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# **CSC380: Principles of Data Science**

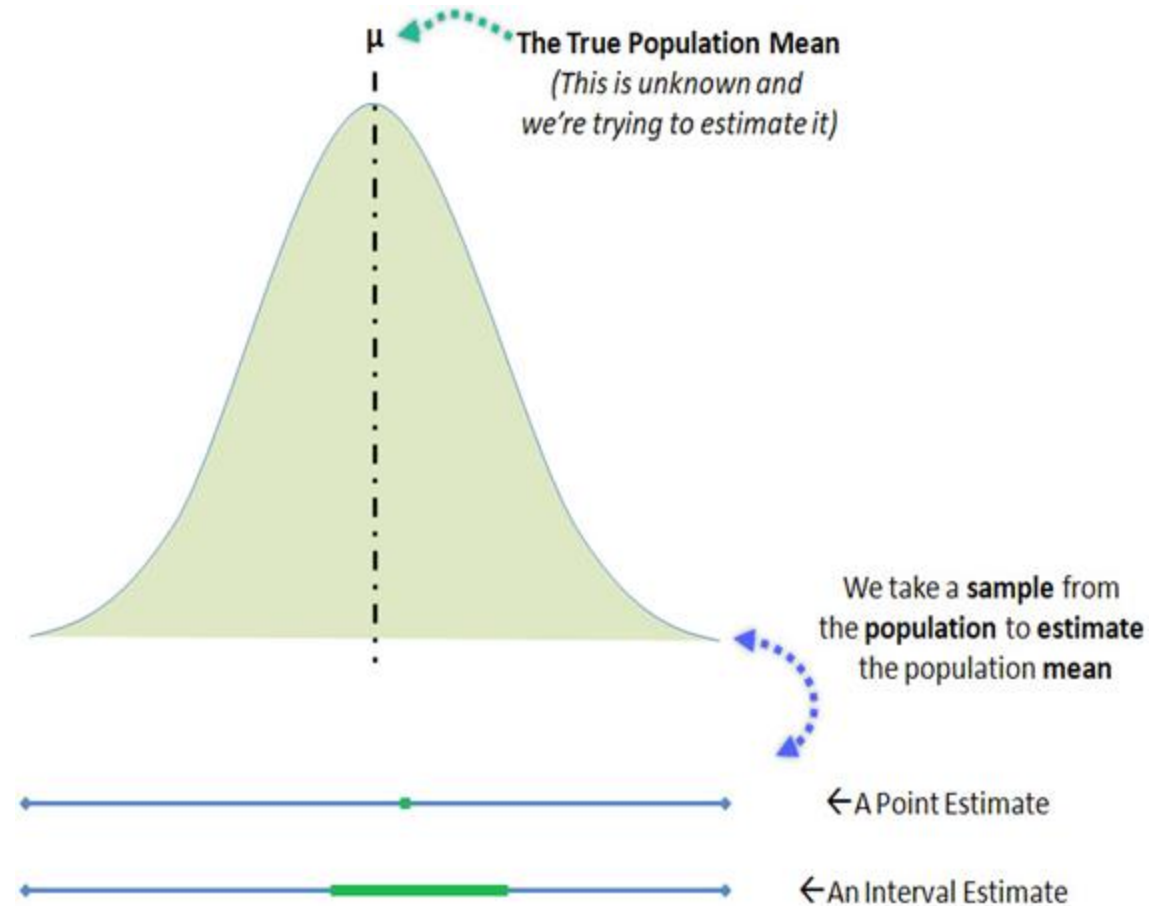
**Statistics 2**

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- Interval estimation
- Hypothesis testing

# Interval estimation

- Point estimation:
  - “Given the data, I estimate the bias of the coin to be 0.73”
  - “Given the data, I estimate the mean height of UA students to be 172cm”
- In many applications, we’d like to make statements with uncertainty quantifications
  - “Given the data, I estimate the bias of the coin to be  $0.73 \pm 0.05$ ”
  - “Given the data, I estimate the mean height of UA students to be  $172 \pm 2\text{cm}$ ”
- This is called *interval estimation*



$$\theta \rightarrow X_1, \dots, X_n \rightarrow I_n = [\hat{\theta}_n \pm b_n]$$

data generation process                      Confidence Interval (CI) for  $\theta$

## Examples

Coin toss:  $\theta = p$ ,  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$

Student height:  $\theta = \mu$ ,  $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(\mu, 8^2)$

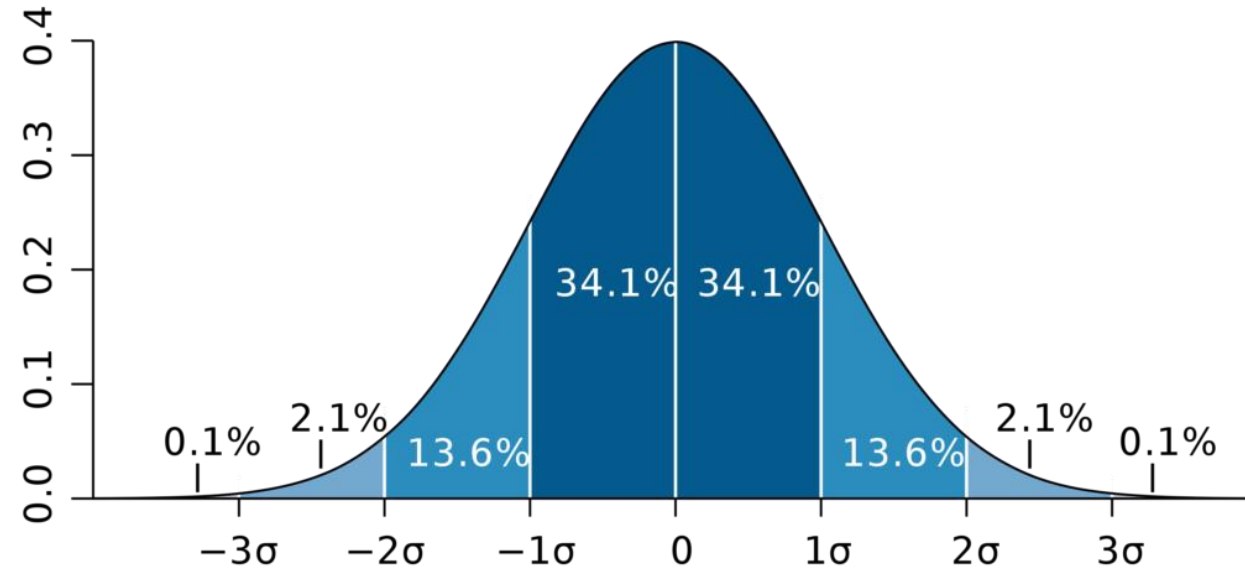
Goal: construct  $I_n$  using data, such that with 95% confidence (say),  
 $\theta \in I_n$

We will mostly focus on estimating  $\theta =$  population mean, and will take  $\hat{\theta}_n$   
= sample mean.

How to choose  $b_n$ ?      **uncertainty of our estimate**

# Recall: Normal distribution

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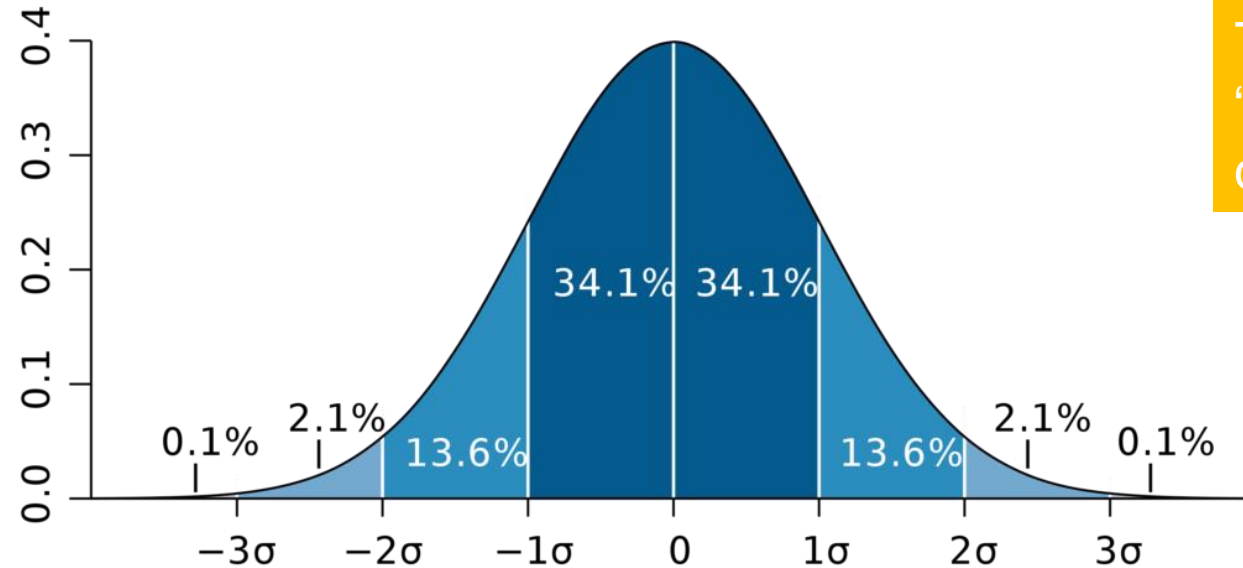


For  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , we can transform it into  $X - \mu \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

- the area under a normal distribution curve (PDF) represents probability.
- the total area under the curve is equal to 100%.
- the area within a certain range of values corresponds to the probability of a random variable falling within that range.

# Recall: Normal distribution

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Terminology:  
“standard” normal  
distribution :=  $N(0,1)$

**Fact** If  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  or  $X - \mu \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ , then

$$P(-1.96\sigma \leq X - \mu \leq 1.96\sigma) = 0.95$$

In words, with 95% confidence,  $X$  falls within 1.96 standard deviation of  $\mu$

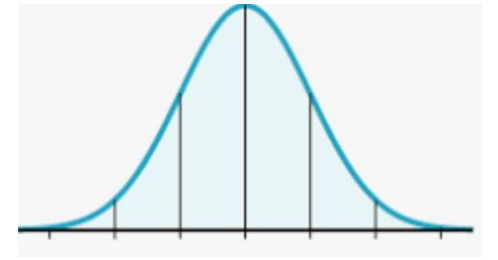
$$P(X - 1.96\sigma \leq \mu \leq X + 1.96\sigma) = 0.95$$

i.e, with 95% confidence,  $\mu$  falls within 1.96 standard deviation of  $X$

**$[X - 1.96\sigma, X + 1.96\sigma]$  is a 95% confidence interval for  $\mu$**

- We know if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then  $[X - 1.96\sigma, X + 1.96\sigma]$  is a 95% CI for  $\mu$
- **Fact:** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be iid with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ . Then for large  $n$ , the sample mean  $\bar{X}_n$  roughly follow a normal distribution:

$$\bar{X}_n \approx N\left(\mu, \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^2\right)$$



**Corollary** with 95% confidence,  $\mu$  lies within  $1.96\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$  of  $\bar{X}_n$

Our confidence interval for  $\mu$ :  $I_n = [\bar{X}_n - 1.96\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$



**Example** Assume that UA students' heights (in centimeters) follow  $N(\mu, 8^2)$ , and we observe 4 students' heights:

163, 171, 179, 167

Find a 95% confidence interval for  $\mu$

## Solution

our CI for  $\mu$ :  $I_n = [\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$

**Sample mean** **population stddev** **sample size**

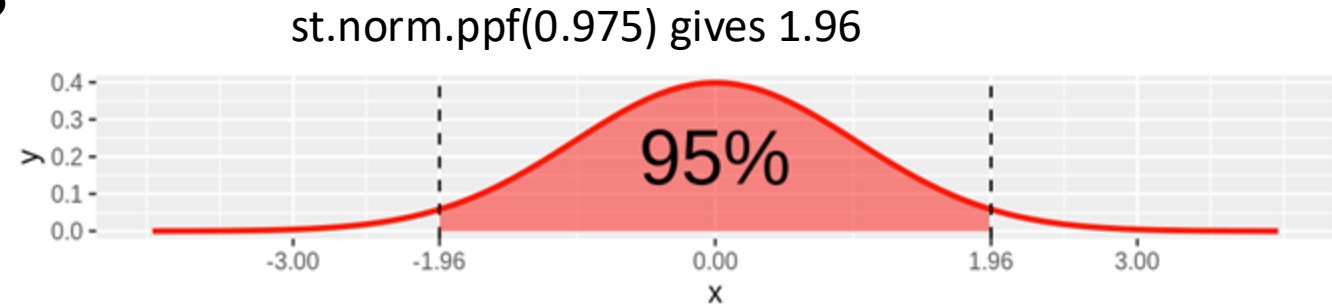
**= 170**  **$\sigma = 8$**  **n=4**

Plugging in all values,  $I_n = [170 \pm 7.84] = [162.1, 177.8]$

Given if  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  or  $X - \mu \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ , then

$$P(-1.96\sigma \leq X - \mu \leq 1.96\sigma) = 0.95$$

Where does the 1.96 come from?



**Fact** If  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then

$$P(-k \sigma \leq X - \mu \leq k \sigma) = 2\Phi(k) - 1 = p$$

**$\Phi$ : standard normal CDF**

$$2\Phi(k) - 1 = 0.95 \Rightarrow k = \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{0.95+1}{2}\right) = \Phi^{-1}(0.975) = 1.96$$

$k$ :  $\left(\frac{1+p}{2}\right)$ -quantile of the standard normal distribution

$$\text{CI for } \mu: I_n = [\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$$

- What if we'd like to find 99% confidence interval? 99.9%? 90%?

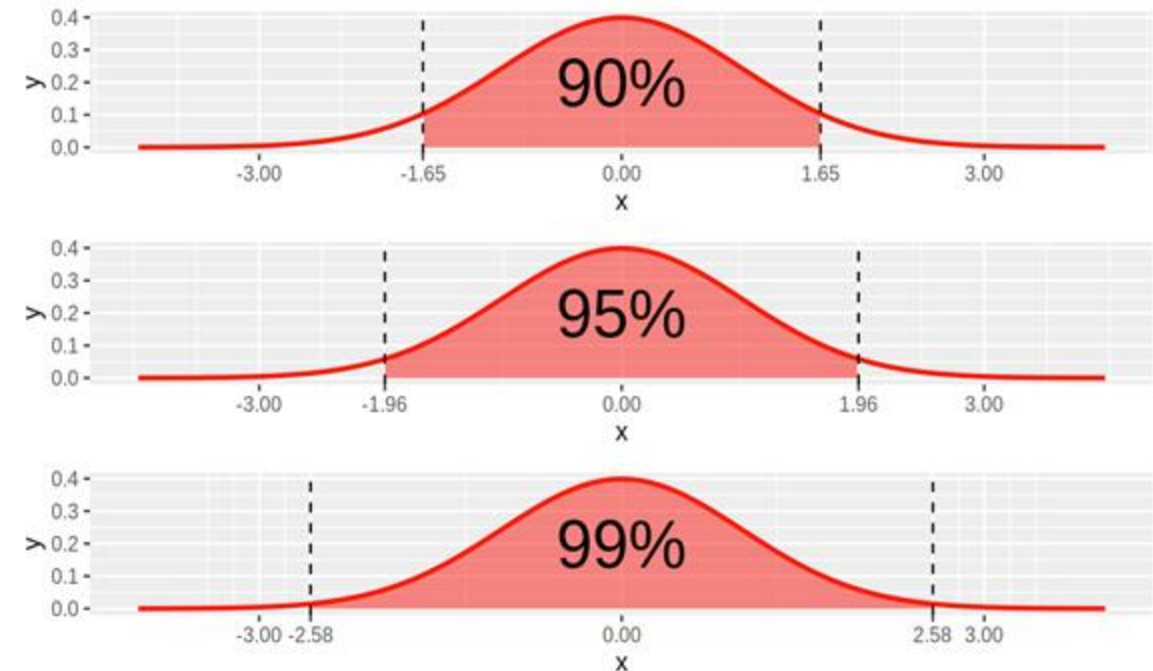
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Our  $p$  confidence interval for  $\mu$ :

$$I_n = [\bar{X}_n \pm \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right) \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}] = [\bar{X}_n \pm k \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$$

$p$	$k = \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right)$
0.95	1.96
0.99	2.58
0.999	3.29



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Find 99%, 99.9% confidence intervals for  $\mu$

## Solution

our  $p$ -CI for  $\mu$ :  $I_n = [\bar{X}_n \pm \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{p+1}{2}\right) \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$

$$p = 0.99 \Rightarrow [159.7, 180.3]$$

$$p = 0.999 \Rightarrow [156.9, 183.1]$$

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The center is always at  $\bar{X}_n$

The width of the interval depends on:

- Sample size  $n$ : width smaller when  $n$  larger
- Confidence level  $p$ : width larger when  $p$  closer to 1
- Population stddev  $\sigma$ : width larger when  $\sigma$  large (more noise)

What if  $\sigma$  is unknown?

- We will address this soon..

**Example** Assume that UA students' heights (in centimeters) follow  $N(\mu, 8^2)$ , and we observe 4 students' heights:

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we found that a 95% CI for  $\mu$  is  $[162.1, 177.8]$

Can we say “with probability 95%, the population mean height  $\mu$  lies in interval  $[162.1, 177.8]$ ”?

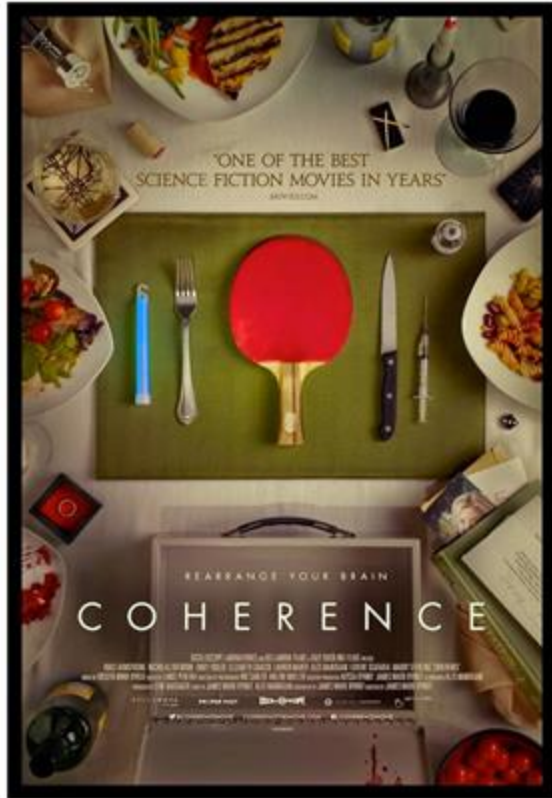
No! This is a common misinterpretation

- $\mu$  is deterministic, and  $[162.1, 177.8]$  is deterministic,
- Proposition  $\mu \in [162.1, 177.8]$  is either true or false!

**Then, what does  
“95% probability”  
mean?**



# Interpreting CI (think of parallel universe...)



Multiple different universes...

# Caveat: interpreting confidence intervals

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Recommended point of view:

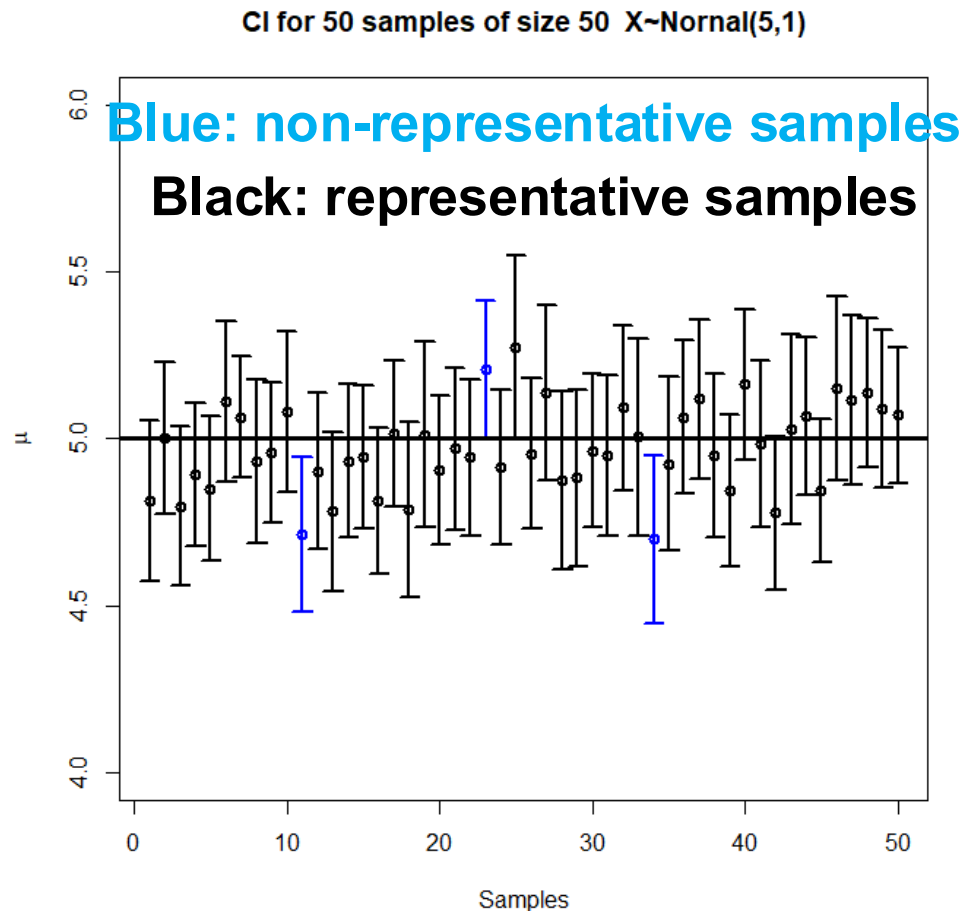
universe 1: get sample 1, and  
confidence interval 1

universe 2: get sample 2, and  
confidence interval 2

.....

universe 50: get confidence interval 50

True: With probability 0.95 *over the draw of a sample*,  $[\bar{X}_n \pm 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$  contains  $\mu$





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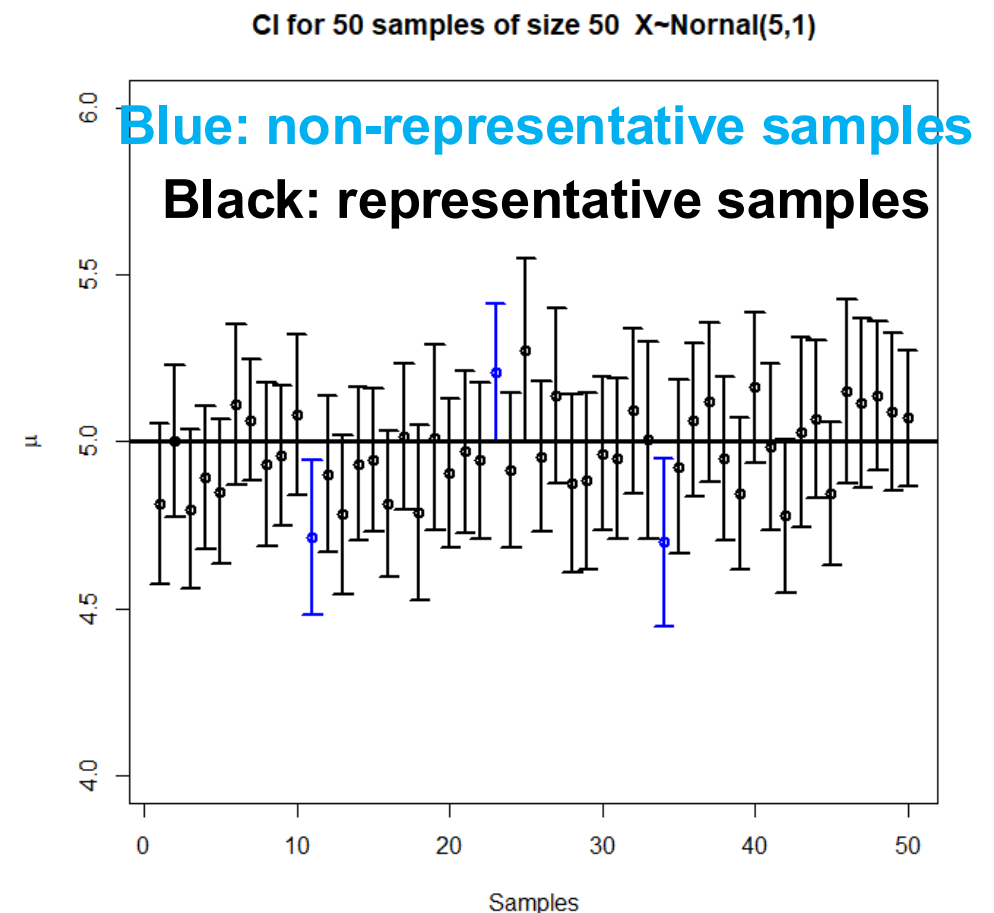
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50 draws of samples

⇒ 50 CIs

⇒ expect  $50 \times 95\% = 47.5$  CI's to contain  $\mu$

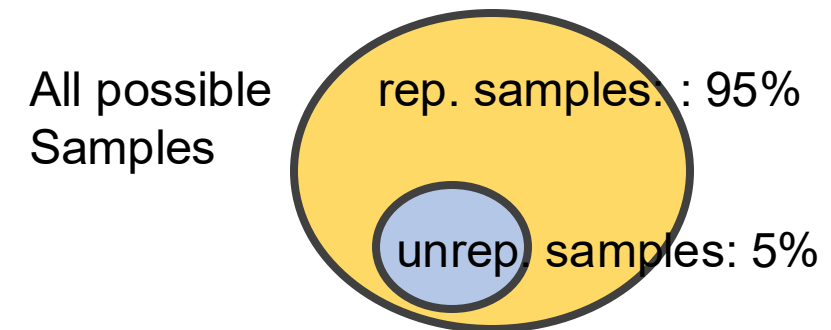


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**True:** With probability 0.95 *over the draw of a sample*,  $[\bar{X}_n \pm 7.84]$  contains  $\mu$

As long as we are not extremely unlucky / our sample is mildly representative, my CI contains  $\mu$



**Example** Assume that UA students' weights (in kgs) follow  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , and we observe 4 students' weights:

60, 65, 70, 75

Find a 95% confidence interval for  $\mu$

**Note** The CI construction before  $[\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$  no longer works, since  $\sigma$  is *unknown*

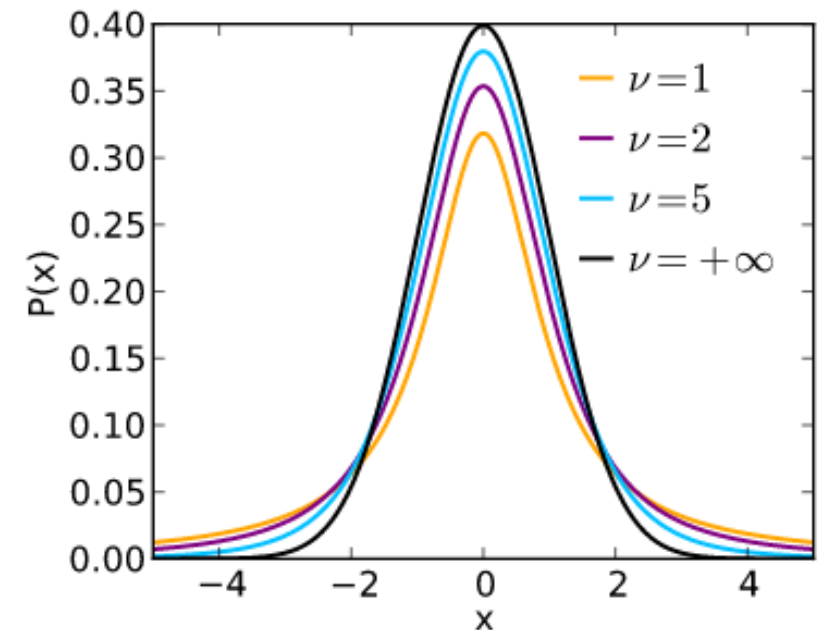
How to fix this?

- $[\bar{X}_n - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}]$  no longer works:  $\sigma$  is unknown

**Fact**  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is an iid sample with unknown  $\mu$  &  $\sigma^2$ .

Let *sample stddev*:  $\hat{\sigma}_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2}$ . Then, approximately:

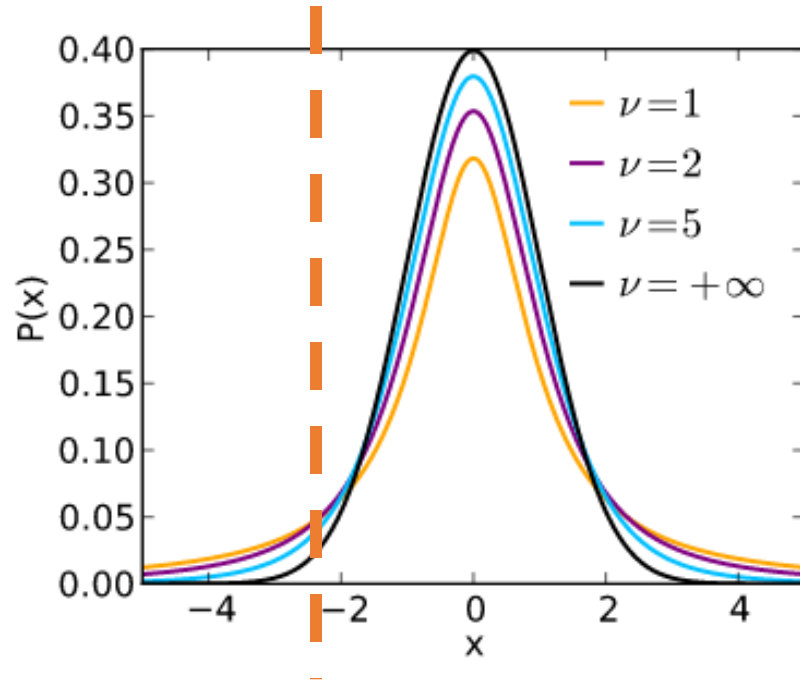
$$\underbrace{\sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\hat{\sigma}_n}}_{\text{t-statistic}} \sim \underbrace{\text{student-t}(n-1)}_{\text{degree of freedom}}$$



student-t( $\nu$ ) is a family of distributions

student- $t(\nu)$  distribution family

- goes to Gaussian when  $\nu$  is large
- generally has heavier tail than Gaussian



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import scipy.stats as st
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```
st.t.ppf(0.975,df=3)  
=> 3.18
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st.t.ppf(0.975,df=5)  
=> 2.57
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```
st.t.ppf(0.975,df=10)  
=> 2.23
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st.t.ppf(0.975,df=100)  
=> 1.98
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Recall:

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st.norm.ppf(0.975) gives 1.96
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**CI:**  $\left[ \bar{X}_n - w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$ ,  $w: \left( \frac{1+p}{2} \right)$ -quantile of the  $t(n-1)$  distribution

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Find a 95% confidence interval for  $\mu$

**Solution** With 95% confidence, **= 6.45**

$$\Rightarrow \mu \in \left[ \underset{= 67.5}{\bar{X}_4} - 3.18 \frac{\hat{\sigma}_4}{\sqrt{4}}, \bar{X}_4 + 3.18 \frac{\hat{\sigma}_4}{\sqrt{4}} \right]$$

Plugging data,

our CI is  $[67.5 - 10.3, 67.5 + 10.3] = [57.2, 77.8]$  **Our confidence interval**

**General result** given a sample  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  drawn from a distribution with mean  $\mu$ , a  $p$ -confidence interval (e.g.  $p=95\%$ ) is

$$\left[ \bar{X}_n - w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right],$$

where  $w$  is the  $\left(\frac{1+p}{2}\right)$ -quantile of the  $t(n-1)$  distribution

**Example**  $p=0.95$ ,  $n=4 \Rightarrow w = 3.18$

`st.t.ppf(0.975,df=3)`  
 $\Rightarrow 3.18$

$p=0.99$ ,  $n=4 \Rightarrow w = 5.84$

$p=0.99$ ,  $n=9 \Rightarrow w = 3.35$

How to construct confidence intervals for  $\mu$ ?

- When  $\sigma$  is known

- **CI**:  $\left[ \bar{X}_n - k \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + k \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$ ,  $k$ :  $\left( \frac{1+p}{2} \right)$ -quantile of the standard normal distribution  
`st.norm.ppf((1+p)/2)`

- When  $\sigma$  is unknown

- **CI**:  $\left[ \bar{X}_n - w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{X}_n + w \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right]$ ,  $w$ :  $\left( \frac{1+p}{2} \right)$ -quantile of the  $t(n - 1)$  distribution  
`st.t.ppf((1+p)/2,df=n-1)`



# Hypothesis testing

- Fill out SCS at [scsonline.ucatt.arizona.edu](https://scsonline.ucatt.arizona.edu)
- If 80% of class complete the survey, one of the lowest quizzes grade will be replaced with full points (1.5/1.5 pts)
- My office hour next Thursday will change to Monday, Dec 15
- A note on final project
  - Please use the following to print the output of your best system:
    - **from** sklearn.metrics **import** classification\_report
    - `print(classification_report(y_true, y_pred))`

- Statements about parameter / property  $\theta$  of a distribution / population

## Examples

- Average GPA  $< 2.8$
- Probability of head of a coin  $> 0.6$
- People eat more on weekends than weekdays

Simple vs. composite hypotheses

$\theta = 3.2$  (simple) ,  $\theta \in \{3.2, 4\}$  (composite),  $\theta \in [3.2, 4]$  (composite)

One-sided vs. two-sided

$\theta > 3.2$  (one-sided) ,  $\theta < 1.5$  or  $\theta > 3.2$  (two-sided),  $\theta \neq 2$  (two-sided)

Hypothesis testing: choosing from two hypotheses:

- Null hypothesis  $H_0$ 
  - Status quo, assumption believed to be true
  - Coin in my pocket, probability of head  $p = 0.5$
- Alternative hypothesis  $H_1$ : Complement of  $H_0$ 
  - Novel finding after research
  - Coin has probability of head  $p \neq 0.5$

- How to test?
- Design experiment, collect data, check:

**If data shows strong evidence against  $H_0$ :**  
Reject  $H_0$  (in favor of  $H_1$ )

**Else**

Do not reject  $H_0$       **Note: does not necessarily mean “accept  $H_0$ ”**

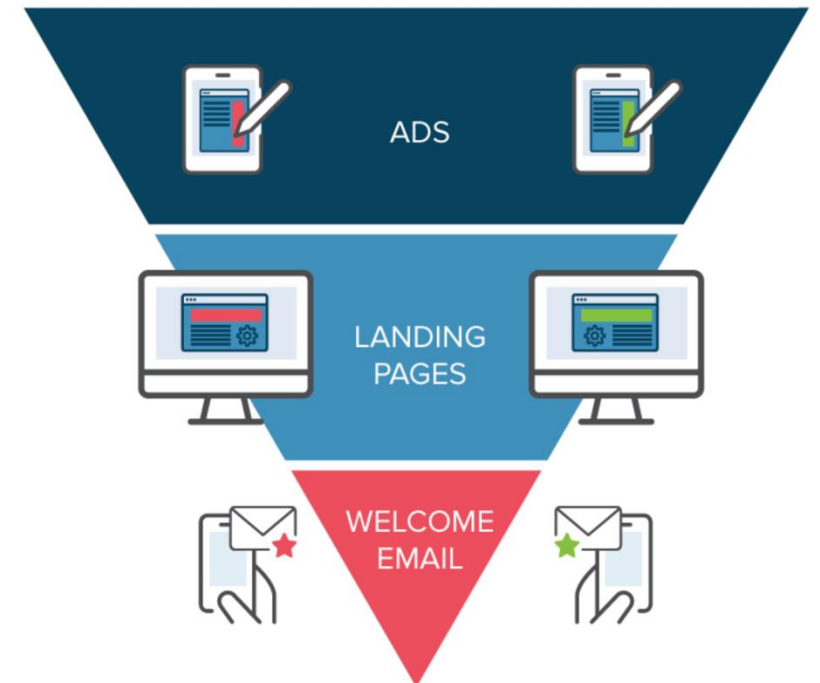
- Analogy with the legal principle:
  - Presume innocent ( $H_0$ ) until proven guilty ( $H_1$ ) with strong evidence against innocence

These days, Internet companies run A/B testing extensively

Try out an alternative of user interface (UI) on **randomly chosen subset of users** to collect their feedback (e.g. rating)

- E.g, choosing b/w **list view** vs grid view

How do we know if the new UI is better than older one? (i.e., statistically significant)



(from optimizely.com)

Evaluator:	1	2	3	4	5	6
Old UI	5	2	2	5	4	2
New UI	4	4	1	3	3	5

Compute the score differences:

Evaluator:	1	2	3	4	5	6
Score difference X	-1	+2	-1	-2	-1	+3

Can view  $X$ 's as drawn from some distribution with unknown mean  $\mu$

“Does new UI improve over old UI?” is now a hypothesis testing problem:

$$H_0: \mu \leq 0, \quad H_1: \mu > 0$$

we can perform e.g. t-test based on data (we will see)

**Example** Assume that UA students' heights (in centimeters) follow  $N(\mu, 8^2)$ , test the hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu = 168,$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq 168$$

Suppose we observe 4 students' heights: 173, 181, 189, 177

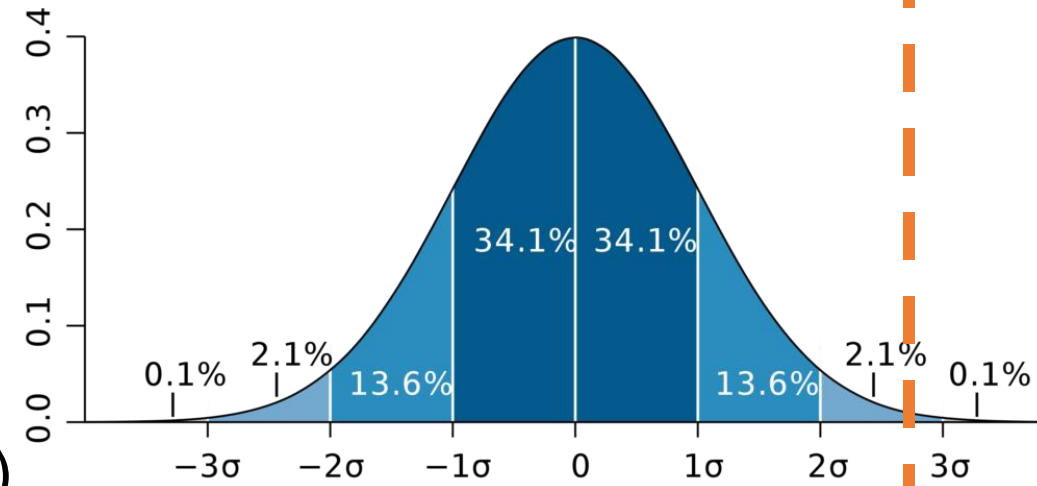
- We want to know if the data provides evidence against this claim  $H_0$ .
- **Fact:**  $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8} \sim N(0, 1)$



# Is the true $\mu$ equal to 168?

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- **Fact:**  $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8} \sim N(0, 1)$
- If  $H_0$  is true:
  - Z close to 0 happen frequently
  - Z values moderately far from 0 (like -2.1, +2.5) happen rarely (only 5% of the time beyond  $\pm 1.96$ )
- Let's say we observe  $Z = 3$ 
  - If  $H_0$  is true, getting  $|Z| \geq 1.96$  has a probability of about 5%.
  - Surprising! this should rarely happen under  $H_0$

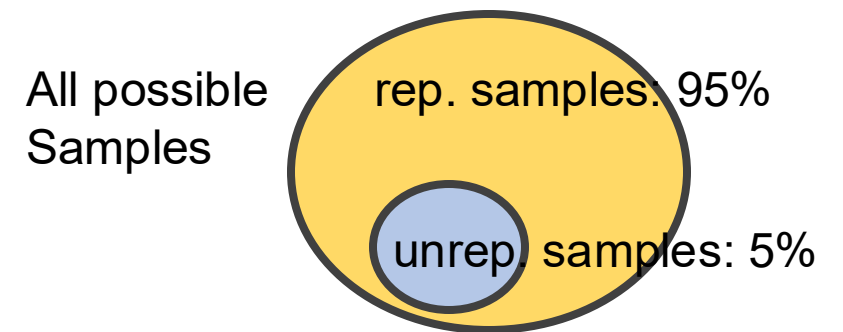
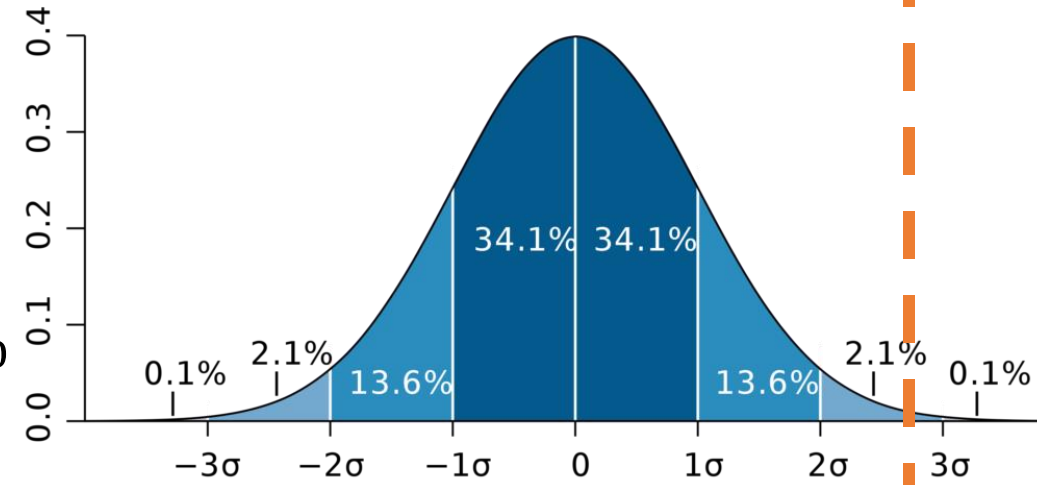


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- Two explanations:
  - (a)  $H_0$  is TRUE, but I got unlucky
    - my sample happened to be extreme that produce such large  $Z$  values
  - (b)  $H_0$  IS FALSE
    - My sample is actually representative of the true population
    - null hypothesis wrong: 168 is not true mean



- Two explanations:
  - (a)  $H_0$  is TRUE, but I got unlucky
    - my sample happened to be extreme that produce such large Z values
    - requires believing a rare event (2% probability) occurred
  - (b)  $H_0$  IS FALSE
    - null hypothesis wrong: 168 is not true mean
    - doesn't require believing in rare events
- Need to decide: How rare does the data need to be (under  $H_0$ ) before I'll reject  $H_0$ ?

Type-I error: reject  
but  $H_0$  is true

This is where we choose  $\alpha$  (significance level).

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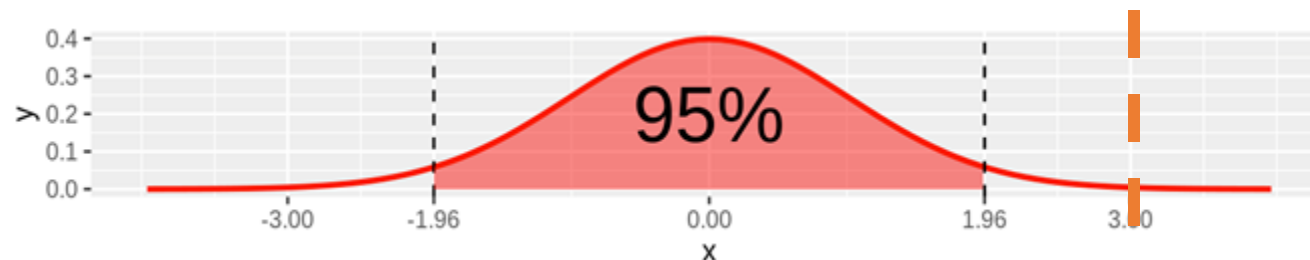
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$$H_1: \mu \neq 168$$

Suppose we observe 4 students' heights: 173, 181, 189, 177

**Solution:**

- We choose  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8} = 3$ ,  $P_{H_0}(|Z| \geq 1.96) \leq 0.05$  **How to choose  $c$  for other  $\alpha$ ?**
- Reject  $H_0$ : my data would occur with probability  $\leq 5\%$  under  $H_0$



- How to choose  $c$ ?

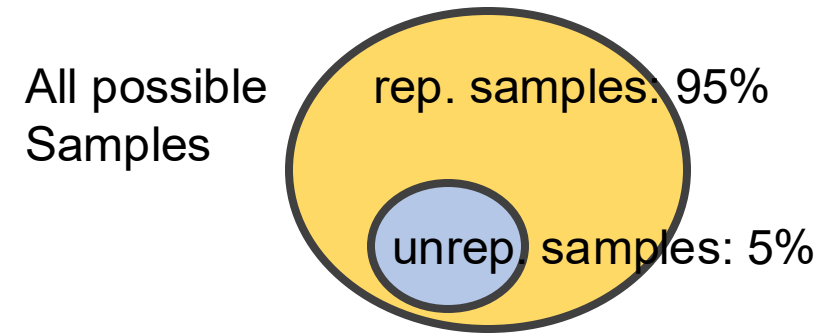
- Significance level  $\alpha$ :

$$P_{H_0}(|Z| \geq c) \leq \alpha$$

**Type-I error:** we reject  $H_0$  (due to  $\bar{X}_n$  far from 168), but  $H_0$  is true

- Usually  $\alpha$  is small, e.g. 0.05
- I.e., stay with the null hypothesis as long as our sample is 95%-representative

**Smaller  $\alpha \Rightarrow$  more inclined to stay with  $H_0 \Rightarrow$  Need stronger evidence to reject  $H_0$**



Choose  $c$  such that

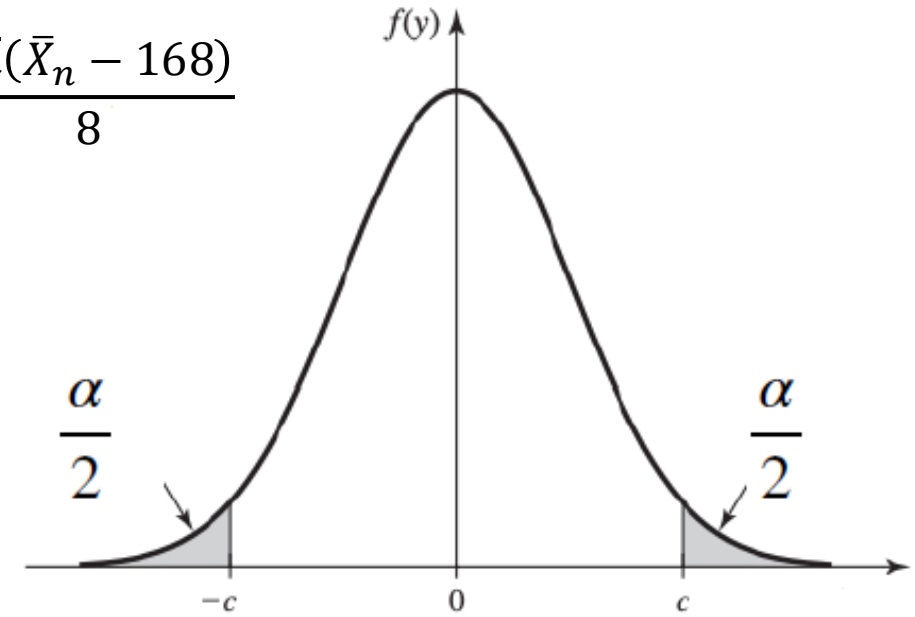
$$P_{H_0}(|Z| \geq c) = \alpha = 5\%$$

$$Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 168)}{8}$$

Reject  $H_0$  if  $|Z| \geq c$ , i.e.

$Z$  falls in the shaded region

Let's find the value of  $c$ ..



PDF of  $Z$

- under  $H_0$ , by central limit theorem:

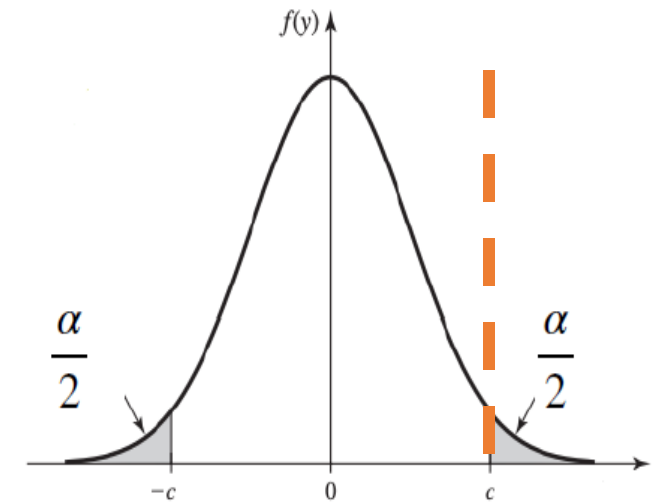
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**z-statistic: a statistic  
that is supposed to  
follow  $N(0,1)$**

**$Z$  is a valid z-statistic**

$c$  is such that  $P_{Z \sim N(0,1)}(|Z| \geq c) = \alpha$

$$\Rightarrow c = \Phi^{-1}\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$$



PDF of  $Z$

$$\alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow c = \Phi^{-1}(0.975) = \text{st.norm.ppf}(0.975) = 1.96$$

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Suppose we observe 4 students' heights: 173, 181, 189, 177

We reject if  $Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{8} |\bar{X}_n - 168| \geq \Phi^{-1}(0.975)$  This is called a z-test  
1.96

From data,  $Z = 3$ , so we reject  $H_0$ .



**General fact** Assume that we have a set of samples  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  that follow  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , test the hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0,$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$$

with significance level  $\alpha$

We can use the z-test:

$$\text{Reject if } |Z| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right), \text{ where } Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)$$

Larger  $n \Rightarrow$  more reject

Larger  $\alpha \Rightarrow$  more reject

Larger  $\sigma \Rightarrow$  less reject

rejection threshold  $r$

**General fact** Assume that we have a set of samples  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  that follow  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , test the hypothesis

$$H_0: \mu = \mu_0,$$

$$H_1: \mu \neq \mu_0$$

with significance level  $\alpha$

$$\text{z-test: Reject if } |Z| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left( 1 - \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)$$

rejection threshold  $r$

**Example**  $\sigma = 8$ ,  $n = 4$ ,  $\bar{X}_n = 180$ , use z-test to test if  $\mu = 168$

$$\alpha = 0.05 \Rightarrow r = 1.96$$

$$\alpha = 0.01 \Rightarrow r = 2.58$$

$$\alpha = 0.001 \Rightarrow r = 3.29$$

$$\text{reject } H_0 \quad Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0) = 3$$

reject  $H_0$

do not reject  $H_0$

- Other tests can be found using the same reasoning

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one-sided hypothesis testing problem

- $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$ , vs  $H_1: \mu > \mu_0$

$$Z \geq \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha)$$

- $H_0: \mu \geq \mu_0$ , vs  $H_1: \mu < \mu_0$

$$Z \leq \Phi^{-1}(\alpha)$$

All these are z-tests, since it uses the z-statistic

$$Z = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}(\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)$$

- Drawback of z-test: needs to know population stddev  $\sigma$

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Should I reject  $H_0$ ?

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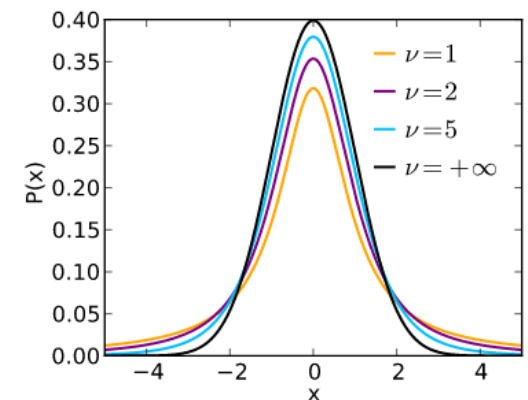
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**Approach** When  $H_0$  happens,

this is called a t-statistic, i.e, a  
statistic that follows t-distribution

$$T = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)}{\hat{\sigma}_n} \sim t(n - 1)$$

observed value  $\frac{\sqrt{18}(182.17 - 200)}{17.72} = -1.018$



**Approach** We've seen that under  $H_0$ ,

$$T = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu_0)}{\hat{\sigma}_n} \sim t(n-1)$$

Our test with significance  $\alpha$ :

$$\text{reject when } |T| > F^{-1}\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$$

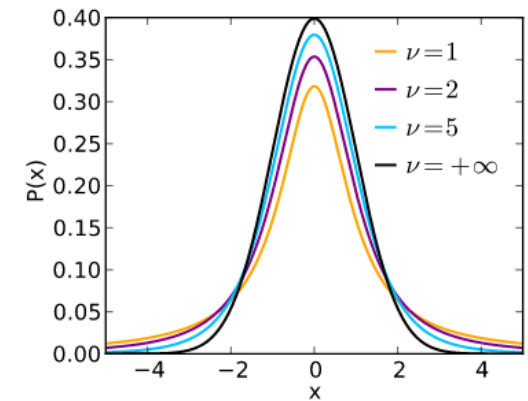
$F$  is now the CDF of the  $t(n-1)$  distribution

(Note how similar this is to the z-test)

$$|T| = 1.018$$

$$F^{-1}\left(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) = 2.11$$

thus, we do not reject  $H_0: \mu = 200$



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1 st.t.ppf(1-0.05/2, 17)
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np.float64(2.1098155778331806)
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- More specifically:
  - Design experiment
  - Design test statistic  $W$  (related to hypothesis)
    - T-statistic, Z-statistic, Chi-square statistic
  - Find distribution of  $W$  under  $H_0$
  - Collect data  $X_1, \dots, X_n$
  - Compute  $w$ , value of  $W$  applied on the data  $X_1, \dots, X_n$
  - Define a rejection region  $R$
  - Reject  $H_0$  if  $w \in R$ , for “reasonable” rejection region  $R$

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Reject  $H_0$  if:

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*F: CDF of  $t(n-1)$*

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$$T \leq F^{-1}(\alpha)$$

All these are called t-test, since it relies on computing  $T$ , a t-statistic



**Example** Metal fibers produced, length in millimeters; use t-test to test

$$H_0: \mu \leq 5.2, \quad H_1: \mu > 5.2$$

n=15 fibers measured,  $\bar{X}_n = 5.4$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_n = 0.4226$ .

Shall we reject  $H_0$  at significance 0.05?

**Solution** The t-test is “reject if  $T \geq F^{-1}(1 - \alpha)$ ”

$$\text{t-statistic } T = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\hat{\sigma}_n} (\bar{X}_n - \mu_0) = 1.83$$

rejection threshold  $F^{-1}(1 - \alpha) = \text{t.ppf}(0.95, 14) = 1.76$  we should reject