## Guido's Guide to PROC UNIVARIATE: A Tutorial for SAS® Users

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#### **ABSTRACT**

PROC UNIVARIATE is a procedure within BASE SAS® used primarily for examining the distribution of data, including an assessment of normality and discovery of outliers. PROC UNIVARIATE goes beyond what PROC MEANS does and is useful in conducting some basic statistical analyses and includes high resolution graphical features. Output Delivery System (ODS) interface for this procedure will also be examined and demonstrated. This tutorial will cover both basic and intermediate uses of PROC UNIVARIATE including some helpful tips to expand the use of numeric type data and give a framework to build upon and extend knowledge of the SAS System.

### INTRODUCTION

The Version 9.2 SAS® Procedure Manual states, "The UNIVARIATE procedure provides a variety of descriptive measures, high-resolution graphical displays, and statistical methods, which you can use to summarize, visualize, analyze, and model the statistical distributions of numeric variables. These tools are appropriate for a broad range of tasks and applications". Compare this with what the same manual states about PROC MEANS, "The MEANS procedure provides data summarization tools to computer descriptive statistics across all observations and within groups of observations. For example, PROC MEANS calculates descriptive statistics based on moments, estimates quantiles, which includes the median, calculates confidence limits for the mean, identifies extreme values and performs a t-test".

The following statements are used in PROC UNIVARIATE according to the SAS® 9.2 Procedure Manual:

```
PROC UNIVARIATE < options > ;
CLASS variable(s) < / KEYLEVEL= value >;
VAR variable(s) ;
BY variable(s) ;
HISTOGRAM < variables > < / options > ;
FREQ variable ;
ID variable(s) ;
INSET keyword-list < / options > ;
OUTPUT < OUT=SAS-data-set > ... < percentile-options >;
PROBPLOT < variable(s) > < / options > ;
QQPLOT < variable(s) > < / options > ;
WEIGHT variable ;
RUN;
```

I have underlined the 5 statements in PROC UNIVARIATE which I will be discussing in this paper. The PROC UNIVARIATE statement is the only required statement for the UNIVARIATE procedure. It is only necessary to specify the following statements:

```
PROC UNIVARIATE; RUN;
```

PROC UNIVARIATE will produce for each numeric variable in the last created dataset:

- (1) <u>Moments</u> N, Mean, Standard Deviation, Skewness, Uncorrected Sum of Squares, Coefficient of Variation, Sum of Weights, Sum of Observations, Variance, Kurtosis, Corrected Sum of Squares and Standard Error of the Mean
- (2) <u>Basic Statistical Measures</u> Mean, Median, Mode, Standard Deviation, Variance, Range and Interquartile Range
- (3) Tests for Location Mu0=0 Student's t, Sign and Signed Rand tests with their associated p-values
- (4) Quantiles 0%(Min), 1%, 5%, 10%, 25%(Q1), 50%(Median), 75%(Q3), 90%, 95%, 99% and 100%(Max)
- (5) Extreme Observations the five lowest and the five highest values

Some common options used in the PROC UNIVARIATE statement are DATA=, NORMAL, FREQ, PLOT. These options are explained as follows:

- a) The **DATA**= option specifies which SAS Dataset to use in the PROC
- b) The **NORMAL** option indicates a request for several tests of normality of variable(s)
- c) The **FREO** option produces a frequency table of the variable(s)
- d) The **PLOT** option produces stem-and-leaf, box and qq plots of the variable(s)

### DISCUSSION

I will use a SAS dataset called "choljg.sas7bdat" (a dataset that I created). In this fictitious dataset there are 100 patients. The variables are IDNUM (Identification Number), SEX (Sex of Patient), SITE (Clinic Site), AGE (Age of Patient), CHOL1 (Baseline Cholesterol mg/dl), CHOL2 (Follow-up Cholesterol mg/dl) and CHOLDIFF (Difference of CHOL1 – CHOL2). Let's begin with an analysis of all the numeric analytic variables in Mylib.choljq

### Example 1

```
/*This is Example 1 which requests an analysis of all numeric variables in
Mylib.choljg*/
OPTIONS NODATE NONUMBER;
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT";
PROC UNIVARIATE DATA=Mylib.Choljg;
TITLE2 "Analysis of All Numeric Variables in Mylib.choljg";
   VAR Age Chol1 Chol2 Choldiff;
RUN;
```

Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT Analysis of All Numeric Variables in Mylib.choljg

The UNIVARIATE Procedure
Variable: AGE (Age of Patient)

## (1) Moments

N	100	Sum Weights	100
Mean	47.3	Sum Observations	4730
Std Deviation	18.6939735	Variance	349.464646
Skewness	0.21235988	Kurtosis	-1.0590988
Uncorrected SS	258326	Corrected SS	34597
Coeff Variation	39.5221428	Std Error Mean	1.86939735

## (2) Basic Statistical Measures

Variability

Location

 Mean
 47.30000
 Std Deviation
 18.69397

 Median
 45.00000
 Variance
 349.46465

 Mode
 33.00000
 Range
 68.00000

 Interquartile Range
 31.50000

NOTE: The mode displayed is the smallest of 2 modes with a count of 6.

## (3) Tests for Location: Mu0=0

-Statistic-Test ----p Value-----Student's t t 25.30227 Pr > |t| <.0001 <.0001 Sign M 50 Pr >= |M| Signed Rank Pr >= |S| <.0001 S 2525

## (4) Quantiles (Definition 5)

Quantile	Estimate
100% Max	86.0
99%	84.0
95%	77.5
90%	75.5
75% Q3	64.5
50% Median	45.0
25% Q1	33.0
10%	23.0
5%	19.5
1%	18.0
0% Min	18.0

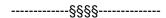
Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT Analysis of All Numeric Variables in Mylib.choljg

The UNIVARIATE Procedure
Variable: AGE (Age of Patient)

## (5) Extreme Observations

Lowest		Highest	
Value	0bs	Value	0bs
18	48	78	10
18	1	80	42
19	93	80	66
19	83	82	50
19	57	86	62

-- NOTE: Output for Chol1, Chol2 and Choldiff not shown to save space --



If I want to look at the variable AGE grouped by the SEX variable, I can do this by using a CLASS statement. The dataset does not have to be sorted. The SAS syntax below for Example 2 will give us two reports. One will be all the moments, basic statistical measures, tests for location, quantiles and extreme observations for females. The other report will be the same five reports for the males.

## Example 2

```
/*This is Example 2 which requests an analysis of Age grouped by Sex*/
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT";
PROC UNIVARIATE DATA=Mylib.Choljg;
TITLE2 "Analysis of Age grouped by Sex";
   CLASS Sex;
   VAR Age;
RUN;
```

```
Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT
Analysis of Age grouped by Sex
```

The UNIVARIATE Procedure

Variable: AGE (Age of Patient)

SEX = F

#### Moments

Ν 59 Sum Weights 59 Mean 50.6101695 Sum Observations 2986 Std Deviation 18.9017578 Variance 357.276447 Skewness -0.0281795 Kurtosis -1.0058182 Uncorrected SS 171844 Corrected SS 20722.0339 37.3477464 Std Error Mean Coeff Variation 2.46079926

-- NOTE: Only Moments shown for SEX = F to save space

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Analysis of Age grouped by Sex

The UNIVARIATE Procedure Variable: AGE (Age of Patient) SEX = M

#### Moments

Sum Weights Ν 41 Mean 42.5365854 Sum Observations 1744 Std Deviation 17.5343913 Variance 307,454878 Kurtosis Skewness 0.57290985 -0.7591314 Uncorrected SS 86482 Corrected SS 12298.1951 Coeff Variation 41.2219061 Std Error Mean 2.73841185

-- NOTE: Only Moments shown for SEX = M to save space

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#### Example 3

/\*This is Example 3 which requests an analysis of Age sorted by Sex\*/
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT";
/\*First we must sort the dataset Mylib.choljg by Sex\*/
PROC SORT DATA=Mylib.Choljg OUT=Choljg;
 BY Sex;
PROC UNIVARIATE DATA=Choljg PLOT;
TITLE2 "Analysis of Age by Sex";
TITLE3 "Plot Statement added for side by side Box Plot";
 BY Sex;
 VAR Age;
RUN;

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Analysis of Age by Sex

Plot Statement added for side by side Box Plot

Plot Statement added for side by side Box Plot

------ Sex of Patient=F ------

The UNIVARIATE Procedure Variable: AGE (Age of Patient)

#### Moments

Ν 59 Sum Weights Mean 50.6101695 Sum Observations 2986 Std Deviation 18.9017578 Variance 357.276447 -0.0281795 Kurtosis Skewness -1.0058182 Uncorrected SS Corrected SS 171844 20722.0339 Coeff Variation 37.3477464 Std Error Mean 2.46079926

-- NOTE: Only Moments shown for SEX = F to save space

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Analysis of Age by Sex

Plot Statement added for side by side Box Plot

----- Sex of Patient=M -----

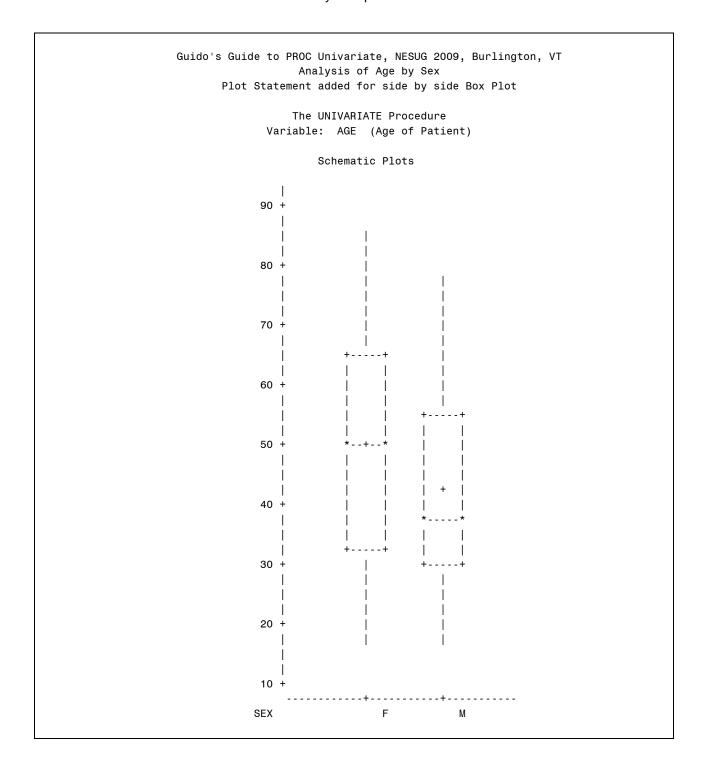
The UNIVARIATE Procedure Variable: AGE (Age of Patient)

### Moments

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-- NOTE: Only Moments shown for SEX = M to save space

Here is the box plot of Age for the females and males. This was produced by using the keyword PLOT on the PROC UNIVARIATE Statement. The side-by-side plots are a result of the BY statement.



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Up until now, I have only been showing you the Moments section (first section) of PROC UNIVARIATE because I have wanted to save space. Now let's say that I wanted another section (of the five available) in PROC UNIVARIATE. How would I do this? Before I answer this question, let me just say something about output styles. I have been showing the regular SAS Listing Output up until now. If you wanted output such as HTML, RTF, PDF, etc you could use the Output Delivery System (ODS) in SAS. I refer you to an URL on the SAS website

## http://support.sas.com/rnd/base/ods/index.html

This is a great resource for learning all about ODS up to and including SAS version 9.2 There are even quick tri-fold guides that you can print out and use as reference.

Let's suppose that I only want the Basic Statistical Measure for the variable CHOL1. It turns out that the Output Delivery System (ODS) in SAS can do this. In fact, not only does ODS allow for this in PROC UNIVARIATE, but it is virtually every PROC in SAS!

Well, since I don't know the name of the section of PROC UNIVARIATE that I want, I will use the ODS TRACE ON statement.

### Example 4

### SAS PROGRAM

```
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
ODS TRACE ON;
PROC UNIVARIATE Data=Mylib.Choljg;
VAR Chol1;
RUN;
```

## SAS LOG

```
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
NOTE: Libref MYLIB was successfully assigned as follows:
      Engine:
      Physical Name: C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido
2
     ODS TRACE ON:
3
     PROC UNIVARIATE Data=Mylib.Cholig;
4
        VAR Chol1;
5
     RUN;
NOTE: Writing HTML Body file: sashtml1.htm
Output Added:
_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
Name:
            Moments
Label:
            Moments
Template:
            base.univariate.Moments
Path:
            Univariate.CHOL1.Moments
```

Output Added: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ Name: BasicMeasures Label: Basic Measures of Location and Variability Template: base.univariate.Measures Path: Univariate.CHOL1.BasicMeasures Output Added: Name: TestsForLocation Label: Tests For Location Template: base.univariate.Location Path: Univariate.CHOL1.TestsForLocation \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ Output Added: Quantiles Name: Label: Quantiles Template: base.univariate.Quantiles Path: Univariate.CHOL1.Quantiles Output Added: Name: ExtremeObs Label: Extreme Observations Template: base.univariate.ExtObs Path: Univariate.CHOL1.ExtremeObs NOTE: PROCEDURE UNIVARIATE used (Total process time): real time 0.06 seconds cpu time 0.04 seconds

Since I want the Basic Measures, I will use the ODS SELECT statement in my next example to indicate how to accomplish this in SAS.

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## Example 5

```
/*This is Example 5 which requests Basic Measures*/
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
ODS SELECT BASICMEASURES;
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT";
PROC UNIVARIATE Data=Mylib.Choljg;
TITLE2 "Basic Measures selected";
   VAR Chol1;
RUN;
/*Other Selections: Moments, TestsforLocation, Quantiles, ExtremeObs*/
```

```
Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT
Basic Measures selected
```

The UNIVARIATE Procedure

Variable: CHOL1 (Baseline Cholesterol (mg/dl))

Basic Statistical Measures

Location Variability

 Mean
 227.2700
 Std Deviation
 46.42510

 Median
 223.0000
 Variance
 2155

 Mode
 189.0000
 Range
 216.00000

 Interquartile Range
 71.00000

NOTE: The mode displayed is the smallest of 2 modes with a count of 4.

OK, now that I've shown you that you can select any of the five standard sections of PROC UNIVARIATE, what if you want more. For example, let's say that you want more than just the 5 extreme values which you get by default. In other words, PROC UNIVARIATE gives the 5 highest and 5 lowest values of a given variable. What if we want the 10 highest and 10 lowest values? SAS can do that!

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### Example 6

```
/* Example 6 Select the 10 lowest and 10 highest values
    of Cholesterol Difference */
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
ODS SELECT EXTREMEVALUES;
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT";
PROC UNIVARIATE Data=Mylib.Choljg NEXTRVAL=10;
TITLE2 "10 lowest and 10 highest values of Cholesterol Difference";
VAR Choldiff;
RUN;
```

Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT 10 lowest and 10 highest values of Cholesterol Difference The UNIVARIATE Procedure Variable: CHOLDIFF (Difference of CHOL1 - CHOL2) Extreme Values -----Lowest----------Highest-----Order Value Value Freq Order Freq 1 -42 48 45 2 -40 1 49 50 3 -33 2 50 56 57 4 -31 1 51 5 -24 2 60 52 6 -21 1 53 64 7 -18 1 54 73 -13 78 8 1 55

I mentioned the 5 basic ODS table name (Moments, BasicMeasures, TestsforLocations, Quantiles and ExtremeObs) and one optional one (ExtremeValues) with the Nextrvals option. The table below contains those plus all table names produced by the PROC UNIVARIATE statement. These can be found at the following URL:

1

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57

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http://support.sas.com/documentation/cdl/en/procstat/59629/HTML/default/procstat univariate sect051.htm

9

10

-11

-10

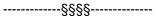
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Table 4.93 ODS Tables Produced with the PROC UNIVARIATE Statement			
<b>ODS Table Name</b>	Description	Option	
BasicIntervals	confidence intervals for mean, standard deviation, variance	CIBASIC	
BasicMeasures	measures of location and variability	default	
ExtremeObs	extreme observations	default	
ExtremeValues	extreme values	NEXTRVAL=	
Frequencies	frequencies	FREQ	
LocationCounts	counts used for sign test and signed rank test	LOCCOUNT	
MissingValues	missing values	default, if missing values exist	

Modes	modes	MODES
Moments	sample moments	default
Plots	line printer plots	PLOTS
Quantiles	quantiles	default
RobustScale	robust measures of scale	ROBUSTSCALE
		PLOTS (with BY
SSPlots	line printer side-by-side box plots	statement)
TestsForLocation	tests for location	default
TestsForNormality	tests for normality	NORMALTEST
TrimmedMeans	trimmed means	TRIMMED=
WinsorizedMeans	Winsorized means	WINSORIZED=

You may have noticed that from the above table we have covered the default options as well as the nextrval= and plots. Using these as examples, the user now has a guide to explore other ODS Table Names as needed.

I will demonstrate one more option as I have found in teaching my applied statistics course using SAS has been of great help to students. The question concerns whether the data are normally distributed or not.



### Example 7

```
/* Example 7 - Are my analysis variables normally distributed? */
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
ODS SELECT TESTSFORNORMALITY;
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT";
PROC UNIVARIATE Data=Mylib.Choljg NORMALTEST;
TITLE2 "Are my analysis variables normally distributed?";
VAR Age Chol1 Chol2 Choldiff;
RUN;
```

There are several ways to determine this from the output found on the next page. To test for normality you must add the keyword **normal (or normaltest)** to the PROC UNIVARIATE statement. PROC UNIVARIATE displays two statistics in the Tests for Normality section. These are W and Pr<W. The values of W it will show range from 0.0 <= value <= 1.00. Values closer to 1 indicate a higher degree of normality. SAS uses the *Shapiro-Wilk* test when the sample size is below 2000 and the *Kolmogorov-Smirnov* test for sample size above 2000. Additionally, SAS uses the *Cramer-von Mises* and *Anderson-Darling* tests. You may want to consult a statistical text book such as Testing for Normality by Henry C. Thode, Jr. for more detail.

We can see from the output on the next page that all of our analysis variables are not normally distributed with Choldiff being the closest to normal (W = .973 and Pr < W = 0.04) of all four variables.

```
Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT
      Are my analysis variables normally distributed?
                  The UNIVARIATE Procedure
              Variable: AGE (Age of Patient)
                    Tests for Normality
                       --Statistic---
                                        ----p Value-----
 Test
 Shapiro-Wilk
                       W
                             0.955237
                                        Pr < W
                                                    0.0019
 Kolmogorov-Smirnov
                       D
                             0.0916
                                        Pr > D
                                                    0.0384
 Cramer-von Mises
                       W-Sq 0.168549
                                        Pr > W-Sq 0.0143
 Anderson-Darling
                       A-Sq 1.187565
                                        Pr > A-Sq < 0.0050
Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT
      Are my analysis variables normally distributed?
                  The UNIVARIATE Procedure
      Variable: CHOL1 (Baseline Cholesterol (mg/dl))
                    Tests for Normality
                       --Statistic--- ----p Value-----
 Test
 Shapiro-Wilk
                       W
                             0.963579
                                        Pr < W
                                                    0.0073
 Kolmogorov-Smirnov
                       D
                            0.094255
                                        Pr > D
                                                    0.0272
 Cramer-von Mises
                      W-Sq 0.183726
                                        Pr > W-Sq
                                                   0.0086
                                                   0.0062
 Anderson-Darling
                       A-Sq 1.119607
                                        Pr > A-Sq
 Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT
      Are my analysis variables normally distributed?
                  The UNIVARIATE Procedure
     Variable: CHOL2 (Follow-up Cholesterol (mg/dl))
                    Tests for Normality
 Test
                       --Statistic--- ----p Value-----
 Shapiro-Wilk
                             0.964597 Pr < W
                                                    0.0087
 Kolmogorov-Smirnov
                       D
                             0.07366
                                        Pr > D
                                                   >0.1500
                       W-Sq 0.132373
                                        Pr > W-Sq 0.0420
 Cramer-von Mises
                       A-Sq 0.890838
 Anderson-Darling
                                        Pr > A-Sq 0.0227
 Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT
      Are my analysis variables normally distributed?
                  The UNIVARIATE Procedure
     Variable: CHOLDIFF (Difference of CHOL1 - CHOL2)
                    Tests for Normality
 Test
                       --Statistic---
                                        ----p Value-----
                                                    0.0396
 Shapiro-Wilk
                       W
                             0.973285
                                        Pr < W
                             0.078563
                                        Pr > D
                                                    0.1312
 Kolmogorov-Smirnov
                       W-Sq 0.180617
                                        Pr > W-Sq
                                                    0.0092
 Cramer-von Mises
 Anderson-Darling
                       A-Sq
                             1.05766
                                        Pr > A-Sq
                                                    0.0088
```

Before we finish with our publication quality or high-resolution graphics, let's take a quick look at whether or not there was a statistically significant difference (lowering) or cholesterol from baseline to follow-up in the subjects in either of our two study sites.

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## Example 8

```
/*Example 8-Is there a statistically significant difference in Cholesterol
between Site 1 and Site 2?*/
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
ODS SELECT TESTSFORLOCATION;
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT";
PROC UNIVARIATE Data=Mylib.Choljg;
TITLE2 "Is there a statistically significant difference in Cholesterol";
TITLE3 "between Site 1 and Site 2?";
VAR Choldiff;
RUN;
```

Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT
Is there a statistically significant difference in Cholesterol
among Site 1 and Site 2?

The UNIVARIATE Procedure

Variable: CHOLDIFF (Difference of CHOL1 - CHOL2)

SITE = 1

Tests for Location: Mu0=0

-Statistic-

Test

 Student's t
 t
 7.239629
 Pr > |t|
 <.0001</th>

 Sign
 M
 19
 Pr >= |M|
 <.0001</td>

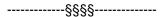
 Signed Rank
 S
 535
 Pr >= |S|
 <.0001</td>

----p Value----

Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington, VT Is there a statistically significant difference in Cholesterol among Site 1 and Site 2? The UNIVARIATE Procedure Variable: CHOLDIFF (Difference of CHOL1 - CHOL2) SITE = 2Tests for Location: Mu0=0 Test -Statistic-----p Value---t 5.204728 Student's t Pr > |t| <.0001 Sign M 17 Pr >= |M| <.0001 Signed Rank 401.5 Pr >= |S| <.0001

From the Student's t statistic we can see that we had a significant lowering in the subjects from Site 1 and the subjects from Site 2 and so our intervention was successful.

For our last examples we will now consider producing some high resolution or publication quality graphics using the HISTOGRAM statement and ODS.

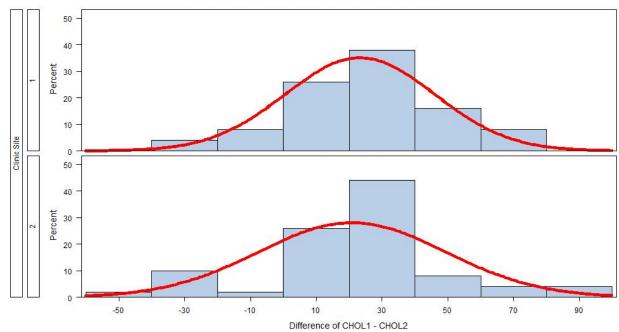


## Example 9a

/\*Example 9a - Using the HISTOGRAM statement in PROC UNIVARIATE \*/
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington";
PROC UNIVARIATE Data=Mylib.Choljg NOPRINT;
CLASS Site;
TITLE2 "Using the HISTOGRAM statement in PROC UNIVARIATE";
VAR Choldiff;
HISTOGRAM / NORMAL (COLOR=RED W=5) NROWS=2;
RUN;

# Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington

Using the HISTOGRAM statement in PROC UNIVARIATE



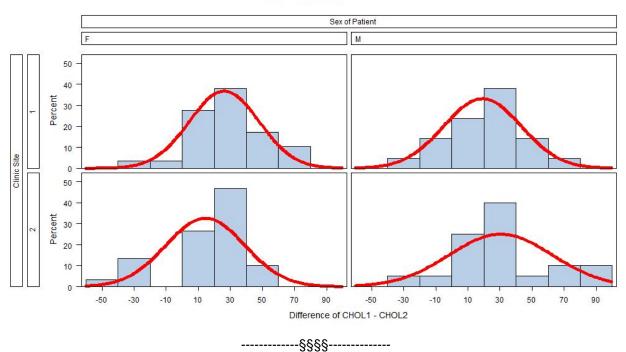
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## Example 9b

```
/*Example 9b - Using the HISTOGRAM statement in PROC UNIVARIATE */
LIBNAME Mylib 'C:\Users\GVSUG\Desktop\Joseph Guido';
TITLE "Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington";
PROC UNIVARIATE Data=Mylib.Choljg NOPRINT;
CLASS Site Sex;
TITLE2 "Using the HISTOGRAM statement in PROC UNIVARIATE";
TITLE3 "Grouped by Site and Sex";
VAR Choldiff;
HISTOGRAM / NORMAL (COLOR=RED W=5) NROWS=2 NCOLS=2;
RUN;
```

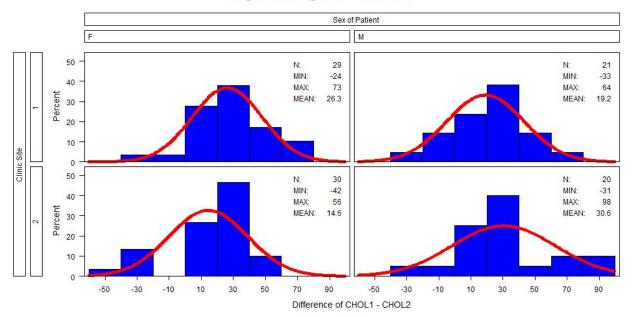
# Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington

Using the HISTOGRAM statement in PROC UNIVARIATE
Grouped by Site and Sex



# Guido's Guide to PROC Univariate, NESUG 2009, Burlington

Using the HISTOGRAM statement in PROC UNIVARIATE
Grouped by Site and Sex
Adding in detail using the INSET Statement



### CONCLUSION

PROC UNIVARIATE is a BASE SAS procedure which goes beyond the functionality of PROC MEANS. This procedure is extremely useful for examination of distributions of analysis variables and the production of high resolution graphics. This tutorial has just scratched the surface of the power of PROC UNIVARIATE and the author's hope is that from these simple examples that the SAS user will use it as a guide to extend their knowledge of PROC UNIVARIATE and experiment with other uses for this very versatile procedure.

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