

# Small-Sample $t$ -Tests about Normal Pop. Mean

Engineering Statistics  
Section 8.3

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PART I:  
GOSSET'S T CDF TABLE

# Computing $t$ cdf $\Phi_t(t; \nu)$ via Table

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	DEGREES OF FREEDOM ( $\nu$ )									
$t$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>0.0</b>	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500
<b>0.1</b>	0.532	0.535	0.537	0.537	0.538	0.538	0.538	0.539	0.539	0.539
<b>0.2</b>	0.563	0.570	0.573	0.574	0.575	0.576	0.576	0.577	0.577	0.577
<b>0.3</b>	0.593	0.604	0.608	0.610	0.612	0.613	0.614	0.614	0.615	0.615
<b>0.4</b>	0.621	0.636	0.642	0.645	0.647	0.648	0.649	0.650	0.651	0.651
<b>0.5</b>	0.648	0.667	0.674	0.678	0.681	0.683	0.684	0.685	0.685	0.686
<b>0.6</b>	0.672	0.695	0.705	0.710	0.713	0.715	0.716	0.717	0.718	0.719
<b>0.7</b>	0.694	0.722	0.733	0.739	0.742	0.745	0.747	0.748	0.749	0.750
<b>0.8</b>	0.715	0.746	0.759	0.766	0.770	0.773	0.775	0.777	0.778	0.779
<b>0.9</b>	0.733	0.768	0.783	0.790	0.795	0.799	0.801	0.803	0.804	0.805
<b>1.0</b>	0.750	0.789	0.804	0.813	0.818	0.822	0.825	0.827	0.828	0.830
<b>1.1</b>	0.765	0.807	0.824	0.833	0.839	0.843	0.846	0.848	0.850	0.851
<b>1.2</b>	0.779	0.823	0.842	0.852	0.858	0.862	0.865	0.868	0.870	0.871
<b>1.3</b>	0.791	0.838	0.858	0.868	0.875	0.879	0.883	0.885	0.887	0.889
<b>1.4</b>	0.803	0.852	0.872	0.883	0.890	0.894	0.898	0.900	0.902	0.904

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	<b>DEGREES OF FREEDOM (<math>\nu</math>)</b>									
$t$	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>0.0</b>	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500
<b>0.1</b>	0.539	0.539	0.539	0.539	0.539	0.539	0.539	0.539	0.539	0.539
<b>0.2</b>	0.578	0.578	0.578	0.578	0.578	0.578	0.578	0.578	0.578	0.578
<b>0.3</b>	0.616	0.616	0.616	0.616	0.616	0.616	0.617	0.617	0.617	0.617
<b>0.4</b>	0.653	0.653	0.653	0.653	0.653	0.653	0.653	0.654	0.654	0.654
<b>0.5</b>	0.688	0.688	0.688	0.689	0.689	0.689	0.689	0.689	0.689	0.689
<b>0.6</b>	0.722	0.722	0.722	0.722	0.722	0.723	0.723	0.723	0.723	0.723
<b>0.7</b>	0.753	0.753	0.754	0.754	0.754	0.754	0.754	0.755	0.755	0.755
<b>0.8</b>	0.782	0.783	0.783	0.783	0.783	0.784	0.784	0.784	0.784	0.784
<b>0.9</b>	0.809	0.810	0.810	0.810	0.811	0.811	0.811	0.811	0.811	0.812
<b>1.0</b>	0.834	0.834	0.835	0.835	0.835	0.836	0.836	0.836	0.836	0.837
<b>1.1</b>	0.856	0.857	0.857	0.857	0.858	0.858	0.858	0.859	0.859	0.859
<b>1.2</b>	0.876	0.877	0.877	0.878	0.878	0.878	0.879	0.879	0.879	0.879
<b>1.3</b>	0.894	0.895	0.895	0.895	0.896	0.896	0.896	0.897	0.897	0.897
<b>1.4</b>	0.910	0.910	0.911	0.911	0.912	0.912	0.912	0.913	0.913	0.913

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	DEGREES OF FREEDOM ( $\nu$ )									
$t$	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
<b>0.0</b>	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500	0.500
<b>0.1</b>	0.540	0.540	0.540	0.540	0.540	0.540	0.540	0.540	0.540	0.540
<b>0.2</b>	0.579	0.579	0.579	0.579	0.579	0.579	0.579	0.579	0.579	0.579
<b>0.3</b>	0.617	0.617	0.617	0.617	0.617	0.617	0.617	0.617	0.617	0.617
<b>0.4</b>	0.654	0.654	0.654	0.654	0.654	0.654	0.654	0.654	0.654	0.654
<b>0.5</b>	0.690	0.690	0.690	0.690	0.690	0.690	0.690	0.690	0.690	0.690
<b>0.6</b>	0.724	0.724	0.724	0.724	0.724	0.724	0.724	0.724	0.724	0.724
<b>0.7</b>	0.755	0.756	0.756	0.756	0.756	0.756	0.756	0.756	0.756	0.756
<b>0.8</b>	0.785	0.785	0.785	0.785	0.785	0.786	0.786	0.786	0.786	0.786
<b>0.9</b>	0.812	0.813	0.813	0.813	0.813	0.813	0.813	0.813	0.813	0.813
<b>1.0</b>	0.837	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838	0.838
<b>1.1</b>	0.860	0.860	0.860	0.860	0.861	0.861	0.861	0.861	0.861	0.861
<b>1.2</b>	0.880	0.881	0.881	0.881	0.881	0.881	0.881	0.881	0.881	0.881
<b>1.3</b>	0.898	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899	0.899

## PART II:

### SMALL-SAMPLE HYPOTHESIS TEST FOR A NORMAL POPULATION MEAN $\mu$

# Hypothesis Tests (Procedure)

## Proposition

GIVEN: Random sample  $\mathbf{X} := (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  of a population with parameter  $\theta$ .

TASK: Perform a hypothesis test involving parameter  $\theta$ .

(1) State the null hypothesis  $H_0$  and alternative hypothesis  $H_A$ .

$$\begin{array}{llll} H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 & & H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 & & H_0 : \theta = \theta_0 \\ H_A : \theta > \theta_0 & \text{OR} & H_A : \theta < \theta_0 & \text{OR} & H_A : \theta \neq \theta_0 \end{array}$$

(2) Select significance level  $\alpha$ :  $\alpha = 0.05$  OR  $\alpha = 0.01$  OR  $\alpha = 0.001$

(3) Identify the test statistic  $W(\mathbf{X}; \theta_0)$

(4) Formulate a decision rule involving P-value & significance level  $\alpha$

If P-value  $\leq \alpha$  then reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_A$   
If P-value  $> \alpha$  then accept  $H_0$  (i.e. fail to reject  $H_0$ )

(5) Obtain a sample  $\mathbf{x} := (x_1, \dots, x_n)$  from the population

(6) Compute the test statistic value for the sample  $W(\mathbf{x}; \theta_0)$

(7) Compute the corresponding P-value

(8) Use the decision rule to arrive at decision to either reject  $H_0$  or accept  $H_0$

# Small-Sample $t$ -Test for Pop. Mean (Test Statistic)

## Proposition

Given any population with mean  $\mu$ .

Let  $\mathbf{X} := (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$  be a random sample from the population.

Suppose an  $\alpha$ -level hypothesis test for  $\mu$  is desired with one of the forms:

$$\begin{array}{llll} H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 & \text{OR} & H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 & \text{OR} & H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \\ H_A : \mu > \mu_0 & & H_A : \mu < \mu_0 & & H_A : \mu \neq \mu_0 \end{array}$$

Then, the corresponding test statistic  $W(\mathbf{X}; \mu_0)$  is

$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{S/\sqrt{n}} \implies T \sim t_{n-1}$$

PROOF: Formally, beyond scope of course.

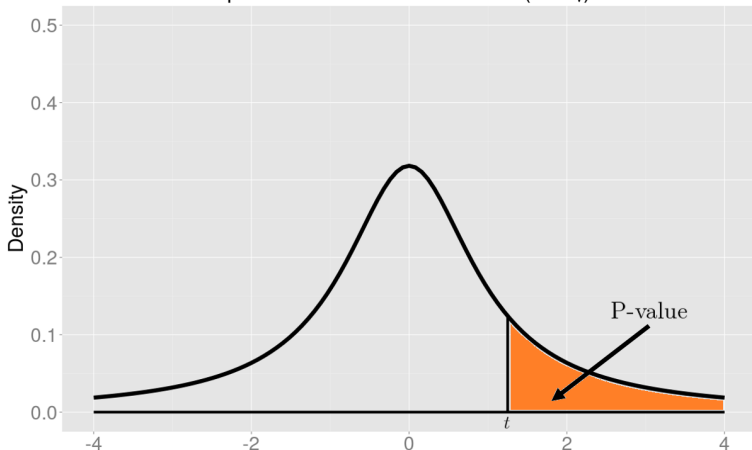
Informally, take the corresponding pivot  $Q(\mathbf{X}; \mu) := \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S/\sqrt{n}}$   
and replace  $\mu$  with its null hypothesis value  $\mu_0$



# Small-Sample $t$ -Test for Population Mean (P-values)

Hypothesis Test:  $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$  (One-Sided  $t$ -Test)  
 $H_A : \mu > \mu_0$

pdf of Gosset's  $t$  Distribution ( $T \sim t_\nu$ )

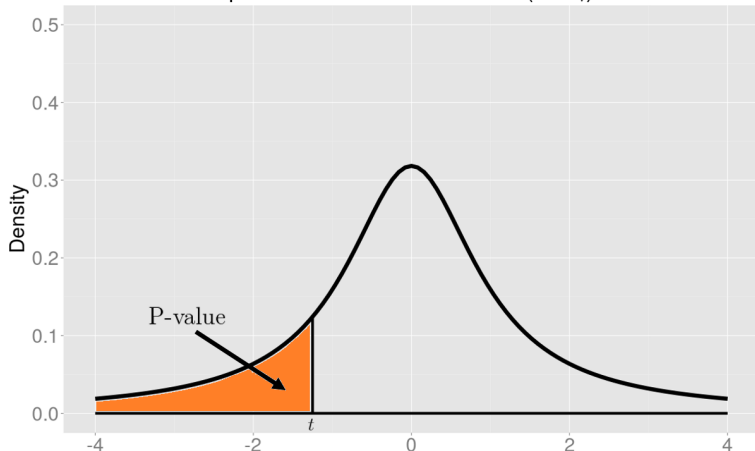


$$\text{P-value} := \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{W}(X; \mu_0) \geq \mathbf{W}(x; \mu_0)) = \mathbb{P}(T \geq t) = 1 - \Phi_t(t; \nu = n - 1)$$

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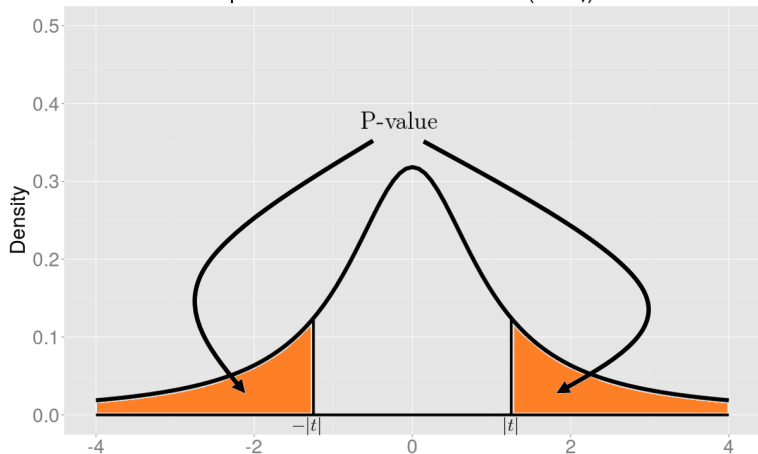


$$\text{P-value} := \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{W}(X; \mu_0) \leq \mathbf{W}(x; \mu_0)) = \mathbb{P}(T \leq t) = \Phi_t(t; \nu = n - 1)$$

# Small-Sample $t$ -Test for Population Mean (P-values)

Hypothesis Test:  $H_0 : \mu = \mu_0$  (Two-Sided  $t$ -Test)  
 $H_A : \mu \neq \mu_0$

pdf of Gosset's  $t$  Distribution ( $T \sim t_\nu$ )



$$\text{P-value} = \mathbb{P}(|T| \geq |t|) = \mathbb{P}(T \leq -|t|) + \mathbb{P}(T \geq |t|) = 2 \cdot [1 - \Phi_t(|t|; \nu = n - 1)]$$

# Small-Sample $t$ -Test for Population Mean ( $\sigma$ unknown)

## Proposition

<i>Population:</i>	<u>Normal</u> Population with std dev $\sigma$ unknown
<i>Random Sample:</i>	$\mathbf{X} := (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$
<i>Realized Sample:</i>	$\mathbf{x} := (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$
<i>Test Statistic</i> $W(\mathbf{X}; \mu_0)$	$T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{S/\sqrt{n}}$
<i>Test Statistic Value</i> $W(\mathbf{x}; \mu_0)$	$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{s/\sqrt{n}}$

### **HYPOTHESIS TEST:**

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \text{ vs. } H_A : \mu > \mu_0$$

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \text{ vs. } H_A : \mu < \mu_0$$

$$H_0 : \mu = \mu_0 \text{ vs. } H_A : \mu \neq \mu_0$$

### **P-VALUE DETERMINATION:**

$$P\text{-value} = \mathbb{P}(T \geq t) = 1 - \Phi_t(t; \nu = n - 1)$$

$$P\text{-value} = \mathbb{P}(T \leq t) = \Phi_t(t; \nu = n - 1)$$

$$P\text{-value} = \mathbb{P}(|T| \geq |t|) = 2 \cdot [1 - \Phi_t(|t|; n - 1)]$$

*Decision Rule:*      If  $P\text{-value} \leq \alpha$       then reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_A$   
                                  If  $P\text{-value} > \alpha$       then accept  $H_0$  (i.e. fail to reject  $H_0$ )

# Textbook Logistics for Section 8.3

- Difference(s) in Notation:

CONCEPT	TEXTBOOK NOTATION	SLIDES/OUTLINE NOTATION
Probability of Event	$P(A)$	$\mathbb{P}(A)$
Alternative Hypothesis	$H_a$	$H_A$

- Skip the " $\beta$  and Sample Size Determination" section (pg 338-339)
  - This will be briefly discussed in section 8.5
- Skip the **power** of a hypothesis test (pg 340)
  - This will be briefly discussed in section 8.5
- Ignore the "Variation in P-values" section (pg 341-344)
  - This is important, but it's too much for this first Statistics course.

Fin.