

The power of a t -test is described by the operation characteristic curves of Table A.17 in Devore. It is also covered in **R**. In this example, we shall use **R** to solve one of the textbook problems, as well as to illustrate the use of the OC-curves. Finally, we will plot our own OC curves.

R Session:

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> ##### COMPUTING BETA FOR ONE-SAMPLE t-TEST #####
>
> # In Example 8.10, a t-test is used to determine whether the true average voltage
> # drop is at most  $\mu_0 = 2.5$ . A sample of  $n = 10$  voltages are measured
> # to test  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$  vs.  $H_a: \mu > \mu_0$  at significance level  $\alpha = .05$ .
> # If  $sd = .100$ , how likely will  $H_0$  not be rejected when in fact  $\mu=2.6$ ?
> # We compute  $d=|2.5 - 2.6|/.1 = 1.0$ .  $df = n - 1 = 9$ . On the  $df = 9$  curve
> # beta is approx .1. let's see what R says it is using  $\beta = 1 - \text{power}$ .
>
> ptt <- power.t.test(delta=abs(2.5-2.6),sd=.1,n=9,type="one.sample",
+ alternative="one.sided"); ptt
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One-sample t test power calculation
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      n = 9
  delta = 0.1
     sd = 0.1
sig.level = 0.05
  power = 0.8618137
alternative = one.sided
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> beta <- 1 - ptt$power; beta
[1] 0.1381863
>
> # The example continues to find beta's for upper-tailed tests alpha = .05, sd = .1
> # mu1 = 2.6, mu0 = 2.5 and n = 5, 10, 15.
>
> $ the variables associated to the power.test() list may be found by
> names(ptt)
[1] "n"      "delta"   "sd"     "sig.level" "power"  "alternative" "note"  "method"
>
> To access the power part of the list, we look at the ptt$power
>
> ptt <- power.t.test(delta = abs(mu1-mu0), sd=sd, n=c(5,10,15), type="one.sample",
+ alternative="one.sided"); ptt

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One-sample t test power calculation

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      n = 5, 10, 15
      delta = 0.1
      sd = 0.1
      sig.level = 0.05
      power = 0.5797374, 0.8975170, 0.9789162
      alternative = one.sided

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> ptt$power
[1] 0.5797374 0.8975170 0.9789162

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> # R can also find sample sizes for a given power. For power = .9:
>
> power.t.test(delta=2.6-2.5,sd=.1,power=.9,sig.level=.05,type="one.sample",
+ alternative="one.sided")

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One-sample t test power calculation

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      n = 10.08107
      delta = 0.1
      sd = 0.1
      sig.level = 0.05
      power = 0.9
      alternative = one.sided

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> # Hence we round up and use n=11. The actual power for n=11 is
> power.t.test(delta=2.6-2.5,sd=.1,n=11,sig.level=.05,type="one.sample",alternative="one.sided")

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One-sample t test power calculation

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      n = 11
      delta = 0.1
      sd = 0.1
      sig.level = 0.05
      power = 0.924489

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alternative = one.sided

> # For power = .95,
> power.t.test(delta=2.6-2.5,sd=.1,power=.95,sig.level=.05,type="one.sample",
+ alternative="one.sided")

One-sample t test power calculation

      n = 12.32052
  delta = 0.1
     sd = 0.1
sig.level = 0.05
  power = 0.95
alternative = one.sided

> # The actual power after rounding up to n = 13:
> power.t.test(delta=2.6-2.5,sd=.1,n=13,sig.level=.05,type="one.sample",
+ alternative="one.sided")

One-sample t test power calculation

      n = 13
  delta = 0.1
     sd = 0.1
sig.level = 0.05
  power = 0.9597032
alternative = one.sided

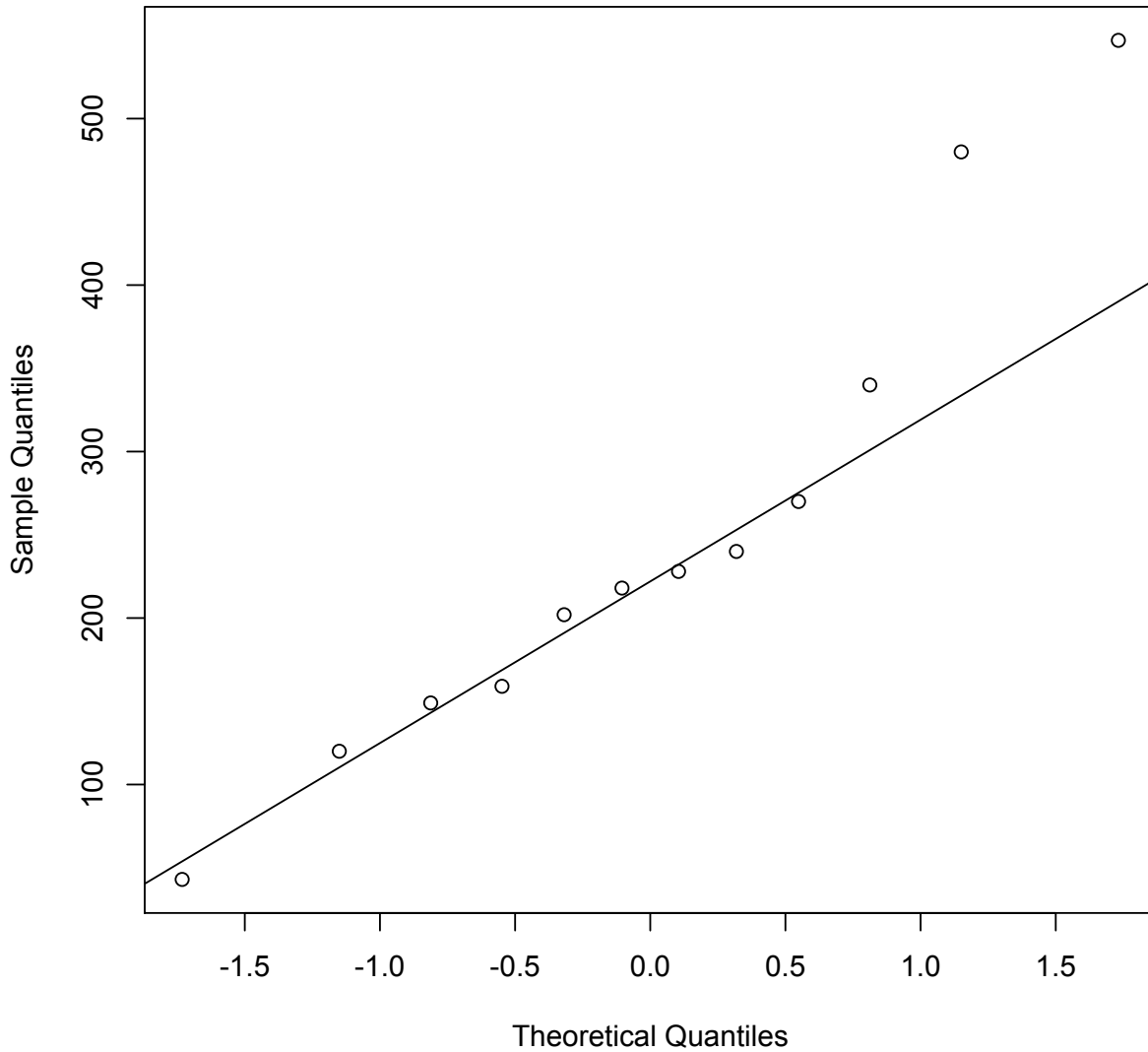
> ##### SOLVE DEVORE PROBLEM 9.29 #####

> # Repair time (in minutes) data for fixing a cracked railway is presented.
> # a.) Is normality plausible?
> # b.) Is there compelling evidence to conclude that repair time exceeds 200 min?
> #   (Test at alpha = .05.)
> # c.) Assuming sd = 150 and mu0 = 200, what is the probability of making a
> #   Type II error when the true repair time is mu1=300 min?
>
> repair.time<-c(159,120,480,149,270,547,340,43,228,202,240,218)
> # Check:
> repair.time
[1] 159 120 480 149 270 547 340 43 228 202 240 218

> qqnorm(repair.time);qqline(repair.time)
> # M3074PowerT5.pdf

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Normal Q-Q Plot



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> # a.) For small n-size, even this QQ-plot is not deviating from normality
> #   very much. So normality is plausible.
>
>
> summary(repair.time)
  Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
  43.0  156.5   223.0   249.7  287.5   547.0
> rtsd <-sd(repair.time);rtsd
[1] 145.1490
> rtm <- mean(repair.time);rtm
[1] 249.6667
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> # Is there evidence that rt > 200 min? Do the t-test.
> t.test(repair.time,alternative="greater",mu=200)

One Sample t-test

data: repair.time
t = 1.1853, df = 11, p-value = 0.1304
alternative hypothesis: true mean is greater than 200
95 percent confidence interval:
 174.4174      Inf
sample estimates:
mean of x
 249.6667
>
> # Or do it "by hand."
>
> tval <- (rtm-200)/(rtsd/sqrt(12)); tval
[1] 1.185336
> pt(tval,11,lower.tail=FALSE)
[1] 0.1304300
>
> b.) The p-value exceeds .05 so not significant evidence that  $\mu > 200$ .
>
> pttt <- power.t.test(delta=300-200, sd=150, n=12, sig.level=.05, type="one.sample",
+       alternative="one.sided"); pttt

One-sample t test power calculation

      n = 12
  delta = 100
    sd = 150
sig.level = 0.05
  power = 0.6981908
alternative = one.sided

> # c.) Thus  $\beta = 1 - \text{power} = \text{approx. } .30$ 
> 1-pttt$power
[1] 0.3018092
>

> ##### beta-CURVES (OPERATING CHARACTERISTIC CURVES) FOR t-TEST #####
>
> # The d values (difference of means). Same as d if sd = 1.
> de <- seq(from=0,to=3,by=.01)
> ptt <- power.t.test(delta=de,sd=1,n=10,type="one.sample",alternative="one.sided")
>
> plot(de,1-ptt$power,type="n",col=2,xlim=c(0,3),ylim=0:1,
+ main="beta Curves for One-Tailed t-test, alpha=.05",xlab="d",ylab="beta")
> abline(h=c(0,.95,1),col="gray");abline(h=1:9/10,col="gray",lty=3)
> abline(v=0,col="gray");abline(v=1:15/5,col="gray",lty=3)
> for(j in 1:15) lines(de,1-power.t.test(delta=de,sd=1,n=2*j,type="one.sample",

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+ alternative="one.sided",sig.level=.05)$power,type="l",col=rainbow(15)[j])
> legend(2.3,.9,legend=1:15*2-1,fill=rainbow(15),title="d.f.",bg="white")
> # M3074PowerT1.pdf

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>
> plot(de,1-ptt$power,type="n",col=2,xlim=c(0,3),ylim=0:1,
+ main="beta Curves for Two-Tailed t-test, alpha=.05",xlab="d",ylab="beta")
> abline(h=c(0,.95,1),col="gray");abline(h=1:9/10,col="gray",lty=3)
> abline(v=0,col="gray");abline(v=1:15/5,col="gray",lty=3)
> for(j in 1:15) lines(de,1-power.t.test(delta=de,sd=1,n=2*j,type="one.sample",
+ alternative="two.sided",sig.level=.05,strict=T)$power,type="l",col=rainbow(15)[j])
> legend(2.3,.9,legend=1:15*2-1,fill=rainbow(15),title="d.f.",bg="white")
> # M3074PowerT2.pdf

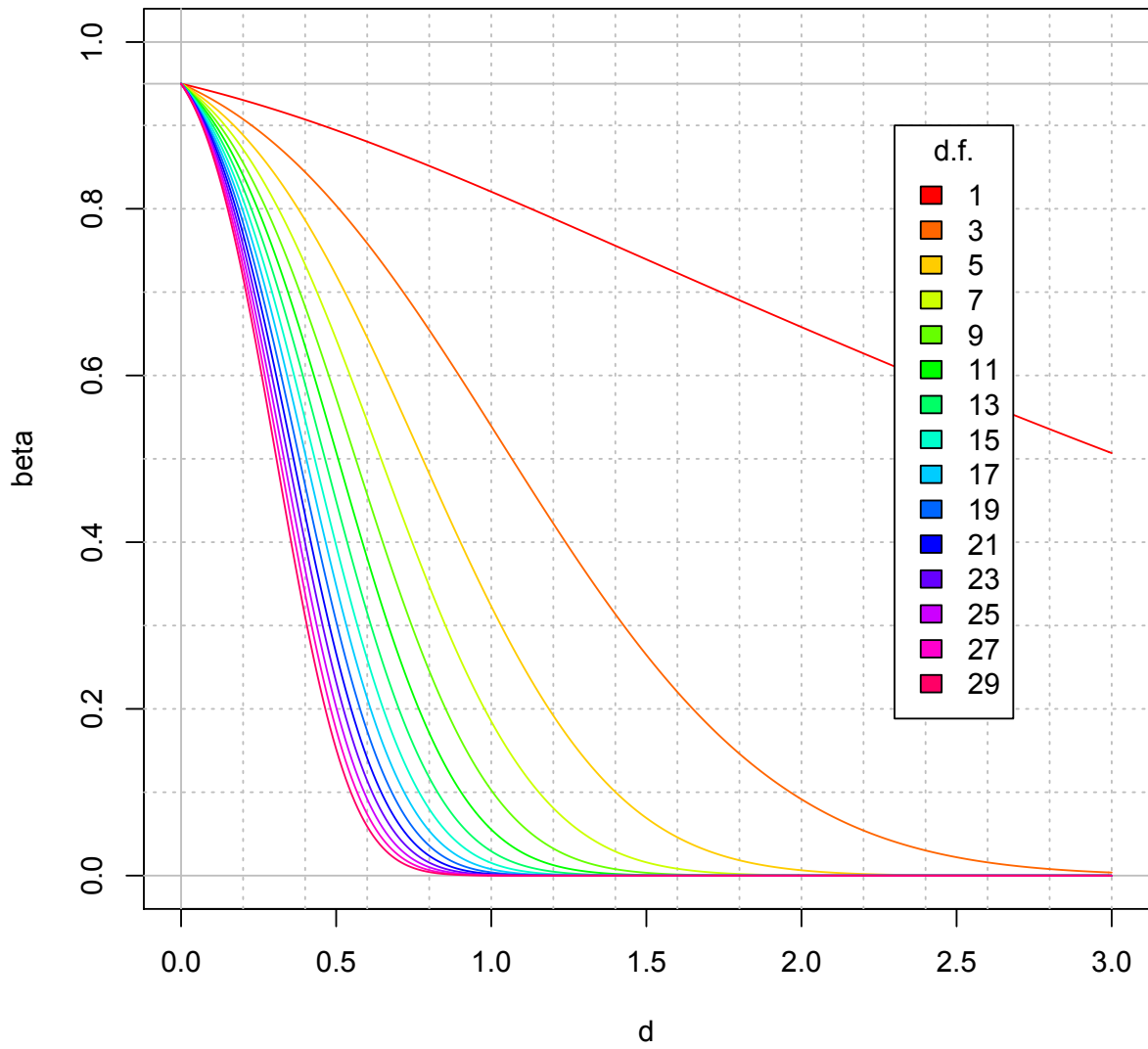
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> plot(de,1-ptt$power,type="n",col=2,xlim=c(0,3),ylim=0:1,
+ main="beta Curves for One-Tailed t-test, alpha=.01",xlab="d",ylab="beta")
> abline(h=c(0,.99,1),col="gray");abline(h=1:9/10,col="gray",lty=3)
> abline(v=0,col="gray");abline(v=1:15/5,col="gray",lty=3)
> for(j in 1:15) lines(de,1-power.t.test(delta=de,sd=1,n=2*j,type="one.sample",
+ alternative="one.sided",sig.level=.01)$power,type="l",col=rainbow(15)[j])
> legend(2.3,.9,legend=1:15*2-1,fill=rainbow(15),title="d.f.",bg="white")
> # M3074PowerT3.pdf

>
> plot(de,1-ptt$power,type="n",col=2,xlim=c(0,3),ylim=0:1,
+ main="beta Curves for Two-Tailed t-test, alpha=.01",xlab="d",ylab="beta")
> abline(h=c(0,.99,1),col="gray");abline(h=1:9/10,col="gray",lty=3)
> abline(v=0,col="gray");abline(v=1:15/5,col="gray",lty=3)
> for(j in 1:15) lines(de,1-power.t.test(delta=de,sd=1,n=2*j,type="one.sample",
+ alternative="two.sided",sig.level=.01,strict=T)$power,type="l",col=rainbow(15)[j])
> legend(2.3,.9,legend=1:15*2-1,fill=rainbow(15),title="d.f.",bg="white")
> # M3074PowerT4.pdf

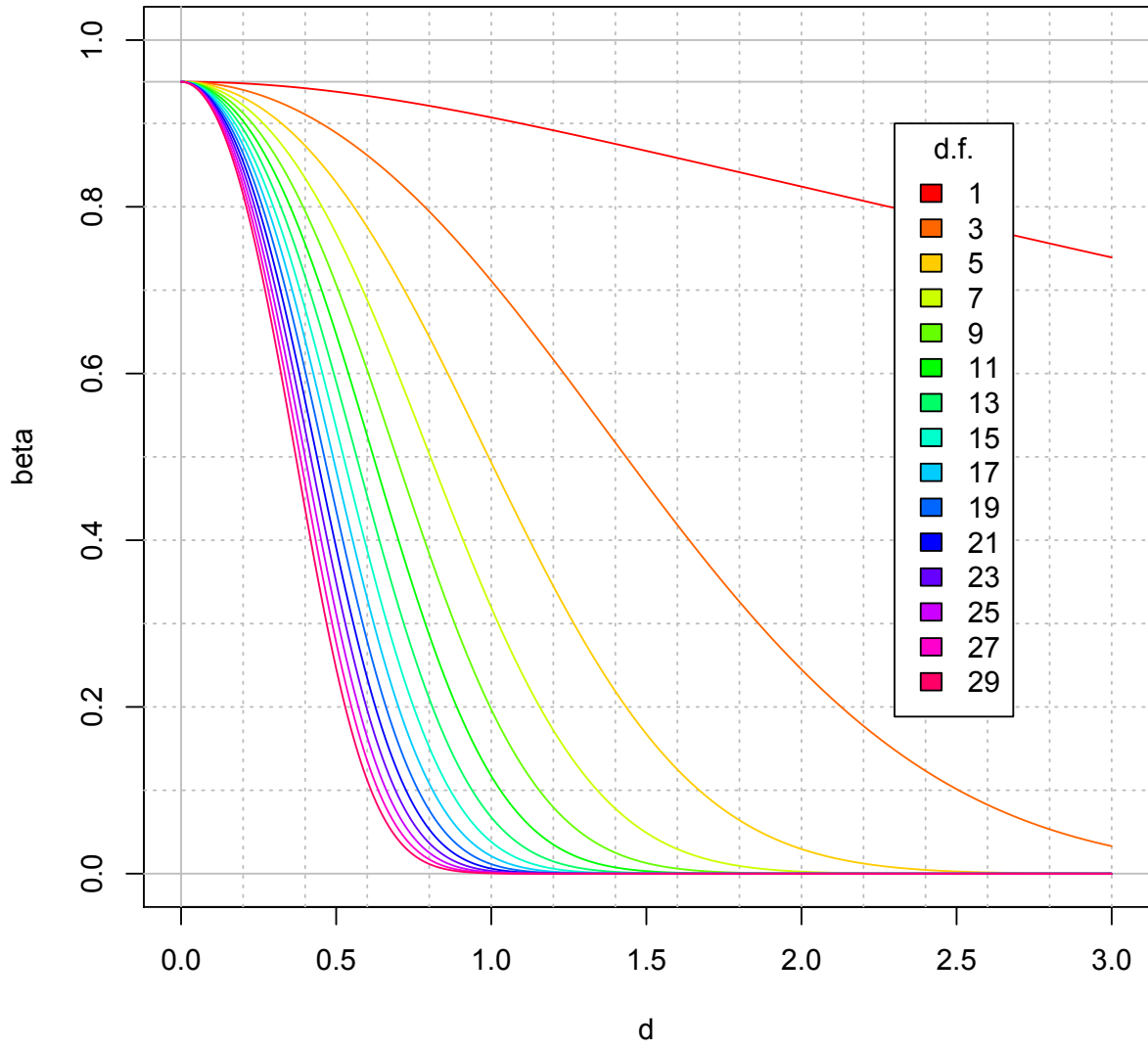
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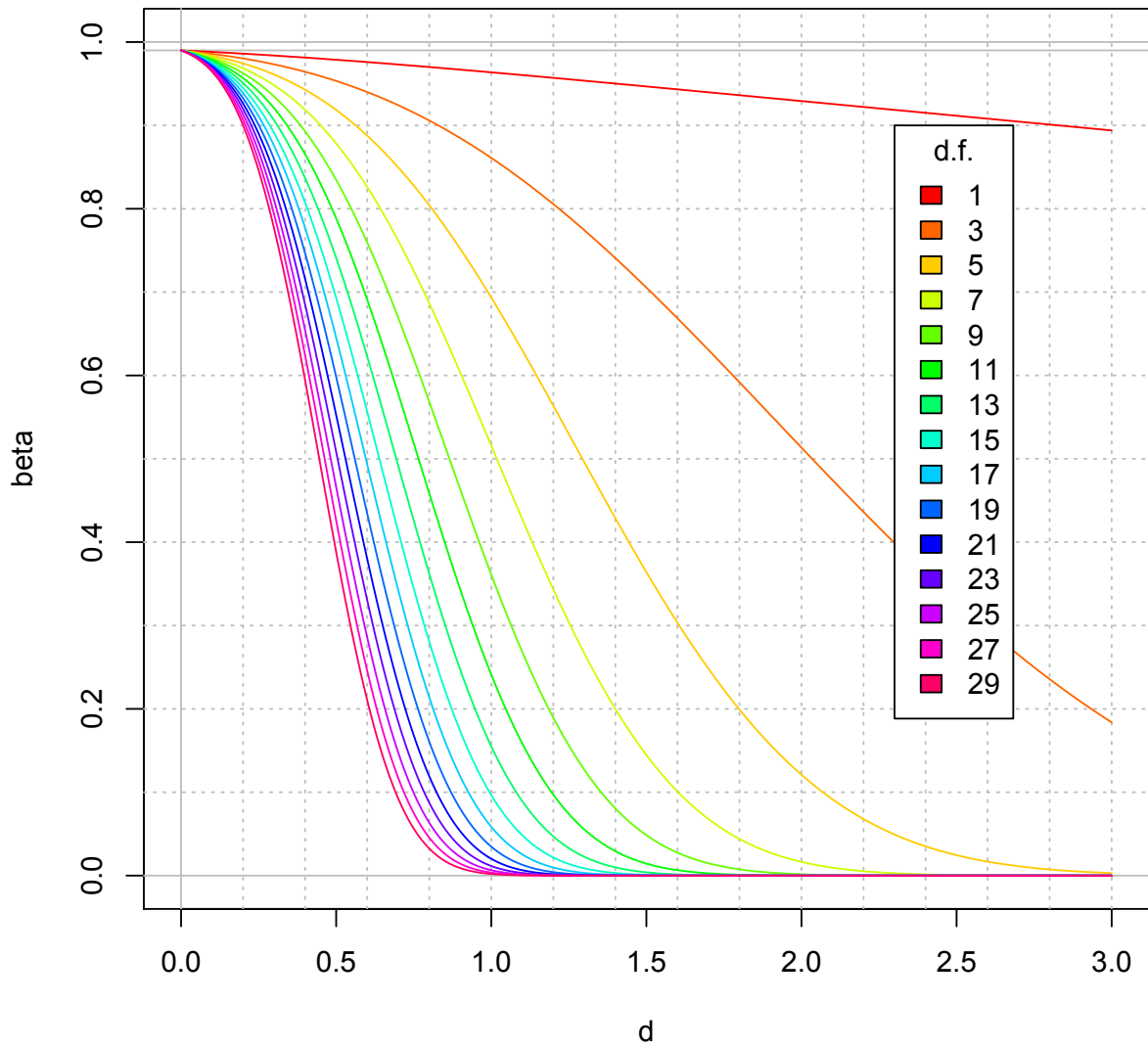
beta Curves for One-Tailed t-test, alpha=.05



beta Curves for Two-Tailed t-test, alpha=.05



beta Curves for One-Tailed t-test, alpha=.01



beta Curves for Two-Tailed t-test, alpha=.01

