SIMPLE INFERENCE, PARAMETRIC AND NON-PARAMETRIC TESTS ARTHUR ALLIGNOL

ILLUSTRATIONS

USMELANOMA: MALIGNANT MELANOMA IN THE USA

Fisher and Belle (1993) report mortality rates due to malignant melanoma of the skin for white males during the period 1950--1969, for each state on the US mainland. The include the number of deaths due to malignant melanoma in the corresponding state, the longitude and latitude of the geographic centre of each state, and a binary variable indicating contiguity to an ocean, that is, if the state borders one of the oceans.

Questions of interest about these data include:

- how do the mortality rates compare for ocean and non-ocean states?
- how are mortality rates affected by latitude and longitude?

USMELANOMA: MALIGNANT MELANOMA IN THE USA

```
USmelanoma$Mortality 150 <- factor(as.numeric(USmelanoma$mortality > 150), labels = c("Mortality
head (USmelanoma, n = 4)
          mortality latitude longitude ocean Mortality 150
Alabama
                       33.0
                                      ves Mortality > 150
                219
                                87.0
                            112.0 no Mortality > 150
Arizona
                       34.5
               160
               170 35.0 92.5 no Mortality > 150
Arkansas
                      37.5 119.5 yes Mortality > 150
California
               182
```

In SAS

```
proc import datafile= '/folders/myshortcuts/WiMa_Praktikum/lectures/illustration/USmelanoma.csv
   out = USmelanoma
   dbms = csv
   replace;
run;

data usmelanoma;
   set usmelanoma;
   label Mortality="Mortality rate due to melanoma";
   mortality_150 = mortality <= 150;
   ocean_bin = ocean eq 'no';
   run;

proc format;
   value mort 0="Mortality rate > than 150" 1="Mortality rate <= than 150";
   value oce 0="Contiguous to an ocean" 1="non-contiguous to an ocean";
   run;</pre>
```

OLD FAITHFUL GEYSER WAITING TIMES BETWEEN TWO ERUPTIONS

Old Faithful is the most popular attraction of Yellowstone National Park, although it is not the largest or grandest geyser in the park. Old Faithful can vary in height from 100--180 feet with an average near 130--140 feet. Eruptions normally last between 1.5 to 5 minutes. From August 1 to August 15, 1985, Old Faithful was observed and the waiting times between successive eruptions noted. There were 300 eruptions observed, so 299 waiting times were (in minutes) recorded.

```
head(faithful)

eruptions waiting
1    3.600    79
2    1.800    54
3    3.333    74
4    2.283    62
5    4.533    85
6    2.883    55
```

- eruptions: Eruption time in mins
- waiting: Waiting time to next eruption (in mins)

SURVIVAL OF TITANIC PASSENGER

This data set provides information on the fate of passengers on the fatal maiden voyage of the ocean liner 'Titanic', summarised according to economic status (class), sex, age and survival.

- Class: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Crew
- Sex: Male, Female
- Age: Child, Adult
- Survived: No, Yes

SURVIVAL OF TITANIC PASSENGER

Titanic

```
, , Age = Child, Survived = No
     Sex
Class Male Female
 1st 0 0
 2nd 0 0
 3rd 35 17
 Crew 0 0
, , Age = Adult, Survived = No
     Sex
Class Male Female
 1st 118
 2nd 154 13
 3rd 387 89
 Crew 670
, , Age = Child, Survived = Yes
     Sex
Class Male Female
```

ONE CONTINUOUS VARIABLE

SUMMARY STATISTICS

 $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ i.i.d random variable

- sample mean: $\hat{\mu} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$
- sample variance: $\hat{\sigma}^2=\frac{1}{n-1}\sum_{i=1}^n(X_i-\hat{\mu})^2$ Standard deviation: $\sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2}$
- Median, quantiles
- Minimum, Maximum

In R:

```
summary(USmelanoma$mortality)
  Min. 1st Qu. Median
                      Mean 3rd Ou.
                                       Max.
  86.0 128.0 147.0 152.9 178.0
                                      229.0
```

In SAS

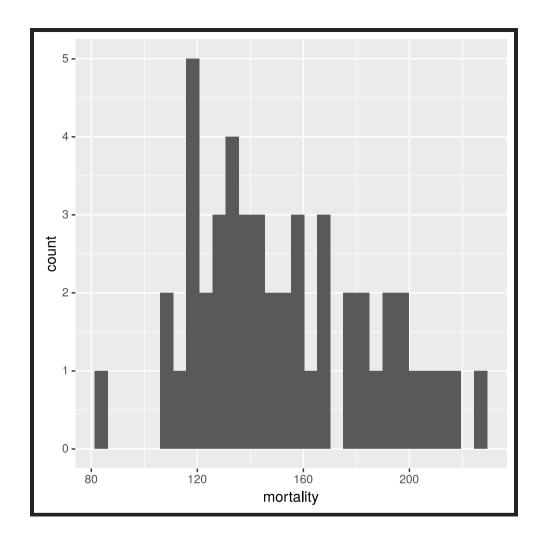
```
proc means data = usmelanoma mean std clm median q1 q3 min max maxdec=2;
    var mortality;
run;
```

HISTOGRAMS

Histograms are used for counting and displaying the distribution of a variable. Histograms can often be misleading for displaying distributions because of their dependence on the number of classes chosen.

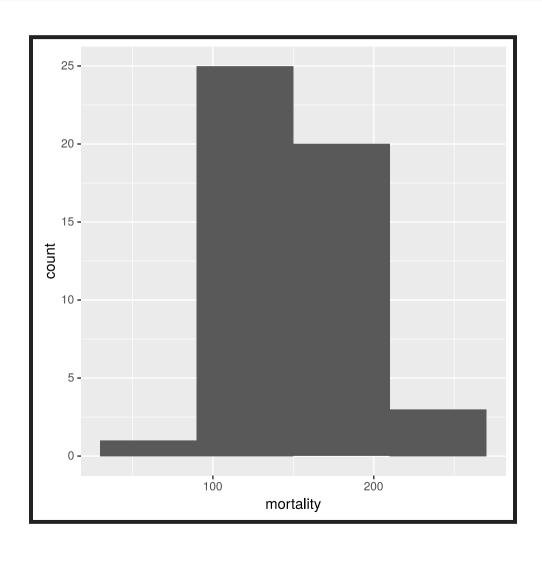
```
ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = mortality)) + geom_histogram()

`stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



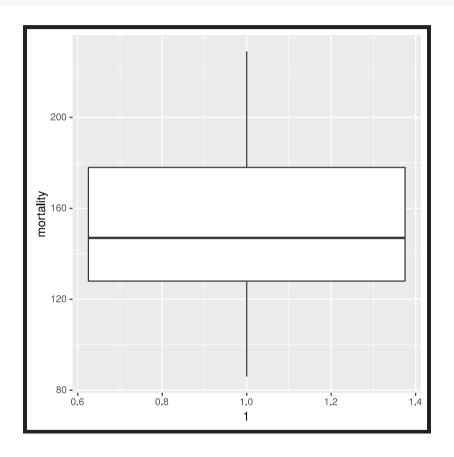
HISTOGRAMS

ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = mortality)) + geom_histogram(binwidth = 60)



BOXPLOT

```
ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = 1, y = mortality)) + geom_boxplot()
```



- Middle line is the median
- The lower and upper "hinges" correspond to the **first** and **third quartiles** (the 25th and 75th percentiles)
- The lower/upper whiskers extends from the hinges to the lowest/highest value within 1.5 * IOR (interquartile range) of the hinge. Data beyond the end of the

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whiskers are **outliers** and plotted as **points**

DENSITY ESTIMATION

The goal of density estimation is to approximate the probability density function of a random variable (univariate or multivariate) given a sample of observations of the variable.

If we are willing to assume a particular form for the variable distribution, for example, Gaussian, density estimation would be reduced to estimating the parameters of the distribution. More commonly, however, we wish to allow the data to speak for themselves and so one of a variety of non-parametric estimation procedures that are now available might be used.

One of the most popular class of procedures is the kernel density estimators.

From the definition of a probability density, if the r.v X has a density f,

$$f(x) = \lim_{h o 0}rac{1}{2h}P(x-h < X < x+h).$$

For any given h a naïve estimator is

$$\hat{f}\left(x
ight)=rac{1}{2hn}\sum_{i=1}^{n}I(x_{i}\in(x-h,x+h)),$$

i.e., the number of x_1, \ldots, x_n falling in the interval (x-h, x+h) divided by 2hn.

$$\hat{f}\left(x
ight) = rac{1}{hn} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K\left(rac{x - x_i}{h}
ight)$$

where K is known as the **kernel function** and h as the **bandwidth** or **smoothing** parameter.

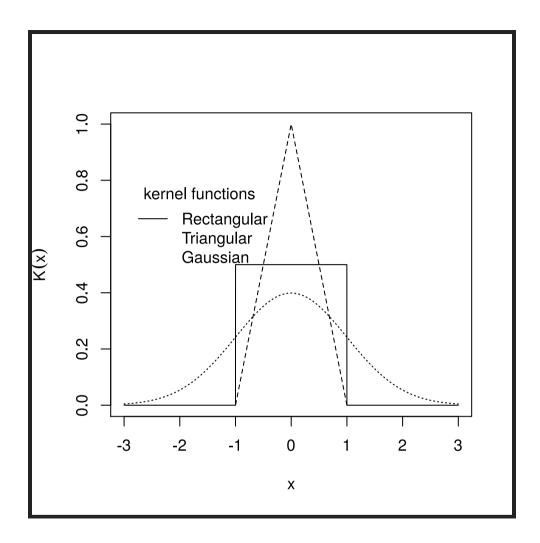
The kernel function must satisfy the condition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(x)dx = 1.$$

Usually, but not always, the kernel function will be a symmetric density function for example, the normal.

3 types of Kernel functions

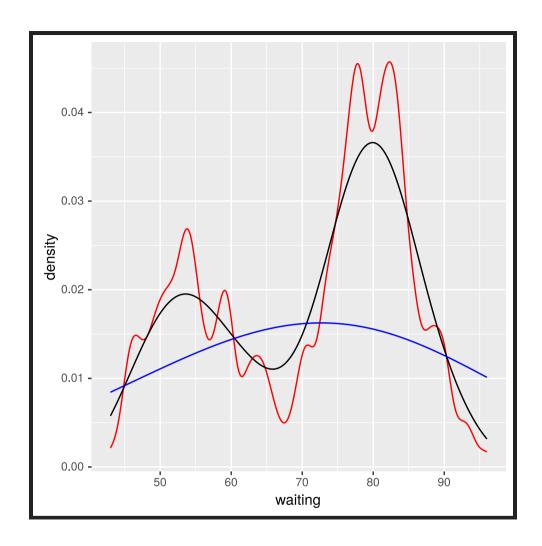
- Rectangular
- Triangular
- Gaussian



The kernel estimator \hat{f} is a sum of 'bumps' placed at the observations. The kernel function determines the shape of the bumps while the window width h determines their width.

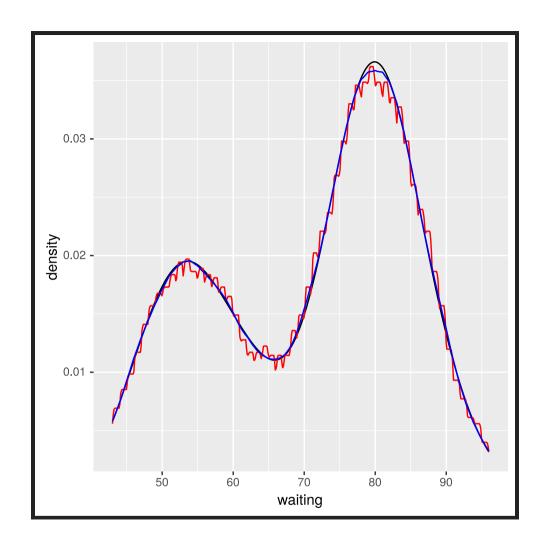
The adjust argument controls the bandwidth

```
ggplot(faithful, aes(waiting)) +
  geom_line(stat = "density", adjust = .25, col = "red") +
  geom_line(stat = "density", adjust = 1, col = "black") +
  geom_line(stat = "density", adjust = 5, col = "blue")
```



The kernel argument specifies which kernel to use

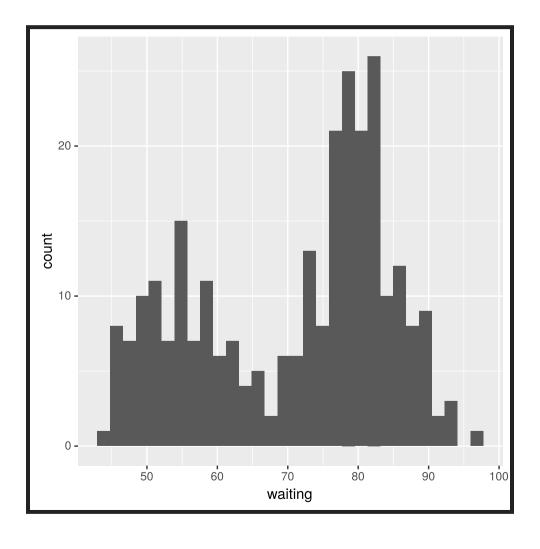
```
ggplot(faithful, aes(waiting)) +
  geom_line(stat = "density", adjust = 1, col = "black", kernel = "gaussian") +
  geom_line(stat = "density", adjust = 1, col = "red", kernel = "rectangular") +
  geom_line(stat = "density", adjust = 1, col = "blue", kernel = "triangular")
```



DISPLAY THE DENSITY

```
ggplot(faithful, aes(x = waiting)) + geom_histogram()

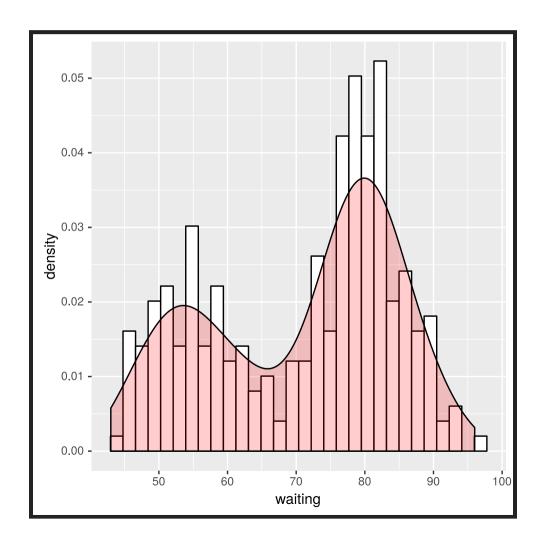
`stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



DISPLAY THE DENSITY

```
ggplot(faithful, aes(waiting)) +
  geom_histogram(aes(y = ..density..), colour="black", fill="white") +
  geom_density(fill = "red", alpha = .2)

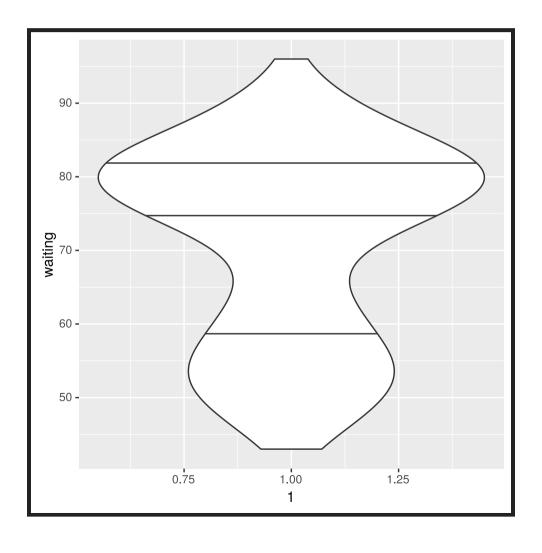
`stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



DISPLAY THE DENSITY

Violin plot: a boxplot with a rotated kernel density plot on each side

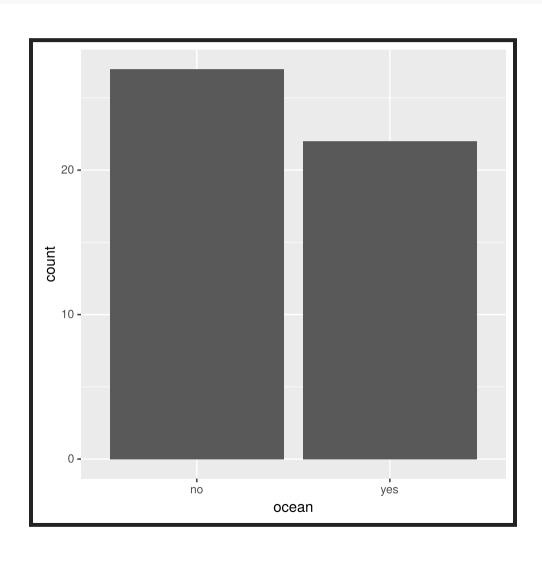
```
ggplot(faithful, aes(1, waiting)) +
  geom_violin(draw_quantiles = c(0.25, 0.5, 0.75))
```



ONE BINARY VARIABLE

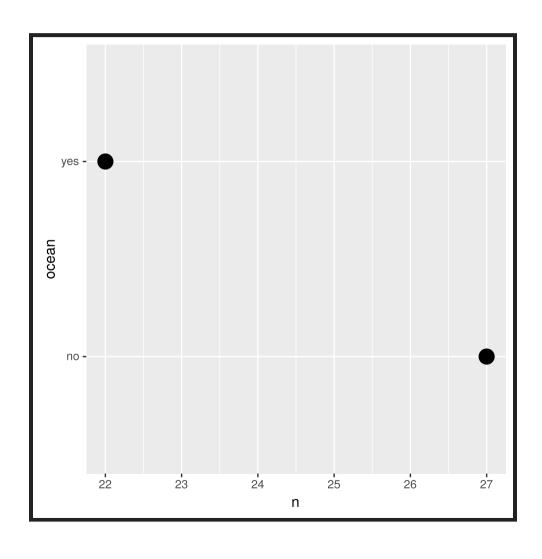
POSSIBLE DISPLAY — BARS

ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(ocean)) + geom_bar()



POSSIBLE DISPLAY — DOTCHART

```
df <- USmelanoma %>% group_by(ocean) %>% summarise(n = n())
ggplot(df, aes(ocean, n)) + geom_point(size = 5) + coord_flip()
```



INFERENCE FOR A SINGLE PROPORTION

A sample proportion can be described as a sample mean, e.g, if 'successes' are coded as 1,then the sample proportion is the mean of these numerical outcomes

$$\hat{p} = \frac{\text{Number of successes}}{n}$$

with n the total number of observation.

If $np \geq 10$ and $n(1-p) \geq 10$ then the standard error (SE) of \hat{p} can be computed as

$$\sqrt{rac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

INFERENCE FOR A SINGLE PROPORTION

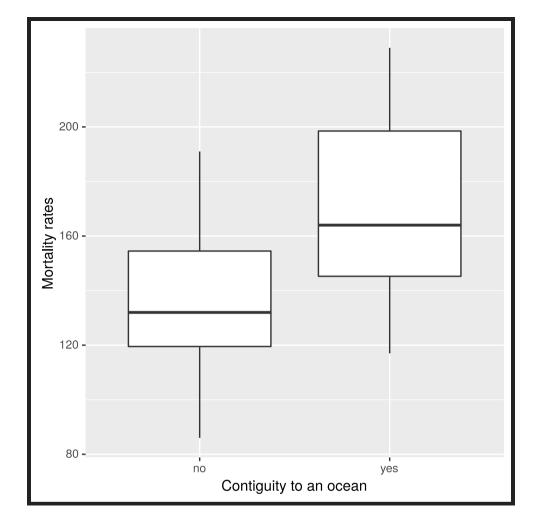
In SAS:

```
proc freq data = usmelanoma;
    format mortality_150 mort.;
    tables mortality_150 / nocum binomial alpha = 0.05;
run;
```

ONE BINARY VARIABLE VS ONE CONTINUOUS VARIABLE

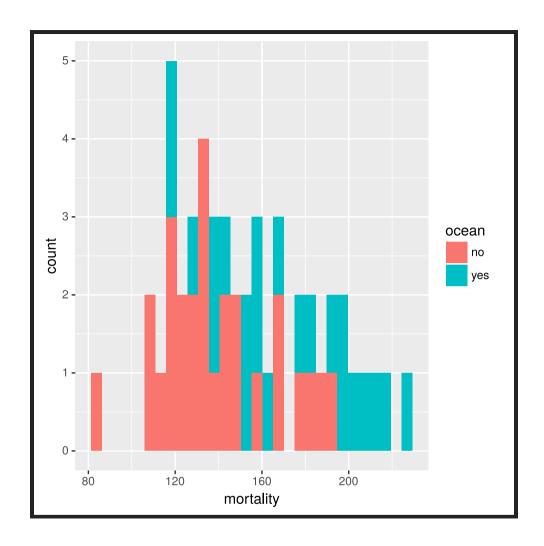
MORTALITY RATES FOR OCEAN AND NON-OCEAN STATES COMPARED

```
ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = ocean, y = mortality)) + geom_boxplot() +
   xlab("Contiguity to an ocean") +
   ylab("Mortality rates")
```



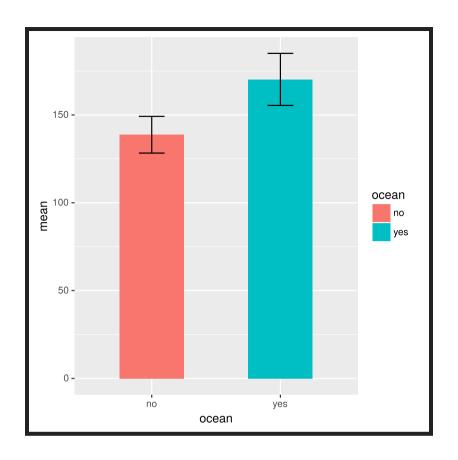
MORTALITY RATES FOR OCEAN AND NON-OCEAN STATES COMPARED

```
ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = mortality, fill = ocean)) + geom_histogram()
`stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



MORTALITY RATES FOR OCEAN AND NON-OCEAN STATES COMPARED

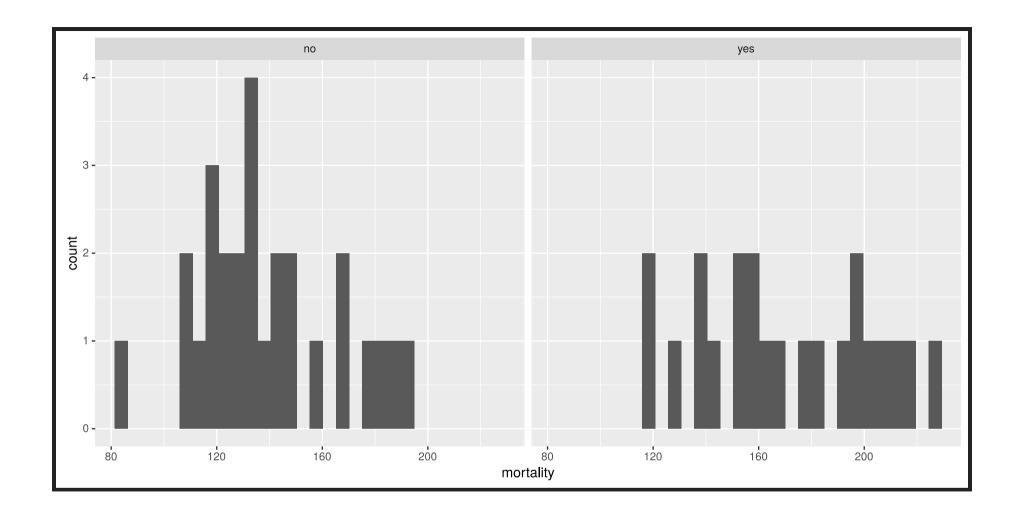
```
ggplot(df, aes(x = ocean, y = mean, fill = ocean)) + geom_bar(stat = "identity", width = .5) +
geom_errorbar(aes(ymin = mean - ciMult, ymax = mean + ciMult), width = .2)
```



MORTALITY RATES FOR OCEAN AND NON-OCEAN STATES COMPARED

```
ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = mortality)) + geom_histogram() +
  facet_grid(.~ ocean)

`stat bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```



The independent samples t-test is used to test the null hypothesis that the means of two populations are the same: $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2$.

The variable to be compared is assumed to have a normal distribution with the same variance in both populations.

Test statistic:

$$t=rac{ar{x}_1-ar{x}_2}{s\sqrt{1/n_1+1/n_2}}\sim t_{n_1+n_2-2}$$

In R

```
t.test(mortality ~ ocean, data = USmelanoma, var.equal= TRUE)
```

```
Two Sample t-test

data: mortality by ocean

t = -3.684, df = 47, p-value = 0.0005924

alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0

95 percent confidence interval:

-48.68041 -14.29265

sample estimates:

mean in group no mean in group yes

138.7407 170.2273
```

Unequal Variances:

If the two populations are suspected of having different variances (boxes in boxplots differ significantly), a modified form of the t statistic, known as the Welch test, may be used:

$$t = rac{ar{x}_1 - ar{x}_2}{\sqrt{s_1^2/n_1 + s_2^2/n_2}} \sim t_
u,$$

where

$$u = \left(rac{c}{n_1-1} + rac{(1-c)^2}{n_2-1}
ight)^{-1}$$

and

$$c=rac{s_1^2/n_1}{s_1^2/n_1+s_2^2/n_2}$$

COMPARING NORMAL POPULATIONS — UNEQUAL VARIANCES

In R

```
t.test(mortality ~ ocean, data = USmelanoma, var.equal= FALSE)
```

In SAS

```
proc ttest data = usmelanoma;
   format ocean_bin oce.;
   class ocean_bin;
   var mortality;
run;
```

PAIRED SAMPLES

A paired t-test is used to compare the means of two populations when samples from the populations are available, in which each individual in one sample is paired with an individual in the other sample or each individual in the sample is observed twice.

If the values of the variable of interest, x, for the members of the ith pair in groups 1 and 2 are denoted as x_{1i} and x_{2i} , then the differences $d_i = x_{1i} - x_{2i}$ are assumed to have a normal distribution with mean μ and the null hypothesis here is that the mean difference is zero, i.e., $H_0: \mu = 0$.

The paired t-statistic is

$$t=rac{ar{d}}{s/\sqrt{n}}\sim t_{n-1}$$

NON-PARAMETRIC TESTS

Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney Test

For two independent groups, the Wilcoxon Mann-Whitney rank sum test applies the t-statistic to the joint ranks of all measurements in both groups instead of the original measurements. The null hypothesis to be tested is that the two populations being compared have identical distributions.

Wilcoxon-Signed-Rank Test

The Wilcoxon signed-rank statistic is based on the ranks of the absolute differences $|d_i|$. The statistic is defined as the sum of the ranks associated with positive difference $d_i>0$.

It should be noted that this test is only valid when the differences d_i are symmetrically distributed.

NON-PARAMETRIC TESTS

Use a nonparametric test when:

- The data are not normally distributed or are ordinal
- There is outliers: As the test compares sum of ranks, it is less likely than the ttest to spuriously indicate significance because of the presence of outliers
- Even if normality holds, the Wilcoxon test is not a lot less efficient

NON-PARAMETRIC TESTS

In R:

```
wilcox.test(mortality ~ ocean, USmelanoma)

Warning in wilcox.test.default(x = c(160L, 170L, 149L, 177L, 116L, 124L, :
    cannot compute exact p-value with ties

Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction

data: mortality by ocean
W = 134.5, p-value = 0.001125
alternative hypothesis: true location shift is not equal to 0
```

In SAS

```
proc nparlway data = usmelanoma;
    format ocean_bin oce.;
    class ocean_bin;
    var mortality;
run;

* Only a wilcoxon test;
proc nparlway wilcoxon plots=none data = usmelanoma;
    format ocean_bin oce.;
    class ocean_bin;
    var mortality;
run;
```

TWO BINARY VARIABLES

```
dt <- data.table(Titanic)
survived_gender <- dt[, list(n = sum(N)), by = list(Sex, Survived)]
survived_gender[, N := sum(n), by = Sex]
survived_gender[, prop := n/N]
survived_gender</pre>
```

```
Sex Survived n N prop

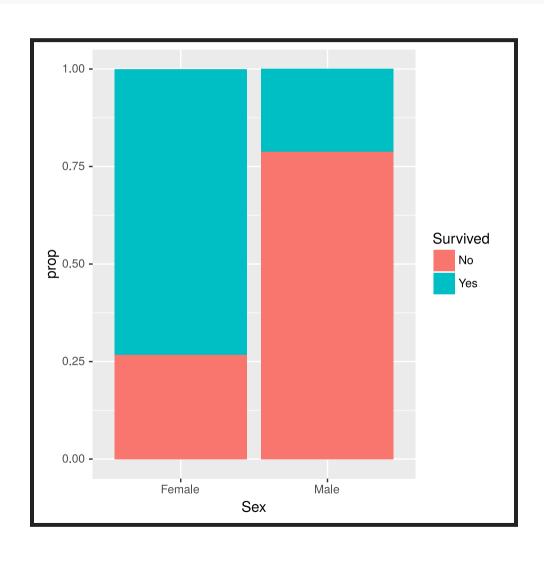
1: Male No 1364 1731 0.7879838

2: Female No 126 470 0.2680851

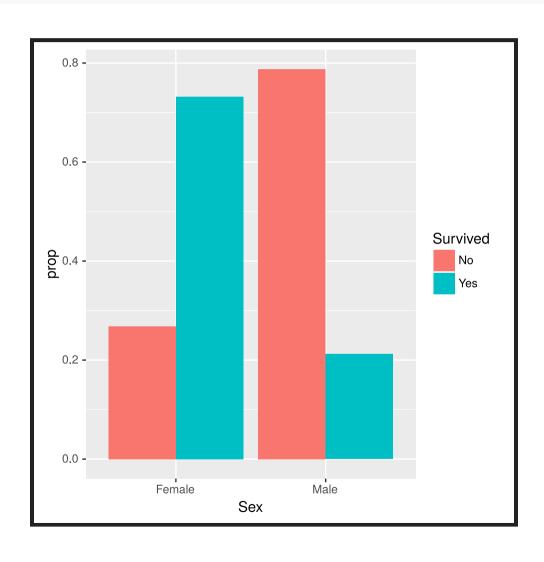
3: Male Yes 367 1731 0.2120162

4: Female Yes 344 470 0.7319149
```

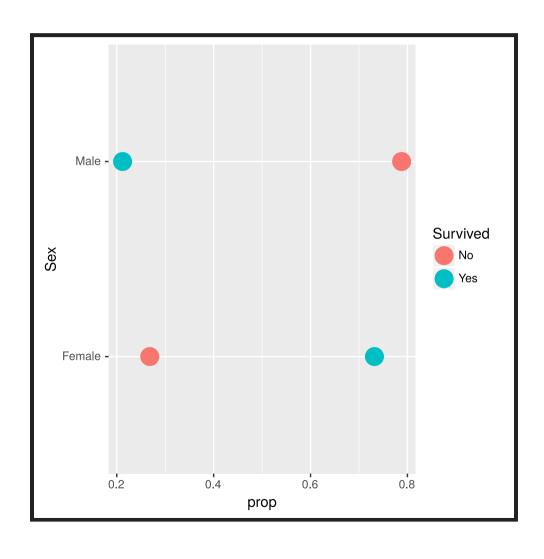
ggplot(survived_gender, aes(Sex, prop, fill = Survived)) + geom_bar(stat = "identity")



```
ggplot(survived_gender, aes(Sex, prop, fill = Survived)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity", position = "dodge")
```



```
ggplot(survived_gender, aes(prop, Sex, colour = Survived)) +
  geom_point(size = 6)
```



CONTINGENCY TABLES

- In R: see table
- In SAS:

```
proc freq data = usmelanoma;
   format mortality_150 mort. ocean_bin oce.;
   tables ocean_bin * mortality_150;
run;
```

χ^2 -Test:

Under the null hypothesis of independence of the row variable x and the column variable y, estimated expected values E_{jk} for cell (j,k) can be computed from the corresponding margin totals $E_{jk}=n_{j\cdot}n_{\cdot k}/n$. The test statistic is

$$X^2 = \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^c rac{(n_{jk} - E_{jk})^2}{E_{jk}} \sim \chi^2_{(r-1)(c-1)}$$

with rc the number of cells

Assumptions:

- A sufficiently large sample size is assumed
- Adequate expected cell counts (5 or more)

```
\chi^2-Test:
```

• In R:

```
with(USmelanoma, chisq.test(table(Mortality_150, ocean)))
```

```
Pearson's Chi-squared test with Yates' continuity correction

data: table(Mortality_150, ocean)

X-squared = 8.8647, df = 1, p-value = 0.002907
```

• In SAS:

```
proc freq data = usmelanoma;
  format mortality_150 mort. ocean_bin oce.;
  tables ocean_bin * mortality_150 / chisq;
run;
```

Fisher's exact test

The Fisher's exact test calculates the *exact probability* of the table of observed cell frequencies given the following assumptions:

- The null hypothesis of independence is true
- The marginal totals of the observed table are fixed

If margins of a table are fixed, the exact probability of a table with cells a, b, c, d and marginal totals (a + b), (c + d), (a + c), (b + d) is

$$\dfrac{(a+b)! imes (c+d)! imes (a+c)! imes (b+d)!}{n! imes a! imes b! imes c! imes d!}$$

Then compute all possible tables with the given marginals. The p-value for the Fisher's exact test is calculated by summing all probabilities less than or equal to the probability of the observed table

Fisher's exact test

```
with(USmelanoma, fisher.test(table(Mortality_150, ocean)))
```

```
Fisher's Exact Test for Count Data

data: table(Mortality_150, ocean)
p-value = 0.001583
alternative hypothesis: true odds ratio is not equal to 1
95 percent confidence interval:
    1.831364 33.265732
sample estimates:
odds ratio
    7.254566
```

• In SAS:

```
proc freq data = usmelanoma;
   format mortality_150 mort. ocean_bin oce.;
   tables ocean_bin * mortality_150 / chisq;
run;
```

ODDS-RATIO AND RELATIVE RISK

	Diseased	Non-diseased	Total
Exposed	a	b	a+b
Non-exposed	С	d	c+d
Total	a+c	b+d	a+b+c+d

Relative risk:

The is the ratio of the probability of an event occurring

$$ext{RR} = rac{a/(a+b)}{c/(c+d)} = rac{\pi_1}{\pi_2}$$

Exposed would be RR times as likely to develop the disease. Note that the RR is not suitable for case-control studies

Odds ratio:

The odds ratio is computed as

$$ext{OR} = rac{\pi_1/(1-\pi_1)}{\pi_2/(1-\pi_2)} = rac{a/c}{b/d} = rac{ad}{cb}$$

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ullet Testing $\mathrm{OR}=1$ is equivalent to an independence test

• The odds ratio does not change when the orientation of the table reverses

•
$$se(log OR) = \sqrt{1/a + 1/b + 1/c + 1/d}$$

ODDS-RATIO AND RELATIVE RISK

• In R: Compute per hand or

```
ft <- with(USmelanoma, fisher.test(table(Mortality_150, ocean)))
  (or <- ft$estimate)

odds ratio
   7.254566

## Note that this OR is estimated via maximum likelood</pre>
```

In SAS

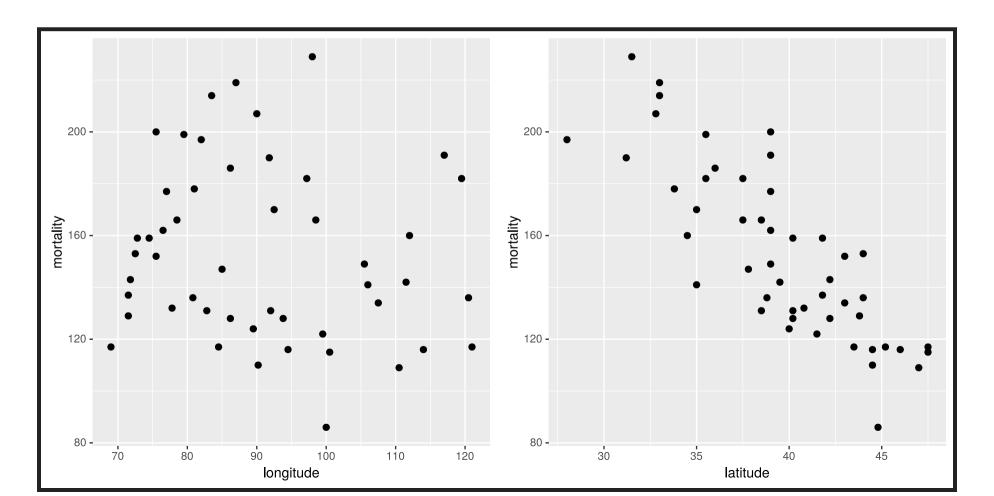
```
proc freq data = usmelanoma;
    format mortality_150 mort. ocean_bin oce.;
    tables ocean_bin*mortality_150 / relrisk;
run;
```

2 CONTINUOUS VARIABLES

SCATTERPLOT

Mortality rate against latitude and longitude in the USmelanoma data

```
p <- ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = longitude, y = mortality)) + geom_point(size = 2)
q <- ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = latitude, y = mortality)) + geom_point(size = 2)
grid.arrange(p, q, ncol = 2)</pre>
```



Pearson's correlation coefficient:

cor.test(~ mortality + latitude, USmelanoma)

$$ho = \operatorname{corr}(X, Y) = rac{\operatorname{cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

The Pearson correlation is +1 in the case of a perfect direct (increasing) linear relationship (correlation), -1 in the case of a perfect decreasing (inverse) linear relationship. Note that this coefficient only detects linear relationships.

• in R

```
Pearson's product-moment correlation

data: mortality and latitude
t = -9.9898, df = 47, p-value = 3.309e-13
alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-0.8976036 -0.7073128
sample estimates:
cor
-0.8245178
```

```
cor.test(~ mortality + longitude, USmelanoma)$p.value
```

• in SAS

Spearman's rho:

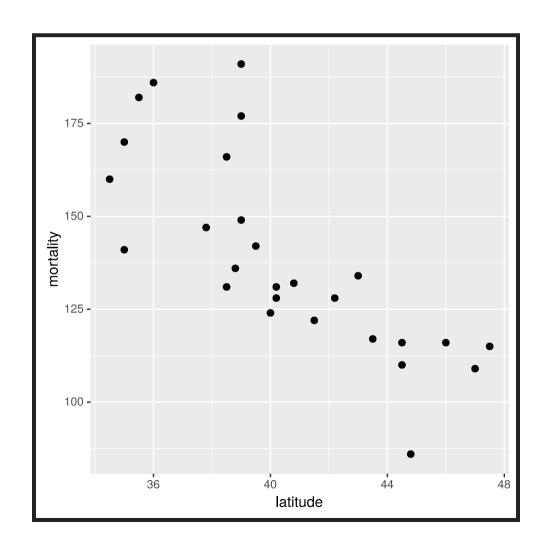
The Spearman correlation coefficient is defined as the Pearson correlation coefficient between the ranked variables

$$ho_{X,Y} = rac{ ext{cov}(ext{rg}_X, ext{rg}_Y)}{\sigma_{ ext{rg}_X}\sigma_{ ext{rg}_Y}}$$

- $cov(rg_X, rg_Y)$ is the covariance of the rank variables
- $\sigma_{{
 m rg}_{\scriptscriptstyle Y}}$ and $\sigma_{{
 m rg}_{\scriptscriptstyle Y}}$ are the standard deviations of the rank variables

Spearman's rho:

```
ggplot(USmelanoma[USmelanomasocean == "no", ], aes(x = latitude, y = mortality)) + geom_point(size = 2)
```



Spearman's rho:

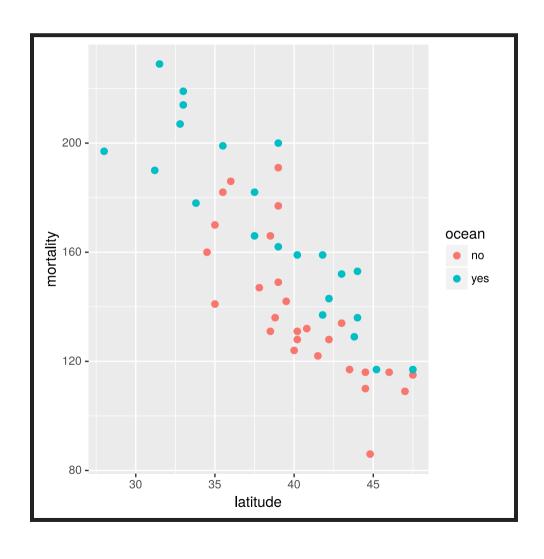
```
cor.test(~ mortality + latitude, USmelanoma[USmelanoma$ocean == "no", ], method = "pearson")
    Pearson's product-moment correlation
data: mortality and latitude
t = -6.0679, df = 25, p-value = 2.432e-06
alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 -0.8905788 -0.5542985
sample estimates:
       cor
-0.7717501
cor.test(~ mortality + latitude, USmelanoma[USmelanoma$ocean == "no", ], method = "spearman")
Warning in cor.test.default(x = c(160L, 170L, 149L, 177L, 116L, 124L,
128L, : Cannot compute exact p-value with ties
    Spearman's rank correlation rho
data: mortality and latitude
S = 6051.7, p-value = 2.484e-08
alternative hypothesis: true rho is not equal to 0
sample estimates:
       rho
-0.8472713
```

```
proc corr pearson spearman data = usmelanoma;
    where ocean eq "no";
    var mortality latitude;
run;
```

GRAPHICAL ANALYSIS FOR MORE THAN ONE VARIABLE

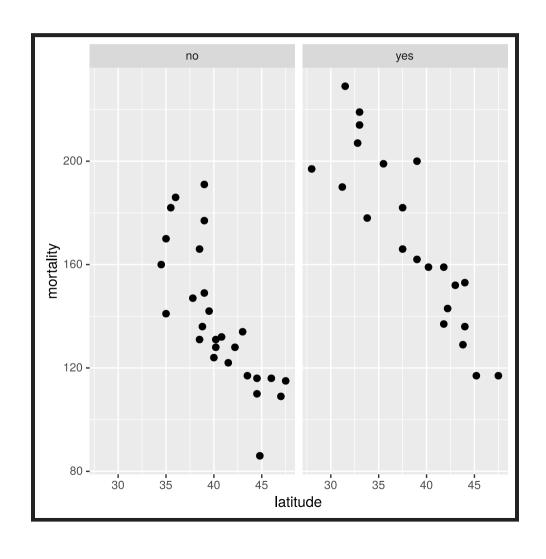
MORTALITY RATES BY LATITUDE

```
ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = latitude, y = mortality, colour = ocean)) +
  geom_point(size = 2)
```



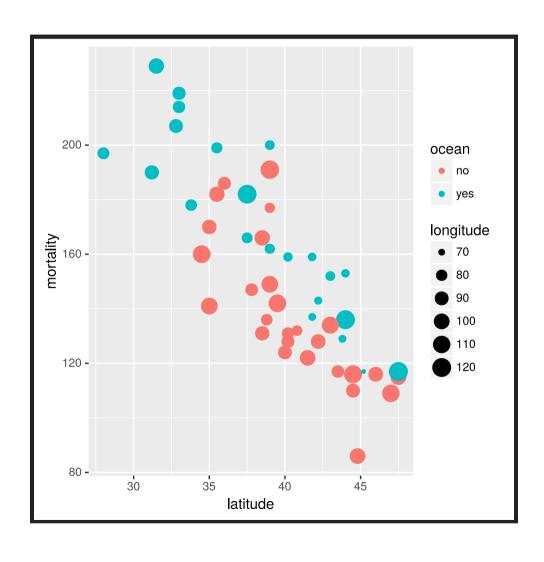
MORTALITY RATES BY LATITUDE

```
ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = latitude, y = mortality)) +
  geom_point(size = 2) +
  facet_grid(. ~ ocean)
```



MORTALITY RATES BY LATITUDE

ggplot(USmelanoma, aes(x = latitude, y = mortality, colour = ocean, size = longitude)) +
 geom_point()



MOSAIC PLOT FOR CATEGORICAL DATA

