

Note 3 (Some notes about  $z$ - and  $t$ -tests)

For the null and alternative hypotheses:

or  $H_0: \underline{\Delta} = \underline{\Delta}_0$  (or  $\underline{\Delta} \leq \underline{\Delta}_0$ ) vs.  $H_A^*: \underline{\Delta} > \underline{\Delta}_0$  (need domain knowledge)  
 $H_0: \underline{\Delta} = \underline{\Delta}_0$  (or  $\underline{\Delta} \geq \underline{\Delta}_0$ ) vs.  $H_A^{**}: \underline{\Delta} < \underline{\Delta}_0$  (need domain knowledge)

where  $H_A^*$  and  $H_A^{**}$  are one-sided alternatives, the  $z$ - and  $t$ -tests are

- $\sigma^2$  known:  $Z \geq z(\alpha)$  for  $H_A^*$ , and  $Z \leq -z(\alpha)$  for  $H_A^{**}$  ← (reasonable?)
- $\sigma^2$  unknown:  $T \geq t_{m+n-2}(\alpha)$  for  $H_A^*$ , and  $T \leq -t_{m+n-2}(\alpha)$  for  $H_A^{**}$  ←

**FYI.** All the tests presented in LNp.13-14 are uniformly most powerful unbiased (UMPU) tests. (Note. Its proof follows a theorem of UMPU tests for exponential family with nuisance parameters)

The test statistics are of the form:

$$\frac{(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - \underline{\Delta}_0}{s_{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}}$$

$$\text{or } \frac{(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - \underline{\Delta}_0}{\sigma_{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}}$$

(estimated) std. error of  $\bar{X} - \bar{Y}$   
(Note 2, LNp.12)

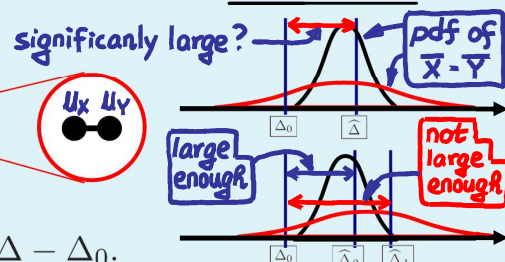
– In the numerator,  $(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - \underline{\Delta}_0$  estimates  $\underline{\Delta} - \underline{\Delta}_0$ .

– **Q:** why is this estimate divided by  $s_{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}}$  ( $s_{\bar{X} - \bar{Y}} \downarrow$  when  $m \uparrow$  and/or  $n \uparrow$ )?

• **Q:** if  $H_0$  not rejected, do we really accept  $\underline{\Delta} = \underline{\Delta}_0$ , say  $\mu_X = \mu_Y$ ? (better to claim “sample size is not large enough to reject  $H_0$ .”) ←  $\underline{\Delta}_0 = 0$

• statistically significant difference vs. physically significant difference (example?)

statistical standard  $\xleftrightarrow{\text{different}}$  physical standard



very easy to claim significant when sample size is large

Theorem 6 (likelihood ratio tests for  $\underline{\Delta} = \underline{\Delta}_0$ , 2-sample normal model)

All the tests presented in LNp.13-14 are likelihood ratio tests.

**Proof:** We only prove the case of two-sided hypothesis. For the case of one-sided hypothesis, its proof is similar (exercise). ←  $H_A$

Recall that

– the log-likelihood is

$$l = \log(\mathcal{L}) \propto -\frac{m+n}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \underline{\mu}_X)^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m (Y_j - \underline{\mu}_Y)^2}{2\sigma^2},$$

– the test statistic of likelihood ratio test is → used to determine what data is “more extreme” support  $H_A$

$$\underline{\Lambda} = \frac{\sup_{\underline{\omega}} \mathcal{L}}{\sup_{\underline{\Omega}} \mathcal{L}} \quad \text{or} \quad \log(\underline{\Lambda}) = \sup_{\underline{\omega}} \log(\mathcal{L}) - \sup_{\underline{\Omega}} \log(\mathcal{L}) = \sup_{\underline{\omega}} l - \sup_{\underline{\Omega}} l,$$

where  $\underline{\Omega} = H_0 \cup H_A$  and  $\underline{\omega} = H_0$ , ←  $\underline{\Delta} = \underline{\Delta}_0$

– a likelihood ratio test rejects  $H_0$  for small values of  $\underline{\Lambda}$  (or  $\log \underline{\Lambda}$ ).

parameter space

•  $\sigma^2$  known

– The parameter spaces  $\underline{\Omega}$  and  $\underline{\omega}$  are

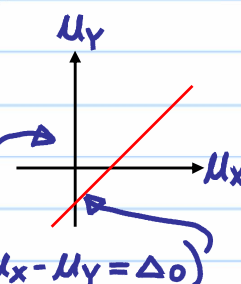
$$\underline{\Omega} = \{(\underline{\mu}_X, \underline{\mu}_Y) \mid \underline{\mu}_X \in \mathbb{R}, \underline{\mu}_Y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$\underline{\omega} = \{(\underline{\mu}_X, \underline{\mu}_Y) \mid \underline{\mu}_X \in \mathbb{R}, \underline{\mu}_Y = \underline{\mu}_X - \underline{\Delta}_0\}$$

– Under  $\underline{\Omega}$ , the MLE's of  $(\underline{\mu}_X, \underline{\mu}_Y)$  are

$$\hat{\underline{\mu}}_{X, \underline{\Omega}} = \bar{X}, \quad \hat{\underline{\mu}}_{Y, \underline{\Omega}} = \bar{Y},$$

Why are they more extreme?



a parallel universe

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\underline{\Omega}} l = l(\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\Omega}}, \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\Omega}}) \propto - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_j - \bar{Y})^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{m+n}{2} \log(\sigma^2)$$

Under  $\underline{\omega}$ , the log-likelihood is proportional to

$$l^*(\underline{\mu}_X) \equiv - \frac{m+n}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \underline{\mu}_X)^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m [Y_j - (\underline{\mu}_X - \Delta_0)]^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

$\sigma^2$ : known constant

$X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1 + \Delta_0, \dots, Y_m + \Delta_0$  i.i.d.  $N(\underline{\mu}_X, \sigma^2)$

and the MLE's of  $(\underline{\mu}_X, \underline{\mu}_Y)$  are

$$0 = \frac{dl^*}{d\underline{\mu}_X} \propto 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - n\underline{\mu}_X + \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_j + \Delta_0) - m\underline{\mu}_X \right]$$

$$\underline{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}} = \frac{n}{m+n} \bar{X} + \frac{m}{m+n} (\bar{Y} + \Delta_0)$$

$$\hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\omega}} = \hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}} - \Delta_0 = \frac{n}{m+n} (\bar{X} - \Delta_0) + \frac{m}{m+n} \bar{Y}$$

c.f. one-sample normal data (LNp.6) with  $n+m$  observations

by invariance property of MLE

$$\Rightarrow \sup_{\underline{\omega}} l = l(\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}}, \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\omega}}) \propto - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_j - \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\omega}})^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

Therefore, the log-likelihood-ratio is

Sup  $l_{\underline{\omega}}$  - sup  $l_{\underline{\Omega}}$

$$\log(\Lambda) = l(\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}}, \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\omega}}) - l(\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\Omega}}, \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\Omega}})$$

$$= - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[ \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - 2n\bar{X}\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}} + n\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^m Y_j^2 - 2m\bar{Y}\hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\omega}} + m\hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\omega}}^2 \right) \right. \\ \left. + \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 + n\bar{X}^2 + \sum_{j=1}^m Y_j^2 + m\bar{Y}^2 \right) \right]$$

$$= - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left[ n(\bar{X} - \hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}})^2 + m(\bar{Y} - \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\omega}})^2 \right]$$

$$= - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( \frac{mn}{m+n} \right) (\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - \Delta_0)^2$$

$$\frac{m^2 n}{(m+n)^2} + \frac{n^2 m}{(m+n)^2}$$

$$\bar{X} - \hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}} = \frac{m}{m+n} (\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - \Delta_0)$$

$$\bar{Y} - \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\omega}} = \frac{-n}{m+n} (\bar{X} - \bar{Y} - \Delta_0)$$

The likelihood ratio test rejects  $H_0$  for  $|\Delta| = \Delta_0$

small values of  $\log(\Lambda) \Leftrightarrow$  large values of  $|(\bar{X} - \bar{Y}) - \Delta_0|$ ,

which is the  $z$ -test apart from constants that do not depend on the data.

$\sigma^2$  unknown

Thm 5 (LNp.13)

parameter

The parameter spaces  $\underline{\Omega}$  and  $\underline{\omega}$  are

$\underline{\Omega}, \underline{\omega}$  in LNp.15

$$\underline{\Omega} = \{(\underline{\mu}_X, \underline{\mu}_Y, \sigma^2) \mid \underline{\mu}_X \in \mathbb{R}, \underline{\mu}_Y \in \mathbb{R}, \sigma^2 > 0\}$$

$$\underline{\omega} = \{(\underline{\mu}_X, \underline{\mu}_Y, \sigma^2) \mid \underline{\mu}_X \in \mathbb{R}, \underline{\mu}_Y = \underline{\mu}_X - \Delta_0, \sigma^2 > 0\}$$

Under  $\underline{\Omega}$ , the MLE's of  $(\underline{\mu}_X, \underline{\mu}_Y, \sigma^2)$  are

$\Delta = \Delta_0 (H_0)$

Thm 3 (LNp.9~10)

$$\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\Omega}} = \bar{X}, \quad \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\Omega}} = \bar{Y}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\underline{\Omega}}^2 = \frac{1}{m+n} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\Omega}})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_j - \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\Omega}})^2 \right] = \frac{(n-1)S_X^2 + (m-1)S_Y^2}{m+n-2}$$

$$\frac{m+n-2}{m+n} S_p^2$$

$$\sup_{\underline{\Omega}} l =$$

$$l(\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\Omega}}, \hat{\mu}_{Y,\underline{\Omega}}, \hat{\sigma}_{\underline{\Omega}}^2) \propto - \frac{m+n}{2} \log(\hat{\sigma}_{\underline{\Omega}}^2) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^m (Y_j - \bar{Y})^2}{2\hat{\sigma}_{\underline{\Omega}}^2}$$

$$= - \frac{m+n}{2} \log(\hat{\sigma}_{\underline{\Omega}}^2) - \frac{m+n}{2}$$

$(m+n) \hat{\sigma}_{\underline{\Omega}}^2$

Under  $\underline{\omega}$ , the log-likelihood is proportional to

$X_1, \dots, X_n, Y_1 + \Delta_0, \dots, Y_m + \Delta_0$  i.i.d.  $N(\underline{\mu}_X, \sigma^2)$

$$l^* \equiv - \frac{m+n}{2} \log(\sigma^2) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \underline{\mu}_X)^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m [Y_j - (\underline{\mu}_X - \Delta_0)]^2}{2\sigma^2}$$

$\sigma^2$ : parameter

and the MLE's of  $(\underline{\mu}_X, \underline{\mu}_Y, \sigma^2)$  are

← solve  $\partial l^* / \partial \underline{\mu}_X = 0$  and  $\partial l^* / \partial \sigma^2 = 0$

$$\hat{\mu}_{X,\underline{\omega}} = \frac{n}{m+n} \bar{X} + \frac{m}{m+n} (\bar{Y} + \Delta_0)$$

← same as  $\sigma^2$  known (LNp.16)