deviation of the t from the 0!!!

Shape of the distribution depends on the no. of the elements.

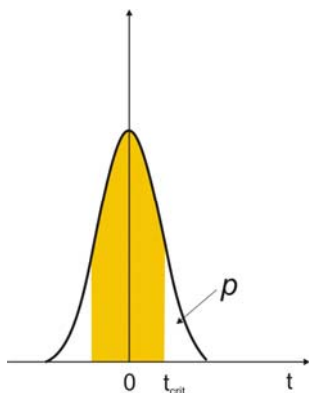
One-sample t -test

Question about the possible value of the μ .

Nullhypothesis: the difference of the average is random.

$t = 0$, the difference is due to the finite no. of elements.

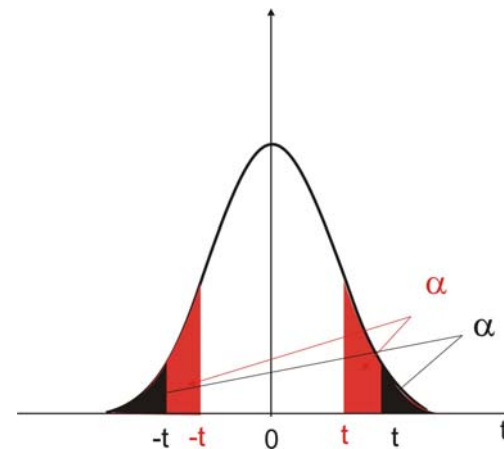
Base of decision



p is the probability, that $t_{calc} \geq t_{crit}$ randomly.

If p is enough small, more probable that the nullhypothesis is not true.

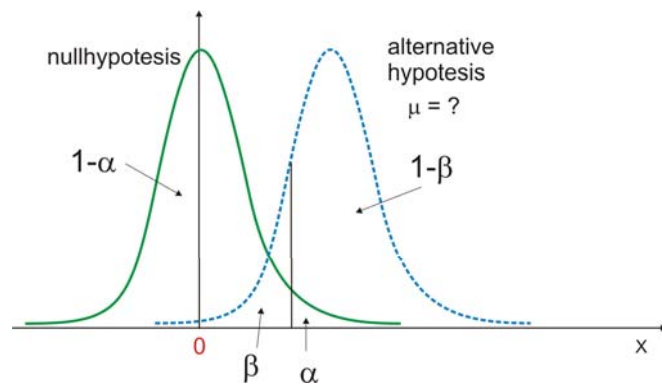
t -table



Different t_{crit} value belong to different significance level.

α – is the significance level: the probability that t -value is randomly out an interval.

Base of the decision



Decision

- 1. if the probability of the random event is small ($p(|t| \geq t_{crit}) \leq 5\%$) – **reject** the nullhypothesis.
- 2. if the probability of the random event is high ($p(|t| \geq t_{crit}) > 5\%$) – **accept** the nullhypothesis.

The answer is not yes or no,
true or false!!!

Decision using *t*-table

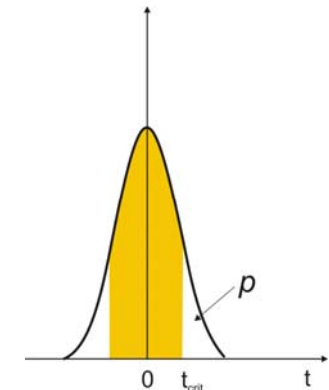
d.f.: degree of
freedom

t-table

d.f.	significance level			
	0.1	0.05	0.02	0.01
1	6.31	12.7	31.8	63.7
2	2.92	4.3	6.96	9.92
3	2.35	3.18	4.54	5.84
4	2.13	2.78	3.75	4.6
5	2.02	2.57	3.37	4.03

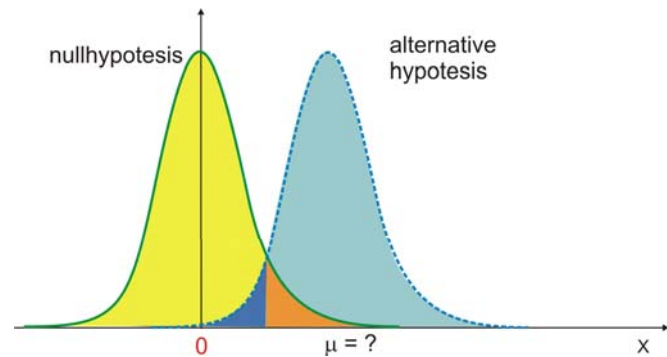
degree of freedom: $(n-1)$

Decision using computer



p: the probability of random
event that the $t \geq t_{calculated}$

Possibility of the mistake



Decision

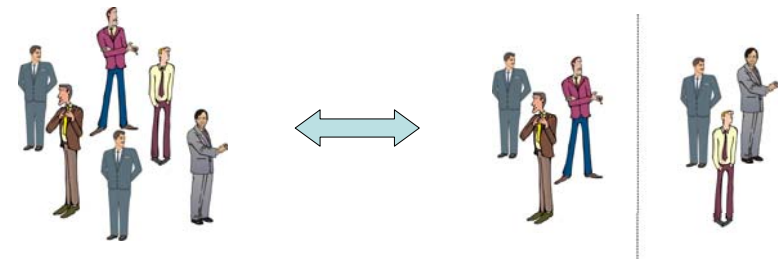
Decision: the nullhypothesis

		accepted	rejected
Nullhypothesis	true	Right decision	I. Type error (α)
	false	II. Type error (β)	Right decision

Conditions

- 1. Question about the mean of the population.
- 2. Variable has normal distribution.

Test in two groups

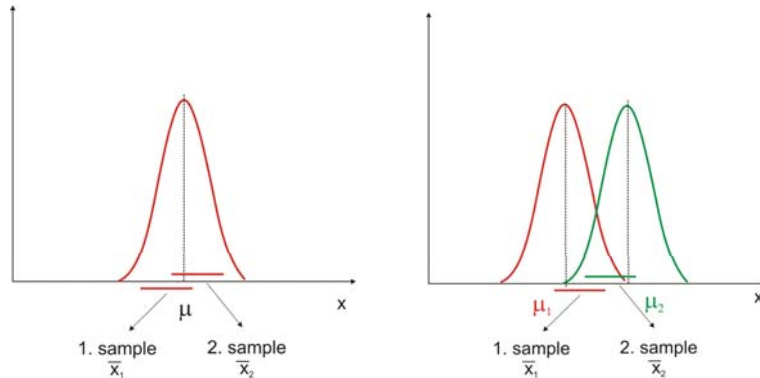


Conditions:

1. Variable has normal distribution.
2. The standard deviation is same in the two groups, the difference is due to the sampling.
3. The samples are independent from each other.

Nullhypothesis:
samples derive from the
same population.

Alternative hypothesis:
samples derive from
different populations.



The nullhypothesis

Samples derive from the same population.

But, due to the sampling: $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \neq 0$

The expected value of the difference is zero.

The observed difference is due to the sampling only.

The common standard error

$$s_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{Q_1 + Q_2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

If the standard deviation is really common.
 $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2$

Calculation of the t-value

$$t = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{s_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}}$$

two-sample t-test

The degree of the freedom: $n_1 + n_2 - 2$

Decision: look one-sample t-test!

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 ?$$

Condition: $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2$ \longrightarrow Question: $s_1 = s_2 ?$

Nullhypothesis: $H_0: \sigma_1 = \sigma_2$.

Alternative hypothesis: H_1 : not.

F-test!

F-test

$$F = \frac{s_1^2}{s_2^2}$$

The expected value belonging to the nullhypothesis: 1.

degree of freedom:

nominator: $n_1 - 1$.

denominator : $n_2 - 1$.

(Calculation: $s_1 > s_2$, the greater is in the nominator.)

Decision

Table: ($\alpha = 0,05$)

(1. line: d.f. of the nominator,
1. column: d.f. of the denominator)

	1	2	3	4	5
1	161,4	199,5	215,7	224,6	230,2
2	18,51	19,00	19,16	19,25	19,30
3	10,13	9,55	9,28	9,12	9,01
4	7,71	6,94	6,59	6,39	6,26
5	6,61	5,79	5,41	5,19	5,05

*on the base of
the p value:*



$F_{\text{calc}} \geq F_{\text{table}}$, reject.
 $F_{\text{calc}} < F_{\text{table}}$, accept.

p: the probability, that F_{calc}
randomly over the F_{table} .

Correlation of two variables

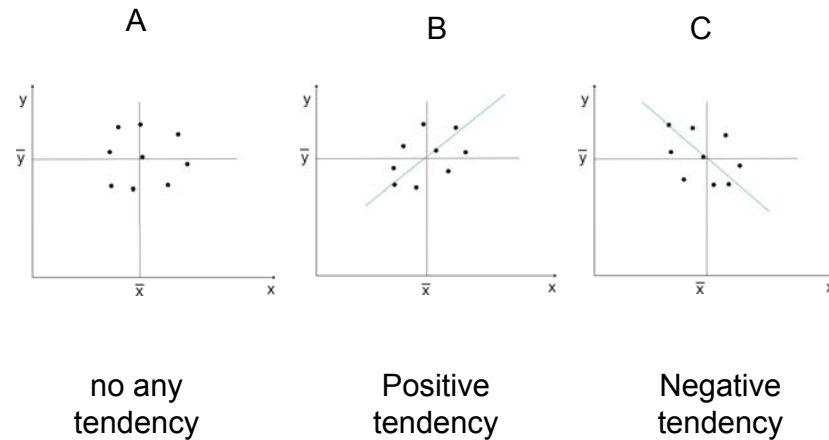
Experiment:



Data pairs:

No.	weight (kg)	Height (cm)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		

Graphic representation

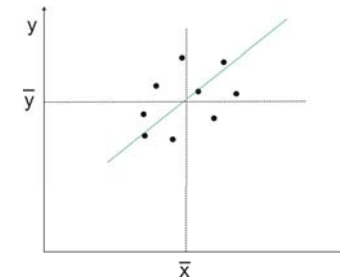


Covariance

$$Q_{xy} = \sum_i [(x_i - \bar{x}) \cdot (y_i - \bar{y})]$$

$$\text{Cov}(x, y) = \frac{Q_{xy}}{n-1}$$

Positive tendency:

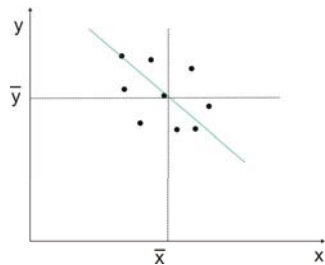


Frequently:

If $x_i > \bar{x}$, then $y_i > \bar{y}$ and
if $x_i < \bar{x}$, then $y_i < \bar{y}$.

Consequence: $Q_{xy} > 0$.

Negative tendency:

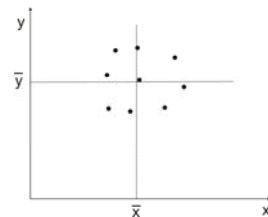


Frequently:

If $x_i > \bar{x}$, then $y_i < \bar{y}$ and
if $x_i < \bar{x}$, then $y_i > \bar{y}$.

Consequence: $Q_{xy} < 0$.

No tendency:



The y values are independent from the x-values.

Consequence: $Q_{xy} = 0$.
(if $n = \infty$)

Correlation coefficient

$$r = \frac{Q_{xy}}{\sqrt{Q_x \cdot Q_y}}$$

$$-1 \leq r \leq 1$$

Population: $r = 0$ no correlation,
 $r \neq 0$ correlation (strength is
proportional to the actual value of r).

Testing of the r

Sample: due to the finite no. of the elements we can calculate only the estimation of the r .

Question: Correlation or not?

Nullhypothesis: No correlation.
 $H_0: r = 0$.

Correlation t -test

$$t = r \sqrt{\frac{n-2}{1-r^2}}$$

d.f.: $n - 2$

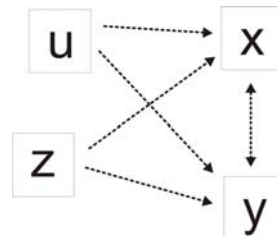
Decision: based on t -value. Look previous cases!

Condition: at least one of the variable has normal distribution.

Meaning of correlation

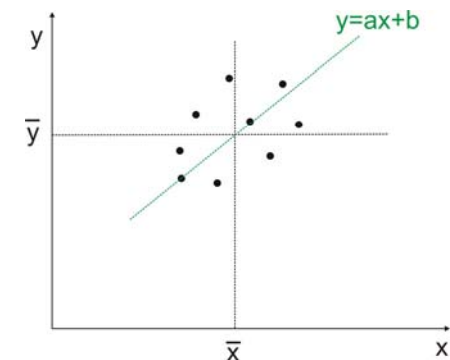
Not necessary being direct causality.
(But may be!)

In the background there may be quantities, effects that influence both measured variables.



Linear regression

If variables have normal distribution, the dependency is linear, and we can describe with straight line.



Frequency data

Has no normal distribution!

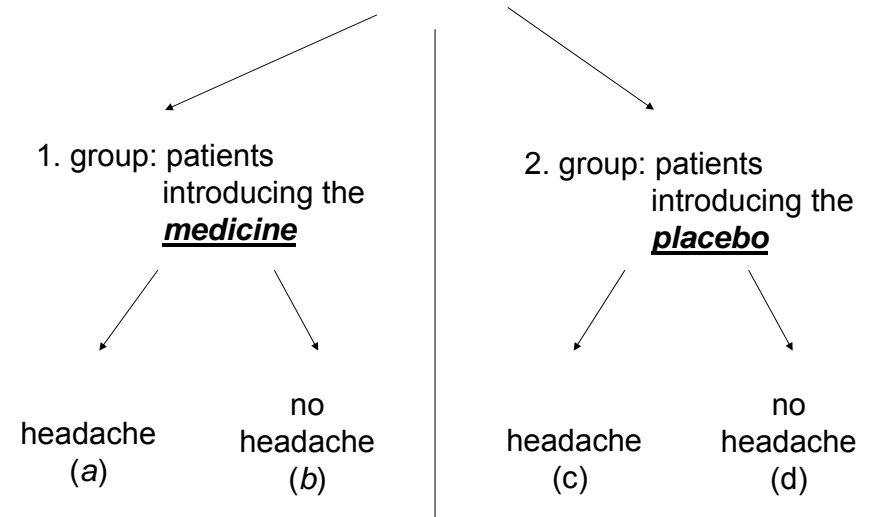
Example: headache



Effective: no headache

Not effective: headache

Experiment



Contingency table

	headache	no headache	Total
1. group	a	b	a+b
2. group	c	d	c+d
total	a+c	b+d	n

Nullhypothesis

If the effect is independent from the medicine, we expect:

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} \longrightarrow a \times d = b \times c$$

Nullhypothesis: the effect is independent from the medicine.

χ^2 -distribution

$$\chi^2 = \frac{n(ad - bc)^2}{(a+b)(c+d)(a+c)(b+d)}$$

Nullhypothesis: χ^2 -value is 0, the difference due to the random event only.

χ^2 -distribution describes the random deviations of the χ^2 -value.

Decision

Same, than in the case of t -distribution.

We use χ^2 -distribution.

Expected value is 0, if the nullhypothesis is true.

if calc. \geq crit. - reject the nullhypothesis else accept.

degree of freedom: in this special case = 1.

In general:

d.f. = $(r-1)(c-1)$, where r – no. of rows
 c – no. of columns