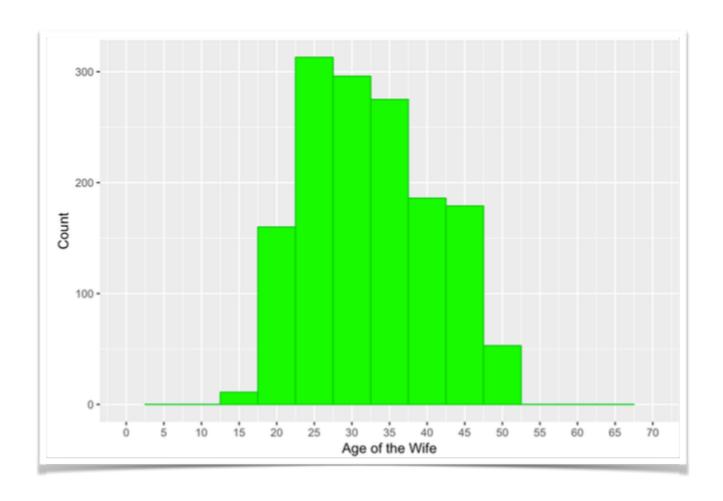
Contraceptive Method Choice

An Initial Data Analysis On An Indonesian Survey

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Introduction

This dataset is a subset of the 1987 National Indonesia Contraceptive Prevalence Survey. The subset was created on June 1997 by Tjen-Sien Lim. The samples are married women who were not pregnant or do not know if they were at the time of the interview.

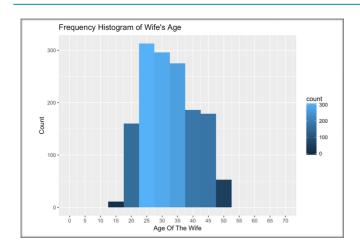
CMC DATASET Attribute Overview				
Information	Туре	Values		
Wife's age	numerical			
Wife's education	categorical	1=low, 2, 3, 4=high		
Husband's education	categorical	1=low, 2, 3, 4=high		
Number of children ever born	numerical			
Wife's religion	binary	0=Non-Islam, 1=Islam		
Wife's now working	binary	0=Yes, 1=No		
Husband's occupation	categorical	1, 2, 3, 4		
Standard-of-living index	categorical	1=low, 2, 3, 4=high		
Media exposure	binary	0=Good, 1=Not good		
Contraceptive method used	class attribute	1=No-use, 2=Long-term, 3=Short-term		

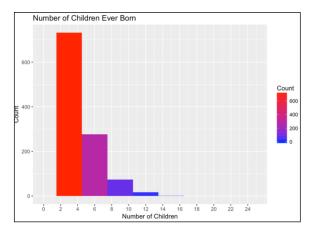
The project

The goal is to predict the contraceptive method of choice of a woman based on her demographic and socio-economic characteristics. The method of choice could be no-use, long-therm methods, or short-term methods.

1. Numbers

The histograms about wife's age and about their number of children ever born show that a good number of women are 25 to 35 years old, and that most of them have gave birth

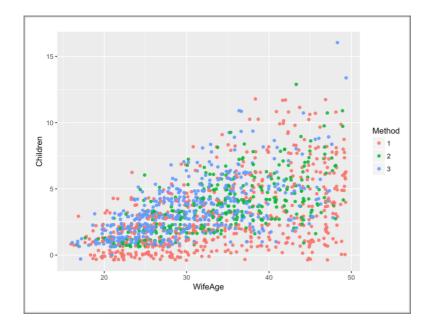




to 2 to 4 children. By applying the summary function, we also get to know that most of the women practice Islam, do not work, and that more than half of them use no contraceptive method.

2. Initial Findings

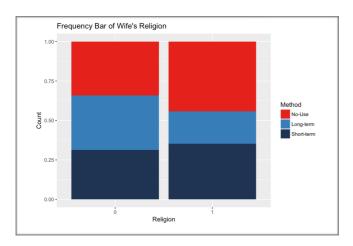
It is difficult the identify a trend as 8 out of 10 of our attributes are not numerical. The scatter plots that we get, for example age on number of children, having the contraceptive method as a color, show a weak distribution. This correlation we will need to investigate

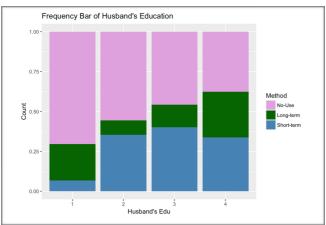


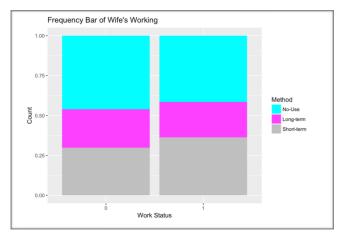
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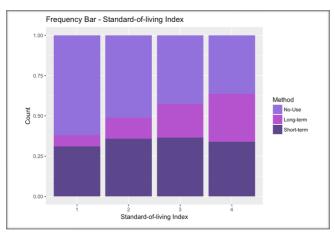
3. Some Hypotheses (Alternative)

- If the woman practice Islam, she will not use a contraceptive method
- If the husband & wife are educated, she will use a contraceptive method
- If the wife works, she will use a contraceptive method
- The higher the couple's standard-of-living index, the more they will use a method









The frequency bars above, except the third one, seemed to reject the null hypothesis, making us consider the first, second, and fourth alternative hypotheses we made. Thus, next we used Pearson's Chi-squared test on each of the hypotheses, and the results showed the same: only the null hypothesis related to the third one was not rejected. The fact that the wife works does not affect the method of her choice.

	3.	Next	Steps
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We will try to use create mosaic plots for these hypotheses to see how they look like.