

Math 362: Mathematical Statistics II

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- ▶ Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample of size n from $N(\mu_X, \sigma_X^2)$.
- ▶ Let Y_1, \dots, Y_m be a random sample of size m from $N(\mu_Y, \sigma_Y^2)$.

Prob. 1 Testing $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ if $\sigma_X^2 = \sigma_Y^2$.

Prob. 2 Testing $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ if $\sigma_X^2 \neq \sigma_Y^2$.

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|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| ▶ True means: | μ_X, μ_Y | ▶ Sample means: | \bar{X}, \bar{Y} |
| ▶ True std. dev.'s: | σ_X, σ_Y | ▶ Sample std. dev.'s: | S_X, S_Y |
| ▶ True variances: | σ_X^2, σ_Y^2 | ▶ Sample variances: | S_X^2, S_Y^2 |

When $\sigma_X^2 = \sigma_Y^2 = \sigma^2$

Def. The **pooled variance**: $S_p^2 = \frac{(n-1)S_X^2 + (m-1)S_Y^2}{n+m-2}$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_j - \bar{Y})^2}{n+m-2}$$

Thm. $T_{n+m-2} = \frac{\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - (\mu_X - \mu_Y)}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m}}} \sim \text{Student t distr. of } n+m-2 \text{ dgs of fd.}$

Proof. (See slides on Section 9.1)

□

When $\sigma_X^2 = \sigma_Y^2 = \sigma^2$

Testing $H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y$ v.s.

(at the α level of significance)

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m}}}$$

$H_1 : \mu_X < \mu_Y$:

Reject H_0 if

$$t \leq -t_{\alpha, n+m-2}$$

$H_1 : \mu_X \neq \mu_Y$:

Reject H_0 if

$$|t| \geq t_{\alpha/2, n+m-2}$$

$H_1 : \mu_X > \mu_Y$:

Reject H_0 if

$$t \geq t_{\alpha, n+m-2}$$

E.g. Test whether Mark Twain and Snodgrass are the same person by checking the proportion of three-letter words at the 99% level of significance.

Table 9.2.I Proportion of Three-Letter Words			
Twain	Proportion	QCS	Proportion
Sergeant Fathom letter	0.225	Letter I	0.209
Madame Caprell letter	0.262	Letter II	0.205
Mark Twain letters in <i>Territorial Enterprise</i>		Letter III	0.196
First letter	0.217	Letter IV	0.210
Second letter	0.240	Letter V	0.202
Third letter	0.230	Letter VI	0.207
Fourth letter	0.229	Letter VII	0.224
First <i>Innocents Abroad</i> letter		Letter VIII	0.223
First half	0.235	Letter IX	0.220
Second half	0.217	Letter X	0.201

Sol. We need to test

$$H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y \quad v.s. \quad H_1 : \mu_X \neq \mu_Y.$$

Since we are testing whether they are the same person, one can assume that $\sigma_X^2 = \sigma_Y^2$.

1. $n = 8, m = 10,$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 1.855, \quad \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 0.4316$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m y_i = 2.097, \quad \sum_{i=1}^m y_i^2 = 0.4406$$

2. Hence,

$$\bar{x} = 1.855/8 = 0.2319 \quad \bar{y} = 2.097/10 = 0.2097$$

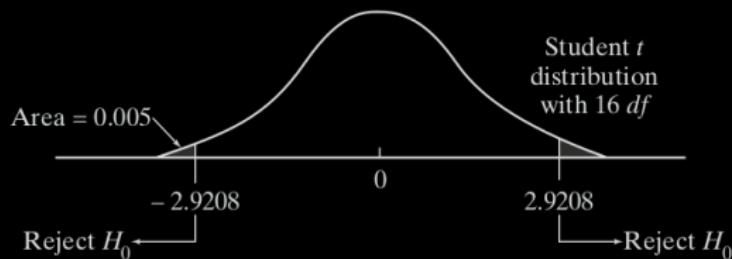
$$s_x^2 = \frac{8 \times 0.4316 - 1.855^2}{8 \times 7} = 0.0002103$$

$$s_y^2 = \frac{10 \times 0.4406 - 2.097^2}{10 \times 9} = 0.0000955$$

$$s_p^2 = \frac{(n-1)s_x^2 + (m-1)s_y^2}{n+m-2} = \dots = 0.0001457$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{y}}{s_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m}}} = \dots = 3.88$$

3. Critical region: $|t| \geq t_{0.005, n+m-2} = t_{0.005, 16} = 2.9208$.



4. Conclusion: Rejection!

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E.g. Comparing large-scales and small-scales companies:

Based on the data below, can we say that the return on equity differs between the two types of companies?

Table 9.2.4

Large-Sales Companies	Return on Equity (%)	Small-Sales Companies	Return on Equity (%)
Deckers Outdoor	21	NVE	21
Jos. A. Bank Clothiers	23	Hi-Shear Technology	21
National Instruments	13	Bovie Medical	14
Dolby Laboratories	22	Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory	31
Quest Software	7	Rochester Medical	19
Green Mountain Coffee Roasters	17	Anika Therapeutics	19
Lufkin Industries	19	Nathan's Famous	11
Red Hat	11	Somanetics	29
Matrix Service	2	Bolt Technology	20
DXP Enterprises	30	Energy Recovery	27
Franklin Electric	15	Transcend Services	27
LSB Industries	43	IEC Electronics	24

Sol. Let μ_X and μ_Y be the average returns. We are asked to test

$$H_0 : \mu_X = \mu_Y \quad v.s. \quad H_1 : \mu_X \neq \mu_Y.$$

1.

$$n = 12, \quad \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 223 \quad \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = 5421$$

$$m = 12, \quad \sum_{i=1}^m y_i = 263 \quad \sum_{i=1}^m y_i^2 = 6157$$

2.

$$\bar{x} = 18.5833, \quad s_x^2 = 116.0833$$

$$\bar{y} = 21.9167, \quad s_y^2 = 35.7197$$

$$w = \frac{18.5833 - 21.9167}{\sqrt{\frac{116.0833}{12} + \frac{35.7197}{12}}} = -0.9371932.$$

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{116.0833}{35.7179} = 3.250 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nu = \left[\frac{(3.250 + 1)^2}{\frac{1}{11}3.250^2 + \frac{1}{11}1^2} \right] = [17.18403] = 17.$$

3. The critical region is $|w| \geq t_{\alpha/2, 17} = 2.1098$.

4. Conclusion:

Since $w = -0.94$ is not in the critical region, we fail to reject H_0 . \square