2022 CU Data Week



Basic statistics using R

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Outline

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- Download RStudio
- Download our example data for CU Data Week
- Load data into R
 - Describe the data
 - Develop hypotheses
- Summarize data
- T-tests (and non-parametric tests)
- Chi-square tests
- Simple Linear regression
- Questions?

Download R

- Google "R Software"
 - https://www.r-project.org/
- Click download R link
 - https://cran.r-project.org/mirrors.html
- Choose a CRAN
 - I chose University of Kansas, pick a location that is close to you
 - https://rweb.crmda.ku.edu/cran/
- For Mac don't forget to download XQuarts

Download RStudio

- Google "download R studio"
 - https://www.rstudio.com/products/rstudio/download/
- Download R studio for your computer
 - After you have downloaded R
- Open R Studio
 - You shouldn't need to open R

Download our example data

- Data is stored here:
 - https://github.com/CIDA-CSPH/CU-Stats-Talks
- Data comes from SAS Software
 - https://documentation.sas.com/doc/en/pgmsascdc/9.4 3.3/statug/statug s ashelp_sect001.htm
 - Version 9.4 (SAS Institute, Cary NC)
- Click "Lunchtime Basics-Basic Statistics using R"
- Click "Data_PublicSAS"
- Click each .csv file
- Click "Download"
- 'Right click' and then Save As

Load data into R

- Open R Studio
- Set our directory to "Downloads"
 - This is where our data was stored after we downloaded it
- Import our data
 - bweight.csv = infant birthweight (continuous variable)
 - birthweight.csv = infant birthweight (binary variable low birth weight; Y/N)
 - cars.csv = car data from 2004 with various variables (MPG, Weight)
 - class.csv = fictional class with various variables (Age, Height)

Data - Birthweight

- We have both continuous and categorical data to work with
 - Birthweight in grams
 - Birthweight as a categorical binary variable (Y/N)
 - Maternal Smoking status (Y/N)
- Hypotheses to test:
 - Is there a significant relationship between infant birth weight and maternal smoking?
 - Test 1: Maternal smoking status (Y/N) vs Low Birthweight (Y/N)
 - Two categorical (grouping) variables
 - Chi square test
 - Test 2: Maternal smoking status (Y/N) vs Birthweight
 - A continuous variable and a categorical variable
 - T-test vs Wilcoxon Rank Sum/Mann-Whitney test as appropriate

Data - Cars and Class

- We have both continuous and categorical data to work with
 - Focus on continuous data
 - Highway MPG and City MPG
 - Height in inches
 - Weight in pounds
- Hypotheses to test:
 - Cars
 - Test 3: Is there a significant difference between Highway and City MPG?
 - 2 paired continuous variables, difference
 - Paired t-test or Wilcoxon Signed Rank as appropriate
 - Class
 - Test 4: Is there a significant relationship between weight and height of school children?
 - 2 continuous variables, trend
 - Simple linear regression

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R is difficult to learn – these can help

- Swirl
 - An interactive tool that assists you as you code
 - https://swirlstats.com/students.html
- R for Data Science
 - Free online text that uses tidyverse
 - https://r4ds.had.co.nz/
- R is like learning a language
 - You need to practice regularly
 - Challenge yourself to use R for something you would normally do elsewhere and compare your results

Questions?

