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1

Sampling and Data

What is Statistics? Broadly speaking, the study of statistics is the study of how to make sense of data.





Example: US Census Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau undertakes the enormous task of gathering all kinds of data on people residing in the country. In between the huge national surveys, the Census Bureau collects data with smaller surveys like the American Community Survey.

What would you do? If your job was to collect a national census, and your results looked like the table below, what would you want to do with this?

| | Age | Sex | Primary Language | Working | Earnings | Owns a Car | |
|-------------|-----|--------------|------------------|---------|----------|------------|-------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Household 1 | | | | | | | |
| Person 1 | 54 | Μ | English | Yes | \$89,500 | Yes | |
| Person 2 | 51 | \mathbf{F} | English | No | N/A | Yes | |
| Person 3 | 19 | F | English | Yes | \$23,000 | Yes | • • • |
| | | | | | | | |
| Household 1 | | | | | | | |
| Person 1 | 78 | Μ | Spanish | No | \$32,800 | Yes | |
| Person 2 | 82 | F | Spanish | No | \$28,350 | No | |
| | | | | | | | |
| : | : | : | : | : | : | : | |

SECTION 1.1 Definitions and Key Terms

Two Goals:

- 1. To organize the data in such a way that it makes sense.
- 2. To set it up so that someone with a question could come along later and find an answer to their question.

In other words, you'd want to clearly display the data so that you can explain it to someone who has never seen it before, but you also want to have a way that someone studying a particular topic (like car ownership in the U.S.) could "ask" the data a question and get an answer.

These two goals are related to the two sides of statistics: **descriptive statistics** and **inferential statistics**.

Descriptive vs. Inferential Statistics

Descriptive Statistics: Organizing and summarizing data.

There are many ways to do this, including the use of graphs and charts, but the goal is always the same: to give the reader a clear, concise idea of what the data looks like without having to show them something like the whole table above.

Inferential Statistics: Drawing conclusions from the data.

For instance, we might take a poll to compare two political candidates, and we need to know whether the results we get are valid, or whether they were a fluke.

Definitions

ex: entire US **Population:** The group that we are interested in.

ex: randomly pick 100 households

Sample: The group that we can actually feasibly study. The census mentioned above is a rare example in which the entire population is studied (this is incredibly expensive and time-consuming). More often, a reasonably-sized sample is selected and studied.

If we get a **representative sample**, we assume that the population looks similar enough to the sample that by studying the sample, we can get a good idea of what the population looks like (if you want to know how a pot of soup tastes, you only have to take one sip).

ex: average salary of every US worker **Parameter:** A number that describes something about the **population**.

Statistic: A number that describes something about the sample.

Every parameter has a corresponding statistic; since we're assuming that we can't study the entire population, we get the statistic from the sample, and we assume that the statistic is a good estimate for the parameter.

ex: average salary of every worker in our sample

In general, when we're dealing with the sample, we're doing descriptive statistics (describing the sample) and whenever we're using the sample to draw conclusions (another word for inferences) about the population, we're doing inferential statistics.

Variables

Variable: Something that we record about our sample. After we record it (collecting data like in the table at the beginning of the chapter) we can start to describe it by taking the average or drawing a graph or something.

ex: salary

Numerical (or quantitative) Variables: Variables that we find by measuring or counting.

ex: number of cars in a household or age of household members

Discrete Quantitative Variables: Numerical variables that come from counting. They are limited to specific values.

For instance, "number of children" is a discrete variable, because one cannot have 3.14 children; the answer will always be 0, 1, 2, etc.

Continuous Quantitative Variables: Numerical variables that come from measuring. They can be any number in a valid range.

For instance, "height" is a continuous variable, because one's height can be any value (within a reasonable range), provided that we can measure as precisely as we want.

Categorical (or qualitative) Variables: Variables that divide people or things into categories.

ex: sex or political affiliation

Note that categorical variables can also by numerical; think of your student ID number. Your ID number categorizes you; it doesn't measure or count something about you. You wouldn't think about taking the average ID number of students, because that would be a meaningless result.

Summary of Key Terms

- 1. **Population:** The group that we are interested in.
- 2. **Sample:** The subset of the population that we can feasibly study.
- 3. **Parameter:** A number that describes something about a population variable.
- 4. **Statistic:** A number that describes something about a sample variable.
- 5. Variable: Something that we record about our sample.
- 6. Quantitative variable: A numerical variable that we find by counting (discrete) or measuring (continuous).
- 7. Qualitative variable: A variable that divides people or things into categories.

EXAMPLE 1 USING THESE KEY TERMS



A study was conducted at a local college to analyze the average cumulative GPA's of students who graduated last year. Fill in the letter of the phrase that best describes each of the items below.

- 1. ____ Population
- 2. ____ Statistic
- 3. ____ Parameter
- 4. ____ Sample
- 5. ____ Variable
- (a) all students who attended the college last year
- (b) the cumulative GPA of one student who graduated from the college last year
- (c) a group of students who graduated from the college last year, randomly selected
- (d) the average cumulative GPA of students who graduated from the college last year
- (e) all students who graduated from the college last year
- (f) the average cumulative GPA of students in the study who graduated from the college last year

Solution

1. e; 2. f; 3. d; 4. c; 5. b

SECTION 1.2 Sampling Methods

Good sampling is one of the most important parts of a statistical study. Remember, the key is that we want the sample to be representative of the population.

Random Sampling

To get a representative sample, we select our sample randomly.

Random Sampling: each member of the population is equally likely to be chosen.

1. Simple Random Sampling: number every member of the population and use a random number generator to pick randomly from the whole group.



On your graphing

calculator, press the

button, scroll over to the PRB menu, and select

TEST A

2. Stratified Sampling: split the population into strata, or categories, then randomly select a few members of each category.

> 5:randInt(to access the random number generator. If you enter three numbers, separated by commas, as shown, the calculator will return 6 numbers between 1 and 24. If you just enter two

numbers, the calculator will return one number between those bounds.

- 3. Cluster Sampling: split the population into groups, but this time, randomly select one or more whole groups.
- 4. Systematic Sampling: randomly pick a starting point and select every nth member.

5. Convenience Sampling: (not random) pick members of the population ex: concrete blocks that are easy to pick.

EXAMPLE 1 QUIZ SCORE SAMPLES

Data:

Use the random number generator on your calculator to generate different types of samples from the data below. Find the average score for each sample and compare your results with your classmates.

This table displays six sets of quiz scores (out of 10 points) for an elementary statistics class.

| # 1 | # 2 | # 3 | # 4 | # 5 | # 6 |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 5 | 7 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 3 |
| 10 | 5 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 6 |
| 9 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 7 | 9 |
| 9 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 9 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 7 | 4 |
| 9 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 7 |
| 7 | 7 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 8 |
| 8 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| 9 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 8 |
| 8 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 7 |

| 1. | Create a stratified | sample of | 12 | quiz | scores, | using | the | ${\rm columns}$ | as |
|----|---------------------|-----------|----|------|---------|-------|-----|-----------------|----|
| | the strata. | | | | | | | | |

| | Data: | Average Score: |
|----|---|----------------|
| 2. | Create a cluster sample by picking two of the | e rows. |
| | Data: | Average Score: |
| 3. | Create a simple random sample of 12 quiz so | cores. |
| | Data: | Average Score: |
| 4. | Create a systematic sample of 12 quiz scores | |
| | Data: | Average Score: |
| 5. | Create a convenience sample of 12 quiz score | es. |

Average Score:

SAMPLING METHODS **EXAMPLE 2**

Determine the type of sampling used in each of the following scenarios.

1. A soccer coach selects six players from a group of boys aged eight to ten, seven players from a group of boys aged 11 to 12, and three players from a group of boys aged 13 to 14 to form a recreational soccer team.

Sampling Method: stratified

2. A pollster interviews all human resource personnel in five different high tech companies.

Sampling Method: cluster

3. A high school educational counselor interviews 50 female teachers and 50 male teachers.

Sampling Method: stratified

4. A medical researcher interviews every third cancer patient from a list of cancer patients at a local hospital.

Sampling Method: systematic

5. A high school counselor uses a computer to generate 50 random numbers and then picks students whose names correspond to the numbers.

Sampling Method: simple random

6. A student interviews classmates in his algebra class to determine how many pairs of jeans a student at his school owns, on the average. Sampling Method: convenience

REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLES

EXAMPLE 3

Decide whether each of the following sampling methods is likely to produce a representative sample.

1. To find the average annual income of all adults in the United States, sample representatives in the US Congress.

Not representative

2. To find out the most popular cereal among children under the age of 10, stand outside a large supermarket one day and poll every twentieth child under the age of 10 who enters the supermarket.

Representative

Sample Size

If two people take samples from the same group, their samples will almost certainly be different. This doesn't mean that one is right and one is wrong, though. There is simply some natural variability in samples.

Bigger Samples are *Often* **Better** One way to reduce this natural variability is to take larger samples, where the variation will get drowned out.

ex: average height; one NBA center in a sample of 10 people versus in a sample of 1000 people.

• For national polls, somewhere between 1000 and 2000 people is usually considered a big enough sample.

Be Careful: Just having a big sample doesn't guarantee good results.

In general, self-selected samples (or volunteer samples) are not representative of the population. For this reason, surveys with voluntary responses are not reliable. People who volunteer their opinion for online reviews, for instance, tend to be strongly positive or negative; the voluntary sample misses everyone in the middle who doesn't have a strong opinion.

The most famous example of this comes from the 1936 presidential election, where the incumbent Democrat, Franklin D. Roosevelt, was challenged by the Republican governor of Kansas, Alf Landon. The *Literary Digest*, a weekly magazine, boasted that it had correctly predicted the results of the last 4 elections by sending out questionnaires to its huge sample of readers. In 1936, the *Digest* sent out 10 million questionnaires and received over 2 million responses, predicting that Landon would unseat Roosevelt with a handy victory. When Election Day came, though, Roosevelt received over 60% of the popular vote, carrying every state except for Maine and Vermont (including Landon's home state). It was one of the most lopsided victories in U.S. history. The reason for the failure of this poll was largely based on the voluntary response nature—those who responded were more likely to be those who were unhappy with the current administration; people who were happy with Roosevelt's programs had no incentive to fill out the questionnaire and send it in.

Largely due to this failure and embarrassment, the *Literary Digest* folded within a few years. In contrast, a young pollster named George Gallup (whose name is borne by the Gallup polls today) made his name in the 1936 election by correctly predicting the winner with a much smaller, carefully chosen sample.

Other Considerations

Besides a small or biased sample, there are other conditions that can throw off a statistical study, such as

- Self-selected samples or voluntary response surveys (like in the case of the Literary Digest debacle)
- Non-response (similar to voluntary response; strong negative opinions get expressed more than others)
- Self-interest bias (studies sponsored by companies with a vested interest)
- Social acceptability (surveys about drug use or pirated music)
- Leading questions ("how badly do you think this Congress has done?")
- Causality errors: assuming that a relationship between two variables means that one causes the other (related: confounding, when the effects of multiple factors cannot be separated)

SECTION 1.4 Experimental Design and Ethics

Observational Study: the investigators don't actively affect the subjects of the study; they simply observe what they do and what happens to them (ex: tobacco studies)

Experimental Study: the investigators assign subjects to different groups and vary the conditions for each group, observing the results (ex: pharmaceutical studies)

Experimental Study Terms

- Experimental unit: the individuals being studied (people, animals, objects, etc.)
- **Response:** what we measure about these individuals (ex: blood pressure based on new medication)
- Explanatory variable: a variable that causes a change in the response; the goal is to identify an explanatory variable and see how much of a change it causes (ex: dosage of new medication)
- **Treatment:** the different values of the explanatory variable that we give to the experimental units; we divide them into treatment groups
- Lurking variable: an additional variable that can obscure the results of a study (ex: men tend to have higher blood pressure than women)
- Control group: a treatment group to which nothing is done (except a placebo)
- Placebo: a fake treatment
- Blinding: ensuring that those involved in the study don't know what treatment group they belong to (hence the use of placebos); double-blind: even the researchers don't know

EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN **EXAMPLE 1**

Researchers want to investigate whether taking aspirin regularly reduces the risk of heart attack. Four hundred men between the ages of 50 and 84 are recruited as participants. The men are divided randomly into two groups: one group will take aspirin, and the other group will take a placebo. Each man takes one pill each day for three years. At the end of the study, researchers count the number of men in each group who have had heart attacks.

Identify each of the following in this study:

• Population: All men aged 50 to 84

• Sample: The 400 men selected for the study

• Experimental units: The individual men in the study

• Control group: The group taking the placebo

• Explanatory variable: The medication

• Treatments: Aspirin or placebo

• Response variable: Whether or not a subject had a heart attack

SECTION 1.3 Frequency Tables

Frequency tables simply count how many times each data value occurs and list this count.

Qualitative Data

STUDENT GRADES **EXAMPLE 1**

Suppose a group of students earned the following final grades:

The frequency table for this data would look like the following.

| Grade | Frequency |
|--------------|-----------|
| A | 2 |
| В | 7 |
| \mathbf{C} | 6 |
| D | 2 |
| \mathbf{F} | 1 |

Relative Frequency: The proportion of the whole group that is in each category.

| Grade | Frequency | Relative Frequency | |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------|--|
| A | 2 | 2/18 = 0.11 | |
| В | 7 | 0.39 | |
| \mathbf{C} | 6 | 0.33 | |
| D | 2 | 0.11 | |
| F | 1 | 0.06 | |

Quantitative Data

IPADS SOLD EXAMPLE 2

A store tracked how many iPads were sold each day for fifty days, and their data is below.

The frequency distribution looks like the following.

| Value | Frequency | Relative Frequency |
|-------|-----------|--------------------|
| 0 | 5 | 0.10 |
| 1 | 8 | 0.16 |
| 2 | 14 | 0.28 |
| 3 | 13 | 0.26 |
| 4 | 6 | 0.12 |
| 5 | 4 | 0.08 |

WORKING STUDENTS EXAMPLE 3

Twenty students were asked how many hours they worked per day. Their responses are as follows:

Construct a frequency table (including a relative frequency column) to organize this data.

| Hours Worked | Frequency | Relative Frequency |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 2 | 3 | 3/20 = 0.15 |
| 3 | 5 | 5/20 = 0.25 |
| 4 | 3 | 3/20 = 0.15 |
| 5 | 6 | 6/20 = 0.30 |
| 6 | 2 | 2/20 = 0.10 |
| 7 | 1 | 1/20 = 0.05 |

Grouped Frequency Tables

Sometimes it could be inconvenient to have a separate row for each data value. For instance, consider the following wait times on a customer service line (measured in minutes):

| 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.9 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 3.9 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 5.2 |
| 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 8.0 | 8.1 | 8.1 |
| 8.3 | 8.7 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 9.9 |
| 10.2 | 10.5 | 10.9 | 12.2 | 12.5 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 14.4 | 17.4 |

If we had a separate category for each time, there would be a bunch of categories with a frequency of 1 or 2. Instead, we'll construct a **grouped frequency table**:

- Separate the data into bins, or classes
- All classes must have the same width
- The classes cannot overlap; for example, one class cannot be 0 to 3 minutes if another is 3 to 6 minutes
- There must be enough classes to cover the data
- Avoid empty classes and open-ended classes

CUSTOMER SERVICE WAIT TIMES EXAMPLE 4

Construct a grouped frequency table for the data above, using a class width of 3 minutes.

| Number of Minutes | Frequency | Relative Frequency |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| $0 \le t < 3$ | 5 | 0.10 |
| $3 \le t < 6$ | 18 | 0.36 |
| $6 \le t < 9$ | 9 | 0.18 |
| $9 \le t < 12$ | 11 | 0.22 |
| $12 \le t < 15$ | 6 | 0.12 |
| $15 \le t < 18$ | 1 | 0.02 |

2

Descriptive Statistics



We've already started doing descriptive statistics, with frequency tables in the last section. The point of descriptive statistics is to organize and present data in a way that is easy to read and interpret.

In the first part of this chapter, we will cover visual summaries of data, including histograms, bar graphs, stem-and-leaf plots, and line and time series graphs. Then, in the next part, we'll see numerical summaries of data.

There, we'll measure four things:

- Where a particular data point falls in the data set
- Where the data is centered
- Whether the data is symmetric or skewed
- How spread out or clumped up the data is

SECTION 2.1 Bar Graphs and Histograms

Bar graphs and histograms are pretty similar; the differences are fairly subtle, but in short, a histogram is a specific type of bar graph.

Bar Graphs: Consist of bars (rectangles) that are separated from each other.

- The bars can be vertical or horizontal.
- Often used for categorical (qualitative) data, since these categories are naturally separated from each other.

Histograms: Consist of bars that are not separated.

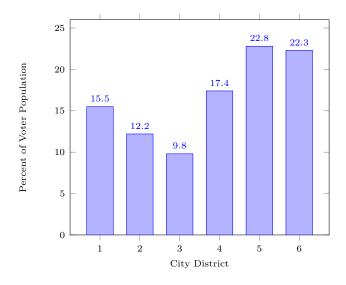
- The bars are almost always vertical (always in this class).
- Often used for numerical (quantitative) data, since the numbers flow from one to another.
- The horizontal axis is labeled with what the data represent (the rows in a frequency table).
- The vertical axis is labeled with either frequency or relative frequency.
- A histogram contains exactly the same information as a frequency table, but just in a graph instead of a table.

BAR GRAPH: REGISTERED VOTERS EXAMPLE 1

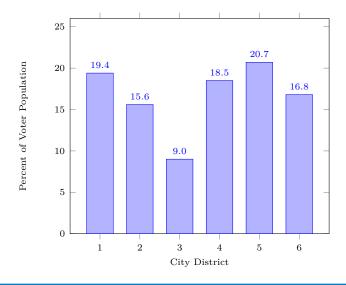
A city is broken down into six districts, and the following table shows the percentage of the total registered voter population that lives in each district, as well as the percentage total of the entire population.

| District | Registered Voter Population | Overall City Population |
|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | |
| 1 | 15.5% | 19.4% |
| 2 | 12.2% | 15.6% |
| 3 | 9.8% | 9.0% |
| 4 | 17.4% | 18.5% |
| 5 | 22.8% | 20.7% |
| 6 | 22.3% | 16.8% |

The bar graph below shows the registered voter population by district.

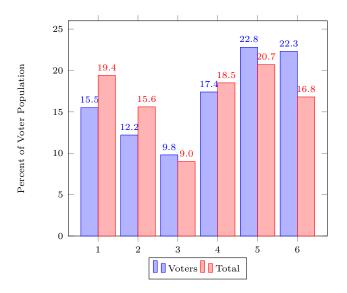


Construct a bar graph that shows the percentage of total population of the city by district.

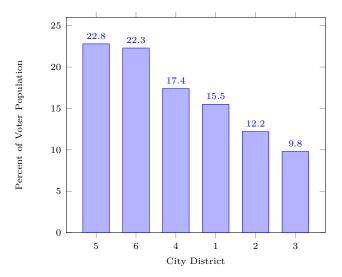


There are a couple of other things that we can do with bar graphs like those in the last example:

1. We could make a combined bar graph.



2. We could order the bars in descending order; this is called a **Pareto chart** (technically, a Pareto chart is a bit more involved, but that's the main feature). This is meant to highlight the largest category.



HISTOGRAM: IPADS SOLD EXAMPLE 2

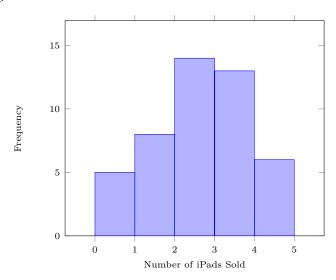
Recall the following data on the number of iPads sold in a store over the last 50 days.

| 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| 3 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 5 |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| 0 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 |

Remember, the frequency table looked like the following.

| Value | Frequency | Relative Frequency |
|-------|-----------|--------------------|
| 0 | 5 | 0.10 |
| 1 | 8 | 0.16 |
| 2 | 14 | 0.28 |
| 3 | 13 | 0.26 |
| 4 | 6 | 0.12 |
| 5 | 4 | 0.08 |

The histogram for this data looks like this:



EXAMPLE 3 HISTOGRAM: CUSTOMER SERVICE TIMES

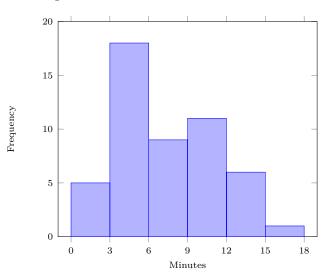
Construct a histogram to display the following customer service data (wait time in minutes).

| 0.6 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 2.5 | 2.8 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 3.8 | 3.9 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 3.9 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.9 | 5.1 | 5.2 |
| 5.4 | 5.5 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 6.9 | 7.0 | 8.0 | 8.1 | 8.1 |
| 8.3 | 8.7 | 9.0 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 9.5 | 9.5 | 9.7 | 9.8 | 9.9 |
| 10.2 | 10.5 | 10.9 | 12.2 | 12.5 | 13.1 | 13.3 | 13.6 | 14.4 | 17.4 |

We already found the frequency table:

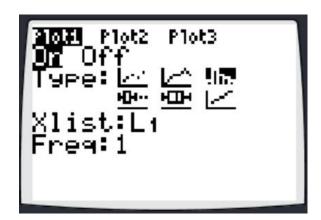
| Number of Minutes | Frequency | Relative Frequency |
|-------------------|-----------|--------------------|
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| $9 \le t < 12$ | 11 | 0.22 |
| $12 \le t < 15$ | 6 | 0.12 |
| $15 \le t < 18$ | 1 | 0.02 |

Now draw the histogram:



Drawing Histograms on TI Graphing Calculators

- 1. Enter data into L1 by pressing 1:Edit...
- 2. Press to access the STAT PLOT menu. Press to open the first STAT PLOT. You'll see the following menu.



- 3. Select the icon for a histogram and press
- 4. To see the graph, you'll probably need to adjust the window. Press to access the following menu.



Adjust Xmin, Xmax, Ymin, and Ymax to get the histogram in the picture. To adjust the width of the bars on the histogram (the class width), change Xscl.

SECTION 2.2 Other Graphs

We'll look at three other graphical summaries of data:

- 1. Stem-and-leaf plots
- 2. Scatter plots
- 3. Time series plots

Stem-and-Leaf Plots

- Somewhere between raw data and a frequency table
- Still illustrates the grouping of data, but also shows all the data
- Each data point gets split into a stem and a leaf; the leaf is the last significant digit

EXAMPLE 1 STEM-AND-LEAF PLOT: TEST SCORES

The test scores for a class look like the following.

The stems for these data points are the first digits, and the leaves are the second digits.

| Stems | Leaves |
|-------------|--|
| 7 8 9 | $\begin{array}{c} 8 \ 8 \ 9 \ 9 \ 9 \\ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 3 \ 4 \ 4 \ 4 \ 5 \ 6 \ 7 \ 8 \\ 0 \ 2 \ 5 \end{array}$ |

STEM-AND-LEAF PLOT: DISTANCE TO EXAMPLE 2 SUPERMARKET

The distances (in km) from a particular home to the closest supermarkets are shown below.

Construct a stem-and-leaf plot for this data, noting that the leaves are the digits to the right of the decimal.

| Stems | Leaves |
|---------------|---------------------|
| | |
| 1 | 1 5 |
| $\frac{2}{3}$ | 3 5 7 |
| 3 | $2\; 3\; 3\; 5\; 8$ |
| 4 | $0\ 2\ 5\ 5\ 7\ 8$ |
| 5 | 5 6 |
| 6 | 5 7 |
| 7 | |
| 8 | |
| 9 | |
| 10 | |
| 11 | |
| 12 | 3 |
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Scatter Plots

- Show the relationship between two quantitative variables
- Typically used if we want to see whether there is a correlation between two quantities

SCATTER PLOT: TV PRICE EXAMPLE 3

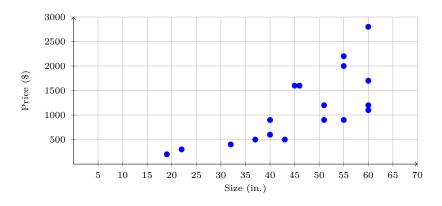
The following table shows, for a sample of Samsung LCD TVs, their size and their price.

| Size (in.) | Price (\$) | Size (in.) | Price (\$) |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | |
| 43 | 500 | 60 | 1200 |
| 55 | 900 | 45 | 1600 |
| 51 | 900 | 19 | 200 |
| 32 | 400 | 55 | 2200 |
| 51 | 1200 | 60 | 1700 |
| 37 | 500 | 55 | 2000 |
| 60 | 2800 | 22 | 300 |
| 60 | 1100 | 40 | 600 |
| 46 | 1600 | 40 | 900 |

Note: We could pick either variable to be x, but we typically let x be the explanatory-or predictor-variable; in that example, it makes more sense to say that the size of a TV predicts its price than to say that the price of a TV predicts its size.

It turns out, though, that if we switch x and y, nothing crucial really changes.

To construct a scatter plot, put the size along the x axis, put price along the y axis, and plot a point for each TV.

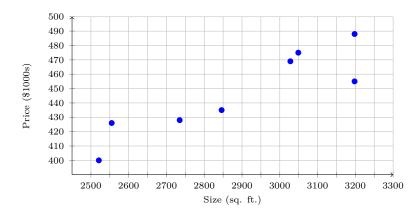


EXAMPLE 4 SCATTER PLOT: HOME PRICES

The following table shows a sample of homes on the market, recording their size in square feet and their price in thousands of dollars (so for instance, the first home is selling for \$400,000).

| elling Price (\$1000s) |
|------------------------|
| |
| 400 |
| 426 |
| 428 |
| 435 |
| 469 |
| 475 |
| 488 |
| 455 |
| |

Construct a scatter plot for this data.



Time Series Plots

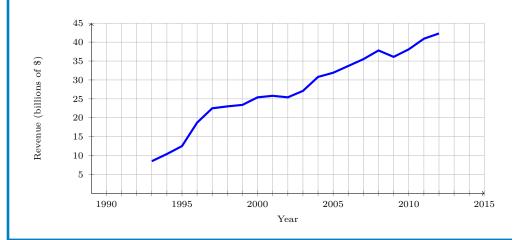
- Track changes over time (no kidding)
- \bullet Start with a scatter plot where the x axis represents time
- Connect the points with a line

TIME SERIES: DISNEY REVENUE EXAMPLE 5

The following table records the annual revenue for Disney from 1993 to 2012.

| Year | Revenue (billions of \$) | Year | Revenue (billions of \$) |
|------|--------------------------|------|--------------------------|
| | | | |
| 1993 | 8.5 | 2003 | 27.1 |
| 1994 | 10.4 | 2004 | 30.8 |
| 1995 | 12.5 | 2005 | 31.9 |
| 1996 | 18.7 | 2006 | 33.7 |
| 1997 | 22.5 | 2007 | 35.5 |
| 1998 | 23.0 | 2008 | 37.8 |
| 1999 | 23.4 | 2009 | 36.1 |
| 2000 | 25.4 | 2010 | 38.1 |
| 2001 | 25.8 | 2011 | 40.9 |
| 2002 | 25.4 | 2012 | 42.3 |

The time series plot for this data looks like the following.



SECTION 2.3 Measures of the Location of Data

Suppose you're applying for law school, so you take the LSAT (the Law School Admission Test), and you score 155. If that's all you know, that number is pretty meaningless. What you really want to know is how well you did relative to everyone else who took the test. If I told you that you scored better than 63% of people who took the LSAT, that would be a much better indication of your success.

Therefore, we often want to know where a particular data point (your LSAT score, your baby's weight, etc.) falls in the data set. To do this, we have several measures of position, two of which we'll look at in this section:

- 1. Percentiles
- 2. Quartiles

These two are closely related, as we'll see.

Percentiles

Percentiles are exactly what was described above: if you scored 155 on the LSAT, you did better than 63% of test-takers, so we would say that you were in the 63rd percentile for the test.

Percentiles

Definition: The percentile of a data point is the percentage of data points that fall below the given one.

Note: being in the 90th percentile on a test does not mean you scored 90%.

PERCENTILES: SLEEP TIME

EXAMPLE 1

Fifty college students were asked how much sleep they get per school night (rounded to the nearest hour). The following frequency table records their results.

| Hours of Sleep | Frequency |
|----------------|-----------|
| | |
| 4 | 2 |
| 5 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 |
| 7 | 12 |
| 8 | 14 |
| 9 | 7 |
| 10 | 3 |

1. Find the 28th percentile.

There are 50 data points, and 28% of 50 is

$$(0.28)(50) = 14.$$

Therefore, the lowest 28% consists of the first 14 data values (up through the last 6).

To be above that, a student would have to get between 6 and 7 hours of sleep, so we say that the 28th percentile is 6.5 hours of sleep.

2. Find the 80th percentile (for them).

Again, 80% of 50 is

$$(0.8)(50) = 40,$$

so the lowest 80% consists of the first 40 data points (up through the last 8). Therefore, the 80th percentile is 8.5 hours of sleep.

3. Find the 40th percentile (for them).

Since 40% of 50 is

$$(0.4)(50) = 20,$$

we count up through the first 20 data points, which is in the middle of the 7's. Therefore, the 40th percentile is 7 hours of sleep.

Quartiles

Quartiles are nothing more than specific percentiles that split the data into quarters:

| 25th percentile | 50th percentile | 75th percentile |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| First quartile | Second quartile | Third quartile |
| Q_1 | Median or Q_2 | Q_3 |

EXAMPLE 2 PHYSICS EXAM SCORES

A physics class earned the following scores on an exam:

(note that the scores are already ordered; if they weren't, we would have to start by ordering them)

1. Find the first quartile.

Remember, the first quartile is the same as the 25th percentile. There are 20 test scores, and 25% of 20 is

$$(0.25)(20) = 4,$$

so the 25th percentile is between the 4th and 5th scores:

56.5

2. Find the median (for them).

Halfway through the data set is between the 10th and 11th data points, so take the average of 62 and 63:

62.5

3. Find the third quartile (for them).

Again, 75% of 20 is

$$(0.75)(20) = 15,$$

so take the average of the 15th and 16th data points:

74.5

Five Number Summary

The five number summary summarizes a data set by giving the following five statistics:

 $Min, Q_1, Median, Q_3, Max$

We'll use this in the next section to draw **Box Plots**.

PHYSICS EXAM SCORES **EXAMPLE 3**

The five number summary for the test score data set in the previous example is

Min = 47

 $Q_1 = 56.5$

Med = 62.5

 $Q_3 = 74.5$

Max = 95

Using Your Calculator

To find the five number summary on your graphing calculator, start by entering the data into L1 (press **1:Edit...** to access the data).

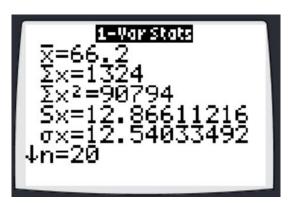
Then press again and scroll over to the CALC menu along the top.



Select the first option: 1-Var-Stats and you'll see the following:



Leave everything as is (if you entered your data into a different list than L1, you could select that here; if your data as a frequency table, you could select which list to use as the frequency list). Select Calculate and you'll get something like



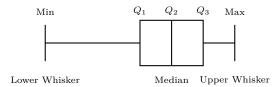
There's a lot of information here, but if you scroll down, you'll find minX, Q1, Med, Q3, and maxX, the five number summary.

SECTION 2.4 Box Plots

A box plot is nothing more than a graph that shows the five number summary for a data set. Its value is in showing where the data is clustered and where it is spread out.

Basic Box Plots

The following is a simple box plot:



(of course, in an example, we'll include a labeled axis for scale)

Remember, each segment of this box plot contains a quarter of the data.

BOX PLOT **EXAMPLE 1**

The following data are the number of pages in 40 books on a shelf.

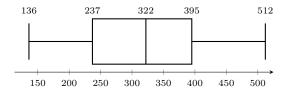
| 136 | 140 | 178 | 190 | 205 | 215 | 217 | 218 | 232 | 234 |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 240 | 255 | 270 | 275 | 290 | 301 | 303 | 315 | 317 | 318 |
| 326 | 333 | 343 | 349 | 360 | 369 | 377 | 388 | 391 | 392 |
| 398 | 400 | 402 | 405 | 408 | 422 | 429 | 450 | 475 | 512 |

Construct a box plot.

The five number summary (from calculator) is

$$Min = 136$$
 $Q_1 = 237$
 $Med = 322$
 $Q_3 = 395$
 $Max = 512$

Therefore, the box plot looks like the following.



Note how each of the four quarters has about the same range; this data isn't too bunched or spread out anywhere.

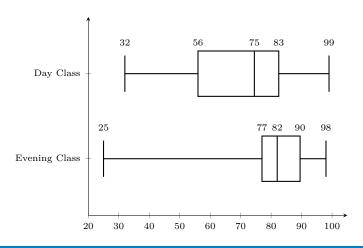
EXAMPLE 2 COMPARING TWO GROUPS

Test scores for a statistics class held during the day are

Test scores for a statistics class held during the evening are

Create side by side box plots to compare these two classes.

| Day Class | Evening Class |
|--------------|---------------|
| | |
| Min = 32 | Min = 25 |
| $Q_1 = 56$ | $Q_1 = 77$ |
| Med = 74.5 | Med = 82 |
| $Q_3 = 82.5$ | $Q_3 = 89.5$ |
| Max = 99 | Max = 98 |



Box Plots with Outliers

Outliers are unusual data points. Sometimes outliers are the result of mistakes in recording the data; sometimes there really are out-of-the-ordinary observations. There is a rule of thumb using box plots that can identify outliers.

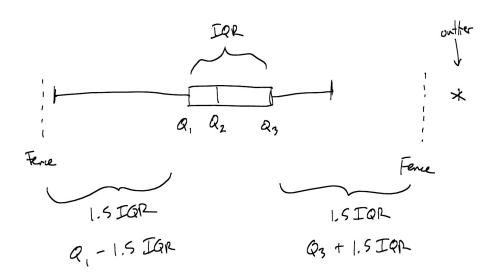
Outliers

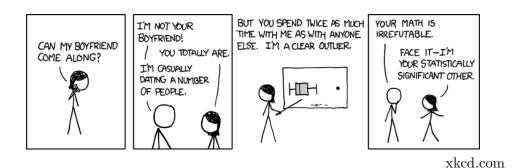
Interquartile Range: The range between Q_1 and Q_3 :

$$Q_3 - Q_1$$

Outliers: Multiply the IQR by 1.5, and go that far below Q_1 and above Q_3 ; any data point outside those fences is an outlier.

Sometimes box plots are drawn like in the previous examples, with no mention of outliers (the fences extend all the way to the minimum and maximum). Other times, box plots show the outliers.





EXAMPLE 3 BOX PLOT WITH OUTLIERS

Test scores for a statistics class held during the evening are

$$Min = 25$$
 $Q_1 = 77$
 $Med = 82$
 $Q_3 = 89.5$
 $Max = 98$

The interquartile range is

$$Q_3 - Q_1 = 89.5 - 77 = 12.5$$

Multiply this by 1.5:

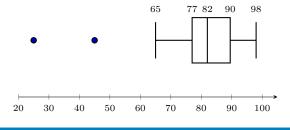
$$(1.5)(12.5) = 18.75$$

Subtract this from Q_1 and add it to Q_3 to get the fences:

$$Q_1 - 1.5IQR = 77 - 18.75 = 58.25$$

 $Q_3 + 1.5IQR = 89.5 + 18.75 = 108.25$

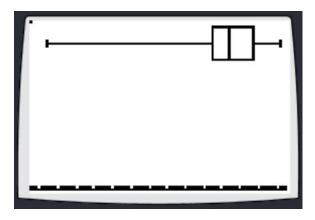
Therefore, any data point below 58.25 or above 108.25 is an outlier. There are two points that fit this description: 25 and 45. Draw the lower whisker to the lowest data point that is not an outlier: 65.



Drawing Box Plots with TI Calculator

After entering the data, press to access the STAT PLOT menu. Turn the first plot ON, then select one of the two types of box plots (one with outliers and one without.

Then press and adjust the window to the appropriate maximum and minimum x values.



SECTION 2.5 Measures of Center

So far in this chapter, we've summarized data visually. Now we come to summarizing data numerically. We'll start by summarizing where the data is centered, using three measures:

- 1. Mean
- 2. Median
- 3. Mode

Mean, Median, and Mode

Mean or Average: the sum of all the data points divided by the number of data points.

For a sample of size n,

$$\overline{x} = \frac{\sum x}{n}$$

For a population of size N,

$$\mu = \frac{\sum x}{N}$$

Median: The middle of the data set in order; half of the data points are above it and half below.

The median is at position

$$\frac{n+1}{2}$$

Mode: The most common data value (the highest bar in the histogram). If there are two data values tied for most common, the data is bimodal.

The easiest way to find the mean and median is by using your calculator:

- 1. Enter the data by pressing 1:Edit...
- 2. Press star again and scroll over to the CALC menu.



- 3. Press to select 1-Var Stats
- 4. Scroll down to Calculate on the menu and press
- 5. Scroll through the resulting list to find \overline{x} and Med.



MEAN AND MEDIAN EXAMPLE 1

Calculate the mean and median of the data set summarized by the following frequency table.

| Score | Frequency |
|-------|-----------|
| | |
| 68 | 3 |
| 71 | 2 |
| 75 | 5 |
| 77 | 3 |
| 83 | 4 |
| 89 | 3 |

Mean Adding up three 68s, two 71s, etc:

$$68 + 68 + 68 + 71 + 71 + 75 + \dots$$

= $(68)(3) + (71)(2) + (75)(5) + (77)(1) + (83)(4) + (89)(3)$
= 1551

Now divide this total by the total number of data points:

$$\overline{x} = \frac{1551}{20} = 77.55$$

Median Remember, the median occurs at position

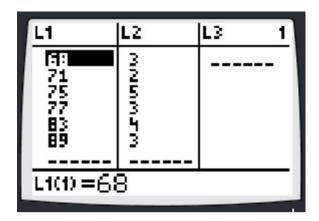
$$\frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{20+1}{2} = 10.5$$

or between the 10th and 11th data points.

In order, the 10th data point is a 75, and the 11th data point is a 77. Therefore, the median is the average of these two:

$$Med = 76$$

This can be done using calculator as well. Enter the data as a frequency table:



On the TI-83, when you hit enter on 1-Var Stats, you'll be taken back to the home screen with that entered. Type in L1, L2 by pressing 2nd \longrightarrow 1 \longrightarrow , \longrightarrow 2nd \longrightarrow 2

Then when you select 1-Var Stats, enter L2 as the FreqList (using 2nd \longrightarrow 2).



EXAMPLE 2 MEAN AND MEDIAN

Find the mean, median, and mode for the data set summarized by the following frequency table, the frequency of airline no-shows.

| Number of No-Shows | Frequency |
|--------------------|-----------|
| | |
| 0 | 37 |
| 1 | 31 |
| 2 | 20 |
| 3 | 16 |
| 4 | 12 |
| 5 | 4 |

Mean: $\overline{x} = 1.56$

Median: Med = 1

Mode: Mode = 0

SECTION 2.6 Skewness and the Mean & Median

Why do we need more than one measure of center? Can't we just find the mean and call it a day?

COMPARING MEAN AND MEDIAN

EXAMPLE 1

At a small startup, there is one CEO who takes home \$1,000,000 a year and 9 interns who make \$40,000 a year each.

Mean: The average salary at this company is

$$\bar{x} = \$136,000$$

Median: The median salary at this company is

$$Med = $40,000$$

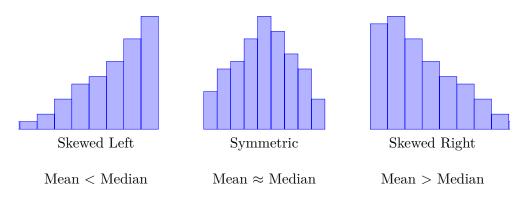
Which of these is a better measure of what a "typical" member of this corporation makes?

This is an example of a **skewed** data set, with one outlier.

Sensitivity to Outliers

The mean is **sensitive** to outliers; the median is not.

The data set in that example is said to be skewed to the right, because the outlier is on the right, or upper side of the data set.



If the mean is larger than the median, there are outliers on the upper side pulling the mean up, so the data is skewed to the right (vice versa if the mean is smaller than the median)

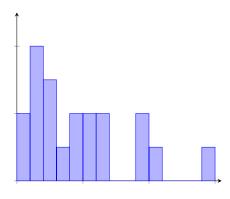
EXAMPLE 2 SKEWED OR SYMMETRIC?

Is the following data set approximately symmetric or skewed?

Mean: $\overline{x} = 4.25$

Median: Med = 3.5

Conclusion: Since the mean is (apparently significantly) larger than the median, this data set is skewed to the right, meaning that most of the data is clustered on the lower end, with a few outliers to the right. The histogram backs this up:



Because the mean is more sensitive to outliers than the median is, the median is often a better measure of the center than the mean. Thus, when you go shopping for a house, or looking at typical salaries in a particular field, try searching for the *median* house price or salary.

SECTION 2.7 Measures of Spread

Knowing where a data set is centered is good, but we also would like to be able to measure how spread out a data set is.

The simplest measure of spread is the range of a data set:

Range = Largest data value - Smallest data value

There's a better measure of spread, though: the **standard deviation**.

Standard Deviation

The standard deviation is essentially the average distance of the data points from the mean, the center.

For a sample of size n,

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \overline{x})^2}{n - 1}}$$

For a population of size N,

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \mu)^2}{N}}$$

Why is it so complicated? Why can't we just find the distances from the mean $(x - \overline{x})$, called the **deviations**) and average them? The problem is, if we add up all the deviations, the sum will always equal 0, so taking the average won't work.

That's why we square the deviations, then average¹ them, and then take the square root again.

¹Notice the n-1 in the denominator. This isn't quite an average. The reason for the n-1is somewhat complicated, but basically, it's there so that the sample standard deviation is an unbiased estimator of the population standard deviation.

EXAMPLE 1 STANDARD DEVIATION

The ages of ten fifth-grade students are given below.

Find the standard deviation of this data set.

| Data | Deviations | Sq. Deviations |
|------|--------------------|----------------------|
| x | $x - \overline{x}$ | $(x-\overline{x})^2$ |
| 11 | 0.475 | 0.225625 |
| 10 | -0.525 | 0.275625 |
| 9.5 | -1.025 | 1.050625 |
| 11 | 0.475 | 0.225625 |
| 11.5 | 0.975 | 0.950625 |
| 10.5 | -0.025 | 0.000625 |
| 10 | -0.525 | 0.275625 |
| 11 | 0.475 | 0.225625 |
| 10 | -0.525 | 0.275625 |
| 9.5 | -1.025 | 1.050625 |

The sum of the squared deviations is 4.55625; divide this by 9 and take the square root:

$$\frac{4.55625}{9} = 0.50625 \longrightarrow \sqrt{0.50625} = 0.7115$$

Of course, we don't do this process in practice; we just use 1-Var Stats on the calculator.

S_x or σ_x ?

There are two standard deviations listed in 1-Var Stats: S_x and σ_x .

The difference between them is that S_x is the sample standard deviation, and σ_x is the population standard deviation.

Which one to use depends on whether the data set in question is the entire population of interest, or a sample from that population.

z-scores

USING THE STANDARD DEVIATION EXAMPLE 2

On a baseball team, the ages of each of the players are as follows:

1. Find the mean and standard deviation.

Mean: $\bar{x} = 30.68$

Standard Deviation: $\sigma_x = 5.97$ (notice that we use the population standard deviation, since this is the whole team)

2. Find the value that is one standard deviation below the mean.

$$30.68 - 5.97 = 24.71$$

The 24- and 25-year-olds are about one standard deviation below the mean.

In this example, the standard deviation gives us a measure of position that is more powerful than it seems at the moment: the z-score.

The z-score is the number of standard deviations that a particular data point falls above or below the mean.

EXAMPLE 3 Z-SCORES

In the baseball team age data set, find the z-scores that correspond to the following ages:

(a) 26

This data point is

$$26 - 30.68 = -4.68$$

units away from the mean, which corresponds to

$$-\frac{4.68}{5.97} = -0.78$$

standard deviations:

$$z = -0.78$$

(b) 32

Do both steps in one:

$$z = \frac{32 - 30.68}{5.97} = 0.22$$

z-score

The z-score is the number of standard deviations that a particular data point falls above or below the mean.

To find the z-score for a particular data point, subtract the mean and divide the answer by the standard deviation:

$$z = \frac{x - \overline{x}}{s}$$

What good are z-scores? The first application is in comparing data points in different data sets.

COMPARING TEST SCORES EXAMPLE 4

Scores on the SAT and ACT are normally distributed:

| Test | Mean | Std. Deviation |
|-----------------------|------|----------------|
| SAT | 500 | 100 |
| ACT | 18 | 6 |

You score 550 on the SAT and 24 on the ACT. On which test did you have a better score, relative to everyone else who took the test?

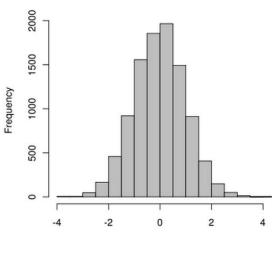
The z-scores for each test score are

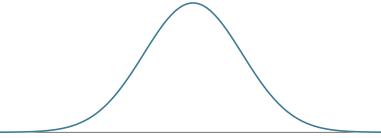
$$z_{SAT} = 0.5$$
 $z_{ACT} = 1$

Since the ACT score is a whole standard deviation above the mean, and the SAT score is only half a standard deviation above the mean, the ACT score is relatively better.

Empirical Rule

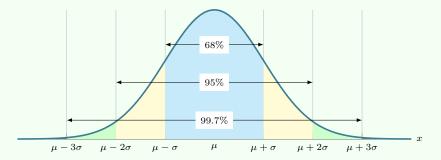
Another application is the Empirical Rule. This rule applies to data sets for which the histogram is **symmetric** and **bell-shaped**:





The Empirical Rule

- Approximately 68% of the data is within **one** standard deviation of the mean.
- Approximately 95% of the data is within **two** standard deviations of the mean.
- \bullet Approximately 99.7% of the data is within three standard deviations of the mean.



Note that this diagram uses μ for the population mean (as opposed to \overline{x} for the sample mean) and σ for the population standard deviation (as opposed to s for the sample standard deviation).

This will come back later when we study the **Normal Distribution**.

Chebyshev's Rule

This rule applies to any data set, regardless of whether or not it is symmetric and bell-shaped.

Chebyshev's Rule

- At least 75% of the data is within **two** standard deviations of the mean.
- At least 89% of the data is within **three** standard deviations of the mean.

3

Probability



Much of the study of statistics needs a grounding in the basics of probability, so in this chapter we'll start with the basics; you most likely have some intuitive understanding of probability, but our goal is to formalize much of this.

When a weather forecaster gives a prediction, an actuary estimates insurance payouts, or a basketball commentator describes how likely it is that a player will make the next free throw, they are using (to varying extents) some of the principles outlined in this chapter. You may not realize how much probability gets used around you.

SECTION 3.1 Basic Concepts

You probably have some idea of what we mean when we say "probability," but here's a definition to clarify:

What is Probability?

Probability: a way of describing how certain we are of the result of a particular experiment or activity.

Probability of something occurring: it is defined as the proportion of times that it would occur if we repeated the experiment over and over.

Vocabulary

- Outcome: One possible result of an experiment.

 Ex: flipping a coin is an experiment; heads is one outcome, and tails is another
- Sample Space: The list of all possible outcomes. We can express this in several ways:
 - (a) List the outcomes in set notation. Ex: rolling a six sided die:

$$S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

- (b) Create a tree diagram, showing different ways that events in order could happen.
- (c) Draw a Venn diagram (we'll see this later in the chapter).

• Event: one or more outcomes.

Ex: rolling a six sided die:

A = rolling a 4

B = rolling an odd number

C = rolling a number greater than 2

The probability of an event A is written P(A), or we could write P(rolling)a 4) or P(4), if that is clear enough in context.

TWO SIBLINGS **EXAMPLE 1**

Consider randomly selecting a family with 2 children where the order in which different gender siblings are born is significant. That is, a family with a younger girl and an older boy is different from a family with an older girl and a younger boy. What would the sample space look like?

If we let G denote a girl, B denote a boy, then we have the following:

Solution

$$S = \{GG, BB, GB, BG\}$$

This notation represents families with 2 girls, 2 boys, an older girl and a younger boy, an older boy and a younger girl.

THREE SIBLINGS

EXAMPLE 2

What would the sample space S look like if we considered a family with 3 children? Remember, the order of children born is significant.

Now there are 8 possibilities:

 $S = \{GGG, BBB, GGB, GBG, BGG, BBG, BGB, GBB\}$

The following example describes a familiar experiment that can actually be easily performed.

TOSSING A COIN AND ROLLING A DIE

EXAMPLE 3

Suppose we toss a fair coin and then roll a six-sided die once. Describe the sample space S.

Let T denote Tails, and H denote Heads. Then:

 $S = \{T1, T2, T3, T4, T5, T6, H1, H2, H3, H4, H5, H6\}$

Solution

Note: in the definition of probability, we said that probability is a **proportion**.

Probability

The basic rules of probability are:

- 1. $0 \le P(A) \le 1$ for any event A; that is, all probabilities are between 0 and 1
- 2. P(A) = 0 means that event A will not occur
- 3. P(A) = 1 means that event A is certain to occur
- 4. $P(E_1) + P(E_2) + \cdots + P(E_n) = 1$; that is, the sum of probabilities of all possible outcomes of an experiment E is 1

Often we use percentages to represent probabilities. For example, a weather forecast might say that there is 85% chance of rain in Frederick tomorrow. Or there is 67% chance that the Baltimore Orioles will win their next series. Or a particular poker player has a 35% chance of winning the game with his current hand. As you might have already guessed, 100% chance corresponds to 1, and 0% corresponds to 0.

Theoretical Probability

There are two types of probability: **theoretical** and **empirical**. Theoretical probability is used when the set of all equally-likely outcomes is known. To compute the theoretical probability of an event A, denoted P(A), we use the formula below:

Theoretical probability

$$P(A) = \frac{\text{number of ways } A \text{ can occur}}{\text{total number of possible outcomes}}$$

This makes sense with the definition of probability, namely that it is the proportion of times we would expect E to occur if we repeated the experiment many times. This proportion comes from dividing the number of possibilities that correspond to E by the total number of possibilities there are.

In the example below, one could probably find the probability by intuition, but it's good to know how to apply the formula, even in what seems to be a simple experiment.

ROLLING A DIE EXAMPLE 4

Assume you are rolling a fair six-sided die. What is the probability of rolling an odd number?

Since half of the sides of a die have an even number of pips, and the other half are odd, intuitively you know that there is 50% chance of rolling an odd number. But how would you compute this probability formally?

Solution

There are 6 possible outcomes when rolling a die: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. Three of these outcomes are odd numbers: 1, 3, 3 and 5. Let O denote an event when an odd number is rolled. Then

$$P(O) = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$

THREE SIBLINGS EXAMPLE 5

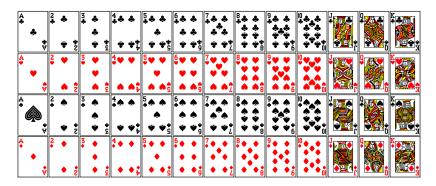
Consider the earlier example about a family with three children. Remember, the sample space looked like

$$S = \{GGG, BBB, GGB, GBG, BGG, BBG, BGB, GBB\}.$$

Let's find the probability of a few combinations of kids:

- (a) $P(\text{three girls}) = \frac{1}{8}$
- (b) $P(\text{at least two boys}) = \frac{4}{8}$
- (c) $P(\text{exactly one girl}) = \frac{3}{8}$
- (d) $P(youngest is a boy) = \frac{4}{8}$ (note why this makes sense; independent trials)
- (e) $P(\text{oldest and youngest same}) = \frac{4}{8}$ (note why this also makes sense)

In the next example, it is not necessary to list all possible outcomes of an experiment. However, if you are not familiar with a standard deck of 52 cards, the diagram below should be helpful.



EXAMPLE 6 DRAWING A CARD

Suppose you draw one card from a standard 52-card deck. What is the probability of drawing an Ace?

Solution There are 4 aces in a deck of cards. Let A denote an event that the drawn card is an Ace. Then

$$P(A) = \frac{4}{52} = \frac{1}{13}$$

EXAMPLE 7 DRAWING ANOTHER CARD

(a) When drawing a card from a standard 52-card deck, what is the probability of drawing a face card? Face cards include Jacks, Queens, and Kings.

 $\frac{12}{52}$

(b) What is the probability of drawing the King of Hearts?

 $\frac{1}{52}$

COOKIE JAR

EXAMPLE 8

Lisa's cookie jar contains the following: 5 peanut butter, 10 oatmeal raisin, 12 chocolate chip, and 8 sugar cookies. If Lisa selects one cookie, what is the probability she gets a peanut butter cookie?

The total number of cookies in the jar is 35. Let PB denote the event when a peanut butter cookie is selected, then

$$P(PB) = \frac{5}{35} = \frac{1}{7}$$



Empirical Probability

As long as we can list-or at least count-the sample space and the number of outcomes that correspond to our event, we can calculate basic probabilities by dividing, as we have done so far. But there are many situations where this isn't feasible.

For instance, take the example of a batter coming to the plate in a baseball game. There's no way to even begin to list all the possible outcomes that could occur, much less count how many of them correspond to the batter getting a hit. We'd still like to be able to estimate the likelihood of the batter getting a hit during this at-bat, though. Just as sports fan do, then, we turn to this batter's previous performance; if he's gotten a hit in 200 of his last 1000 at-bats, we assume that the probability of a hit this time is $\frac{200}{1000} = 0.200$.

Empirical probability is used when we observe the number of occurrences of an event. It is used to calculate probabilities based on the real data that we observed and collected. To compute the empirical probability of an event E, denoted P(E), we use the formula below:

Empirical probability

$$P(E) = \frac{\text{observed number of times } E \text{ occurs}}{\text{total number of observed occurrences}}$$

This can also be used to answer questions about sampling randomly from a population if we know the breakdown of the group.

EXAMPLE 9 FCC STUDENTS

Consider the following information about FCC students' enrollment:

| Gender | Enrollment |
|--------|------------|
| Female | 3653 |
| Male | 2580 |

If one person is randomly selected from all students at FCC, what is the probability of selecting a male?

Solution

The total enrollment is 6233 students, thus we get:

$$P(M) = \frac{2580}{6233} \approx 0.414$$

The next example contains a two-way table, often referred to as *contingency* table, which breaks down information about a group based on two criteria. For example, the table below breaks down a group of 130 FCC students based on gender and which hand is their dominant hand:

| Gender | Right-handed | Left-handed |
|--------|--------------|-------------|
| Female | 58 | 13 |
| Male | 47 | 12 |

In order to use this to calculate probabilities if we randomly select someone from the group, we need to calculate totals for each category: the number of males, the number of females, the number of left-handed people, and the number of right-handed people. This is done by simply summing each row and column; if we do that, we obtain the completed table below.

| Gender | Right-handed | Left-handed | Total |
|--------|--------------|-------------|-------|
| Female | 58 | 13 | 71 |
| Male | 47 | 12 | 59 |
| Total | 105 | 25 | 130 |

FCC STUDENTS EXAMPLE 10

Consider the following information about a group of 130 FCC students:

| Gender | Right-handed | Left-handed | Total |
|--------|--------------|-------------|-------|
| Female | 58 | 13 | 71 |
| Male | 47 | 12 | 59 |
| Total | 105 | 25 | 130 |

(a) If one person is randomly selected from the group, what is the probability this student is left-handed?

The total number of left-handed students in the group is 25, thus

$$P(L) = \frac{25}{130} \approx 0.192$$

(b) Find the probability of selecting a female student.

$$P(F) = \frac{71}{130} \approx 0.546$$

SECTION 3.2 The Addition Rule and Complements

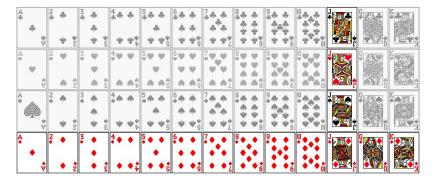
In this section, we will focus on computing probabilities of events involving "or" as well as learning the concept of mutually exclusive events. We will also discuss complementary events and their probabilities.

To start, recall the experiment of drawing one card from a standard deck of cards. Let J denote drawing a Jack, and Q denote drawing a Queen. What is the probability of drawing a Jack? It is, of course, 4/52, and the same goes for the probability of drawing a Queen. Now, what is the probability of drawing a Jack OR Queen? By looking back at the deck of cards, we can see that there are 8 cards that are either Jacks or Queens, so

$$P(J \ OR \ Q) = \frac{8}{52},$$

which happens to be the sum of their individual probabilities.

What about, though, if we wanted to find the probability of drawing a Jack or a diamond? Could we just add their individual probabilities (4/52 and 13/52, respectively)? Let's check by looking back at the cards and see which correspond to Jacks or diamonds.



Notice that there are 16 cards that match that description, so the probability is 16/32, which ISN'T the sum of the individual probabilities. What went wrong?

Mutually Exclusive Events

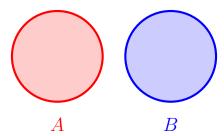
The answer can be found by looking at the diagram above. Notice that if we add up the number of Jacks and the number of diamonds (for a total of 19), we double count the Jack of diamonds. This brings us to an important definition that determines how we find the probability of one event OR another occurring: we need to find whether the events are **mutually exclusive** or **disjoint**. That is, can these two events happen at the same time?

Disjoint (mutually exclusive) outcomes

Two outcomes are called **disjoint** or **mutually exclusive** if they cannot both happen.

Can we draw a card that is both Jack and Queen? Clearly, there is no such card, therefore these events are disjoint. Another familiar example of disjoint events would be getting an even or odd number when rolling a die. Each number is either even or odd, thus these two events are also mutually exclusive. Above, though, we showed that drawing a Jack and drawing a diamond are NOT mutually exclusive, since you can draw the Jack of diamonds.

Notice that the terms **disjoint** and **mutually exclusive** are equivalent and interchangeable. The Venn diagram below illustrates the concept of mutually exclusive events: two events A and B do not overlap; they are disjoint.



Before we formally define a formula for computing probabilities of disjoint events, let us solve some problems by using the rules we already know.

ROLLING A DIE

EXAMPLE 1

Suppose you roll a fair six-sided die once. What is the probability of rolling a 6 or an odd number?

Since 6 is even, these two events are disjoint, your intuition might tell you to find the probability as follows:

Solution

$$P(O \text{ or } 6) = P(O) + P(6) = \frac{3}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3} \approx 0.667$$

Addition rule for mutually exclusive events

If A and B are mutually exclusive events, then

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

Furthermore, we can generalize this rule for finitely many disjoint events:

$$P(A_1 \text{ or } A_2 \dots \text{ or } A_k) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + \dots + P(A_k)$$

EXAMPLE 2 DRAWING A CARD

Suppose you draw one card from a standard 52-card deck.

(a) What is the probability that you get an Ace or a face card?

There are 4 Aces and 12 face cards in a standard deck of cards. These outcomes are disjoint, since only one card is drawn, so we find the probability as follows:

$$P(A \text{ or } F) = P(A) + P(F) = \frac{4}{52} + \frac{12}{52} = \frac{16}{52} = \frac{4}{13} \approx 0.308$$

(b) What is the probability of getting a number or a red Jack?

$$P(N \text{ or } RJ) = \frac{36}{52} + \frac{2}{52} = \frac{38}{52}$$

(c) What is the probability of selecting a red card or a black card?

$$P(R \text{ or } B) = \frac{26}{52} + \frac{26}{52} = \frac{52}{52} = 1$$

EXAMPLE 3 MARBLES

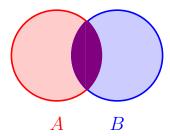
A large bag contains 28 marbles: 7 are blue, 8 are yellow, 3 are white, and 10 are red. If one marble is randomly selected, what is the probability that it's either red or yellow?

Solution Clearly, selecting a red or yellow marble are disjoint events, so we find the probability as follows:

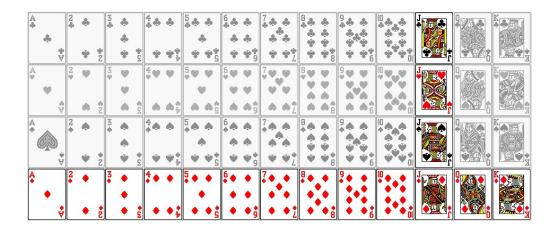
$$P(R \text{ or } Y) = P(R) + P(Y) = \frac{10}{28} + \frac{8}{28} = \frac{18}{28} = \frac{9}{14} \approx 0.643$$

Overlapping Events

What if the events of interest are not mutually exclusive? How do we compute probabilities of events that are not disjoint? Pictorially, we can visualize this situation with the following diagram, where the red intersection of two circles represents all outcomes when two events both happen. For example, if we consider FCC students, selecting a female and selecting a full-time students would not be mutually exclusive events, since there are certainly female students who go to school full time.



Let's go back to the deck of cards to see how to calculate probabilities in situations like this. We'll again use the example of drawing a Jack or a diamond.



As we noted already, these are not mutually exclusive events. Because of that, adding the probability of drawing a Jack (4/52) and the probability of drawing a diamond (13/52) gave an incorrect answer of 17/52, where the correct probability—as we noted earlier—is 16/52. Again, this is because we *double counted* the Jack of diamonds, once when we calculated the probability of drawing a Jack and once when we calculated the probability of a diamond.

The way to correct for this double counting is to subtract off the overlap; thus, we'll add up the probability of drawing a Jack and the probability of drawing a diamond and then subtract the probability of drawing both together (i.e. of drawing the Jack of diamonds):

$$P(J \ OR \ D) = P(J) + P(D) - P(JD) = \frac{4}{52} + \frac{13}{52} - \frac{1}{52} = \frac{16}{52}$$

In general, to calculate probabilities of compound events that are not mutually exclusive, we will use the General Addition rule:

General Addition rule

If A and B are any events, then

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \text{ and } B)$$

Notice that this is a more general form of the addition rule we stated earlier, with mutually exclusive events. If two events are mutually exclusive, the probability of them occurring together is 0, so the general addition rule simplifies down in that case to the simpler addition rule.

EXAMPLE 4 DRAWING A CARD

Suppose you draw one card from a standard 52-card deck.

(a) What is the probability that you get a King or a spade?

There are 4 Kings and 13 spades, where one of these cards is a King of spades. Drawing the King of spades means both events happen at the same time, so these events are not mutually exclusive. To compute the probability correctly, we need to make sure we don't "double count" any of the outcomes, and in this case it is drawing the King of spades. Applying the general addition rule, we get

$$P(K \text{ or } S) = P(K) + P(S) - P(K \text{ and } S)$$

= $\frac{4}{52} + \frac{13}{52} - \frac{1}{52} = \frac{16}{52} = \frac{4}{13} \approx 0.308$

By subtracting P(K and S), we guarantee that we count the King of Spades only once.

(b) What is the probability that you get a Queen or a face card?

$$P(Q) + P(F) - P(Q \text{ and } F) = \frac{4}{52} + \frac{12}{52} - \frac{4}{52} = \frac{12}{52}$$

Consider the following information about a group of 130 FCC students:

| Gender | Right-handed | Left-handed | Total |
|--------|--------------|-------------|-------|
| Female | 58 | 13 | 71 |
| Male | 47 | 12 | 59 |
| Total | 105 | 25 | 130 |

(a) If one person is randomly selected from the group, what is the probability this student is female or left-handed?

These events are not disjoint, since there are 13 females who are left-handed. Thus, we apply the general addition formula:

$$P(F \text{ or } L) = \frac{71}{130} + \frac{25}{130} - \frac{13}{130} = \frac{83}{130} \approx 0.638$$

Notice that the only students not "qualifying" for the event of interest are right-handed males. There are 47 of them, and 130 - 47 = 83.

(b) Compute the probability of selecting a male or a right-handed student.

$$P(M \text{ or } R) = \frac{59}{130} + \frac{105}{130} - \frac{47}{130} = \frac{117}{130}$$

SPEEDING TICKETS AND CAR COLOR EXAMPLE 6

The table below shows the number of survey subjects who have received and not received a speeding ticket in the last year, and the color of their car. Find the probability that a randomly chosen person has a red car *or* got a speeding ticket

| | Speeding ticket | No speeding ticket | Total |
|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|-------|
| Red car | 15 | 135 | 150 |
| Not red car | 45 | 470 | 515 |
| Total | 60 | 605 | 665 |

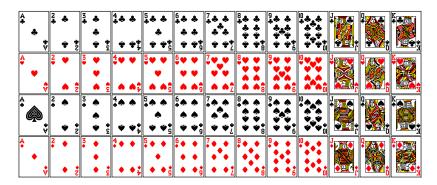
Notice that having a red car and getting a speeding tickets are not mutually exclusive events, since 15 people had both. Thus, we perform the following computations:

 $P(red\ car) + P(got\ a\ speeding\ ticket) - P(red\ car\ and\ got\ a\ speeding\ ticket)$

$$\frac{150}{665} + \frac{60}{665} - \frac{15}{665} = \frac{195}{665} \approx 0.293$$

Complements

The probability of an event not occurring can be just as useful as computing the probability of that event happening. The best way to introduce this concept is to consider an example. Let's revisit the standard 52-card deck, where we randomly select one card:



What is the probability of not drawing an Ace? Well, you know that there are 4 Aces in the deck, so 52 - 4 = 48 cards that are not Aces. We compute:

$$P(\text{not Ace}) = \frac{48}{52} \approx 0.923$$

Now, notice that

$$\frac{48}{52} = 1 - \frac{4}{52}$$
, where $P(Ace) = \frac{4}{52}$

This is not a coincidence. If you recall the basic rules of probability, the sum of probabilities of all outcomes must be 1. In this case, the card you draw is either Ace or it's not, so it makes sense that the probabilities of these two events add up to 1.

Complement of an event

The complement of an event A is denoted by A^c and represents all outcomes not in A.

$$P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$$

NOT HEARTS! EXAMPLE 7

If you pull a random card, what is the probability it is not a heart?

There are 13 hearts in the deck, so $P(\text{hearts}) = \frac{13}{52} = \frac{1}{4}$. The probability of not drawing heart is the complement:

$$P(\text{not hearts}) = 1 - P(\text{hearts}) = 1 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTION EXAMPLE 8

A multiple choice question has 5 answers, and exactly one of them is correct. If you were to guess, what is the probability of not getting the correct answer?

Since only one of the answers is correct, we have $P(\text{correct}) = \frac{1}{5}$, so

$$P(\text{not correct}) = 1 - P(\text{correct}) = 1 - \frac{1}{5} = \frac{4}{5} = 0.8$$

FCC STUDENTS' DEMOGRAPHICS **EXAMPLE 9**

According to the FCC website, female students make up 57% of the Fall 2014 student body. If one student is randomly selected, what is the probability the student is not female?

The probability of selecting a female student is 0.57, thus using the complement rule, we compute:

$$P(\text{not female}) = 1 - P(\text{female}) = 1 - 0.57 = 0.43$$

SECTION 3.3 The Multiplication Rule

We began by calculating the probabilities of single events occurring, and then we learned how to combine events using OR. Now we ask a different question: suppose we know how to calculate the probability of A and the probability of B on their own; how can we calculate the probability that A AND B both occur? To set this up, we'll look at two situations: flipping a coin twice and drawing two cards without replacement (this will be important).

Independent

Flipping a coin twice If we flip a coin twice in succession, the sample space is

$$S = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}.$$

Now suppose we ask the following questions:

1. What is the probability that the first flip results in a head?

Either by noticing that there are two possibilities for the first flip or by looking at the sample space and seeing that there are two outcomes (out of four total) that correspond to a head on the first flip, we can reason that this probability is 1/2.

2. What is the probability that the second flip results in a tail?

Using the same reasoning, we conclude that this probability is also 1/2.

3. What is the probability that the first flip results in a head *AND* the second flip results in a tail?

Looking at the sample space, we notice that there is exactly one outcome that corresponds to this (out of four), so this probability is 1/4.

Notice that the probability of both happening together is the probability of one times the probability of the other:

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

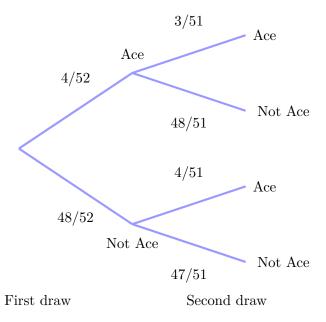
Seeing this, and noting the title of the section, we may be tempted to jump to the conclusion that the probability of A AND B is simply the probability of A times the probability of B. However, the next scenario illustrates that we need to be a bit more careful.

Just as we found with the addition rule, there is a simple version that works if a certain condition is met, and if not, there is a more general version of the multiplication rule.

Drawing two cards without replacement Suppose we draw one card, and then *without* placing it back and re-shuffling the deck, we draw a second card. What is the probability that we draw two Aces?

Not independent

This situation is different from the previous one, because now what happens on the first draw affects the probabilities for the second draw. In other words, the probability of drawing an Ace the first time is 4/52. If we draw an Ace the first time, there are only 3 Aces left and 51 total cards left, so the probability of drawing an Ace the second time is 3/51. However, if we do not draw an Ace the first time, there are still 4 Aces in the deck, so the probability of drawing an Ace the second time is 4/51. We can illustrate this with a branching tree diagram.



Now the probability of drawing an Ace both times is the probability of drawing an Ace the first time multiplied by the probability of drawing an Ace the second time **given that we drew an Ace the first time**. Notice on the tree diagram that this corresponds to following the upward branch both times.

This is because *only* if we draw an Ace the first time do we have any chance of fulfilling the scenario; if we fail to draw an Ace the first time, it doesn't matter what we do the second time—we've already failed.

Thus, the probability of drawing an Ace both times is

 $P(\text{Ace the first time}) \cdot P(\text{Ace the second time IF we drew one the first time})$

$$= \frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{3}{51} = \frac{12}{2652} \approx 0.0045$$

This is what we call *conditional probability*, and it's what we have to consider for the general multiplication rule.

Independence

Independence

Two events are independent if the outcome of one has no effect on the probability of the other occurring.

Note that saying that two events are *independent* is different than saying that two events are *mutually exclusive*.

- If two events are independent, they have no effect on each other's likelihood of occurring.
- If two events are mutually exclusive, they cannot occur together, so they do have an effect on each other's likelihood of occurring (namely, making it impossible).

EXAMPLE 1 INDEPENDENT EVENTS

Determine whether these events are independent:

1. A fair coin is tossed two times. The two events are A =first toss is Heads and B =second toss is Heads.

Solution

The probability that Heads come up on the second toss is 1/2 regardless of whether or not Heads came up on the first toss, so these events are independent.

2. The two events A = It will rain tomorrow in Frederick MD and B = It will rain tomorrow in Thurmont MD

Solution

These events are not independent because it is more likely that it will rain in Thurmont on days it rains in Frederick.

3. You draw a red card from a deck, then draw a second card without replacing the first.

Solution

The probability of the second card being red depends on whether the first card is red or not, so these events are not independent.

4. You draw a face card from the deck, then replace it and re-shuffle the deck before drawing a second card.

Solution

Since you reset the deck between draws, the events are independent.

Now we are ready to formally state the rule that we used in the first scenario at the beginning of the section.

The Multiplication Rule for Independent **Events**

Probabilities of independent events

If A and B are independent, then the probability of both A and B occurring is

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$$

We can generalize this to finitely many independent events A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_k

$$P(A_1 \text{ and } A_2 \text{ and } \dots \text{ and } A_k) = P(A_1) \cdot P(A_2) \cdot \dots \cdot P(A_k)$$

COINS AND DICE

EXAMPLE 2

Suppose you flip a coin and roll a six-sided die once. What is the probability you get Tails and an even number?

Flipping a coin and rolling a die are independent events, since the outcome of one does not effect the outcome of the other. Thus, we compute it as

Solution

$$P(T \text{ and } even \ number) = P(T) \cdot P(even \ number) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{4} = 0.25$$

DRAWING CARDS WITH REPLACEMENT

EXAMPLE 3

Assume you have a 52 card deck, and you select two cards at random. Also assume that you replace and reshuffle after each selection. Find the probability of drawing a king first and then a black card.

$$\frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{26}{52} = \frac{104}{2704} \approx 0.0385$$

EXAMPLE 4 LEFT-HANDED POPULATION

About 9% of people are left-handed. Suppose 2 people are selected at random from the U.S. population. Because the sample size of 2 is very small relative to the population, it is reasonable to assume these two people are independent. What is the probability that both are left-handed?

Solution The probability the first person is left-handed is 0.09, which is the same for the second person:

$$0.09 \cdot 0.09 = 0.0081$$

EXAMPLE 5 BOYS AND GIRLS

Assuming that probability of having a boy is 0.5, find the probability of a family having 3 boys.

Solution Since the gender of each child is independent, we use the multiplication formula for independent events:

$$P(3 \ boys) = P(boy) \cdot P(boy) \cdot P(boy) = 0.5 \cdot 0.5 \cdot 0.5 = 0.125$$

Multiplication Rule for Dependent Events

Conditional probability: the probability that B happens on the *condition* that A already happened.

Notation:

$$P(B|A)$$
.

Example: Drawing two Aces:

 $P(\text{ace on first draw}) \cdot P(\text{ace on second draw} \mid \text{ace on first draw})$

$$\frac{4}{52} \cdot \frac{3}{51} = \frac{12}{2652} = \frac{1}{221}$$

Multiplication formula for dependent events

If events A and B are not independent, then

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A) \cdot P(B|A)$$

Note that this, like with the addition rule, is the general multiplication rule; if A and B are independent, P(B|A) = P(B) (because the probability of B is the same regardless of whether A has occurred or not) and the general multiplication formula becomes the simpler form for independent events that we have already seen.

DRAWING CARDS WITHOUT REPLACEMENT

EXAMPLE 6

If you pull 2 cards out of a deck, what is the probability that both are spades?

The probability that the first card is a spade is $\frac{13}{52}$, while the probability that the second card is a spade, given the first was a spade, is $\frac{12}{51}$. Thus, the probability that both cards are spades is

Solution

$$P(2 \ spades) = \frac{13}{52} \cdot \frac{12}{51} = \frac{156}{2652} \approx 0.0588$$

SOCK COLORS

EXAMPLE 7

In your drawer you have 10 pairs of socks, 6 of which are white. If you reach in and randomly grab two pairs of socks, what is the probability that both are white?

$$\frac{6}{10} \cdot \frac{5}{9} = \frac{30}{90} = \frac{1}{3}$$

EXAMPLE 8 M&M'S

A bag of M&M's contains the following breakdown of colors:

| Red | Yellow | Brown | Blue | Orange | Green |
|-----|--------|-------|------|--------|-------|
| 12 | 18 | 24 | 22 | 13 | 17 |

Suppose you pull two M&M's out of the bag (without replacing candy after each pull). Find the following probabilities:

1. The probability of drawing two red candies

Solution

There are a total of 106 candies. The probability of drawing a red candy on the first try is 12/106 and the probability of drawing a red candy on the second try if the first try was successful is 11/105:

$$\frac{12}{106} \cdot \frac{11}{105} \approx 0.0119$$

2. The probability of drawing a blue candy and then a brown candy

Solution

This probability is

$$P(blue) \cdot P(brown \mid blue) = \frac{22}{106} \cdot \frac{24}{105} \approx 0.0474$$

3. The probability of not drawing 2 green candies

Solution

This probability is

$$1 - P(2 \ green) = 1 - [P(green) \cdot P(green \mid green)]$$
$$= 1 - \frac{17}{106} \cdot \frac{16}{105} \approx 0.9756$$

We'll conclude this section with an example of calculating conditional probability from a contingency table.

CONDITIONAL PROBABILITY AND CONTINGENCY TABLES

EXAMPLE 9

Again using the data regarding 130 FCC students, broken down by gender and dominant hand:

| Gender | Right-handed | Left-handed | Total |
|--------|--------------|-------------|-------|
| Female | 58 | 13 | 71 |
| Male | 47 | 12 | 59 |
| Total | 105 | 25 | 130 |

1. What is the probability that a randomly chosen student is female, given that the student is left-handed?

To calculate conditional probabilities from a contingency table, all we have to do is restrict ourselves to the "given" category. For this one, we are given that the student is left-handed, so we'll only look at the left-handed column and see what proportion of those are female:

$$P(female \mid left) = \frac{13}{25} = 0.52$$

2. What is the probability that a randomly chosen student is right-handed, given that the student is male?

Here we'll only look at the male row, since we're given that the randomly chosen student is male. All we need to calculate is what proportion of males in this group are right-handed:

$$P(right \mid male) = \frac{47}{59} \approx 0.7966$$

Solution

Solution

MEDICAL TEST EXAMPLE 10

A certain disease infects 100 out of every 100,000 people. The test for this disease is correct 99% of the time. If you get a positive result, what is the probability that you have the disease?

$$P(\text{sick } | \text{ positive result}) = \frac{P(\text{sick and positive result})}{P(\text{positive result})}$$
$$= \frac{99}{1098} = 0.09$$

4

Discrete Random Variables



If we roll five dice, what is the probability that all five of them come up odd? Four of them?

If we just wanted to know the probability that a single die would come up odd, that would be straightforward, but this question is harder.

In this chapter, we'll start working with **random variables**, which can be used to answer questions like this one.

Random Variable: A way to describe all the possible outcomes of a statistical experiment, with their probabilities.

Discrete Random Variable: A random variable where there are a finite number of outcomes.

Example: the number of heads when flipping a coin 10 times.

SECTION 4.1 Probability Distribution Functions

• Random variables are denoted with capital letters:

X

• Values that the random variable can take are denoted with lowercase letters:

3

• The probability that x occurs is written

$$P(X = x) = P(x)$$

Probability Distribution Function

A table that lists each possibility and its probability.

Ex: Roll a die; let X be the number that comes up

EXAMPLE 1 ROLLING TWO DICE

Roll two dice and let X be the sum of the values. Build the probability distribution function for this experiment.

Sample space:

$$S = \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,5), (1,6) \\ (2,1), (2,2), (2,3), (2,4), (2,5), (2,6) \\ (3,1), (3,2), (3,3), (3,4), (3,5), (3,6) \\ (4,1), (4,2), (4,3), (4,4), (4,5), (4,6) \\ (5,1), (5,2), (5,3), (5,4), (5,5), (5,6) \\ (6,1), (6,2), (6,3), (6,4), (6,5), (6,6)\}$$

The sum can be anything from 2 to 12:

| $\underline{}$ | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| P(x) | $\frac{1}{36}$ | $\frac{2}{36}$ | $\frac{3}{36}$ | $\frac{4}{36}$ | $\frac{5}{36}$ | $\frac{6}{36}$ | $\frac{5}{36}$ | $\frac{4}{36}$ | $\frac{3}{36}$ | $\frac{2}{36}$ | $\frac{1}{36}$ |

FLIP A COIN TWICE EXAMPLE 2

Flip a coin twice; let X be the number of heads. Build the probability distribution function for this experiment.

Sample space:

$$S = \{HH, HT, TH, TT\}$$

Probability distribution function:

| x | P(x) |
|---|------|
| 0 | 0.25 |
| 1 | 0.5 |
| 2 | 0.25 |

COLLEGE CLASSES EXAMPLE 3

There are 5000 undergrads at a college. The following frequency table describes how many of them are taking a given number of courses.

| Number of Courses | Frequency |
|-------------------|-----------|
| 1 | 478 |
| 2 | 645 |
| 3 | 568 |
| 4 | 1864 |
| 5 | 1357 |
| 6 | 88 |

If X is the number of courses that a randomly chosen student is taking, find the probability distribution for X.

| \boldsymbol{x} | P(x) |
|------------------|-------|
| 1 | 0.096 |
| 2 | 0.129 |
| 3 | 0.114 |
| 4 | 0.373 |
| 5 | 0.271 |
| 6 | 0.018 |

Notice that the probability column is exactly what you would get if you put a relative frequency column on the frequency table.

Two Rules

- 1. The probabilities are all between 0 and 1
- 2. The probabilities add up to 1:

$$\sum P(x) = 1$$

EXAMPLE 4 SUPERMARKET CUSTOMERS

The number of customers in line at a supermarket express checkout counter is a random variable with the following probability distribution.

1. Find P(2).

$$P(2) = 0.3$$

2. Find P(no more than 1).

$$P(0) + P(1) = 0.10 + 0.25 = 0.35$$

3. Find the probability that no one is in line.

$$P(0) = 0.1$$

4. Find the probability that at least three people are in line.

$$P(3) + P(4) + P(5) = 0.20 + 0.10 + 0.05 = 0.35$$

SECTION 4.2 Expected Value

An investor is considering a \$10,000 investment in a start-up company. She estimates that she has a probability 0.25 of a \$20,000 loss, probability 0.20 of a \$10,000 profit, probability 0.15 of a \$50,000 profit, and probability 0.40 of breaking even (a profit of \$0). Would you advise her to make the investment?

To answer a question like this, we need to find the **expected value** of this random variable.

Expected Value

The mean or expected value of a random variable is the long-term average result if the experiment is repeated many times.

To find the expected value, multiply each value by its probability and add them up:

$$\mu_X = E(X) = \sum x \cdot P(x)$$

In the example with the investor, we have the following probability distribution, where X represents the earnings on this investment:

| x | P(x) |
|-----------|------|
| \$0 | 0.40 |
| \$10,000 | 0.20 |
| \$50,000 | 0.15 |
| -\$20,000 | 0.25 |

The expected value is

$$E(X) = (\$0)(0.40) + (\$10,000)(0.20) + (\$50,000)(0.15) + (-\$20,000)(0.25) = \$4500$$

Since the expected value is positive, that means she can expect to make a profit.

Note: It's impossible for her to actually make \$4500, so this expected value isn't what we expect her to make. Instead, this means that if a bunch of investors made this investment, the majority of them would make money, and their average profits would be \$4500.

EXAMPLE 1 EXPECTED VALUE

Find the mean of the random variable with the following probability distribution.

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} x & P(x) \\ \hline 0 & 0.03125 \\ 1 & 0.15625 \\ 2 & 0.31250 \\ 3 & 0.31250 \\ 4 & 0.15625 \\ 5 & 0.03125 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\mu_X = E(X) = 0(0.03125) + 1(0.15625) + 2(0.31250) + 3(0.31250) + 4(0.15625) + 5(0.03125)$$

$$= 2.5$$

EXAMPLE 2 CIRCUIT BOARD DEFECTS

The following table presents the probability distribution of the number of defects X in a randomly chosen printed circuit board.

Compute the mean μ_X .

$$\mu_X = 0(0.5) + 1(0.3) + 2(0.1) + 3(0.1) = 0.8$$

This means that we expect the average number of defects in all these circuit boards to be less than 1.

LOTTERY EXAMPLE 3

In the NY State Numbers Lottery, you pay \$1 and pick a number from 000 to 999. If your number comes up, you win \$500, which is a profit of \$499. If you lose, you lose \$1. What is your expected value?

The probability distribution below describes your possible winnings.

Therefore, the expected value is

$$E(X) = \$499(0.001) - \$1(0.999) = -\$0.50$$

If you played this lottery many times, you would lose an average of fifty cents per play.

When casinos design games, you better believe the player's expected value is negative. This is why "the house always wins" in the long run, even if a few players win money now and again.

CRAPS EXAMPLE 4

In the game of craps, two dice are rolled, and people bet on the outcome. For example, you can bet \$1 that the dice will total 7, and if you win, your profit is \$4. What is your expected value?

The probability distribution below describes your possible winnings.

$$\begin{array}{c|cc}
x & P(x) \\
\hline
$4 & \frac{6}{36} \\
-$1 & \frac{30}{36}
\end{array}$$

Therefore, the expected value is

$$E(X) = \$4\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) - \$1\left(\frac{5}{6}\right) = -\$0.1667$$

EXAMPLE 5 CARNIVAL GAME

Consider the following game: you flip a fair coin. If you get heads on the flip, you win \$200 and the game is over. If you get tails on the flip, you get to flip the coin a second time; if you get heads on the second flip, you win \$40 and the game is over. If you get tails on the second flip, you win nothing and the game is over.

(a) Fill in the following probability distribution with the possible winnings and their associated probabilities.

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc}
x & \$200 & \$40 & \$0 \\
\hline
P(x) & 0.5 & 0.25 & 0.25
\end{array}$$

(b) What is the expected value for this game?

$$E(X) = $200(0.5) + $40(0.25) + $0(0.25) = $110$$

(c) What is the probability that you win at most \$40 when you play this game once?

$$P(\$0) + P(\$40) = 0.25 + 0.25 = 0.5$$

EXAMPLE 6 DRAW FOUR CARDS

You are playing a game in which you draw four cards from a standard deck of 52 cards, and the cards are replaced in the deck after each draw. You guess the suit of each card before it is drawn; you pay \$1 to play, and if you guess the correct suit each time, you get your money back plus \$275. Will you make money playing this game in the long run?

Since the card is replaced each time, the trials are independent, so the probability of guessing the correct suit four times in a row is

$$P(win) = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{256}$$

Therefore, the probability distribution looks like

$$\begin{array}{c|c} x & P(x) \\ \hline \$275 & \frac{1}{256} \\ -\$1 & \frac{255}{256} \end{array}$$

The expected value of this game is

$$E(X) = \$275 \left(\frac{1}{256}\right) - \$1 \left(\frac{255}{256}\right) = \$0.078.$$

You can expect to make an average of 8 cents every time you play, so yes, this is a profitable game, but the profit margin is so small that it probably isn't worth it.

BIASED COIN

EXAMPLE 7

Suppose you play a game with a biased coin, where the probability of heads is 2/3 and the probability of tails is 1/3. You toss the coin once; if your toss is heads, you pay \$6, and if your toss is tails, you win \$10. If you play this game many times, will you come out ahead?

The probability distribution looks like

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
x & P(x) \\
\hline
\$10 & \frac{1}{3} \\
-\$6 & \frac{2}{3}
\end{array}$$

Therefore, the expected value of this game is

$$E(X) = \$10\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) - \$6\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = -\$0.6667,$$

so you could expect to lose an average of 67 cents per play.

SECTION 4.3 Binomial Distribution

Remember, a random variable describes the results of an experiment. There is a certain kind of experiment that often arises, like the following example:

Ex: Suppose you run a manufacturing plant making light bulbs. Through extensive testing, you've found that the probability that a particular light bulb is defective is 0.02%. In a batch of 1000 light bulbs, what is the probability that 1 light bulb is defective? What about 2, or 3? 10? Fewer than 10, or more than 10?

All of these questions can be answered when we recognize that this problem is an example of a **binomial random variable**.

Binomial Experiment

A binomial random variable comes from a binomial experiment, which has the following characteristics:

- 1. A fixed number of trials (n). Think of testing the 1000 light bulbs.
- 2. There are two possible outcomes for each trial; call them success and failure (in this case, success might be a defective light bulb).
 - Probability of success: p
 - Probability of failure: 1 p
- 3. The probability of success is the same for each trial.
- 4. The trials are independent.
- 5. The random variable X describes the number of successes.

ARE THESE BINOMIAL? EXAMPLE 1

Decide whether each of the following is a binomial random variable.

(a) A coin is tossed ten times. Let X be the number of heads.

This is the prototypical example of a binomial random variable, where n = 10 and p = 0.5.

Solution

(b) Five basketball players attempt a free throw. Let X be the number of free throws made.

If one player shot five free throws, that could be considered a binomial experiment, but since it is five different players, the probability of success on each trial is not consistent.

Solution

(c) A random sample of 250 voters is chosen from a list of 10,000 registered voters. Let X be the number of who support the incumbent mayor for reelection.

This can be considered a binomial experiment, since the trials are independent and the probability of success is consistent.

Solution

Notation

The question with a binomial random variable is always: "what is the probability of x successes?" or "what is the probability of more/less than x successes?"

For example, the probability of 5 successes would be written P(X=5), and the probability of less than or equal to 5 successes would be written $P(X \leq 5)$.

Both kinds of questions can be answered if we have the probability distribution. For example, if there are three trials, we'd want to fill out the following table:

| \boldsymbol{x} | P(x) |
|------------------|------|
| 0 | |
| 1 | |
| 2 | |
| 3 | |

For n trials, there can be anywhere from 0 to n successes. The probability of any number of successes will, of course, depend on the probability p of each individual success.

Okay, so how do we actually calculate the probability of a certain number of successes?

Binomial Distribution Formula

The probability of x successes in a binomial experiment is

$$P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

where $\binom{n}{x}$ is the "n choose x," the number of ways to select x items from a pool of n items.

When we actually do problems, though, we don't typically use the formula.

Using the Table

Rather than using the formula, we can use a table that was built with the formula (looking up a value in the table is quicker than evaluating the formula).

The table is essentially the probability distribution function for different numbers of trials and different probabilities of success. Below is a segment of this table (the full table is in the appendix).

| Binomial Probabilities | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|---|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| \overline{n} | k | $\binom{n}{k}$ | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.2 | | | | |
| 2 | 0 | 1 | 0.9801 | 0.9025 | 0.8100 | 0.7225 | 0.6400 | 0.562 | | | | |
| | 1 | 2 | 0.0198 | 0.0950 | 0.1800 | 0.2550 | 0.3200 | 0.375 | | | | |
| | 2 | 1 | 0.0001 | 0.0025 | 0.0100 | 0.0225 | 0.0400 | 0.062 | | | | |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 0.9703 | 0.8574 | 0.7290 | 0.6141 | 0.5120 | 0.421 | | | | |
| | 1 | 3 | 0.0294 | 0.1354 | 0.2430 | 0.3251 | 0.3840 | 0.421 | | | | |
| | 2 | 3 | 0.0003 | 0.0071 | 0.0270 | 0.0574 | 0.0960 | 0.140 | | | | |
| | 3 | 1 | | 0.0001 | 0.0010 | 0.0034 | 0.0080 | 0.015 | | | | |
| 4 | 0 | 1 | 0.9606 | 0.8145 | 0.6561 | 0.5220 | 0.4096 | 0.316 | | | | |
| | 1 | 4 | 0.0388 | 0.1715 | 0.2916 | 0.3685 | 0.4096 | 0.421 | | | | |
| | 2 | 6 | 0.0006 | 0.0135 | 0.0486 | 0.0975 | 0.1536 | 0.210 | | | | |
| | 3 | 4 | | 0.0005 | 0.0036 | 0.0115 | 0.0256 | 0.046 | | | | |
| | 4 | 1 | | | 0.0001 | 0.0005 | 0.0016 | 0.003 | | | | |
| 5 | 0 | 1 | 0.9510 | 0.7738 | 0.5905 | 0.4437 | 0.3277 | 0.237 | | | | |
| | 1 | 5 | 0.0480 | 0.2036 | 0.3281 | 0.3915 | 0.4096 | 0.395 | | | | |
| | 2 | 10 | 0.0010 | 0.0214 | 0.0729 | 0.1382 | 0.2048 | 0.263 | | | | |
| | 3 | 10 | | 0.0011 | 0.0081 | 0.0244 | 0.0512 | 0.087 | | | | |
| | 4 | 5 | | | 0.0005 | 0.0022 | 0.0064 | 0.014 | | | | |
| | 5 | 1 | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0003 | 0.001 | | | | |
| 6 | 0 | 1 | 0.9415 | 0.7351 | 0.5314 | 0.3771 | 0.2621 | 0.178 | | | | |

For instance, for three trials where p = 0.15, the probability distribution function is

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} x & P(x) \\ \hline 0 & 0.6141 \\ 1 & 0.3251 \\ 2 & 0.0574 \\ 3 & 0.0034 \\ \end{array}$$

(notice that the probabilities all add up to 1, so this is a valid probability distribution function).

BINOMIAL PROBABILITIES

EXAMPLE 2

If n = 3 and p = 0.15, find the following probabilities:

- (a) P(X=2) = 0.0574
- (b) $P(X \le 1) = 0.9392$
- (c) P(X > 2) = 0.0034

MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUIZ

EXAMPLE 3

A student takes a quiz with four multiple-choice questions, each with five possible answers. What is the probability that the student gets at least three correct answers if she guesses on each question?

Here n = 5 and p = 0.2, so

Solution

$$P(X \ge 3) = P(X = 3) + P(X = 4) = 0.0256 + 0.0016 = 0.0272.$$

Using Your Calculator

There's an even easier way to calculate binomial probabilities: using the built in function on your calculator. If you press and scroll down, you'll find two relevant options: binompdf and binomcdf.



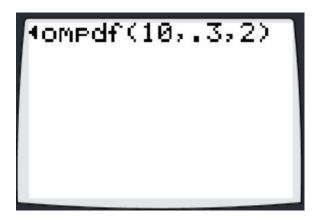
binompdf: The probability of exactly x successes.

binomcdf: The probability of less than or equal to x successes.

If, for instance, you select binompdf, you might see a menu like the following:



After you enter the number of trials, the probability of success, and the number of successes in question, click Paste, and you'll see something like the following:



Note: On a TI-83, you should instead type in the three pieces, separated by commas. The syntax is

binompdf(n,p,x) or binomcdf(n,p,x)

AIRLINE FLIGHTS EXAMPLE 4

At a particular airport, 81% of the flights arrived on time last year. If 15 flights are randomly selected, find the probability that

(a) exactly 10 of the flights are on time.

binompdf(12,0.81,10) =
$$0.2897$$

(b) exactly 12 of the flights are on time.

binompdf(12,0.81,12) =
$$0.0798$$

(c) 11 or fewer flights are on time.

$$binomcdf(12,0.81,11) = 0.9202$$

(d) fewer than 10 flights are on time.

binomcdf(12,0.81,9) =
$$0.4060$$

(e) more than 9 flights are on time.

$$1-\text{binomcdf}(12,0.81,9) = 0.5940$$

(f) 11 or more flights are on time.

binomcdf
$$(12,0.81,10) = 0.3043$$

EXAMPLE 5 GOOGLE SEARCHES

According to a Nielsen report, 65% of Internet searches in May 2010 used Google. If a sample of 25 searches are randomly selected, find the probability that

(a) exactly 20 of them used Google.

$$binompdf(25,0.65,20) = 0.0506$$

(b) 15 or fewer used Google.

$$binomcdf(25,0.65,20) = 0.3697$$

(c) more than 22 used Google.

$$1-\text{binomcdf}(25,0.65,22) = 0.0021$$

(d) fewer than 12 used Google.

binomcdf(25,0.65,11) =
$$0.0255$$

(e) 17 or more used Google.

$$1-\text{binomcdf}(25,0.65,16) = 0.4668$$

Mean: The expected value of a binomial random variable is

$$E(X) = np$$
.

Note that this makes sense: if you flip a coin 10 times, you can expect to get 5 heads, for instance.

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT **EXAMPLE 6**

The Statistical Abstract of the United States reported that 67% of students who graduated from high school in 2007 enrolled in college. Thirty high school graduates are sampled; find the probability that

(a) exactly 18 of them enroll in college.

binompdf (30,0.67,18) =
$$0.1068$$

(b) more than 15 of them enroll in college.

$$1-\text{binomcdf}(30,0.67,15) = 0.9601$$

(c) fewer than 20 of them enroll in college.

binomcdf(30,0.67,19) =
$$0.4000$$

How many of these students would you expect to enroll in college?

$$E(X) = np = (30)(0.67) \approx 20$$

DRIVER'S EXAM EXAMPLE 7

Sixty-five percent of people pass the state driver's exam on the first try. A group of 50 individuals who have taken the driver's exam is randomly selected. Find the probability that 30–35 of them passed on the first try.

There are two ways to tackle this problem:

One Way: Use binompdf to find the individual probabilities of 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, and 35 passing, and add them up. This gets tedious, though.

Another Way: Use binomcdf to cover this range by subtracting:

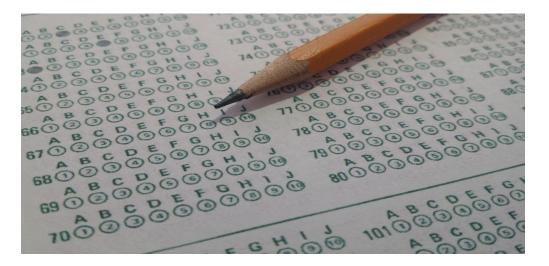
binomcdf(50,0.65,35) - binomcdf(50,0.65,29)
=
$$0.8122 - 0.1861 = 0.6261$$

Summary

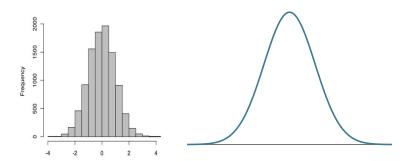
- To find P(X = number), use binompdf(n,p,number).
- To find $P(X \leq \text{number})$, use binomcdf(n,p,number).
- To find P(X < number), use binomcdf(n,p,number-1).
- To find $P(X \ge \text{number})$, use 1-binomcdf(n,p,number-1).
- To find P(X > number), use 1-binomcdf(n,p,number).
- To find $P(a \le X \le b)$, use binomcdf(n,p,b) binomcdf(n,p,a-1). (pay attention to the inequalities)

6

The Normal Distribution



Standardized test scores tend to have a symmetric, bell-shaped distribution. What does that mean? That means that if we counted how many people got each score, and built a histogram (especially a relative frequency histogram), we'd get something that looked like the picture on the left. If those boxes got thinner and thinner (as we measured scores more finely), that histogram would start to look like the smooth curve on the right.



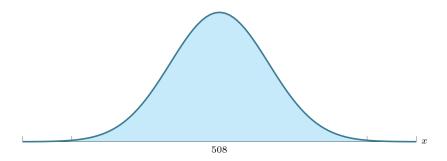
There are some quantities like these test scores that naturally have a distribution like this, but the normal distribution is more important for reasons that we'll see later.

SECTION 6.1 The Normal Distribution

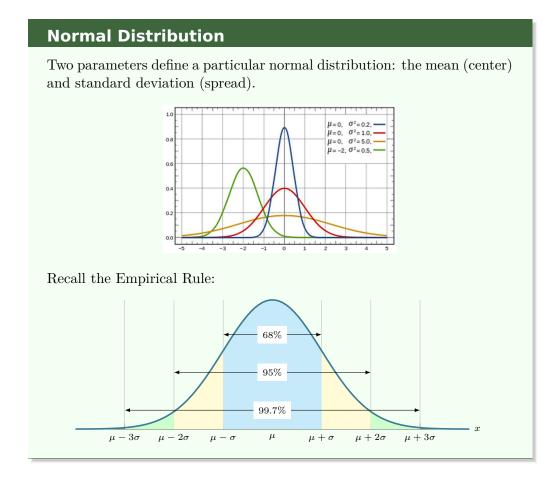
This bell-shaped curve is similar to a probability distribution function (it's called a **probability density function**).

Just like a probability distribution, the density curve tells us how likely a given outcome is, based on the height of the density curve at that point.

For instance, the average SAT verbal score is 508, and the distribution of scores looks like the following:



This means that the most common score is 508 (and thus that's the most likely result for a randomly chosen test taker). Not only that, but this distribution gives us a precise description of how scores are clustered around this center.

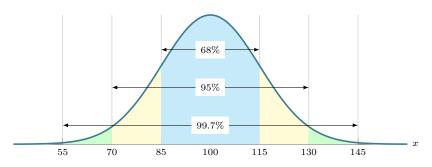


THE INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENT **EXAMPLE 1**

IQ is normally distributed with a mean of 100 and a standard deviation of 16. Use the Empirical Rule to the find the data that is within one, two, and three standard deviations of the mean.

Solution

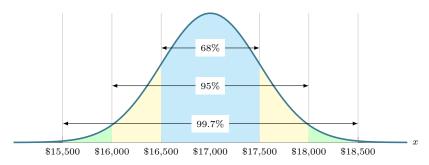
- 1. 68% of the data is within one standard deviation of the mean. $IQ = mean \pm (1 \cdot standard deviation) = 100 \pm (1 \cdot 15) = 100 \pm 15 =$ (85, 115) Thus, 68% of people have an IQ between 85 and 115.
- 2. 95\% of the data is within two standard deviations of the mean. $IQ = mean \pm (2 \cdot standard deviation) = 100 \pm (2 \cdot 15) = 100 \pm 30 =$ (70, 130) Thus, 95% of people have an IQ between 70 and 130.
- 3. 99.7% of the data is within three standard deviations of the mean. $IQ = mean \pm (3 \cdot standard deviation) = 100 \pm (3 \cdot 15) = 100 \pm 45 =$ (55, 145) Thus, 99.7% of people have an IQ between 55 and 145.



CAR SALES

EXAMPLE 2

Suppose you know that the prices paid for cars are normally distributed with a mean of \$17,000 and a standard deviation of \$500. Use the 68–95– 99.7 Rule to find the percentage of buyers who paid less than \$16,000.



Since 95\% is between \$16,000 and \$18,000, 5\% is outside this range, so 2.5% is below \$16,000.

z Table

What if we want to know about points that don't happen to be exactly one, two, or three standard deviations away from the mean?

Recall: z-score is how many standard deviations a data point is above or below the mean.

Now: we use z-scores to describe the probability that a randomly chosen data point falls into a certain range.

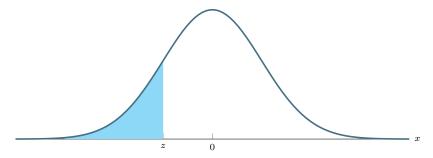
Area under normal curve: the area under the curve between a and b measures the proportion of data points between a and b (or the probability that a randomly chosen data point is in that range).

Standard normal distribution: mean of 0, standard deviation of 1. A z score converts a non-standard normal distribution to a standard one.

We can use a table like the one below to find the area under a curve in given ranges.

| z | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.09 |
|------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|
| | | 3003000 | | | | | | 7,007.8 | | |
| -3.8 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |
| -3.7 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |
| -3.6 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |
| -3.5 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 |
| -3.4 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0002 |
| -3.3 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0003 |
| -3.2 | 0.0007 | 0.0007 | 0.0006 | 0.0006 | 0.0006 | 0.0006 | 0.0006 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 |
| -3.1 | 0.0010 | 0.0009 | 0.0009 | 0.0009 | 0.0008 | 0.0008 | 0.0008 | 0.0008 | 0.0007 | 0.0007 |
| -3.0 | 0.0013 | 0.0013 | 0.0013 | 0.0012 | 0.0012 | 0.0011 | 0.0011 | 0.0011 | 0.0010 | 0.0010 |
| -2.9 | 0.0019 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0017 | 0.0016 | 0.0016 | 0.0015 | 0.0015 | 0.0014 | 0.0014 |
| -2.8 | 0.0026 | 0.0025 | 0.0024 | 0.0023 | 0.0023 | 0.0022 | 0.0021 | 0.0021 | 0.0020 | 0.0019 |
| -2.7 | 0.0035 | 0.0034 | 0.0033 | 0.0032 | 0.0031 | 0.0030 | 0.0029 | 0.0028 | 0.0027 | 0.0026 |
| -2.6 | 0.0047 | 0.0045 | 0.0044 | 0.0043 | 0.0041 | 0.0040 | 0.0039 | 0.0038 | 0.0037 | 0.0036 |
| -2.5 | 0.0062 | 0.0060 | 0.0059 | 0.0057 | 0.0055 | 0.0054 | 0.0052 | 0.0051 | 0.0049 | 0.0048 |
| -2.4 | 0.0082 | 0.0080 | 0.0078 | 0.0075 | 0.0073 | 0.0071 | 0.0069 | 0.0068 | 0.0066 | 0.0064 |
| -2.3 | 0.0107 | 0.0104 | 0.0102 | 0.0099 | 0.0096 | 0.0094 | 0.0091 | 0.0089 | 0.0087 | 0.0084 |
| -2.2 | 0.0139 | 0.0136 | 0.0132 | 0.0129 | 0.0125 | 0.0122 | 0.0119 | 0.0116 | 0.0113 | 0.0110 |
| -2.1 | 0.0179 | 0.0174 | 0.0170 | 0.0166 | 0.0162 | 0.0158 | 0.0154 | 0.0150 | 0.0146 | 0.0143 |
| -2.0 | 0.0228 | 0.0222 | 0.0217 | 0.0212 | 0.0207 | 0.0202 | 0.0197 | 0.0192 | 0.0188 | 0.0183 |
| -1.9 | 0.0287 | 0.0281 | 0.0274 | 0.0268 | 0.0262 | 0.0256 | 0.0250 | 0.0244 | 0.0239 | 0.0233 |
| -1.8 | 0.0359 | 0.0351 | 0.0344 | 0.0336 | 0.0329 | 0.0322 | 0.0314 | 0.0307 | 0.0301 | 0.0294 |
| -1.7 | 0.0446 | 0.0436 | 0.0427 | 0.0418 | 0.0409 | 0.0401 | 0.0392 | 0.0384 | 0.0375 | 0.0367 |
| -1.6 | 0.0548 | 0.0537 | 0.0526 | 0.0516 | 0.0505 | 0.0495 | 0.0485 | 0.0475 | 0.0465 | 0.0455 |
| -1.5 | 0.0668 | 0.0655 | 0.0643 | 0.0620 | 0.0618 | 0.0606 | 0.0594 | 0.0582 | 0.0571 | 0.0559 |
| -1.4 | 0.0808 | 0.0793 | 0.0778 | 0.0764 | 0.0749 | 0.0735 | 0.0721 | 0.0708 | 0.0694 | 0.0681 |
| -1.3 | 0.0968 | 0.0951 | 0.0934 | 0.0918 | 0.0901 | 0.0885 | 0.0869 | 0.0853 | 0.0838 | 0.0823 |
| -1.2 | 0.1151 | 0.1131 | 0.1112 | 0.1093 | 0.1075 | 0.1056 | 0.1038 | 0.1020 | 0.1003 | 0.0985 |
| -1.1 | 0.1357 | 0.1335 | 0.1314 | 0.1292 | 0.1271 | 0.1251 | 0.1230 | 0.1210 | 0.1190 | 0.1170 |
| 1.0 | 0 1507 | 0.1569 | 0.1520 | 0.1515 | 0.1400 | 0.1460 | 0.1446 | 0 1 4 9 9 | 0.1401 | 0.1270 |

More specifically, the table gives the proportion of values below any given z score:



Reading the z table: How do we read this?

For instance, to find the proportion to the left of z = -1.73, go down to the -1.7 row and over to the 0.03 column and read the proportion:

0.0418

| z | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 - | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.09 |
|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| -3.8 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |
| -3.7 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |
| -3.6 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |
| -3.5 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 |
| -3.4 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0003 | 0.0002 |
| -3.3 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0004 | 0.0003 |
| -3.2 | 0.0007 | 0.0007 | 0.0006 | 0.0006 | 0.0006 | 0.0006 | 0.0006 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 |
| -3.1 | 0.0010 | 0.0009 | 0.0009 | 0.0009 | 0.0008 | 0.0008 | 0.0008 | 0.0008 | 0.0007 | 0.0007 |
| -3.0 | 0.0013 | 0.0013 | 0.0013 | 0.0012 | 0.0012 | 0.0011 | 0.0011 | 0.0011 | 0.0010 | 0.0010 |
| -2.9 | 0.0019 | 0.0018 | 0.0018 | 0.0017 | 0.0016 | 0.0016 | 0.0015 | 0.0015 | 0.0014 | 0.0014 |
| -2.8 | 0.0026 | 0.0025 | 0.0024 | 0.0023 | 0.0023 | 0.0022 | 0.0021 | 0.0021 | 0.0020 | 0.0019 |
| -2.7 | 0.0035 | 0.0034 | 0.0033 | 0.0032 | 0.0031 | 0.0030 | 0.0029 | 0.0028 | 0.0027 | 0.0026 |
| -2.6 | 0.0047 | 0.0045 | 0.0044 | 0.0043 | 0.0041 | 0.0040 | 0.0039 | 0.0038 | 0.0037 | 0.0036 |
| -2.5 | 0.0062 | 0.0060 | 0.0059 | 0.0057 | 0.0055 | 0.0054 | 0.0052 | 0.0051 | 0.0049 | 0.0048 |
| -2.4 | 0.0082 | 0.0080 | 0.0078 | 0.0075 | 0.0073 | 0.0071 | 0.0069 | 0.0068 | 0.0066 | 0.0064 |
| -2.3 | 0.0107 | 0.0104 | 0.0102 | 0.0099 | 0.0096 | 0.0094 | 0.0091 | 0.0089 | 0.0087 | 0.0084 |
| -2.2 | 0.0139 | 0.0136 | 0.0132 | 0.0129 | 0.0125 | 0.0122 | 0.0119 | 0.0116 | 0.0113 | 0.0110 |
| -2.1 | 0.0179 | 0.0174 | 0.0170 | 0.0166 | 0.0162 | 0.0158 | 0.0154 | 0.0150 | 0.0146 | 0.0143 |
| -2.0 | 0.0228 | 0.0222 | 0.0217 | 0.0212 | 0.0207 | 0.0202 | 0.0197 | 0.0192 | 0.0188 | 0.0183 |
| -1.9 | 0.0287 | 0.0281 | 0.0274 | 0.0268 | 0.0262 | 0.0256 | 0.0250 | 0.0244 | 0.0239 | 0.0233 |
| -1.8 | 0.0359 | 0.0351 | 0.0344 | 0.0336 | 0.0329 | 0.0322 | 0.0314 | 0.0307 | 0.0301 | 0.0294 |
| -1.7 | 0.0446 | 0.0436 | 0.0427 | 0.0418 | 0.0409 | 0.0401 | 0.0392 | 0.0384 | 0.0375 | 0.0367 |
| -1.6 | 0.0548 | 0.0537 | 0.0526 | 0.0516 | 0.0505 | 0.0495 | 0.0485 | 0.0475 | 0.0465 | 0.0455 |
| -1.5 | 0.0668 | 0.0655 | 0.0643 | 0.0620 | 0.0618 | 0.0606 | 0.0594 | 0.0582 | 0.0571 | 0.0559 |
| -1.4 | 0.0808 | 0.0793 | 0.0778 | 0.0764 | 0.0749 | 0.0735 | 0.0721 | 0.0708 | 0.0694 | 0.0681 |
| -1.3 | 0.0968 | 0.0951 | 0.0934 | 0.0918 | 0.0901 | 0.0885 | 0.0869 | 0.0853 | 0.0838 | 0.0823 |
| -1.2 | 0.1151 | 0.1131 | 0.1112 | 0.1093 | 0.1075 | 0.1056 | 0.1038 | 0.1020 | 0.1003 | 0.0985 |
| -1.1 | 0.1357 | 0.1335 | 0.1314 | 0.1292 | 0.1271 | 0.1251 | 0.1230 | 0.1210 | 0.1190 | 0.1170 |
| 1.0 | 0 1507 | 0.1569 | 0.1520 | 0.1515 | 0.1409 | 0.1460 | 0.1446 | 0 1499 | 0.1401 | 0.1970 |

EXAMPLE 3 USING Z TABLE

Find the area under the standard normal curve that is

(a) to the left of z = 0.47.

0.6808

(b) to the right of z = -1.24.

0.8925

(c) between z = 0.86 and z = 1.15.

0.0698

(d) outside the interval between z = -0.44 and z = 2.10.

0.3479

EXAMPLE 4 USING Z TABLE

A normal distribution has mean $\mu = 20$ and standard deviation $\sigma = 4$.

(a) What proportion of the population is less than 18?

$$z_{18} = \frac{18 - 20}{4} = -0.5 \longrightarrow P(z < -0.5) = 0.3085$$

(b) What is the probability that a randomly chosen value will be greater than 25?

$$z_{25} = \frac{25 - 20}{4} = 1.25 \longrightarrow P(z > 1.25) = 1 - P(z \le 1.25) = 0.1056$$

Note: the normal distribution describes a continuous random variable, where we never talk about the probability that X equals a given value. This is because this probability is technically zero. This doesn't affect our problems much, except that we can talk interchangeably about

$$P(X \le x)$$
 or $P(X < x)$.

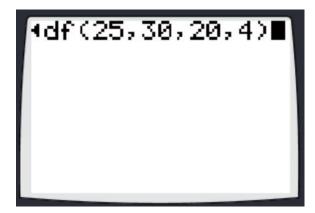
Using Your Calculator

Here again, there's an easier way, using your calculator. There's a built-in function called normalcdf that can calculate the proportion of the data in any given range for a normal distribution with any mean and standard deviation.

- 1. Press then scroll to the second option: 2: normalcdf(
- 2. You might see the following menu:



3. Enter values for the lower and upper bounds that you're interested in, as well as the mean and standard deviation of the given data set, and press Paste:



If you don't get the menu from the previous step, just enter the information the way it is shown here, as

normalcdf(lower,upper,mean,stdev)

EXAMPLE 5 PREGNANCY LENGTHS

The average length of a pregnancy is 272 days and the standard deviation is 9 days. Find the probability that

(a) a randomly chosen pregnancy will last less than 252 days.

$$normalcdf(-1000000, 252, 272, 9) = 0.0132$$

Note: "below 252": between negative infinity and 252, so we put some large negative number there (some use 1E99).

(b) a randomly chosen pregnancy will last more than 252 days.

$$normalcdf(252,1000000,272,9) = 0.9868$$

Note: we also could have used the answer from part (a) to solve this one.

(c) a randomly chosen pregnancy will last between 252 and 298 days.

$$normalcdf(252,298,272,9) = 0.9849$$

EXAMPLE 6 BLOOD PRESSURE

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that diastolic blood pressures of adult women in the US are approximately normally distributed with mean 80.5 and standard deviation 9.9.

(a) What proportion of women have blood pressures lower than 70?

$$normalcdf(-1000000,70,80.5,9.9) = 0.1446$$

(b) What is the probability that a randomly chosen woman would have blood pressure between 75 and 90?

$$normalcdf(75,90,80.5,9.9) = 0.5438$$

(c) A diastolic blood pressure greater than 90 is classified as hypertension (high blood pressure). What proportion of women have hypertension?

normalcdf(90,1000000,80.5,9.9) = 0.1685

Working Backwards: Percentiles

What if we turn the question around? Instead of asking what percentage of people fall into a certain range, we could ask what range corresponds to a given percentage. Of course, we've already done this, and we called it finding per-

With a normal distribution, we can do this either with the z table or with the calculator. We'll do an example of each, but after this, we'll stick with the calculator method.

IO SCORES

EXAMPLE 7

IQ scores have a mean of 100 and a standard deviation of 15.

(a) Find the 90th percentile using the z table.

This means to find the point with 90% of the data below it. To use the table, locate a proportion as close as possible to 0.9000. The closest we can get is 0.8997, but that's good enough.

| z | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.09 |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.0 | 0.5000 | 0.5040 | 0.5080 | 0.5120 | 0.5160 | 0.5199 | 0.5239 | 0.5279 | 0.5319 | 0.5359 |
| 0.1 | 0.5398 | 0.5438 | 0.5478 | 0.5517 | 0.5557 | 0.5596 | 0.5636 | 0.5675 | 0.5714 | 0.5753 |
| 0.2 | 0.5793 | 0.5832 | 0.5871 | 0.5910 | 0.5948 | 0.5987 | 0.6026 | 0.6064 | 0.6103 | 0.6141 |
| 0.3 | 0.6179 | 0.6217 | 0.6255 | 0.6293 | 0.6331 | 0.6368 | 0.6406 | 0.6443 | 0.6480 | 0.6517 |
| 0.4 | 0.6554 | 0.6591 | 0.6628 | 0.6664 | 0.6700 | 0.6736 | 0.6772 | 0.6808 | 0.6844 | 0.6879 |
| 0.5 | 0.6915 | 0.6950 | 0.6985 | 0.7019 | 0.7054 | 0.7088 | 0.7123 | 0.7157 | 0.7190 | 0.7224 |
| 0.6 | 0.7257 | 0.7291 | 0.7324 | 0.7357 | 0.7389 | 0.7422 | 0.7454 | 0.7486 | 0.7517 | 0.7549 |
| 0.7 | 0.7580 | 0.7611 | 0.7642 | 0.7673 | 0.7703 | 0.7734 | 0.7764 | 0.7794 | 0.7823 | 0.7852 |
| 0.8 | 0.7881 | 0.7910 | 0.7939 | 0.7967 | 0.7995 | 0.8023 | 0.8051 | 0.8078 | 0.8106 | 0.8133 |
| 0.9 | 0.8159 | 0.8186 | 0.8212 | 0.8238 | 0.8264 | 0.8289 | 0.8315 | 0.8340 | 0.8365 | 0.8389 |
| 1.0 | 0.8413 | 0.8438 | 0.8461 | 0.8485 | 0.8508 | 0.8531 | 0.8554 | 0.8577 | 0.8599 | 0.8621 |
| 1.1 | 0.8643 | 0.8665 | 0.8686 | 0.8708 | 0.8729 | 0.8749 | 0.8770 | 0.8790 | 0.8810 | 0.8830 |
| 1.2 | 0.8849 | 0.8869 | 0.8888 | 0.8907 | 0.8925 | 0.8944 | 0.8962 | 0.8980 | 0.8997 | 0.9015 |
| 1.3 | 0.9032 | 0.9049 | 0.9066 | 0.9082 | 0.9099 | 0.9115 | 0.9131 | 0.9147 | 0.9162 | 0.9177 |
| 1.4 | 0.9192 | 0.9207 | 0.9222 | 0.9236 | 0.9251 | 0.9265 | 0.9279 | 0.9292 | 0.9306 | 0.9319 |
| 1.5 | 0.9332 | 0.9345 | 0.9357 | 0.9370 | 0.9382 | 0.9394 | 0.9406 | 0.9418 | 0.9429 | 0.9441 |
| 10 | 0.0450 | 0.0469 | 0.0474 | 0.0494 | 0.0405 | 0.0505 | 0.0515 | 0.0505 | 0.0525 | 0.0545 |

This proportion belongs to a z score of 1.28; what data value is this? Work backwards:

$$1.28 = \frac{x - 100}{15} \longrightarrow (1.28)(15) = x - 100 \longrightarrow x = 119$$

(b) Find the value with 20% of the data above it, using the z table.

If 20% of the data is above a certain point, 80% must be below it. Repeat the process from part (a) with 0.8000:

| z | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.09 |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.0 | 0.5000 | 0.5040 | 0.5080 | 0.5120 | 0.5160 | 0.5199 | 0.5239 | 0.5279 | 0.5319 | 0.5359 |
| 0.1 | 0.5398 | 0.5438 | 0.5478 | 0.5517 | 0.5557 | 0.5596 | 0.5636 | 0.5675 | 0.5714 | 0.5753 |
| 0.2 | 0.5793 | 0.5832 | 0.5871 | 0.5910 | 0.5948 | 0.5987 | 0.6026 | 0.6064 | 0.6103 | 0.6141 |
| 0.3 | 0.6179 | 0.6217 | 0.6255 | 0.6293 | 0.6331 | 0.6368 | 0.6406 | 0.6443 | 0.6480 | 0.6517 |
| 0.4 | 0.6554 | 0.6591 | 0.6628 | 0.6664 | 0.6700 | 0.6736 | 0.6772 | 0.6808 | 0.6844 | 0.6879 |
| 0.5 | 0.6915 | 0.6950 | 0.6985 | 0.7019 | 0.7054 | 0.7088 | 0.7123 | 0.7157 | 0.7190 | 0.7224 |
| 0.6 | 0.7257 | 0.7291 | 0.7324 | 0.7357 | 0.7389 | 0.7422 | 0.7454 | 0.7486 | 0.7517 | 0.7549 |
| 0.7 | 0.7580 | 0.7611 | 0.7642 | 0.7673 | 0.7703 | 0.7734 | 0.7764 | 0.7794 | 0.7823 | 0.7852 |
| 0.8 | 0.7881 | 0.7910 | 0.7939 | 0.7967 | 0.7995 | 0.8023 | 0.8051 | 0.8078 | 0.8106 | 0.8133 |
| 0.9 | 0.8159 | 0.8186 | 0.8212 | 0.8238 | 0.8264 | 0.8289 | 0.8315 | 0.8340 | 0.8365 | 0.8389 |
| 1.0 | 0.8413 | 0.8438 | 0.8461 | 0.8485 | 0.8508 | 0.8531 | 0.8554 | 0.8577 | 0.8500 | 0.8621 |

$$z = 0.84 = \frac{x - 100}{15} \longrightarrow (0.84)(15) = x - 100 \longrightarrow x = 113$$

EXAMPLE 8 CHERRY TREES

Cherry trees in a certain orchard have heights that are normally distributed with mean $\mu = 112$ inches and standard deviation $\sigma = 14$ inches.

(a) What proportion of trees are more than 120 inches tall?

$$normalcdf(120,1000000,112,14) = 0.2843$$

(b) What is the probability that a randomly chosen tree is either less than 100 inches tall or more than 125 inches tall?

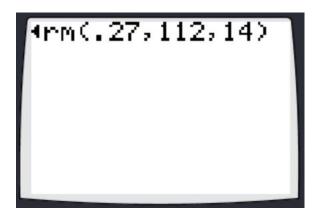
normalcdf(-1000000,100,112,14) + normalcdf(125,1000000,112,14) =
$$0.3722$$

(c) Find the 27th percentile of the tree heights.

Press and select 3: invNorm(to pull up the following menu:



Enter the desired proportion (0.27 in this case for 27%), as well as the mean and standard deviation of the data set and press paste:



If the menu didn't show up for you, type it in as shown:

invNorm(proportion,mean,stdev)

In this case, the answer is

invNorm(0.27,112,14) = 103.4

Thus, a tree that is 103.4 inches tall will be in the 27th percentile.

PREGNANCY PERCENTILES

EXAMPLE 9

Recall that the average length of a pregnancy is 272 days and the standard deviation is 9 days. Find the 65th percentile of pregnancy lengths.

invNorm(0.65,272,9) = 275.5

7

The Central Limit Theorem



The normal distribution can be used to describe some quantities that naturally fit it, but it is more valuable because of what we'll use it for throughout the rest of the course: the normal distribution lies behind much of what we'll do, and the Central Limit Theorem is what makes the connection.

For instance, when pollsters try to predict the outcome of an election, how do they know how good their predictions are going to be? Based on the theory that we'll see in this chapter and the next, they have a margin of error for their polls that gives an estimate of how reliable they are.

SECTION 7.1 The Central Limit Theorem

The Central Limit Theorem is one of the most profound and useful results in all of statistics and probability, and yet it isn't all that hard to understand.

The idea is this: take some quantity that isn't necessarily normally distributed. For instance, consider annual salaries in the U.S.

- 1. Take a large sample of size n, say where n = 1000.
- 2. Find the average salary of everyone in that sample, and record that average.
- 3. Take another sample and repeat many times.
- 4. If you take the records of all those *averages* and use them to create a histogram, you'll see a symmetric, bell-shaped distribution.

Central Limit Theorem

The point of the Central Limit Theorem is this:

If you take "large" (n > 30) samples from any sort of distribution, the sample means will follow a normal distribution.

• The mean of this distribution will be the population mean.

$$\mu_{\overline{X}} = \mu_X$$

• The standard deviation of this distribution will be the population standard deviation divided by the square root of the sample size.

$$\sigma_{\overline{X}} = \frac{\sigma_X}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Illustrating the Central Limit Theorem

The following table records the number of days that a cookie recipe lasted at a diner.

| Recipe # | X |
|----------|---|----------|---|----------|---|----------|----|
| | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 1 | 16 | 2 | 31 | 3 | 46 | 2 |
| 2 | 5 | 17 | 2 | 32 | 4 | 47 | 2 |
| 3 | 2 | 18 | 4 | 33 | 5 | 48 | 11 |
| 4 | 5 | 19 | 6 | 34 | 6 | 49 | 5 |
| 5 | 6 | 20 | 1 | 35 | 6 | 50 | 5 |
| 6 | 1 | 21 | 6 | 36 | 1 | 51 | 4 |
| 7 | 2 | 22 | 5 | 37 | 1 | 52 | 6 |
| 8 | 6 | 23 | 2 | 38 | 2 | 53 | 5 |
| 9 | 5 | 24 | 5 | 39 | 1 | 54 | 1 |
| 10 | 2 | 25 | 1 | 40 | 6 | 55 | 1 |
| 11 | 5 | 26 | 6 | 41 | 1 | 56 | 2 |
| 12 | 1 | 27 | 4 | 42 | 6 | 57 | 4 |
| 13 | 1 | 28 | 1 | 43 | 2 | 58 | 3 |
| 14 | 3 | 29 | 6 | 44 | 6 | 59 | 6 |
| 15 | 2 | 30 | 2 | 45 | 2 | 60 | 5 |

1. Calculate the population mean and standard deviation:

$$\mu_X =$$

$$\sigma_X =$$

2. Use a random number generator to select five samples of size n=5 each. Record the mean of each sample. Then copy the means from students around you until you have at least 30 sample means.

3. Calculate the mean and standard deviation of this sampling distribution:

$$\mu_{\overline{X}} =$$

$$\sigma_{\overline{X}} =$$

4. Repeat this process, taking five samples of size n=10 and recording the sample means for your samples and those of your classmates.

5. Calculate the mean and standard deviation of this sampling distribution:

$$\mu_{\overline{X}} =$$

$$\sigma_{\overline{X}} =$$

6. Draw a histogram for the original population, with a class width of one.

7. Draw a histogram for the first sampling distribution (where n = 5), with a class width of one half.

8. Draw a histogram for the first sampling distribution (where n = 10), with a class width of one half.

9. See what observations you can make.

Using the Central Limit Theorem

COLLEGE AGE **EXAMPLE 1**

The mean age of college students in 2008 was $\mu = 25$ years, with a standard deviation of $\sigma = 6.8$ years. A simple random sample of 64 students is drawn. What is the probability that the average age of the students in the sample is greater than 26 years?

The sample means are normally distributed with mean

$$\mu_{\overline{X}} = \mu_X = 25$$

and standard deviation

$$\sigma_{\overline{X}} = \frac{\sigma_X}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{6.8}{8} = 0.85.$$

Therefore, to find the probability that the mean for this sample is greater than 26, use normalcdf:

$$P(\overline{X} > 26) = \text{normalcdf(26,1000000,25,0.85)} = 0.1197$$

EXAMPLE 2 BULL WEIGHT

If the mean weight of a bull is 1135 pounds, with a standard deviation of 97 pounds, would it be unusual for the mean weight of 100 head of cattle to be less than 1100 pounds?

The sample means are normally distributed with mean

$$\mu_{\overline{X}} = \mu_X = 1135$$

and standard deviation

$$\sigma_{\overline{X}} = \frac{\sigma_X}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{97}{10} = 9.7.$$

Therefore, the probability that the mean of this sample is less than 1100 pounds is

$$P(\overline{X} < 1100) = \text{normalcdf}(-1000000, 1100, 1135, 9.7) = 0.0002$$

Yes, that would certainly be unusual.

This example sets up the kind of thing we'll do later: it would be unusual to get a sample like this if the claim is true about the mean weight of a bull, so if we DID get a sample like this, we might doubt that claim.

EXAMPLE 3 GAS MILEAGE

The EPA rates the mean highway gas mileage of the 2011 Ford Edge to be 27 miles per gallon. Assume the standard deviation is 3 miles per gallon. A rental car company buys 60 of these cars.

(a) What is the probability that the average mileage of the fleet is greater than 26.5 miles per gallon?

$$normalcdf(26.5,1000000,27,0.3873) = 0.9016$$

(b) What is the probability that the average mileage of the fleet is between 26 and 26.8 miles per gallon?

$$normalcdf(26,26.8,27,0.3873) = 0.2979$$

(c) Would it be unusual if the average mileage of the fleet were less than 26 miles per gallon?

normalcdf(-1000000,26,27,0.3873) = 0.0049, so YES

NYC RENT EXAMPLE 4

The Real Estate Group NY reports that the mean monthly rent for a onebedroom apartment without a doorman in Manhattan is \$2631. Assume the standard deviation is \$500. A real estate firm samples 100 apartments.

(a) What is the probability that the sample mean rent is greater than \$2700?

normalcdf(2700,1000000,2631,50) = 0.0838

(b) What is the probability that the sample mean rent is between \$2500 and \$2600?

normalcdf(2500, 2600, 2631, 50) = 0.2632

(c) Find the 60th percentile of the sample mean.

invNorm(0.6,2631,50) = \$2643.67

(d) Would it be unusual if the sample mean were greater than \$2800?

normalcdf(2800,1000000,2631,50) = 0.0004, so YES

(e) Do you think it would be unusual for an individual apartment to have a rent greater than \$2800?

EXAMPLE 5 BATTERY LIFE

A battery manufacturer claims that the lifetime of a certain type of battery has a population mean of $\mu=40$ hours and a standard deviation of $\sigma=5$ hours. Let \overline{x} represent the mean lifetime of the batteries in a simple random sample of size 100.

(a) If the claim is true, what is $P(\overline{x} \le 39.8)$?

normalcdf(-1000000,39.8,40,0.5) = 0.3446

(b) Based on the answer to part (a), if the claim is true, is a sample mean lifetime of 39.8 hours unusually short?

Not really.

(c) If the sample mean lifetime of the 100 batteries were 39.8 hours, would you find the manufacturer's claim to be plausible?

Yeah, I think so.

(d) If the claim is true, what is $P(\overline{x} \leq 38.5)$?

normalcdf(-1000000,38.5,40,0.5) = 0.0013

(e) Based on the answer to part (d), if the claim is true, is a sample mean lifetime of 38.5 hours unusually short?

Yes.

(f) If the sample mean lifetime of the 100 batteries were 38.5 hours, would you find the manufacturer's claim to be plausible?

No.

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Confidence Intervals



Suppose your company makes iPhone cases, and you want to ensure their quality, specifically the dimensions. How can you check the average width, let's say, of all the cases you make, so that you know they'll fit properly?

Well, you could theoretically measure every single case, but in a big production facility, this isn't feasible, because the time and effort that it will add will cut into your profits. Instead, you can take a small sample, measure the average width in your sample, and use that to estimate the average width of your population.

We can do better, though. The sample mean is simply a **point estimate** of the population mean, but in this chapter we'll find how to come up with an interval that estimates the mean.

SECTION 8.1 One Population Mean, Normal

Point estimate: A single number that estimates a parameter.

Confidence interval: A range of numbers that gives lower and upper bounds on what a parameter is likely to be.

In other words, instead of saying

"I think the average width of our iPhone cases is 67 mm"

you could say

"I am 95% confident that the average width of our iPhone cases is between 66.8 and 67.2 mm."

Notice how the second statement is much more precise (if less natural, perhaps). Also,

- There is a confidence level, 95% in this case. The person making the confidence interval typically decides what confidence level to use, usually above 90%.
- The confidence interval is symmetric around the point estimate.
- The margin of error is the distance from the point estimate to the edges of the confidence interval. In this case, the margin of error is 0.2 mm. This confidence interval could also be written as

 67 ± 0.2

Constructing a Confidence Interval

Assumption: We know the population standard deviation σ . Also,

- Either the population is normally distributed
- OR the sample size that we use is large (n > 30)

Recall: Central Limit Theorem

The sample means are normally distributed with mean μ and standard deviation $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$.

BATTERY LIFE **EXAMPLE 1**

A battery manufacturer claims that the lifetime of a certain type of battery has a population mean of $\mu = 40$ hours and a standard deviation of $\sigma = 5$ hours. Let \overline{x} represent the mean lifetime of the batteries in a simple random sample of size 100.

(a) If the claim is true, what is $P(\overline{x} \leq 39.8)$?

$$normalcdf(-1000000, 39.8, 40, 0.5) = 0.3446$$

(b) Based on the answer to part (a), if the claim is true, is a sample mean lifetime of 39.8 hours unusually short?

Not really.

(c) If the sample mean lifetime of the 100 batteries were 39.8 hours, would you find the manufacturer's claim to be plausible?

Yeah, I think so.

(d) If the claim is true, what is $P(\overline{x} \leq 38.5)$?

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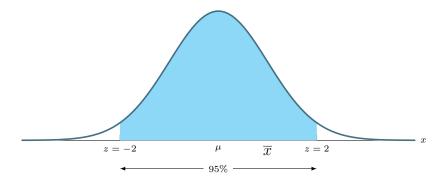
(e) Based on the answer to part (d), if the claim is true, is a sample mean lifetime of 38.5 hours unusually short?

Yes.

(f) If the sample mean lifetime of the 100 batteries were 38.5 hours, would you find the manufacturer's claim to be plausible?

No.

Finding a confidence interval essentially means finding all the values for the population mean that would not make our sample mean **unusual** (where here "unusual" depends on our confidence level).



For instance, in the sampling distribution above, we have a good idea of how likely it is that the sample mean will fall into a given range. Based on the Empirical Rule, we know that there is a 68% chance that the sample mean will be within one standard deviation of the population mean, a 95% chance that it will be within two standard deviations of the population mean, and a 99.7% chance that it will be within three standard deviations. For any other probabilities, we can consult the z table or our calculators.

Okay, let's try an example.

EXAMPLE 2 CONFIDENCE INTERVAL

If you get a sample mean of 23, and you know that the sampling distribution has standard deviation

$$\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = 1.5,$$

find the 95% confidence interval for the population mean μ .

The population mean is unknown, but we know that whatever it is, our sample mean is 95% likely to be within two standard deviations of it (two standard deviations equals 3 in this case). The sample mean could be 3 lower or 3 higher, so our confidence interval goes from 23 - 3 to 23 + 3:

$$23 \pm 3 = (20, 26).$$

Either notation is acceptable for a confidence interval. Note that the point estimate is the sample mean, 23, and the margin of error is the standard deviation (σ/\sqrt{n}) times the number of standard deviations that correspond to a 95% confidence level.

Finding a confidence interval, then, consists of three pieces:

1. Find the point estimate (the sample mean). This is pretty easy.

- 2. Find the standard deviation of the sampling distribution (σ/\sqrt{n}) . This, too, is pretty straightforward.
- 3. Find the z value that corresponds to the confidence level. This isn't difficult, but you have to know what you're doing. We call this value $z_{\alpha/2}$.

Then the confidence interval is

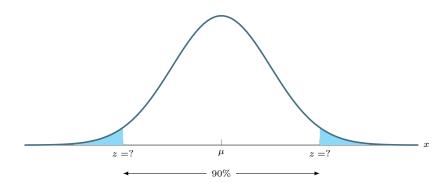
$$\overline{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

Finding $z_{lpha/2}$

Okay, with a 95% confidence interval, the z value was pretty easy, because we know that 95% of the data is within two standard deviations based on the Empirical Rule. But what if we wanted a 90% confidence interval or a 99% confidence interval? The Empirical Rule has nothing to say about those, so we need to use the z table or our calculator.

FINDING Z **EXAMPLE 3**

How many standard deviations do you need to go out to cover 90% of the data?



If 90% of the data lies in the middle, 10% lies outside (5% above the upper z value and 5% below the lower one). Therefore, the upper z value corresponds to the 95th percentile. Incidentally, this halving process is why we call it $z_{\alpha/2}$.

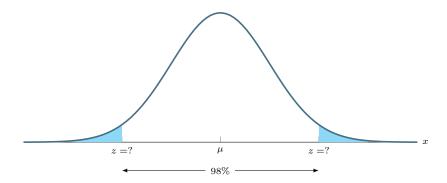
To find the 95th percentile, we can either look for 0.9500 (or as close as we can get) on the z table or we can use invNorm(0.95,0,1). Either way, we find that

$$z_{\alpha/2} = 1.645.$$

Thus, any time we construct a 90% confidence interval, we'll use 1.645 as the z value. You could memorize this, but don't bother. It's much more important to understand how we found it.

EXAMPLE 4 FINDING Z

Find $z_{\alpha/2}$ for a 98% confidence interval.



If 98% of the data lies in the middle, 2% lies outside. Therefore, the upper z value corresponds to the 99th percentile.

$$invNorm(0.99,0,1) = 2.326$$

Full Examples

CEREAL BOX WEIGHT **EXAMPLE 5**

A machine that fills cereal boxes is supposed to put 20 ounces of cereal in each box. A simple random sample of 6 boxes is found to contain a sample mean of 20.25 ounces of cereal. It is known from past experience that fill weights are normally distributed with a standard deviation of 0.2 ounces. Construct a 92% confidence interval for the mean fill weight.

Remember, the formula for the confidence interval is

$$\overline{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

In this case,

$$\overline{x} = 20.25$$

$$\sigma = 0.2$$

n = 6

so the only thing left to find is $z_{\alpha/2}$. For a confidence level of 92%, we'll look for the 96th percentile (half of eight percent is four percent).

$$invNorm(0.96,0,1) = 1.751$$

Therefore the confidence interval is

$$20.25 \pm (1.751) \cdot \left(\frac{0.2}{6}\right)$$
$$= 20.25 \pm 0.13 = (20.12, 20.38)$$

SAT SCORES

EXAMPLE 6

A college admissions officer takes a simple random sample of 100 entering freshmen and computes their mean mathematics SAT score to be 458. Assume the population standard deviation is $\sigma = 116$. Construct a 99% confidence interval for the population mean score.

$$\overline{x} = 458$$

$$\sigma = 116$$

$$n = 100$$

For a 99% CI, use

$$z_{\alpha/2} = {\tt invNorm(0.995,0,1)} = 2.576$$

Therefore, the confidence interval is

$$458 \pm 29.88 = (428, 488)$$

EXAMPLE 7 BABY WEIGHT

According to the National Health Statistics Reports, a sample of 360 one-year-old baby boys in the US had a mean weight of 25.5 pounds. Assume the population standard deviation is $\sigma=5.3$ pounds. Construct a 94% confidence interval.

$$\overline{x} = 25.5$$

 $\sigma = 5.3$
 $n = 360$

For a 94% CI, use

$$z_{lpha/2} = {\tt invNorm(0.97,0,1)} = 1.881$$

Therefore, the confidence interval is

$$25.5 \pm 0.525 = (24.975, 26.025)$$

Changing the Confidence Level

What does changing the confidence level do?

COMPONENT LIFETIMES EXAMPLE 8

In a simple random sample of 100 electronic components produced by a certain method, the mean lifetime was 125 hours. Assume that component lifetimes are normally distributed with population standard deviation $\sigma = 20$ hours. Construct 90%, 95%, and 98% confidence intervals.

$$\overline{x} = 125$$

$$\sigma = 20$$

$$n = 100$$

90% CI:
$$z_{\alpha/2} = \text{invNorm}(0.95,0,1) = 1.645.$$
 The CI is
$$125 \pm 3.29 = (121.71,128.29).$$

95% CI:
$$z_{\alpha/2} = \text{invNorm}(0.975,0,1) = 1.96.$$

The CI is

$$125 \pm 3.92 = (121.08, 128.92).$$

98% CI:
$$z_{\alpha/2} = \text{invNorm(0.99,0,1)} = 2.326$$
. The CI is

$$125 \pm 4.65 = (120.35, 129.65).$$

Note: As the confidence level increases, the confidence intervals get wider (still centered at the same place).

Calculating the Sample Size

Suppose we want a given margin of error: what sample size do we need in order to make that happen?

Note: A larger sample size leads to a smaller margin of error.

EXAMPLE 9 COLLEGE STUDENT AGE

The population standard deviation for the age of students at a college is 15 years. If we want to be 95% confident that the sample mean age is within two years of the true population mean age of these students, how many randomly selected students must be surveyed?

Remember the margin of error is

$$z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$
.

We want this to equal 2, and we know that

$$z_{\alpha/2} = 1.96$$
$$\sigma = 15$$

so the only thing left is n, which is what we want to know.

$$2 = (1.96) \cdot \frac{15}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\frac{2}{1.96} = \frac{15}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\frac{2}{1.96} \cdot \sqrt{n} = 15$$

$$\sqrt{n} = 15 \cdot \frac{1.96}{2}$$

$$n = \left(15 \cdot \frac{1.96}{2}\right)^2$$

$$n = 216.09$$

In order to be sure, we'll need to sample at least 217 students.

Using Your Calculator

There is also a built-in function in your calculator that can find confidence intervals for problems like this one.

1. Press and scroll over to the TESTS menu.



2. Select 7:ZInterval and you'll have two options: using Data or Stats.





3. In either case, enter the population standard deviation as σ and the confidence level (as a decimal).

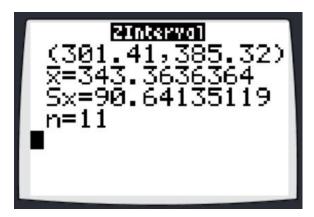
EXAMPLE 10 BLACKBERRY PRICES

A random sample of 11 BlackBerry Bold 9000 smartphones being sold over the Internet in 2010 had the following prices, in dollars:

230 484 379 300 239 350 300 395 230 410 460

Assume the population standard deviation is $\sigma = 71$. Calculate a 95% confidence interval for the population mean price.

After entering the data, press , scroll over to TESTS menu, and select 7:ZInterval. Enter $\sigma=71$, leave C-Level as 0.95, and press Calculate. You'll see the following:



The confidence interval, then, is

(301.41, 385.32).

SECTION 8.2 One Population Mean, Student t

What we did in the last section is rarely, if ever, done.

Note: The population standard deviation is never known in practice.

- If the sample is large enough, using s instead of σ and using the z table is a good enough approximation.
- For small samples (n < 30), this breaks down.

Instead of a CI that looks like

$$\overline{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

we'll have one know that looks like

$$\overline{x} \pm t_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

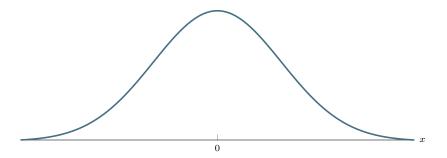
Notice:

- We replaced the unknown population standard deviation σ with the known sample standard deviation s.
- We replaced $z_{\alpha/2}$ with $t_{\alpha/2}$. What is this t?

The t Distribution

The t distribution is necessary when σ is unknown and the sample size is small, but nowadays, it's used pretty much all the time (since σ is always unknown).

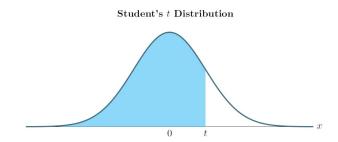
When the sample size is large, the t distribution is nearly indistinguishable from the normal distribution.



The t distribution:

- Depends on the sample size. The **degrees of freedom** of a t distribution is df = n 1. The more degrees of freedom, the closer this is to the normal distribution.
- The mean is 0 and the distribution is symmetric about 0.
- The t distribution is shorter than the normal distribution, with thicker tails.
- We assume that the population is normally distributed.
- The meaning of $t_{\alpha/2}$ is similar to the meaning of $z_{\alpha/2}$.

To find $t_{\alpha/2}$, we can use either a table or a calculator (TI-84+ and up). The table looks like this (the full table is in the appendix):



| df = n - 1 | 60.0% | 66.7% | 75.0% | 80.0% | 87.5% | 90.0% | 95.0% | 97.5% | 99.0% | 99.5% | 99.9% |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | 0.325 | 0.577 | 1.000 | 1.376 | 2.414 | 3.078 | 6.314 | 12.706 | 31.821 | 63.657 | 318.31 |
| 2 | 0.289 | 0.500 | 0.816 | 1.061 | 1.604 | 1.886 | 2.920 | 4.303 | 6.965 | 9.925 | 22.327 |
| 3 | 0.277 | 0.476 | 0.765 | 0.978 | 1.423 | 1.638 | 2.353 | 3.182 | 4.541 | 5.841 | 10.215 |
| 4 | 0.271 | 0.464 | 0.741 | 0.941 | 1.344 | 1.533 | 2.132 | 2.776 | 3.747 | 4.604 | 7.173 |
| 5 | 0.267 | 0.457 | 0.727 | 0.920 | 1.301 | 1.476 | 2.015 | 2.571 | 3.365 | 4.032 | 5.893 |
| 6 | 0.265 | 0.453 | 0.718 | 0.906 | 1.273 | 1.440 | 1.943 | 2.447 | 3.143 | 3.707 | 5.208 |
| 7 | 0.263 | 0.449 | 0.711 | 0.896 | 1.254 | 1.415 | 1.895 | 2.365 | 2.998 | 3.499 | 4.785 |
| Q | 0.969 | 0.447 | 0.706 | 0.88 | 1 9/10 | 1 207 | 1 860 | o 306 | 208 | 2 255 | 4.501 |

Be careful: different books record the t table in different ways; all the results will be equal, but you may need to read the table differently.

FINDING T **EXAMPLE 1**

Find $t_{\alpha/2}$ to construct a 90% confidence interval based on a sample of 7

Again, if 90% of the data is in the middle, 5% is in each of the tails, so we're looking for the 95th percentile. Since n = 7, df = 6, so look in the 95% column and the 6 row:

$$t_{\alpha/2} = 1.943$$

FINDING T WITH A CALCULATOR

EXAMPLE 2

Find the same t value using a calculator.

The TI-84+ and later models have a invT function located directly beneath invNorm.

to access the DISTR menu, then select 4: invT. This Press function requires two inputs: area and df. Enter 0.95 and 6, respectively:



The answer is the same.

Confidence Intervals with t

Now that we can find $t_{\alpha/2}$, we can find t confidence intervals:

$$\overline{x} \pm t_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

All we have to do is

- 1. Calculate the sample mean \overline{x} .
- 2. Calculate the sample standard deviation s.
- 3. Find $t_{\alpha/2}$.
- 4. Put everything in the formula and crunch the numbers.

EXAMPLE 3 POTATO CHIP BAGS

A potato chip company wants to evaluate the accuracy of its potato chip bag-filling machine. Bags are labeled as containing 8 ounces of potato chips. A simple random sample of 12 bags had mean weight 8.12 ounces with a sample standard deviation of 0.1 ounce. Construct a 99% confidence interval for the population mean weight of bags of potato chips.

We're already given the following:

$$\overline{x} = 8.12$$

$$s = 0.1$$

$$n = 12$$

All we have to do is find $t_{\alpha/2}$. On the table, look at the column labeled 99.5% and the row where df = 11:

$$t_{\alpha/2} = 3.106$$

Using the calculator:



Therefore the confidence interval is

$$8.12 \pm (3.106) \cdot \left(\frac{0.1}{\sqrt{12}}\right)$$
$$= 8.12 \pm 0.09 = (8.03, 8.21)$$

Using Your Calculator

The process for finding a t interval is identical to that for finding a z interval, except that you need to select 8: TInterval in the STAT TESTS menu.

MOVIE LENGTHS

EXAMPLE 4

A random sample of 45 Hollywood movies made since the year 2000 had a mean length of 111.7 minutes, with a standard deviation of 13.8 minutes. Construct a 92% confidence interval for the population mean.

On your calculator, press STAT and scroll over to TESTS. Scroll down or press the 8 key to select 8: TInterval.



Enter the given information and click Calculate.



Therefore, the 92% confidence interval is

(108.01, 115.39).

EXAMPLE 5 CEREAL BOX WEIGHTS

Boxes of cereal are labeled as containing 14 ounces. Following are the weights, in ounces, of a sample of 12 boxes. It is reasonable to assume that the population is approximately normal.

14.02 13.97 14.11 14.12 14.10 14.02 14.15 13.97 14.05 14.04 14.11 14.12

Construct a 95% confidence interval. Based on this confidence interval, are the boxes labeled correctly?

This time, we're given data, so enter that and then go to the TInterval menu, but select DATA.



Click Calculate, and you'll see that the confidence interval is

(14.026, 14.104).

Therefore, since this interval does not contain 14, the boxes are not being filled properly.

EXAMPLE 6 ONLINE COURSE SATISFACTION

A sample of 263 students who were taking online courses were asked to describe their overall impression of online learning on a scale of 1–7, with 7 representing the most favorable impression. The average score was 5.53, and the standard deviation was 0.92. Construct a 99% confidence interval for the population mean score.

This is an example where the population is so large that we could easily use ZInterval, and our results would be fine. However, to avoid confusion (and since it's no extra work), we'll use TInterval whenever the population standard deviation is unknown.

Enter these statistics under the TInterval menu and click Calculate, and you'll get the following confidence interval:

(5.3828, 5.6772).

SECTION 8.3 One Population Proportion

This is where you may have run across the term *margin of error* before: political polls often give a percentage of voters in each category, and then state something like a margin of error of three percent. This means, of course, that the percentages could be three percent higher or lower than what is reported.

In this section, we'll deal with confidence intervals for proportions like that. In each example, there will be a sample size, and a number within that sample that respond one way. We want to know what this tells us about what proportion of the population would respond that way.

- The sample size is n.
- The number of people who respond in the desired way is x.
- The sample proportion is \hat{p} , which is a point estimate for the population proportion p:

 $\hat{p} = \frac{x}{n}$

• We assume that the sampling distribution is normal with mean p (the true value) and standard deviation

$$\sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

• We assume that the population is at least 20 times larger than the sample, and the sample contains at least 10 people in each category (yes and no).

The confidence interval, just like before, is

Point estimate $\pm z_{\alpha/2}$. Standard deviation of the sampling distribution

$$\hat{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

The formula is more complicated than before, but the problems are actually simpler, since there's less to keep track of (all we really need is x and n).

EXAMPLE 1 ANDROID LOYALTY

The Nielsen Company surveyed 225 owners of Android phones and found that 160 of them planned to get another Android as their next phone.

(a) Construct a 95% confidence interval for the proportion of Android users who plan to get another Android.

$$x = 160$$

$$n = 225$$

$$\longrightarrow \hat{p} = 0.711$$

For a 95% CI, the z value is

$$z_{\alpha/2} = 1.96,$$

so the confidence interval is

$$0.711 \pm 1.96 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{(0.711)(0.299)}{225}}$$
$$= 0.711 \pm 0.59 = (0.652, 0.770)$$

(b) Assume that an advertisement claimed that 70% of Android users plan to get another Android. Does the confidence interval contradict this claim?

No.

Using Your Calculator

Press the button and scroll over to the TESTS menu. Scroll down to A: 1-PropZInt.



When you press enter and see the menu, all you have to enter is x, n, and the confidence level.



WORKING FROM HOME EXAMPLE 2

According to the U.S Census Bureau, 43% of men who worked at home were college graduates. In a sample of 500 women who worked at home, 162 were college graduates. Construct a 98% confidence interval for the proportion of women who work at home who are college graduates. Is it reasonable to believe that this is the same as the proportion for men?

Enter the 1-PropZInt menu:



When you press Calculate, you'll see



The confidence interval, then, is

(0.27531, 0.37269).

Therefore, we conclude that no, the proportion for women must be lower than the proportion for men (43%).

EXAMPLE 3 ISP QUALITY CONTROL

An Internet service provider sampled 540 customers, and found that 75 of them experienced an interruption in high-speed service during the previous month. Construct a 90% confidence interval for the proportion of all customers who experienced an interruption. The company's quality control manager claims that no more than 10% of its customers experienced an interruption during the previous month. Does the confidence interval contradict this claim?

In this example,

$$x = 75$$
$$n = 540$$

Using the calculator, you can find that the confidence interval is

Therefore, this confidence interval contradicts the manager's claim.

EXAMPLE 4 HEALTH INSURANCE

In 2008, the General Social Survey asked 182 people whether they received health insurance as a benefit from their employer. A total of 60 people said they did. Construct a 95% confidence interval for the proportion of people who receive health insurance from their employer.

In this example,

$$x = 60$$
$$n = 182$$

Note that

$$\hat{p} = \frac{60}{182} = 0.32967.$$

Using the calculator, you can find that the confidence interval is

The true proportion, then, was between 26% and 40%.

Calculating Sample Size

Note: A larger sample leads to a smaller margin of error.

What if you have a specific margin of error in mind? What sample size do you need?

FIND SAMPLE SIZE **EXAMPLE 5**

Suppose a polling company wants to ensure that their next political poll has a margin of error of three percentage points or less, using a 95% confidence level. How many voters should the company poll to make this happen?

Remember, the margin of error is

$$z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}.$$

For a 95% confidence interval, the z value is

$$z_{\alpha/2} = 1.96.$$

What about \hat{p} ? We don't know the sample proportion, because we haven't done the poll yet. Therefore, we go to the worst case scenario: the margin of error is largest when $\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})$ is largest, and this happens when $\hat{p}=0.5$, so that's what we'll assume (if it isn't, our margin of error will just be smaller than three percentage points).

$$0.03 = z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

$$0.03 = 1.96 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{0.5(0.5)}{n}}$$

$$\frac{0.03}{1.96} = \sqrt{\frac{0.25}{n}}$$

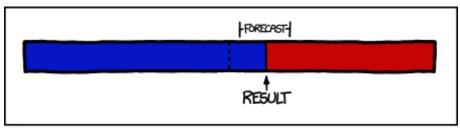
$$\frac{0.03^2}{1.96^2} = \frac{0.25}{n}$$

$$n \cdot \frac{0.03^2}{1.96^2} = 0.25$$

$$n = 0.25 \cdot \frac{1.96^2}{0.03^2}$$

$$n = 1067.11$$

Therefore, the sample size should be at least 1068. Incidentally, this is why you often see poll results with a margin of error of 3%, because 1000 people is a nice round number to poll.



BREAKING: TO SURPRISE OF PUNDITS, NUMBERS CONTINUE TO BE BEST SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING WHICH OF TWO THINGS IS LARGER.

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Hypothesis Testing with One Sample



If a car manufacturer claims that one of their models averages more than 38 miles per gallon on the highway, how can we verify their claim? That process is called **hypothesis testing**: a claim is made (i.e. a hypothesis) and we test it.

As we'll see, hypothesis testing is closely linked to what we've already done with confidence intervals, but a hypothesis test is a way of clearly laying out the evidence that confirms or contradicts a claim like the gas mileage one.

To perform a hypothesis test, we'll describe two contradictory hypotheses (like guilty and not guilty in a criminal trial), and based on the evidence, we'll make a decision in favor of one of them.

SECTION 9.1 Null and Alternative Hypotheses

Remember this example from the section on confidence intervals?

EXAMPLE 1 CEREAL BOX WEIGHT

A machine that fills cereal boxes is supposed to put 20 ounces of cereal in each box. A simple random sample of 6 boxes is found to contain a sample mean of 20.25 ounces of cereal. It is known from past experience that fill weights are normally distributed with a standard deviation of 0.2 ounces. Construct a 92% confidence interval for the mean fill weight.

Confidence interval:

(20.12, 20.38)

At the end of the problem, we have a confidence interval, but we also have a conclusion about the claim that was made: we can conclude that the average weight of the boxes is *more than* 20 ounces, since the entire interval is above 20. If we'd gotten something like

(19.88, 20.56)

we would not have been able to conclude that the average weight is more than 20 ounces or less than 20 ounces.

Note: we also wouldn't say that the average weight *equals* 20 ounces; we just haven't found evidence that it is greater or smaller than 20 ounces.

If we did a hypothesis test with this example, we'd find (with 92% confidence) the same conclusion. Again, a hypothesis test is a different way to go about it, but the hypothesis test and the confidence interval will draw the same conclusions.

Kinds of Hypothesis Tests

There are many hypothesis tests that can be done, but we'll stick to ones that are similar to what we did with confidence intervals:

- Test a claim about what the population mean is, given the population standard deviation.
- Test a claim about what the population mean is, without knowing the population standard deviation.
- Test a claim about what the population proportion is.
- Test a claim about the difference between the means of two populations.
- Test a claim about the difference between the proportions in two populations.

In general, a hypothesis test tests a claim about a population parameter based on a sample.

Hypotheses

At the heart of a hypothesis test are the two contradictory hypotheses.

- Null hypothesis: H_0 is the null hypothesis. This is what we assume unless we can prove otherwise.
- Alternate hypothesis: H_a or H_1 is the alternate hypothesis. This is usually what we're trying to prove; if we reject H_0 , we conclude that H_1 is true.

Note: Terminology At the end of a hypothesis test, we'll either say

"Reject H_0 "

or

"Fail to reject H_0 ."

We'll never say "Accept H_0 ." (look back at the cereal weights example)

Options: Compare the parameter (mean or proportion) to some value

| | H_0 | | H_1 |
|--------|--------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| | Equal | | Not equal (greater than or less than) |
| | Equal | | |
| \geq | Greater than or equal to | < | Less than |
| | Less than or equal to | | |

Note: the equals sign is always on the null hypothesis. Some people always use = as the null hypothesis in every case.

EXAMPLE 2 RESTAURANT BILLS

Last year, the mean amount spent by customers at a restaurant was \$35. The restaurant owner believes that the mean may be higher this year.

 $H_0: \mu \le 35$ $H_1: \mu > 35$

NEWBORN WEIGHT EXAMPLE 3

In a recent year, the mean weight of newborn boys in a certain country was 6.6 pounds. A doctor wants to know whether the mean weight of newborn girls differs from this.

> $H_0: \mu = 6.6$ $H_1: \mu \neq 6.6$

GAS MILEAGE EXAMPLE 4

A certain model of car can be ordered with either a large or small engine. The mean number of miles per gallon for cars with a small engine is 25.5. An automotive engineer thinks that the mean for cars with the larger engine will be less than this.

> $H_0: \mu \ge 25.5$ $H_1: \mu < 25.5$

REGISTERED VOTERS EXAMPLE 5

A pollster thinks that less than 30% of registered voters in the county voted.

> $H_0: p \ge 0.3$ $H_1: p < 0.3$

EXAMPLE 6 MEAN GPA

We want to test whether the mean GPA of American college students differs from 2.0.

 $H_0: \mu = 2.0$

 $H_1: \mu \neq 2.0$

EXAMPLE 7 PLACEMENT TESTS

In an issue of U.S. News and World Report, an article on school standards stated that about half of all students in France, Germany, and Israel take advanced placement exams and a third pass. The same article stated that 6.6% of U.S. students take advanced placement exams and 4.4% pass. Test if the percentage of U.S. students who take advanced placement exams differs from 6.6%.

 $H_0: p = 0.066$

 $H_1: p \neq 0.066$

EXAMPLE 8 DRIVER'S TEST

On a state driver's test, about 40% pass on the first try. We want to test if more than 40% pass on the first try in a different state.

 $H_0: p \le 0.4$

 $H_1: p > 0.4$

SECTION 9.2 Type I and Type II Errors

Since H_0 and H_1 are contradictory, one (and only one) of them must be true.

- If H_0 is true and we fail to reject it, we've done the right thing.
- Similarly, if H_0 is false and we reject it, we've also done the right thing.
- If, on the other hand, H_0 is true and we reject it, we've made a mistake called a **Type I Error**.
- If H_0 is false and we fail to reject it, we've made a mistake called a **Type** II Error.

Medical test analogy: H_0 is that you don't have a disease

- Type I Error: False positive
- Type II Error: False negative (more serious)

Trial analogy: H_0 is that you're innocent (innocent until proven guilty)

- Type I Error: Convict an innocent person (more serious)
- Type II Error: Let a guilty person go free

Summary: Type I means incorrectly rejecting H_0 ; Type II means incorrectly NOT rejecting it.

EXAMPLE 1 ERROR TYPES

Suppose Frank tests his rock-climbing equipment, and H_0 is that his equipment is safe.

Type I Error: Thinking his equipment isn't safe when it actually is.

Type II Error: Thinking his equipment is safe when it actually isn't. (more serious)

EXAMPLE 2 ERROR TYPES

The victim of a car accident is brought to the emergency room, and H_0 is that she is alive when she comes in.

Type I Error: Thinking she is dead when she is actually alive. (more serious)

Type II Error: Thinking she is alive when she is actually dead.

SECTION 9.3 Distribution Needed for Testing

The distributions we'll use for hypothesis testing are the same ones we used for confidence intervals:

• To test a claim about means when the population standard deviation is known, use the normal distribution with a mean of μ and a standard deviation of σ/\sqrt{n} .

We'll have a z test statistic. Remember, to find a z score, subtract the mean and divide by the standard deviation:

$$z = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$$

• To test a claim about means when the population standard deviation is unknown, use the t distribution with a mean of μ and a standard deviation of s/\sqrt{n} .

We'll have a t test statistic.

$$t = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}}$$

• To test a claim about proportions, use the normal distribution with a mean of p and a standard deviation of $\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$.

We'll have a z test statistic. Remember, to find a z score, subtract the mean and divide by the standard deviation:

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$

SECTION 9.4 Drawing a Conclusion

Example from textbook: Didi and Ali are at a birthday party of a very wealthy friend. They hurry to be first in line to grab a prize from a tall basket that they cannot see inside. There are 200 plastic bubbles in the basket and they have been told that there is only one with a \$100 bill. Didi is the first person to reach into the basket and pull out a bubble. Her bubble contains a \$100 bill.

If the claim were true, the probability of this happening would be 1/200 = 0.005, a very unlikely thing. Because a "rare event" has occurred, they begin to doubt that the information they were given was true. (In reality, they would weigh this against the probability that the person who told them this was lying, and if they trusted the person, they wouldn't doubt their word, because they'd assume that the probability of that person lying was even lower than 0.005).

This is similar to a hypothesis test: we make an **assumption** (that may or may not be true). Then we take a sample.

- If the sample that we get is a reasonable result based on the assumption we made, we don't reject the null hypothesis (the assumption).
- If the sample that we get would be really unlikely if the assumption were true, we reject the null hypothesis.

The p Value

I CAN'T BELIEVE SCHOOLS
ARE STILL TEACHING KIDS
ABOUT THE NULL HYPOTHESIS.

I REMEMBER READING A BIG
STUDY THAT CONCLUSIVELY
DISPROVED IT YEARS AGO.

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The way that we measure an rare event like this is by using a probability called the **p value**.

- The p value is the probability that, if the null hypothesis were true, we would get a sample as extreme as we did.
- If p is low, we will reject H_0 .
- If p is not low, we will not reject H_0 .

What is "low"? We consider p to be low if it is below some predetermined significance level, called α . This is usually 0.05 or something similarly low.

• α is the probability of making a Type I Error.

YEARS OF EDUCATION

A social scientist suspects that the mean number of years of education for adults in a certain large city is greater than 12 years. She surveys 100 adults and finds that the sample mean number of years is 12.98. Assume that the population standard deviation is 3 years. Test this claim.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \le 12$$

 $H_1: \mu > 12$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic. This is the z score of our sample, which gives an idea of how unusual our sample is, assuming that the true population mean is 12 or less (our null hypothesis).

$$z = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{12.98 - 12}{3/\sqrt{100}}$$

$$= 3.27$$

$$\mu = 12$$

$$\overline{x} = 12.98$$

$$z = 3.27$$

$$p \longrightarrow$$

Note that we shaded the area to the right of the sample mean, because the claim is that the mean is **greater**.

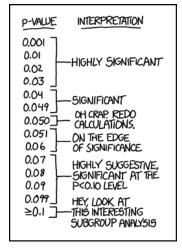
Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$p = 0.0005$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p is small (< 0.05, for instance), we reject the null hypothesis, so we agree with this researcher.

EXAMPLE 1



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EXAMPLE 2 TEST SCORES

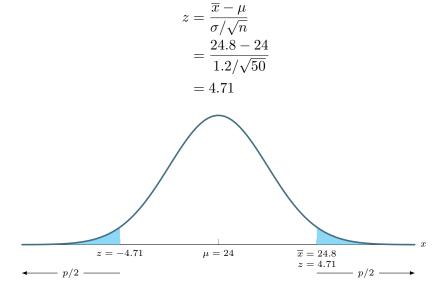
A pre-test and post-test were given to workshop attendees. The pretest score average was 24, and the researchers want to know whether the post-test score is significantly different from the pre-test score. They sampled 50 tests and found that the sample mean was 24.8. Assume that the population standard deviation is 1.2. Use a significance level of 0.01.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu = 24$$

 $H_1: \mu \neq 24$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.



Note that we shaded the area outside the sample mean and on the opposite side, since the claim is that it is different from 24 (greater or smaller). This is called a **two-tailed test**.

Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator. Remember to multiply by 2.

normalcdf(4.71,1000000,0,1) = 1.240035876E-6 =
$$0.00000124$$
 Multiply this by 2: $p = 0.00000248$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p is small (< 0.01), we reject the null hypothesis, so we agree that the two test scores are significantly different.

SECTION 9.5 Full Examples

We'll do these four steps in every example in this section:

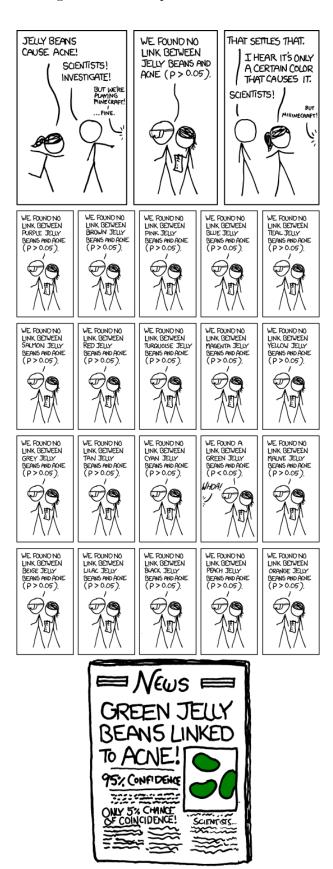
- **Step 1:** State the hypotheses.
- **Step 2:** Calculate the test statistic.
- **Step 3:** Calculate the p value.
- Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

We'll show three types of examples:

- 1. Testing a claim about the population mean, when the population standard deviation is given.
- 2. Testing a claim about the population mean, when the population standard deviation is unknown.
- 3. Testing a claim about the population proportion.

Then we'll mix up a bunch of examples in order to get practice with deciding what kind of problem we're up against.

Note: If no significance level is given, use $\alpha = 0.05$ as a rule of thumb.



Mean, Population Standard Deviation Known

FACEBOOK TIME EXAMPLE 1

A study by the Web metrics firm Hitwise showed that in August 2008, the mean time spent per visit to Facebook was 19.5 minutes. Assume the standard deviation of the population is 8 minutes. Suppose that a simple random sample of 100 visits in August 2009 has a sample mean of 21.5 minutes. A social scientist is interested in knowing whether the mean time of Facebook visits has increased. Conduct a hypothesis test to determine this. Use a significance level of 0.05.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \le 19.5$$

 $H_1: \mu > 19.5$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$z = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{21.5 - 19.5}{8/\sqrt{100}}$$

$$= 2.50$$

$$\mu = 19.5$$

$$\overline{x} = 21.5$$

$$z = 2.50$$

Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$normalcdf(2.50,1000000,0,1) = 0.0062$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p is small (< 0.05), we reject the null hypothesis, so we agree that the mean time spent on Facebook has increased.

EXAMPLE 2 AVERAGE MALE HEIGHT

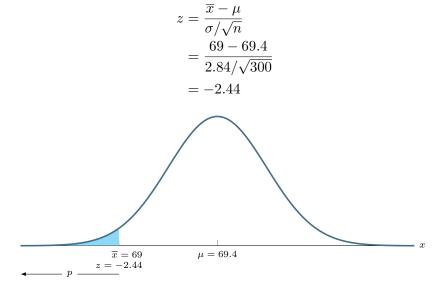
According to the National Health Statistics Reports, the mean height for U.S. men is 69.4 inches, and the population standard deviation is 2.84. In a sample of 300 men between the ages of 60 and 69, the mean height was 69.0 inches. Public health officials want to determine whether the mean height for older men is less than the mean height of all men. Conduct a hypothesis test to answer this question.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \ge 69.4$$

 $H_1: \mu < 69.4$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

normalcdf(-1000000,-2.44,0,1) =
$$0.0073$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p is small (< 0.01), we reject the null hypothesis, so we agree that the average height for older men is less than the average height of all men.

CHILD WEIGHT EXAMPLE 3

Are children heavier now than they were in the past? The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey taken between 1999 and 2002 reported that the mean weight of six-year-old girls in the U.S. was 49.3 pounds. Another NHANES survey, published in 2008, reported that a sample of 193 six-year-old girls weighed between 2003 and 2006 had an average weight of 51.5 pounds. Assume that the population standard deviation is 15 pounds. Can you conclude that the mean weight of six-year-old girls is higher in 2006 than in 2002? Use a significance level of 0.01.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \le 49.3$$

 $H_1: \mu > 49.3$

 $z = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$= \frac{51.5 - 49.3}{15/\sqrt{193}}$$

$$= 2.04$$

Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

 $\mu = 49.3$

 $\overline{x} = 51.5$

$$normalcdf(2.04,1000000,0,1) = 0.0207$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.01, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we cannot conclude that children are heavier than they were in the past.

Mean, Population Standard Deviation Unknown

EXAMPLE 4 FAMILY PRACTITIONER SALARY

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that in May 2009, the mean annual earnings of all family practitioners in the United States was \$168,550. A random sample of 55 family practitioners in Missouri that month had mean earnings of \$154,590 with a standard deviation of \$42,750. Do the data provide sufficient evidence to conclude that the mean salary for family practitioners in Missouri is less than the national average? Use the $\alpha=0.05$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \ge \$168,550$$

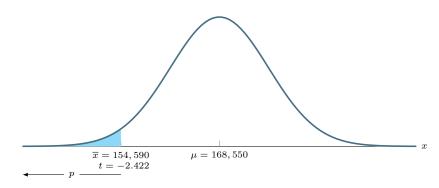
 $H_1: \mu < \$168,550$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$t = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{154,590 - 168,550}{42,750/\sqrt{55}}$$

$$= -2.422$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$tcdf(-1000000, -2.422, 54) = 0.0094$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p<0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, so we conclude that the mean salary for family practitioners in Missouri is lower than the national average.

BABY BOY WEIGHT EXAMPLE 5

The National Health Statistics Reports described a study in which a sample of 360 one-year-old baby boys were weighed. Their mean weight was 25.5 pounds with standard deviation 5.3 pounds. A pediatrician claims that the mean weight of one-year-old boys is greater than 25 pounds. Do the data provide convincing evidence that the pediatrician's claim is true? Use the $\alpha=0.01$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \le 25$$

 $H_1: \mu > 25$

 $t = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}}$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$= \frac{25.5 - 25}{5.3/\sqrt{360}}$$

$$= 1.79$$

Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

 $\mu = 25$

 $\overline{x} = 25.5$ t = 1.79

$$tcdf(1.79,1000000,359) = 0.0371$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.01, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we cannot conclude that the mean weight of one-year-old boys is greater than 25 pounds.

EXAMPLE 6 COMMUTE TIME

A 2007 Gallup poll sampled 1019 people, and asked them how long it took them to commute to work each day. The sample mean one-way commute time was 22.8 minutes with a standard deviation of 17.9 minutes. A transportation engineer claims that the mean commute time is greater than 20 minutes. Do the data provide convincing evidence that the engineer's claim is true? Use the $\alpha=0.05$ level of significance.

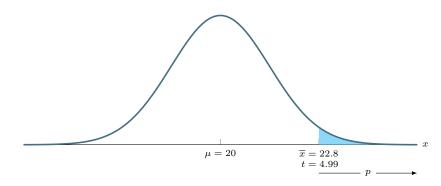
Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \le 20$$

 $H_1: \mu > 20$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$t = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$
$$= \frac{22.8 - 20}{17.9/\sqrt{1019}}$$
$$= 4.99$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$tcdf(4.99,1000000,1018) = 0.000000355$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, so we conclude that the engineer's claim is true.

JOB SATISFACTION EXAMPLE 7

A nationwide survey of working adults indicates that only 50% of them are satisfied with their jobs. The president of a large company believes that more than 50% of employees at his company are satisfied with their jobs. To test his belief, he surveys a random sample of 100 employees, and 54 of them report that they are satisfied with their jobs. Can he conclude that more than 50% of employees at the company are satisfied with their jobs? Use the $\alpha=0.05$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

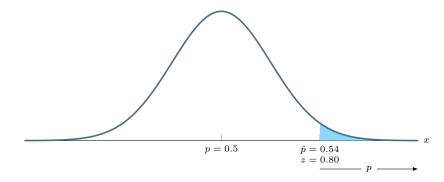
$$H_0: p \le 0.5$$

 $H_1: p > 0.5$

$$n_1: p > 0.6$$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$
$$= \frac{0.54 - 0.5}{\sqrt{\frac{0.5(1-0.5)}{100}}}$$
$$= 0.80$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$normalcdf(0.80,1000000,0,1) = 0.2119$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. There is not enough evidence to conclude that the president is correct in his belief.

EXAMPLE 8 SPAM

According to MessageLabs Ltd., 89% of all email sent in July 2010 was spam. A system manager at a large corporation believes that the percentage at his company may be 80%. He examines a random sample of 500 emails received at an email server and finds that 382 of the messages are spam. Using a significance level of $\alpha = 0.05$, can you conclude that the percentage of emails that are spam differs from 80%?

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

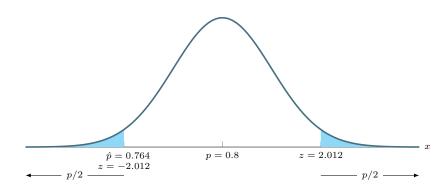
$$H_0: p = 0.8$$

 $H_1: p \neq 0.8$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$\hat{p} = \frac{382}{500} = 0.764$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$
$$= \frac{0.764 - 0.8}{\sqrt{\frac{0.8(1-0.8)}{500}}}$$
$$= -2.012$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

normalcdf(-1000000,-2.012,0,1) =
$$0.0221$$

Multiply this by 2: $p = 0.0442$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis. We conclude that the percentage of spam emails at this company differs from 80%.

CHILDREN WITH CELL PHONES EXAMPLE 9

A marketing manager for a cell phone company claims that more than 35% of children aged 10–11 have cell phones. In a 2009 survey of 5000 children aged 10–11 by Mediamark Research and Intelligence, 1805 of them had cell phones. Can you conclude that the manager's claim is true? Use the $\alpha=0.01$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

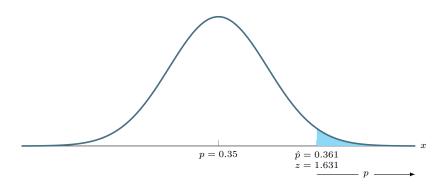
$$H_0: p \le 0.35$$

 $H_1: p > 0.35$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$\hat{p} = \frac{1805}{5000} = 0.361$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$
$$= \frac{0.361 - 0.35}{\sqrt{\frac{0.35(1-0.35)}{5000}}}$$
$$= 1.631$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

normalcdf(1.631,1000000,0,1) =
$$0.0221$$

Multiply this by 2: $p = 0.0514$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.01, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. We cannot conclude that more than 35% of children have cell phones.

Using Your Calculator

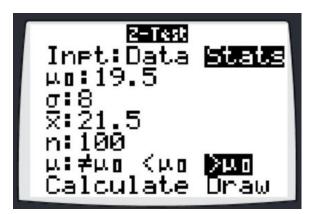
To access the hypothesis tests on the TI calculator, press and scroll over to the TESTS menu:





1. Mean, Population Standard Deviation Known

Use 1: Z-Test.



(enter given stats and select the appropriate alternate hypothesis)



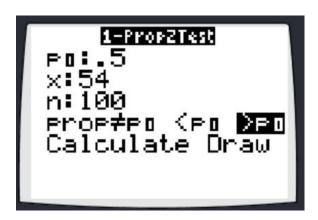
(enter the data into L1 and select the appropriate alternate hypothesis)

2. Mean, Population Standard Deviation Unknown

Use 2: T-Test, and do it the same way as the Z-Test.

3. Proportion

Use 5: 1-PropZTest.



Assorted Examples

EXAMPLE 10 TIME WATCHING TV

In 2008, the General Social Survey asked a sample of 1324 people how much time they spent watching TV each day. The mean number of hours was 2.98 with a standard deviation of 2.66. A sociologist claims that people watch a mean of 3 hours of TV per day. Do the data provide sufficient evidence to disprove the claim? Use the $\alpha=0.01$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu = 3$$

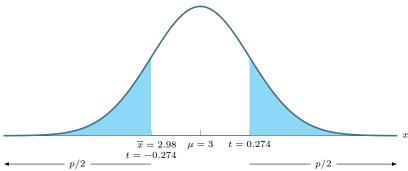
 $H_1: \mu \neq 3$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$t = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{2.98 - 3}{2.66/\sqrt{1324}}$$

$$= -0.274$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

tcdf(-1000000,-0.274,1323) =
$$0.392$$

Multiply this by 2: $p = 0.784$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we disagree with the sociologist.

SCALE CALIBRATION EXAMPLE 11

NIST is the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Suppose that NIST technicians are testing a scale by using a weight known to weigh exactly 1000 grams. They weigh this weight on the scale 50 times and read the result each time, finding a sample mean of 1000.6 grams. If the standard deviation is known to be 2 grams, perform a hypothesis test to determine whether the scale is out of calibration. Use a significance level of 0.05.

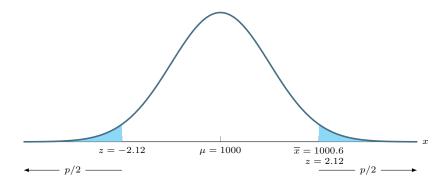
Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu = 1000$$

 $H_1: \mu \neq 1000$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$z = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$
$$= \frac{1000.6 - 1000}{2/\sqrt{50}}$$
$$= 2.12$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

normalcdf(2.12,1000000,0,1) =
$$0.017$$

Multiply this by 2: $p = 0.034$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, so the scale is out of calibration.

EXAMPLE 12 ENVIRONMENTAL INTEREST

In 2008, the General Social Survey asked 1493 U.S. adults to rate their level of interest in environmental issues. Of these, 751 said that they were "very interested." Does the survey provide convincing evidence that more than half of U.S. adults are very interested in environmental issues? Use the $\alpha=0.05$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

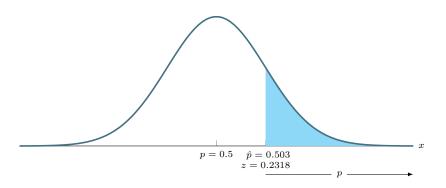
$$H_0: p \le 0.5$$

 $H_1: p > 0.5$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$\hat{p} = \frac{751}{1493} = 0.503$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$
$$= \frac{0.503 - 0.5}{\sqrt{\frac{0.5(1-0.5)}{1493}}}$$
$$= 0.2318$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$normalcdf(0.2318,1000000,0,1) = 0.4083$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p>0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. We cannot conclude that more than 50% of US adults are very interested in environmental issues.

TIRE LIFETIMES EXAMPLE 13

A particular brand of tires claims that its deluxe tire averages more than 50,000 miles before it needs to be replaced. From past studies of this tire, the standard deviation is known to be 8,000. A survey of owners of that tire design is conducted. From the 28 tires surveyed, the mean lifespan was 46,500 miles. Using $\alpha = 0.05$, is the data consistent with the claim?

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \le 50,000$$

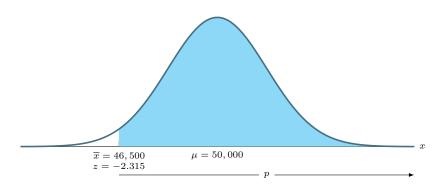
 $H_1: \mu > 50,000$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$z = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{46,500 - 50,000}{8000/\sqrt{28}}$$

$$= -2.315$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$normalcdf(-2.315,1000000,0,1) = 0.9897$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we cannot conclude that the tires last more than 50,000 miles.

EXAMPLE 14 AGE OF SMOKERS

From generation to generation, the mean age when smokers first start to smoke varies. However, the standard deviation of that age remains constant at 2.1 years. A survey of 40 smokers of this generation was done to see if the mean starting age is greater than 19, and the sample mean was 18.1. Do the data support the claim at the 5% level?

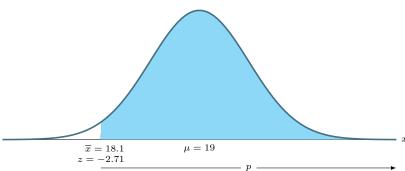
Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \le 19$$

 $H_1: \mu > 19$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$z = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$$
$$= \frac{18.1 - 19}{2.1 / \sqrt{40}}$$
$$= -2.71$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$normalcdf(-2.71,1000000,0,1) = 0.9966$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we cannot conclude that the mean starting age is greater than 19.

GASTROPLASTY EXAMPLE 15

Vertical banded gastroplasty is a surgical procedure that reduces the volume of the stomach in order to produce weight loss. In a recent study, 82 patients with Type 2 diabetes underwent this procedure, and 59 of them experienced a recovery from diabetes. Does this study provide convincing evidence that more than 60% of those with Type 2 diabetes who undergo this surgery will recover from diabetes? Use the $\alpha=0.05$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

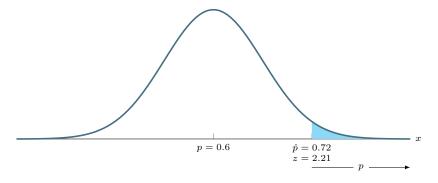
$$H_0: p \le 0.6$$

$$H_1: p > 0.6$$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$\hat{p} = \frac{59}{82} = 0.7195$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$
$$= \frac{0.7195 - 0.6}{\sqrt{\frac{0.6(1-0.6)}{82}}}$$
$$= 2.21$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$normalcdf(2,21,1000000,0,1) = 0.0136$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis. We conclude that more than 60% of those with Type 2 diabetes who undergo this surgery will recover from diabetes (note that if we used $\alpha = 0.01$, the conclusion would be reversed).

EXAMPLE 16 SICK DAYS

The mean number of sick days an employee takes per year is believed to be about ten. Members of a personnel department do not believe this figure. They randomly survey eight employees, and the number of sick days they took for the past year are as follows:

Should the personnel team believe that the mean number is ten?

Note:

$$\overline{x} = 8.375$$

$$s = 4.104$$

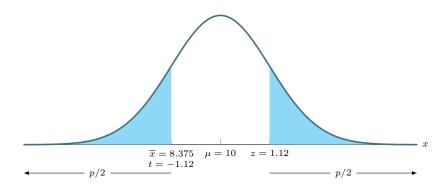
Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu = 10$$

 $H_1: \mu \neq 10$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$t = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$
$$= \frac{8.375 - 10}{4.104/\sqrt{8}}$$
$$= -1.12$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$tcdf(-1000000, -1.12, 7) = 0.1498$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we disagree with the members of the personnel department.

CABLE TV CHANNEL **EXAMPLE 17**

A telecom company provided its cable TV subscribers with free access to a new sports channel for a period of one month. It then chose a sample of 400 television viewers and asked them whether they would be willing to pay an extra \$10 per month to continue to access the channel. A total of 25 of the 400 replied that they would be willing to pay. The marketing director of the company claims that more than 5% of all its subscribers would pay for the channel. Can you conclude that the director's claim is true? Use the $\alpha = 0.01$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

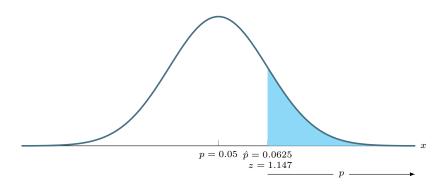
$$H_0: p \le 0.05$$

 $H_1: p > 0.05$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$\hat{p} = \frac{25}{400} = 0.0625$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}}$$
$$= \frac{0.0625 - 0.05}{\sqrt{\frac{0.05(1-0.05)}{400}}}$$
$$= 1.147$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

$$normalcdf(1.147,1000000,0,1) = 0.1257$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.01, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. We disagree with the director's claim.

EXAMPLE 18 TROUT IQ

A Nissan ad read, "The average man's IQ is 107. The average brown trout's IQ is 4. So why can't a man catch a brown trout?" Suppose you believe that the brown trout's mean IQ is greater than four. You catch 12 brown trout, and a fish psychologist determines that their IQs are

Conduct a hypothesis test of your belief.

Note:

$$\overline{x} = 4.92$$
$$s = 1.62$$

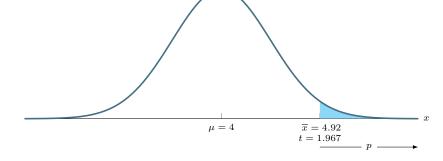
Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu \le 4$$

 $H_1: \mu > 4$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$t = \frac{\overline{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$
$$= \frac{4.92 - 4}{1.62/\sqrt{12}}$$
$$= 1.967$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the table or calculator.

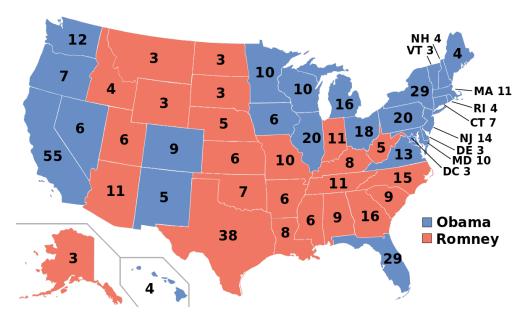
$$tcdf(1.967,1000000,11) = 0.0375$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, so we conclude that the average IQ of brown trout is greater than 4.

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Hypothesis Testing with Two Samples



So far, all the hypothesis tests we've done have been to determine something about the mean or proportion in a single population; in this chapter, we briefly discuss how to compare two populations by comparing their means or proportions. For instance, we may want to compare the proportion of voters that voted Democrat in two different states. Of course, we could simply compare the sample proportions for a sample from each state, but the hypothesis tests here will give us a way to tell if there is a significant difference between them.

The formulas in this chapter are more complicated, so we'll pretty much stick to the calculator; we'll use more of the tests in this menu:



SECTION 10.1 Two Means, Sigmas Unknown

We'll use the same four steps as every hypothesis test:

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} H_0 & H_1 \\ \hline \mu_1 = \mu_2 & \mu_1 \neq \mu_2 \\ \mu_1 \leq \mu_2 & \mu_1 > \mu_2 \\ \mu_1 \geq \mu_2 & \mu_1 < \mu_2 \end{array}$$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$t = \frac{(\overline{x_1} - \overline{x_2}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

$$df = \frac{\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}\right)^2}{\left(\frac{1}{n_1 - 1}\right)\left(\frac{s_1^2}{n_1}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n_2 - 1}\right)\left(\frac{s_2^2}{n_2}\right)^2}$$

Step 3: Calculate the p value.

tcdf(-1000000,t,df) or similar

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

- If $p < \alpha$, reject H_0 .
- If $p > \alpha$, fail to reject H_0 .

Using Your Calculator

Since the population standard deviation is *unknown*, use the 2-SampTTest in the TESTS menu. You can either enter the raw data or the summary statistics.





In either case, make sure to keep the two populations separate, enter the appropriate alternate hypothesis, and leave the Pooled option as No.

Press Calculate to see the t and p values, or press Draw to see a sketch of the distribution, with the appropriate area shaded.

COMPARING DIETS **EXAMPLE 1**

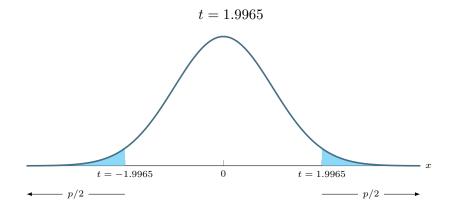
Are low-fat diets or low-carb diets more effective for weight loss? A sample of 77 subjects went on a low-carbohydrate diet for six months. At the end of that time, the sample mean weight loss was 4.7 kilograms with a sample standard deviation of 7.16 kilograms. A second sample of 79 subjects went on a low-fat diet. Their sample mean weight loss was 2.6 kilograms with a standard deviation of 5.90 kilograms. Can you conclude that the mean weight loss differs between the two diets? Use the $\alpha = 0.01$ level.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$$

 $H_1: \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic. (using the calculator)



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the calculator.

$$p = 0.0477$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.01, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we find no significant difference between the weight lost by these two groups.

EXAMPLE 2 BIRTH ORDER AND IQ

In a study of birth order and intelligence, IQ tests were given to 18- and 19-year-old men to estimate the size of the difference, if any, between the mean IQs of firstborn sons and secondborn sons. The following data for 10 firstborn sons and 10 secondborn sons are consistent with the means and standard deviations reported in the article. It is reasonable to assume that the samples come from populations that are approximately normal.

| Firstborn | | | | | | |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| | 104 | 82 | 102 | 96 | 129 | 103 |
| | 89 | 114 | 107 | 89 | 103 | 103 |

| Secondborn | | | | |
|------------|-----|----|-----|-----|
| 103 | 103 | 91 | 113 | 102 |
| 103 | 92 | 90 | 114 | 113 |

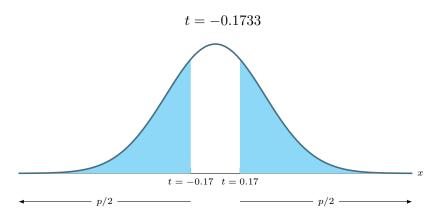
Can you conclude that there is a difference in mean IQ between first born and secondborn sons? Use the $\alpha=0.01$ level.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$$

 $H_1: \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic. (using the calculator)



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the calculator.

$$p = 0.8646$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.01, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we find no significant difference between these groups.

POSTSURGICAL TREATMENT **EXAMPLE 3**

A new postsurgical treatment was compared with a standard treatment. Seven subjects received the new treatment, while seven others (the controls) received the standard treatment. The recovery times, in days, are given below.

| Treatment: | 12 | 13 | 15 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 24 |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Control: | 18 | 23 | 24 | 30 | 32 | 35 | 39 |

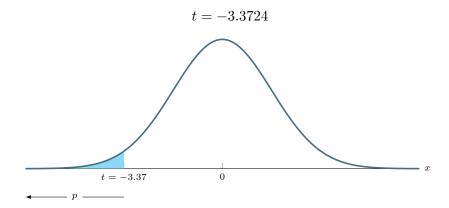
Can you conclude that the mean recovery time for those receiving the new treatment is less than the mean for those receiving the standard treatment? Use the $\alpha = 0.05$ level.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu_1 \ge \mu_2$$

 $H_1: \mu_1 < \mu_2$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the calculator.

$$p = 0.0036$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, so we believe that the new treatment leads to shorter recovery times.

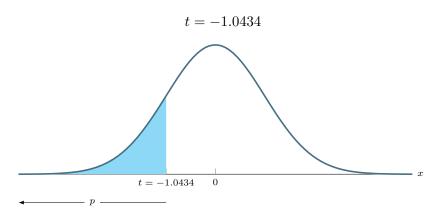
EXAMPLE 4 KING TUT'S CURSE

King Tut was an ancient Egyptian ruler whose tomb was discovered and opened in 1923. Legend has it that the archaeologists who opened the tomb were subject to a "mummy's curse," which would shorten their life spans. A team of scientists conducted an investigation of the mummy's curse. They reported that the 25 people exposed to the curse had a mean life span of 70.0 years with a standard deviation of 12.4 years, while a sample of 11 Westerners in Egypt at the time who were not exposed to the curse had a mean life span of 75.0 years with a standard deviation of 13.6 years. Assume that the populations are approximately normal. Can you conclude that the mean life span of those exposed to the mummy's curse is less than the mean of those not exposed? Use the $\alpha=0.05$ level.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

 $H_0: \mu_1 \ge \mu_2$ $H_1: \mu_1 < \mu_2$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the calculator.

$$p = 0.1554$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.05, we fail reject the null hypothesis, so we find no significant difference between the two groups.

SECTION 10.2 Two Means, Sigmas Known

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$\begin{array}{c|cc}
H_0 & H_1 \\
\hline
\mu_1 = \mu_2 & \mu_1 \neq \mu_2 \\
\mu_1 \leq \mu_2 & \mu_1 > \mu_2 \\
\mu_1 \geq \mu_2 & \mu_1 < \mu_2
\end{array}$$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$z = \frac{(\overline{x_1} - \overline{x_2}) - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}}$$

Step 3: Calculate the p value.

normalcdf(-1000000,z,0,1) or similar

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

- If $p < \alpha$, reject H_0 .
- If $p > \alpha$, fail to reject H_0 .

Using Your Calculator

Since the population standard deviation is known, use the 2-SampZTest in the TESTS menu. You can either enter the raw data or the summary statistics.





Again, make sure to keep the two populations separate, enter the appropriate alternate hypothesis, and selecte either Calculate or Draw.

EXAMPLE 1 COMPARING TWO ENGINES

The mean RPMs of two competing engines are to be compared. Ten engines of each type are randomly assigned to be tested. Both populations have normal distributions, and the following table summarizes the details.

| Engine | Sample Mean RPM | Population Standard Deviation |
|--------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| | | |
| 1 | 1500 | 80 |
| 2 | 1600 | 90 |

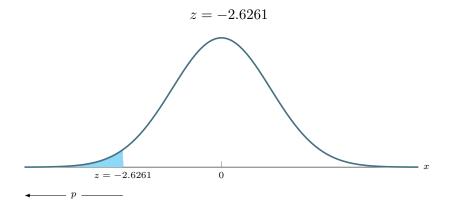
Do the data indicate that Engine 2 has a higher mean RPM than Engine 1? Test at a 5% level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: \mu_1 \ge \mu_2$$

 $H_1: \mu_1 < \mu_2$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the calculator.

$$p = 0.0043$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, so we conclude that Engine 2 has a higher mean RPM than Engine 1.

SECTION 10.3 Two Proportions

First of all, to conduct the test for proportions, we use what's called a **pooled** proportion:

$$p_{pooled} = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{n_1 + n_2}$$

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$\begin{array}{c|cc} H_0 & H_1 \\ \hline \\ p_1 = p_2 & p_1 \neq p_2 \\ p_1 \leq p_2 & p_1 > p_2 \\ p_1 \geq p_2 & p_1 < p_2 \end{array}$$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$z = \frac{(\hat{p_1} - \hat{p_2}) - (p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{p_{pooled}(1 - p_{pooled})\left(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}\right)}}$$

Step 3: Calculate the p value.

normalcdf(-1000000,z,0,1) or similar

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

- If $p < \alpha$, reject H_0 .
- If $p > \alpha$, fail to reject H_0 .

Using Your Calculator

Use the 2-PropZTest in the TESTS menu. All you have to enter is x and nfor each group; make sure to keep the two groups straight. Then enter the appropriate alternate hypothesis and select either Calculate or Draw.



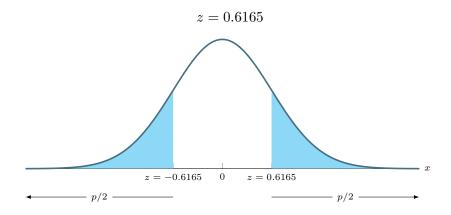
EXAMPLE 1 CHILDHOOD OBESITY

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES) weighed a sample of 546 boys aged 6–11 and found that 87 of them were overweight. They weighed a sample of 508 girls aged 6–11 and found that 74 of them were overweight. Can you conclude that the proportion of boys who are overweight differs from the proportion of girls who are overweight?

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: p_1 = p_2$$
$$H_1: p_1 \neq p_2$$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the calculator.

$$p = 0.5376$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so we find no significant difference between the two groups.

POLLUTION AND ALTITUDE EXAMPLE 2

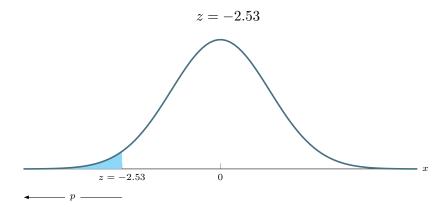
In a random sample of 340 cars driven at low altitudes, 46 of them exceeded a standard of 10 grams of particulate pollution per gallon of fuel consumed. In an independent random sample of 85 cars driven at high altitudes, 21 of them exceeded the standard. Can you conclude that the proportion of high-altitude vehicles exceeding the standard is greater than the proportion of low-altitude vehicles exceeding the standard? Use the $\alpha = 0.01$ level of significance.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: p_1 \ge p_2$$

 $H_1: p_1 < p_2$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the calculator.

$$p = 0.0057$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.01, we reject the null hypothesis, so we conclude that the proportion of high-altitude vehicles exceeding the standard is greater than the proportion of low-altitude vehicles.

EXAMPLE 3 PREVENTING HEART ATTACKS

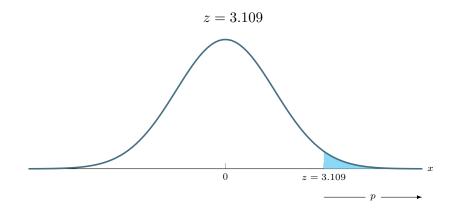
Medical researchers performed a comparison of two drugs, clopidogrel and ticagrelor, which are designed to reduce the risk of heart attack or stroke in coronary patients. A total of 6676 patients were given clopidogrel, and 6732 were given ticagrelor. Of the clopidogrel patients, 668 suffered a heart attack or stroke within one year, and of the ticagrelor patients, 569 suffered a heart attack or stroke. Can you conclude that the proportion of patients suffering a heart attack or stroke is less for ticagrelor? Use the $\alpha=0.01$ level.

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

$$H_0: p_1 \le p_2$$

 $H_1: p_1 > p_2$

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Use the calculator.

$$p = 0.0009$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.01, we reject the null hypothesis, so we conclude that the proportion of patients suffering a heart attack or stroke is less for ticagrelor.

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Chi-Square Distribution: Goodness-of-Fit



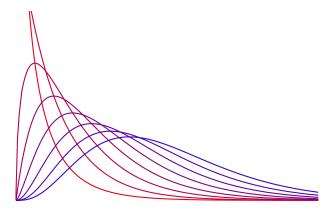
If you opened a bag of M&Ms, you may expect that the number of candies of each color is about equal. But how can you check this assumption? Naturally, you could separate them by color, then count the ones of each color, and see if they're equal. The issue with that, of course, is that you likely wouldn't find exactly the same number of each, so how much variation would you be willing to accept before you conclude that your assumption was wrong?

Like so many questions in statistics, we understand that there is inherent variability, and we need a way to distinguish between small variations and significant deviations: in this case, we'll use a **goodness-of-fit test**. First, though, we'll have to learn a bit about a new distribution: the **chi-square distribution**.

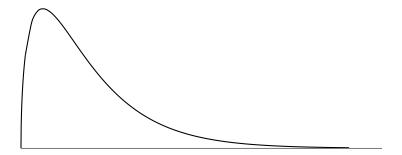
SECTION 11.1 The Chi-Square Distribution

It may be helpful to think back to the normal distribution and the t distribution as we meet the chi-square distribution (typically written χ^2 -distribution, as χ is the Greek letter chi, pronounced 'kai').

- The area under a portion of the graph is equal to the proportion of the distribution in that range (the probability of being in that range)
- Like the t distribution, the graph of the χ^2 -distribution depends on the degrees of freedom (more on that later)
- The graph below shows χ^2 -distributions with degrees of freedom ranging from 1 to 8



• For the sake of simplicity, from here on we'll use a graph like the one below (which happens to have 3 degrees of freedom), but remember that the shape of the graph varies in reality



• Just as with the normal and t distributions, we'll have a test statistic (before we had z and t statistics; now we'll have a χ^2 statistic

Calculation

To use the calculator to find areas under the graph of the χ^2 -distribution,

- Open the distributions menu (2ND \rightarrow DISTR)
- Look for the χ^2 cdf option
- Enter the lower and upper bounds and the degrees of freedom, in that
- Example for TI-83: to calculate the area above 2.5 when df=5, you would type in $\chi^2 \text{cdf}$ (2.5,1000000,5).

With that, we're ready to start testing goodness-of-fit.

SECTION 11.2 Testing Goodness of Fit

Remember, our goal now is to test how well data matches our expectation, specifically regarding how the data breaks down for a number of categories.

Let's go back to the M&M example. Suppose you opened a bag of 600 M&Ms, separated them by color, and got the following counts for each category.

| Color | Number |
|--------|--------|
| Blue | 212 |
| Orange | 147 |
| Green | 103 |
| Red | 50 |
| Yellow | 46 |
| Brown | 42 |

You may already see evidence that the candies are not uniformly distributed, but how can we measure this?

The Chi-Square Test Statistic

The test statistic we use to measure how closely data matches our expected distribution is found by calculating how far off each category is, then combining all those errors:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(\text{Observed - Expected})^2}{\text{Expected}}$$

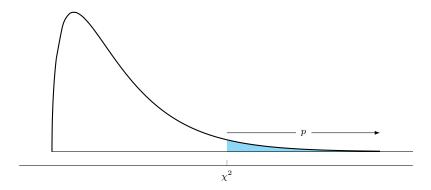
Or more concisely,

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$$

Now, the larger this value, the more difference there is between what we expected and what we observe. Therefore, the larger χ^2 is, the less likely it is that our expected distribution was correct.

The p Value

The p value for this test will be the probability that χ^2 could be at least as large as what we observe. So if we get a large value for χ^2 , that probability will be relatively low (recall the shape of the χ^2 distribution):



Testing Goodness of Fit

Now that we have our test statistic (χ^2) and we can calculate a p-value, the rest of the test is just like the others that we've done.

• The degrees of freedom for χ^2 is based on the number of categories in the data (M&M example: 6 categories). If there are k categories,

$$df = k - 1$$

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

The null hypothesis will always be that the data fits whatever distribution we're assuming. The alternate hypothesis will be that it does not.

 H_0 : The observed frequencies match the expected frequencies

 H_1 : The observed frequencies do not match the expected frequencies

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

$$\chi^2 = \sum \frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$$

Step 3: Calculate the p value (the area above the χ^2 statistic:

$$\chi^2 \mathrm{cdf} \, (\mathrm{value}, \mathrm{1000000}, \mathrm{df})$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

- If p is smaller than α , reject the null hypothesis the data doesn't match the expected distribution
- If p is larger than α , fail to reject the null hypothesis there's no evidence that the data doesn't match the expected distribution

EXAMPLE 1 WORK ABSENCES

A managers wants to know which days of the week her employees are absent in a five-day work week. Most employers would like to believe that employees are absent equally during the week. She tracked the next 60 absences and recorded on which day they occurred, and the results are shown in the table below. Do the absences occur with equal frequencies during the work week? Use a significance level of 0.05.

| Day | Number of Absences |
|-----------|--------------------|
| Monday | 15 |
| Tuesday | 12 |
| Wednesday | 9 |
| Thursday | 9 |
| Friday | 15 |

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

 H_0 : Absences are equally distributed

 H_1 : Absences are not equally distributed

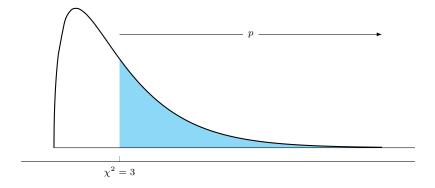
Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

Notice that since there are 5 days and a total of 60 absences, the expected number of absences each day is 60/5 = 12.

| Day | Observed Absences | Expected Absences | O - E |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|
| Monday | 15 | 12 | 3 |
| Tuesday | 12 | 12 | 0 |
| Wednesday | 9 | 12 | -3 |
| Thursday | 9 | 12 | -3 |
| Friday | 15 | 12 | 3 |

Then square each difference, divide by the expected number, and add the results:

$$\chi^{2} = \frac{3^{2}}{12} + \frac{0^{2}}{12} + \frac{(-3)^{2}}{12} + \frac{(-3)^{2}}{12} + \frac{3^{2}}{12}$$
$$= \frac{1}{12}(9 + 9 + 9 + 9)$$
$$= 3$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Since there are 5 categories (5 days of the work week),

$$df = 5 - 1 = 4$$

$$\chi^2 \text{cdf(3,1000000,4)} = 0.5578$$

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p > 0.05, we fail to reject the null hypothesis, so there is not sufficient evidence that absences do not occur with equal frequency.

EXAMPLE 2 TV OWNERSHIP

A study concluded that the number of TVs in American households is distributed as in the table below.

| Number of TVs | Percent |
|---------------|---------|
| 0 | 10 |
| 1 | 16 |
| 2 | 55 |
| 3 | 11 |
| 4+ | 8 |

A new study investigates households on the west coast of the US, to see if the distribution there is similar to the entire country, or if it is unique. A random sample of 600 west coast households yielded the following data.

| Number of TVs | Frequency |
|---------------|-----------|
| 0 | 66 |
| 1 | 119 |
| 2 | 340 |
| 3 | 60 |
| 4+ | 15 |

Using a significance level of 0.01, does it seem that the distribution for the west coast is different from the country as a whole?

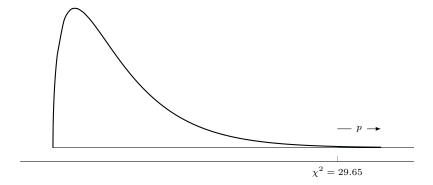
Step 1: State the hypotheses.

 H_0 : TV ownership follows the same distribution H_1 : TV ownership follows a different distribution

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

Note carefully that the first table above lists percentages, and the second lists frequencies. Therefore, to calculate the expected frequency in each category, we need to multiply that percentage by 600 (our sample size).

| Number of TVs | Observed Frequency | Expected Frequency | O - E |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 0 | 66 | 60 | 6 |
| 1 | 119 | 96 | 23 |
| 2 | 340 | 330 | 10 |
| 3 | 60 | 66 | -6 |
| 4+ | 15 | 48 | -33 |



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Since there are 5 categories (notice, not 600; that's the sample size),

$$df = 5 - 1 = 4$$

$$\chi^2$$
cdf(29.65,1000000,4) = 0.000006

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, so the distribution on the west coast is different from the country as a whole.

EXAMPLE 3 CASINO GAME

A new casino game involves rolling 3 dice, and winnings are based on the total number of sixes rolled. A gambler played the game 100 times, with the following results.

| Number of Sixes | Frequency |
|-----------------|-----------|
| 0 | 48 |
| 1 | 35 |
| 2 | 15 |
| 3 | 3 |

Should the casino ban this player for using rigged dice?

Step 1: State the hypotheses.

 H_0 : The dice are fair H_1 : The dice are rigged

Step 2: Calculate the test statistic.

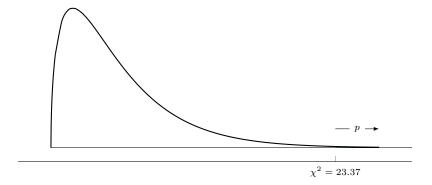
For fair dice, the probability of rolling a 6 is 1/6, so we can build the following expected table by using the binomial distribution.

| Number of Sixes | Probability |
|-----------------|-------------|
| 0 | 0.580 |
| 1 | 0.345 |
| 2 | 0.070 |
| 3 | 0.005 |

Again, the observed values are frequencies and the expected values are proportions, so we need to calculate the expected frequency using the sample size of 100.

| Number of Sixes | Observed Frequency | Expected Frequency | O - E |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|
| 0 | 48 | 58.0 | -10 |
| 1 | 35 | 34.5 | 0.5 |
| 2 | 15 | 7.0 | 8 |
| 3 | 3 | 0.5 | 2.5 |

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(-10)^2}{58} + \frac{0.5^2}{34.5} + \frac{8^2}{7} + \frac{2.5^2}{0.5}$$
$$= 23.37$$



Step 3: Calculate the p value that corresponds to this area. Since there are 4 categories,

$$df = 4 - 1 = 3$$

$$\chi^2$$
cdf(23.37,1000000,3) = 0.00003

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Since p < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, so the player is almost certainly using rigged dice.

12

Linear Regression and Correlation



Often, we want to determine whether there is a relationship between two variables, and if so, what the relationship is. For instance, when studying economics, we might study the connection between inflation and unemployment.

There are two ideas in this chapter:

- Correlation: determining how strong the relationship between two variables is.
- Regression: finding a specific equation that describes the relationship.

SECTION 12.1 Linear Equations

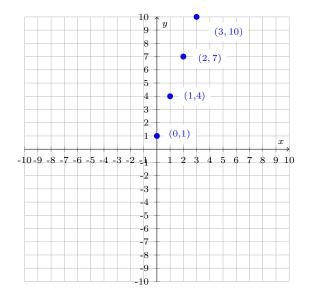
Take a look at an equation like

$$y = 3x + 1.$$

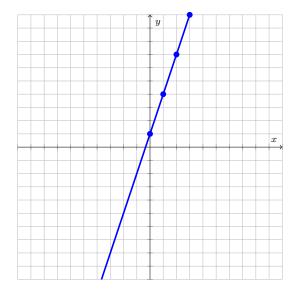
This equation gives a relationship between x and y; it simply says that whatever x is, there is a corresponding y that you get by multiplying x by 3 and adding 1. For instance,

if
$$x$$
 is 0, y is 1
if x is 1, y is 4
if x is 2, y is 7
if x is 3, y is 10

We can write each of these as an ordered pair (x, y), and each of those corresponds to a point on the coordinate plane:



This is an example of a linear equation:



Slope and Intercept

Look back at that example.

| \boldsymbol{x} | y |
|------------------|----|
| 0 | 1 |
| 1 | 4 |
| 2 | 7 |
| 3 | 10 |

 \bullet Each time we increase x by 1, y increases by 3. Notice that 3 is the coefficient of x in the equation. We call this the **slope** of the equation, because it describes how the line is angled.

Note: Slope is "rise over run":

• When x is 0, y is 1, which is the constant in the equation. This is called the y-intercept, because it is the point where the line crosses the y-axis.

Graphing with Slope and Intercept:

- 1. Start with the intercept
- 2. Use the slope (rise over run) to get a second point, and connect them

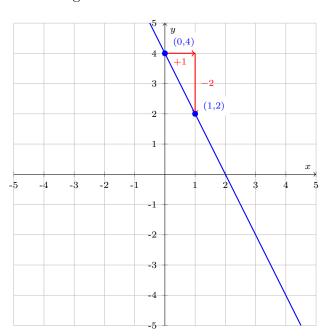
GRAPHING USING SLOPE AND INTERCEPT

EXAMPLE 1

Graph the line y = -2x + 4.

In this equation, the slope is -2 and the intercept is 4. We know then that the line crosses the y-axis at 4 and travels down two units for every one it travels to the right:

Solution



In general, we write

$$y = mx + b,$$

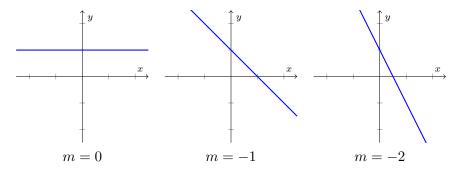
where

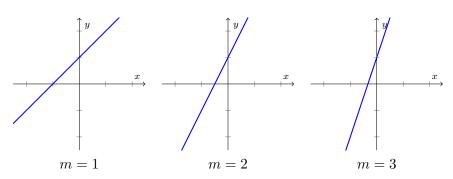
$$m = slope$$

and

$$b = y$$
-intercept.

Examples of different slopes:

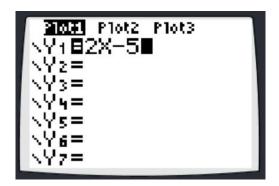


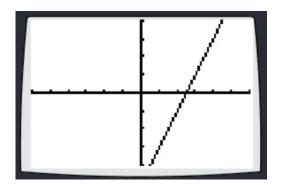


Note: If you pick increase x by 1, y will change by the same amount as the slope.

Using Your Calculator

You can also use a graphing calculator to graph a linear equation for you if it is written in slope-intercept form. To do so, press the button in the upper lefthand corner and enter the equation, using the x_1, y_2, y_3 button to enter x. Then press to see the line.





Interpreting a Linear Equation

$$y = mx + b$$

- x: the **independent** variable
- y: the **dependent** variable

INTERPRETING A LINEAR EQUATION

EXAMPLE 2

A landscaping service charges \$50 per visit, plus \$35 an hour. Write an equation that relates the cost y to the number of hours x.

Independent variable: time Dependent variable: cost

Fixed cost: \$50 (intercept) Variable cost: \$35/hour (slope)

$$y = 35x + 50$$

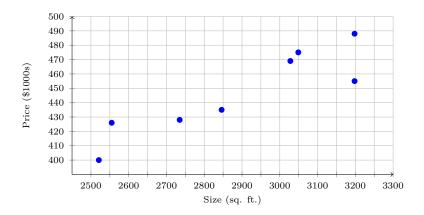
SECTION 12.2 Scatter Plots and Correlation

Example: Home Prices

| Size (sq. ft.) | Selling Price (\$1000s) |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| | |
| 2521 | 400 |
| 2555 | 426 |
| 2735 | 428 |
| 2846 | 435 |
| 3028 | 469 |
| 3049 | 475 |
| 3198 | 488 |
| 3198 | 455 |

Notice:

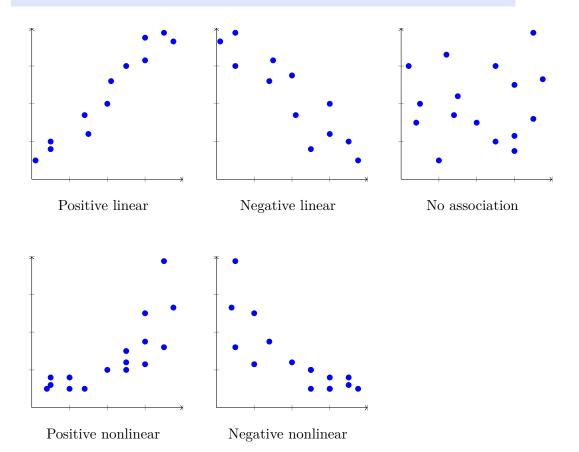
- \bullet Let x be the size and y be the selling price
- We expect that the size will predict the price
- The price doesn't *only* depend on the size (ex: last house)



- The values look like they're grouped around a straight line.
- Larger sizes are associated with higher prices

Association

- Two variables have a linear association if the scatter plot shows the data clustering around a straight line.
- Two variables have a **positive association** if larger values of one variable are linked with larger values of the other variable.
- Two variables have a **negative association** if larger values of one variable are linked with smaller values of the other variable.

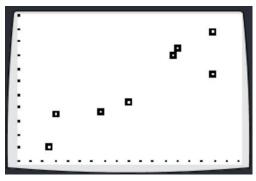


Using Your Calculator

Make sure that there is no equation begin graphed, then enter the data. Press

to access the STAT PLOT menu. Select the scatter plot and select the lists where you entered the data.





Press the button and adjust the window until the scatter plot is visible.

The Correlation Coefficient

The correlation coefficient, r, is a measure of how strong a linear relationship is between two variables.

Correlation Coefficient

$$r = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum \left(\frac{x - \overline{x}}{s_x} \right) \left(\frac{y - \overline{y}}{s_y} \right)$$

Note: It doesn't matter which variable is x and which is y; the correlation coefficient is the same either way.

FINDING R**EXAMPLE 1**

Find the correlation coefficient for the house price data.

| Size (sq. ft.) | Selling Price (\$1000s) |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| | |
| 2521 | 400 |
| 2555 | 426 |
| 2735 | 428 |
| 2846 | 435 |
| 3028 | 469 |
| 3049 | 475 |
| 3198 | 488 |
| 3198 | 455 |
| | l |

$$n=8$$
 $\overline{x} = 2891.25$ $\overline{y} = 447$
 $s_x = 269.49$ $s_y = 29.68$

| x | y | $\frac{x - \overline{x}}{s_x}$ | $\frac{y-\overline{y}}{s_y}$ | $\left(\frac{x-\overline{x}}{s_x}\right)\left(\frac{y-\overline{y}}{s_y}\right)$ |
|------|-----|--------------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| 2521 | 400 | -1.37389 | -1.58356 | 2.17564 |
| 2555 | 426 | -1.24773 | -0.70755 | 0.88283 |
| 2735 | 428 | -0.57980 | -0.64016 | 0.37116 |
| 2846 | 435 | -0.16791 | -0.40431 | 0.06789 |
| 3028 | 469 | 0.50744 | 0.74124 | 0.37613 |
| 3049 | 475 | 0.58536 | 0.94340 | 0.55223 |
| 3198 | 488 | 1.13826 | 1.38140 | 1.28783 |
| 3198 | 455 | 1.13826 | 0.26954 | 0.30681 |
| | | | | 6.30414 |

$$r = \frac{6.30414}{7} = 0.90059$$

How do we interpret the correlation coefficient?

Properties of the Correlation Coefficient

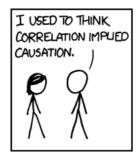
• The correlation can range from -1 to 1:

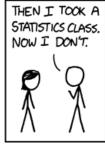
$$-1 \le r \le 1$$

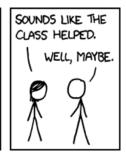
- Regardless of which variable we call x and which we call y, r will be the same.
- The correlation coefficient only measures the strength of a linear association.
- If r is positive, the association is positive.
- If r is negative, the association is negative.
- The closer r is to -1 or 1, the stronger the linear association.
- If r = 0, there is no linear association.
- \bullet The value of r is not connected to the value of the slope (aside from sign).
- The correlation coefficient is sensitive to outliers.

Correlation Does Not Imply Causation

Just because two variables are highly correlated, that doesn't mean that one causes the other. In the example of the house sizes and their price, there IS a causal link, but you can't assume that in every case where there's a strong correlation.







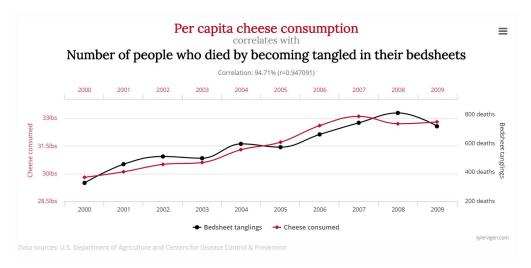
"Correlation doesn't imply causation, but it does waggle its eyebrows suggestively and gesture furtively while mouthing 'look over there.'

xkcd.com

For instance, the number of injuries sustained in a swimming pool is correlated with the sales of ice cream cones. Do ice cream cones cause injuries, or vice versa? Of course not; it's just that both of them are much more common in warmer weather.

In that case, we call the weather a confounder, a third variable that is related to the two we're interested in. If we don't consider this third variable, it can fool us into thinking that the other two cause each other.

Even if there isn't a confounder, sometimes two variables can be related by coincidence. There's a book and website by Tyler Vigen (tylervigen.com) devoted to showing such correlations. For example:



SECTION 12.3 The Regression Equation

Example: Home Prices

| Selling Price (\$1000s) |
|-------------------------|
| |
| 400 |
| 426 |
| 428 |
| 435 |
| 469 |
| 475 |
| 488 |
| 455 |
| |

$$r = 0.9006$$

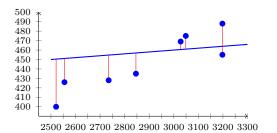
Ok, so there's a linear relationship between these variables, but what is it, actually? Finding the linear relationship

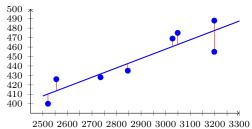
$$\hat{y} = ax + b$$

is the problem of **regression**.

Note that \hat{y} represents the predicted value for a given x value, and difference between the predicted value and actual value is called the **error** or **residual**:

$$y - \hat{y}$$





The goal of constructing the regression equation is to minimize the squared residuals. This line of best fit is called the least-squares regression line.

Equation of the Least-Squares Regression Line

Given ordered pairs (x,y) with sample means \overline{x} and \overline{y} , sample standard deviations s_x and s_y , and correlation coefficient r, the equation of the least-squares regression line for predicting y from x is

$$\hat{y} = ax + b$$

where the slope and intercept are given by

• Slope:
$$a = r \frac{s_y}{s_x}$$

- Intercept: $b = \overline{y} a\overline{x}$
- Explanatory variable: x, the independent variable
- Outcome or response variable: y, the dependent variable

EXAMPLE 1 REGRESSION LINE

Compute the least-squares regression line for the house price data.

$$\overline{x} = 2891.25$$
 $\overline{y} = 447$
 $s_x = 269.49$
 $s_y = 29.68$
 $r = 0.90059$

Find the slope first:

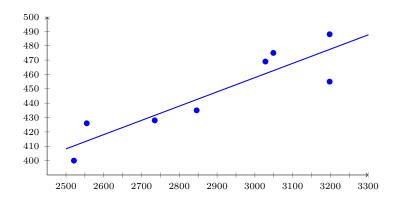
$$a = r \frac{s_y}{s_x} = 0.90059 \left(\frac{29.68}{269.49}\right) = 0.0992$$

Then use the averages to find the intercept:

$$b = \overline{y} - a\overline{x} = 447 - (0.0992)(2891.25) = 160.194$$

Therefore, the regression line is

$$\hat{y} = 160.194 + 0.099x.$$



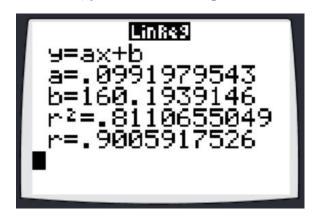
Using Your Calculator

Your calculator can also find the least-squares regression line. To do so, enter the data into L1 and L2.

Then press the button and scroll over to the CALC menu. The fourth option is 4:LinReg(ax+b). If you select this option, you should see a menu like the following:



If you select Calculate, you'll see something like this:



Note: If you don't see the r value, press \bigcirc to access the catalog, then scroll down to DiagnosticOn. Press enter twice to turn it on, and then repeat the steps above to find the regression line.

EXAMPLE 2 REGRESSION LINE

A random sample of 11 statistics students produced the following data, where x is the third exam score out of 80, and y is the final exam score out of 200.

| x | y |
|----|-----|
| | |
| 65 | 175 |
| 67 | 133 |
| 71 | 185 |
| 71 | 163 |
| 66 | 126 |
| 75 | 198 |
| 67 | 153 |
| 70 | 163 |
| 71 | 159 |
| 69 | 151 |
| 69 | 159 |
| | |

Find the equation of the least-squares regression line.

Using the calculator:

$$\hat{y} = 4.827x - 173.513$$

with a correlation coefficient of

$$r = 0.6631.$$

SECTION 12.5 Prediction

Now that we can build the regression line, we want to know what we can do with it, and how we should interpret it.

Making Predictions

The regression line gives a predicted y value, \hat{y} , for each given x value (within a reasonable range). Of course, this is only a prediction, and we expect the actual value to differ slightly from the prediction.

PREDICTING

EXAMPLE 1

The house price data led to the following regression line:

$$\hat{y} = 0.0992x + 160.194.$$

(a) Predict the price of a home with 2700 square feet.

$$\hat{y} = 0.0992(2700) + 160.194 = 428.034$$

or \$428,034.

(b) Predict the price of a home with 4500 square feet.

$$\hat{y} = 0.0992(4500) + 160.194 = 606.594$$

or \$606,594.

Interpreting the Predicted Value \hat{y}

Which of those answers do you think will be a better prediction?

- The first one was called an **interpolation**, because it made a prediction for a data point *inside* the range of the data.
- The second one was called an **extrapolation**, because it made a prediction for a data point *outside* the range of the data.
- Generally, interpolations are more reliable than extrapolations.

More precisely: \hat{y} is what we expect the average y value to be for all the data points with a particular x value. In the example above, we expect that the average price for homes with 2700 square feet will be \$428,034.

EXAMPLE 2 PREDICTING

The data on students' third test and final exam led to the following equation for the least-squares regression line:

$$\hat{y} = 4.827x - 175.513.$$

What final exam score would you predict for a student who scored 60 on the third test?

Our prediction will be the same as what we expect the average score of students who meet that criteria to be:

$$\hat{y} = 4.827(60) - 175.513 = 114.107$$

out of 200 points.

Note: Not every x value that you can plug into the regression equation is a meaningful one. For instance, you could try predicting the final exam score of a student who got a 90 on the third test (even though the third test scores can only go up to 80), and the equation will dutifully give you a value. Just note that that value is meaningless; you need to use common sense when making predictions.

Interpreting the Slope

- If the x values of two data points differ by 1, their y values will differ by the amount of the slope.
- If the x values of two data points differ by 2, their y values will differ by twice the amount of the slope.
- etc.

USING SLOPE EXAMPLE 3

Two houses differ in size by 300 square feet. How much would you expect their prices to differ?

All we have to do is multiply the difference in x (difference in size) by the slope:

$$0.0992(300) = 29.76$$

Therefore, we expect these two houses to differ in price by \$29,760.

Note: The slope doesn't mean that if x changes by 1, we expect y to change by the amount of the slope; it means that if we look at two different data points, then we can predict the difference in their y values based on the difference in their x values.

For example, if we developed a regression model to predict a person's height based on their weight, we couldn't say that if they lost weight, they'd suddenly shrink.

MAKING PREDICTIONS EXAMPLE 4

At the final exam in a statistics class, the professor asks each student to indicate how many hours he or she studied for the exam. After grading the exam, the professor computes the least-squares regression line for predicting the final exam score from the number of hours studied. The equation of the line is $\hat{y} = 50 + 5x$.

(a) Antoine studied for 6 hours. What do you predict his exam score to be?

$$\hat{y} = 50 + 5(6) = 80$$

(b) Emma studied for 3 hours longer than Jeremy did. How much higher do you predict Emma's score to be?

$$5(3) = 15$$

Interpreting the Intercept

The slope, mathematically, is the y value of a data point whose x value is 0.

- ullet Realistically, the y intercept is only meaningful if a value of 0 for x is feasible.
- If only positive values or only negative values are meaningful for x, the y intercept is not meaningful in context; it just makes the equation work.

EXAMPLE 5 INTERPRETING THE INTERCEPT

For each of the following scenarios, decide whether or not the y intercept is meaningful in context.

- (a) The house price example.
 - No, because it doesn't make sense to talk about a house with 0 square feet (or negative square feet).
- (b) The test score example.
 - No, because while it would be possible for a student to get a score of 0 on the third test, that intercept would predict that their final exam score would be -175.513, which is meaningless.
- (c) The least-squares regression line is $\hat{y} = 1.98 + 0.039x$, where x is the temperature in a freezer in degrees Fahrenheit, and y is the time it takes to freeze a certain amount of water into ice.
 - Yes, this could be meaningful, since we can talk about temperatures in the positive or negative range on the Fahrenheit scale.
- (d) The least-squares regression line is $\hat{y} = -13.586 + 4.340x$, where x represents the age of an elementary school student and y represents the score on a standardized test.

No, because newborns are not in elementary school.

LINEAR REGRESSION EXAMPLE 6

The following table lists the heights (in inches) and weights (in pounds) of 14 NFL quarterbacks in the 2009 season.

| Name | Height | Weight |
|--------------------|--------|--------|
| Peyton Manning | 77 | 230 |
| Tom Brady | 76 | 225 |
| Ben Roethlisberger | 77 | 241 |
| Drew Brees | 72 | 209 |
| Eli Manning | 76 | 225 |
| Carson Palmer | 77 | 235 |
| Phillip Rivers | 77 | 228 |
| Kurt Warner | 74 | 214 |
| Donovan McNabb | 74 | 240 |
| Jay Cutler | 75 | 233 |
| Tony Romo | 74 | 225 |
| Matt Ryan | 76 | 220 |
| Brett Favre | 74 | 222 |
| Kyle Orton | 76 | 225 |

(a) Compute the regression line for predicting weight from height.

Using the calculator:

$$\hat{y} = 3.2723x - 20.0206$$

(b) Calculate r, the correlation coefficient.

Again, using the calculator:

$$r = 0.5628$$

(c) Do you think this linear regression model is going to be an accurate one?

The r value is not very close to 1, so not really.

- (d) Is it possible to interpret the y-intercept? No.
- (e) If two quarterbacks differ in height by two inches, by how much would you expect their weight to differ?

$$3.2723(2) = 6.5446$$

(f) Predict the weight of a quarterback who is 74.5 inches tall.

$$\hat{y} = 3.2723(74.5) - 20.0206 = 223.8 \ lb$$

(g) Does Tom Brady weigh more or less than the weight predicted by the regression line, based on his height?

Less

EXAMPLE 7 LINEAR REGRESSION

A blood pressure measurement consists of two numbers: the systolic pressure, which is the maximum pressure taken when the heart is contracting, and the diastolic pressure, which is the minimum pressure taken at the beginning of the heartbeat. Blood pressures were measured (in millimeters of mercury, mmHg) for a sample of 16 adults.

| Systolic | 134 | 115 | 113 | 123 | 119 | 118 | 130 | 116 |
|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Diastolic | 87 | 83 | 77 | 77 | 69 | 88 | 76 | 70 |
| Systolic Diastolic | 133 | 112 | 107 | 110 | 108 | 105 | 157 | 154 |
| | 91 | 75 | 71 | 74 | 69 | 66 | 103 | 94 |

(a) Calculate r, the correlation coefficient.

Using the calculator:

$$r = 0.8568$$

- (b) Do you think there is a strong linear association? The r value is above 0.8, so yes.
- (c) Compute the regression line for predicting the diastolic pressure from the systolic pressure.

$$\hat{y} = 0.5748x + 9.1828$$

- (d) Is it possible to interpret the y-intercept? No.
- (e) If the systolic pressures of two patients differ by 10 mmHg, by how much would you predict their diastolic pressures will differ?

(f) Predict the diastolic pressure for a patient whose systolic pressure is 125 mmHg.

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SECTION 12.4 Inferences with Regression

We can use confidence intervals and hypothesis tests to determine whether a linear model is a good fit. More specifically, we can tell which of many factors are good predictors.

We'll do three things in this section:

- 1. Construct confidence intervals for the slope.
- 2. Test a hypothesis about the slope.
- 3. Test a hypothesis about r, the correlation coefficient.

We'll find out that the last two of these three are really the same process, so there are really just two distinct things that we'll do.

When the points that we plot in a scatter plot form a sample from a larger population, we assume that the regression line we draw is an estimate of the regression line for the population. We want to use the sample regression line to draw inferences about the population regression line.

Confidence Intervals for Slope

The population regression line is

$$\hat{y} = \alpha x + \beta.$$

The sample slope a is a point estimate for the population slope α . Remember, a confidence interval looks like

 $CI = Point estimate \pm Margin of error$

and the margin of error is a z or t value multiplied by a standard error.

Confidence Interval for Slope

A confidence interval for the population slope is

$$CI = a \pm t_{\alpha/2} \cdot s_a$$

where s_a is the standard error for the slope:

$$s_a = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (y - \hat{y})^2}{(n-2)\sum (x - \overline{x})^2}}$$

and $t_{\alpha/2}$ is the Student's t proportion with n-2 degrees of freedom.

Using Your Calculator Press and scroll over to the TESTS menu. Almost at the bottom of the menu is G:LinRegTInt

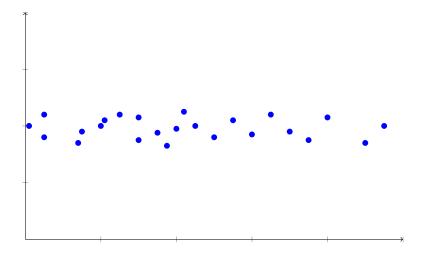






Interpreting the Interval What does this confidence interval tell us?

• Slope of 0:



- If the slope is 0, it means the response doesn't depend on the explanatory variable.
- If the confidence interval does not contain 0, we conclude that the slope is significantly different from 0.
- Vice versa.

Hypothesis Testing with Slope

The most common test is the same as the confidence interval: testing whether or not the population slope α is 0.

Hypothesis Testing with Slope

Step 1: State the Hypotheses

$$H_0 \qquad H_1$$

$$\alpha = 0 \quad \alpha \neq 0$$

$$\alpha \geq 0 \quad \alpha < 0$$

$$\alpha < 0 \quad \alpha > 0$$

Step 2: Compute the Test Statistic

$$t_{\alpha/2} = \frac{a}{s_a} \qquad df = n - 2$$

Calculate p, using the appropriate tail(s) of Student's t distribution.

Step 4: Draw a conclusion.

Using Your Calculator Use LinRegTTest

EXAMPLE 1 HYPOTHESIS TESTING WITH SLOPE

The following table displays the number of grams of fat per 100 grams of product and number of calories for a sample of 18 fast food products.

| Product | Fat (x) | Calories (y) |
|--|-----------|----------------|
| | | |
| Burger King Chicken Tenders | 16.67 | 289 |
| Burger King Croissan'wich | 25.45 | 376 |
| Domino's Cheese Pizza, Thin Crust | 16.82 | 315 |
| Kentucky Fried Chicken Xtra Crispy | 16.55 | 268 |
| Kentucky Fried Chicken Original Recipe | 12.03 | 221 |
| Little Caesar's Cheese Pizza Thin Crust | 16.99 | 309 |
| McDonald's Big and Tasty | 13.68 | 226 |
| McDonald's Biscuit | 16.01 | 344 |
| McDonald's Chocolate Triple Shake | 4.51 | 163 |
| McDonald's Deluxe Cinnamon Roll | 16.24 | 367 |
| McDonald's Hot Caramel Sundae | 4.89 | 188 |
| Papa John's Pepperoni Pizza Original Crust | 11.86 | 275 |
| Popeye's Biscuit | 24.53 | 408 |
| Popeye's Fried Chicken | 35.39 | 460 |
| Taco Bell Burrito Supreme with Beef | 8.05 | 189 |
| Taco Bell Nachos | 22.17 | 366 |
| Wendy's Chicken Nuggets | 23.17 | 334 |
| Wendy's Classic Double | 14.20 | 241 |
| | | |

Test the claim that the slope is greater than 0.

Hypotheses:

 $H_0: \alpha \le 0$ $H_1: \alpha > 0$







Since p is small, we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that the slope is significantly larger than 0.

The point: finding which factors are important in explaining some outcome.

Hypothesis Testing with the Correlation Coefficient

This one's a freebie:

- The population correlation coefficient ρ and the population slope α always have the same sign.
- If one is equal to 0, the other is as well.
- The test $\alpha = 0$ is the same as the test $\rho = 0$, which is why the calculator shows both.
- Therefore, there is no need for a separate test to see if the population correlation coefficient is nonzero.

SECTION 12.6 Outliers

Rule of Thumb for Outliers

If a point is more than two standard deviations away from the regression line, it is considered an outlier.

The standard deviation used is the standard deviation of the residuals $y - \hat{y}$.

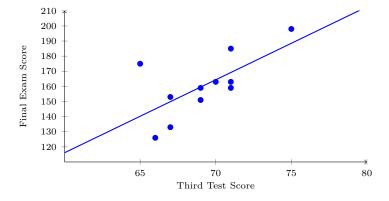
Finding s The standard deviation of the residuals is listed in the results of the LinRegTTest.

EXAMPLE 1 REGRESSION LINE

A random sample of 11 statistics students produced the following data, where x is the third exam score out of 80, and y is the final exam score out of 200.

| y |
|-----|
| |
| 175 |
| 133 |
| 185 |
| 163 |
| 126 |
| 198 |
| 153 |
| 163 |
| 159 |
| 151 |
| 159 |
| |

Below is the scatter plot with the regression line included.

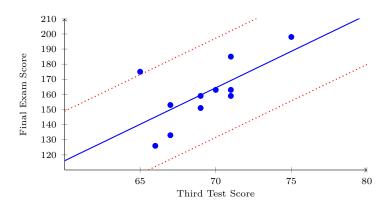


Find any outliers.



s = 16.41

Draw bounds two standard deviations above and below the regression



The one outlier is the point

(65, 175).

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Appendix: Tables

- 1. Binomial Probabilities
- 2. Cumulative Normal Distribution
- 3. Student's t Distribution

Table 1: Binomial Probabilities

| n | k | $\binom{n}{k}$ | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.30 | 1/3 | 0.35 | 0.40 | 0.45 | 0.49 | 0.50 |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 2 | 0 | 1 | 0.9801 | 0.9025 | 0.8100 | 0.7225 | 0.6400 | 0.5625 | 0.4900 | 0.4444 | 0.4225 | 0.3600 | 0.3025 | 0.2601 | 0.2500 |
| 2 | 1 | 2 | 0.9301 | 0.9025 0.0950 | 0.3100 | 0.7225 0.2550 | 0.3200 | 0.3025 0.3750 | 0.4200 | 0.4444 0.4444 | 0.4225 0.4550 | 0.3000 0.4800 | 0.3025 0.4950 | 0.2001 0.4998 | 0.5000 |
| | 2 | 1 | 0.0001 | 0.0930 0.0025 | 0.0100 | 0.2330 0.0225 | 0.0400 | 0.0625 | 0.0900 | 0.1111 | 0.4330 0.1225 | 0.1600 | 0.2025 | 0.4330 0.2401 | 0.2500 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 0.9703 | 0.8574 | 0.7290 | 0.6141 | 0.5120 | 0.4219 | 0.3430 | 0.2963 | 0.2746 | 0.2160 | 0.1664 | 0.1327 | 0.1250 |
| | 1 | 3 | 0.0294 | 0.1354 | 0.2430 | 0.3251 | 0.3840 | 0.4219 | 0.4410 | 0.4444 | 0.4436 | 0.4320 | 0.4084 | 0.3823 | 0.3750 |
| | 2 | 3 | 0.0003 | 0.0071 | 0.0270 | 0.0574 | 0.0960 | 0.1406 | 0.1890 | 0.2222 | 0.2389 | 0.2880 | 0.3341 | 0.3674 | 0.3750 |
| | 3 | 1 | | 0.0001 | 0.0010 | 0.0034 | 0.0080 | 0.0156 | 0.0270 | 0.0370 | 0.0429 | 0.0640 | 0.0911 | 0.1176 | 0.1250 |
| 4 | 0 | 1 | 0.9606 | 0.8145 | 0.6561 | 0.5220 | 0.4096 | 0.3164 | 0.2401 | 0.1975 | 0.1785 | 0.1296 | 0.0915 | 0.0677 | 0.0625 |
| | 1 | 4 | 0.0388 | 0.1715 | 0.2916 | 0.3685 | 0.4096 | 0.4219 | 0.4116 | 0.3951 | 0.3845 | 0.3456 | 0.2995 | 0.2600 | 0.2500 |
| | 2 | 6 | 0.0006 | 0.0135 | 0.0486 | 0.0975 | 0.1536 | 0.2109 | 0.2646 | 0.2963 | 0.3105 | 0.3456 | 0.3675 | 0.3747 | 0.3750 |
| | 3 | 4 | | 0.0005 | 0.0036 | 0.0115 | 0.0256 | 0.0469 | 0.0756 | 0.0988 | 0.1115 | 0.1536 | 0.2005 | 0.2400 | 0.2500 |
| | 4 | 1 | | | 0.0001 | 0.0005 | 0.0016 | 0.0039 | 0.0081 | 0.0123 | 0.0150 | 0.0256 | 0.0410 | 0.0576 | 0.0625 |
| 5 | 0 | 1 | 0.9510 | 0.7738 | 0.5905 | 0.4437 | 0.3277 | 0.2373 | 0.1681 | 0.1317 | 0.1160 | 0.0778 | 0.0503 | 0.0345 | 0.0313 |
| | 1 | 5 | 0.0480 | 0.2036 | 0.3281 | 0.3915 | 0.4096 | 0.3955 | 0.3601 | 0.3292 | 0.3124 | 0.2592 | 0.2059 | 0.1657 | 0.1563 |
| | 2 | 10 | 0.0010 | 0.0214 | 0.0729 | 0.1382 | 0.2048 | 0.2637 | 0.3087 | 0.3292 | 0.3364 | 0.3456 | 0.3369 | 0.3185 | 0.3125 |
| | 3 | 10 | | 0.0011 | 0.0081 | 0.0244 | 0.0512 | 0.0879 | 0.1323 | 0.1646 | 0.1811 | 0.2304 | 0.2757 | 0.3060 | 0.3125 |
| | 4 | 5 | | | 0.0005 | 0.0022 | 0.0064 | 0.0146 | 0.0284 | 0.0412 | 0.0488 | 0.0768 | 0.1128 | 0.1470 | 0.1563 |
| | 5 | 1 | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0003 | 0.0010 | 0.0024 | 0.0041 | 0.0053 | 0.0102 | 0.0185 | 0.0282 | 0.0313 |
| 6 | 0 | 1 | 0.9415 | 0.7351 | 0.5314 | 0.3771 | 0.2621 | 0.1780 | 0.1176 | 0.0878 | 0.0754 | 0.0467 | 0.0277 | 0.0176 | 0.0156 |
| | 1 | 6 | 0.0571 | 0.2321 | 0.3543 | 0.3993 | 0.3932 | 0.3560 | 0.3025 | 0.2634 | 0.2437 | 0.1866 | 0.1359 | 0.1014 | 0.0938 |
| | 2 | 15 | 0.0014 | 0.0305 | 0.0984 | 0.1762 | 0.2458 | 0.2966 | 0.3241 | 0.3292 | 0.3280 | 0.3110 | 0.2780 | 0.2436 | 0.2344 |
| | 3 | 20 | | 0.0021 | 0.0146 | 0.0415 | 0.0819 | 0.1318 | 0.1852 | 0.2195 | 0.2355 | 0.2765 | 0.3032 | 0.3121 | 0.3125 |
| | 4 | 15 | | 0.0001 | 0.0012 | 0.0055 | 0.0154 | 0.0330 | 0.0595 | 0.0823 | 0.0951 | 0.1382 | 0.1861 | 0.2249 | 0.2344 |
| | 5 | 6 | | | 0.0001 | 0.0004 | 0.0015 | 0.0044 | 0.0102 | 0.0165 | 0.0205 | 0.0369 | 0.0609 | 0.0864 | 0.0938 |
| | 6 | 1 | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0002 | 0.0007 | 0.0014 | 0.0018 | 0.0041 | 0.0083 | 0.0138 | 0.0156 |
| 7 | 0 | 1 | 0.9321 | 0.6983 | 0.4783 | 0.3206 | 0.2097 | 0.1335 | 0.0824 | 0.0585 | 0.0490 | 0.0280 | 0.0152 | 0.0090 | 0.0078 |
| | 1 | 7 | 0.0659 | 0.2573 | 0.3720 | 0.3960 | 0.3670 | 0.3115 | 0.2471 | 0.2049 | 0.1848 | 0.1306 | 0.0872 | 0.0604 | 0.0547 |
| | 2 | 21 | 0.0020 | 0.0406 | 0.1240 | 0.2097 | 0.2753 | 0.3115 | 0.3177 | 0.3073 | 0.2985 | 0.2613 | 0.2140 | 0.1740 | 0.1641 |
| | 3 | 35 | | 0.0036 | 0.0230 | 0.0617 | 0.1147 | 0.1730 | 0.2269 | 0.2561 | 0.2679 | 0.2903 | 0.2918 | 0.2786 | 0.2734 |
| | 4 | 35 | | 0.0002 | 0.0026 | 0.0109 | 0.0287 | 0.0577 | 0.0972 | 0.1280 | 0.1442 | 0.1935 | 0.2388 | 0.2676 | 0.2734 |
| | 5 | 21 | | | 0.0002 | 0.0012 | 0.0043 | 0.0115 | 0.0250 | 0.0384 | 0.0466 | 0.0774 | 0.1172 | 0.1543 | 0.1641 |
| | 6 | 7 | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0004 | 0.0013 | 0.0036 | 0.0064 | 0.0084 | 0.0172 | 0.0320 | 0.0494 | 0.0547 |
| | 7 | 1 | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0002 | 0.0005 | 0.0006 | 0.0016 | 0.0037 | 0.0068 | 0.0078 |
| 8 | 0 | 1 | 0.9227 | 0.6634 | 0.4305 | 0.2725 | 0.1678 | 0.1001 | 0.0576 | 0.0390 | 0.0319 | 0.0168 | 0.0084 | 0.0046 | 0.0039 |
| | 1 | 8 | 0.0746 | 0.2793 | 0.3826 | 0.3847 | 0.3355 | 0.2670 | 0.1977 | 0.1561 | 0.1373 | 0.0896 | 0.0548 | 0.0352 | 0.0313 |
| | 2 | 28 | 0.0026 | 0.0515 | 0.1488 | 0.2376 | 0.2936 | 0.3115 | 0.2965 | 0.2731 | 0.2587 | 0.2090 | 0.1569 | 0.1183 | 0.1094 |
| | 3 | 56 | 0.0001 | 0.0054 | 0.0331 | 0.0839 | 0.1468 | 0.2076 | 0.2541 | 0.2731 | 0.2786 | 0.2787 | 0.2568 | 0.2273 | 0.2188 |
| | 4 | 70 | | 0.0004 | 0.0046 | 0.0185 | 0.0459 | 0.0865 | 0.1361 | 0.1707 | 0.1875 | 0.2322 | 0.2627 | 0.2730 | 0.2734 |
| | 5 | 56 | | | 0.0004 | 0.0026 | 0.0092 | 0.0231 | 0.0467 | 0.0683 | 0.0808 | 0.1239 | 0.1719 | 0.2098 | 0.2188 |
| | 6 | 28 | | | | 0.0002 | 0.0011 | 0.0038 | 0.0100 | 0.0171 | 0.0217 | 0.0413 | 0.0703 | 0.1008 | 0.1094 |
| | 7 | 8 | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0004 | 0.0012 | 0.0024 | 0.0033 | 0.0079 | 0.0164 | 0.0277 | 0.0313 |
| | 8 | 1 | | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 | 0.0007 | 0.0017 | 0.0033 | 0.0039 |
| 9 | 0 | 1 | 0.9135 | 0.6302 | 0.3874 | 0.2316 | 0.1342 | 0.0751 | 0.0404 | 0.0260 | 0.0207 | 0.0101 | 0.0046 | 0.0023 | 0.0020 |
| | 1 | 9 | 0.0830 | 0.2985 | 0.3874 | 0.3679 | 0.3020 | 0.2253 | 0.1556 | 0.1171 | 0.1004 | 0.0605 | 0.0339 | 0.0202 | 0.0176 |
| | 2 | 36 | 0.0034 | 0.0629 | 0.1722 | 0.2597 | 0.3020 | 0.3003 | 0.2668 | 0.2341 | 0.2162 | 0.1612 | 0.1110 | 0.0776 | 0.0703 |
| | 3 | 84 | 0.0001 | 0.0077 | 0.0446 | 0.1069 | 0.1762 | 0.2336 | 0.2668 | 0.2731 | 0.2716 | 0.2508 | 0.2119 | 0.1739 | 0.1641 |
| | 4 | 126 | | 0.0006 | 0.0074 | 0.0283 | 0.0661 | 0.1168 | 0.1715 | 0.2048 | 0.2194 | 0.2508 | 0.2600 | 0.2506 | 0.2461 |
| | 5 | 126 | | | 0.0008 | 0.0050 | 0.0165 | 0.0389 | 0.0735 | 0.1024 | 0.1181 | 0.1672 | 0.2128 | 0.2408 | 0.2461 |
| | 6 | 84 | | | 0.0001 | 0.0006 | 0.0028 | 0.0087 | 0.0210 | 0.0341 | 0.0424 | 0.0743 | 0.1160 | 0.1542 | $0.1641 \\ 0.0703$ |
| | 7 8 | 36 9 | | | | 0.0000 | 0.0003 | 0.0012 0.0001 | 0.0039 0.0004 | 0.0073 0.0009 | 0.0098 0.0013 | 0.0212 0.0035 | 0.0407 0.0083 | 0.0635 0.0153 | 0.0703 0.0176 |
| | 9 | 1 | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0004 | 0.0003 | 0.0013 0.0001 | 0.0003 | 0.0008 | 0.0135 0.0016 | 0.0020 |
| | | | 0.00:: | 0.50 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.105: | 0.07 | 0.00== | | | | | | - |
| 10 | 0 | 1 | 0.9044 | 0.5987 | 0.3487 | 0.1969 | 0.1074 | 0.0563 | 0.0282 | 0.0173 | 0.0135 | 0.0060 | 0.0025 | 0.0012 | 0.0010 |
| | 1 | 10 | 0.0914 | 0.3151 | 0.3874 | 0.3474 | 0.2684 | 0.1877 | 0.1211 | 0.0867 | 0.0725 | 0.0403 | 0.0207 | 0.0114 | 0.0098 |
| | $\frac{2}{3}$ | $\frac{45}{120}$ | 0.0042 | 0.0746 | 0.1937 | 0.2759 0.1298 | 0.3020 | 0.2816 | 0.2335 | 0.1951 | 0.1757 0.2522 | 0.1209 | 0.0763 | 0.0494 | 0.0439 |
| | 3 4 | $\frac{120}{210}$ | 0.0001 | 0.0105 0.0010 | 0.0574 0.0112 | 0.1298 0.0401 | 0.2013 0.0881 | 0.2503 0.1460 | 0.2668 0.2001 | $0.2601 \\ 0.2276$ | 0.2522 0.2377 | $0.2150 \\ 0.2508$ | $0.1665 \\ 0.2384$ | 0.1267 0.2130 | $0.1172 \\ 0.2051$ |
| | 5 | $\frac{210}{252}$ | | 0.0010 0.0001 | 0.0112 0.0015 | 0.0401 0.0085 | 0.0361 0.0264 | 0.1400 0.0584 | 0.2001 0.1029 | 0.2276 0.1366 | 0.2577 0.1536 | 0.2308 0.2007 | 0.2344 0.2340 | 0.2150 0.2456 | 0.2051 0.2461 |
| | 6 | $\frac{232}{210}$ | | 0.0001 | 0.0013 | 0.0033 0.0012 | 0.0204 0.0055 | 0.0364 0.0162 | 0.1029 | 0.1500 0.0569 | 0.1550 0.0689 | 0.2007 | 0.2540 0.1596 | 0.2450 0.1966 | 0.2401 0.2051 |
| | 7 | 120 | | | 0.0001 | 0.0012 | 0.0008 | 0.0102 | 0.0090 | 0.0163 | 0.0003 0.0212 | 0.1115 0.0425 | 0.1330 0.0746 | 0.1080 | 0.2031 0.1172 |
| | 8 | 45 | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0004 | 0.0014 | 0.0030 | 0.0043 | 0.0106 | 0.0229 | 0.0389 | 0.0439 |
| | 9 | 10 | | | | | 2.2001 | | 0.0001 | 0.0003 | 0.0005 | 0.0016 | 0.0042 | 0.0083 | 0.0098 |
| | 10 | 1 | | | | | | | ' | | | 0.0001 | 0.0003 | 0.0008 | 0.0010 |
| | 7 | (n) | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.00 | 1 /0 | 0.95 | 0.40 | 0.45 | 0.40 | 0.50 |
| $\frac{n}{}$ | k | $\binom{n}{k}$ | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.30 | 1/3 | 0.35 | 0.40 | 0.45 | 0.49 | 0.50 |
| | | | · | | | · | | | · | | | · | | | |

| | | (n) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------|---------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| $\frac{n}{}$ | k | $\binom{n}{k}$ | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.30 | 1/3 | 0.35 | 0.40 | 0.45 | 0.49 | 0.50 |
| 11 | 0 | 1 | 0.8953 | 0.5688 | 0.3138 | 0.1673 | 0.0859 | 0.0422 | 0.0198 | 0.0116 | 0.0088 | 0.0036 | 0.0014 | 0.0006 | 0.0005 |
| | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 11 55 | 0.0995 0.0050 | 0.3293 0.0867 | 0.3835 0.2131 | 0.3248 0.2866 | 0.2362 0.2953 | 0.1549 0.2581 | 0.0932 0.1998 | 0.0636 0.1590 | 0.0518 0.1395 | 0.0266 0.0887 | 0.0125 0.0513 | 0.0064 0.0308 | 0.0054 0.0269 |
| | 3 | 165 | 0.0000 | 0.0007 | 0.2131 0.0710 | 0.2500 0.1517 | 0.2335 0.2215 | 0.2581 | 0.1556 | 0.1330 0.2385 | 0.1333 0.2254 | 0.0337 0.1774 | 0.0313 0.1259 | 0.0888 | 0.0203 |
| | 4 | 330 | | 0.0014 | 0.0158 | 0.0536 | 0.1107 | 0.1721 | 0.2201 | 0.2385 | 0.2428 | 0.2365 | 0.2060 | 0.1707 | 0.1611 |
| | 5 | 462 | | 0.0001 | 0.0025 | 0.0132 | 0.0388 | 0.0803 | 0.1321 | 0.1669 | 0.1830 | 0.2207 | 0.2360 | 0.2296 | 0.2256 |
| | 6 | 462 | | | 0.0003 | 0.0023 | 0.0097 | 0.0268 | 0.0566 | 0.0835 | 0.0985 | 0.1471 | 0.1931 | 0.2206 | 0.2256 |
| | 7 | 330 | | | | 0.0003 | 0.0017 | 0.0064 | 0.0173 | 0.0298 | 0.0379 | 0.0701 | 0.1128 | 0.1514 | 0.1611 |
| | 8 9 | $\frac{165}{55}$ | | | | | 0.0002 | 0.0011 0.0001 | 0.0037 0.0005 | $0.0075 \\ 0.0012$ | 0.0102 0.0018 | 0.0234 0.0052 | $0.0462 \\ 0.0126$ | 0.0727 0.0233 | 0.0806 0.0269 |
| | 10 | 11 | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0003 | 0.0012 0.0001 | 0.0018 0.0002 | 0.0032 0.0007 | 0.0120 0.0021 | 0.0233 0.0045 | 0.0269 0.0054 |
| | 11 | 1 | | | | | | | 0.0000 | 0.0001 | 0.0002 | 0.0000 | 0.0002 | 0.0004 | 0.0005 |
| 12 | 0 | 1 | 0.8864 | 0.5404 | 0.2824 | 0.1422 | 0.0687 | 0.0317 | 0.0138 | 0.0077 | 0.0057 | 0.0022 | 0.0008 | 0.0003 | 0.0002 |
| | 1 | 12 | 0.1074 | 0.3413 | 0.3766 | 0.3012 | 0.2062 | 0.1267 | 0.0712 | 0.0462 | 0.0368 | 0.0174 | 0.0075 | 0.0036 | 0.0029 |
| | 2 | 66 | 0.0060 | 0.0988 | 0.2301 | 0.2924 | 0.2835 | 0.2323 | 0.1678 | 0.1272 | 0.1088 | 0.0639 | 0.0339 | 0.0189 | 0.0161 |
| | 3 | 220 | 0.0002 | 0.0173 | 0.0852 | 0.1720 | 0.2362 | 0.2581 | 0.2397 | 0.2120 | 0.1954 | 0.1419 | 0.0923 | 0.0604 | 0.0537 |
| | 4 | 495 | | 0.0021 | 0.0213 | 0.0683 | 0.1329 | 0.1936 | 0.2311 | 0.2385 | 0.2367 | 0.2128 | 0.1700 | 0.1306 | 0.1208 |
| | 5 6 | $792 \\ 924$ | | 0.0002 | 0.0038 0.0005 | 0.0193 0.0040 | 0.0532 0.0155 | 0.1032 0.0401 | 0.1585 0.0792 | 0.1908 0.1113 | 0.2039 0.1281 | $0.2270 \\ 0.1766$ | 0.2225 0.2124 | $0.2008 \\ 0.2250$ | 0.1934 0.2256 |
| | 7 | 792 | | | 0.0000 | 0.0040 0.0006 | 0.0133 | 0.0401 0.0115 | 0.0792 0.0291 | 0.1113 0.0477 | 0.1281 0.0591 | 0.1700 | 0.2124 0.1489 | 0.2250 0.1853 | 0.2230 0.1934 |
| | 8 | 495 | | | 0.0000 | 0.0001 | 0.0005 | 0.0024 | 0.0078 | 0.0149 | 0.0199 | 0.0420 | 0.0762 | 0.1113 | 0.1208 |
| | 9 | 220 | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0004 | 0.0015 | 0.0033 | 0.0048 | 0.0125 | 0.0277 | 0.0475 | 0.0537 |
| | 10 | 66 | | | | | | | 0.0002 | 0.0005 | 0.0008 | 0.0025 | 0.0068 | 0.0137 | 0.0161 |
| | 11 | 12 | | | | | | | | 0.0000 | 0.0001 | 0.0003 | 0.0010 | 0.0024 | 0.0029 |
| | 12 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0002 | 0.0002 |
| 13 | 0 | 1 | 0.8775 | 0.5133 | 0.2542 | 0.1209 | 0.0550 | 0.0238 | 0.0097 | 0.0051 | 0.0037 | 0.0013 | 0.0004 | 0.0002 | 0.0001 |
| | 1 | 13 | 0.1152 | 0.3512 | 0.3672 | 0.2774 | 0.1787 | 0.1029 | 0.0540 | 0.0334 | 0.0259 | 0.0113 | 0.0045 | 0.0020 | 0.0016 |
| | 2 | 78 | 0.0070 | 0.1109 | 0.2448 | 0.2937 | 0.2680 | 0.2059 | 0.1388 | 0.1002 | 0.0836 | 0.0453 | 0.0220 | 0.0114 | 0.0095 |
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| | 7 | 1716 | | | 0.0008 | 0.0003 0.0011 | 0.0250 0.0058 | 0.0339 0.0186 | 0.1030 0.0442 | 0.1378 | 0.1340 0.0833 | 0.1908 0.1312 | 0.2109 0.1775 | 0.2131 0.2048 | 0.2095 0.2095 |
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| | 10 | 286 | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0006 | 0.0014 | 0.0022 | 0.0065 | 0.0162 | 0.0303 | 0.0349 |
| | 11 | 78 | | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0002 | 0.0003 | 0.0012 | 0.0036 | 0.0079 | 0.0095 |
| | 12 13 | 13 1 | | | | | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0005 | 0.0013 0.0001 | $0.0016 \\ 0.0001$ |
| -14 | | | 0.0007 | 0.4077 | 0.0000 | 0.1000 | 0.0440 | 0.0170 | 0.0000 | 0.009.4 | 0.0004 | 0.0000 | 0.0000 | | |
| 14 | 0 1 | $1 \\ 14$ | $0.8687 \\ 0.1229$ | 0.4877 0.3593 | $0.2288 \\ 0.3559$ | $0.1028 \\ 0.2539$ | 0.0440 0.1539 | 0.0178 0.0832 | 0.0068 0.0407 | 0.0034 0.0240 | 0.0024 0.0181 | 0.0008 0.0073 | $0.0002 \\ 0.0027$ | $0.0001 \\ 0.0011$ | 0.0001 0.0009 |
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| | 3 | 364 | 0.0003 | 0.0259 | 0.1142 | 0.2056 | 0.2501 | 0.2402 | 0.1943 | 0.1559 | 0.1366 | 0.0845 | 0.0462 | 0.0260 | 0.0222 |
| | 4 | 1001 | | 0.0037 | 0.0349 | 0.0998 | 0.1720 | 0.2202 | 0.2290 | 0.2143 | 0.2022 | 0.1549 | 0.1040 | 0.0687 | 0.0611 |
| | 5 | 2002 | | 0.0004 | 0.0078 | 0.0352 | 0.0860 | 0.1468 | 0.1963 | 0.2143 | 0.2178 | 0.2066 | 0.1701 | 0.1320 | 0.1222 |
| | 6 | 3003 | | | 0.0013 | 0.0093 | 0.0322 | 0.0734 | 0.1262 | 0.1607 | 0.1759 | 0.2066 | 0.2088 | 0.1902 | 0.1833 |
| | 7 | 3431 | | | 0.0002 | 0.0019 | 0.0092 | 0.0280 | 0.0618 | 0.0918 | 0.1082 | 0.1574 | 0.1952 | 0.2088 | 0.2094 |
| | 8 | 3003 | | | | 0.0003 | 0.0020 | 0.0082 | 0.0232 | 0.0402 | 0.0510 | 0.0918 | 0.1398 | 0.1756 | 0.1833 |
| | 9 | $2002 \\ 1001$ | | | | | 0.0003 0.0000 | 0.0018 | $0.0066 \\ 0.0014$ | 0.0134 0.0033 | 0.0183 | 0.0408 | 0.0762 0.0312 | 0.1125 0.0540 | 0.1222 0.0611 |
| | 10 11 | 364 | | | | | 0.0000 | 0.0003 | 0.0014 0.0002 | 0.0035 0.0006 | 0.0049 0.0010 | 0.0136 0.0033 | 0.0312 0.0093 | 0.0340 0.0189 | 0.0011 0.0222 |
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| | 14 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | 0.0000 | 0.0001 |
| 15 | 0 | 1 | 0.8601 | 0.4633 | 0.2059 | 0.0874 | 0.0352 | 0.0134 | 0.0047 | 0.0023 | 0.0016 | 0.0005 | 0.0001 | 0.0000 | |
| | 1 | 15 | 0.1303 | 0.3658 | 0.3432 | 0.2312 | 0.1319 | 0.0668 | 0.0305 | 0.0171 | 0.0126 | 0.0047 | 0.0016 | 0.0006 | 0.0005 |
| | 2 | 105 | 0.0092 | 0.1348 | 0.2669 | 0.2856 | 0.2309 | 0.1559 | 0.0916 | 0.0599 | 0.0476 | 0.0219 | 0.0090 | 0.0040 | 0.0032 |
| | 3 | 455 | 0.0004 | 0.0307 | 0.1285 | 0.2184 | 0.2501 | 0.2252 | 0.1700 | 0.1299 | 0.1110 | 0.0634 | 0.0318 | 0.0166 | 0.0139 |
| | 4 | 1365 | | 0.0049 | 0.0428 | 0.1156 | 0.1876 | 0.2252 | 0.2186 | 0.1948 | 0.1792 | 0.1268 | 0.0780 | 0.0478 | 0.0417 |
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| | 7 8 | 6435 6435 | | | 0.0003 | 0.0030 0.0005 | 0.0138 0.0035 | 0.0393 0.0131 | 0.0811 0.0348 | 0.1148 0.0574 | 0.1319 0.0710 | 0.1771 0.1181 | 0.2013 0.1647 | 0.1997 0.1919 | $0.1964 \\ 0.1964$ |
| | 9 | 5005 | | | | 0.0005 0.0001 | 0.0035 0.0007 | 0.0131 0.0034 | 0.0348 0.0116 | 0.0574 0.0223 | 0.0710 0.0298 | 0.1181 0.0612 | 0.1647 0.1048 | 0.1919 0.1434 | 0.1964 0.1527 |
| | 10 | 3003 | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0007 | 0.0034 0.0007 | 0.0110 | 0.0223 0.0067 | 0.0298 | 0.0012 0.0245 | 0.1048 0.0515 | 0.1434 0.0827 | 0.1327 0.0916 |
| | 11 | 1365 | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0006 | 0.0007 | 0.0030 0.0024 | 0.0243 0.0074 | 0.0313 0.0191 | 0.0361 | 0.0310 0.0417 |
| | 12 | 455 | | | | | | J.0001 | 0.0001 | 0.0013 | 0.0024 | 0.0014 | 0.0151 0.0052 | 0.0116 | 0.0139 |
| | 13 | 105 | | | | | | | 0.0001 | 2.2000 | 0.0001 | 0.0003 | 0.0010 | 0.0026 | 0.0032 |
| | 14 | 15 | | | | | | | | | | | 0.0001 | 0.0004 | 0.0005 |
| _ | 15 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| \overline{n} | k | $\binom{n}{k}$ | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.30 | 1/3 | 0.35 | 0.40 | 0.45 | 0.49 | 0.50 |
| | | (κ) | - | | - | | | | | , - | | | | | |

Table 2: Cumulative Normal Distribution

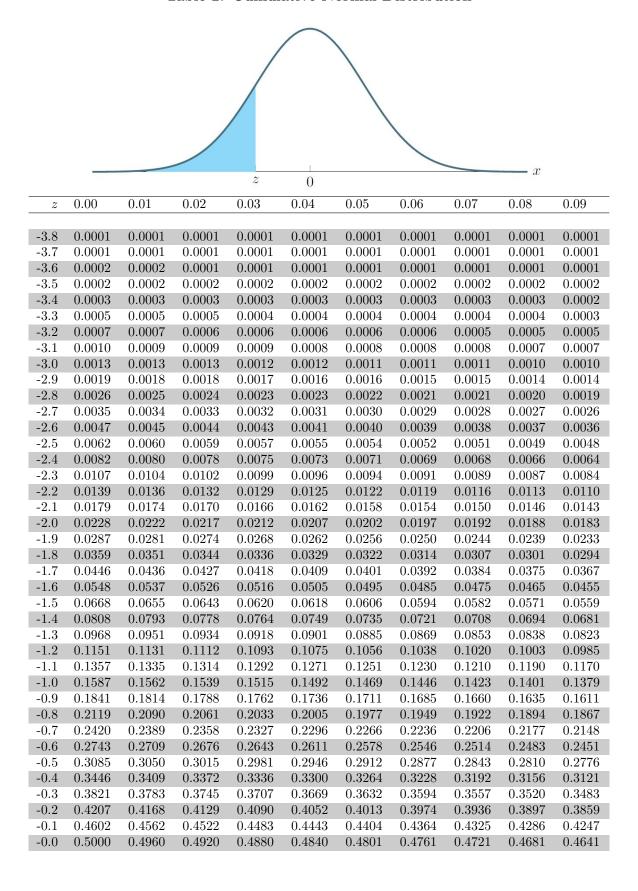


Table 2: Cumulative Normal Distribution, continued

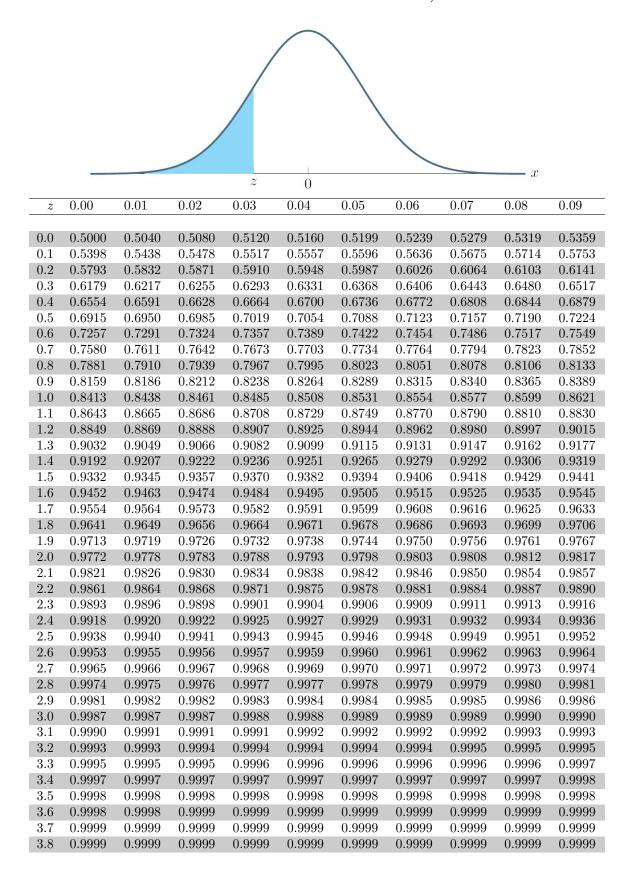
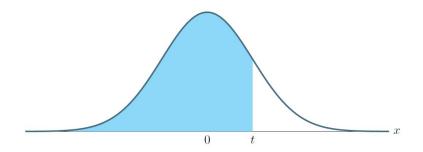


Table 3: Student's t Distribution



60.0% 66.7% 75.0% 80.0% 87.5% 90.0% 95.0% 97.5% 99.0% 99.5% 99.9%df = n - 1 $0.325 \quad 0.577 \quad 1.000 \quad 1.376 \quad 2.414 \quad 3.078 \quad 6.314 \quad 12.706 \quad 31.821 \quad 63.657 \quad 318.31$ 1 2 $0.816 \ 1.061 \ 1.604 \ 1.886 \ 2.920 \ 4.303 \ 6.965 \ 9.925 \ 22.327$ $0.289 \quad 0.500$ $0.277 \quad 0.476 \quad 0.765 \quad 0.978 \quad 1.423$ 1.638 2.353 3.182 4.541 5.841 10.215 3 $0.271 \quad 0.464 \quad 0.741 \quad 0.941 \quad 1.344 \quad 1.533 \quad 2.132 \quad 2.776 \quad 3.747 \quad 4.604 \quad 7.173$ 4 $1.476 \ \ 2.015 \ \ \ 2.571 \ \ \ 3.365$ 5 $0.267 \quad 0.457 \quad 0.727 \quad 0.920 \quad 1.301$ 4.032 5.893 $0.265 \quad 0.453 \quad 0.718 \quad 0.906 \quad 1.273$ 1.440 1.943 2.447 3.143 3.707 5.2086 $0.263 \quad 0.449 \quad 0.711 \quad 0.896 \quad 1.254$ 1.4151.8952.3652.998 $3.499 \quad 4.785$ $0.262 \ 0.447 \ 0.706 \ 0.889 \ 1.240 \ 1.397 \ 1.860 \ 2.306 \ 2.896 \ 3.355 \ 4.501$ 8 9 $0.261 \quad 0.445 \quad 0.703 \quad 0.883 \quad 1.230 \quad 1.383 \quad 1.833 \quad 2.262 \quad 2.821$ $3.250 \quad 4.297$ 10 $0.260 \quad 0.444 \quad 0.700 \quad 0.879 \quad 1.221$ 1.3721.812 2.228 2.764 3.169 4.144 $0.260 \quad 0.443 \quad 0.697 \quad 0.876 \quad 1.214$ 1.363 1.796 2.201 2.718 3.106 4.02511 $0.259 \quad 0.442 \quad 0.695 \quad 0.873 \quad 1.209$ 1.356 1.782 2.179 2.681 3.055 3.930 12 $0.259 \quad 0.441 \quad 0.694 \quad 0.870 \quad 1.204$ 2.160 2.650 3.012 3.85213 1.3501.77114 $0.258 \quad 0.440 \quad 0.692 \quad 0.868 \quad 1.200$ 1.3451.761 $2.145 \quad 2.624 \quad 2.977$ 15 $0.258 \quad 0.439 \quad 0.691 \quad 0.866 \quad 1.197 \quad 1.341$ $1.753 \quad 2.131 \quad 2.602$ 2.947 3.733 $1.746 \ \ 2.120 \ \ \ 2.583$ 16 $0.258 \quad 0.439 \quad 0.690 \quad 0.865 \quad 1.194 \quad 1.337$ 2.92117 $0.257 \quad 0.438 \quad 0.689 \quad 0.863 \quad 1.191$ 1.333 $1.740 \quad 2.110 \quad 2.567$ 2.8983.646 $0.257 \quad 0.438 \quad 0.688 \quad 0.862 \quad 1.189 \quad 1.330 \quad 1.734 \quad 2.101 \quad 2.552 \quad 2.878 \quad 3.610$ 18 19 $0.257 \quad 0.438 \quad 0.688 \quad 0.861 \quad 1.187 \quad 1.328 \quad 1.729 \quad 2.093 \quad 2.539 \quad 2.861 \quad 3.579$ 20 $0.257 \quad 0.437 \quad 0.687 \quad 0.860 \quad 1.185$ 1.3251.725 2.086 2.528 2.845 3.55221 $0.257 \quad 0.437 \quad 0.686 \quad 0.859$ $1.323 \quad 1.721$ 2.080 2.518 2.831 3.5271.18322 $0.256 \ 0.437 \ 0.686 \ 0.858 \ 1.182 \ 1.321 \ 1.717$ 2.074 2.508 2.819 3.50523 $0.256 \quad 0.436 \quad 0.685 \quad 0.858 \quad 1.180 \quad 1.319 \quad 1.714 \quad 2.069 \quad 2.500 \quad 2.807$ 24 $0.256 \quad 0.436 \quad 0.685 \quad 0.857 \quad 1.179$ $1.318 \quad 1.711 \quad 2.064 \quad 2.492 \quad 2.797$ 25 $0.256 \quad 0.436 \quad 0.684 \quad 0.856 \quad 1.178$ 1.316 1.708 2.060 2.485 $2.787 \quad 3.450$ 26 $0.256 \quad 0.436 \quad 0.684 \quad 0.856 \quad 1.177 \quad 1.315 \quad 1.706 \quad 2.056 \quad 2.479 \quad 2.779 \quad 3.435$ 27 $0.256 \quad 0.435$ $0.684 \quad 0.855 \quad 1.176$ 1.314 28 $0.256 \quad 0.435$ $0.683 \quad 0.855$ 1.175 $1.313 \quad 1.701$ 2.0482.4672.7633.408 29 $1.311 \quad 1.699$ 2.462 2.756 3.396 $0.256 \quad 0.435 \quad 0.683 \quad 0.854 \quad 1.174$ 2.04530 $0.683 \quad 0.854 \quad 1.173$ 1.310 $1.697 \quad 2.042$ $2.457 \quad 2.750$ 3.385 $0.256 \quad 0.435$ $1.690 \quad 2.030$ 1.306 35 $0.255 \quad 0.434 \quad 0.682 \quad 0.852 \quad 1.170$ 2.4382.724 3.34040 $0.255 \quad 0.434 \quad 0.681$ $0.851 \ 1.167 \ 1.303 \ 1.684 \ 2.021 \ 2.423 \ 2.704 \ 3.307$ 45 $0.255 \quad 0.434 \quad 0.680 \quad 0.850 \quad 1.165 \quad 1.301$ 1.679 2.014 2.412 2.690 3.281 $0.255 \quad 0.433 \quad 0.679 \quad 0.849 \quad 1.164$ 1.2991.676 2.009 2.403 2.678 3.26150 $0.255 \quad 0.433$ 0.6790.8481.2971.6732.004 2.396 2.668 3.24555 1.16360 $0.254 \quad 0.433$ $0.679 \quad 0.848 \quad 1.162 \quad 1.296 \quad 1.671$ 2.000 2.390 2.660 3.232 $0.253 \quad 0.431 \quad 0.674 \quad 0.842 \quad 1.150 \quad 1.282 \quad 1.645 \quad 1.960 \quad 2.326 \quad 2.576 \quad 3.090$