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Collecting Data

1.1 The Structure of Data

A Student Survey

Data sets in R are usually stored as **data frames** in a rectangular arrangement with rows corresponding to observational units and columns corresponding to variables. A number of data sets are built into R and its packages. The package for our text is **Lock5Data** which comes with a number of data sets.

```
require(Lock5Data) # Tell R to use the package for our text book
data(StudentSurvey) # load the StudentSurvey data set
```

Let's take a look at the data frame for the Student Survey example in the text. If we type the name of the data set, R will display it in its entirety for us. However, StudentSurvey is a larger data set, so it is more useful to look at some sort of summary or subset of the data.

```
head(StudentSurvey) # first six cases of the data set
      Year Gender Smoke
                          Award HigherSAT Exercise TV Height Weight Siblings BirthOrder
    Senior M No Olympic
                                    Math
                                             10 1
                                                        71
                                                                        4
2 Sophomore
               F
                    Yes Academy
                                    Math
                                               4 7
                                                              120
                                                                         2
                                                                                    2
                                                         66
                                               14 5
              M No
3 FirstYear
                          Nobel
                                    Math
                                                        72
                                                              208
                                                                                    1
                                               3 1
                                    Math
    Junior
               Μ
                    No
                          Nobel
                                                         63
                                                              110
                                                                         1
                                                                                    1
                                               3 3
5 Sophomore
               F
                    No
                         Nobel
                                  Verbal
                                                         65
                                                              150
                                                                         1
                                                                                    1
6 Sophomore
               F
                    No
                         Nobel
                                  Verbal
                                               5 4
                                                         65
                                                              114
 VerbalSAT MathSAT SAT GPA Pulse Piercings
                                              Sex
       540
               670 1210 3.13
                              54
                                              Male
1
2
       520
               630 1150 2.50
                               66
                                          3 Female
3
       550
                               130
                                          \cap
                                              Male
               560 1110 2.55
4
       490
                               78
                                          0
                                              Male
               630 1120 3.10
5
       720
               450 1170 2.70
                               40
                                          6 Female
       600
               550 1150 3.20
                                          4 Female
```

We can easily classify variables as either **categorical** or **quantitative** by studying the result of head(), but there are some summaries of the data set which reveal such information.

```
str(StudentSurvey) # structure of the data set
'data.frame': 362 obs. of 18 variables:
            : Factor w/ 5 levels "", "FirstYear", ...: 4 5 2 3 5 5 2 5 3 2 ...
            : Factor w/ 2 levels "F", "M": 2 1 2 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 ...
 $ Gender
            : Factor w/ 2 levels "No", "Yes": 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
            : Factor w/ 3 levels "Academy", "Nobel",...: 3 1 2 2 2 2 3 3 2 2 ...
 $ Award
 $ HigherSAT : Factor w/ 3 levels "","Math","Verbal": 2 2 2 2 3 3 2 2 3 2 ...
 $ Exercise : num 10 4 14 3 3 5 10 13 3 12 ...
 $ TV
            : int 17513410861...
 $ Height
            : int 71 66 72 63 65 65 66 74 61 60 ...
 $ Weight
            : int 180 120 208 110 150 114 128 235 NA 115 ...
 $ Siblings : int 4 2 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 7 ...
 $ BirthOrder: int 4 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 2 8 ...
 $ VerbalSAT : int 540 520 550 490 720 600 640 660 550 670 ...
 $ MathSAT : int 670 630 560 630 450 550 680 710 550 700 ...
$ SAT
            : int
                   1210 1150 1110 1120 1170 1150 1320 1370 1100 1370 ...
 $ GPA
            : num 3.13 2.5 2.55 3.1 2.7 3.2 2.77 3.3 2.8 3.7 ...
            : int 54 66 130 78 40 80 94 77 60 94 ...
 $ Piercings : int  0  3  0  0  6  4  8  0  7  2 ...
          : Factor w/ 2 levels "Female", "Male": 2 1 2 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 ...
summary(StudentSurvey) # summary of each variable
       Year
                Gender Smoke
                                      Award
                                                 HigherSAT
                                                               Exercise
         : 2
                F:169
                        No:319
                                  Academy: 31
                                                     : 7
                                                            Min. : 0.00
 FirstYear: 94
                M: 193
                        Yes: 43
                                  Nobel :149
                                                Math :205
                                                            1st Qu.: 5.00
 Junior
        : 35
                                  01ympic:182
                                                Verbal: 150
                                                            Median: 8.00
 Senior: 36
                                                            Mean : 9.05
 Sophomore: 195
                                                            3rd Qu.:12.00
                                                            Max. :40.00
                                                            NA's
                                                                   : 1
      TV
                   Height
                                  Weight
                                               Siblings
                                                            BirthOrder
                                                                           VerbalSAT
 Min. : 0.0
               Min. :59.0
                              Min. : 95
                                            Min. :0.00
                                                          Min. :1.00
                                                                         Min. :390
                              1st Ou.:138
 1st Ou.: 3.0
               1st Ou.:65.0
                                            1st Ou.:1.00
                                                          1st Ou.:1.00
                                                                         1st Ou.:550
 Median : 5.0
               Median:68.0
                              Median:155
                                            Median :1.00
                                                          Median :2.00
                                                                         Median:600
                                            Mean :1.73
 Mean : 6.5
               Mean :68.4
                              Mean : 160
                                                          Mean :1.83
                                                                         Mean:594
                                            3rd Qu.:2.00
                                                          3rd Qu.:2.00
                              3rd Qu.:180
                                                                         3rd Qu.:640
 3rd Qu.: 9.0
               3rd Qu.:71.0
 Max. :40.0
               Max. :83.0
                              Max. :275
                                            Max. :8.00
                                                          Max. :8.00
                                                                         Max. :800
      : 1
               NA's
                     :7
                              NA's
                                   :5
                                                          NA's
                                                                :3
 NA's
   MathSAT
                   SAT
                                  GPA
                                                             Piercings
                                               Pulse
                                                                               Sex
 Min.
       :400
              Min. : 800
                             Min. :2.00
                                            Min. : 35.0
                                                           Min. : 0.00
                                                                           Female: 169
 1st Qu.:560
              1st Ou.:1130
                             1st Ou.:2.90
                                            1st Ou.: 62.0
                                                           1st Qu.: 0.00
                                                                           Male :193
 Median :610
              Median :1200
                             Median :3.20
                                            Median: 70.0
                                                           Median: 0.00
 Mean:609
              Mean : 1204
                             Mean :3.16
                                            Mean : 69.6
                                                           Mean : 1.67
 3rd Qu.:650
              3rd Ou.: 1270
                             3rd Qu.:3.40
                                            3rd Qu.: 77.8
                                                           3rd Qu.: 3.00
 Max. :800
                    : 1550
                             Max. :4.00
                                            Max. :130.0
                                                           Max. :10.00
              Max.
                             NA's :17
                                                           NA's :1
```

Here are some more summaries:

```
nrow(StudentSurvey) # number of rows
[1] 362
ncol(StudentSurvey) # number of columns
```

```
[1] 18
dim(StudentSurvey) # number of rows and columns
[1] 362 18
```

Data on Countries

```
head(AllCountries)
         Country Code LandArea Population Energy Rural Military Health HIV Internet
1
     Afghanistan AFG
                         652230
                                    29.021
                                                NA 76.0
                                                               4.4
                                                                      3.7
                                                                                    1.7
2
         Albania
                  ALB
                          27400
                                     3.143
                                              2088
                                                    53.3
                                                                NA
                                                                      8.2
                                                                           NA
                                                                                   23.9
3
         Algeria
                  ALG
                        2381740
                                    34.373
                                             37069
                                                    34.8
                                                              13.0
                                                                      10.6 0.1
                                                                                   10.2
 American Samoa
                            200
                                     0.066
                                                     7.7
4
                  ASA
                                                NA
                                                                NA
                                                                       NA
                                                                           NA
                                                                                     NA
5
         Andorra
                  AND
                            470
                                     0.084
                                                NA
                                                    11.1
                                                                NA
                                                                     21.3
                                                                           NA
                                                                                   70.5
6
          Angola
                  ANG
                        1246700
                                     18.021
                                             10972
                                                    43.3
                                                                NA
                                                                      6.8 2.0
                                                                                    3.1
  Developed BirthRate ElderlyPop LifeExpectancy
                                                       C02
                                                              GDP
                                                                    Cell Electricity
1
         NA
                 46.5
                              2.2
                                             43.9 0.02503
                                                            501.5
                                                                   37.81
                                                                                   NA
2
                  14.6
                              9.3
                                             76.6 1.31286 3678.2 141.93
                                                                               1747.1
          1
3
          1
                 20.8
                              4.6
                                             72.4 3.23296 4494.9
                                                                   92.42
                                                                                971.0
4
         NA
                   NA
                               NA
                                               NA
                                                        NA
                                                               NA
                                                                      NA
                                                                                   NA
5
         NA
                  10.4
                               NA
                                               NA 6.52783
                                                               NA
                                                                   77.18
                                                                                   NA
6
          1
                  42.9
                              2.5
                                             47.0 1.35109 4422.5
                                                                   46.69
                                                                                202.2
   kwhPerCap
1
        <NA>
2 Under 2500
 Under 2500
3
4
        <NA>
5
        <NA>
6 Under 2500
summary(AllCountries)
                                                            Population
           Country
                            Code
                                         LandArea
                                                                                Energy
 Afghanistan
                                     Min.
                                                     2
                                                          Min.
                                                               :
                                                                     0.0
                                                                            Min.
                                                                                         159
               : 1
                              :
                                 3
 Albania
                       AFG
                              :
                                 1
                                      1st Qu.:
                                                 10830
                                                          1st Qu.:
                                                                     0.8
                                                                            1st Qu.:
                                                                                        5252
 Algeria
                       ALB
                                     Median :
                                                 94080
                                                          Median :
                                                                     5.6
                                                                            Median :
                                                                                      17478
 American Samoa:
                       ALG
                                     Mean
                                                608120
                                                          Mean
                                                                    31.5
                                                                            Mean
                                                                                      86312
 Andorra
                  1
                       AND
                                     3rd Qu.:
                                                446300
                                                          3rd Qu.:
                                                                    20.6
                                                                            3rd Qu.:
                                                                                      52486
                       ANG
                                     Max. : 16376870
                                                          Max.
                                                                 :1324.7
                                                                            Max.
                                                                                   :2283722
 Angola
                  1
                                                          NA's
                :207
                       (Other):205
                                                                 :1
                                                                            NA's
 (Other)
                                                                                   :77
                                                      HIV
                    Military
                                     Health
     Rural
                                                                     Internet
 Min. : 0.0
                                                 Min. \hspace{0.2in} : \hspace{0.2in} 0.10
                Min.
                      : 0.00
                                 Min. : 0.7
                                                                  Min.
                                                                         : 0.20
 1st Qu.:22.9
                1st Qu.: 3.80
                                 1st Qu.: 8.0
                                                 1st Qu.: 0.10
                                                                  1st Qu.: 5.65
 Median:40.4
                Median : 5.85
                                 Median :11.3
                                                 Median : 0.40
                                                                  Median :22.80
 Mean
       :42.1
                Mean
                      : 8.28
                                 Mean
                                        :11.2
                                                 Mean : 1.98
                                                                  Mean
                                                                         :28.96
 3rd Qu.:63.2
                3rd Qu.:12.18
                                 3rd Qu.:14.4
                                                 3rd Qu.: 1.30
                                                                  3rd Qu.:48.15
                                                                        :90.50
 Max.
       :89.6
                Max.
                      :29.30
                                 Max.
                                        :26.1
                                                 Max. :25.90
                                                                  Max.
                                                                  NA's
                NA's
                       : 115
                                 NA's
                                         :26
                                                 NA's
                                                         :68
                                                                          : 14
                  BirthRate
                                                                      C02
   Developed
                                  ElderlyPop
                                                 LifeExpectancy
                                                                 Min.
 Min. :1.00
                      : 8.2
                                Min. : 1.00
                                                 Min.
                                                         :43.9
                                                                        : 0.02
                                                                 1st Qu.: 0.62
 1st Qu.:1.00
                 1st Qu.:12.1
                                1st Qu.: 3.40
                                                 1st Qu.:62.8
                Median :19.4
 Median :1.00
                                Median : 5.40
                                                 Median :71.9
                                                                 Median : 2.74
```

```
Mean :1.76 Mean :22.0 Mean : 7.47 Mean :68.9
                                              Mean : 5.09
3rd Qu.:3.00 3rd Qu.:28.9 3rd Qu.:11.60 3rd Qu.:76.0 3rd Qu.: 7.02
Max. :3.00 Max. :53.5 Max. :21.40 Max. :82.8 Max. :49.05
NA's :78 NA's :16 NA's :22 NA's :17
                                              NA's :15
   GDP
                Cell Electricity kwhPerCap
Min. : 192 Min. : 1.24 Min. : 36 Under 2500 :73
1st Qu.: 1253 1st Qu.: 59.21 1st Qu.: 800 2500 - 5000:21
Median: 4409 Median: 93.70 Median: 2238 Over 5000:41
Mean : 11298 Mean : 91.09 Mean : 4109
                                      NA's
                                               :78
3rd Qu.: 12431
            3rd Qu.:121.16 3rd Qu.: 5824
Max. : 105438
            Max. :206.43
                         Max. :51259
NA's :40
        NA's :12
                     NA's :78
```

1.2 Sampling from a Population

Imagine data as a 2-dimensional structure (like a spreadsheet).

- Rows correspond to **observational units** (people, animals, plants, or other objects we are collecting data about).
- Columns correspond to variables (measurements collected on each observational unit).
- At the intersection of a row and a column is the **value** of the variable for a particular observational unit.

Observational units go by many names, depending on the kind of thing being studied. Popular names include subjects, individuals, and cases. Whatever you call them, it is important that you always understand what your observational units are.

Variable terminology

categorical variable a variable that places observational units into one of two or more categories (examples: color, sex, case/control status, species, etc.)

These can be further sub-divided into ordinal and nominal variables. If the categories have a natural and meaningful order, we will call them **ordered** or **ordinal** variables. Otherwise, they are **nominal** variables.

quantitative variable a variable that records measurements along some scale (examples: weight, height, age, temperature) or counts something (examples: number of siblings, number of colonies of bacteria, etc.)

Quantitative variables can be **continuous** or **discrete**. Continuous variables can (in principle) take on any real-number value in some range. Values of discrete variables are limited to some list and "in-between values" are not possible. Counts are a good example of discrete variables.

response variable a variable we are trying to predict or explain

explanatory variable a variable used to predict or explain a response variable

Estimation

Often we are interested in knowing (approximately) the value of some parameter. A statistic used for this purpose is called an **estimate**. For example, if you want to know the mean length of the tails of lemurs (that's a *parameter*), you might take a sample of lemurs and measure their tails. The mean length of the tails of the lemurs in your sample is a *statistic*. It is also an *estimate*, because we use it to estimate the parameter.

Statistical estimation methods attempt to

- · reduce bias, and
- increase precision.

bias the systematic tendency of sample estimates to either overestimate or underestimate population parameters; that is, a *systematic tendency to be off in a particular direction*.

precision the measure of how close estimates are to the thing being estimated (called the estimand).

1.3 Samples and Populations

population the collection of animals, plants, objects, etc. that we want to know about sample the (smaller) set of animals, plants, objects, etc. about which we have data parameter a number that describes a population or model. **statistic** a number that describes a sample.

Much of statistics centers around this question:

What can we learn about a population from a sample?

Sampling

Sampling is the process of selecting a sample. Statisticians use **random samples**

- to avoid (or at least reduce) bias, and
- so they can quantify **sampling variability** (the amount samples differ from each other), which in turn allows us to quantify precision.

The simplest kind of random sample is called a **simple random sample** (aren't statisticians clever about naming things?). A simple random sample is equivalent to putting all individuals in the population into a big hat, mixing thoroughly, and selecting some out of the hat to be in the sample. In particular, in a simple random sample, *every individual has an equal chance to be in the sample*, in fact, every subset of the population of a fixed size has an equal chance to be in the sample.

Other sampling methods include

convenience sampling using whatever individuals are easy to obtain

This is usually a terrible idea. If the convenient members of the population differ from the inconvenient members, then the sample will not be representative of the population.

volunteer sampling using people who volunteer to be in the sample

This is usually a terrible idea. Most likely the volunteers will differ in some ways from the non-volunteers, so again the sample will not be representative of the population.

systematic sampling sampling done in some systematic way (every tenth unit, for example).

This can sometimes be a reasonable approach.

stratified sampling sampling separately in distinct sub-populations (called *strata*)

This is more complicated (and sometimes necessary) but fine as long as the sampling methods in each stratum are good and the analysis takes the sampling method into account.

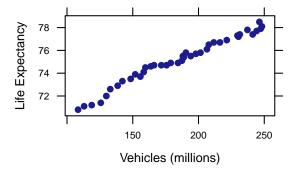
1.4 Experiments and Observational Studies

Types of Statistical Studies

Statisticians use the word experiment to mean something very specific. *In an experiment, the researcher determines the values of one or more (explanatory) variables,* typically by random assignment. If there is no such assignment by the researcher, the study is an **observational study**.

Vehicles and Life Expectancy

```
head(LifeExpectancyVehicles, 10)
   Year LifeExpectancy Vehicles
   1970
                   70.8
                            108.4
2
   1971
                   71.1
                            113.0
   1972
                   71.2
                            118.8
   1973
                   71.4
                            125.7
5
   1974
                   72.0
                            129.9
6
                   72.6
                            132.9
   1975
7
   1976
                   72.9
                            138.5
8
  1977
                   73.3
                            142.1
9 1978
                   73.5
                            148.4
10 1979
                   73.9
```



Many of the datasets in R have useful help files that describe the data and explain how they were collected or give references to the original studies. You can access this information for the AllCountries data set by typing

?AllCountries

We'll learn how to make more customized summaries (numerical and graphical) soon. For now, it is only important to observe how the organization of data in R reflects the observational units and variables in the data set.

This is important if you want to construct your own data set (in Excel or a google spreadhseet, for example) that you will later import into R. You want to be sure that the structure of your spread sheet uses rows and columns in this same way, and that you don't put any extra stuff into the spread sheet. It is a good idea to include an extra row at the top which names the variables. Take a look at Chapter 0 to learn how to get the data from Excel into R.

2

Describing Data

In this chapter we discuss graphical and numerical summaries of data.

2.1 Categorical Variables

One Categorical Variable

Let us investigate categorical variables in R by taking a look at the data set for the One True Love survey. Notice that the data set is not readily available in our textbook's package. However, the authors do provide us with the necessary information to create our own data spreadsheet (in either Excel or Google) and import it into R. (See Chapter 0 for instructions.)

From the dataset we named as OneTrueLove, we can tabulate the categorical variable to display the *frequency* by using the tally() function. The default in tallying is to not include the row totals, or column totals when there are two variables. These are called marginal totals and if you want them, you can change the default.

```
OneTrueLove <- read.file("OneTrueLove.csv")
tally("Response, margin = TRUE, data = OneTrueLove)

Agree Disagree Don't know Total
735 1812 78 2625
```

Note the use of the R template in Chapter 0.

In R, we can use the prop() function to quickly find proportions.

```
prop(~Response, data = OneTrueLove)
Agree
0.28
```

Example 2.3

To find the proportion of responders who *disagree* or *don't know* we can use the level= argument in the function to find proportions.

```
prop("Response, level = "Disagree", data = OneTrueLove)

Disagree
    0.6903

prop("Response, level = "Don't know", data = OneTrueLove)

Don't know
    0.02971
```

Further, we can also display the *relative frequencies*, or **proportions** in a table.

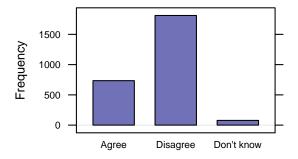
```
tally("Response, format = "proportion", margin = TRUE, data = OneTrueLove)

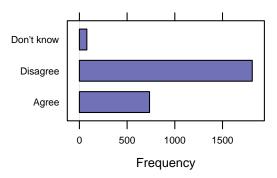
Agree Disagree Don't know Total
0.28000 0.69029 0.02971 1.00000
```

Visualizing the Data in One Categorical Variable

To visualize counts or proportions, R provides many different chart and plot functions, including *bar charts* and *pie charts*. Bar charts, also known as bar graphs, are a way of displaying the distribution of a categorical variable.

```
bargraph(~Response, data = OneTrueLove)
bargraph(~Response, data = OneTrueLove, horizontal = TRUE)
```





Two Categorical Variables: Two-Way Tables

Often, it is useful to compute cross tables for two (or more) variables. We can again use tally() for several ways to investigate a two-way table.

```
tally-2way
tally(~Response + Gender, data = OneTrueLove)
          Gender
Response
           Female Male
 Agree
             363 372
 Disagree 1005 807
 Don't know 44 34
tally("Response + Gender, margins = TRUE, data = OneTrueLove)
          Gender
Response
           Female Male Total
 Agree
            363 372 735
 Disagree 1005 807 1812
 Don't know 44 34
                       78
 Total 1412 1213 2625
```

Example 2.5

Similar to one categorical variable, we can use the prop() function to find the proportion of two variables. The first line results in the proportion of females who agree and the proportion of males who agree. The second line shows the proportion who agree that are female and the proportion who disagree that are female. The third results in the proportion of all the survey responders that are female.

See though that because we have multiple levels of each variable, this process can become quite tedious if we want to find the proportions for all of the levels. Using the tally function a little differently will result in these proportions.

```
tally-2way-options
tally(Response ~ Gender, data = OneTrueLove)
           Gender
Response
            Female
                       Male
 Agree
            0.25708 0.30668
 Disagree 0.71176 0.66529
 Don't know 0.03116 0.02803
tally(~Response | Gender, data = OneTrueLove)
           Gender
Response
            Female
                       Male
 Agree
            0.25708 0.30668
 Disagree 0.71176 0.66529
 Don't know 0.03116 0.02803
tally(Gender ~ Response, data = OneTrueLove)
       Response
         Agree Disagree Don't know
 Female 0.4939 0.5546 0.5641
 Male 0.5061 0.4454
                            0.4359
tally(~Gender | Response, data = OneTrueLove)
       Response
         Agree Disagree Don't know
Gender
                            0.5641
 Female 0.4939 0.5546
 Male 0.5061 0.4454
                            0.4359
```

Notice that (by default) some of these use counts and some use proportions. Again, we can change the format.

```
tally(~Gender, format = "percent", data = OneTrueLove)
Female Male
53.79 46.21
```

```
tally(~Gender + Award, margin = TRUE, data = StudentSurvey)

Award
Gender Academy Nobel Olympic Total
F 20 76 73 169
```

```
M 11 73 109 193
Total 31 149 182 362
```

Also, we can arrange the table differently by converting it to a data frame.

```
tally-2way-data-frame
as.data.frame(tally(~Gender + Award, data = StudentSurvey))
 Gender Award Freq
      F Academy
2
      M Academy
                  11
3
                 76
      F Nobel
4
      M Nobel
                 73
5
       F Olympic
                 73
       M Olympic 109
```

```
prop(~Award, level = "Olympic", data = StudentSurvey)

Olympic
    0.5028
```

Example 2.7

To calculate the difference of certain statistics, we can use the diff() function. Here we use it to find the difference in proportions, but it can be used for means, medians, and etc.

```
diff(prop(Award ~ Gender, level = "Olympic", data = StudentSurvey))

Olympic.M
    0.1328
```

We will contine more with proportions in Chapter 3.

Visualizing a Relationship between Two Categorical Variables

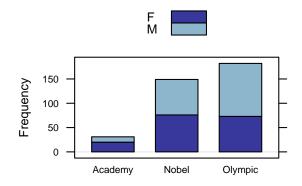
A way to look at multiple groups simultaneously is by using *comparative plots* such as a *segmented bar chart* or *side-by-side bar chart*. We use te groups argument for this. What groups does depends a bit on the type of graph. Using groups with histogram() doesn't work so well because it is difficult to overlay histograms.¹ Density plots work better for this.

Notice the addition of groups= (to group), stack= (to segment the graph), and auto.key=TRUE (to build a simple legend so we can tell which groups are which).

 $^{^1\}mathrm{The}$ mosaic function histogram() does do something meaningful with groups in some situations.

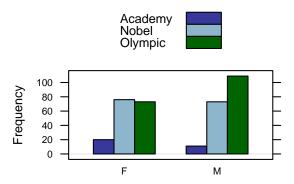
```
bargraph(~Award, groups = Gender, stack = TRUE, auto.key = TRUE, data = StudentSurvey)
```

bargraph-comp



bargraph(~Gender, groups = Award, data = StudentSurvey, auto.key = TRUE)

bargraph-groups



2.2 One Quantitative Variable: Shape and Center

The distribution of a variable answers two questions:

- What values can the variable have?
- With what frequency does each value occur?

 Again, the frequency may be described in terms of counts, proportions (often called relative frequency), or densities (more on densities later).

A distribution may be described using a table (listing values and frequencies) or a graph (e.g., a histogram) or with words that describe general features of the distribution (e.g., symmetric, skewed).

The Shape of a Distribution

Statisticians have devised a number of graphs to help us see distributions visually. The general syntax for making a graph of one variable in a data frame is

```
plotname(~variable, data = dataName)
```

In other words, there are three pieces of information we must provide to R in order to get the plot we want:

- The kind of plot (histogram(), bargraph(), densityplot(), bwplot(), etc.)
- The name of the variable
- The name of the data frame this variable is a part of.

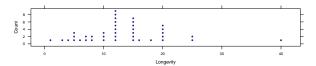
This should look familiar from the previous section.

Dot Plot

Let's make a *dot plot* of the variable Longevity in the MammalLongevity data set for a quick and simple look at the distribution. We use the syntax provided above with two additional arguments to make the figure look the way we want it to. The next few sections will explain a few of the different arguments available for plots in R.

Ma	nmmalLongevity		
	Animal	Gestation	Longevity
1	baboon	187	20
2	bear,black	219	18
3	bear, grizzly	225	25
4	bear,polar	240	20
5	beaver	122	5
6	buffalo	278	15
7	camel	406	12
8	cat	63	12
9	chimpanzee	231	20
10) chipmunk	31	6
11	COW	284	15
12	deer	201	8
13	B dog	61	12
14	donkey	365	12
15		645	40
16	elk	250	15
17	fox	52	7
18	giraffe	425	10
19		151	8
20	0	257	20
21		68	4
	2 hippopotamus	238	25
23		330	20
24		42	7
25		98	12
26		100	15
27	,	164	15
28	B moose	240	12

```
29
                         21
                                     3
           mouse
30
                         15
                                     1
        opposum
31
            pig
                        112
                                    10
32
           puma
                         90
                                    12
33
         rabbit
                         31
                                     5
34
                        450
                                    15
     rhinoceros
35
                        350
                                    12
       sea lion
36
                        154
                                    12
           sheep
37
                         44
                                    10
       squirrel
                        105
                                    16
38
           tiger
39
                                     5
            wolf
                         63
40
                        365
                                    15
           zebra
dotPlot(~Longevity, width = 1, cex = 0.1, data = MammalLongevity)
```



Histograms and Density Plots

Although tally() works with quantitative variables as well as categorical variables, this is only useful when there are not too many different values for the variable.

```
tally(~Longevity, margin = TRUE, data = MammalLongevity)

1 3 4 5 6 7 8 10 12 15 16 18 20 25 40
1 1 1 3 1 2 2 3 9 7 1 1 5 2 1

Total
40
```

Sometimes, it is more convenient to group them into bins. We just have to tell R what the bins are. For example, suppose we wanted to group together by 5.

```
binnedLong <- cut(MammalLongevity$Longevity, breaks = c(0, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40))

tally(~binnedLong) # no data frame given because its not in a data frame

(0,5] (5,10] (10,15] (15,20] (20,25] (25,30] (30,35] (35,40]

6 8 16 7 2 0 0 1
```

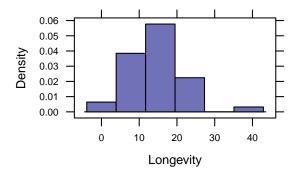
Suppose we wanted to group the 1s, 10s, 20s, etc. together. We want to make sure then that 10 is with the 10s, so we should add another argument.

```
binnedLong2 <- cut(MammalLongevity$Longevity, breaks = c(0, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50), right = FALSE) tally(~binnedLong2) # no data frame given because it's not in a data frame
```

```
[0,10) [10,20) [20,30) [30,40) [40,50)
11 21 7 0 1
```

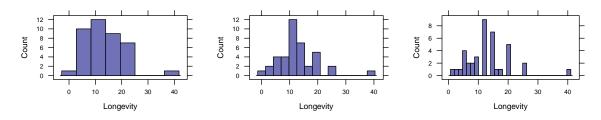
We won't use this very often however, since seeing this information in a histogram is typically more useful. Histograms are a way of displaying the distribution of a quantitative variable.

```
histogram(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity)
```



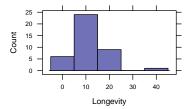
We can control the (approximate) number of bins using the nint argument, which may be abbreviated as n. The number of bins (and to a lesser extent the positions of the bins) can make a histogram look quite different.

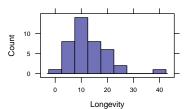
```
histogram(~Longevity, type = "count", data = MammalLongevity, n = 8)
histogram(~Longevity, type = "count", data = MammalLongevity, n = 15)
histogram(~Longevity, type = "count", data = MammalLongevity, n = 30)
```

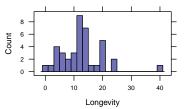


We can also describe the bins in terms of center and width instead of in terms of the number of bins. This is especially nice for count or other integer data.

```
histogram(~Longevity, type = "count", data = MammalLongevity, width = 10)
histogram(~Longevity, type = "count", data = MammalLongevity, width = 5)
histogram(~Longevity, type = "count", data = MammalLongevity, width = 2)
```

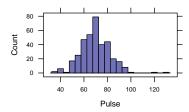


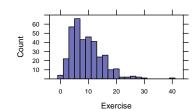


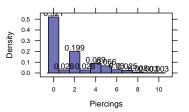


Example 2.9

Note the various options available for the histogram() function enable us to replicate Figure 2.8 some including centering, adding counts, labels, and limit to the y-axis (similar for x-axis).

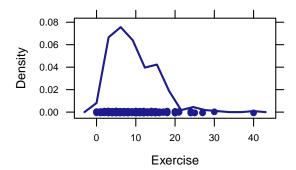




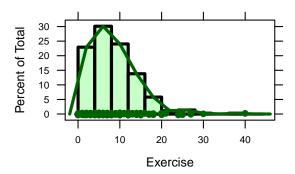


Sometimes a **frequency polygon** provides a more useful view. The only thing that changes is histogram() becomes freqpolygon().

```
freqpolygon(~Exercise, data = StudentSurvey, width = 5)
```

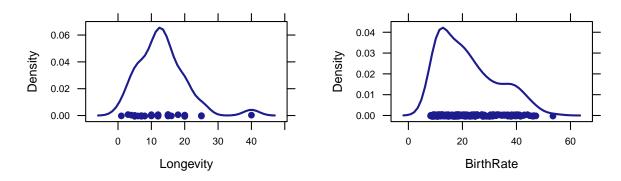


What is a frequency polygon? The picture below shows how it is related to a histogram. The frequency polygon is just a dot-to-dot drawing through the centers of the tops of the bars of the histogram.



R also provides a "smooth" version called a density plot; just change the function name from histogram() to densityplot().

```
densityplot(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity)
densityplot(~BirthRate, data = AllCountries)
```



If we make a histogram (or any of these other plots) of our data, we can describe the overall shape of the distribution. Keep in mind that the shape of a particular histogram may depend on the choice of bins. Choosing too many or too few bins can hide the true shape of the distribution. (When in doubt, make more than one histogram.)

Here are some words we use to describe shapes of distributions.

symmetric The left and right sides are mirror images of each other.

skewed The distribution stretches out farther in one direction than in the other. (We say the distribution is skewed toward the long tail.)

uniform The heights of all the bars are (roughly) the same. (So the data are equally likely to be anywhere within some range.)

unimodal There is one major "bump" where there is a lot of data.

bimodal There are two "bumps".

outlier An observation that does not fit the overall pattern of the rest of the data.

The Center of a Distribution

Recall that a statistic is a number computed from data. The **mean** and the **median** are key statistics which describe the center of a distribution. We can see through Example 2.11 that numerical summaries are computed using the same template as graphical summaries.

Subsets

Note however, that the example asks about subsets of ICUAdmissions—specifically about 20-year-old and 55-year-old patients. In this case, we can manipulate the data (to name a new data set) with the subset command. Here are some examples.

1. Select only the males from the ICUAdmissions data set.

```
tally(~Sex, data = ICUAdmissions)

0  1
124  76

ICUMales <- subset(ICUAdmissions, Sex == "Male") # notice the double =
dim(ICUMales)

[1]  0 42</pre>
```

2. Select only the subjects over 50:

```
ICUold <- subset(ICUAdmissions, Age > 50)
```

The subset() function can use any condition that evaluates to TRUE or FALSE for each row (case) in the data set.

```
ICU20 <- subset(ICUAdmissions, Age == "20")
mean(~HeartRate, data = ICU20)

[1] 82.2

median(~HeartRate, data = ICU20)

[1] 80

ICU55 = subset(ICUAdmissions, Age == "55")
mean(~HeartRate, data = ICU55)

[1] 108.5

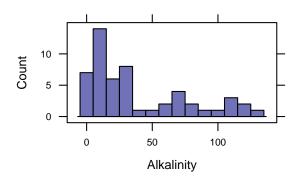
median(~HeartRate, data = ICU55)

[1] 106</pre>
```

Visualizing the Mean and Median on a Graph

Example 2.14

```
head(FloridaLakes)
                                                                                             FloridaLakes-example
  ID
             Lake Alkalinity pH Calcium Chlorophyll AvgMercury NumSamples MinMercury
1
  1
                         5.9 6.1
                                      3.0
                                                  0.7
                                                             1.23
                                                                           5
        Alligator
2 2
            Annie
                         3.5 5.1
                                      1.9
                                                  3.2
                                                             1.33
                                                                           7
                                                                                   0.92
3 3
           Apopka
                       116.0 9.1
                                     44.1
                                                128.3
                                                             0.04
                                                                           6
                                                                                   0.04
                                                  3.5
                                                                          12
                                                                                   0.13
4 4 Blue Cypress
                        39.4 6.9
                                     16.4
                                                             0.44
5 5
                         2.5 4.6
                                      2.9
                                                             1.20
                                                                          12
                                                                                   0.69
            Brick
                                                  1.8
6
                        19.6 7.3
                                                             0.27
  6
           Bryant
                                      4.5
                                                 44.1
                                                                          14
                                                                                   0.04
  MaxMercury ThreeYrStdMercury AgeData
        1.43
                          1.53
2
        1.90
                          1.33
                                      0
3
                          0.04
                                      0
        0.06
                                      0
4
                          0.44
        0.84
5
                          1.33
                                      1
        1.50
6
        0.48
                          0.25
                                      1
histogram(~Alkalinity, width = 10, type = "count", data = FloridaLakes)
mean(~Alkalinity, data = FloridaLakes)
[1] 37.53
median(~Alkalinity, data = FloridaLakes)
[1] 19.6
```



2.3 One Quantitative Variable: Measures of Spread

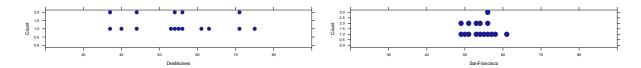
In the previous section, we investigated center summary statistics. In this section, we will cover some other important statistics.

Example 2.15

```
numerical-summaries
summary(April14Temps)
     Year
                 DesMoines
                               SanFrancisco
Min.
       : 1995
               Min.
                     :37.2
                              Min. :48.7
1st Qu.:1999
               1st Qu.:44.4
                              1st Qu.:51.3
Median :2002
               Median:54.5
                              Median:54.0
               Mean :54.5
Mean :2002
                              Mean :54.0
3rd Qu.:2006
               3rd Qu.:61.3
                              3rd Qu.:55.9
Max. :2010
               Max. :74.9
                              Max. :61.0
favstats(~DesMoines, data = April14Temps) # some favorite statistics
 min 01 median
                    03 max mean
                                     sd n missing
37.2 44.4 54.5 61.28 74.9 54.49 11.73 16
```

Standard Deviation

The density plots of the temperatures of Des Moines and San Francisco reveal that Des Moines has a greater *variability* or *spread*.



Example 2.16

Although both summary() and favstats() calculate the **standard deviation** of a variable, we can also use sd() to find just the standard deviation.

```
sd(~DesMoines, data = April14Temps)

[1] 11.73

sd(~SanFrancisco, data = April14Temps)

[1] 3.377

var(~DesMoines, data = April14Temps) # variance = sd^2

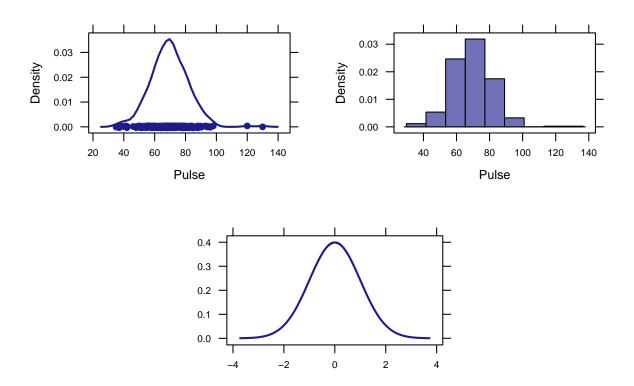
[1] 137.6
```

Example 2.17

```
densityplot(~Pulse, data = StudentSurvey)
histogram(~Pulse, data = StudentSurvey)
plotDist("norm")
mean(~Pulse, data = StudentSurvey)

[1] 69.57

sd(~Pulse, data = StudentSurvey)
[1] 12.21
```

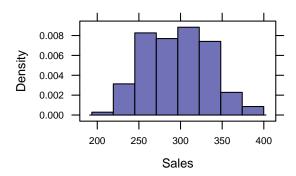


```
histogram(~Sales, data = RetailSales)
mean(~Sales, data = RetailSales)

[1] 296.4

sd(~Sales, data = RetailSales)

[1] 37.97
```



Example 2.19

Z-scores can be computed as follows:

```
(204 - mean(~Systolic, data = ICUAdmissions))/sd(~Systolic, data = ICUAdmissions)
[1] 2.176
(52 - mean(~HeartRate, data = ICUAdmissions))/sd(~HeartRate, data = ICUAdmissions)
[1] -1.749
```

Percentile

Example 2.20

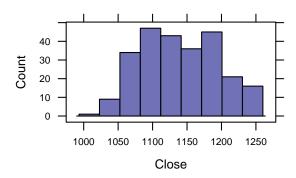
The text uses a histogram to estimate the **percentile** of the daily closing price for the SP 500 but we can also find the exact percentiles using the quantile() function.

```
histogram(~Close, type = "count", data = SandP500)
quantile(SandP500$Close, probs = seq(0, 1, 0.25))

0% 25% 50% 75% 100%
1023 1095 1137 1183 1260

quantile(SandP500$Close, probs = seq(0, 1, 0.9))

0% 90%
1023 1217
```



Five Number Summary

We have already covered many different functions which results in the **five number summary** but fivenum() is most direct way to obtain in the five number summary.

Example 2.21

```
fivenum(~Exercise, data = StudentSurvey)

[1] 0 5 8 12 40
```

```
fivenum(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity)

[1] 1.0 8.0 12.0 15.5 40.0

min(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity)

[1] 1

max(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity)

[1] 40

range(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity) # subtract to get the numerical range value

[1] 1 40

iqr(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity) # inter-quartile range

[1] 7.25
```

Note the difference in the quartile and IQR from the textbook. This results because there are several different methods to determine the quartile.

Example 2.23

```
fivenum(~DesMoines, data = April14Temps)
                                                                                                 Example2.23
[1] 37.20 44.40 54.50 61.95 74.90
fivenum(~SanFrancisco, data = April14Temps)
[1] 48.7 51.2 54.0 56.0 61.0
range(~DesMoines, data = April14Temps)
[1] 37.2 74.9
74.9 - 37.2
[1] 37.7
range(~SanFrancisco, data = April14Temps)
[1] 48.7 61.0
61 - 48.7
[1] 12.3
iqr(~DesMoines, data = April14Temps)
[1] 16.88
iqr(~SanFrancisco, data = April14Temps)
[1] 4.6
```

2.4 Outliers, Boxplots, and Quantitative/Categorical Relationships

Detection of Outliers

Generally, outliers are considered to be values

• less than $Q_1 - 1.5(IQR)$, and greater than $Q_3 + 1.5(IQR)$.

Example 2.25

```
• fivenum(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity)

[1] 1.0 8.0 12.0 15.5 40.0

iqr(~Longevity, data = MammalLongevity)

[1] 7.25

8 - 1.5 * 7.25

[1] -2.875

15.5 + 1.5 * 7.25

[1] 26.38

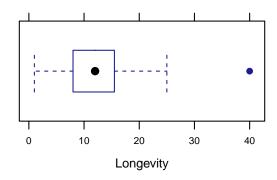
subset(MammalLongevity, Longevity > 26.375)

Animal Gestation Longevity
15 elephant 645 40
```

There is no function in R that directly results in outliers because practically, there is no one specific formula for such a determination. However, a boxplot will indirectly reveal outliers.

Boxplots

A way to visualize the five number summary and outliers for a variable is to create a boxplot.

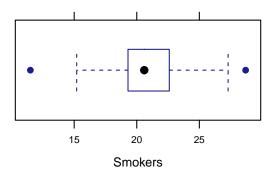


Example 2.27

We can similarity investigate the *Smokers* variable in USStates.

```
bwplot(~Smokers, data = USStates)
fivenum(~Smokers, data = USStates)

[1] 11.5 19.3 20.6 22.6 28.7
```

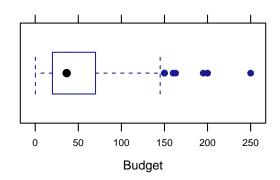


The boxplot reveals two outliers. To identify them, we can again use subset() for smokers greater or less than the *whiskers* of the boxplot.

```
subset-outliers
subset(USStates, Smokers < 15)</pre>
   State HouseholdIncome
                             IQ McCainVote Region ObamaMcCain Population EighthGradeMath
                    55619 101.1
                                     0.629
                                                 W
                                                                     2.421
   HighSchool
                GSP FiveVegetables Smokers PhysicalActivity Obese College NonWhite
44
           91 36758
                               22.1
                                        11.5
                                                          83.1 21.2
                                                                           31
   HeavyDrinkers Pres2008
44
             2.9
                   McCain
subset(USStates, Smokers > 28)
```

```
State HouseholdIncome IQ McCainVote Region ObamaMcCain Population EighthGradeMath
                     38694 99.4
                                     0.575
                                              MW
                                                                  4.142
17 Kentucky
                                                           Μ
  HighSchool
               GSP FiveVegetables Smokers PhysicalActivity Obese College NonWhite
17
        81.8 33666
                             16.8
                                     28.7
                                                      70.1 28.6
                                                                   22.6
                                                                             9.4
  HeavyDrinkers Pres2008
       2.7 McCain
17
```

```
bwplot(~Budget, data = HollywoodMovies2011)
                                                                                                    boxplot3
subset(HollywoodMovies2011, Budget > 225)
                                           Movie LeadStudio RottenTomatoes AudienceScore
30 Pirates of the Caribbean:\nOn Stranger Tides
                                                      Disney
                                                                          34
                                                                                        61
   Story Genre TheatersOpenWeek BOAverageOpenWeek DomesticGross ForeignGross WorldGross
30 Quest Action
                            4155
                                               21697
                                                             241.1
                                                                           802.8
                                                                                       1044
   Budget Profitability OpeningWeekend
30
      250
                  4.175
                                  90.15
head(HollywoodMovies2011)
                                         Movie
                                                      LeadStudio RottenTomatoes
                                                            Sony
1
                                     Insidious
                                                                              67
2
                         Paranormal Activity 3
                                                     Independent
                                                                              68
                                                                              44
                                   Bad Teacher
                                                     Independent
4 Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 2
                                                     Warner Bros
                                                                              96
5
                                   Bridesmaids Relativity Media
                                                                              90
6
                                                                              93
                             Midnight in Paris
                                                            Sony
 AudienceScore
                               Genre TheatersOpenWeek BOAverageOpenWeek DomesticGross
             65 Monster Force Horror
                                                    2408
                                                                       5511
                                                                                    54.01
2
                                                                                   103.66
             58 Monster Force Horror
                                                    3321
                                                                      15829
3
             38
                       Comedy Comedy
                                                    3049
                                                                      10365
                                                                                   100.29
4
             92
                       Rivalry Fantasy
                                                    4375
                                                                      38672
                                                                                   381.01
5
             77
                      Rivalry Comedy
                                                    2918
                                                                       8995
                                                                                   169.11
6
             84
                         Love Romance
                                                     944
                                                                       6177
                                                                                    56.18
 For eign Gross\ World Gross\ Budget\ Profitability\ Opening Weekend
         43.00
                    97.01
                             1.5
                                         64.673
                                                          13.27
1
2
         98.24
                   201.90
                              5.0
                                         40.379
                                                          52.57
3
        115.90
                   216.20
                             20.0
                                         10.810
                                                          31.60
4
        947.10
                  1328.11 125.0
                                          10.625
                                                         169.19
5
        119.28
                   288.38
                                          8.873
                                                          26.25
                             32.5
6
         83.00
                   139.18
                           17.0
                                          8.187
                                                           5.83
```



Quantitative and Categorical Variables

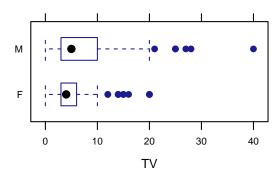
The formula for a lattice plot can be extended to create multiple panels (sometimes called facets) based on a "condition", often given by another variable. This is another way to look at multiple groups simultaneously. The general syntax for this becomes

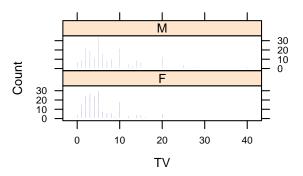
```
plotname(~variable | condition, data = dataName)
```

Example 2.29

Depending on the type of plot, you will want to use conditioning.

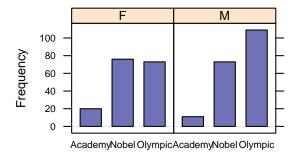
```
bwplot(Gender ~ TV, data = StudentSurvey)
dotPlot(~TV | Gender, layout = c(1, 2), width = 1, cex = 0.1, data = StudentSurvey)
```





We can do the same thing for bar graphs.

```
bargraph(~Award | Gender, data = StudentSurvey)
```



This graph should be familiar as we have plotted these variables together previously. Here we used different panels, but before, in 2.1, we had used grouping. Note that we can combine grouping and conditioning in the same plot.

Example 2.31

2.5 Two Quantitative Variables: Scatterplot and Correlation

```
ElectionMargin
                                                                                                      Example2.32
   Year
         Candidate Approval Margin Result
   1940
         Roosevelt
                          62
                                10.0
                                         Won
2
   1948
             Truman
                           50
                                4.5
                                         Won
3
   1956 Eisenhower
                           70
                                15.4
                                         Won
   1964
           Johnson
                          67
                                22.6
                                         Won
5
                          57
   1972
             Nixon
                                23.2
                                         Won
6 1976
              Ford
                          48
                                -2.1
                                        Lost
                                -9.7
7 1980
                          31
             Carter
                                        Lost
             Reagan
                           57
                                18.2
  1984
                                         Won
9 1992 G.H.W.Bush
                          39
                                -5.5
                                        Lost
10 1996
           Clinton
                          55
                                 8.5
                                         Won
11 2004
          G.W.Bush
                          49
                                 2.4
                                         Won
```

Visualizing a Relationship between Two Quantitative Variables: Scatterplots

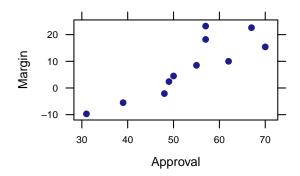
The most common way to look at two quantitative variables is with a scatterplot. The lattice function for this is xyplot(), and the basic syntax is

```
xyplot(yvar ~ xvar, data = dataName)
```

Notice that now we have something on both sides of the ~ since we need to tell R about two variables.

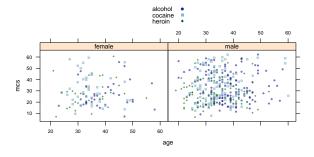
Example 2.33

```
xyplot(Margin ~ Approval, data = ElectionMargin)
xyplot(
```

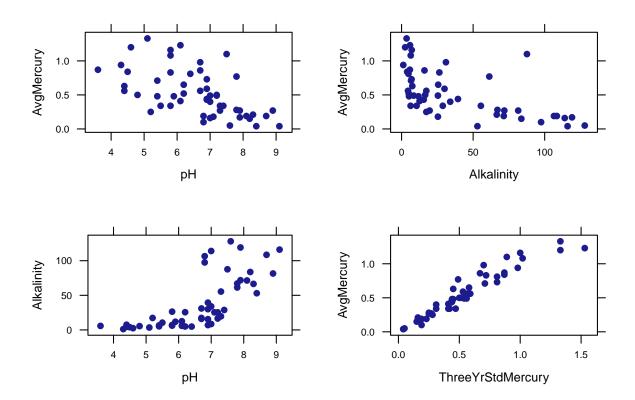


Grouping and conditioning work just as before. With large data set, it can be helpful to make the dots semi-transparent so it is easier to see where there are overlaps. This is done with alpha. We can also make the dots smaller (or larger) using cex.

```
xyplot(mcs ~ age | sex, groups = substance, data = HELPrct, alpha = 0.6, cex = 0.5, auto.key = TRUE)
```



```
xyplot(AvgMercury ~ pH, data = FloridaLakes)
xyplot(AvgMercury ~ Alkalinity, data = FloridaLakes)
xyplot(Alkalinity ~ pH, data = FloridaLakes)
xyplot(AvgMercury ~ ThreeYrStdMercury, data = FloridaLakes)
```



Summarizing a Relationship between Two Quantitative Variables: Correlation

Another key numerical statistic is the **correlation**—the correlation is a measure of the strength and direction of the relationship between two quantitative variables.

```
cor(Margin ~ Approval, data = ElectionMargin)

[1] 0.863

cor(AvgMercury ~ pH, data = FloridaLakes)

[1] -0.5754

cor(AvgMercury ~ Alkalinity, data = FloridaLakes)

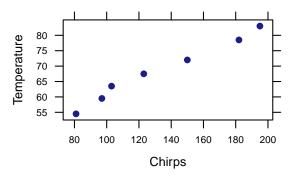
[1] -0.5939

cor(Alkalinity ~ pH, data = FloridaLakes)
```

```
[1] 0.7192
cor(AvgMercury ~ ThreeYrStdMercury, data = FloridaLakes)
[1] 0.9592
```

Example 2.35

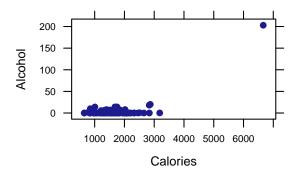
```
Example2.35
CricketChirps
  Temperature Chirps
         54.5
                   81
2
          59.5
                   97
3
          63.5
                  103
4
          67.5
                  123
5
          72.0
                  150
6
          78.5
                  182
7
         83.0
                  195
xyplot(Temperature ~ Chirps, data = CricketChirps)
cor(Temperature ~ Chirps, data = CricketChirps)
[1] 0.9906
```



Example 2.38

Further, using the subset() function again, we can investigate the correlation between variables with some restrictions.

```
xyplot(Alcohol ~ Calories, data = subset(NutritionStudy, Age > 59))
cor(Alcohol ~ Calories, data = subset(NutritionStudy, Age > 59))
[1] 0.72
```



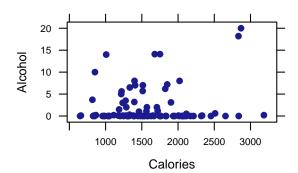
And now we omit the outlier

```
NutritionStudy60 = subset(NutritionStudy, Age > 59)

xyplot(Alcohol ~ Calories, data = subset(NutritionStudy60, Alcohol < 25))

cor(Alcohol ~ Calories, data = subset(NutritionStudy60, Alcohol < 25))

[1] 0.145
```



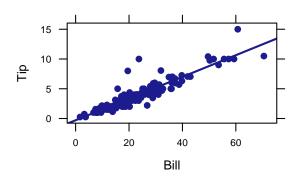
2.6 Two Quantitative Variables: Linear Regression

When the relationship between variables is sufficiently *linear*, you may be able to predict the value of a variable using the other variable. This is possible by fitting a *regression line*. To plot this in R, all we need to do is add an additional argument, type=c("p", "r"), to the xyplot.

Example 2.39 2.40

```
xyplot(Tip ~ Bill, type = c("p", "r"), data = RestaurantTips)
cor(Tip ~ Bill, data = RestaurantTips)

[1] 0.9151
```



The equation for the regression line, or the *prediction equation* is

$$\widehat{Response} = a + b \cdot Explanatory$$

So now, we need to find the values for a, the intercept, and b, the slope using the function to fit linear models. *Example 2.41

This results in the equation

$$\widehat{\text{Tip}} = -0.2923 + 0.1822 \cdot \text{Bill}$$

With this equation, one can predict the tip for different bill amounts.

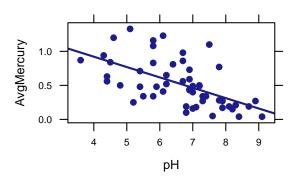
An important aspect of the linear regression is the difference between the prediction and actual observation. This is called the **residual**, defined

residual = observed response – predicted response

Example 2.43

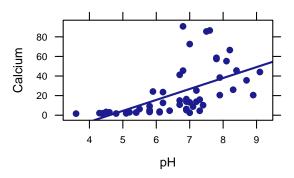
```
lm(Margin ~ Approval, data = ElectionMargin)
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             Example2.43
Call:
 lm(formula = Margin ~ Approval, data = ElectionMargin)
Coefficients:
 (Intercept)
                                                                                                                                       Approval
                                 -36.483
                                                                                                                                                                    0.836
 residuals(lm(Margin ~ Approval, data = ElectionMargin))
                                                                                                                         2
                                                                                                                                                                                             3
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-5.3229 \; -0.7959 \; -6.6075 \quad 3.0992 \; 12.0551 \; -5.7247 \quad 0.8802 \quad 7.0551 \; -1.6045 \; -0.9738 \; -2.0603 \quad -2.0603
```

Example 2.45



Example 2.46

```
xyplot(Calcium ~ pH, type = c("p", "r"), data = FloridaLakes)
Example2.46
```



2.7 Graphical Summaries – Important Ideas

Patterns and Deviations from Patterns

The goal of a statistical plot is to help us see

- potential patterns in the data, and
- deviations from those patterns.

Different Plots for Different Kinds of Variables

Graphical summaries can help us see the *distribution* of a variable or the *relationships* between two (or more) variables. The type of plot used will depend on the kinds of variables involved. You can use demo() to see how to get R to make the plots in this section.

When we do statistical analysis, we will see that the analysis we use will also depend on the kinds of variables involved, so this is an important idea.

Side-by-side Plots and Overlays Can Reveal Importance of Additional Factors

The lattice graphics plots make it particularly easy to generate plats that divide the data into groups and either produce a panel for each group (using |) or display each group in a different way (different colors or symbols, using the groups argument). These plots can reveal the possible influence of additional variables – sometimes called covariates.

Area = (relative) frequency

Many plots are based on the key idea that our eyes are good at comparing areas. Plots that use area (e.g., histograms, mosaic plots, bar charts, pie charts) should always obey this principle

Area = (relative) frequency

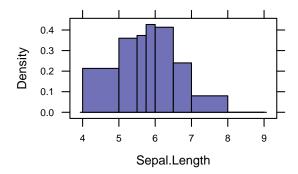
Plots that violate this principle can be deceptive and distort the true nature of the data.

An Example: Histogram with unequal bin widths

It is possible to make histograms with bins that have different widths. But in this case it is important that the height of the bars is chosen so that area (*NOT height*) is proportional to frequency. Using height instead of area would distort the picture.

When unequal bin sizes are specified, histogram() by default chooses the density scale:

```
histogram(~Sepal.Length, data = iris, breaks = c(4, 5, 5.5, 5.75, 6, 6.5, 7, 8, 9))
```

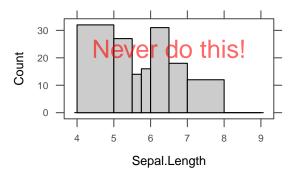


The density scale is important. It tells R to use a scale such that the area (height × width) of the rectangles is equal to the relative frequency. For example, the bar from 5.0 to 5.5 has width $\frac{1}{2}$ and height about 0.36, so the area is 0.18, which means approximately 18% of the sepal lengths are between 5.0 and 5.5.

It would be incorrect to choose type="count" or type="proportion" since this distorts the picture of the data. Fortunately, R will warn you if you try:

```
\frac{\text{hist-unequal-bins-bad-echo}}{\text{histogram(`Sepal.Length, data = iris, breaks = c(4, 5, 5.5, 5.75, 6, 6.5, 7, 8, 9), type = "count")}
```

Warning: type='count' can be misleading in this context



Notice how different this looks. Now the heights are equal to the relative frequency, but this makes the wider bars have too much area.

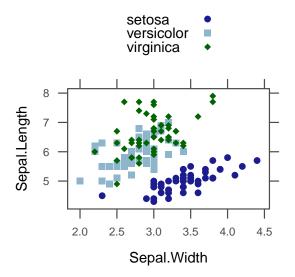
More on Plots

There are lots of arguments that control how these plots look. Here are just a few examples, some of which we have already seen.

auto.key

auto.key=TRUE turns on a simple legend for the grouping variable. (There are ways to have more control, if you need it.)

```
xyplot(Sepal.Length ~ Sepal.Width, groups = Species, data = iris, auto.key = TRUE)
```

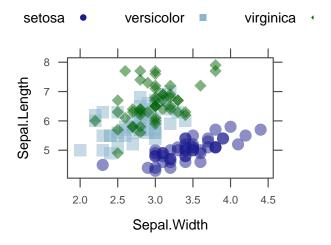


alpha, cex

Sometimes it is nice to have elements of a plot be partly transparent. When such elements overlap, they get darker, showing us where data are "piling up." Setting the alpha argument to a value between 0 and 1 controls the degree of transparency: 1 is completely opaque, 0 is invisible. The cex argument controls "character expansion" and can be used to make the plotting "characters" larger or smaller by specifying the scaling ratio.

Here is another example using data on 150 iris plants of three species.

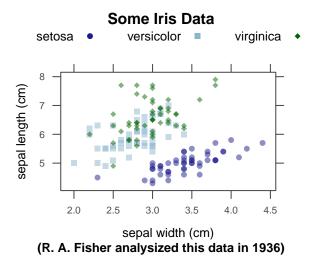
```
xyplot(Sepal.Length ~ Sepal.Width, groups = Species, data = iris, auto.key = list(columns = 3),
    alpha = 0.5, cex = 1.3)
```



main, sub, xlab, ylab

You can add a title or subtitle, or change the default labels of the axes.

```
xyplot(Sepal.Length ~ Sepal.Width, groups = Species, data = iris, main = "Some Iris Data",
    sub = "(R. A. Fisher analysized this data in 1936)", xlab = "sepal width (cm)", ylab = "sepal length (cm)",
    alpha = 0.5, auto.key = list(columns = 3))
```



layout

layout can be used to control the arrangement of panels in a multi-panel plot. The format is

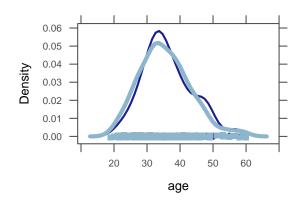
```
layout = c(cols, rows)
```

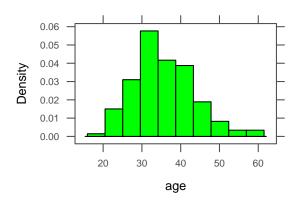
where cols is the number of columns and rows is the number of rows. (Columns first because that is the x-coordinate of the plot.)

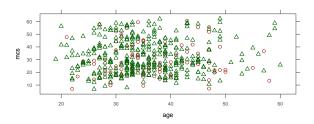
lty, lwd, pch, col

These can be used to change the line type, line width, plot character, and color. To specify multiples (one for each group), use the c() function (see below).

```
densityplot(~age, data = HELPrct, groups = sex, lty = 1, lwd = c(2, 4))
histogram(~age, data = HELPrct, col = "green")
```







Note: If you change this this way, they will *not* match what is generated in the legend using auto.key=TRUE. So it can be better to set these things in a different way if you are using groups. See below.

You can a list of the hundreds of available color names using

```
colors()
```

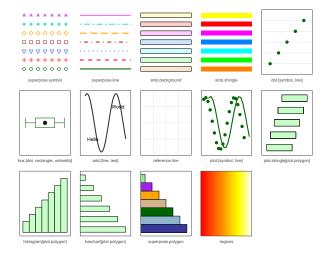
trellis.par.set()

Default settings for lattice graphics are set using trellis.par.set(). Don't like the default font sizes? You can change to a 7 point (base) font using

```
trellis.par.set(fontsize = list(text = 7)) # base size for text is 7 point
```

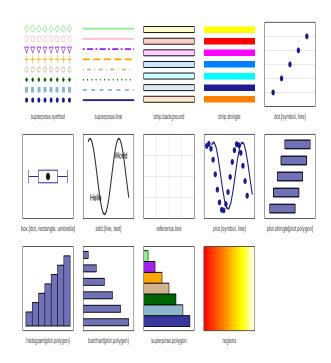
Nearly every feature of a lattice plot can be controlled: fonts, colors, symbols, line thicknesses, colors, etc. Rather than describe them all here, we'll mention only that groups of these settings can be collected into a theme. show.settings() will show you what the theme looks like.

```
trellis.par.set(theme = col.whitebg()) # a theme in the lattice package
show.settings()
```



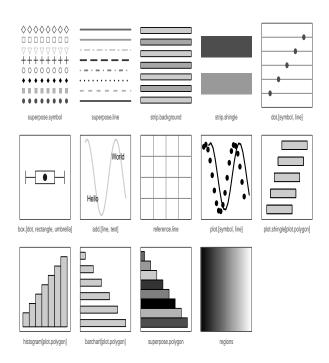
```
trellis.par.set(theme = col.mosaic()) # a theme in the mosaic package
show.settings()
```

themes-mosaic



trellis.par.set(theme = col.mosaic(bw = TRUE)) # black and white version
show.settings()

themes-mosaic2



```
trellis.par.set(theme = col.mosaic())  # back to the mosaic theme
trellis.par.set(fontsize = list(text = 9))  # and back to a 9 point font
```

Want to save your settings?

```
# save current settings
mySettings <- trellis.par.get()
# switch to mosaic defaults
trellis.par.set(theme = col.mosaic())
# switch back to my saved settings
trellis.par.set(mySettings)</pre>
```

Exporting Plots

You can save plots to files or copy them to the clipboard using the Export menu in the Plots tab. It is quite simple to copy the plots to the clipboard and then paste them into a Word document, for example. You can even adjust the height and width of the plot first to get it the shape you want.

R code and output can be copied and pasted as well. It's best to use a fixed width font (like Courier) for R code so that things align properly.

RStudio also provides a way (actually multiple ways) to create documents that include text, R code, R output, and graphics all in one document so you don't have to do any copying and pasting. This is a much better workflow since it avoids copy-and-paste which is error prone and makes it easy to regenerate an entire report should the data change (because you get more of it or correct an error, for example).

Exercises

For problems 1–7, include both the plots and the code you used to make them as well as any required discussion. Once you get the plots figured out, feel free to use some of the bells and whistles to make the plots even better.

1 Use R's help system to find out what the i1 and i2 variables are in the HELPrct data frame. Make histograms for each variable and comment on what you find out. How would you describe the shape of these distributions? Do you see any outliers (observations that don't seem to fit the pattern of the rest of the data)?

- 2 Compare the distributions of i1 and i2 among men and women.
- **3** Compare the distributions of i1 and i2 among the three substance groups.
- 4 Where do the data in the CPS85 data frame (in the mosaic package) come from? What are the observational units? How many are there?
- **5** Choose a quantitative variable that interests you in the CPS85 data set. Make an appropriate plot and comment on what you see.
- **6** Choose a categorical variable that interests you in the CPS85 data set. Make an appropriate plot and comment on what you see.
- 7 Create a plot that displays two or more variables from the CPS85 data. At least one should be quantitative and at least one should be categorical. Comment on what you can learn from your plot.
- **8** The fusion2 data set in the fastR package contains genotypes for another SNP. Merge fusion1, fusion2, and pheno into a single data frame.

Note that fusion1 and fusion2 have the same columns.

```
head(fusion1, 2)
            marker markerID allele1 allele2 genotype Adose Cdose Gdose Tdose
1 9735 RS12255372
                          1
                                  3
                                           3
                                                   GG
                                                          0
                                                                0
                                                                      2
2 10158 RS12255372
                                  3
                                           3
                                                   GG
                                                                            0
head(fusion2, 2)
           marker markerID allele1 allele2 genotype Adose Cdose Gdose Tdose
                         2
  9735 RS7903146
                                 2
                                          2
                                                 CC
                                                         0
                                                               2
2 10158 RS7903146
```

You may want to use the suffixes argument to merge() or rename the variables after you are done merging to make the resulting data frame easier to navigate.

Tidy up your data frame by dropping any columns that are redundant or that you just don't want to have in your final data frame.

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3

Confidence Intervals

3.1 Sampling Distributions

The key idea in this chapter is the notion of a sampling distribution. Do not confuse it with the population (what we would like to know about) or the sample (what we actually have data about). If we could repeatedly sample from a population, and if we computed a statistic from each sample, the distribution of those statistics would be the sampling distribution. Sampling distributions tell us how things vary from sample to sample and are the key to interpreting data.

Population Parameters and Sample Statistics

Sample Statistics as Point Estimates of Population Parameters

Variability of Sample Statistics

Example 3.4

```
Example3.4
head(StatisticsPhD)
                      University
                                    Department FTGradEnrollment
1
               Baylor University
                                    Statistics
2
               Boston University Biostatistics
                                                             39
3
                Brown University Biostatistics
                                                             21
      Carnegie Mellon University Statistics
                                                             39
5 Case Western Reserve University Statistics
                                                             11
                                  Statistics
       Colorado State University
                                                             14
mean(~FTGradEnrollment, data = StatisticsPhD) # mean enrollment in original population
[1] 53.54
```

Example 3.5

To select a random sample of a certain size in R, we can use the sample() function.

```
Example3.5
sample10 = sample(StatisticsPhD, 10)
sample10
                              University
                                            Department FTGradEnrollment orig.ids
25
        North Carolina State University
                                            Statistics
                                                                     163
57
                 University of Kentucky
                                            Statistics
                                                                      40
                                                                               57
18
               Johns Hopkins University Biostatistics
                                                                      41
                                                                               18
29
              Oklahoma State University
                                            Statistics
                                                                      22
                                                                               29
79
       Virginia Commonwealth University
                                            Statistics
                                                                      15
                                                                               79
75
               University of Washington
                                            Statistics
                                                                      53
                                                                               75
49
                  University of Chicago
                                            Statistics
                                                                     109
                                                                               49
2
                      Boston University Biostatistics
                                                                      39
                                                                                2
22 Medical University of South Carolina Biostatistics
                                                                      46
                                                                               22
                     Cornell University
                                            Statistics
                                                                      78
x.bar = mean(~FTGradEnrollment, data = sample10)
x.bar # mean enrollment in sample10
[1] 60.6
```

Note that this sample has been assigned a name to which we can refer back to find the mean of that particular sample.

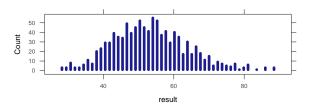
```
mean(~FTGradEnrollment, data = sample(StatisticsPhD, 10)) # mean enrollment in another sample

[1] 43.3

# Now we'll do it 1000 times
sampledist <- do(1000) * mean(~FTGradEnrollment, data = sample(StatisticsPhD, 10))</pre>
```

We should check that that our sample distribution has an appropriate shape:

```
dotPlot(~result, data = sampledist, n = 50)
```



In many (but not all) situations, the sampling distribution is

- · unimodal,
- symmetric, and

• bell-shaped

(The technical phrase is "approximately normal".) In these situations, a 95% confidence interval can be estimated with

statistic $\pm 2SE$

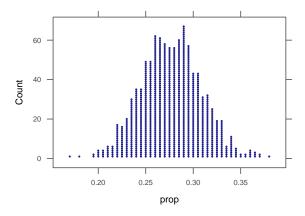
Example 3.6

This time we don't have data, but instead we have a summary of the data. We can however, still simulate the sample distribution by using the rflip() function.

```
sampledistdeg <- do(1000) * rflip(200, 0.275) # 1000 samples, each of size 200 and proportion 0.275
head(sampledistdeg, 3)

n heads tails prop
1 200     55     145 0.275
2 200     54     146 0.270
3 200     68     132 0.340

dotPlot(~prop, width = 0.005, data = sampledistdeg)</pre>
```



Measuring Sampling Variability: The Standard Error

The standard deviation of a sampling distribution is called the **standard error**, denoted *SE*.

The standard error is our primary way of measuring how much variability there is from sample statistic to sample statistic, and therefore how precise our estimates are.

Example 3.7

Calculating the SE is the same as calculating the standard deviation of a sampling distribution, so we use sd().

```
SE <- sd(~result, data = sampledist)
SE # Bootstrap from Example 3.5

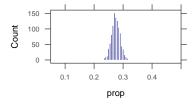
[1] 10.46

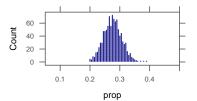
SE2 <- sd(~prop, data = sampledistdeg)
SE2 # Boot.Deg from Example 3.6

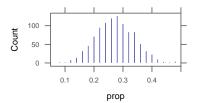
[1] 0.03163
```

The Importance of Sample Size

Example 3.9







Importance of Random Sampling

3.2 Understanding and Interpreting Confidence Intervals

Interval Estimates and Margin of Error

An **interval estimate** gives a range of plausible values for a population parameter.

This is better than a single number (also called a point estimate) because it gives some indication of the precision of the estimate.

One way to express an interval estimate is with a point estimate and a margin of error.

We can convert margin of error into an interval by adding and subtracting the margin of error to/from the statistic.

Example 3.12

 0.42 ± 0.03 which is the same as (0.39, 0.45)

Example 3.13

```
p.hat = 0.54
                                      # sample proportion
                                                                                                   marginoferror
MoE = 0.02
                                      # margin of error
p.hat - MoE
                                      # lower limit of interval estimate
[1] 0.52
p.hat + MoE
                                      # upper limit of interval estimate
[1] 0.56
p.hat = 0.54
MoE = 0.1
p.hat - MoE
[1] 0.44
p.hat + MoE
[1] 0.64
```

Confidence Intervals

A confidence interval for a parameter is an interval computed from sample data by a method that will capture the parameter for a specified proportion of all samples

- 1. The probability of correctly containing the parameter is called the coverage rate or **confidence level**.
- 2. So 95% of 95% confidence intervals contain the parameter being estimated.
- 3. The margins of error in the tables above were designed to produce 95% confidence intervals.

Example 3.14

```
x.bar = 61.5  # given sample mean
SE = 11  # given estimated standard error
MoE = 2 * SE; MoE  # margin of error for 95% CI

[1] 22

x.bar - MoE  # lower limit of 95% CI

[1] 39.5

x.bar + MoE  # upper limit of 95% CI

[1] 83.5
```

Understanding Confidence Intervals

Example 3.15

```
SE = 0.03
                                                                                                 confidenceinterval2
p1 = 0.26
p2 = 0.32
p3 = 0.2
MoE = 2 * SE
p1 - MoE
[1] 0.2
p1 + MoE
[1] 0.32
p2 - MoE
[1] 0.26
p2 + MoE
[1] 0.38
p3 - MoE
[1] 0.14
p3 + MoE
[1] 0.26
```

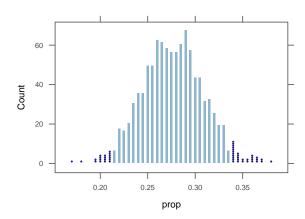
```
p = 0.275
SE = 0.03
MoE = 2 * SE
p - MoE

[1] 0.215

p + MoE

[1] 0.335

dotPlot(~prop, width = 0.005, groups = (0.215 <= prop & prop <= 0.335), data = sampledistdeg)</pre>
```

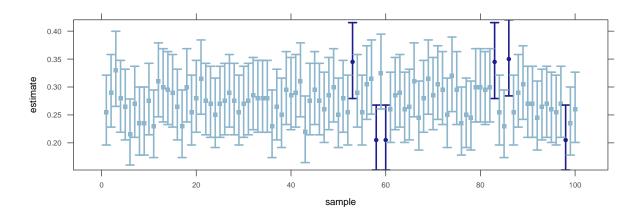


Interpreting Confidence Intervals

Figure 3.13

We can create the data needed for plots like Figure 3.13 using CIsim(). The plot itself uses xYplot() from the Hmisc package.

```
results <- CIsim(200, samples = 100, rdist = rbinom, args = list(size = 1, prob = 0.275), method = binom.test,
    method.args = list(success = 1), verbose = FALSE, estimand = 0.275)
require(Hmisc)
xYplot(Cbind(estimate, lower, upper) ~ sample, data = results, par.settings = col.mosaic(),
    groups = cover)</pre>
```



Example 3.16

```
x.bar = 27.655
SE = 0.009
MoE = 2 * SE
x.bar - MoE

[1] 27.64

x.bar + MoE

[1] 27.67
```

Example 3.17

```
diff.x = -1.915
SE = 0.016
MoE = 2 * SE
diff.x - MoE

[1] -1.947

diff.x + MoE
[1] -1.883
```

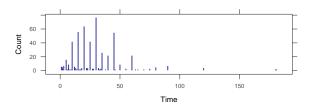
3.3 Constructing Bootstrap Confidence Intervals

Here's the clever idea: We don't have the population, but we have a sample. Probably the sample it similar to the population in many ways. So let's sample from our sample. We'll call it **resampling** (also called **bootstrapping**). We want samples the same size as our original sample, so we will need to sample with replacement.

This means that we may pick some members of the population more than once and others not at all. We'll do this many times, however, so each member of our sample will get its fair share. (Notice the similarity to and difference from sampling from populations in the previous sections.)

Commuting in Atlanta

```
head(CommuteAtlanta, 3)
    City Age Distance Time Sex
1 Atlanta 19
              10 15 M
2 Atlanta 55
                   45
                        60
                            Μ
3 Atlanta 48
                   12
                       45
dotPlot(~Time, width = 1, cex = 0.5, data = CommuteAtlanta)
mean(~Time, data = CommuteAtlanta)
[1] 29.11
sd(~Time, data = CommuteAtlanta)
[1] 20.72
```



Bootstrap Samples

The computer can easily do all of the resampling by using the resample().

```
resample(CommuteAtlanta, 10)
     City Age Distance Time Sex orig.ids
18 Atlanta 43 25 45 M
                                18
439 Atlanta 44
                 28
                      30
                          Μ
                                439
                 10
368 Atlanta 55
                     20
                         F
                                368
311 Atlanta 62
                 45 45
                         M
                                311
                12 25 F
349 Atlanta 39
                                349
290 Atlanta 35
                 6 16 F
                                290
279 Atlanta 40
                30 30 F
                                279
             10 30
10 15
275 Atlanta 30
                         Μ
                                275
464 Atlanta 45
                 10
                     15
                         F
                                464
138 Atlanta 41
             0 10
                                138
```

Bootstrap Distribution

The example below uses data from 500 Atlanta commuters.

```
mean(~Time, data = resample(CommuteAtlanta)) # mean commute time in one resample

[1] 30.31

mean(~Time, data = resample(CommuteAtlanta)) # mean commute time in another resample

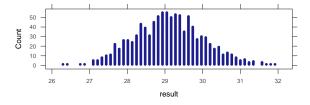
[1] 30.83

# Now we'll do it 1000 times

Bootstrap <- do(1000) * mean(~Time, data = resample(CommuteAtlanta))</pre>
```

We should check that that our bootstrap distribution has an appropriate shape:

```
dotPlot(~result, data = Bootstrap, n = 50)
```

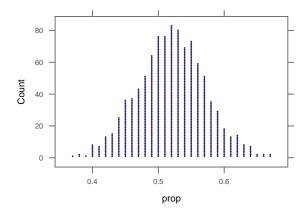


Example 3.19

```
BootP <- do(1000) * rflip(100, 0.52)
head(BootP, 3)

    n heads tails prop
1 100    50    50 0.50
2 100    58    42 0.58
3 100    49    51 0.49

dotPlot(~prop, width = 0.01, data = BootP)</pre>
```



Example 3.20

Variables can be created in R using the c() function then collected into a data frame using the data.frame() function.

```
Laughter <- data.frame(NumLaughs = c(16, 22, 9, 31, 6, 42))
mean(~NumLaughs, data = Laughter)</pre>
[1] 21
```

Estimating Standard Error Based on a Bootstrap Distribution

Example 3.21

Since the shape of the bootstrap distribution from Example 3.19 looks good, we can estimate the standard error.

```
SE = sd(~prop, data = BootP)
SE
[1] 0.05054
```

Example 3.22

We can again use the standard error to compute a 95% confidence interval.

```
x.bar <- mean(~Time, data = CommuteAtlanta); x.bar

[1] 29.11

SE <- sd(~result, data = Bootstrap ); SE  # standard error

[1] 0.8985</pre>
```

```
MoE <- 2 * SE; MoE # margin of error for 95% CI

[1] 1.797

x.bar - MoE # lower limit of 95% CI

[1] 27.31

x.bar + MoE # upper limit of 95% CI

[1] 30.91
```

```
p.hat = 0.52
SE = sd(~prop, data = BootP)
SE

[1] 0.05054

MoE = 2 * SE
MoE

[1] 0.1011

p.hat - MoE

[1] 0.4189

p.hat + MoE
[1] 0.6211
```

The same steps used in this example, get used in a wide variety of confidence interval situations.

- 1. Compute the statistic from the original sample.
- 2. Create a bootstrap distribution by resampling from the sample.
 - (a) same size samples as the original sample
 - (b) with replacement
 - (c) compute the statistic for each sample

The distribution of these statistics is the bootstrap distribution

- 3. Estimate the standard error SE by computing the standard deviation of the bootstrap distribution.
- 4. 95% CI is

statistic $\pm 2SE$

3.4 Bootstrap Confidence Intervals Using Percentiles

Confidence Intervals Based on Bootstrap Percentiles

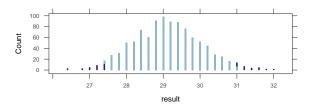
Example 3.23

Another way to create a 95% confidence interval is to use the middle 95% of the bootstrap distribution. The cdata() function can compute this for us as follows:

```
cdata(0.95, result, data = Bootstrap)

low     hi central.p
27.41     30.93     0.95

dotPlot(~result, width = 0.2, groups = (27.47 <= result & result <= 31), data = Bootstrap)</pre>
```



This is not exactly the same as the interval of the original sample, but it is pretty close. Notice the groups= for marking the confidence interval.

Example 3.24

One advantage of this method is that it is easy to change the confidence level.

To make a 90% confidence interval, we use the middle 90% of the sample distribution instead.

```
cdata(0.99, result, data = Bootstrap)

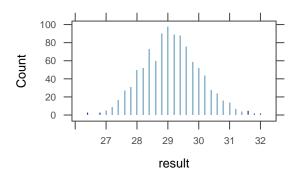
low    hi central.p
27.06   31.59   0.99

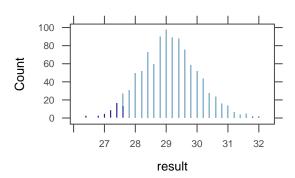
dotPlot(~result, width = 0.2, groups = (26.98 <= result & result <= 31.58), data = Bootstrap)

cdata(0.9, result, data = Bootstrap)

low    hi central.p
27.66   30.64   0.90

dotPlot(~result, width = 0.2, groups = (27.63 <= result & result <= 31.66), data = Bootstrap)</pre>
```





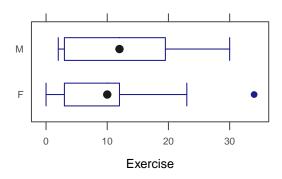
Notice that this interval is narrower. This will always be the case. Higher levels of confidence lead to wider confidence intervals.

(Method 1 can also be adjusted for other confidence levels as well – the number 2 needs to be replaced by an appropriate alternative.)

Finding Confidence Intervals for Many Different Parameters

Example 3.25

```
head(ExerciseHours)
  Year Gender Hand Exercise TV Pulse Pierces
                         15
                            5
                                  57
2
     2
                         20 14
                                           0
3
     3
                          2
                             3
                                           2
4
                         10
                             5
                                           3
                                  66
                                           0
5
            Μ
                          8
                            2
                                  62
6
                                           0
                                  62
                         14 14
bwplot(Gender ~ Exercise, data = ExerciseHours)
favstats(~Exercise | Gender, data = ExerciseHours)
  .group min Q1 median
                          Q3 max mean
                                         sd n missing
           0 3
                    10 12.00
                              34 9.4 7.407 30
      M 2 3 12 19.25 30 12.4 8.798 20
```



```
stat <- diff(mean(Exercise ~ Gender, data = ExerciseHours))
stat

M
3</pre>
```

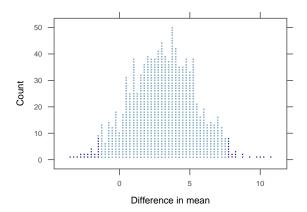
```
BootE <- do(1000) * diff(mean(Exercise ~ Gender, data = resample(ExerciseHours)))
head(BootE, 3)

M
1 5.283
2 0.641
3 1.629</pre>
```

```
cdata(0.95, M, data = BootE)

low     hi central.p
-1.367     7.419     0.950

dotPlot(~M, width = 0.25, cex = 0.5, groups = (-1.44 <= M & M <= 7.534), xlab = "Difference in mean",
     data = BootE)</pre>
```



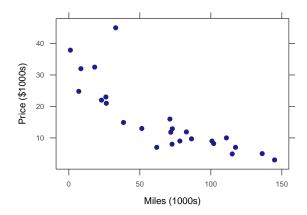
Example 3.26

```
head(MustangPrice, 3)

Age Miles Price
1  6  8.5  32.0
2  7  33.0  45.0
3  9  82.8  11.9

xyplot(Price ~ Miles, ylab = "Price ($1000s)", xlab = "Miles (1000s)", data = MustangPrice)
cor(Price ~ Miles, data = MustangPrice)

[1] -0.8246
```



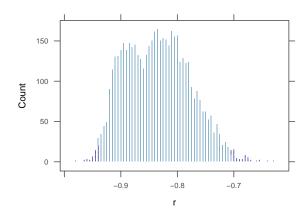
```
BootM <- do(5000) * cor(Price ~ Miles, data = resample((MustangPrice)))
head(BootM, 3)

result
1 -0.7977
2 -0.8345
3 -0.8443</pre>
```

```
cdata(0.98, result, data = BootM)

low     hi central.p
    -0.9388    -0.7055     0.9800

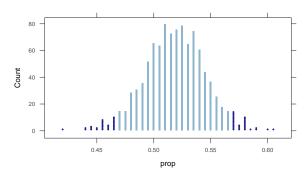
dotPlot(~result, width = 0.005, groups = (-0.9394 <= result & result <= -0.706), xlab = "r",
     data = BootM)</pre>
```



Another Look at the Effect of Sample Size

Example 3.27

```
BootP400 <- do(1000) * rflip(400, 0.52)
head(BootP400, 3)
    n heads tails prop
1 400
        206
              194 0.5150
2 400
        220
              180 0.5500
3 400
        227
              173 0.5675
cdata(0.95, prop, data = BootP400)
      low
                 hi central.p
   0.4674
             0.5725
                     0.9500
dotPlot(~prop, width = 0.005, groups = (0.47 <= prop & prop <= 0.5675), data = BootP400)</pre>
```



One Caution on Constructing Bootstrap Confidence Intervals

Example 3.28

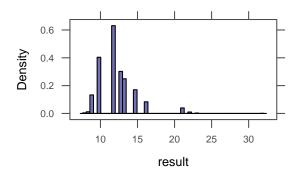
```
median(~Price, data = MustangPrice)

[1] 11.9

Boot.Mustang <- do(5000) * median(~Price, data = resample(MustangPrice))
head(Boot.Mustang, 3)

result
1    11.9
2    11.9
3    14.9

histogram(~result, data = Boot.Mustang, n = 50)</pre>
```



This time the histogram does not have the desired shape. There are two problems:

- 1. The distribution is not symmetric. (It is right skewed.)
- 2. The distribution has spikes and gaps.

 Since the median must be an element of the sample when the sample size is 25, there are only 25 possible values for the median (and some of these are *very* unlikely.

Since the bootstrap distribution does not look like a normal distribution (bell-shaped, symmetric), we cannot safely use our methods for creating a confidence interval.

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