

## Confidence Interval - Part II

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ended with:

$$Pr \{ \mu - t(\alpha, v) \cdot s < y < \mu + t(\alpha, v) \cdot s \} = (1 - 2\alpha) \cdot 100\%$$

For given confidence interval  $y$  is between  
mean - (modifier)(sample std. dev) and mean + (modifier)(sample std. dev.)

$t$  is a modifier that relates confidence + # of samples.

if you have few samples, or want high tolerance  $t \uparrow$

$$t = \frac{y - \mu}{s}$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{y} - \mu}{\underbrace{\frac{s}{\sqrt{N}}}_{\text{standard deviation of } \bar{y}}}$$

can rearrange to yield

$$Pr \left\{ \bar{y} - t(\alpha, v) \frac{s}{\sqrt{N}} < \mu < \bar{y} + t(\alpha, v) \frac{s}{\sqrt{N}} \right\} = (1 - 2\alpha) \cdot 100\%$$

this gives a tolerance on the true mean

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## Confidence interval for "Difference in Means"

$$t = \frac{[ \textcircled{1} ] - [ \textcircled{2} ]}{[ \textcircled{3} ]}$$

- ① dependent variable
- ② "True" mean of ①
- ③ std. deviation of ①

$$t = \frac{[ \bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2 ] - [ \mu_1 - \mu_2 ]}{S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_1} + \frac{1}{N_2}}}$$

$S_p$  = pooled variance

## Confidence Interval - Part II

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$$S_p^2 = \frac{(N_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (N_2 - 1)S_2^2}{N_1 + N_2 - 2}$$

$$S_p = \sqrt{\text{above}}$$

$$V = N_1 + N_2 - 2$$

$$P_r \left\{ (\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2) - t_{(\alpha, V)} S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{N_1} + \frac{1}{N_2}} < \mu_1 - \mu_2 < (\bar{y}_1 - \bar{y}_2) + \text{same} \right\} = (1 - 2\alpha) \cdot 100\%$$

actual #'s not very important  
 \* signs are important \*

$$P_r \left\{ -1.75 < \mu_1 - \mu_2 < -2.7 \right\} = 95\%$$

says  $\mu_2$  is always greater than  $\mu_1$

$$P_r \left\{ -0.5 < \mu_1 - \mu_2 < 2.6 \right\} = 95\%$$

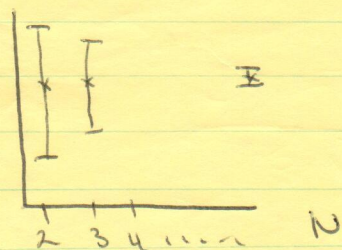
says  $\mu_2$  is sometimes bigger + smaller @ 95% confidence  
 "difference in means not statistically significant"

if #'s are large, really means confidence is higher than stated

to make statistical significance, raise  $N_1$  or  $N_2$ , or lower confidence %

\* Break for Activity \*

HW



qualitative statements (question 3)  
must have data + calcs to  
 back it up