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# Preface

This coursepack accompanies the textbook for STAT 216: Montana State Introductory Statistics with R, which can be found at https://mtstateintrostats.github.io/IntroStatTextbook/. The syllabus for the course (including the course calendar), data sets, and links to D2L Brightspace, Gradescope, and the MSU RStudio server can be found on the course webpage: https://math.montana.edu/courses/s216/. Other notes and review materials are linked in D2L.

Each of the activities in this workbook is designed to target specific learning outcomes of the course, giving you practice with important statistical concepts in a group setting with instructor guidance. In addition to the in-class activities for the course, video notes are provided to aid in taking notes while you complete the required videos. Bring this workbook with you to class each class period, and take notes in the workbook as you would your own notes. A well-written completed workbook will provide an optimal study guide for exams!

All activities and labs in this coursepack will be completed during class time. Parts of each lab will be turned in on Gradescope. To aid in your understanding, read through the introduction for each activity before attending class each day.

STAT 216 is a 3-credit in-person course. In our experience, it takes six to nine hours per week outside of class to achieve a good grade in this class. By "good" we mean at least a C because a grade of D or below does not count toward fulfilling degree requirements. Many of you set your goals higher than just getting a C, and we fully support that. You need roughly nine hours per week to review past activities, read feedback on previous assignments, complete current assignments, and prepare for the next day's class. A typical week in the life of a STAT 216 student looks like:

- Prior to class meeting:
  - Read assigned sections of the textbook, using the provided reading guides to take notes on the material.
  - Watch the provided videos, taking notes in the coursepack.
  - Read through the introduction to the day's in-class activity.
  - Read through the week's homework assignment and note any questions you may have on the content.
- During class meeting:
  - Work through the guided activity, in-class activity or weekly lab with your classmates and instructor, taking detailed notes on your answers to each question in the activity.
- After class meeting:
  - Complete any parts of the activity you did not complete in class.
  - Review the activity solutions in the Math and Stat Center, and take notes on key points.
  - Complete any remaining assigned readings for the week.
  - Complete the week's homework assignment.

### Inference for Inference for a Paired Mean Difference

# 1.1 Vocabulary Review and Key Topics

Review the Golden Ticket posted in the resources at the end of the coursepack for a summary of paired data. Module 11 will cover inference using both simulation and theory-based methods.

- The summary measure for one quantitative variable is the mean difference
- Paired differences are treated as a single mean. Review the summary of Module 6 for interpretations of other summary measures from quantitative data and for the type of plots used.
- R code to find the summary statistics for a paired differences

### Simulation Hypothesis Testing

Hypotheses:

$$\begin{split} H_0: \mu_d &= 0 \\ H_A: \mu_d \left\{ \begin{array}{l} < \\ \neq \\ < \end{array} \right\} 0 \end{split}$$

• R code to use for **simulation methods** for one paired data to find the p-value, **paired\_test**, is shown below. Review the comments (instructions after the #) to see what each should be entered for each line of code.

#### Simulation Confidence Interval

• R code to find the simulation confidence interval using the paired\_bootstrap\_CI function from the catstats package.

```
paired_bootstrap_CI(data = object$differences, # Enter vector of differences
    number_repetitions = 10000, # Number of bootstrap samples for CI
    confidence_level = xx, # Confidence level in decimal form
    which_first = 1) # Not needed when entering vector of differences
```

• The interpretation of the confidence interval is very similar for that of a single mean. Just make sure to add the order of subtraction for the differences.

### Theory-based Methods

- Conditions for the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}_d$  to follow an approximate normal distribution:
  - **Independence**: The sample's observations are independent, e.g., are from a simple random sample. (*Remember*: This also must be true to use simulation methods!)
  - Large enough sample size: Normality Condition: The sample observations come from a normally distributed population. To check use the following rules of thumb:
    - \* n < 30: The distribution of the sample must be approximately normal with no outliers
    - \*  $30 \ge n < 100$ : We can relax the condition a little; the distribution of the sample must have no extreme outliers or skewness
    - \* n > 100: Can assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal, even if the underlying distribution of individual observationals is not
- t-distribution: a theoretical distribution that is symmetric with a given degrees of freedom (n-1)
  - $-t_{n-1}$
- Calculation of standard error:

$$SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) = \sqrt{\frac{{s_1}^2}{n_1} + \frac{{s_2}^2}{n_2}}$$

• Calculation of the standardized difference in sample mean:

$$t=\frac{\bar{x}_1-\bar{x}_2-0}{SE(\bar{x}_1-\bar{x}_2)}$$

• Calculation of the confidence interval for a difference in sample means

$$\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \pm t^* \times SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2)$$

### 1.2 Video Notes: Inference for Paired Data

Read Chapters 17 and 18 in the course textbook. Use the following videos to complete the video notes for Module 9.

### 1.2.1 Course Videos

- PairedData
- 18.1and18.2
- 18.3

### Single categorical, single quantitative variables Video Paired\_Data

•	In	this	module,	we	will	study	inference	for	$\mathbf{a}$					(	explana	tory
	var	iable	and a $\_$							 response	${\bf variable}$	where	the	two	groups	are

### Paired vs. Independent Samples

Two groups are paired if an observational unit in one group is connected to an observational unit in another group

Data are paired if the samples are

#### Examples:

- Change in test score from pre and post test
- Weight of college students before and after 1st year

Independent Samples

• Change in blood pressure

-	-
Sample 1	Sample 2
X <sub>1a</sub>	X <sub>2a</sub>
X <sub>1b</sub>	X <sub>2b</sub>
X <sub>1c</sub>	X <sub>2c</sub>
•	
X <sub>1g</sub>	X <sub>2g</sub>
$\bar{x}_1$	$egin{array}{c} x_{2g} \\ ar{x}_{2} \end{array}$
Difference in Means	$\bar{x}_1$ - $\bar{x}_2$

Paired Data

Sample 1	Sample 2	Difference
X <sub>1a</sub>	X <sub>2a</sub>	x <sub>1a</sub> -x <sub>2a</sub>
X <sub>1b</sub>	X <sub>2b</sub>	x <sub>1b</sub> -x <sub>2b</sub>
X <sub>1c</sub>	x <sub>2c</sub>	x <sub>1c</sub> -x <sub>2c</sub>
	•	
X <sub>1g</sub>	X <sub>2g</sub>	X <sub>1g</sub> -X <sub>2g</sub>
Mean of the	$\bar{x}_d$	

Figure 1.1: Illustration of Independent vs. Paired Samples

Example 1: Three hundred registered voters were selected at random to participate in a study on attitudes about how well the president is performing. They were each asked to answer a short multiple-choice questionnaire and then they watched a 20-minute video that presented information about the job description of the president. After watching the video, the same 300 selected voters were asked to answer a follow-up multiple-choice questionnaire.

• Is this an example of a paired samples or independent samples study?

Example 2: Thirty dogs were selected at random from those residing at the humane society last month. The 30 dogs were split at random into two groups. The first group of 15 dogs was trained to perform a certain task using a reward method. The second group of 15 dogs was trained to perform the same task using a reward-punishment method.

• Is this an example of a paired samples or independent samples study?

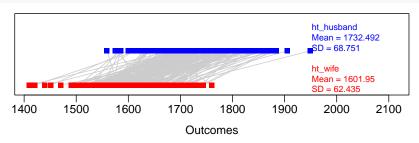
Example 3: Fifty skiers volunteered to study how different waxes impacted their downhill race times. The participants were split into groups of two based on similar race times from the previous race. One of the two then had their skis treated with Wax A while the other was treated with Wax B. The downhill ski race times were then measured for each of the 25 volunteers who used Wax A as well as for each of the 25 volunteers who used Wax B.

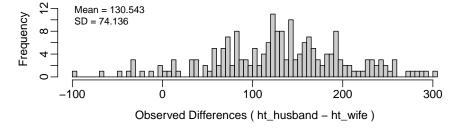
• Is this an example of a paired samples or independent samples study?

Example: Is there a difference in heights between husbands and wives? The heights were measured on the husband and wife in a random sample of 199 married couples from Great Britain ("Great Britain Married Couples: Great Britain Office of Population Census and Surveys," n.d.).

For a paired experiment, we look at the difference between responses for each unit (pair), rather than just the average difference between treatment groups

hw <-read.csv("data/husbands\_wives\_ht.csv")
paired\_observed\_plot(hw)</pre>





```
hw_diff %>%
    summarise(fav_stats(ht_diff))
```

• The summary measure for paired data is the

Mean difference: the average	in the		_ variable
outcomes for observational units between			
Notation for the Paired differences			
• Population mean of the differences:			
• Population standard deviation of the differences:			
• Sample mean of the differences:			
• Sample standard deviation of the differences:			
Conditions for inference for paired data:			
• Independence:			
Is the independence condition met for the height study?			
Hypothosis tosting			
Hypothesis testing			
Null hypothesis assumes "no effect", "no difference", "not • Treat the differences like a single mean	tning interesting na	ppening, etc.	
<ul> <li>• Treat the differences like a single mean</li> <li>• Always of form: "parameter" = null value</li> </ul>			
• Always of form: parameter $=$ num value $H_0:$			
$n_0$ .			
$H_A$ :			
• Research question determines the direction of the a	lternative hypothes	is.	
Write the null and alternative for the height study:			
In notation:			
$H_0$ :			
$H_A$ :			
Simulation-based method			
- Simulate many samples assuming $H_0: \mu_d = 0$			
– Shift the data by the difference between $\mu_0$ an	$d \bar{x}_d$		
- Sample with replacement $n$ times from the shi	fted data		
<ul> <li>Plot the simulated shifted sample mean from e</li> </ul>	each simulation		

- Repeat 1000 times (simulations) to create the null distribution

- Find the proportion of simulations at least as extreme as  $\bar{x}_d$ 

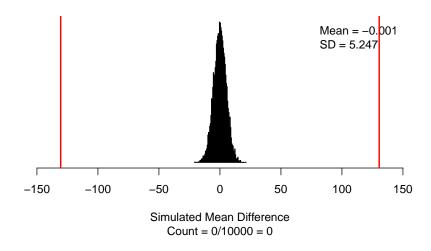
Reminder of summary statistics:

```
hw_diff %>%
    summarise(fav_stats(ht_diff))
```

Find the difference:

$$\mu_0 - \bar{x}_d =$$

Simulated null distribution:



Interpret the p-value:

- Statement about probability or proportion of samples
- Statistic (summary measure and value)
- Direction of the alternative
- Null hypothesis (in context)

#### Conclusion:

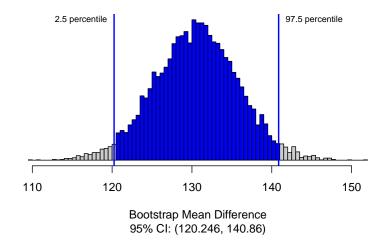
- Amount of evidence
- Parameter of interest
- Direction of the alternative hypothesis

### Confidence interval

#### Simulation-based method

- Label cards with the values (differences) from the data set
- Sample with replacement (bootstrap) from the original sample n times
- Plot the simulated sample mean on the bootstrap distribution
- Repeat at least 1000 times (simulations)
- $\bullet\,$  Find the cut-offs for the middle X% (confidence level) in a bootstrap distribution.
  - i.e., 95% CI = (2.5th percentile, 97.5th percentile)

Simulated bootstrap distribution:



Interpret the 99% confidence interval:

- How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
- Parameter of interest
- Calculated interval
- Order of subtraction when comparing two groups

### Theory-based method - Video 18.3

#### t-distribution

In the theoretical approach, we use the CLT to tell us that the distribution of sample means will be approximately normal, centered at the assumed true mean under  $H_0$  and with standard deviation  $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ .

$$\bar{x} \sim N(\mu_0, \frac{\sigma_d}{\sqrt{n}})$$

•	Estimate the population standard deviation, $\sigma_d$ , with the	$_{ m standard}$
	deviation,	

• For a single quantitative variable we use the \_\_\_\_\_ - distribution with \_\_\_\_\_ degrees of freedom to approximate the sampling distribution.

Conditions for inference using theory-based methods for paired data (categorical explanatory and quantitative response):

- Independence: (same as for simulation); the difference in outcome for one observational unit will not influence another observation.
- Large enough sample size:
  - Normality: The data should be approximately normal or the sample size should be large.

n < 30:

 $30 \le n < 100$ :

 $n \ge 100$ :

Theory-based Hypothesis Test:

- Calculate the standardized statistic
- Find the area under the t-distribution with n-1 df at least as extreme as the standardized statistic

Equation for the standard error for the sample mean difference:

Equation for the standardized sample mean difference:

Reminder of summary statistics for height data:

```
hw_diff %>%
summarise(fav_stats(ht_diff))
```

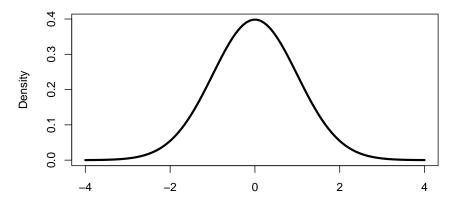
```
#> min Q1 median Q3 max mean sd n missing
#> 1 -96 83.5 131 179 303 130.5427 74.13608 199 0
```

Calculate the standardized sample mean difference in height:

- 1st calculate the standard error of the sample mean difference
- Then calculate the T score

What theoretical distribution should we use to find the p-value using the value of the standardized statistic?





To find the p-value:

```
pt(24.84, df = 198, lower.tail=FALSE)*2
```

#> [1] 9.477617e-63

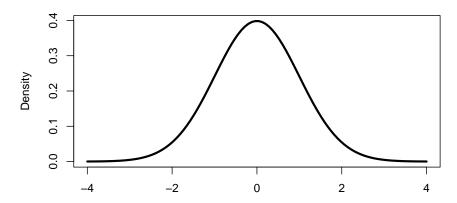
Theory-based Confidence Interval:

statistic  $\pm$  margin of error

The  $t^*$  multiplier is the value at the given percentile of the t-distribution with n-1 degrees of freedom.

For the height data, we will use a t-distribution with df.

### t-distribution with 198 df



To find the  $t^*$  multiplier for a 99% confidence interval:

qt(0.975, df=198, lower.tail = TRUE)

**#>** [1] 1.972017

Calculate the margin of error:

Calculate the theory-based confidence interval.

### 1.2.2 Concept Check

Be prepared for group discussion in the next class. One member from the table should write the answers to the following on the whiteboard.

- 1. What theoretical distribution is used to approximate paired quantitative data?
- 2. What is the difference between a paired and independent study design?

# 1.3 Activity 21: Paired vs. Independent Samples

### 1.3.1 Learning outcomes

- Determine if a data set is paired or two independent samples
- Identify and create appropriate summary statistics and plots given a data set or research question for quantitative data.
- Interpret the following summary statistics in context: median, lower quartile, upper quartile, standard deviation, interquartile range.

### 1.3.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will review summary measures and plots for paired data. Some terms covered in this activity are:

• Mean difference

.

To review these concepts, see Chapter 5 and 18 in the textbook.

### 1.3.3 Paired vs. Independent Samples

For each of the following scenarios, determine whether the samples are paired or independent.

- 1. Researchers interested in studying the effect of a medical treatment on insulin rate measured insulin rates of 30 patients before and after the medical treatment.
- 2. A university is planning to bring emotional support animals to campus during finals week and wants to determine which type of animals are more effective at calming students. Anxiety levels will be measured before and after each student interacts with either a dog or a cat. The university will then compare change in anxiety levels between the 'dog' people and the 'cat' people.
- 3. An industry leader is investigating a possible wage gap between male and non-male employees. Twenty companies within the industry are randomly selected and the average salary for all males and non-males in mid-management positions is recorded for each company.

#### 1.3.4 Take-home messages

- 1. Histograms, box plots, and dot plots can all be used to graphically display a single quantitative variable.
- 2. The box plot is created using the five number summary: minimum value, quartile 1, median, quartile 3, and maximum value. Values in the data set that are less than  $Q_1 1.5 \times IQR$  and greater than  $Q_3 + 1.5 \times IQR$  are considered outliers and are graphically represented by a dot outside of the whiskers on the box plot.
- 3. Data should be summarized numerically and displayed graphically to give us information about the study.
- 4. When comparing distributions of quantitative variables we look at the shape, center, spread, and for outliers. There are two measures of center: mean and the median and two measures of spread: standard deviation and the interquartile range, IQR = Q3 Q1.

# 1.3.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered.

# 1.4 Activity 22: Snakes

### 1.4.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving paired differences, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Describe and perform a simulation-based hypothesis test for a paired mean difference.
- Interpret and evaluate a p-value for a simulation-based hypothesis test for a paired mean difference.
- Use bootstrapping to find a confidence interval for a paired mean difference.
- Interpret a confidence interval for a paired mean difference.
- Use a confidence interval to determine the conclusion of a hypothesis test.

### 1.4.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will analyze paired quantitative data using simulation-based methods. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Mean difference
- Paired data
- Independent groups
- Shifted bootstrap (null) distribution

To review these concepts, see Section 18 in the textbook.

### 1.4.3 Snake mazes

"Sidewinding" refers to a method of locomotion used by snakes to travel over slippery or loose terrain, such as sand. This manner of movement is a form of lateral undulation, in which an animal uses wave-like movement patterns to propel themselves forward. The desert horned viper is one of a handful of snake species that primarily uses sidewinding. As part of a recent study (Subach 2022), researchers exploring foraging behaviors of these vipers in the Sahara and western Negev deserts captured 27 unique vipers with the goal of examining how environment complexity affected movement. Each snake was placed in a circular "maze" of 1045 poles stuck into a sand dune (meant to simulate a dense-vegetation area). The snake was timed to see how long it took to get out of the maze. Researchers also measured how far the snake had "traveled" within the maze by examining the tracks left in the sand. Once the snake had completed the maze, it was allowed to travel in an open area for the same length of time as it spent in the maze; distance was again measured by the tracks in the sand. Is there evidence the distance traveled (in meters) by snakes is less in areas of dense vegetation than in open spaces, on average? Use circular maze - open area as the order of subtraction.

- Download the R script file and csv file from D2L and upload both to the RStudio server
- Open the R script file and enter the name of the dataset for datasetname.csv
- Highlight and run lines 1 7

```
snakes <- read_csv("datasetname.csv")
paired_observed_plot(snakes)</pre>
```

To find the difference in distance traveled in the circular maze vs in open spaces for each snake we will create the variable differences.

- Enter DistanceMaze for measurement 1 and DistanceOpen for measurement 2 in line 14
- Highlight and run 12–22

- 1. Explain why simulation methods should be used to analyze these data.
- 2. Explain why this is a paired study design.

### Ask a research question

- 3. Write the null hypothesis in words.
- 4. Write the alternative hypothesis in notation.

### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

5. Report the sample mean difference with appropriate notation.

Hypothesis test To simulate the null distribution of paired sample mean differences we will use a bootstrapping method. Recall that the null distribution must be created under the assumption that the null hypothesis is true. Therefore, before bootstrapping, we will need to *shift* each data point by the difference  $\mu_0 - \bar{x}_d$ . This will ensure that the mean of the shifted data is  $\mu_0$  (rather than the mean of the original data,  $\bar{x}_d$ ), and that the simulated null distribution will be centered at the null value. This is the same process we used to create the simulation of the null distribution for a single quantitative variable.

6. Calculate the difference  $\mu_0 - \bar{x}_d$ . Will we need to shift the data up or down?

We will use the paired\_test() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the shifted bootstrap (null) distribution of sample mean differences and compute a p-value.

- Use the provided R script file and enter the calculated value from question 6 for xx to simulate the null distribution and enter the summary statistic from question 5 for yy to find the p-value.
- Highlight and run lines 27–33.

7. Interpret the p-value in the context of the problem.

Confidence interval We will use the paired\_bootstrap\_CI() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the bootstrap distribution of sample mean differences and calculate a 99% confidence interval.

- Enter missing values for xx
- Highlight and run lines 38 41

- 8. Report the 99% confidence interval.
- 9. Interpret the 99% confidence interval in the context of the problem.
- 10. Do the results of your confidence interval and hypothesis test agree? What does each tell you about the null hypothesis?
- 11. Write a conclusion to the test.

### 1.4.4 Take-home messages

- 1. The differences in a paired data set are treated like a single quantitative variable when performing a statistical analysis. Paired data (or paired samples) occur when pairs of measurements are collected. We are only interested in the population (and sample) of differences, and not in the original data.
- 2. When using bootstrapping to create a null distribution centered at the null value for both paired data and a single quantitative variable, we first need to shift the data by the difference  $\mu_0 \bar{x}_d$ , and then sample with replacement from the shifted data.
- 3. When analyzing paired data, the summary statistic is the 'mean difference' NOT the 'difference in means'.

  This terminology will be *very* important in interpretations.
- 4. To create one simulated sample on the null distribution for a sample mean or mean difference, shift the original data by adding  $(\mu_0 \bar{x})$  or  $(0 \bar{x}_d)$ . Sample with replacement from the shifted data n times. Calculate and plot the sample mean or the sample mean difference.
- 5. To create one simulated sample on the bootstrap distribution for a sample mean or mean difference, label n cards with the original response values. Randomly draw with replacement n times. Calculate and plot the resampled mean or the resampled mean difference.

### 1.4.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Technically, if we calculate the differences and then take the mean (mean difference), and we calculate the two means and then take the difference (difference in means), the value will be the same. However, the *sampling variability* of the two statistics will differ, as we will see in Week 12.

# 1.5 Activity 23: Color Interference

### 1.5.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving paired differences, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Describe and perform a theory-based hypothesis test for a paired mean difference.
- Interpret and evaluate a p-value for a theory-based hypothesis test for a paired mean difference.
- Use theory-based methods to find a confidence interval for a paired mean difference.
- Interpret a confidence interval for a paired mean difference.
- Use a confidence interval to determine the conclusion of a hypothesis test.

### 1.5.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will analyze paired quantitative data using theory-based methods. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Paired data
- Mean difference
- Independent observational units
- Normality
- t-distribution
- Degrees of freedom
- T-score

To review these concepts, see Chapter 18 in the textbook.

#### 1.5.3 Color Interference

The abstract of the article "Studies of interference in serial verbal reactions" in the *Journal of Experimental Psychology* (Stroop 1935) reads:

In this study pairs of conflicting stimuli, both being inherent aspects of the same symbols, were presented simultaneously (a name of one color printed in the ink of another color—a word stimulus and a color stimulus). The difference in time for reading the words printed in colors and the same words printed in black is the measure of interference of color stimuli upon reading words. ... The interference of conflicting color stimuli upon the time for reading 100 words (each word naming a color unlike the ink-color of its print) caused an increase of 2.3 seconds or 5.6% over the normal time for reading the same words printed in black.

The article reports on the results of a study in which seventy college undergraduates were given forms with 100 names of colors written in black ink, and the same 100 names of colors written in another color (i.e., the word purple written in green ink). The total time (in seconds) for reading the 100 words printed in black, and the total time (in seconds) for reading the 100 words printed in different colors were recorded for each subject. The order in which the forms (black or color) were given was randomized to the subjects. Does printing the name of colors in a different color increase the time it takes to read the words? Use color — black as the order of subtraction.

#### Identify the scenario

- 1. Should these observations be considered paired or independent? Explain your answer.
- 2. Based on your answer to question 1, is the appropriate summary measure to be used to analyze these data the difference in mean times or the mean difference in times?

#### Ask a research question

- 3. Write out the null hypothesis in words, in the context of this study.
- 4. Write out the alternative hypothesis in proper notation for this study.

In general, the sampling distribution for a sample mean,  $\bar{x}$ , based on a sample of size n from a population with a true mean  $\mu$  and true standard deviation  $\sigma$  can be modeled using a Normal distribution when certain conditions are met.

Conditions for the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  to follow an approximate Normal distribution:

- **Independence**: The sample's observations are independent. For paired data, that means each pairwise difference should be independent.
- Normality: The data should be approximately normal or the sample size should be large.
  - -n < 30: If the sample size n is less than 30 and the distribution of the data is approximately normal with no clear outliers in the data, then we typically assume the data come from a nearly normal distribution to satisfy the condition.
  - $-30 \le n < 100$ : If the sample size n is betwe 30 and 100 and there are no particularly extreme outliers in the data, then we typically assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal, even if the underlying distribution of individual observations is not.
  - $-n \ge 100$ : If the sample size n is at least 100 (regardless of the presence of skew or outliers), we typically assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal, even if the underlying distribution of individual observations is not.

Like we saw in Chapter 5, we will not know the values of the parameters and must use the sample data to estimate them. Unlike with proportions, in which we only needed to estimate the population proportion,  $\pi$ , quantitative sample data must be used to estimate both a population mean  $\mu$  and a population standard deviation  $\sigma$ . This additional uncertainty will require us to use a theoretical distribution that is just a bit wider than the Normal distribution. Enter the t-distribution!

As you can seen from Figure 1.2, the t-distributions (dashed and dotted lines) are centered at 0 just like a standard Normal distribution (solid line), but are slightly wider. The variability of a t-distribution depends on its degrees of freedom, which is calculated from the sample size of a study. (For a single sample of n observations or paired differences, the degrees of freedom is equal to n-1.) Recall from previous classes that larger sample sizes tend to result in narrower sampling distributions. We see that here as well. The larger the sample size, the

### **Comparison of t Distributions**

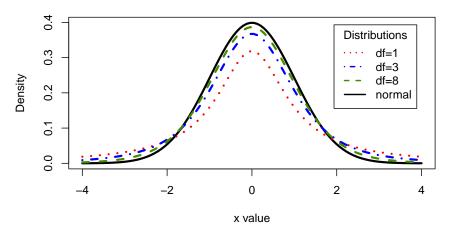


Figure 1.2: Comparison of the standard Normal vs t-distribution with various degrees of freedom

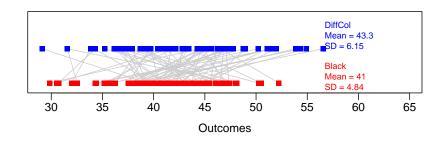
larger the degrees of freedom, the narrower the t-distribution. (In fact, a t-distribution with infinite degrees of freedom actually IS the standard Normal distribution!)

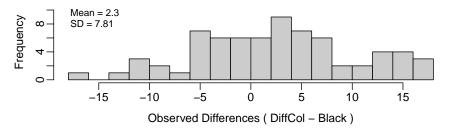
#### Summarize and visualize the data

Since the original data from the study are not available, we simulated data to match the means and standard deviations reported in the article. We will use these simulated data in the analysis below.

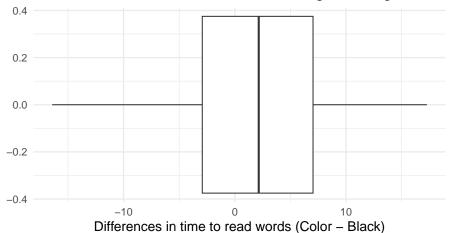
The following code plots each subject's time to read the colored words (above) and time to read the black words (below) connected by a grey line, a histogram of the differences in time to read words between the two conditions, and a boxplot displaying the pairwise differences in time (color - black).

- Download the R script file for this activity and upload to the R studio server.
- Follow the instructions given in the R file.





# Boxplot of the Difference in Time to Read Words Between Color and Black for College Undergraduates



The following code gives the summary statistics for the pairwise differences.

```
color_diff %>%
   summarise(favstats(differences))
```

### Check theoretical conditions

- 5. How do you know the independence condition is met for these data?
- 6. Is the normality condition met to use the theory-based methods for analysis? Explain your answer.

#### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

To find the standardized statistic for the paired differences we will use the following formula:

$$T = \frac{\bar{x}_d - \mu_0}{SE(\bar{x}_d)},$$

where the standard error of the sample mean difference is:

$$SE(\bar{x}_d) = \frac{s_d}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

- 7. Calculate the standard error of the sample mean difference.
- 8. How many standard errors is the observed mean difference from the null mean difference?

To find the p-value

- Enter the value for the standardized statistic for xx in the pt function.
- For a single sample or paired data, degrees of freedom are found by subtracting 1 from the sample size. You should therefore use df = n 1 = 70 1 = 69 and lower.tail = FALSE to find the p-value.
- Enter the df for yy in the pt function.
- Highlight and run line 27

```
pt(xx, df=yy, lower.tail=FALSE)
```

9. What does this p-value mean, in the context of the study? Hint: it is the probability of what...assuming what?

Next we will calculate a theory-based confidence interval. To calculate a theory-based confidence interval for the paired mean difference, use the following formula:

$$\bar{x}_d \pm t^* \times SE(\bar{x}_d)$$
.

We will need to find the  $t^*$  multiplier using the function qt().

- Enter the appropriate percentile in the R code to find the multiplier for a 90% confidence interval.
- Enter the df for yy.

```
qt(percentile, df = yy, lower.tail=TRUE)
```

11. Mark on the t-distribution found below the values of  $\pm t^*$ . Draw a line at each multiplier and write the percentiles used to find each.

### t Distribution with 69 df

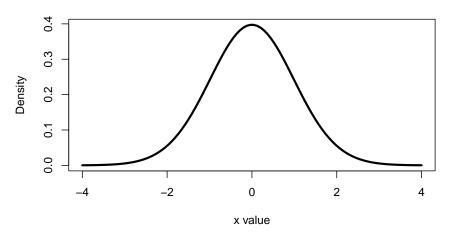


Figure 1.3: t-distribution with 69 degrees of freedom

- 12. Calculate the margin of error for the true paired mean difference using theory-based methods.
- 13. Calculate the confidence interval for the true paired mean difference using theory-based methods.
- 14. Interpret the confidence interval in context of the study.
- 15. Write a conclusion to the test in context of the study.
- 16. The abstract states, that the conflicting color stimuli "caused an increase of 2.3 seconds or 5.6% over the normal time for reading the same words printed in black." Is this statement valid? Explain.

### 1.5.4 Take-home messages

- 1. In order to use theory-based methods for dependent groups (paired data), the independent observational units and normality conditions must be met.
- 2. A T-score is compared to a t-distribution with n-1 df in order to calculate a one-sided p-value. To find a two-sided p-value using theory-based methods we need to multiply the one-sided p-value by 2.
- 3. A  $t^*$  multiplier is found by obtaining the bounds of the middle X% (X being the desired confidence level) of a t-distribution with n-1 df.

### 1.5.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered

# 1.6 Module 11 Lab: Swearing

### 1.6.1 Learning outcomes

- Identify whether a study is a paired design or independent groups
- Given a research question involving paired data, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Describe and perform a simulation-based hypothesis test for a mean difference.
- Interpret and evaluate a p-value for a hypothesis test for a mean difference.
- Use bootstrapping methods to find a confidence interval for a mean difference.
- Interpret a confidence interval for a mean difference.

### 1.6.2 Swearing

Profanity (language considered obscene or taboo) and society's attitude about its acceptableness is a highly debated topic, but does swearing serve a physiological purpose or function? Previous research has shown that swearing produces increased heart rates and higher levels of skin conductivity. It is theorized that since swearing provokes intense emotional responses, it acts as a distracter, allowing a person to withstand higher levels of pain. To explore the relationship between swearing and increased pain tolerance, researchers from Keele University (Staffordshire, UK) recruited 83 native English-speaking participants (Stephens and Robertson 2020). Each volunteer performed two trials holding a hand in an ice-water bath, once while repeating the "f-word" every three seconds, and once while repeating a neutral word ("table"). The order of the word to repeat was randomly assigned. Researchers recorded the length of time, in seconds, from the moment the participant indicated they were in pain until they removed their hand from the ice water for each trial. They hope to find evidence that pain tolerance is greater (longer times) when a person swears compared to when they say a neutral word, on average. Use Swear – Neutral as the order of subtraction.

- 1. What is the explanatory variable for this study? What is the response?
- 2. What does  $\mu_d$  represent in the context of this study?
- 3. Write out the null hypothesis in proper notation for this study.
- 4. What sign  $(<, >, \text{ or } \neq)$  would you use in the alternative hypothesis for this study? Explain your choice.
- Upload and open the R script file for Week 12 lab.
- Upload and import the csv file, pain\_tolerance.
- Enter the name of the data set (see the environment tab) for datasetname in the R script file in line 8.
- Highlight and run lines 1–9 to load the data and create a paired plot of the data.

```
swearing <- datasetname
paired_observed_plot(swearing)</pre>
```

- 5. Based on the plots, does there appear to be some evidence in favor of the alternative hypothesis? How do you know?
- Enter the outcome for group 1 (Swear) for group\_1 and the outcome for group 2 (Neutral) for group\_2 in line 16.
- Highlight and run lines 14–25 to get the summary statistics and boxplot of the differences.

```
swearing_diff <- swearing %>%
  mutate(differences = group_1 - group_2)
swearing_diff %>%
  summarise(favstats(differences))

swearing_diff %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = differences)) +
  geom_boxplot()+
  labs(title="Boxplot of the Difference in Time Participants Held Their Hand
        in Ice Water while Swearing or while Saying a Neutral Word (Swearing - Neutral)")
```

- 6. What is the value of  $\bar{x}_d$ ? What is the sample size?
- 7. How far, on average, is each difference in time the participant holds their hand in ice water from the mean of the differences in time? What is the appropriate notation for this value?

#### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

8. Using the provided graphs and summary statistics, determine if both theory-based methods and simulation methods could be used to analyze the data. Explain your reasoning.

### Hypothesis test

Remember that the null distribution is created based on the assumption the null hypothesis is true. In this study, the null hypothesis states that swearing does not affect pain tolerance, or that the length of time a subject kept their hand in the water would be the same whether the patient was swearing or not.

We will use the paired\_test() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the null distribution of sample mean differences and compute a p-value.

- 9. When using the paired\_test() function, we need to enter the name of the data set, either the order of subtraction (if the data set has both measurements) or the name of the differences (if the data set contains them). We will also need to provide R with the observed mean difference, the direction of the alternative hypothesis, and the shift required in order to force the null hypothesis to be true. The name of the data set as shown above is swearing\_diff and the column of differences is called differences. What values should be entered for each of the following to create 1000 simulated samples?
- shift:
- As extreme as:
- Direction ("greater", "less", or "two-sided"):
- Number of repetitions:
- 10. Simulate a null distribution and compute the p-value. Using the R script file for this lab, enter your answers for question 9 in place of the xx's to produce the null distribution with 1000 simulations. Highlight and run lines 23–29.

Sketch the null distribution created using the paired\_test code.

### Communicate the results and answer the research question

- 11. Report the p-value. Based off of this p-value and a 1% significance level, what decision would you make about the null hypothesis? What potential error might you be making based on that decision?
- 12. Do you expect the 98% confidence interval to contain the null value of zero? Explain.

#### Confidence interval

We will use the paired\_bootstrap\_CI() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the bootstrap distribution of sample mean differences and calculate a confidence interval.

13. Using bootstrapping and the provided R script file, find a 98% confidence interval. Fill in the missing values/numbers in the paired\_bootstrap\_CI() function to create the 98% confidence interval. Highlight and run lines 34–37. Upload a copy of the bootstrap distribution created to Gradescope for your group.

Report the 98% confidence interval in interval notation.

- 14. Interpret the *confidence level* of the interval found in question 12.
- 15. Write a paragraph summarizing the results of the study. **Upload a copy of your group's paragraph to Gradescope.** Be sure to describe:
  - Summary statistic and interpretation
    - Summary measure (in context)
    - Value of the statistic
    - Order of subtraction when comparing two groups
  - P-value and interpretation
    - Statement about probability or proportion of samples
    - Statistic (summary measure and value)
    - Direction of the alternative
    - Null hypothesis (in context)
  - Confidence interval and interpretation
    - How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
    - Parameter of interest
    - Calculated interval
    - Order of subtraction when comparing two groups
  - Conclusion (written to answer the research question)
    - Amount of evidence
    - Parameter of interest
    - Direction of the alternative hypothesis

# • Scope of inference

- To what group of observational units do the results apply (target population or observational units similar to the sample)?
- What type of inference is appropriate (causal or non-causal)?

# Inference for a Quantitative Response with Independent Samples

# 2.1 Vocabulary Review and Key Topics

Review the Golden Ticket posted in the resources at the end of the coursepack for a summary of a categorical explanatory variable and a quantitative response variable for independent samples. Module 12 will cover both simulation and theory-based methods of inference.

Types of plot for independent variables

- Side-by-side boxplots: plots a boxplot of the five number summary for each categorical level
- R code to create side-by-side boxplots:

- Stacked histogram: plots one histogram for each level of the categorical variable
- Stacked dotplots: plots one dotplot for each level of the categorical variable
- Four characteristics to compare boxplots
  - Shape (symmetric or skewed)
  - Center
  - Spread
  - Outliers?

Summary measure

- Difference in mean: measures the difference in mean values between the two categorical groups
- Parameter notation for difference in means:  $\mu_1 \mu_2$ , where 1 represents the 1st group of the explanatory variable and 2 represents the 2nd group
- Sample notation for difference in means:  $\bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2$
- R code to find the summary statistics
  - Note: review the interpretations of the other summary measures from Module 6

```
object %>%
  reframe(favstats(response~explantory))
```

### Simulation Hypothesis Testing

Hypotheses:

$$\begin{split} H_0: \mu_1 - \mu_2 &= 0 \text{ or } H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2 \\ H_A: \mu_1 - \mu_2 \left\{ \begin{array}{c} < \\ \neq \\ < \end{array} \right\} 0 \text{ or } H_A: \mu_1 \left\{ \begin{array}{c} < \\ \neq \\ < \end{array} \right\} \mu_2 \end{split}$$

• R code for simulation methods to find the p-value using the two\_mean\_test function in the catstats package.

### Simulation Confidence Interval

• R code to find the simulation confidence interval using the twomean\_bootstrap\_CI function from the catstats package.

- Review how to interpret the confidence interval for two groups from Module 8
- Conditions for the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2$  to follow an approximate normal distribution:
  - Independence: The sample's observations are independent, e.g., are from a simple random sample
    and there is independence between groups. (*Remember*: This also must be true to use simulation
    methods!)
  - Large enough sample size: Normality Condition: The sample observations come from a normally distributed population. Need to check for each group by using the following rules of thumb:
    - \* n < 30: Each distribution of the sample must be approximately normal with no outliers
    - \*  $30 \ge n < 100$ : We can relax the condition a little; the distribution of each sample must have no extreme outliers or skewness
    - \* n>100: Can assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}_1-\bar{x}_2$  is nearly normal, even if the underlying distribuion of individual observations is not
- t-distribution: a theoretical distribution that is symmetric with a given degrees of freedom smallest sample size minus 1 (n-1)

 $<sup>-\</sup> t_{n-1}$ 

# 2.2 Video Notes: Inference for Independent Samples

Read Chapters 19 and 20 in the course textbook. Use the following videos to complete the video notes for Module 10.

2.2.1	Course	Videos
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- 19.1
- 19.2
- 19.3TheoryTests
- $\bullet$  19.4TheoryInterval

# Single categorical, single quantitative variable with independent samples

• In this module, we will study inference for a explana	atory
variable and a response variable where the two groups	s are
<del>.</del>	
• Independent groups: When the measurements in one sample are not related to the measurements in	n the
other sample.	
• Two random samples taken separately from two populations and the same response variable is reco Compare the average number of sick days off from work for people who had a flu shot and people didn't.	
• Participants are randomly assigned to one of two treatment conditions, and the same response varial recorded.	ble is
ther than analyzing the differences as a single mean we will calculate summary statistics on each sample	e.
ample: Fifty-one (51) college students volunteered to look at impacts on memorization, specifically if puters into recognizable patterns (like FBI, CIA, EDA, CDC, etc.) would increase the number letters memorialler 1956) The college students were randomly assigned to either a recognizable or non-recognizable loup. After a period of study time, the number of letters memorized was collected on each study. Is adence that putting letters into recognizable letter groups improve memory?	rized lette
• The summary measure for two independent groups is the	ir

Notation for Independent Groups

- Population mean for group 1:
- Population mean for group 2:
- Sample mean for group 1:
- Sample mean for group 2:
- Sample difference in means:

- Population standard deviation for group 1:
- Population standard deviation for group 2:
- Sample standard deviation for group 1:
- Sample standard deviation for group 2:
- Sample size for group 1:
- Sample size for group 2:

Why should we treat this as two independent groups rather than paired data?

### Hypothesis Testing

Conditions:

• Independence: the response for one observational unit will not influence the outcome for another observational unit

Null hypothesis assumes "no effect", "no difference", "nothing interesting happening", etc.

```
Always of form: "parameter" = null value
```

 $H_0$ :

 $H_A:$ 

 $\bullet\,$  Research question determines the alternative hypothesis.

Write the null and alternative hypotheses for the letters study:

In notation:

 $H_0:$ 

 $H_A:$ 

```
letters<-read.csv("data/letters.csv")
letters %>%
    reframe(favstats(Memorized~Grouped))
```

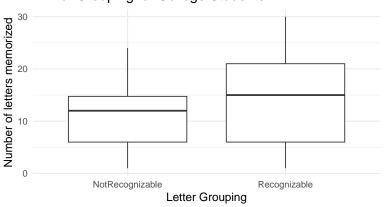
```
#> Grouped min Q1 median Q3 max mean sd n missing
#> 1 NotRecognizable 1 6 12 14.75 24 11.15385 6.576883 26 0
#> 2 Recognizable 1 6 15 21.00 30 14.32000 8.518216 25 0
```

Summary statistic:

Interpret the summary statistic in context of the problem:

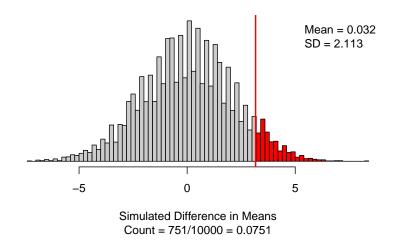
```
letters%>%
  ggplot(aes(y = Memorized, x = Grouped)) + #Enter the name of the explanatory and response variable
  geom_boxplot()+
  labs(title = "Boxplot of Number of Letters memorized by Type
      of Grouping for College Students", #Title your plot
      y = "Number of letters memorized", #y-axis label
      x = "Letter Grouping") #x-axis label
```

# Boxplot of Number of Letters memorized by Type of Grouping for College Students



### Simulation-based method

- Simulate many samples assuming  $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$ 
  - Write the response variable values on cards
  - Mix the explanatory variable groups together
  - Shuffle cards into two explanatory variable groups to represent the sample size in each group  $(n_1$  and  $n_2)$
  - Calculate and plot the simulated difference in sample means from each simulation
  - Repeat 1000 times (simulations) to create the null distribution
  - Find the proportion of simulations at least as extreme as  $\bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2$



Explain why the null distribution is centered at the value of zero:

# Interpretation of the p-value:

- Statement about probability or proportion of samples
- Statistic (summary measure and value)
- Direction of the alternative
- Null hypothesis (in context)

# Conclusion:

- Amount of evidence
- Parameter of interest
- Direction of the alternative hypothesis

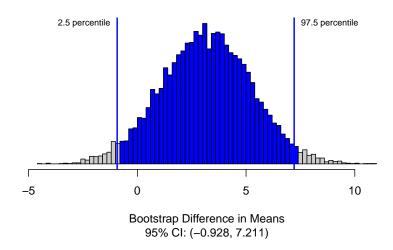
# Confidence interval

To estimate the difference in true mean we will create a confidence interval.

# Simulation-based method - Video 19.2

- Write the response variable values on cards
- Keep explanatory variable groups separate
- Sample with replacement  $n_1$  times in explanatory variable group 1 and  $n_2$  times in explanatory variable group 2
- Calculate and plot the simulated difference in sample means from each simulation
- Repeat 1000 times (simulations) to create the bootstrap distribution
- Find the cut-offs for the middle X% (confidence level) in a bootstrap distribution.

For the letters example, we will estimate the difference in true mean number of letters recognized for students given recognizable letter groupings and students given non-recognizable letter groupings.



# Confidence interval interpretation:

- How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
- Parameter of interest
- Calculated interval
- Order of subtraction when comparing two groups

### Theory-based method - Video 19.3TheoryTests

Example: Every year, orange and black monarch butterflies migrate from their summer breeding grounds in the US and Canada to mountain forests in central Mexico, where they hibernate for the winter. Due to abnormal weather patterns and drought affecting monarch habitats and feeding grounds, the population of monarch butterflies is estimated to have decreased by 53% from the 2018-2019 wintering season to the 2019-2020 wintering season (WWF, 2020). While conservationists often resort to captive-rearing with the goal of raising biologically indistinct individuals for release into the wild, tagging studies have shown that captive-reared monarchs have lower migratory success compared to wild monarchs. For this study, the researchers raised 67 monarchs (descended from wild monarchs) from eggs to maturity and then compared them to a group of 40 wild-caught monarchs. The researchers want to explore whether the maximum grip strength (how many Newtons a butterfly exerts at the moment of release when gently tugged from a mesh-covered perch) differs between captive-reared and wild-caught monarchs. Use Captive – Wild for order of subtraction.

Write the null and alternative hypotheses in notation.

 $H_0:$ 

 $H_A:$ 

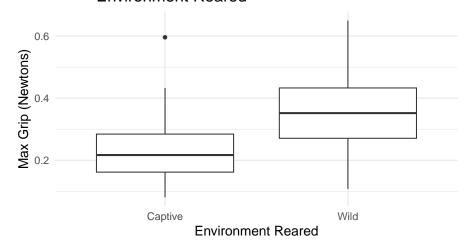
#> 2

```
butterfly <-read.csv("data/butterfly1.csv")</pre>
butterflies <- butterfly %>% na.omit() %>%
    rename(Monarch_Group = "Monarch.Group",
           MaxGrip = "Max.Grip.Strength..N.") %>%
    mutate(Monarch_Group = factor(Monarch_Group),
           Sex = factor(Sex)) %>%
    mutate(Monarch_Group = fct_collapse(Monarch_Group, "Captive" = c("Incubator - Fall conditions", "Reari
butterflies %>%
    reframe(favstats(MaxGrip~Monarch_Group))
#>
     Monarch_Group
                     min
                             Q1 median
                                           Q3
                                                max
                                                          mean
                                                                       sd
                                                                           n missing
           Captive 0.081 0.162 0.217 0.2845 0.596 0.2363731 0.09412948 67
#> 1
```

0

# Boxplot of Max Grip of Monarch Butterflies by Environment Reared

Wild 0.108 0.271 0.352 0.4330 0.650 0.3607500 0.14066796 40



### Conditions:

- Independence: the response for one observational unit will not influence the outcome for another observational unit
- Large enough sample size

Like with paired data the t-distribution can be used to model the difference in means.

• For independent samples we use the \_\_\_\_\_- distribution with \_\_\_\_\_ degrees of freedom to approximate the sampling distribution.

Theory-based test:

- Calculate the standardized statistic
- Find the area under the t-distribution with the smallest n-1 df  $[\min(n_1-1,n_2-1)]$  at least as extreme as the standardized statistic

Equation for the standard error of the difference in sample mean:

Equation for the standardized difference in sample mean:

Are the conditions met to analyze the butterfly data using theory based-methods?

Calculate the standardized difference in mean max grip strength.

- First calculate the  $SE(\bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2)$
- Then calculate the T-score

What theoretical distribution should we use to find the p-value?

To find the theory-based p-value:

```
pt(-5, df=39, lower.tail=FALSE)*2
```

#> [1] 1.999987

Conclusion:

- Amount of evidence
- Parameter of interest
- Direction of the alternative hypothesis

# Confidence Interval - Video 19.3TheoryIntervals

• Calculate the interval centered at the sample statistic statistic  $\pm$  margin of error

Using the butterfly data, calculate the 99% confidence interval.

```
butterflies %>%
    reframe(favstats(MaxGrip~Monarch_Group))
                             Q1 median
     Monarch_Group
                      min
                                                  max
                                                           mean
                                                                         sd n missing
#> 1
           Captive 0.081 0.162
                                0.217 0.2845 0.596 0.2363731 0.09412948 67
                                                                                      0
#> 2
              Wild 0.108 0.271 0.352 0.4330 0.650 0.3607500 0.14066796 40
   • Need the t^* multiplier for a 99% confidence interval from a t-distribution with
                                                                                         df.
qt(0.995, df=39, lower.tail = TRUE)
```

- **#>** [1] 2.707913
  - We will use the same value for the  $SE(\bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2)$  as calculated for the standardized statistic.

Calculate the margin of error for a 99% confidence interval for the parameter of interest.

Calculate a 99% confidence interval for the parameter of interest.

# 2.2.2 Concept Check

Be prepared for group discussion in the next class. One member from the table should write the answers to the following on the whiteboard.

- 1. Why is the recognizable letter study analyzed as two independent groups rather than paired data?
- 2. Write out the equation for the standard error for a difference in sample means.

# 2.3 Activity 24: Does behavior impact performance?

# 2.3.1 Learning outcomes

- Create a side-by-side boxplot of one categorical explanatory variable and one quantitative response variable
- Use bootstrapping to find a confidence interval for a difference in means.
- Interpret a confidence interval for a difference in means.
- Use a confidence interval to determine the conclusion of a hypothesis test.

# 2.3.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will use simulation-based methods to analyze the association between one categorical explanatory variable and one quantitative response variable, where the groups formed by the categorical variable are independent. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Independent groups
- Difference in means

To review these concepts, see Chapter 19 in the textbook.

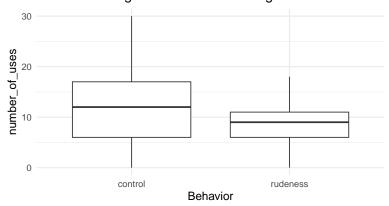
### 2.3.3 Behavior and Performance

A study in the Academy of Management Journal (Porath 2017) investigated how rude behaviors influence a victim's task performance. Randomly selected college students enrolled in a management course were randomly assigned to one of two experimental conditions: rudeness condition (45 students) and control group (53 students). Each student was asked to write down as many uses for a brick as possible in five minutes; this value (total number of uses) was used as a performance measure for each student, where higher values indicate better performance. During this time another individual showed up late for class. For those students in the rudeness condition, the facilitator displayed rudeness by berating the students in general for being irresponsible and unprofessional (due to the late-arriving person). No comments were made about the late-arriving person for students in the control group. Is there evidence that the average performance score for students in the rudeness condition is lower than for students in the control group? Use the order of subtraction of rudeness – control.

```
# Read in data set
rude <- read.csv("https://math.montana.edu/courses/s216/data/rude.csv")</pre>
```

```
# Side-by-side box plots
rude %>%
ggplot(aes(x = condition, y = number_of_uses)) +
    geom_boxplot() +
    labs(title = "Number of Uses for a Brick based on Behavior Condition
        for College Students in a Management Course",
        x = "Behavior")
```

# Number of Uses for a Brick based on Behavior Condition for College Students in a Management Course



```
# Summary statistics
rude %>%
    reframe(favstats(number_of_uses ~ condition))
```

# Quantitative variables review

- 1. Compare the distributions of the number of bricks between the two treatment conditions.
  - What is the shape of each group?
  - Which group has the higher center?
  - What group has the larger spread?
  - Does either distribution have outliers?
- 2. Is this an experiment or an observational study? Justify your answer.

3. Explain why this is two indepen-	ndent samples and not paired data
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### Numerically Summarize the data

4. Calculate the summary statistic of interest (difference in means). What is the appropriate notation for this statistic?

Interpret this calculated value.

- 5. Write out the parameter of interest for this study in context of the study.
  - To write in context:
    - Population word (true, long-run, population)
    - Summary measure (depends on the type of data)
    - Context
      - \* Observational units
      - \* Variable(s)

### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

Confidence interval We will use the two\_proportion\_bootstrap\_CI() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the bootstrap distribution of differences in sample proportions and calculate a confidence interval. We will need to enter the response variable name and the explanatory variable name for the formula, the data set name (identified above as rude), the outcome for the explanatory variable that is first in subtraction, number of repetitions, the outcome for the response variable that is a success (the count for the numerator when calculating a sample proportion), and the confidence level as a decimal.

The response variable name is number\_of\_uses and the explanatory variable name is condition.

- 6. What values should be entered for each of the following into the simulation to create a 99% confidence interval?
- First in subtraction (What is the outcome for the explanatory variable that is used as first in the order of subtraction? "rudeness" or "control"):

- Number of repetitions:
- Confidence level (entered as a decimal):

Using the R script file for this activity, enter your answers for question 6 in place of the xx's to produce the bootstrap distribution with 1000 simulations; highlight and run lines 16–21.

- 7. Where is the bootstrap distribution centered? Explain why.
- 8. Report the bootstrap 99% confidence interval.
- 9. What percentile of the bootstrap distribution does the upper value of the confidence interval represent?
- 10. Interpret the 99% confidence interval.

# 2.3.4 Take-home messages

- 1. This activity differs from the activities in Module 11 because the responses are independent, not paired. These data are analyzed as a difference in means, not a mean difference.
- 2. To create one simulated sample on the null distribution for a difference in sample means, label cards with the response variable values from the original data. Mix cards together and shuffle into two new groups of sizes  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ . Calculate and plot the difference in means.
- 3. To create one simulated sample on the bootstrap distribution for a difference in sample means, label  $n_1 + n_2$  cards with the original response values. Keep groups separate and randomly draw with replacement  $n_1$  times from group 1 and  $n_2$  times from group 2. Calculate and plot the resampled difference in means.

# 2.3.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered

# 2.4 Activity 25: Moon Phases and Virtual Reality

# 2.4.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving one categorical explanatory variable and one quantitative response variable, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Describe and perform a theory-based hypothesis test for a difference in means.
- Interpret and evaluate a p-value for a theory-based hypothesis test for a difference in means.
- Use theory-based methods to find a confidence interval for a difference in means.
- Interpret a confidence interval for a difference in means.
- Use a confidence interval to determine the conclusion of a hypothesis test.

# 2.4.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will use theory-based methods to analyze the association between one categorical explanatory variable and one quantitative response variable, where the groups formed by the categorical variable are independent. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Difference in means
- Independence within and between groups
- Normality

To review these concepts, see Chapter 19 in the textbook.

# 2.4.3 Moon Phases and Virtual Reality

In a study comparing immersive virtual reality (VR) to traditional hands-on methods, researchers recruited 115 undergraduate students to assess the effectiveness of these approaches in teaching complex scientific concepts like Moon phases (Madden 2020). Participants were randomly assigned to experience either a VR simulation replicating the Sun-Earth-Moon system or a hands-on activity where they physically manipulated models to observe Moon phases. The students were given a 14 multiple choice question quiz about Moon phases and the Moon's motion relative to the Earth to evaluate their understanding of Moon phases and the Moon's motion. Each question had only one correct answer, and the participant's score was the sum of the number of correct answers, with all questions weighted equally (with a maximum score of 14). Is there evidence of a difference, on average, in student learning comparing those using VR methods to those using the traditional method? Use order of subtraction VR – Hands-on.

- 1. Write out the parameter of interest in words in context of the study.
  - To write in context:
    - Population word (true, long-run, population)
    - Summary measure (depends on the type of data)
    - Context
      - \* Observational units
      - \* Variable(s)

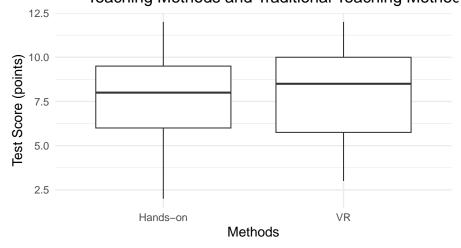
- 2. Write out the null hypothesis in notation for this study. Be sure to clearly identify the subscripts.
- 3. Write out the alternative hypothesis in words for this study.

The sampling distribution for  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$  can be modeled using a normal distribution when certain conditions are met

Conditions for the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$  to follow an approximate normal distribution:

- Independence: The sample's observations are independent
- Normality: Each sample should be approximately normal or have a large sample size. For each sample:
  - -n < 30: If the sample size n is less than 30 and there are no clear outliers in the data, then we typically assume the data come from a nearly normal distribution to satisfy the condition.
  - $-30 \le n < 100$ : If the sample size n is between 30 and 100 and there are no particularly extreme outliers, then we typically assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal, even if the underlying distribution of individual observations is not.
  - $-n \ge 100$ : If the sample size n is at least 100 (regardless of the presence of skew or outliers), we typically assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal, even if the underlying distribution of individual observations is not.

# Boxplots of Test Scores for Undergraduate Students Co Teaching Methods and Traditional Teaching Methoc



### moon %>%

reframe(favstats(TestScore~Method))

- Method min Q1 median Q3 max mean sdn missing 2 6.00 8.0 9.5 12 7.694915 2.647408 59 #> 1 Hands-on 0 #> 2 VR 3 5.75 8.5 10.0 12 7.982143 2.370202 56 0
  - 4. Can theory-based methods be used to analyze these data?

5. Calculate the summary statistic (difference in means) for this study. Use appropriate notation with clearly defined subscripts.

### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

To find the standardized statistic for the difference in means we will calculate:

$$T = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 - 0}{SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2)},$$

where the standard error of the difference in means is calculated using:

$$SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) = \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}.$$

- 6. Calculate the standard error for the difference in sample means.
- 7. Calculate the standardized statistic for the difference in sample means.

To find the degrees of freedom to use for the t-distribution, we need to use the group with the smallest sample size and subtract 1. ( $df = minimum of n_1 - 1 or n_2 - 1$ ).

- $\bullet$  Enter the value of the standardized statistic for xx
- Enter the df for yy

```
2*pt(xx, df=yy, lower.tail=FALSE)
```

8. What is the p-value for the study?

To calculate a theory-based 95% confidence interval for a difference in means, use the formula:

$$(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm (t^* \times SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2))$$

We will need to find the  $t^*$  multiplier using the function qt(). For a 95% confidence level, we are finding the  $t^*$  value at the 97.5th percentile with (df = minimum of  $n_1 - 1$  or  $n_2 - 1$ ).

- **#>** [1] 2.004045
  - 9. Calculate the 95% confidence interval using theory-based methods.
- 10. Write a conclusion to the test.

# 2.4.4 Take-home messages

- 1. In order to use theory-based methods for independent groups, the normality condition must be met for each sample.
- 2. A T-score is compared to a t-distribution with the minimum n-1 df in order to calculate a one-sided p-value. To find a two-sided p-value using theory-based methods we need to multiply the one-sided p-value by 2.
- 3. A  $t^*$  multiplier is found by obtaining the bounds of the middle X% (X being the desired confidence level) of a t-distribution with the minimum n-1 df.

## 2.4.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered

# 2.5 Module 12 Lab: Trustworthiness

# 2.5.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving one categorical explanatory variable and one quantitative response variable, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Describe and perform a theory-based hypothesis test for a difference in means.
- Interpret and evaluate a p-value for a theory-based hypothesis test for a difference in means.
- Use theory-based methods to find a confidence interval for a difference in means.
- Interpret a confidence interval for a difference in means.
- Use a confidence interval to determine the conclusion of a hypothesis test.

# 2.5.2 Trustworthiness

Researchers in India wanted to find out how trustworthy famous YouTubers are (Kalra 2022). They went through a process in which they collected data on many videos from famous YouTubers to determine a trustworthiness score. Scientists randomly selected videos from famous YouTubers (>1000 subscribers) to include in the study. There were many different factors that went into calculating the trustworthiness score. Researchers also recorded if YouTubers were a subject matter expert (SME) or not a subject matter expert (non-SME). An example of an SME would be if one of your statistics professors made a YouTube video of how to do hypothesis testing. An example of someone who isn't an SME would be if one of your friends who has never taken a civil engineering class in their life decided to make a YouTube video about how to build a bridge. There were 621 Youtubers who are SMEs in the sample and 1026 who aren't SMEs. Is there evidence of a difference in mean trustworthiness score between subject matter experts (SME) YouTubers and non-SME YouTubers? Use SME – Non -SME as the order of subtraction

- 1. Write out the parameter of interest in words in context of the study.
- 2. Write out the null hypothesis in notation for this study. Be sure to clearly identify the subscripts.
- 3. Write out the alternative hypothesis in words for this study.

The sampling distribution for  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$  can be modeled using a normal distribution when certain conditions are met.

Conditions for the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2$  to follow an approximate normal distribution:

- Independence: The sample's observations are independent
- Normality: Each sample should be approximately normal or have a large sample size. For each sample:

- -n < 30: If the sample size n is less than 30 and there are no clear outliers in the data, then we typically assume the data come from a nearly normal distribution to satisfy the condition.
- $-30 \le n < 100$ : If the sample size n is between 30 and 100 and there are no particularly extreme outliers, then we typically assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal, even if the underlying distribution of individual observations is not.
- $-n \ge 100$ : If the sample size n is at least 100 (regardless of the presence of skew or outliers), we typically assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal, even if the underlying distribution of individual observations is not.
- Upload and open the R script file for Module 10 lab. Upload the csv file, Trustworthiness.csv.
- Enter the name of the data set for datasetname in the R script file in line 10.
- Write a title for the boxplots in line 14.
- Highlight and run lines 1–16 to load the data and create plots of the data.

- 4. Is the independence condition met? Explain your answer.
- 5. Check that the normality condition is met to use theory-based methods to analyze these data.
- Enter the name of the explanatory variable for explanatory and the name of the response variable for response in line 22.
- Highlight and run lines 21–22 to get the summary statistics for the data.

```
trust %>%
  reframe(favstats(response~explantory))
```

6. Calculate the summary measure (difference in means) for this study. Use appropriate notation with clearly defined subscripts.

### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

To find the standardized statistic for the difference in means we will calculate:

$$T = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 - 0}{SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2)},$$

where the standard error of the difference in means is calculated using:

$$SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) = \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}}.$$

- 7. Calculate the standard error for the difference in sample means.
- 8. Calculate the standardized statistic for the difference in sample means.
- 9. When we are comparing two quantitative variables to find the degrees of freedom to use for the t-distribution, we need to use the group with the smallest sample size and subtract 1. ( $df = minimum of n_1 1 or n_2 1$ ). Calculate the df for this study.
- 10. Using the provided R script file, enter the T-score (for xx) and the df calculated in question 9 for yy into the pt() function to find the p-value. Highlight and run line 27. Report the p-value calculated.

2\*pt(xx, df=yy, lower.tail=FALSE)

- 11. Explain why we multiplied by 2 in the code above.
- 12. Do you expect the 95% confidence interval to contain the null value of zero? Explain your answer.

To calculate a theory-based 95% confidence interval for a difference in means, use the formula:

$$(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) \pm (t^* \times SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2))$$

We will need to find the  $t^*$  multiplier using the function qt(). For a 95% confidence level, we are finding the  $t^*$  value at the 97.5th percentile with (df = minimum of  $n_1 - 1$  or  $n_2 - 1$ ).

• Enter the appropriate percentile value (as a decimal) for xx and degrees of freedom for yy into the qt() function at line 32 to find the appropriate  $t^*$  multiplier

qt(xx, df = yy, lower.tail=FALSE)

13. Report the  $t^*$  multiplier for the 95% confidence interval.

- 14. Calculate the 95% confidence interval using theory-based methods.
- 15. Do the results of the CI agree with the p-value? Explain your answer.
- 16. What type of error may be possible?
- 17. Write a paragraph summarizing the results of the study as if you are reporting the results to your supervisor. Upload a copy of your paragraph to Gradescope for your group. Be sure to describe:
  - Summary statistic and interpretation
  - P-value and interpretation
    - Statement about probability or proportion of samples
    - Statistic (summary measure and value)
    - Direction of the alternative
    - Null hypothesis (in context)
  - Confidence interval and interpretation
    - How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
    - Parameter of interest
    - Calculated interval
    - Order of subtraction when comparing two groups
  - Conclusion (written to answer the research question)
    - Amount of evidence
    - Parameter of interest
    - Direction of the alternative hypothesis
  - Scope of inference

Paragraph continued:

# Inference for Two Quantitative Variables

# 3.1 Vocabulary Review and Key Topics

Review the Golden Ticket posted in the resources at the end of the coursepack for a summary of a two quantitative variables.

Types of plot for two quantitative variables

- Scatterplot: plots (x,y) pairs of observations
- Four characteristics of scatterplots
  - Form (linear or non-linear)
  - Direction (positive or negative)
  - Strength (weak, moderate, or strong)
  - Outliers?

R code to create a scatterplot:

Summary measures

• Slope of the regression line: measures the magnitude and direction of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables

```
\widehat{response} = b_0 + b_1 \times explanatory
```

- Parameter notation for slope:  $\beta_1$
- Sample notation for slope:  $b_1$
- R code to create the linear model

```
linearmodel <- lm(response~explanatory, data=object)
round(summary(linearmodel)$coefficients,3) # Display coefficient</pre>
```

- Correlation: measures the strength and direction of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables
  - Parameter notation:  $\rho$

- Sample notation: r
- Coefficient of determination: measures the percent of total variability in the response variable that is explained by the relationship with the explanatory variable

$$r^2 = (r)^2 = \frac{SST - SSE}{SST} = \frac{s_y^2 - s_{residual}^2}{s_y^2}$$

# Simulation Hypothesis Testing

• Can test either slope or correlation - both test for a linear relationship between two quantitative variables Hypotheses for slope:

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$

$$H_A:\beta_1\left\{\begin{array}{l}<\\\neq\\<\end{array}\right\}0$$

Hypotheses for correlation:

$$\begin{split} H_0: \rho &= 0 \\ H_A: \rho \left\{ \begin{array}{l} < \\ \neq \\ < \end{array} \right\} 0 \end{split}$$

• R code for simulation methods to find the p-value using the regression\_test function in the catstats package.

```
regression_test(response~explanatory, # response ~ explanatory

data = object, # Name of data set

direction = "xx", # Sign in alternative ("greater", "less", "two-sided")

summary_measure = "xx", # "slope" or "correlation"

as_extreme_as = xx, # Observed slope or correlation

number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for null distribution
```

# Conditions necessary to use theory-based methods

# Theory-based Methods to find the p-value

• To find the value of the standardized statistic to test the slope we will use,

$$T = \frac{\text{slope estimate} - null value}{SE} = \frac{b_1 - 0}{SE(b_1)}.$$

- \* Use the standard error estimate from the linear model output
  - The p-value can be found from the linear model output or by using the pt function.
    - Enter the value of the standardized statistic for xx
    - Enter the df (n-2) for yy

```
pt(xx, df = yy, lower.tail=TRUE)
```

### Simulation methods to find the confidence interval

• R code to find the simulation confidence interval using the regression\_bootstrap\_CI function from the catstats package.

```
regression_bootstrap_CI(response~explanatory, # response ~ explanatory
  data = object, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = xx, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "xx", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```

# Theory-based methods to find the confidence interval

- R code to find the multiplier for the confidence interval using theory-based methods.
  - pt will give you a p-value using the t-distribution with n-2 df (enter for yy)
  - Enter the value of the standardized statistic for xx
  - If a greater than alternative, change lower.tail = TRUE to FALSE.
  - If a two-sided test, multiply by 2.

```
pt(xx, df=yy, lower.tail=FALSE)
```

# 3.2 Video Notes: Regression and Correlation

Read Chapters 6, 7, and 8 in the course textbook. Use the following videos to complete the video notes for Module 13.

# 3.2.1 Course Videos

- 6.1
- 6.2
- 6.3
- Ch 7

# Summary measures and plots for two quantitative variables - Videos 6.1 - 6.3

Example: Data were collected from 1236 births between 1960 and 1967 in the San Francisco East Bay area to better understand what variables contributed to child birthweight, as children with low birthweight often suffer from an array of complications later in life ("Child Health and Development Studies," n.d.). There were some missing values in the study and with those observations removed we have a total of 1223 births.

```
babies <- read.csv ("data/babies.csv") %>%
   drop na(bwt) %>%
   drop_na(gestation)
glimpse(babies)
#> Rows: 1,223
#> Columns: 8
#> $ case
              <int> 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, ~
#> $ bwt
              <int> 120, 113, 128, 108, 136, 138, 132, 120, 143, 140, 144, 141,
#> $ qestation <int> 284, 282, 279, 282, 286, 244, 245, 289, 299, 351, 282, 279, ~
#> $ parity
              <int> 27, 33, 28, 23, 25, 33, 23, 25, 30, 27, 32, 23, 36, 30, 38,
#> $ age
#> $ height
              <int> 62, 64, 64, 67, 62, 62, 65, 62, 66, 68, 64, 63, 61, 63, 63,
              <int> 100, 135, 115, 125, 93, 178, 140, 125, 136, 120, 124, 128, 9~
#> $ weight
              <int> 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, ~
#> $ smoke
```

Here you see a glimpse of the data. The 1223 rows correspond to the sample size. The case variable is labeling each pregnancy 1 through 1223. Then 7 variables are recorded. birthweight (bwt), length of gestation in days, parity is called an indicator variable telling us if the pregnancy was a first pregnancy (labeled as 0) or not (labeled as 1) were recorded about the child and pregnancy. The age, height, and weight were recorded for the mother giving birth, as was smoke, another indicator variable where 0 means the mother did not smoke during pregnancy, and 1 indicates that she did smoke while pregnant.

# Type of plot

A is used to display the relationship between two variables.

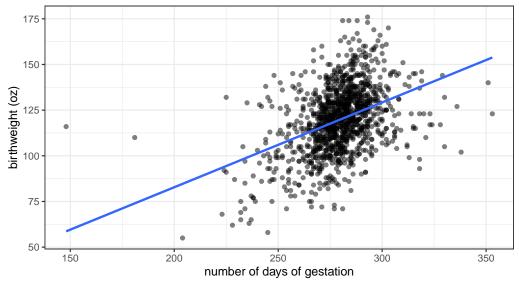
Four characteristics of the scatterplot:

- Form:
- Direction:
- Strength:
- Outliers:
  - Influential points: outliers that change the regression line; far from the line of regression
  - High leverage points: outliers that are extreme in the x- axis; far from the mean of the x-axis

The following shows a scatterplot of length of gestation as a predictor of birthweight.

```
babies %>% # Data set pipes into...
ggplot(aes(x = gestation, y = bwt))+ # Specify variables
  geom_point(alpha=0.5) + # Add scatterplot of points
labs(x = "number of days of gestation", # Label x-axis
        y = "birthweight (oz)", # Label y-axis
        title = "Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight for Births
        between 1960 and 1967 in San Francisco") +
        # Be sure to title your plots with the type of plot, observational units, variable(s)
        geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) + # Add regression line
        theme_bw()
```

# Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight for Births between 1960 and 1967 in San Francisco



Describe the scatterplot using the four characteristics of a scatterplot.

The summary measures for two quantitative variables are:

•	
•	 

### Notation:

- Population slope:
- Population correlation:
- Sample slope:
- Sample correlation:

### Correlation

Correlation is always between the values of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_.

- Measures the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables.
- The stronger the relationship between the variables the closer the value of \_\_\_\_\_\_ is to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- The sign gives the \_\_\_\_\_

The following code creates a correlation matrix between different quantitative variables in the data set.

```
babies %>%
   select(c("gestation", "age", "height", "weight", "bwt")) %>%
   cor(use="pairwise.complete.obs") %>%
   round(3)
```

The value of correlation between gestation and birthweight is \_\_\_\_\_\_. This shows a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ relationship between gestation and birthweight.

# Slope

- Least-squares regression line:  $\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1 \times x$  (put y and x in the context of the problem) or  $\widehat{response} = b_0 + b_1 \times \text{explanatory}$
- $\hat{y}$  or response is
- $b_0$  is
- $b_1$  is
- x or explanatory is

• The estimates for the linear model output will gi	ive the value of the	and
the		
• Interpretation of slope: an increase in the	variable of 1 u	nit is associated with an
increase/decrease in the	variable by the value of slop	e, on average.
• Interpretation of the y-intercept: for a value of	0 for the	_ variable, the predicted
value for the variable would be	the value of y-intercept.	
• We can predict values of the value using the least squares equation line.	variable by plugging in a given $_{-}$	variable
• A prediction of a response variable value for an entire description.	explanatory value outside the ra	ange of x values is called
• To find how far the predicted value deviates from	n the actual value we find the	
• To find the least squares regression line the line v	with the SSE i	is found.
SSE = sum of squared errors		
<ul> <li>To find SSE, the residual for each data posummed together</li> </ul>	oint is found, squared and all t	he squared residuals are
The linear model output for this study is given below:		
# Fit linear model: y ~ x		
<pre>babiesLM &lt;- lm(bwt ~ gestation, data=babies)</pre>		
<pre>round(summary(babiesLM)\$coefficients,3) # Disp</pre>	olay coefficient summary	
#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pro	(> t )	
#> (Intercept) -10.064 8.322 -1.209	0.227	
<b>#&gt;</b> gestation 0.464 0.030 15.609	0.000	
Write the least squares equation of the line.		
Interpret the slope in context of the problem.		

Interpret the y-intercept in context of the problem.

Predict the birthweight for a birth with a baby born at 310 days gestation.

Calculate the residual for a birth of a baby with a birthweight of 151 ounces and born at 310 days gestation.

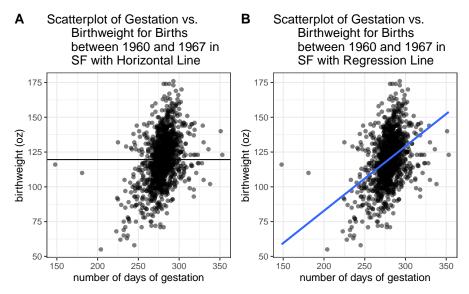
Is this value (310, 151) above or below the line of regression? Did the line of regression overestimate or underestimate the birthweight?

### Coefficient of Determination

The coefficient of determination can be found by squaring the value of correlation, using the variances for each variable or using the SSE (sum of squares error) and SST (sum of squares total)

• 
$$r^2 = (r)^2 = \frac{SST - SSE}{SST} = \frac{s_y^2 - s_{residual}^2}{s_y^2}$$

• The coefficient of determination measures the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of total variation in the \_\_\_\_\_ variable that is explained by the changes in the \_\_\_\_\_ variable.



The value for SST was calculated as 406753.48. The value for SSE was calculated as 339092.13. Calculate the coefficient of determination between gestation and birthweight.

Interpret the coefficient of determination between gestation and birthweight.

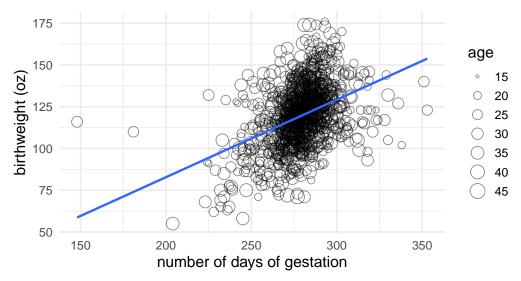
# Multivariable plots - Video Chapter7

Aesthetics: visual property of the objects in your plot

- Position on the axes: groups for \_\_\_\_\_\_ variables, or a number line if the variable is
- Color or shape to represent \_\_\_\_\_\_ variables
- Size to represent \_\_\_\_\_\_ variables

Adding the quantitative variable maternal age to the scatterplot between gestation and birthweight.

# Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight by Age for Births between 1960 and 1967 in San Francisco

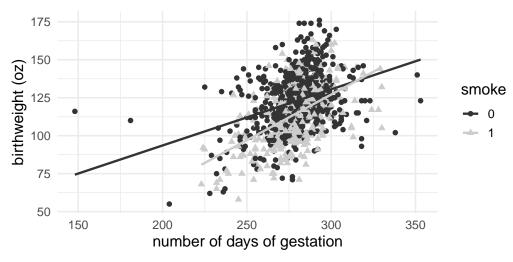


Let's add the categorical variable, whether a mother smoked, to the scatterplot between gestation and birthweight.

```
babies <- babies %>%
    mutate(smoke = factor(smoke)) %>%
    na.omit()

babies %>% # Data set pipes into...
    ggplot(aes(x = gestation, y = bwt, color = smoke))+ #Specify variables
    geom_point(aes(shape = smoke), size = 2) + #Add scatterplot of points
    labs(x = "number of days of gestation", #Label x-axis
        y = "birthweight (oz)", #Label y-axis
        title = "Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight by
        Smoking Status for Births between 1960 and 1967
        in San Francisco") +
    #Be sure to title your plots
    geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) + #Add regression line
    scale_color_grey()
```

# Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight by Smoking Status for Births between 1960 and 1967 in San Francisco



Does the relationship between length of gestation and birthweight appear to depend upon maternal smoking status?

Is the variable smoking status a potential confounding variable?

Adding a categorical predictor:		
• Look at the regression line for e	each level of the	
• If the slopes are	, the two predictor variables do not	to
help explain the response		
• If the slopes	, there is an interaction between the categorical	predictor and
the relationship between the tw	o quantitative variables.	
3.2.2 Concept Check		
Be prepared for group discussion in t following on the whiteboard.	he next class. One member from the table should write the	answers to the
1. What are the three summary m	neasures for two quantitative variables?	
2. What are the four characteristic	cs used to describe a scatterplot?	
0 1	lictor variable to a scatterplot of two quantitative variables, as the categories to assess the change in the relationship be	•

# 3.2.3 Video Notes: Inference for Two Quantitative Variables

Read Chapters 21 and 22 in the course textbook. Use the following videos to complete the video notes for Module 11.

# 3.2.4 Course Videos

- 21.1
- 21.3
- 21.4TheoryTests
- 21.4TheoryIntervals

# Summary measures and plots for two quantitative variables.

# Scatterplot:

- Form: linear or non-linear?
- Direction: positive or negative?
- Strength: how clear is the pattern between the two variables?
- Outliers: points that are far from the pattern or bulk of the data
  - Influential points: outliers that are extreme in the x- variable.

The summary measures for two quantitative variables are:

•	, interpreted as the on average change in the response
	variable for a one unit increase in the explanatory variable.
•	, which measures the strength and direction of the linear
	relationship between two quantitative variables.
•	, interpreted as the percent of variability in the response
	variable that is explained by the relationship with the explanatory variable.

• Least-squares regression line:  $\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1 \times x$  (put y and x in the context of the problem)

# Notation:

- Population slope:
- Population correlation:
- Sample slope:
- Sample correlation:

Example: Oceanic temperature is important for sea life. The California Cooperative Oceanic Fisheries Investigations has measured several variables on the Pacific Ocean for more than 70 years hoping to better understand weather patterns and impacts on ocean life. ("Ocean Temperature and Salinity Study," n.d.) For this example, we will look at the most recent 100 measurements of salt water salinity (measured in PSUs or

practical salinity units) and the temperature of the ocean measured in degrees Celsius. Is there evidence that water temperature in the Pacific Ocean tends to decrease with higher levels of salinity?

# Hypothesis Testing

```
Null hypothesis assumes "no effect", "no difference", "nothing interesting happening", etc.
```

```
Always of form: "parameter" = null value
```

 $H_0$ :

 $H_A:$ 

• Research question determines the alternative hypothesis.

Write the null and alternative for the ocean study:

In notation:

 $H_0$ :

 $H_A:$ 

# Scatterplot of Pacific Ocean Salinity vs Temperature 20 (2) 15 33.0 33.5 34.0 34.5 salinity (PSUs)

Describe the four characteristics of the scatterplot:

### Linear model output:

```
lm.water <- lm(T_degC~Salnty, data=water) # lm(response~explanatory)
round(summary(lm.water)$coefficients, 3)

#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 197.156 21.478 9.18 0
#> Salnty -5.514 0.636 -8.67 0

Correlation:
cor(T_degC~Salnty, data=water)
```

```
#> [1] -0.6588365
```

Write the least squares equation of the line in context of the problem:

Interpret the value of slope in the context of the problem:

Report and describe the correlation value:

Calculate and interpret the coefficient of determination:

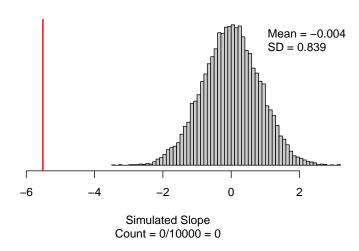
# Simulation-based method

Conditions:

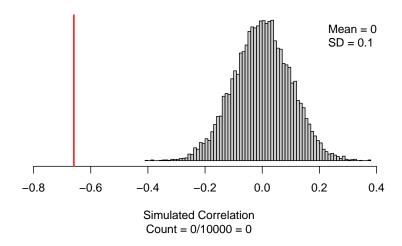
- Independence: the response for one observational unit will not influence another observational unit
- Linear relationship:
- Simulate many samples assuming  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  or  $H_0: \rho = 0$ 
  - Write the response variable values on cards
  - Hold the explanatory variable values constant

- Shuffle a new response variable to an explanatory variable
- Plot the shuffled data points to find the least squares line of regression
- Calculate and plot the simulated slope or correlation from each simulation
- Repeat 1000 times (simulations) to create the null distribution
- $-\,$  Find the proportion of simulations at least as extreme as  $b_1$  or r

# To test slope:



To test correlation:



Explain why the null distribution is centered at the value of zero:

Interpretation of the p-value:

- Statement about probability or proportion of samples
- Statistic (summary measure and value)
- Direction of the alternative
- Null hypothesis (in context)

# Conclusion:

- Amount of evidence
- Parameter of interest
- Direction of the alternative hypothesis

#### Confidence interval - Video 21.3

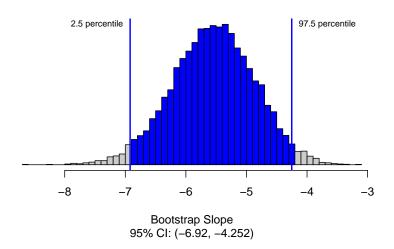
To estimate the true slope (or true correlation) we will create a confidence interval.

#### Simulation-based method

- Write the explanatory and response value pairs on cards
- Sample pairs with replacement n times
- Plot the resampled data points to find the least squares line of regression
- Calculate and plot the simulated slope (or correlation) from each simulation
- Repeat 1000 times (simulations) to create the bootstrap distribution
- Find the cut-offs for the middle X% (confidence level) in a bootstrap distribution.

Returning to the ocean example, we will estimate the true slope between salinity and temperature of the Pacific Ocean.

```
set.seed(216)
regression_bootstrap_CI(T_degC~Salnty, # response ~ explanatory
  data = water, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = 0.95, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "slope", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```

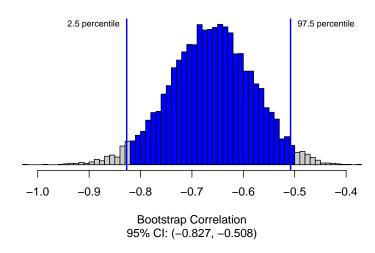


Confidence interval interpretation:

- How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
- Parameter of interest
- Calculated interval
- Order of subtraction when comparing two groups

Now we will estimate the true correlation between salinity and temperature of the Pacific Ocean.

```
set.seed(216)
regression_bootstrap_CI(T_degC~Salnty, # response ~ explanatory
  data = water, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = 0.95, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "correlation", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```



Confidence interval interpretation:

- How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
- Parameter of interest
- Calculated interval
- Order of subtraction when comparing two groups

## Theory-based method - Video 21.4to21.5TheoryTests

Conditions:

- Linearity (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods): the data should follow a linear trend.
  - Check this assumption by examining the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the two variables, and \_\_\_\_\_\_. The pattern in the residual plot should display a horizontal line.

- Independence (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods)
  - One\_\_\_\_\_\_for an observational unit has no impact on
- Constant variability (for theory-based methods only): the variability of points around the least squares line remains roughly constant
  - Check this assumption by examining the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The
     variability in the residuals around zero should be approximately the same for all fitted values.
- Nearly normal residuals (for theory-based methods only): residuals must be nearly normal
  - Check this assumption by examining a \_\_\_\_\_\_, which should appear approximately normal

#### Example:

It is a generally accepted fact that the more carats a diamond has, the more expensive that diamond will be. The question is, how much more expensive? Data on thousands of diamonds were collected for this data set. We will only look at one type of cut ("Ideal") and diamonds less than 1 carat. Does the association between carat size and price have a linear relationship for these types of diamonds? What can we state about the association between carat size and price?

#### Scatterplot:

```
Diamonds %% # Pipe data set into...

ggplot(aes(x = carat, y = price))+ # Specify variables

geom_point(alpha=0.5) + # Add scatterplot of points

labs(x = "carat", # Label x-axis

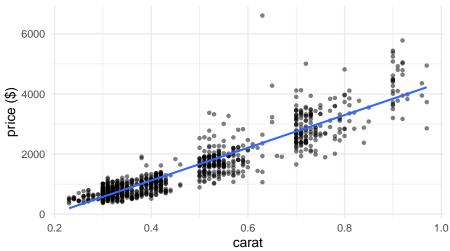
y = "price ($)", # Label y-axis

title = "Scatterplot of Diamonds Carats vs Price") +

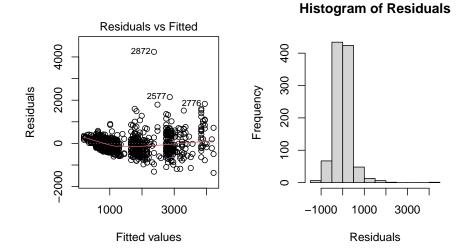
# Be sure to title your plots

geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) # Add regression line
```

## Scatterplot of Diamonds Carats vs Price

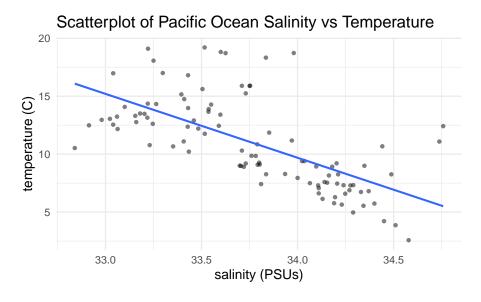


#### Diagnostic plots:

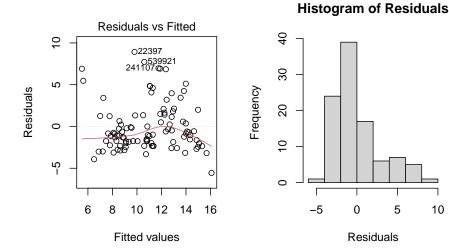


Check the conditions for the ocean data:

#### Scatterplot:



#### Diagnostic plots:



Like with paired data the t-distribution can be used to model slope and correlation.

• For two quantitative variables we use the -distribution with degrees of freedom to approximate the sampling distribution.

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Theory-based test:

#> (Intercept)

#> Salnty

- Calculate the standardized statistic
- Find the area under the t-distribution with n-2 df at least as extreme as the standardized statistic

Equation for the standardized slope:

Calculate the standardized slope for the ocean data

197.156

-5.514

21.478

0.636

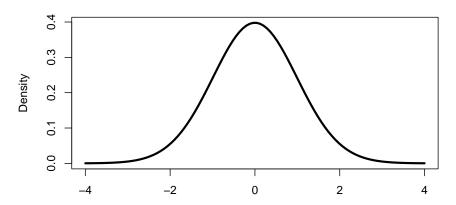
```
lm.water <- lm(T_degC~Salnty, data=water) # lm(response~explanatory)</pre>
round(summary(lm.water)$coefficients,3)
#>
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
```

0

9.18

-8.67

## t-distribution with 98 df



Interpret the standardized statistic:

To find the theory-based p-value:

```
lm.water <- lm(T_degC~Salnty, data=water) # lm(response~explanatory)</pre>
round(summary(lm.water)$coefficients,3)
#>
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 197.156
                             21.478
                                       9.18
                                                    0
                 -5.514
                              0.636
                                      -8.67
                                                    0
#> Salnty
or
pt(-8.670, df = 98, lower.tail=TRUE)
#> [1] 4.623445e-14
```

#### Theory-based method

• Calculate the interval centered at the sample statistic statistic  $\pm$  margin of error

```
lm.water <- lm(T_degC~Salnty, data=water) # lm(response~explanatory)</pre>
round(summary(lm.water)$coefficients, 3)
#>
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept)
                 197.156
                               21.478
                                          9.18
#> Salnty
                  -5.514
                                0.636
                                         -8.67
                                                       0
Using the ocean data, calculate a 95% confidence interval for the true slope.
   • Need the t^* multiplier for a 95% confidence interval from a t-distribution with _____
qt(0.975, df=98, lower.tail = TRUE)
#> [1] 1.984467
```

## 3.2.5 Concept Check

Be prepared for group discussion in the next class. One member from the table should write the answers to the following on the whiteboard.

- 1. Explain why theory-based methods should not be used to analyze the salinity study?
- 2. What is the proper notation for the population slope? Population correlation?

## 3.3 Activity 26: Moneyball — Linear Regression

## 3.3.1 Learning outcomes

- Identify and create appropriate summary statistics and plots given a data set with two quantitative variables.
- Use scatterplots to assess the relationship between two quantitative variables.
- Find the estimated line of regression using summary statistics and R linear model (lm()) output.
- Interpret the slope coefficient in context of the problem.

## 3.3.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will review summary measures and plots for two quantitative variables. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Scatterplot
- Least-squares line of regression
- Slope and y-intercept
- Residuals

To review these concepts, see Chapter 6 & 7 in the textbook.

## 3.3.3 Moneyball

The goal of a Major League baseball team is to make the playoffs. In 2002, the manager of the Oakland A's, Billy Bean, with the help of Paul DePodesta began to use statistics to determine which players to choose for their season. Based on past data, DePodesta determined that to make it to the playoffs, the A's would need to win at least 95 games in the regular season. In order to win more games, they would need to score more runs than they allowed. The Oakland A's won 20 consecutive games and a total of 103 games for the season. The success of this use of sports analytics was portrayed by the 2011 movie, Moneyball. In this study, we will see if there is evidence of a positive linear relationship between the difference in the number of runs scored minus the number of runs allowed (RD) and the number of wins for Major League baseball teams in the years before 2002. Some of the variables collected in the data set baseball consist of the following:

Variable	Description
RA	Runs allowed
RS	Runs scored
OBP	On-base percentage
SLG	Slugging percentage
BA	Batting average
00BP	Opponent's on-base percentage
OSLG	Opponent's slugging percentage
W	Number of wins in the season
RD	Difference of runs scored minus runs allowed

```
moneyball <- read.csv("data/baseball.csv") # Reads in data set
moneyball$RD <- moneyball$RS - moneyball$RA
moneyball <-
    moneyball %>% # Pipe data set into
    subset(Year < 2002) # Select only years before 2002</pre>
```

#### Vocabulary review

- Use the provided R script file to create a scatterplot to examine the relationship between the difference in number of runs scored minus number of runs allowed and the number of wins by filling in the variable names (RD and W) for explanatory and response in line 14. Note, we are using the difference in runs scores minus runs allowed to predict the number of season wins.
- Highlight and run lines 1–20.

```
moneyball %>% # Data set pipes into...
    ggplot(aes(x = explanatory, y = response))+ # Specify variables
    geom_point() + # Add scatterplot of points
    labs(x = "Difference in number of runs", # Label x-axis
        y = "Number of Season wins", # Label y-axis
        title = "Scatterplot of Run Difference vs. Number of Season Wins for MLB Teams") +
# Be sure to tile your plots
geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) # Add regression line
```

- 1. Assess the four features of the scatterplot that describe this relationship.
- Form (linear, non-linear)
- Direction (positive, negative)
- Strength
- Unusual observations or outliers
- 2. Based on the plot, does there appear to be an association between run difference and number of season wins? Explain your answer.

#### Slope

The linear model function in R (lm()) gives us the summary for the least squares regression line. The estimate for (Intercept) is the y-intercept for the line of least squares, and the estimate for budget\_mil (the x-variable name) is the value of  $b_1$ , the slope.

• Run lines 24–25 in the R script file to reproduce the linear model output found in the coursepack.

3. Write out the least squares regression line using the summary statistics provided above in context of the problem.

4.	Interpret	the	value	of	slope	in	context	of	the	problem.	
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- 5. Using the least squares line from question 3, predict the number of season wins for a MLB team that has a run difference of -66 runs.
- 6. Predict the number of season wins for a MLB team that has a run difference of 400 runs.
- 7. The prediction in question 6 is an example of what?

#### Residuals

The model we are using assumes the relationship between the two variables follows a straight line. The residuals are the errors, or the variability in the response that hasn't been modeled by the regression line.

$$\implies$$
 Residual = actual y value - predicted y value

$$e = y - \hat{y}$$

- 8. The MLB team *Florida Marlins* had a run difference of -66 runs and 79 wins for the season. Find the residual for this MLB team.
- 9. Did the line of regression overestimate or underestimate the number of wins for the season for this team?

#### Correlation

The following output shows a correlation matrix between several pairs of quantitative variables.

• Highlight and run lines 29–33 to produce the same table as below.

```
#> RD BA SLG W
#> RD 1.000 0.442 0.428 0.939
#> BA 0.442 1.000 0.814 0.416
#> SLG 0.428 0.814 1.000 0.406
#> W 0.939 0.416 0.406 1.000
```

- 10. Report the value of correlation between the run difference and the number of season wins.
- 11. Calculate the coefficient of determination between the run difference and the number of season wins.
- 12. Interpret the value of coefficient of determination in context of the study.

#### 3.3.4 Take-home messages

- 1. Two quantitative variables are graphically displayed in a scatterplot. The explanatory variable is on the x-axis and the response variable is on the y-axis. When describing the relationship between two quantitative variables we look at the form (linear or non-linear), direction (positive or negative), strength, and for the presence of outliers.
- 2. There are three summary statistics used to summarize the relationship between two quantitative variables: correlation (r), slope of the regression line  $(b_1)$ , and the coefficient of determination  $(r^2)$ .

#### 3.3.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered.

## 3.4 Activity 27: IPEDS (continued)

## 3.4.1 Learning outcomes

- Identify and create appropriate summary statistics and plots given a data set with two quantitative variables.
- Find the estimated line of regression using summary statistics and R linear model (lm()) output.
- Interpret the slope coefficient in context of the problem.
- Calculate and interpret  $r^2$ , the coefficient of determination, in context of the problem.
- Find the correlation coefficient from R output or from  $r^2$  and the sign of the slope.

## 3.4.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will review summary measures and plots for two quantitative variables. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Least-squares line of regression
- Slope and y-intercept
- Residuals
- Correlation (r)
- Coefficient of determination (r-squared)

To review these concepts, see Chapter 6 in the textbook.

## 3.4.3 The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)

We will continue to assess the IPEDS data set collected on a subset of institutions that met the following selection criteria (Education Statistics 2018):

- Degree granting
- United States only
- Title IV participating
- Not for profit
- 2-year or 4-year or above
- Has full-time first-time undergraduates

Some of the variables collected and their descriptions are below. Note that several variables have missing values for some institutions (denoted by "NA").

Variable	Description
UnitID	Unique institution identifier
Name	Institution name
State	State abbreviation
Sector	whether public or private
LandGrant	Is this a land-grant institution (Yes/No)
Size	Institution size category based on total student enrolled for credit, Fall 2018:
	Under 1,000, 1,000 - 4,999, 5,000 - 9,999, 10,000 - 19,999, 20,000 and above
Cost_OutofState	Cost of attendance for full-time out-of-state undergraduate students

Variable	Description
Cost_InState	Cost of attendance for full-time in-state undergraduate students
Retention	Retention rate is the percent of the undergraduate students that re-enroll in the next year
Graduation_Rate	6-year graduation rate for undergraduate students
SATMath_75 ACT_75	75th percentile Math SAT score 75th percentile ACT score

The code below reads in the needed data set, IPEDS\_2018.csv, and filters out the 2-year institutions.

• Highlight and run lines 1-11 to load the data set and filter out the 2-year institutions.

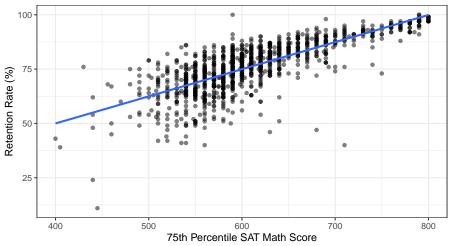
```
IPEDS <- read.csv("https://www.math.montana.edu/courses/s216/data/IPEDS_2018.csv")
IPEDS <- IPEDS %>%
    filter(Sector != "Public 2-year") #Filters the data set to remove Public 2-year
IPEDS <- IPEDS %>%
    filter(Sector != "Private 2-year") #Filters the data set to remove Private 2-year
IPEDS <- na.omit(IPEDS)</pre>
```

To create a scatterplot of the 75th percentile Math SAT score by retention rate for 4-year US Higher Education Institutions...

- Enter the variable SATMath\_75 for explanatory and Retention for response in line 16.
- Highlight and run lines 15–21.

```
IPEDS %>% # Data sest pipes into...
ggplot(aes(x = SATMath_75, y = Retention))+ # Specify variables
geom_point(alpha=0.5) + # Add scatterplot of points
labs(x = "75th Percentile SAT Math Score", # Label x-axis
    y = "Retention Rate (%)", # Label y-axis
    title = "Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for
    4-year US Higher Education Institutions") +
# Be sure to title your plots with the type of plot, observational units, variable(s)
geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) + # Add regression line
theme_bw()
```

# Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for 4-year US Higher Education Institutions



1. Describe the relationship between 75th percentile SAT Math score and retention rate.

#### Slope of the Least Squares Linear Regression Line

There are three summary measures calculated from two quantitative variables: slope, correlation, and the coefficient of determination. We will first assess the slope of the least squares regression line between 75th percentile SAT Math score and retention rate.

• Enter Retention for response and SATMath\_75 for explanatory in line 25

0.003 40.485

• Highlight and run lines 25 – 26 to fit the linear model.

0.125

```
# Fit linear model: y ~ x
IPEDSLM <- lm(Retention~SATMath_75, data=IPEDS)
round(summary(IPEDSLM)$coefficients,3) # Display coefficient summary

#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 0.059 1.898 0.031 0.975
```

2. Write out the least squares regression line using the summary statistics from the R output in context of the problem.

0.000

**Slope Interpretation**: An increase of one point in SAT Math 75th percentile score is associated with an increase in retention rate, on average, of 0.125 percentage points for 4-year higher education institutions.

- 3. Predict the retention rate for a 4-year US higher education institution with a 75th percentile SAT Math score of 440.
- 4. Calculate the residual for a 4-year US higher education institution with a 75th percentile SAT Math score of 440 and a retention rate of 24%.

## Correlation

#> SATMath 75

Correlation measures the strength and the direction of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables. The closer the value of correlation to +1 or -1, the stronger the linear relationship. Values close to zero indicate a very weak linear relationship between the two variables.

The following output creates a correlation matrix between several pairs of quantitative variables.

## cor(use="pairwise.complete.obs") %>% round(3)

#>		Retention	${\tt Cost\_InState}$	${\tt Graduation\_Rate}$	Salary	SATMath_75	ACT_75
#>	Retention	1.000	0.388	0.832	0.698	0.767	0.768
#>	Cost_InState	0.388	1.000	0.563	0.365	0.502	0.514
#>	<pre>Graduation_Rate</pre>	0.832	0.563	1.000	0.683	0.817	0.833
#>	Salary	0.698	0.365	0.683	1.000	0.747	0.706
#>	SATMath_75	0.767	0.502	0.817	0.747	1.000	0.920
#>	ACT_75	0.768	0.514	0.833	0.706	0.920	1.000

5. What is the value of correlation between SATMath\_75 and Retention?

#### Coefficient of determination (squared correlation)

Another summary measure used to explain the linear relationship between two quantitative variables is the coefficient of determination  $(r^2)$ . The coefficient of determination,  $r^2$ , can also be used to describe the strength of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables. The value of  $r^2$  (a value between 0 and 1) represents the **proportion of variation in the response that is explained by the least squares line with the explanatory variable**. There are two ways to calculate the coefficient of determination:

Square the correlation coefficient:  $r^2 = (r)^2$ 

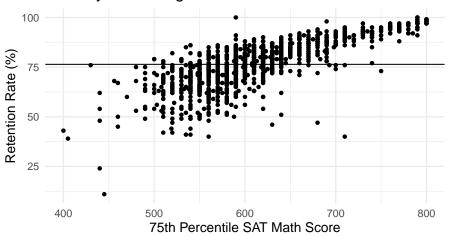
Use the variances of the response and the residuals: 
$$r^2 = \frac{s_y^2 - s_{RES}^2}{s_y^2} = \frac{SST - SSE}{SST}$$

- 6. Use the correlation, r, found in question 5, to calculate the coefficient of determination between SATMath 75 and Retention,  $r^2$ .
- 7. The variance of the response variable, Retention in \$MM, is  $s_{Retention}^2 = 138.386~\%^2$  and the variability in the residuals is  $s_{RES}^2 = 56.934~\%^2$ . Use these values to calculate the coefficient of determination.

In the next part of the activity we will explore what the coefficient of determination measures.

In the first scatterplot, we see the data plotted with a horizontal line. Note that the regression line in this plot has a slope of zero; this assumes there is no relationship between SATMath\_75 and Retention. The value of the y-intercept, 76.387, is the mean of the response variable when there is no relationship between the two variables. To find the sum of squares total (SST) we find the residual  $(residual = y - \hat{y})$  for each response value from the horizontal line (from the value of 76.387). Each residual is squared and the sum of the squared values is calculated. The SST gives the total variability in the response variable, Retention.

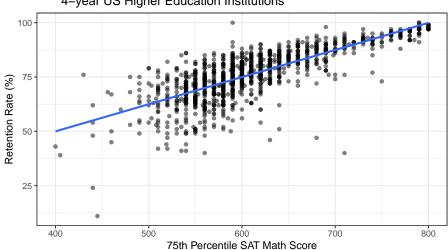
Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for 4-year US Higher Education Institutions with Horizo



The calculated value for the SST is 158451.8.

This next scatterplot, shows the plotted data with the best fit regression line. This is the line of best fit between budget and revenue and has the smallest sum of squares error (SSE). The SSE is calculated by finding the residual from each response value to the regression line. Each residual is squared and the sum of the squared values is calculated.

Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for 4–year US Higher Education Institutions



The calculated value for the SSE is 65133.022.

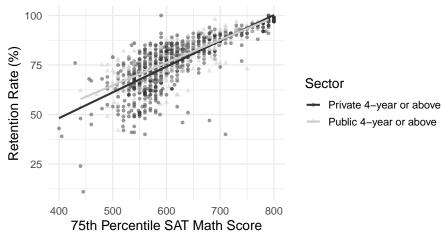
- 8. Calculate the value for  $r^2$  using the values for SST and SSE provided below each of the previous graphs.
- 9. Write a sentence interpreting the coefficient of determination in context of the problem.

#### Multivariable plots

When adding another categorical predictor, we can add that variable as shape or color to the plot. In the following code we have added the variable Sector, whether the 4-year institution is public or private.

```
IPEDS %>% # Data sest pipes into...
    ggplot(aes(x = SATMath_75, y = Retention, shape = Sector, color=Sector))+ # Specify variables
    geom_point(alpha=0.5) + # Add scatterplot of points
    labs(x = "75th Percentile SAT Math Score", # Label x-axis
        y = "Retention Rate (%)", # Label y-axis
        title = "Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for
        4-year US Higher Education Institutions") +
    # Be sure to title your plots with the type of plot, observational units, variable(s)
    geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) + # Add regression line
    scale_color_grey()
```

# Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for 4-year US Higher Education Institutions



10. Does the relationship between 75th percentile SAT math score and retention rate of 4-year institutions change depending on the level of sector?

## 3.4.4 Take-home messages

- 1. The sign of correlation and the sign of the slope will always be the same. The closer the value of correlation is to -1 or +1, the stronger the linear relationship between the explanatory and the response variable.
- 2. The coefficient of determination multiplied by  $100 \ (r^2 \times 100)$  measures the percent of variation in the response variable that is explained by the relationship with the explanatory variable. The closer the value of the coefficient of determination is to 100%, the stronger the relationship.
- 3. We can use the line of regression to predict values of the response variable for values of the explanatory variable. Do not use values of the explanatory variable that are outside of the range of values in the data set to predict values of the response variable (reflect on why this is true.). This is called **extrapolation**.

## 3.4.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered.

## 3.5 Activity 28: Prediction of Crocodilian Body Size

## 3.5.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving two quantitative variables, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Describe and perform a simulation-based hypothesis test for slope or correlation.
- Interpret and evaluate a p-value for a simulation-based hypothesis test for a slope or correlation.
- Use bootstrapping to find a confidence interval for the slope or correlation.
- Interpret a confidence interval for a slope or correlation.

## 3.5.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will use simulation-based methods for hypothesis tests and confidence intervals for a linear regression slope or correlation. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Correlation
- Slope
- Regression line

To review these concepts, see Chapter 21 in the textbook.

## 3.5.3 Crocodilian Body Size

Much research surrounds using measurements of animals to estimate body-size of extinct animals. Many challenges exist in making accurate estimates for extinct crocodilians. The term crocodilians refers to all members of the family Crocodylidae ("true" crocodiles), family Alligatoridae (alligators and caimans) and family Gavialidae (gharial, Tomistoma). The researchers in this study (O'Brien 2019) state, "Among extinct crocodilians and their precursors (e.g., suchians), several methods have been developed to predict body size from suites of hard-tissue proxies. Nevertheless, many have limited applications due to the disparity of some major suchian groups and biases in the fossil record. Here, we test the utility of head width (HW) as a broadly applicable body-size estimator in living and fossil suchians." Data were collected on 76 male and female individuals of different species. Is there evidence that head width (measured in cm) is a good predictor of total body length (measured in cm) for crocodilians?

- Download the R script file from D2L and upload to the RStudio server
- Open the file and run lines 1 8 to load the dataset

```
# Read in data set
croc <- read.csv("https://math.montana.edu/courses/s216/data/Crocodylian_headwidth.csv")
croc <- croc %>%
    na.omit()
```

To create a scatterplot to examine the relationship between head width and total body length we will use HW\_cm as the explanatory variable and TL\_cm as the response variable.

- Enter the name of the explanatory and response variable in line 14
- Highlight and run lines 13 20

1. Describe the features of the plot, addressing all four characteristics of a scatterplot.

If you indicated there are potential outliers, which points are they?

#### Hypotheses

When analyzing two quantitative variables we can either test regression slope or correlation. In both cases, we are testing that there is a linear relationship between variables.

- 2. Write the null hypothesis in words.
- 3. Write the null hypothesis to test slope in notation.
- 4. Write the null hypothesis to test correlation in notation.
- 5. Write the alternative hypothesis in words.

#### Summarize and visualize the data

To create the linear model output and find the value of correlation for the linear relationship...

- Enter the the name of the explanatory and response in line 25
- Highlight and run lines 25 27

```
#Linear model
lm.croc <- lm(response~explanatory, data=croc) #lm(response~explanatory)
round(summary(lm.croc)$coefficients, 5)
#Correlation
cor(croc$HW_cm, croc$TL_cm)</pre>
```

6. Using the output from the evaluated R code, write the equation of the regression line in the context of the problem using appropriate statistical notation.

7. Interpret the estimated slope in context of the problem.

#### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

In this activity, we will focus on using simulation-based methods for inference in regression.

#### Simulation-based hypothesis test

Let's start by thinking about how one simulation would be created on the null distribution using cards. First, we would write the values for the response variable, total length, on each card. Next, we would shuffle these y values while keeping the x values (explanatory variable) in the same order. Then, find the line of regression for the shuffled (x, y) pairs and calculate either the slope or correlation of the shuffled sample.

We will use the regression\_test() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the null distribution of shuffled slopes (or shuffled correlations) and compute a p-value. We will need to enter the response variable name and the explanatory variable name for the formula, the data set name (identified above as croc), the summary measure for the test (either slope or correlation), number of repetitions, the sample statistic (value of slope or correlation), and the direction of the alternative hypothesis.

The response variable name is TL\_cm and the explanatory variable name is HW\_cm for these data.

- 8. What inputs should be entered for each of the following to create the simulation to test regression slope?
- Direction ("greater", "less", or "two-sided"):
- Summary measure (choose "slope" or "correlation"):
- As extreme as (enter the value for the sample slope):

• Number of repetitions:

Using the R script file for this activity...

- Enter your answers for question 8 in place of the xx's to produce the null distribution with 1000 simulations.
- Highlight and run lines 32–37.

- 9. Report the p-value from the R output.
- 10. Suppose we wanted to complete the simulation test using correlation as the summary measure, instead of slope. Which two inputs in #8 would need to be changed to test for correlation? What inputs should you use instead?
- 11. Change the inputs in lines 32–37 to test for correlation instead of slope. Highlight and run those lines, then report the new p-value of the test.
- 12. The p-values from the test of slope (#9) and the test of correlation (#11) should be similar. Explain why the two p-values should match. *Hint: think about the relationship between slope and correlation!*

#### Simulation-based confidence interval

We will use the regression\_bootstrap\_CI() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the bootstrap distribution of sample slopes (or sample correlations) and calculate a confidence interval.

- Fill in the missing values in the provided R script file to find a 95% confidence interval for slope.
- Highlight and run lines 42–46.

```
regression_bootstrap_CI(response~explanatory, # response ~ explanatory
  data = croc, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = xx, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "xx", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```

13.	Report tl	he bootstrap	95%	confidence	interval	in	interval i	notation.
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14. Interpret the interval in question 14 in context of the problem. Hint: use the interpretation of slope in your confidence interval interpretation.

#### Communicate the results and answer the research question

15. Based on the p-value and confidence interval, write a conclusion in context of the problem.

## 3.5.4 Take-home messages

- 1. The p-value for a test for correlation should be approximately the same as the p-value for the test of slope. In the simulation test, we just change the statistic type from slope to correlation and use the appropriate sample statistic value.
- 2. To interpret a confidence interval for the slope, think about how to interpret the sample slope and use that information in the confidence interval interpretation for slope.
- 3. To create one simulated sample on the null distribution when testing for a relationship between two quantitative variables, hold the x values constant and shuffle the y values to new x values. Find the regression line for the shuffled data and plot the slope or the correlation for the shuffled data.
- 4. To create one simulated sample on the bootstrap distribution when assessing two quantitative variables, label n cards with the original (response, explanatory) values. Randomly draw with replacement n times. Find the regression line for the resampled data and plot the resampled slope or correlation.

#### 3.5.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered.

## 3.6 Activity 29: Golf Driving Distance

## 3.6.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving two quantitative variables, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Assess the conditions to use the normal distribution model for a slope.
- Find the T test statistic (T-score) for a slope based off of lm() output in R.
- Find, interpret, and evaluate the p-value for a theory-based hypothesis test for a slope.
- Create and interpret a theory-based confidence interval for a slope.
- Use a confidence interval to determine the conclusion of a hypothesis test.

## 3.6.2 Terminology review

In this week's in-class activity, we will use theory-based methods for hypothesis tests and confidence intervals for a linear regression slope. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Slope
- Regression line

To review these concepts, see Chapter 21 in the textbook.

## 3.6.3 Golf driving distance

In golf the goal is to complete a hole with as few strokes as possible. A long driving distance to start a hole can help minimize the strokes necessary to complete the hole, as long as that drive stays on the fairway. Data were collected on 354 PGA and LPGA players in 2008 ("Average Driving Distance and Fairway Accuracy" 2008). For each player, the average driving distance (yards), fairway accuracy (percentage), and sex was measured. Use these data to assess, "Does a professional golfer give up accuracy when they hit the ball farther?"

• Download the R script file from D2L and open in the RStudio server

```
# Read in data set
golf <- read.csv("https://math.montana.edu/courses/s216/data/golf.csv")</pre>
```

#### Plot review.

To create a scatterplot showing the relationship between the driving distance and percent accuracy for professional golfers:

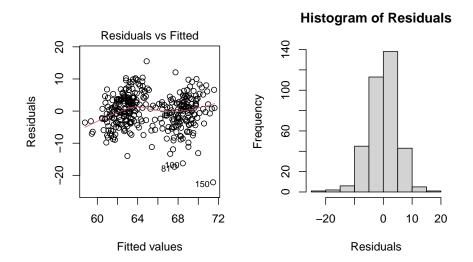
- Enter the name of the explanatory and response in line 10
- Highlight and run lines 1 16

#### Conditions for the least squares line

When performing inference on a least squares line, the follow conditions are generally required:

- Independent observations (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods): individual data points must be independent.
  - Check this assumption by investigating the sampling method and determining if the observational units are related in any way.
- Linearity (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods): the data should follow a linear trend.
  - Check this assumption by examining the scatterplot of the two variables, and a scatterplot of the residuals (on the y-axis) versus the fitted values (on the x-axis). The pattern in the residual plot should display a horizontal line.
- Constant variability (for theory-based methods only): the variability of points around the least squares line remains roughly constant
  - Check this assumption by examining a scatterplot of the residuals (on the y-axis) versus the fitted values (on the x-axis). The variability in the residuals around zero should be approximately the same for all fitted values.
- Nearly normal residuals (for theory-based methods only: residuals must be nearly normal.
  - Check this assumption by examining a histogram of the residuals, which should appear approximately normal.

The scatterplot generated earlier and the residual plots shown below will be used to assess these conditions for approximating the data with the t-distribution.



1. Are the conditions met to use the t-distribution to approximate the sampling distribution of the standardized statistic? Justify your answer.

## Ask a research question

2. Write out the null hypothesis in words to test the slope.

3. Using the research question, write the alternative hypothesis in notation to test the slope.

#### Summarize and visualize the data

The linear model output for this study is shown below.

```
lm.golf <- lm(Percent_Accuracy~Driving_Distance, data=golf) # lm(response~explanatory)
round(summary(lm.golf)$coefficients, 3)</pre>
```

```
#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 103.586 3.329 31.119 0
#> Driving_Distance -0.142 0.012 -11.553 0
```

4. Report the summary statistic (sample slope) for the linear relationship between driving distance and percent accuracy of golfers. Use proper notation.

#### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

**Hypothesis test** To find the value of the standardized statistic to test the slope we will use,

$$T = \frac{\text{slope estimate} - nullvalue}{SE} = \frac{b_1 - 0}{SE(b_1)}.$$

We will use the linear model R output above to get the estimate for slope and the standard error of the slope.

- 5. Calculate the standardized statistic for slope. Identify where this calculated value is in the linear model R output.
- 6. The p-value in the linear model R output is the two-sided p-value for the test of significance for slope. Report the p-value to answer the research question.
- 7. Based on the p-value, how much evidence is there against the null hypothesis?

Confidence interval Recall that a confidence interval is calculated by adding and subtracting the margin of error to the point estimate.

point estimate 
$$\pm t^* \times SE$$
(estimate).

When the point estimate is a regression slope, this formula becomes

$$b_1 \pm t^* \times SE(b_1)$$
.

The  $t^*$  multiplier comes from a t-distribution with n-2 degrees of freedom. The sample size for this study is 354 so we will use the degrees of freedom 352 (n-2).

- $\bullet\,$  Enter the percentile needed to find the multiplier for a 95% confidence interval for xx
- Enter the degrees of freedom for yy
- Highlight and run line 33

```
qt(xx, yy, lower.tail = TRUE) # 95% t* multiplier
```

- 8. Calculate the 95% confidence interval for the true slope.
- 9. Interpret the 95% confidence interval in context of the problem.

#### Communicate the results and answer the research question

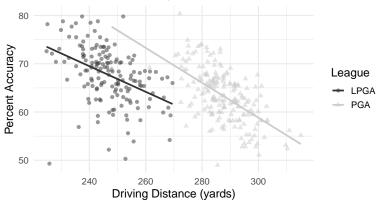
10. Write a conclusion to answer the research question in context of the problem.

#### Multivariable plots

Another variable that may affect the percent accuracy is the which league the golfer is part of. We will look at how this variable may change the relationship between driving distance and percent accuracy.

```
golf %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Driving_Distance, y = Percent_Accuracy, color=League))+  # Specify variables
  geom_point(aes(shape = League), size = 2, alpha=0.5) + # Add scatterplot of points
  labs(x = "Driving Distance (yards)", # Label x-axis
        y = "Percent Accuracy", # Label y-axis
        color = "League", shape = "League",
        title = "Scatterplot of Golf Driving Distance and Percent
        Accuracy by League for Professional Golfers") + # Be sure to title your plots
    geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) + # Add regression line
    scale_color_grey()
```

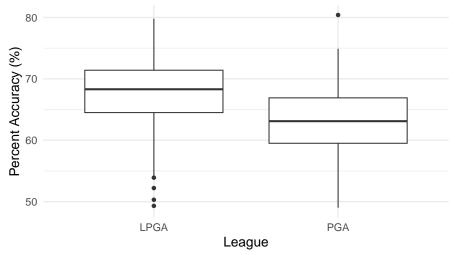
## Scatterplot of Golf Driving Distance and Percent Accuracy by League for Professional Golfers



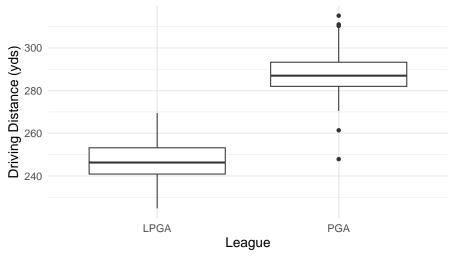
11. Does the association between driving distance and percent accuracy change depending on which league the golfer is a part of? Explain your answer.

12. Explain the association between league and each of the other two variables. Use the following plots in addition to the scatterplot from Q9 to explain your answer.

Side-by-side Box Plot of Percent Accuracy by League fo







## 3.6.4 Take-home messages

- 1. To check the validity conditions for using theory-based methods we must use the residual diagnostic plots to check for normality of residuals and constant variability, and the scatterplot to check for linearity.
- 2. To interpret a confidence interval for the slope, think about how to interpret the sample slope and use that information in the confidence interval interpretation for slope.
- 3. Use the explanatory variable row in the linear model R output to obtain the slope estimate (estimate column) and standard error of the slope (Std. Error column) to calculate the standardized slope, or T-score. The calculated T-score should match the t value column in the explanatory variable row. The standardized slope tells the number of standard errors the observed slope is above or below 0.
- 4. The explanatory variable row in the linear model R output provides a **two-sided** p-value under the Pr(>|t|) column.
- 5. The standardized slope is compared to a t-distribution with n-2 degrees of freedom in order to obtain a p-value. The t-distribution with n-2 degrees of freedom is also used to find the appropriate multiplier for a given confidence level.

#### 3.6.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on this week's activity and material covered.

## 3.7 Module 13 Lab: Big Mac Index

## 3.7.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving two quantitative variables, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Assess the conditions to determine in theory or simulation-based methods should be used.
- Find, interpret, and evaluate the p-value for a hypothesis test for a slope or correlation.
- Create and interpret a confidence interval for a slope or correlation.

#### 3.7.2 Big Mac Index

Can the relative cost of a Big Mac across different countries be used to predict the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per person for that country? The log GDP per person and the adjusted dollar equivalent to purchase a Big Mac was found on a random sample of 55 countries in January of 2022. The cost of a Big Mac in each country was adjusted to US dollars based on current exchange rates. Is there evidence of a positive relationship between Big Mac cost (dollar\_price) and the log GDP per person (log\_GDP)?

- Upload and open the R script file for Week 13 lab.
- Upload the csv file, big\_mac\_adjusted\_index\_S22.csv.
- Enter the name of the data set for datasetname in the R script file in line 9.
- Highlight and run lines 1–9 to load the data.

```
# Read in data set
mac <- read.csv("datasetname")</pre>
```

#### Summarize and visualize the data

• To find the correlation between the variables, log\_GDP and dollar\_price highlight and run lines 13–16 in the R script file.

```
mac %>%
select(c("log_GDP", "dollar_price")) %>%
cor(use="pairwise.complete.obs") %>%
round(3)
```

- 1. Report the value of correlation between the variables.
- 2. Calculate the value of the coefficient of determination between log\_GDP and dollar\_price.
- 3. Interpret the value of the coefficient of determination in context of the problem.

In the next part of the activity we will assess the linear model between Big Mac cost and log GDP.

- Enter the variable log\_GDP for response and the variable dollar\_price for explanatory in line 22.
- Highlight and run lines 22–23 to get the linear model output.

```
# Fit linear model: y ~ x
bigmacLM <- lm(response~explanatory, data=mac)
round(summary(bigmacLM)$coefficients,3) # Display coefficient summary</pre>
```

4. Give the value of the slope of the regression line. Interpret this value in context of the problem.

#### Conditions for the least squares line

- 5. Is there independence between the responses for the observational units? Justify your answer.
- Highlight and run lines 28–33 to create the scatterplot to check for linearity.

- 6. Is the linearity condition met to use regression methods to analyze the data? Justify your answer.
- Highlight and run lines 38–42 to produce the diagnostic plots needed to assess conditions to use theory-based methods.

7. Are the conditions met to use the *t*-distribution to approximate the sampling distribution of the standardized statistic? Justify your answer.

#### Ask a research question

8. Write out the null and alternative hypotheses in notation to test *correlation* between Big Mac cost and country GDP.

 $H_0$ :

 $H_A:$ 

#### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

#### Hypothesis test

Use the regression\_test() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the null distribution of sample correlations and compute a p-value. We will need to enter the response variable name and the explanatory variable name for the formula, the data set name (identified above as mac), the summary measure used for the test, number of repetitions, the sample statistic (value of correlation), and the direction of the alternative hypothesis.

The response variable name is log\_GDP and the explanatory variable name is dollar\_price.

- 9. What inputs should be entered for each of the following to create the simulation to test correlation?
- Direction ("greater", "less", or "two-sided"):
- Summary measure (choose "slope" or "correlation"):
- As extreme as (enter the value for the sample correlation):
- Number of repetitions:

Using the R script file for this activity, enter your answers for question 9 in place of the xx's to produce the null distribution with 10000 simulations.

- Highlight and run lines 47–53.
- Upload a copy of your plot showing the p-value to Gradescope for your group.

10. Report the p-value from the R output.

#### Simulation-based confidence interval

We will use the regression\_bootstrap\_CI() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the bootstrap distribution of sample correlations and calculate a confidence interval.

- Fill in the xx's in the the provided R script file to find a 90% confidence interval.
- Highlight and run lines 58–62.

```
regression_bootstrap_CI(log_GDP~dollar_price, # response ~ explanatory
  data = mac, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = xx, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "xx", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```

11. Report the bootstrap 90% confidence interval in interval notation.

## Communicate the results and answer the research question

- 12. Using a significance level of 0.1, what decision would you make?
- 13. What type of error is possible?
- 14. Interpret this error in context of the problem.
- 15. Write a paragraph summarizing the results of the study as if you are reporting these results in your local newspaper. Upload a copy of your paragraph to Gradescope for your group. Be sure to describe:
  - Summary statistic and interpretation
    - Summary measure (in context)
    - Value of the statistic
    - Order of subtraction when comparing two groups
  - P-value and interpretation
    - Statement about probability or proportion of samples
    - Statistic (summary measure and value)
    - Direction of the alternative
    - Null hypothesis (in context)
  - Confidence interval and interpretation
    - How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
    - Parameter of interest

- Calculated interval
- Order of subtraction when comparing two groups
- Conclusion (written to answer the research question)
  - Amount of evidence
  - Parameter of interest
  - Direction of the alternative hypothesis
- Scope of inference
  - To what group of observational units do the results apply (target population or observational units similar to the sample)?
  - What type of inference is appropriate (causal or non-causal)?

## Unit 3 Review

The following section contains both a list of key topics covered in Unit 3 as well as Module Review Worksheets.

## 4.0.1 Key Topics

Review the key topics for Unit 3 to review prior to the first exams. All of these topics will be covered in Modules 11–13.

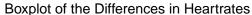
#### 4.0.2 Module Review

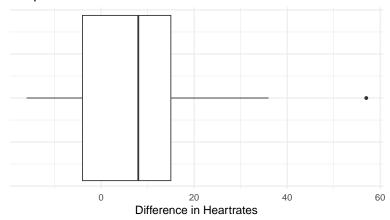
The following worksheets review each of the modules. These worksheets will be completed during Melinda's Study Sessions each week. Solutions will be posted on D2L in the Unit 3 Review folder after the study sessions.

## 4.1 Module 11 Review - Paired Data

Students in an introductory statistics class were asked to participate in an experiment to answer this question. Each student flipped a coin to determine which exercise to complete first. If the coin landed on heads the student would do jumping jacks for 30 seconds and then measure their heart rate in beats per minute (bpm). After a 2 minute break the student would do bicycle kicks for 30 seconds and then record their heart rate. If the coin landed on tails the student would complete bicycle kicks first followed by jumping jacks using the same times as above. For this study we will use the order of subtraction jumping jacks – bicycle kicks. Which exercise, jumping jacks or bicycle kicks will raise your heart rate more?

The following code created the boxplot of differences.



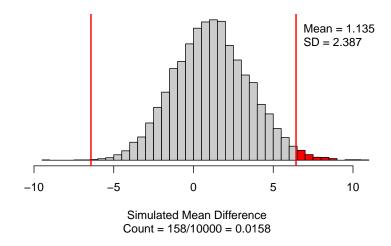


- 1. What is the study design (observational or randomized experiment)?
- 2. Is this paired study or two independent samples?
- 3. Circle one answer for each bracket to complete the description of each variable listed:
- Type of exercise (jumping jacks or bicycle kicks) is the (explanatory/response) variable and it is (categorical/quantitative).
- Heart rate is the (explanatory/response) variable and it is (categorical/quantitative).
- 4. What is the scope of inference for this study?
- 5. Write the parameter of interest for this study.

- 6. Write the null hypothesis in notation.
- 7. Write the alternative hypothesis in words.

We will start with simulation methods.

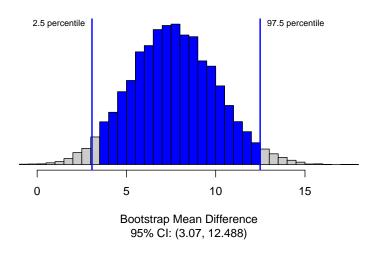
8. Calculate the difference  $\mu_0 - \bar{x}_d$ . Will we need to shift the data up or down?



- 9. Based on the p-value for this study, which of the following are true?
- There is very strong evidence that there is a true difference in heart rates for students who did jumping jacks and bicycle kicks (jumping jacks bicycle kicks), on average.
- If there is no true mean difference in heart rates for students who did jumping jacks and bicycle kicks, in 1 out of 1000 simulated samples, we would observe a sample mean difference in heart rates of 6.429 bpm or more extreme.

- The 95% confidence interval would be entirely positive.
- There could be a potential Type I error.
- We would conclude that there is evidence of a difference in heart rates between exercises, on average, when in fact there is not.

Bootstrap CI simulation to create a 95% confidence interval



- 10. Interpret the 95% confidence interval in context of the study.
- 11. Interpret the confidence level in context of the study. What does confidence mean?

Next we will use theory-based methods.

The sampling distribution for  $\bar{x}$  based on a sample of size n from a population with a true mean  $\mu$  and true standard deviation  $\sigma$  can be modeled using a normal distribution when certain conditions are met.

Conditions for the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  to follow an approximate normal distribution:

- Independence: The sample's observations are independent
- Normality: The data should be approximately normal or the sample size should be large.
  - -n < 30: If the sample size n is less than 30 and there are no clear outliers in the distribution of differences, then we typically assume the data come from a nearly normal distribution to satisfy the condition.
  - $-30 \le n < 100$ : If the sample size n is between 30 and 100 and there are no particularly extreme outliers in the differences of differences, then we typically assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal to satisfy the condition
  - $-n \ge 100$ : If the sample size is greater than 100 then we typically assume the sampling distribution of  $\bar{x}$  is nearly normal to satisfy the condition, even if the underlying distribution of individual observations is not.
- 12. Are the conditions met to model the data with theory-based methods?

To find the standardized statistic for the paired differences we will use the following formula:

$$T = \frac{\bar{x}_d - \text{null value}}{SE(\bar{x}_d)},$$

where the standard error of the sample mean difference is:

$$SE(\bar{x}_d) = \frac{s_d}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

- 13. Calculate the standard error of the mean difference.
  - 14. Calculate the standardized mean difference.
  - 15. Interpret the standardized statistic in context of the problem.

2\*pt(2.957, df=41, lower.tail=FALSE) #> [1] 0.005134632

### t Distribution with 41 df

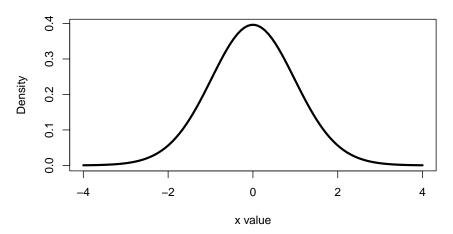
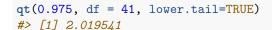


Figure 4.1: t-distribution with 41 degrees of freedom

To calculate the 95% theory-based confidence interval for the paired mean difference, use the following formula:

$$\bar{x}_d \pm t^* SE(\bar{x}_d).$$

We will need to find the  $t^*$  multiplier using the function qt(). For a 95% confidence level, we are finding the  $t^*$  value at the 97.5th percentile with  $df = n_d - 1 = 42 - 1 = 41$ .



#### t Distribution with 41 df

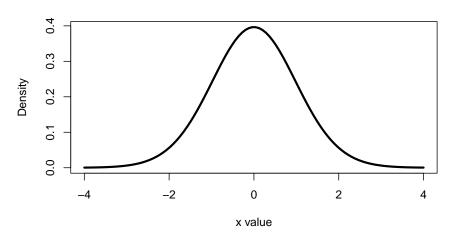


Figure 4.2: t-distribution with 41 degrees of freedom

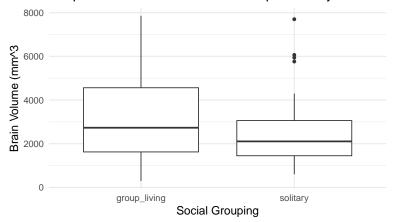
- 16. Calculate the 95% confidence interval.
- 17. Write a conclusion to the research question.

## 4.2 Module 12 Review - Independent Samples

The "social brain hypothesis," or the "social intelligence hypothesis," suggests that living in socially cohesive groups with differentiated relationships requires a higher cognitive load, in turn resulting in higher brain volume. There is evidence this hypothesis holds for primates and some other mammal groups, but it hasn't been explored in birds, as most birds typically have temporary social groupings that lack clear relationships. However, woodpeckers have a wide range of clearly differing social relationships while also having the benefit of being physiologically and environmentally similar across species. Researchers want to know if the "social brain hypothesis" holds true for woodpeckers: is the average brain volume (in mm<sup>3</sup>) smaller for woodpeckers that tend to be solitary compared to woodpeckers that tend to live in pairs or groups? For the purpose of this study, "solitary" birds are classified as those that only pair-bond to breed, and otherwise are solitary for more than half a year each year. "Group-living" birds are those that spend more than half the year in communal groups or flocks. Researchers examined 61 species of woodpeckers. Use solitary - group living as the order of subtraction

The summary of the data and boxplots are given below:

### Boxplots of Brain Volume for Woodpeckers by Social Gi

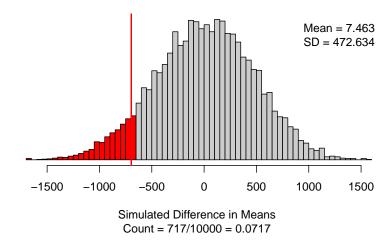


- 1. Write out the parameter of interest in context of the problem. Use proper notation.
- 2. Write the null hypothesis in notation.
- 3. Write the alternative hypothesis in words.
- 4. Calculate the summary statistic. Use proper notation.

### Simulation Methods

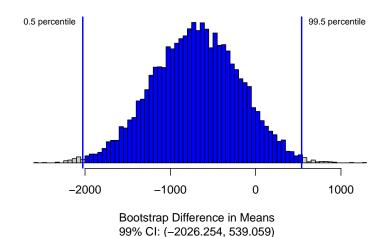
### Hypothesis Testing

In the two\_mean\_test function, enter the response~explanatory variable names in for the formula (response~explanatory) and the name of the data set (woodpeckers) for data. Since the order of subtraction is solitary - group\_living enter solitary for first\_in\_subtraction. Enter the summary statistic in for as\_extreme\_as and choose the direction to match the alternative hypothesis.



- 5. Based on the p-value for this study, explain why each of the following are false.
- A. There is strong evidence that there is a true mean difference in brain volume for species of woodpeckers that live solo and those that live in groups (solitary group).
- B. If the difference in true mean brain volume for species of woodpeckers that live solo and that live in groups is less than zero, in 58 out of 1000 samples, we would observe a sample difference in mean brain volume of  $-695.973 \ mm^3$  or less.
- C. The 99% confidence interval would not include the value of zero.
- D. We could conclude that the brain volume for species of woodpeckers that live solo is less than for those that live in groups when in fact there is no difference in brain volume for species of woodpeckers that live solo and that live in groups.

Bootstrap Confidence Interval To find the 99% confidence interval for the true difference in mean brain volume for species of woodpeckers that live in groups and species of woodpeckers that live solo use the two\_mean\_bootstrap\_CI. The inputs are similar as to what we used in the two\_mean\_test.



- 6. Interpret the confidence interval in context of the problem.
- 7. Write a conclusion to the research question.

### Hypothesis testing using theory-based methods

Standardized Statistic:

$$\begin{split} T &= \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 - \text{null value}}{SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2)} \\ SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2) &= \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}} \end{split}$$

- 8. Calculate the standard error of the difference in means.
- 9. Calculate the standardized difference in sample mean.

Enter the t score into the pt function using a df = minimum(n-1) = 20 - 1 = 19, and lower tail = FALSE.

```
pt(-1.338, df=19, lower.tail=TRUE)
#> [1] 0.09834555
```

10. Why do we use lower.tail=TRUE to find the p-value?

### Confidence interval using theory-based methods

To calculate the 99% confidence interval we use the formula:

 $\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2 \pm t^* \times SE(\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2)$  we will need to find the  $t^*$  multiplier using the function qt.

For a 95% confidence interval we are finding the  $t^*$  value at the 99.5th percentile with df = minimum(n - 1) = 20 - 1 = 19.

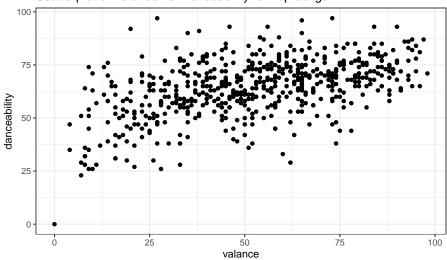
```
qt(0.995, df = 19, lower.tail=TRUE)
#> [1] 2.860935
```

- 11. Calculate the 99% confidence interval.
- 12. Why do the simulation and theory based methods not give the same results?

# 4.3 Module 13 Review - Regression

Spotify created a list of the top songs around the world for the past 10 years and several different audio features of those songs. Among the variables measured on these songs, we will look at the relationship between Valance and Danceability. Valance measures the positive mood of a song; the higher the point value the more positive the mood of the song. Danceability measures how easy it is to dance to a song; the higher the point value the easier it is to dance to the song. Is there evidence that songs with a higher valance value are more danceable, on average?

## Scatterplot of Valance vs. Danceability for Top songs



1. Identify the explanatory variable and the response variable.

The linear model output is given below with the correlation coefficient.

```
# Fit linear model: y ~ x
songsLM <- lm(Danceability~Valance, data=songs)
round(summary(songsLM)$coefficients, 5) # Display coefficient summary

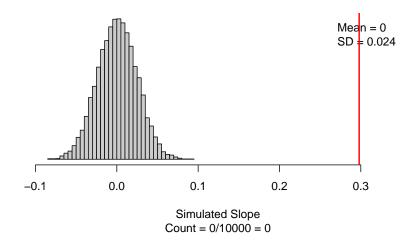
#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 48.80920 1.19239 40.93393 0
#> Valance 0.29814 0.02097 14.21805 0

cor(songs$Danceability, songs$Valance)
```

- #> [1] 0.5016962
  - 2. Write the least squares equation of the regression line in context of the problem.
  - 3. Interpret the slope in context of the problem.
  - 4. Write the null hypothesis, in words, in context of the problem.
  - 5. Write the alternative hypothesis, in notation, to test slope, in context of the problem.

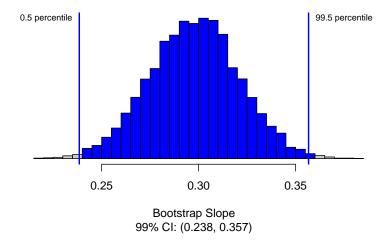
 $Simulation\ Methods$ 

The following code creates the null distribution for this study.



- 6. Report the value of the p-value. Interpret this value in context of the problem.
- 7. Based on the p-value, write a conclusion in context of the problem.

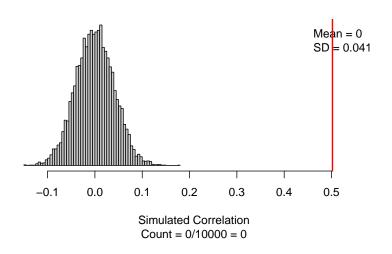
Now let's estimate the true regression slope for the relationship between valance and danceability of songs.

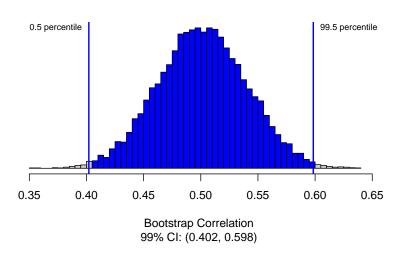


8. Interpret the 99% confidence interval in context of the problem.

Now let's test correlation.

9. How will the null and alternative hypotheses change?





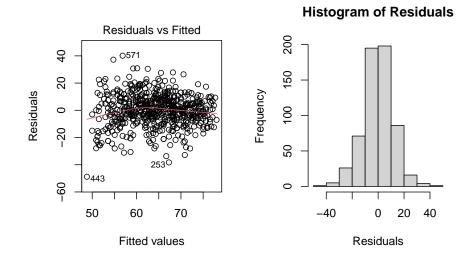
10. Interpret the 99% confidence interval for the true correlation between valance and danceability.

### $Theory\text{-}based\ Methods$

When performing inference on a least squares line, the follow conditions are generally required

- Linearity: the data should follow a linear trend
- Nearly normal residuals: residuals must be nearly normal
- Constant variability: the variability of points around the least squares line remains roughly constant
- Independent observations: individual data points must be independent

The scatterplot and the residual plots will be used to assess the conditions for approximating the data with the t-distribution.



11. Are the conditions met to use the t-distribution to approximate the sampling distribution of our test statistic?

To find the value of the test statistic to test the slope we will use,

$$T = \frac{b_1 - \text{null value}}{SE(b_1)}$$

We will use the linear model output above to get the estimate for slope and standard error.

12. Calculate the standardized slope.

- 13. Using the linear model output, report the p-value for the test of significance.
- 14. Based on the p-value, how much evidence is there against the null hypothesis?

Recall that a confidence interval is calculated by adding and subtracting the margin of error to the point estimate.

$$\label{eq:bound} \begin{aligned} \text{point estimate} & \pm t^* \times SE(estimate) \\ & b_1 \pm t^* \times SE(b_1) \end{aligned}$$

The  $t^*$  multiplier comes from the t-distribution with n-2 df. Recall for a 99% confidence interval, use the 99.5% percentile (99% of the distribution is in the middle, leaving 0.5% in each tail). The sample size is 603 so the df is 601.

```
qt(0.995, 601) #95% t* multiplier
```

- **#>** [1] 2.584034
  - 15. Calculate the 99% confidence interval for the true slope.

## 4.4 Unit 3 Review

## 4.4.1 Key Topics Exam 3

Descriptive statistics and study design:

- 1. Identify the observational units.
- 2. Identify the types of variables (categorical or quantitative).
- 3. Identify the explanatory variable (if present) and the response variable (roles of variables).

- 4. Identify the appropriate type of graph and summary measure.
- 5. Identify the study design (observational study or randomized experiment).
- 6. Identify the sampling method and potential types of sampling bias (non-response, response, selection).
- 7. Determine the scope of inference (causation/association and generalizability) of the study.
- 8. Calculate and interpret the mean difference from paired data.
- 9. Calculate and interpret the difference in means from independent data.
- 10. Identify the slope of the repression line from R output and interpret.
- 11. Identify the correlation from R output and describe the strength and direction.
- 12. Calculate and interpret coefficient of determination.

### Hypothesis testing:

- 13. Identify which of the three scenarios applies to the study: paired data, independent groups, or two quantitative variables.
- 14. Write the parameter of interest in words and correct notation.
- 15. Find the value of the observed statistic (point estimate, summary statistic). Use correct notation.
- 16. State the null and alternative hypotheses in words and in correct notation.
- 17. Verify the validity condition is met to use simulation-based methods to find a p-value.
- 18. Verify the validity conditions are met to use theory-based methods to find a p-value from the theoretical distribution.
- 19. In a simulation-based hypothesis test, describe how to create one dot on a dotplot of the null distribution using cards.
- 20. Explain where the null distribution is centered and why.
- 21. Describe and illustrate how R calculates the p-value for a simulation-based test.
- 22. Describe and illustrate how R calculates the p-value for a theory-based test.
- 23. Type of theoretical distribution (t-distribution and appropriate degrees of freedom) used to model the standardized statistic in a theory-based hypothesis test.
- 24. Calculate and interpret the standard error of the statistic using the correct formula on the Golden ticket.
- 25. Calculate and interpret the appropriate standardized statistic using the correct formula on the Golden ticket.
- 26. Interpret the p-value in context of the study: it is the probability of \_\_\_\_\_\_, assuming \_\_\_\_\_
- 27. Evaluate the p-value for strength of evidence against the null: how much evidence does the p-value provide against the null?
- 28. Write a conclusion about the research question based on the p-value.
- 29. Given a significance level, what decision can be made about the research question based on the p-value.

### Confidence interval:

- 30. Describe how to simulate one bootstrapped sample using cards.
- 31. Explain where the bootstrap distribution is centered and why.
- 32. Find an appropriate percentile confidence interval using a bootstrap distribution from R output.
- 33. Verify the validity condition is met to use simulation-based methods to find the confidence interval.

- 34. Verify the validity conditions are met to use theory-based methods to calculate a confidence interval.
- 35. Describe and illustrate how the bootstrap distribution is used to find the confidence interval for a given confidence level.
- 36. Describe and illustrate how the t-distribution is used to find the multiplier for a given confidence level.
- 37. Calculate the appropriate margin of error and confidence interval using theory-based methods.
- 38. Interpret the confidence interval in context of the study.
- 39. Based on the interval, what decision can you make about the null hypothesis? Does the confidence interval agree with the results of the hypothesis test? Justify your answer.
- 40. Interpret the confidence level in context of the study. What does "confidence" mean?
- 41. Describe which features of the study have an effect on the width of the confidence interval and how.

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