

# Statistics: Examples and Exercises

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Module 1 Day 7

# Your Data and Statistics

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"Figures often beguile me," he wrote,  
"particularly when I have the arranging of  
them myself; in which case the remark  
attributed to Disraeli would often apply with  
justice and force: 'There are three kinds of lies:  
lies, damned lies, and statistics.'"

Quote from Mark Twain, Chapters from My  
Autobiography, 1906

# Why are stats important

- Sometimes two data sets look different, but aren't
- Other times, two data sets don't look that different, but are.

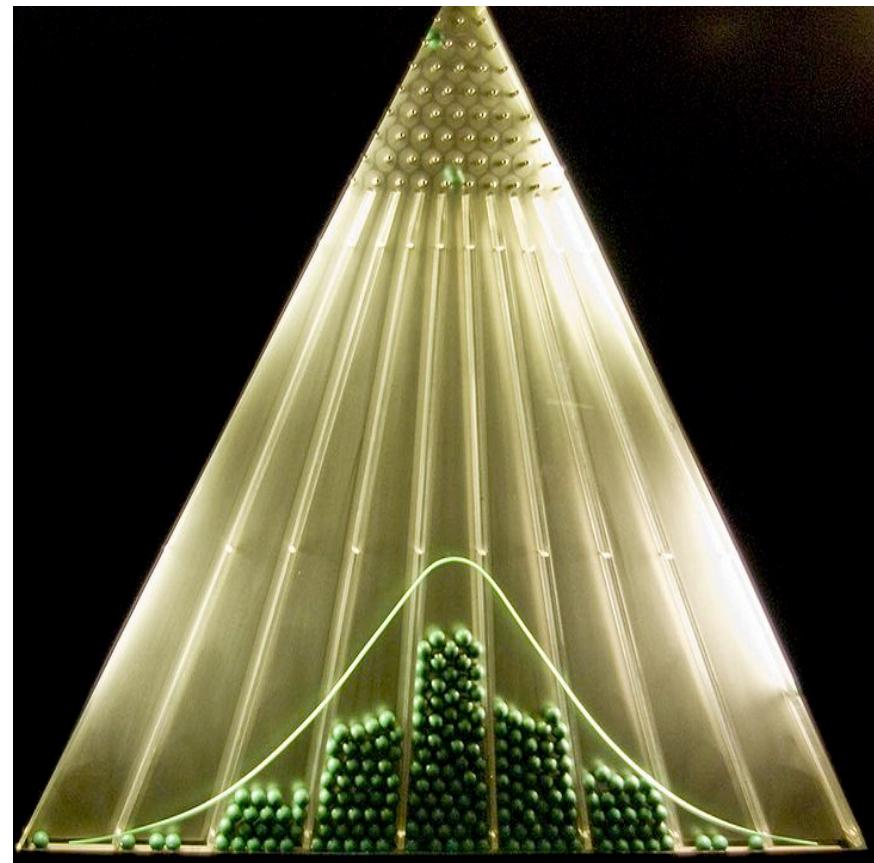
# Why are stats important

- Informed experimental design is very powerful
- Save time, money, experimental subjects, patients, lab animals .....

# Normal Distribution

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- The data are centered around the mean
- The data are distributed symmetrically around the mean



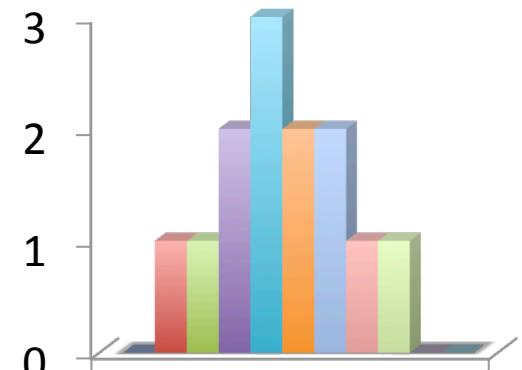
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# Mean $\mu$ vs $\bar{x}$

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- The entire population mean is  $\mu$
  - Sample population mean is  $\bar{x}$
  - As your sample population gets larger,  $\bar{x} \rightarrow \mu$
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- Data Set
    - 2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 8, 9
  - Mean

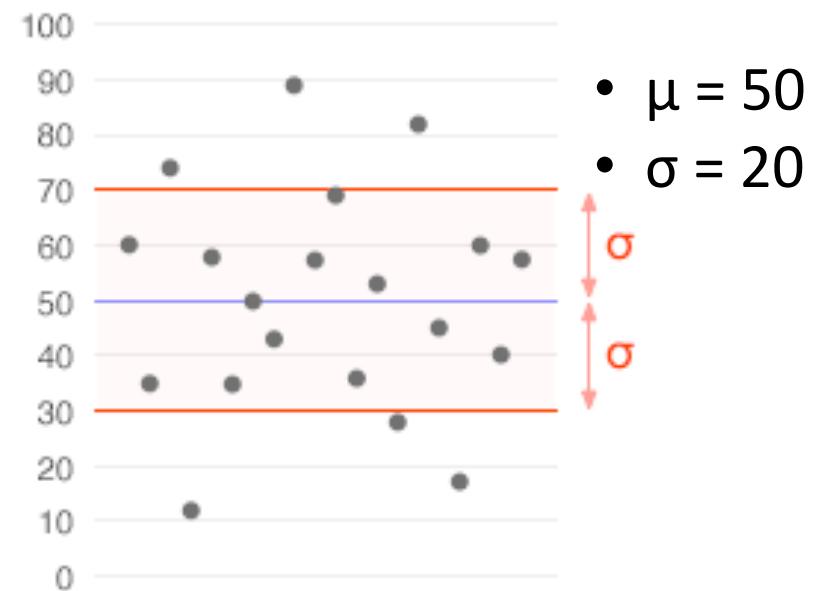
$$\bar{x} = \frac{2 + 3 + 4 + 4 + 5 + 5 + 6 + 6 + 7 + 7 + 8 + 9}{12}$$



# Standard Deviation

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- Describes how data are expected to vary from the mean
- $\sigma$  is s.d. of population  
 $s$  is s.d. of sample



$$s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

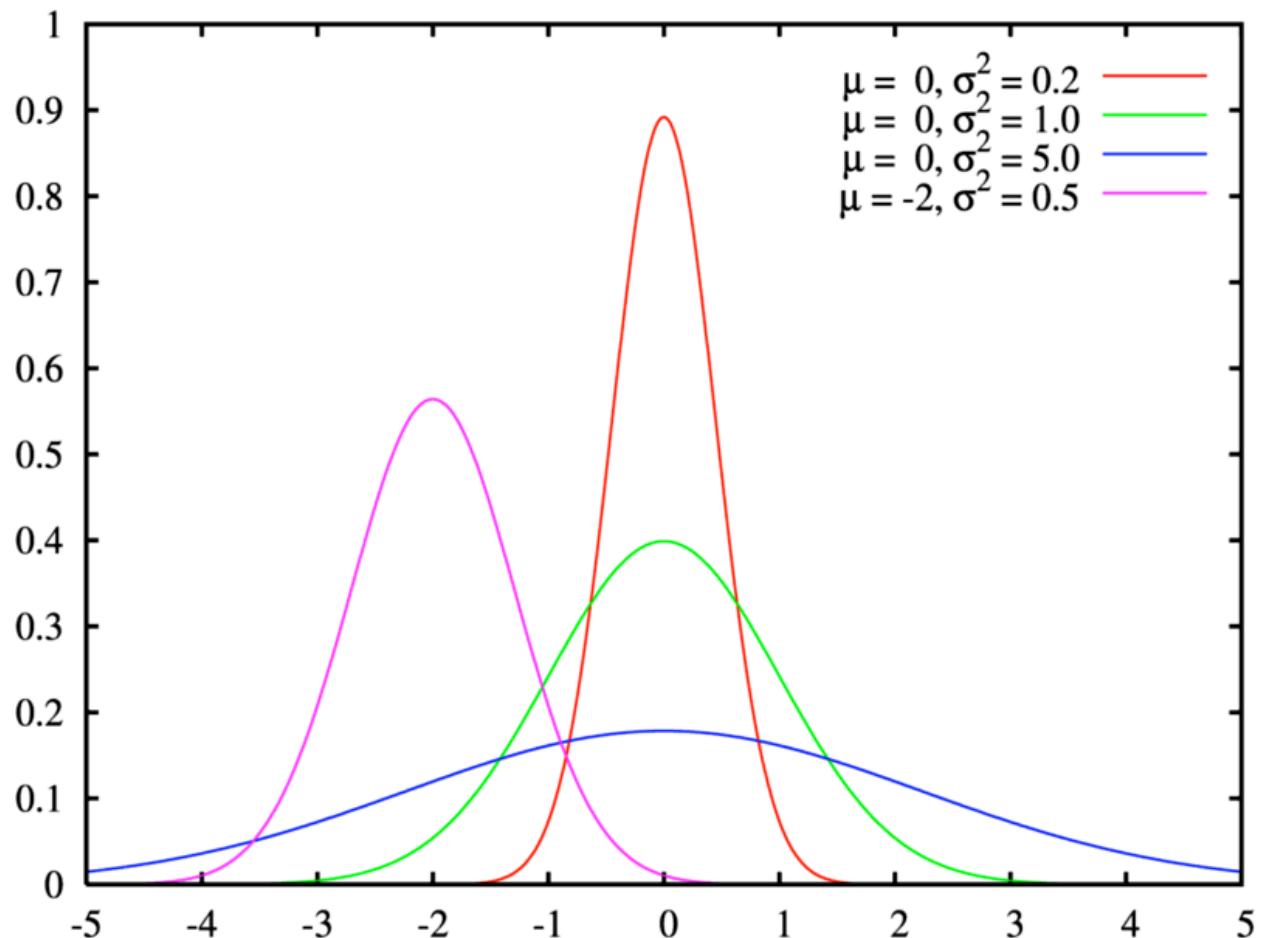
$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^2}$$

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# Meaning of Standard Deviation

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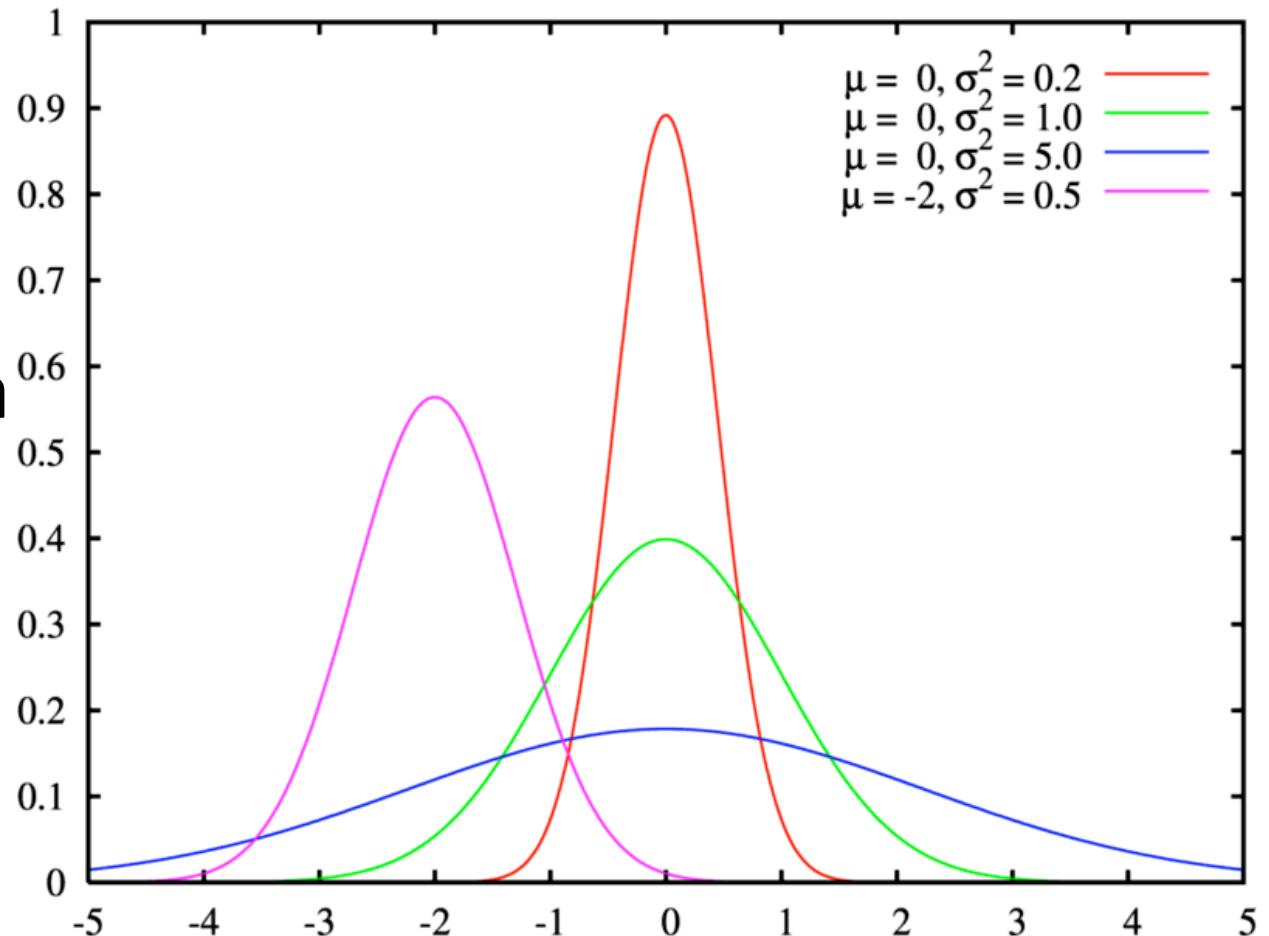
- Red, Green, Blue all same mean
- Different standard deviation



# Meaning of Standard Deviation

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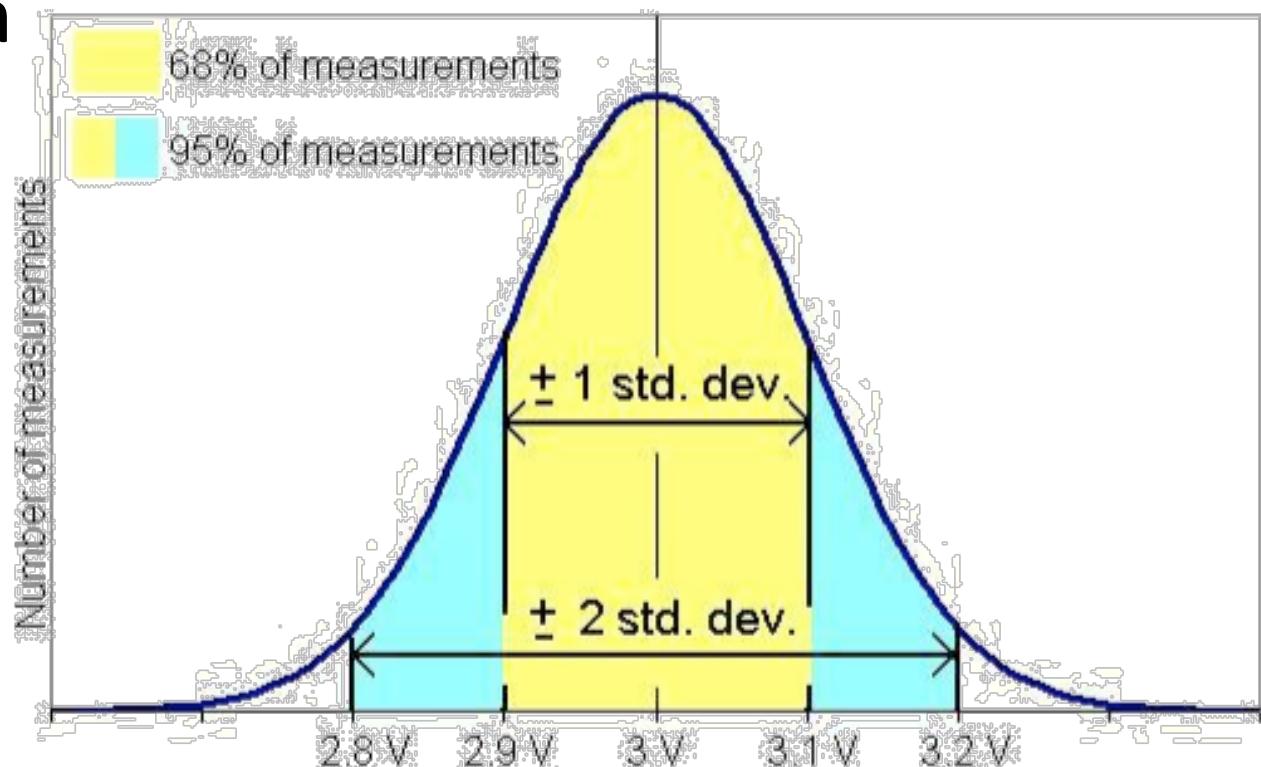
- Data with a larger spread (blue and green) have a larger Standard Deviation



# Standard Deviation

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- 68% of values are within 1 standard deviation
- 95% of values are within 2 standard deviations of the mean



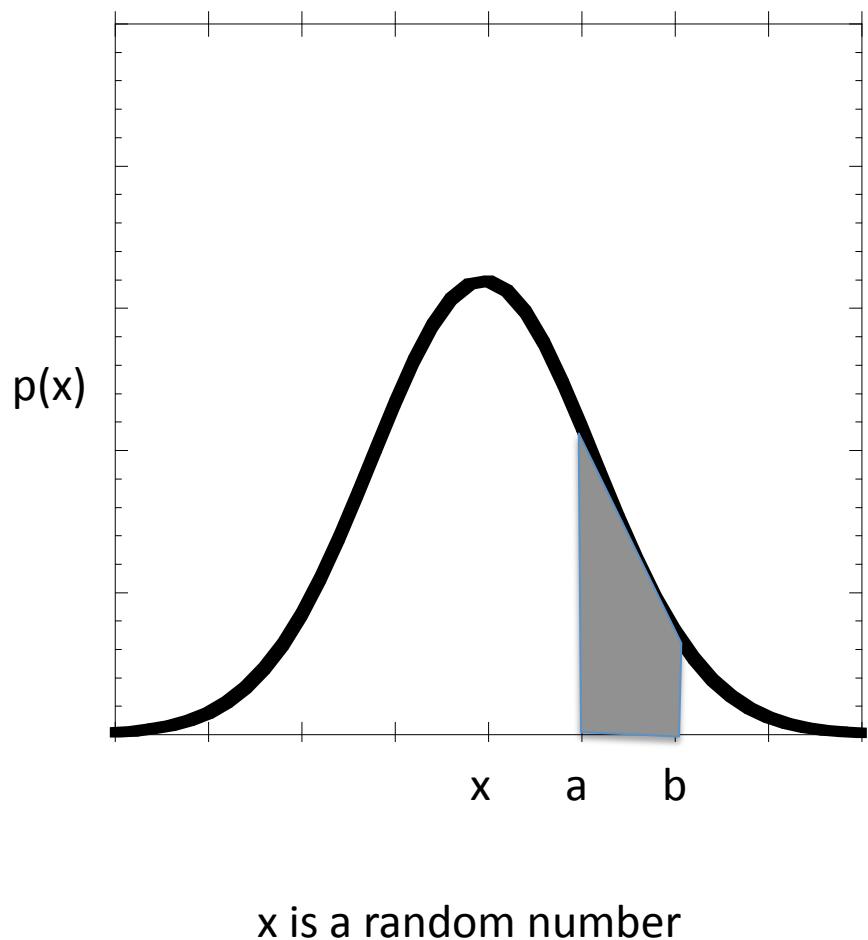
# Statistical Significance

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- How do we know that two data sets are truly different

# Recap: Probability density function $p(x)$

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Normalized

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x)dx = 1$$

Probability that

$$a < x < b$$

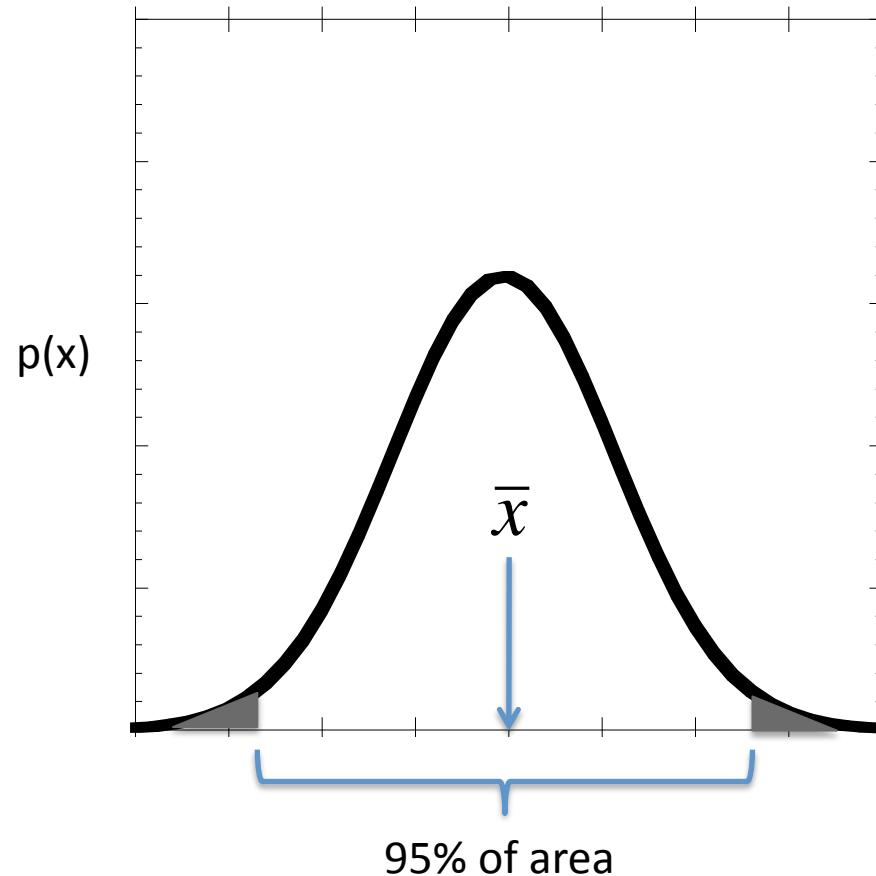
is

$$\int_a^b p(x)dx$$

# 95% confidence interval of an estimate

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A range such that 95% of replicate estimates would be within it



# 95% Confidence interval for a normally distributed variable

$$\bar{x} - \frac{t_{0.025} s}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu < \bar{x} + \frac{t_{0.025} s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

# data points	$t_{0.025}$	
2	12.706	
3	4.303	
4	3.182	
5	2.776	
10	2.262	
20	2.093	
30	2.045	
50	2.010	
100	1.984	

Increasingly  
accurate  
estimate  
of  $\sigma$

Note: Uncertainty decreases proportionally to

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

So take more data!

# Example

3 measurements of absorbance at 600 nm: 0.110, 0.115, 0.113

95% confidence limit?

Soln:  $\bar{x} = 0.113, s = 0.0025$

$$\bar{x} - \frac{t_{0.025}s}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu < \bar{x} + \frac{t_{0.025}s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$0.113 - \frac{4.303(0.0025)}{\sqrt{3}} < \mu < 0.113 + \frac{4.303(0.0025)}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$0.107 < \mu < 0.119$$

t Table

# Confidence Intervals

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- Use t to find interval containing  $\mu$  if  $\bar{x}$  is known

$$\mu = \bar{x} \pm \frac{ts}{\sqrt{n}}$$

- Example:

$$t_{95} = 2.6$$

$$\mu_l = 7.5 \pm \frac{2.6 \times 1.0}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$6.4 < \mu < 8.6$$

Hawks	Cyclones
9	4
8	6
7	5
6	2
7	4
8	5
$\bar{x}_1$	7.5
$s_1$	1.0
$\bar{x}_2$	4.3
$s_2$	1.4

I am 95% confident that the population mean lies between 6.4 and 8.6

# T-tests

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- Compare confidence intervals to see if data sets are significantly different
- Assumptions
  - Data are normally distributed
  - The mean is independent of the standard deviation
    - $\mu \neq f(\sigma)$
- Various types
  - One sample t-test
    - Are these data different than the entire population?
  - Two sample t-test
    - Do these two data sets come from different populations?
  - Paired t-test
    - Do individual changes show an overall change?

# Use t-test to compare means

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- We have  $\bar{x}_1$  and  $\bar{x}_2$ 
  - Do they come from different populations?
    - Are  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  different?
- Null Hypothesis  $H_o$ :
  - $\bar{x}_1 = \bar{x}_2$
- Alternative Hypothesis  $H_a$ :
  - $\bar{x}_1 > \bar{x}_2$
- t statistic tests  $H_o$ . If  $t < 0.05$ , then reject  $H_o$  and accept  $H_a$

# T-test Illustration

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- Two populations that are significantly different, with  $X_2$  larger than  $X_1$

# T-test Illustration

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- Two populations that are not significantly different, but  $X_2$  is still larger than  $X_1$

# Exercise: Find 99% Confidence

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$$H_o : \bar{x}_1 = \bar{x}_2$$

$$H_A : \bar{x}_1 \neq \bar{x}_2$$

- $$t = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{s} \sqrt{\frac{n_1 n_2}{n_1 + n_2}}$$

t=?

	MIT	Harvard
	100	46
	87	54
	56	76
	87	92
	98	87
	90	60
$\bar{X}_1$	86.3	$\bar{X}_2$ 69.2
$s_1$	15.9	$s_2$ 18.6

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{set1} (x_i - \bar{x}_1)^2 + \sum_{set2} (x_j - \bar{x}_2)^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}}$$

s = ?

Go to table in notes to  
find  $t_{99}$  with 11 degrees  
of freedom

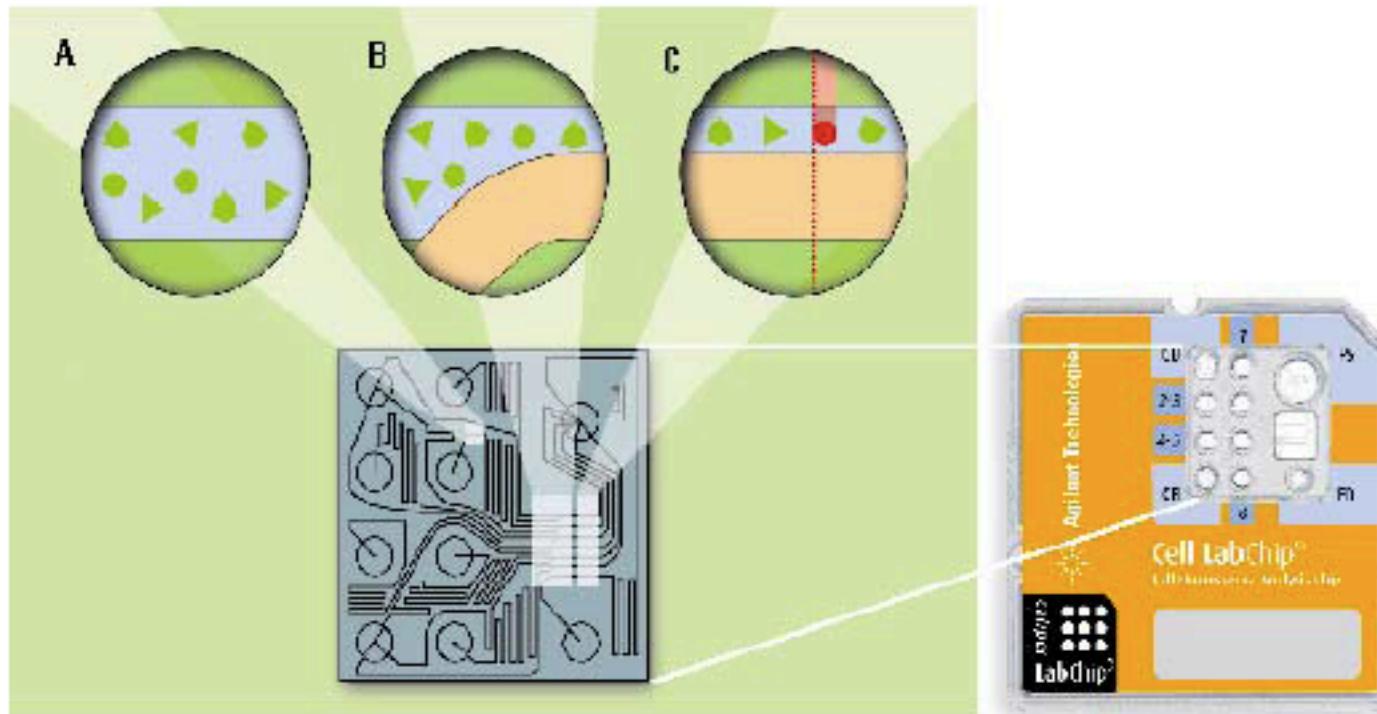
$t_{\text{calc}} = 1.79$   
 $t_{99} = ?$   
 $t_{\text{calc}} ? T_{99}$



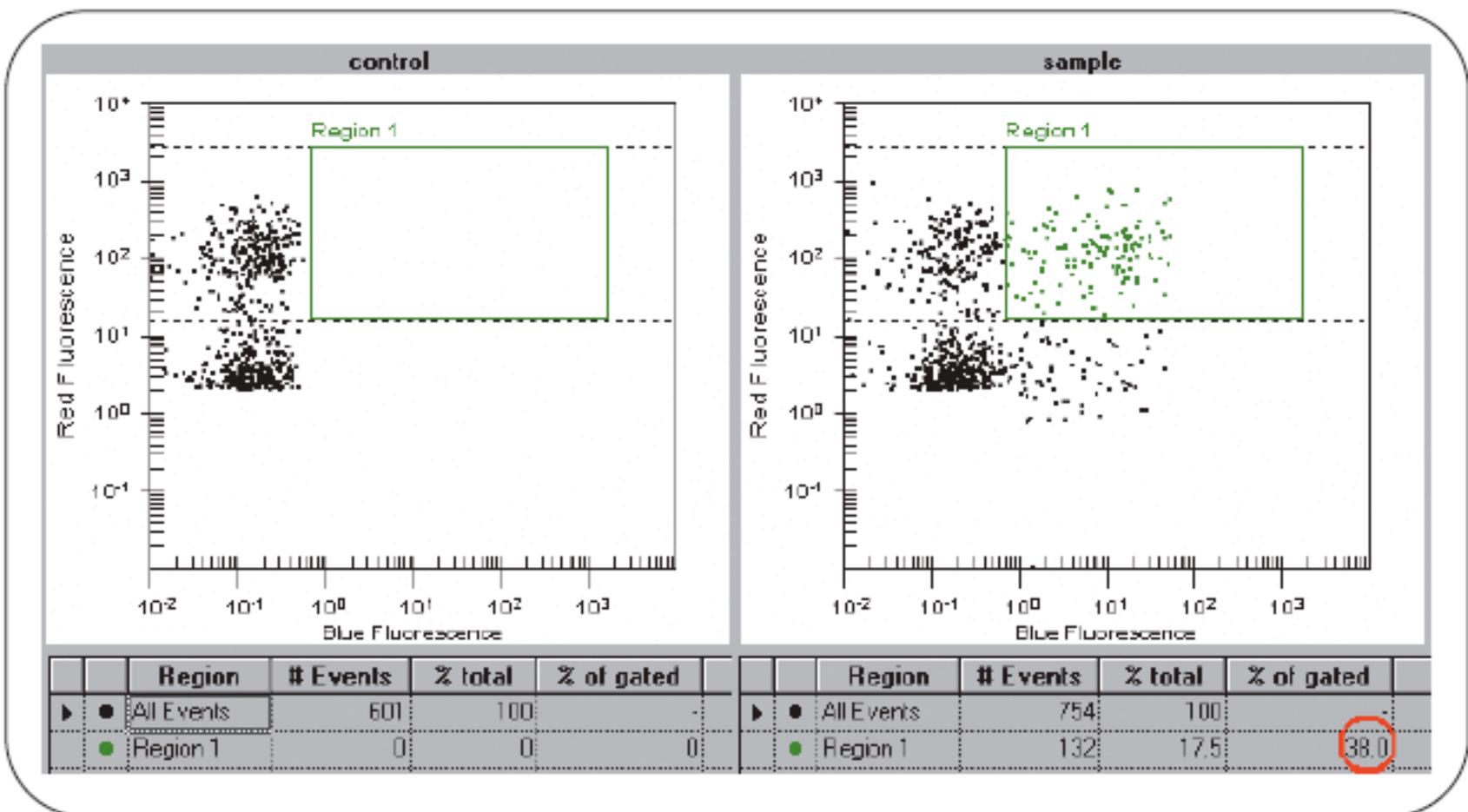
# Today and Thursday's Experiments

- Transfections today
- Measure fluorescence via Bioanalyzer on Thursday

# Thursday's Experiments: Bioanalyzer



# Bioanalyzer Output

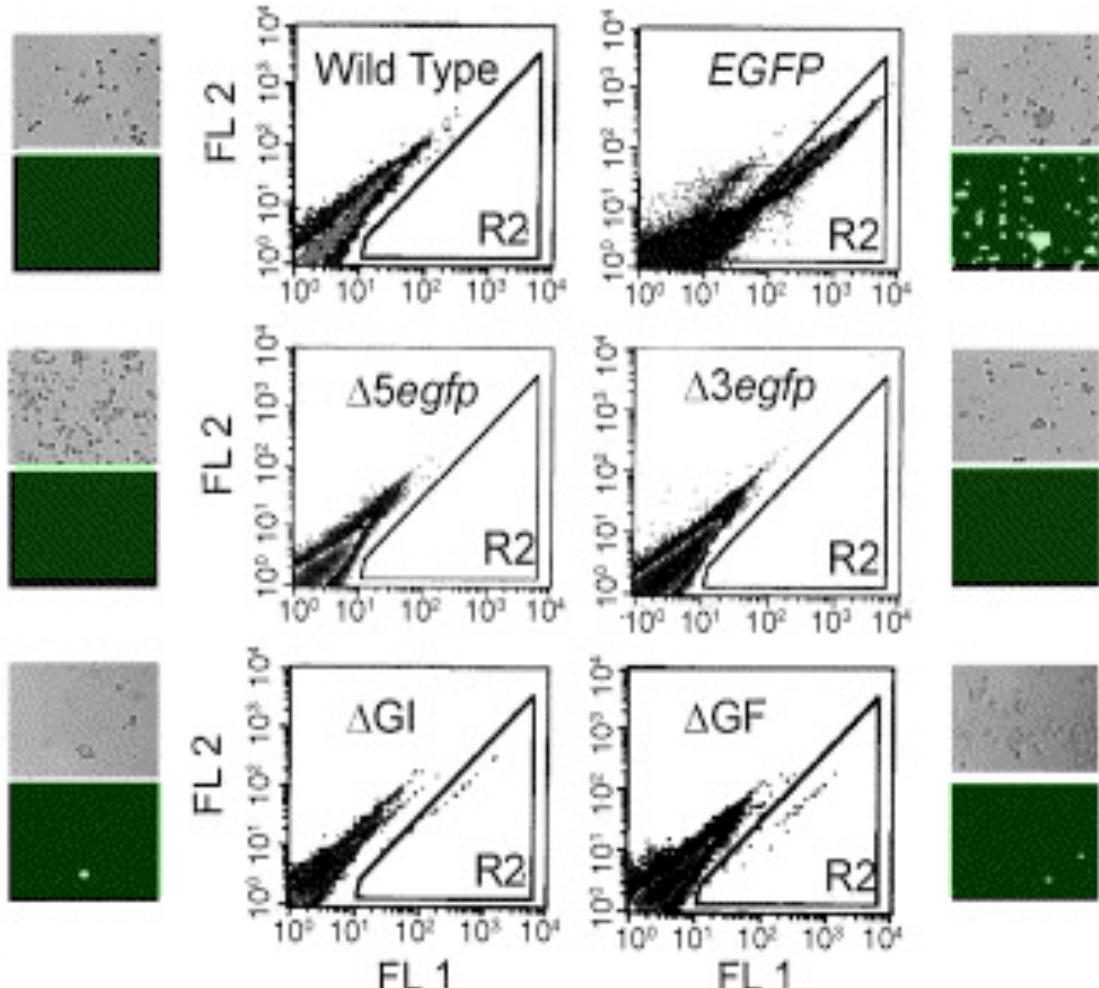


# FACS Data

Targeted cells showed green fluorescence via flow cytometry at expected frequency.

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Flow Cytometry



# FACS vs. Bioanalyzer

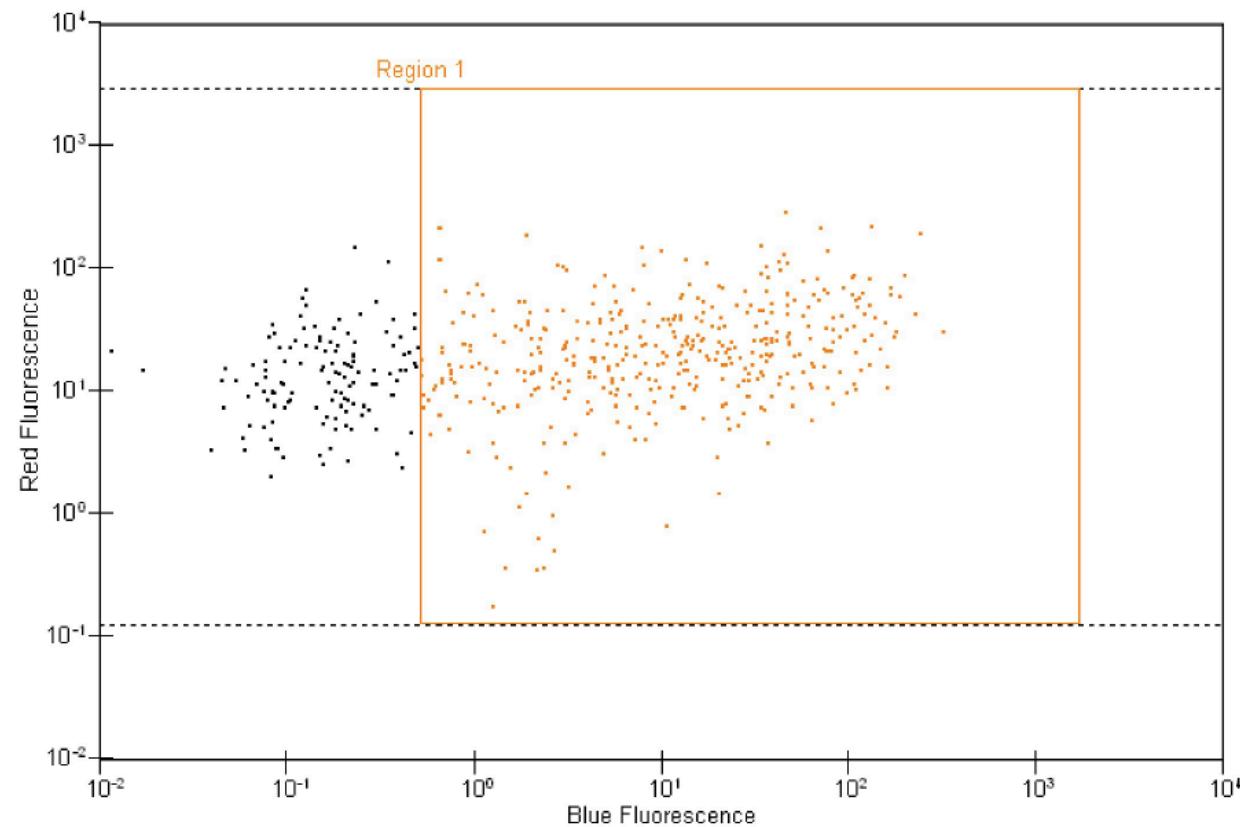
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- Ultimate readout will be fluorescence intensity in red and green channels for each cell
- FACS measures thousands of events, while the Bioanalyzer measures hundreds
- What can this mean for your statistics???

# Example Bioanalyzer Data

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- Live cells will be labeled red, HR cells will also be green
- Positive Control

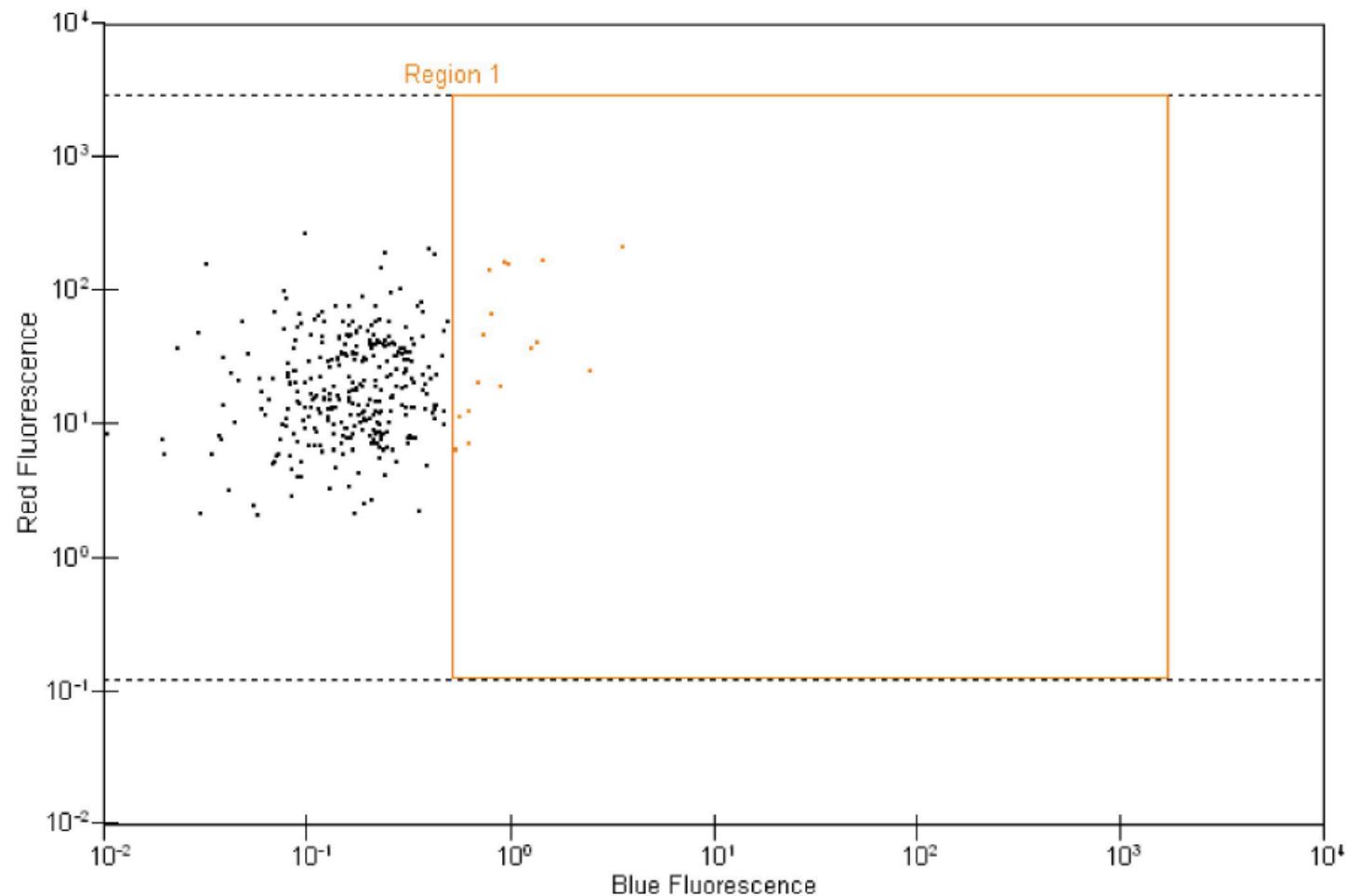


Dot plot statistics for sample 6 :							Sample 6				
Region	XMean	YMean	#Events	%Total	% of gated	StdDevX	StdDevY	CV%X	CV%Y	X GMean	Y GMean
All Events	22.56	27.51	546	100.00	N/A	40.10	31.49	177.80	114.49	3.58	17.38
Region 1	30.07	31.02	408	74.70	74.70	43.86	34.19	145.88	110.22	10.94	19.52

# Example Bioanalyzer Data

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- Live cells will be labeled red, HR cells will also be green
- Possible Experimental Sample Output



# Excel Example: Day 8 Results

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<b>Cell</b>	<b>Δ3</b>	<b>Δ3 + Δ5</b>
<b>1</b>	25	22
<b>2</b>	22	25
<b>3</b>	27	87
<b>4</b>	38	105
<b>5</b>	32	200
<b>6</b>	21	22
<b>7</b>	48	23
<b>8</b>	15	48
<b>9</b>	26	320
<b>10</b>	22	29
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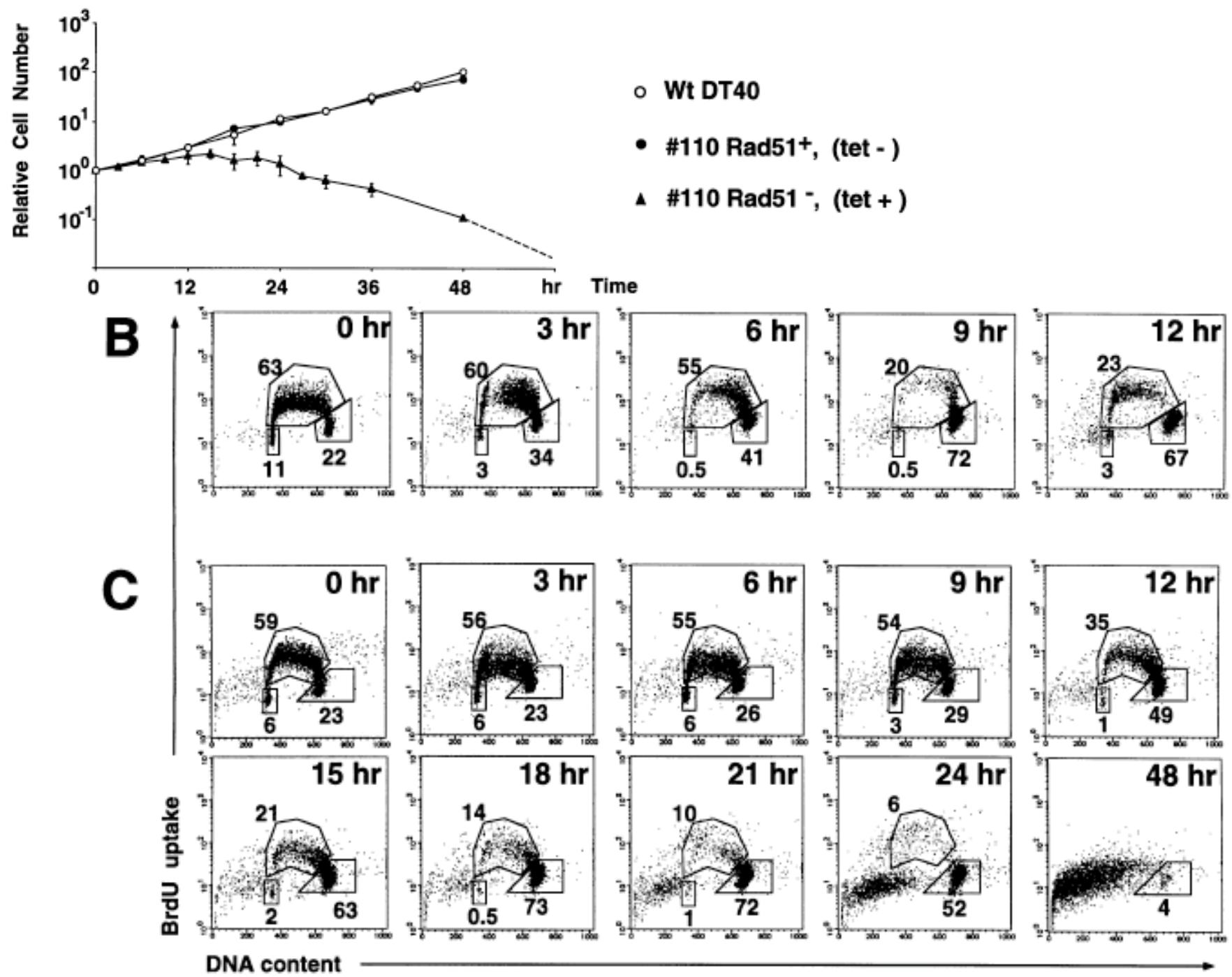
# Conclusion

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- Due to the nature of the data
  - Look at gating for individual cell data
  - Consider a Gaussian distribution for significance when comparing across conditions and groups
- Think about how much data you have within each population and use different distributions to think about certainty in your data

# Extra Slides

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# Application

$$H_o : \bar{x}_1 = \bar{x}_2$$

$$H_A : \bar{x}_1 \neq \bar{x}_2$$

- $$t = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{s} \sqrt{\frac{n_1 n_2}{n_1 + n_2}}$$

$$t = \frac{7.5 - 4.3}{1.2} \sqrt{\frac{6 \times 6}{6 + 6}}$$

$$t = 4.6$$

- $$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{set1} (x_i - \bar{x}_1)^2 + \sum_{set2} (x_j - \bar{x}_2)^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}}$$

$$s = 1.2$$

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$$t_{\text{calc}} = 4.6$$

$$t_{95} = 2.2$$

$$t_{\text{calc}} > t_{95}$$

(The excel sheet does a different comparison)

HAWKS WIN

# Figure 2

