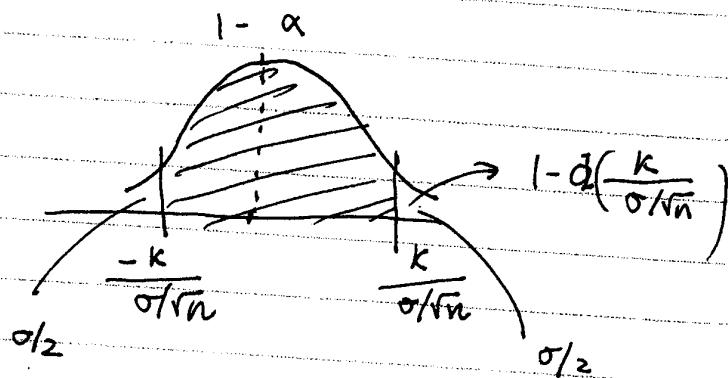


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~~Let  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  be iid  $n(\mu, \sigma^2)$~~



• by symmetry

$$\cdot 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) = \alpha/2$$

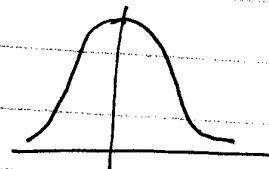
$$\cdot \Phi\left(\frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha/2$$

$$\frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha/2) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} z_{\alpha/2}$$

~~e.g.  $\alpha = 0.05$~~  ~~z~~

t distribution

Student t-distribution



$$\text{pdf } p(x|v) = \frac{\Gamma(v+1)}{\sqrt{v} \pi P(v/2)} \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{v}\right)^{-\frac{v+1}{2}}$$

$\alpha$ : typically 0.05, 0.01, 0.1

interval estimate for t-distribution:

$$[\bar{x} - s]$$

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$$\bar{x} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$

~~$P(\bar{x} - k < \mu < \bar{x} + k)$~~

$\alpha$  typically 0.05, 0.01, 0.1

$$P(\bar{x} - k < \mu < \bar{x} + k) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$P(-k < \mu - \bar{x} < k) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\text{or } P(-k < \bar{x} - \mu < k) = 1 - \alpha \quad \bar{x} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$$

$$P\left(\frac{-k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} < \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} < \frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(z < \frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) - P\left(z < \frac{-k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi\left(\frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) - \left(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{-k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right)\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$\Phi\left(\frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\Phi(-x) = 1 - \Phi(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = z_{\alpha/2}$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2}$$

$$\text{interval estimate: for } \mu \left( \bar{x} - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2}, \bar{x} + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} z_{\alpha/2} \right)$$

then the chance that  $\bar{x} \in \mu$  belongs to  
this interval is  $1 - \alpha$ .

~~E.g.  $\alpha = 0.1 \iff \sigma^2 = 0.1, n = 5$~~

~~$\alpha/2 = 0.05$~~

~~$\Phi\left(\frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - 0.05 = 0.95$~~

~~$k/\sigma/\sqrt{n} = 1.605$~~

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Example:

digital thermometer, take 6 measurements.

$$98.2, 98.6, 97.4, 98.2, 97.9, 98.9, \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$n = 6$$

$$\sigma^2 = 1$$

$$\alpha = 0.1$$

$$\alpha/2 = 0.05$$

$$\Phi\left(\frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) = 1 - 0.05 = 0.95$$

$$\frac{k}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = 1.605 \quad (\text{use normal table})$$

$$k = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} 1.605 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} 1.605 = 0.665$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{6} \sum_{i=1}^6 x_i = 98.2$$

interval estimator for  $\mu$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &\in [98.2 - \frac{0.665}{0.66}, 98.2 + \frac{0.665}{0.66}] \\ &= [97.54, 98.86] \end{aligned}$$

(with 95% chance,  
true temperature is in this  
interval)