Analysis of a GRTS Survey Design for a Linear Resource

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This document presents analysis of a GRTS survey design for a linear resource. The linear resource used in the analysis is streams in the Upper Wabash basin in Indiana. The analysis will include calculation of three types of population estimates: (1) estimation of proportion and size (length of streams) for site evaluation status categorical variables; (2) estimation of proportion and size for stream condition categorical variables; and (3) estimation of the cumulative distribution function (CDF) and percentiles for quantitative variables. Testing for difference between CDFs from subpopulations also will be presented.

1 Preliminaries

The initial step is to use the library function to load the spsurvey package. After the package is loaded, a message is printed to the R console indicating that the spsurvey package was loaded successfully.

Load the spsurvey package

> library(spsurvey)

Version 2.2 of the spsurvey package was loaded successfully.

2 Read the survey design and analytical variables data file

The next step is to read the data file, which includes both survey design variables and analytical variables. The read delim function is used to read the tab-delimited file and assign it to a data frame named IN_streams. The factor function is used to convert the Strahler_order variable, which contains numeric values, to a factor. A factor is a data structure in R that is used to encode

variables that contain a specified set of categorical values, which are referenced as levels. The nrow function is used to determine the number of rows in the IN_streams data frame, and the resulting value is assigned to an object named nr. Finally, the initial six lines and the final six lines in the IN_streams data frame are printed using the head and tail functions, respectively.

Read the survey design and analytical variables data file

> IN_streams <- read.delim("IN_streams.tab")
> IN_streams\$Strahler_order <- factor(IN_streams\$Strahler_order)
> nr <- nrow(IN_streams)</pre>

Display the initial six lines in the data file.

> head(IN_streams)

```
siteID xcoord
                       ycoord
                                     wgt Strahler_order
                                                                   status
                                                                              TNT
1 INRB98-001 7574978 12556251 180.49965
                                                       1 Landowner Denial Target
2 INRB98-002 7490780 12580320 180.49965
                                                       1
                                                                  Sampled Target
                                                       2
3 INRB98-003 7500380 12545405
                                57.70535
                                                                  Sampled Target
4 INRB98-004 7543291 12557975
                                                       4 Landowner Denial Target
                                26.40031
5 INRB98-005 7459504 12689766
                                29.59298
                                                                  Sampled Target
6 INRB98-006 7515791 12649268
                                57.70535
                                                       2 Physical Barrier Target
    IBI_status IBI_score
                          QHEI_status QHEI_score
   Not Sampled
                          Not Sampled
                      NA
                                               NA
2 Not Impaired
                      50
                              Impaired
                                                48
3
      Impaired
                      22 Not Impaired
                                                65
 Not Sampled
                      NA
                          Not Sampled
                                               NA
5 Not Impaired
                      38
                              Impaired
                                                31
   Not Sampled
                      NA
                          Not Sampled
                                               NA
```

Display the final six lines in the data file.

> tail(IN_streams)

	siteID	xcoord	ycoord		wgt	Strahler	_order	status
95	INRB98-095	7503714	12628803	57.70	0535		2	Landowner Denial
96	INRB98-096	7496237	12662502	180.49	9965		1	${\tt NonTarget}$
97	INRB98-097	7483938	12665060	29.59	9298		3	Chemistry Only
98	INRB98-098	7496841	12634665	180.49	9965		1	${\tt NonTarget}$
99	INRB98-099	7443767	12609995	26.40	0031		4	Sampled
100	INRB98-100	7445717	12651622	26.40	0031		4	Chemistry Only
	TNT	IBI_sta	atus IBI_s	score	QHE]	[_status	QHEI_s	core
95	Target	Not Samp	oled	NA	Not	${\tt Sampled}$		NA
96	${\tt NonTarget}$	Not Samp	oled	NA	Not	${\tt Sampled}$		NA
97	Target	Not Samp	oled	NA	Not	${\tt Sampled}$		NA
98	${\tt NonTarget}$	Not Samp	oled	NA	Not	${\tt Sampled}$		NA
99	Target 1	Not Impai	red	48 I	Not]	[mpaired		78
100	Target	Not Samp	oled	NA	Not	Sampled		NA

The sample of streams in Indiana is displayed in Figure 1. The sample sites for each Strahler order are displayed using a unique color. First, the levels function is used to extract the set of unique Strahler order values, and the result is assigned to object strahler. Next, the rainbow function is called to select a set of four colors, and the result is assigned to object cols. The plot function is then used to produce the basic figure, but plotting of sample points is suppressed. The for function is used to loop through the set of four unique Strahler order values and plot the color-coded points for each Strahler order using the points function. Finally, the legend function is used to add a legend to the figure, and the title function is used to create a figure title.

3 Analysis of site status evaluation variables

The first analysis that will be examined is calculation of extent estimates for site status evaluation variables. Extent is measured both by the proportion of the resource in status evaluation categories and by size of the resource in each category. For a linear resource like streams, size refers to the length of streams in a category. For calculating extent estimates (and for all of the analyses we will consider), the survey design weights are incorporated into the calculation process. Two site status variables will be examined: (1) status, which classifies streams into seven evaluation categories and (2) TNT, which classifies streams as either "Target" or "NonTarget". The table and addmargins functions are used to create tables displaying the count for each code (level) of the two status variables.

```
> addmargins(table(IN_streams$status))
```

A table displaying the number of values for each level of the status variable follows:

Physical Barrier	${\tt NonTarget}$	Landowner Denial	Chemistry Only
7	9	19	14
Sum	Unknown	Target Not Sampled	Sampled
100	1	2	48

> addmargins(table(IN_streams\$TNT))

A table displaying the number of values for each level of the TNT variable follows:

Plot of Indiana Stream Sites Color-Coded by Strahler Order

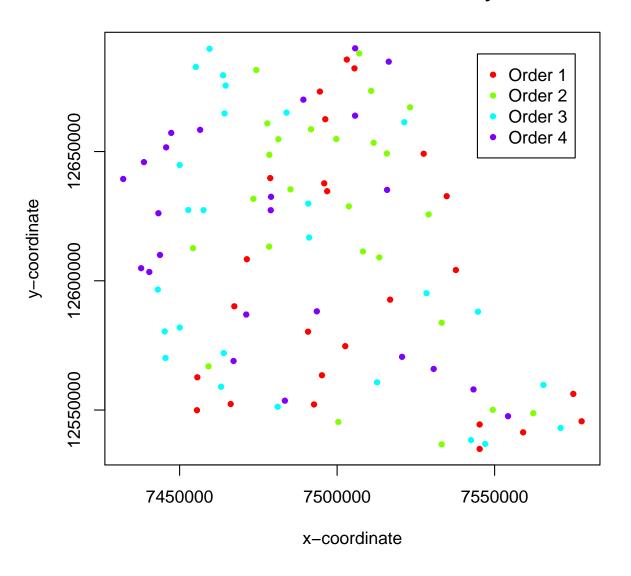


Figure 1: Indiana Stream Sample Sites.

NonTarget Target Sum
10 90 100

The cat. analysis function in the spsurvey package will be used to calculate extent estimates. Four data frames constitute the primary input to the cat.analysis function. The first column (variable) in the four data frames provides the unique identifier (site ID) for each sample site and is used to connect records among the data frames. The siteID variable in the IN_streams data frame is assigned to the siteID variable in the data frames. The four data frames that will be created are named as follows: sites, subpop, design, and data.cat. The sites data frame identifies sites to use in the analysis and contains two variables: (1) site ID - site ID values and (2) Use - a logical vector indicating which sites to use in the analysis. The rep (repeat) function is used to assign the value TRUE to each element of the Use variable. Recall that nr is an object containing the number of rows in the IN_streams data frame. The subpop data frame defines populations and, optionally, subpopulations for which estimates are desired. Unlike the sites and design data frames, the subpop data frame can contain an arbitrary number of columns. The first variable in the subpop data frame identifies site ID values and each subsequent variable identifies a type of population, where the variable name is used to identify type. A type variable identifies each site with a character value. If the number of unique values for a type variable is greater than one, then the set of values represent subpopulations of that type. When a type variable consists of a single unique value, then the type does not contain subpopulations. For this analysis, the subpop data frame contains three variables: (1) siteID - site ID values, (2) Upper_Wabash - which will be used to calculate estimates for all of the sample sites combined, and (3) Strahler_Order - which will be used to calculate estimates for each Strahler order individually. The Strahler_order variable in the IN_streams data frame is assigned to the Strahler_Order variable in the subpop data frame. The design data frame consists of survey design variables. For the analysis under consideration, the design data frame contains the following variables: (1) siteID - site ID values; (2) wgt - final, adjusted, survey design weights; (3) xcoord - x-coordinates for location; and (4) ycoord - y-coordinates for location. The wgt, xcoord, and your variables in the design data frame are assigned values using variables with the same names in the IN_streams data frame. Like the subpop data frame, the data cat data frame can contain an arbitrary number of columns. The first variable in the data cat data frame identifies site ID values and each subsequent variable identifies a response variable. The two response variables are Status and Target_NonTarget, which are assigned the status and TNT variables, respectively, in the IN_streams data frame. Missing data (NA) is allowed for the response variables, which are the only variables in the input data frames for which NA values are allowed.

Create the sites data frame.

Create the data.cat data frame.

Use the cat.analysis function to calculate extent estimates for the site status evaluation variables.

> Extent_Estimates <- cat.analysis(sites, subpop, design, data.cat)

The extent estimates for all basins combined are displayed using the print function. The object produced by cat.analysis is a data frame containing thirteen columns. The first five columns identify the population (Type), subpopulation (Subpopulation), response variable (Indicator), levels of the response variable (Category), and number of values in a category (NResp). A category labeled "Total" is included for each combination of population, subpopulation, and response variable. The next four columns in cat.analysis provide results for the proportion estimates: the proportion estimate ((Estimate.P), standard error of the estimate (StdError.P), lower confidence bound (LCB95Pct.P), and upper confidence bound (UCB95Pct.P). Argument conf for cat.analysis allows control of the confidence bound level. The default value for conf is 95, hence the column names for confidence bounds contain the value 95. Supplying a different value to the conf argument will be reflected in the confidence bound names. Confidence bounds are obtained using the standard error and the Normal distribution multiplier corresponding to the confidence level. The final four columns in cat.analysis provide results for the size (units) estimates: the units estimate (Estimate.U), standard error of the estimate (StdError.U), lower confidence bound (LCB95Pct.U), and upper confidence bound (UCB95Pct.U).

> print(Extent_Estimates[c(1:8, 32:34),])

	Туре	Subpopula	ation	Indicator	Cat	egory	NResp
1	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash	Status	Chemistry	Only	14
2	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash	Status	Landowner D	enial	19
3	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash	Status	NonT	arget	9
4	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash	Status	Physical Ba	rrier	7
5	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash	Status	Sa	mpled	48
6	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash	Status Ta	arget Not Sa	mpled	2
7	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash	Status	Un	known	1
8	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash	Status		Total	100
32	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash Target	$_{ t NonTarget}$	NonT	arget	10
33	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash Target	$_{ t NonTarget}$	T	arget	90
34	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wa	abash Target	$_{ t NonTarget}$		Total	100
	Estimate.P St	tdError.P	LCB95Pct.P	UCB95Pct.P	Estimate.U	StdEr	cor.U
1	6.559740	1.6639251	3.2985063	9.8209729	482.67548	110.1	L3795
2	17.876933	3.7585008	10.5104064	25.2434588	1315.41152	286.9	90392
3	22.077518	5.0281733	12.2224792	31.9325563	1624.49687	422.9	88800
4	5.543471	2.3751710	0.8882217	10.1987209	407.89693	176.9	91639
5	46.440521	5.0536120	36.5356240	56.3454188	3417.16323	432.4	15588
6	1.143027	0.7451114	0.0000000	2.6034187	84.10566	54.2	24809
7	0.358790	0.2949874	0.0000000	0.9369548	26.40031	21.6	51734
8	100.000000	0.0000000	100.0000000	100.0000000	7358.15000	539.5	54302

```
32
   22.436308
               5.0286226
                           12.5803887
                                       32.2922269 1650.89718
                                                               423.46101
   77.563692
               5.0286226
                           67.7077731
                                       87.4196113 5707.25282
                                                               464.85699
34 100.000000
               0.0000000 100.0000000 100.0000000 7358.15000
                                                               539.54302
   LCB95Pct.U UCB95Pct.U
               698.54189
1
    266.80907
2
    753.09017 1877.73287
3
    795.61070 2453.38305
4
     61.14719 754.64668
5
   2569.56527 4264.76118
6
      0.00000
               190.42996
7
      0.00000
                68.76951
8
   6300.66512 8415.63488
  820.92885 2480.86552
33 4796.14986 6618.35578
34 6300.66512 8415.63488
```

The write table function is used to store the extent estimates as a comma-separated value (csv) file. Files in csv format can be read by programs such as Microsoft Excel.

```
> write.table(Extent_Estimates, file="Extent_Estimates.csv", sep=",",
+ row.names=FALSE)
```

4 Analysis of stream condition variables

The second analysis that will be examined is estimating resource proportion and size for stream condition variables. Two stream condition variables will be examined: (1) IBL_Status, which classifies streams by IBI (index of biotic integrity) status categories and (2) QHEL_Status, which classifies streams by QHEI (qualitative habitat evaluation index) status categories. The table and addmargins functions are used to create tables displaying the count for each level of the two stream condition variables.

```
> addmargins(table(IN_streams$IBI_status))
```

A table displaying the number of values for each level of the IBI status variable follows:

```
Impaired Not Impaired Not Sampled Sum
12 36 52 100
```

> addmargins(table(IN_streams\$QHEI_status))

A table displaying the number of values for each level of the QHEI status variable follows:

```
Impaired Not Impaired Not Sampled Sum
14 34 52 100
```

As for extent estimates, the cat.analysis function will be used to calculate condition estimates. The sites data frame for this analysis differs from the one used to calculate extent estimates. The Use logical variables in sites is set equal to the value "Sampled", so that only sampled sites are used in

the analysis. The subpop and design data frames created in the prior analysis can be reused for this analysis. The data.cat data frame contains the two stream condition variables: IBL_Status and QHEL_Status. Variables IBL_status and QHEL_status in the IN_streams data frame are assigned to IBL_Status and QHEL_Status, respectively.

Create the sites data frame.

Create the data.cat data frame.

Use the cat.analysis function to calculate estimates for the stream condition variables.

```
> Condition_Estimates <- cat.analysis(sites, subpop, design, data.cat)
```

Print the stream condition estimates for all sites combined.

```
> print(Condition_Estimates[c(1:3, 16:19), ])
```

Т	ype Su	bpopu	ılation	In	dicator		Category	NResp	Estima	ate.P
Upper_Wab	ash U	pper	Wabash	IBI	_Status		Impaired	12	27.0	66052
Upper_Wab	ash U	pper	Wabash	IBI	_Status	Not	Impaired	36	72.3	33948
Upper_Wab	ash U	pper	Wabash	IBI	_Status		Total	48	100.0	00000
Upper_Wab	ash U	pper	Wabash	QHEI	_Status		Impaired	14	40.9	90216
Upper_Wab	ash U	pper	Wabash	QHEI	_Status	Not	Impaired	34	59.0	09784
Upper_Wab	ash U	pper	Wabash	QHEI	_Status		Total	48	100.0	00000
Strahler_Or	der		1	QHEI	_Status		Impaired	6	54.	54545
StdError.P	LCB95P	ct.P	UCB95P	ct.P	Estimat	e.U	StdError.U	J LCB95	Pct.U	UCB95Pct.U
6.611387	14.7	0244	40.6	1860	945.	205	247.3371	460	.4331	1429.977
6.611387	59.3	8140	85.29	9756	2471.	958	345.9508	3 1793	.9072	3150.009
0.000000	100.0	0000	100.00	0000	3417.	163	362.6682	2706	.3466	4127.980
8.367128	24.5	0289	57.30	0143	1397.	694	357.6415	696	.7290	2098.658
8.367128	42.6	9857	75.49	9711	2019.	470	304.6107	1422	.4436	2616.496
0.000000	100.0	0000	100.00	0000	3417.	163	362.6682	2706	.3466	4127.980
14.586352	25.9	5673	83.13	3418	1082.	998	289.6115	5 515	.3699	1650.626
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Use the write table function to write the condition estimates as a csy file.

```
> write.table(Condition_Estimates, file="Condition_Estimates.csv", sep=",",
+ row.names=FALSE)
```

5 Analysis of stream condition variables correcting for population size

The frame is a data structure containing spatial location data in addition to other attributes regarding a resource of interest and is used to create a survey design. A frame often takes the

form of a shapefile. The frame can be used to obtain size values (e.g., length of streams) for the populations and subpopulations examined in an analysis. Examination of the Estimates. U column in the Condition_Estimates data frame produced by cat.analysis reveals that the estimated Total value for both condition variables and each combination of population value and subpopulation value does not sum to the corresponding frame size value. For example, the Total entry in the Estimate.U column for the IBL status variable, population "Upper_Wabash" and subpopulation "Upper Wabash" is 3,417 kilometers (rounded to a whole number). The corresponding frame size value is 7,358 kilometers. The popsize (population size) argument to cat analysis provides a mechanism for forcing the Total category to equal a desired value. First, the c (combine) function is used to create a named vector of frame size values for each basin. Output from the c function is assigned to an object named framesize. The popsize argument is a list, which is a particular type of R object. The population type included in the subpop data frame, i.e., Upper_Wabash and Strahler_Order for this analysis. The sum function applied to framesize is assigned to the Upper_Wabash entry in the popsize list. Recall that the Strahler order population type contains subpopulations, i.e., Strahler order categories. When a population type contains subpopulations, the entry in the popsize list also is a list. The as list function is applied to framesize, and the result is assigned to the Strahler_Order entry in the popsize list.

Assign frame size values.

```
> framesize <- c("1"=4514.450, "2"=1443.260, "3"=740.146, "4"=660.294)</pre>
```

Use the cat.analysis function to calculate estimates for the stream condition variables.

- > Condition_Estimates_popsize <- cat.analysis(sites, subpop, design, data.cat,
- + popsize=list(Upper_Wabash=sum(framesize),
- + Strahler_Order=as.list(framesize)))

Print the stream condition estimates for all sites combined.

> print(Condition_Estimates_popsize[c(1:3, 16:19),])

	Туј	pe Subpopι	ılation	${\tt Indicator}$		Category	NResp 1	Estima	ate.P
1	Upper_Wabas	sh Upper	Wabash	IBI_Status		Impaired	12	27.6	66052
2	Upper_Wabas	sh Upper	Wabash	IBI_Status	Not	Impaired	36	72.3	33948
3	Upper_Wabas	sh Upper	Wabash	IBI_Status		Total	48	100.0	00000
16	Upper_Wabas	sh Upper	Wabash (QHEI_Status		Impaired	14	40.9	90216
17	Upper_Wabas	sh Upper	Wabash (QHEI_Status	Not	Impaired	34	59.0	09784
18	Upper_Wabas	sh Upper	Wabash (QHEI_Status		Total	48	100.0	00000
19	Strahler_Ord	er	1 (QHEI_Status		Impaired	6	54.	54545
	StdError.P Lo	CB95Pct.P	UCB95Pct	t.P Estimate	.U.S	StdError.U	LCB95	Pct.U	UCB95Pct.U
1	6.611387	14.70244	40.618	860 2035.3	802	486.4758	108	1.827	2988.777
2	6.611387	59.38140	85.297	756 5322.8	348	486.4758	4369	9.373	6276.323
3	NA	NA		NA 7358.1	.50	NA		NA	NA
16	8.367128	24.50289	57.301	143 3009.6	42	615.6658	180	2.959	4216.325
17	8.367128	42.69857	75.497	711 4348.5	808	615.6658	314	1.825	5555.191
18	NA	NA		NA 7358.1	.50	NA		NA	NA
19	14.586352	25.95673	83.134	418 2462.4	27	658.4936	117	1.804	3753.051

Use the write table function to write the condition estimates as a csv file.

6 Analysis of quantitative variables

The third analysis that will be examined is estimating the CDF and percentiles for quantitative variables. Two quantitative variables will be examined: (1) IBI_score - IBI score and (2) QHEI_score - QHEI score. The summary function is used to summarize the data structure of the two quantitative variables.

Summarize the data structure of the QHEI score variable:

```
Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's 25.00 47.75 60.00 59.65 71.25 87.00 52.00
```

The cont.analysis function will be used to calculate estimates for quantitative variables. Input to the cont.analysis function is the same as input for the cat.analysis function except that the data frame containing response variables is named cont.data rather than cat.data. The sites, subpop, and design data frames created in the analysis of stream condition variables can be reused for this analysis. The data.cont data frome contains the two quantitative variables: IBI_Score and QHEI_Score, which contain the numeric scores for the IBI and QHEI variables, respectively. Variables IBI_score and QHEI_score in the IN_streams data frame are assigned to IBI_Score and QHEI_Score, respectively. The popsize argument is included in the call to cont.analysis.

Create the data.cont data frame.

Use the cont.analysis function to calculate CDF and percentile estimates for the quantitative variables.

```
> CDF_Estimates <- cont.analysis(sites, subpop, design, data.cont,
+ popsize=list(Upper_Wabash=sum(framesize),
+ Strahler_Order=as.list(framesize)))</pre>
```

The object produced by cont.analysis is a list containing two objects: (1) CDF, a data frame containing the CDF estimates and (2) Pct, a data frame containing percentile estimates plus estimates of population values for mean, variance, and standard deviation. Format for the CDF data frame is analogous to the data frame produced by cat.analysis. For the CDF data frame, however, the fourth column is labeled Value and contains the value at which the CDF was evaluated. Unlike the data frames produced by the other analysis functions we have examined, the Pct data frame contains only nine columns since there is a single set of estimates rather than two sets of estimates. In addition, the fourth column is labeled Statistic and identifies either a percentile or the mean, variance, or standard deviation. Finally, since percentile estimates are obtained by inverting the CDF estimate, the percentile estimates do not have a standard error value associated with them.

Use the write table function to write the CDF estimates as a csv file.

```
> write.table(CDF_Estimates$CDF, file="CDF_Estimates.csv", sep=",",
+ row.names=FALSE)
```

The cont.cdfplot function in spsurvey can be used to produce a PDF file containing plots of the CDF estimates. The primary arguments to cont.cdfplot are a character string containing a name for the PDF file and the CDF data frame in the CDF_Estimates object.

Produce a PDF file containing plots of the CDF estimates.

```
> cont.cdfplot("CDF_Estimates.pdf", CDF_Estimates$CDF)
```

Print the percentile estimates for IBI score for all sites combined.

```
> print(CDF_Estimates$Pct[1:10, ])
```

```
Type Subpopulation Indicator
                                              Statistic NResp
                                                               Estimate
  Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                                   5Pct
                                                                0.00000
  Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                                  10Pct
                                                               23.39923
  Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                                  25Pct
                                                            8
                                                               28.73106
4 Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                                  50Pct
                                                           23
                                                               34.24697
5 Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                                  75Pct
                                                           31
                                                               39.58683
  Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                                  90Pct
                                                           41
                                                               44.24131
  Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                                  95Pct
                                                           44
                                                               48.88966
7
21 Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                                               34.19264
                                                   Mean
                                                           48
31 Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score
                                               Variance
                                                           48 112.13090
41 Upper_Wabash
                 Upper Wabash IBI_Score Std. Deviation
                                                               10.58919
                     LCB95Pct UCB95Pct
           StdError
1
                     0.000000
                               24.64122
2
                     0.000000
                               26.65044
3
                    24.223358
                               32.17525
4
                    31.386972
                               37.05812
5
                    35.912759
                               43.87676
6
                    40.783143
                               51.74684
7
                    41.671566
                               54.00000
21 1.74391897533996 30.774626
                               37.61066
31 45.0756162161629 23.784311 200.47748
41 2.12837932435036 6.417641 14.76073
```

Use the write table function to write the percentile estimates as a csv file.

```
> write.table(CDF_Estimates$Pct, file="Percentile_Estimates.csv", sep=",",
+ row.names=FALSE)
```

The cont.cdftest function in spsurvey can be used to test for statistical difference between the CDFs from subpopulations. For this analysis we will test for statistical difference between the CDFs for the four Strahler order categories. The cont.cdftest function will test all possible pairs of Strahler order categories. Arguments to cont.cdftest are the same as arguments to cont.analysis. Since we are interested only in testing among Strahler order categories, the subpop data frame is subsetted to include only the siteID and Strahler_Order variables. Note that the popsize argument was modified from prior examples to include only the entry for Strahler_Order.

```
> CDF_Tests <- cont.cdftest(sites, subpop[,c(1,3)], design, data.cont,
+ popsize=list(Strahler_Order=as.list(framesize)))</pre>
```

During execution of the program, a warning message was generated. The warning message is stored in a data frame named 'warn.df'. Enter the following command to view the warning message: warnprnt()

The print function is used to display results for IBI score of the statistical tests for difference between CDFs for Strahler order categories. The object produced by cont.cdftest is a data frame containing eight columns. The first column (Type) identifies the population. The second and third columns (Subpopulation_1 and Subpopulation_2) identify the subpopulations. The fourth column (Indicator) identifies the response variable. Column five contains values of the test statistic. Six test statistics are available, and the default statistic is an F-distribution version of the Wald statistic, which is identified in the data frame as "Wald-F". The default statistic is used in this analysis. For further information about the test statistics see the help file for the cdf.test function in spsurvey, which includes a reference for the test for differences in CDFs. Columns six and seven (Degrees_of_Freedom_1 and Degrees_of_Freedom_2) provide the numerator and denominator degrees of freedom for the Wald test. The final column (p_Value) provides the p-value for the test.

> print(CDF_Tests[1:15,])

	Туре	Subpo	pulation_1	Subpopulati	ion_2	Indicator	Wald_F
1	Strahler_Order		1		2	IBI_Score	0.35187593
2	Strahler_Order		1		3	IBI_Score	0.31383386
3	Strahler_Order		1		4	IBI_Score	3.53498594
4	Strahler_Order		2		3	IBI_Score	0.06509927
5	Strahler_Order		2		4	IBI_Score	3.56443008
6	Strahler_Order		3		4	IBI_Score	2.67467118
7	Strahler_Order		1		2	QHEI_Score	0.99058168
8	Strahler_Order		1		3	QHEI_Score	1.63320102
9	Strahler_Order		1		4	QHEI_Score	5.62769088
10	Strahler_Order		2		3	QHEI_Score	0.40572591
11	Strahler_Order		2		4	QHEI_Score	3.51028906
12	Strahler_Order		3		4	QHEI_Score	1.96883594
NA	<na></na>		<na></na>		<na></na>	<na></na>	NA
NA.1	<na></na>		<na></na>		<na></na>	<na></na>	NA
NA.2	<na></na>		<na></na>		<na></na>	<na></na>	NA
	Degrees_of_Free	edom_1	Degrees_of	f_Freedom_2	p.	_Value	
1		2		21	0.707	743579	
2		2		23	0.733	371988	
3		2		17	0.052	203234	
4		2		25	0.937	713275	
5		2		19	0.048	347466	
6		2		21	0.092	230387	
7		2		21	0.388	305786	
8		2		23	0.217	715176	
9		2		17	0.013	331852	
10		2		25	0.670	80253	
11		2		19	0.050)42527	

12	2	21	0.16455670
NA	NA	NA	NA
NA.1	NA	NA	NA
NA.2	NA	NA	NA

Use the write.table function to write CDF test results as a csv file.

> write.table(CDF_Tests, file = "CDF_Tests.csv", sep = ",", row.names = FALSE)