

ANLY 545- Homework #2

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Exercise 3.1 The `Arbuthnot` data in `HistData` also contains the variable `Ratio`, giving the ratio of male to female births.

- (a) Make a plot of `Ratio` over `Year`. What features stand out? Which plot do you prefer to display the tendency for more male births?
- (b) Plot the total number of christenings, `Males + Females` or `Total` (in 000s) over time. What unusual features do you see?

Exercise 3.3 Use the data set `WomenQueue` to:

- (c) Make a reasonable plot showing departure from the binomial distribution.
- (d) Suggest some reasons why the number of women in queues of length 10 might depart from a binomial distribution, $\text{Bin}(n = 10, p = 1/2)$.

Exercise 3.4 Work on the distribution of male children in families in “*Saxony*” by fitting a binomial distribution, $\text{in}(n = 12, p = \frac{1}{2})$, specifying equal probability for boys and girls. [*Hint:* you need to specify both `size` and `prob` values for `goodfit ()`.]

- (a) Carry out the GOF test for this fixed binomial distribution. What is the ratio of χ^2/df ? What do you conclude?
- (b) Test the additional lack of fit for the model $\text{Bin}(n = 12, p = \frac{1}{2})$ compared to the model $\text{Bin}(n = 12, p = \hat{p})$ where \hat{p} is estimated from the data.
- (c) Use the `plot.goodfit ()` method to visualize these two models.