

# Stat 1600

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# Statistics and Data Analysis

## Lecture 2 Knowledge and data

# Outline

## Data Presentation # 1

- Statistics and Data
- Variable Types
- Summarizing Categorical Data

# Knowledge and data

- Step-by-step knowledge building
- Some fallacies in interpreting evidence

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 1. Conceptualize the problem

- This is the problem of interest. State it broadly.

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 2. Operationalize the problem

- The investigator formulates specific questions to answer
- What do you want to measure? These will become our dependent variables.

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 3. Design the Study

- How will you select your sample?
- How many groups will you compare?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 4. Collect the Data

- What instrument or technique will you use to collect data?
- Will you use a survey, questionnaire, interview, observation?
- Are you measuring a variable that will require special equipment/technology?



# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 5. Analyze the Data

- Are you comparing means? Percentages?
- Are differences statistically significant?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 6. Conclusions

- Do the results generalize to a larger population?
- Did you show cause-and-effect or just associations?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 7. Disseminate results

- How are you sharing your results?
- News reports?
- Scientific journals?
- Etc. . .

# Step-by-step Knowledge Building

- Conceptualize the problem – broad wording
- Operationalize the problem – specific questions
- Design the Study – how to select samples
- Collect the Data – measurement instrument
- Analyze the Data – comparing what
- Conclusions – repeatability and generalization
- Disseminate results – presentation of results

# Example – comparing wt loss program

- Zone
  - Balances carbohydrates, protein, fat
- Atkins
  - Low carbohydrate, high fat, unrestricted calories
- LEARN
  - Low fat, and based on national guidelines
- Ornish
  - Low fat, high carbohydrate, unrestricted calories

How are we going to design a study to compare these?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 1. Conceptualize the problem

- Which weight loss program is most effective?
- Which one is most healthy?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 2. Operationalize the problem

- How do we measure 'effective' and 'healthy?'
- At what time point are we interested in measuring?  
In 2 weeks, 2 months, 2 years?
- Are we comparing average weight loss or perhaps the percentage of people who lost 15 pounds or more?
- How do we measure healthy? LDL cholesterol reduction, BP reduction, Glucose levels?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 3. Design the Study

- Where are we recruiting our subjects?
- How long will the study last?
- Do they choose the diet or do we randomly assign them to it?
- How do we ensure they stay on a diet?
- What do we do with participants who go off the diet, do we eliminate them from the study?



# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 4. Collect the Data

- How many times will we measure their weights?
- Are we taking blood samples? Urine samples? Are we sending samples to the lab?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 5. Analyze the Data

- Are there significant differences in average weight loss between the diet groups?
- Are there differences in cholesterol, blood pressure, glucose levels or other biochemistry measures relating to health?
- Are there differences in how well participants adhere to each diet plan?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 6. Conclusions

- After analyzing the results what do we conclude is the best diet? Why?
- Can we generalize results to the larger population?
- Are we sure weight loss can be attributed to the diet?

# Building knowledge step-by-step

## 7. Disseminate results

- How are we going to present the results?
- What tables and graphs would make the study easy to read and understand?

# Questioning results of a study

If we are reading the results of a study we need to be able to ask ourselves some questions:

- What is the long-term result (perhaps the results will differ if measurements are taken at longer time points)?
- What was the sample and to what population are we trying to generalize the results (males, females, age, ethnic differences)? We want to make sure we can generalize to the population outside of the study sample.
- Was the sample size large enough to allow for generalizing to the outside population?

# Questioning results of a study

There is variation in study design, and some studies are designed better than others. We need to be able to judge the validity and reliability of a study.

# Fallacies in interpreting evidence

- 1 Lack of evidence
  - “No proof that the drug is unsafe.”
  - This is flawed as a lack of evidence does not mean the contrary is true and that the drug is safe.
- 2 Anecdotal evidence
  - “Testimonies of real people this worked for ...”
  - Infomercials.
  - Existence does not mean prevalence. Perhaps the drug or supplement worked for some people, but does that mean it is effective for the broader population?

# Fallacies in interpreting evidence

- Correlation equals causation
  - “married people are happier than single people.”
  - Did marriage cause the ‘happier’ outcome? Maybe happy people are the ones who tend to get married.
  - Two things happening at the same time does not mean one causes the other.



# Examples of Wrong Reasoning Leading to Wrong Conclusions

- Lack of evidence fallacy. The fallacy lies in the reasoning that lack of evidence means the contrary is true.
- Anecdotal evidence fallacy. The fallacy lies in the reasoning that existence means prevalence.
- Correlation equals causation fallacy. The fallacy lies in the reasoning that “two things happening together” must mean one causes the other.

# Statistics and Data Analysis

## Ch 2.4 Summarizing Numerical Data

# Outline

## Data Presentation #2

- Summarizing Numerical Data

# Sorted Data List

Payment (Rent or Mortgage), ACS Data:

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5200

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1200, 1200, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1400, 1500, 1800, 2400,  
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MIN = smallest observation = 140

MAX = largest observation = 5200, an outlier

typical payment = around 700

# Outlier

An observation that falls apart from the rest of the data  
 ⇒ check for correctness

Here,

Household	State	Bedrooms	Payment	Type	Income
28	Michigan	4	5200	Mortgage	358000

⇒ OK



# Stem-and-Leaf Plot

- See next slide and page 24 for two views of the payment data (Mortgage & Rent combined) using stem-and-leaf plots
- See page 25 for the comparison of the payments of the two types, Mortgage and Rent, using side-by-side stem-and-leaf plots (same scale, i.e., same stem width)

# Stem-and-Leaf Plot

The decimal point is 2 digit(s) to the right of the |

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1 | 49
2 | 0023589
3 | 445788
4 | 02459
5 | 0001356
6 | 577
7 | 00001244567
8 | 058
9 | 00179
10 | 00
11 | 0
12 | 00000
13 | 0
14 | 00
15 | 0
16 |
17 |
18 | 0

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Note: 140, the one (1) to the left of | is the hundredths digit and the four (4) to the right of | is the tens digit.

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Note: 190, the one (1) to the left of | is the hundredths digit and the nine (9) to the right of | is the tens digit.

# iClicker Question 2.4.1

The stem-and-leaf display below shows the BMI (Body Mass Index) of 14 individuals. What number(s) does '2 | 56' represent?

- 1 2.5 and 2.6
- 2 25 and 26
- 3 250 and 260
- 4 256
- 5 None of the above

The decimal point is 1 digit(s) to the right of the |

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1 | 588
2 | 11222334
2 | 56
3 | 1
  
```

# Relative Frequency Table

The data range is first divided into several (usually) equal-width class intervals and then we obtain the frequency/relative frequency of data values contained in each class interval.

- Often has 5 to 15 intervals (depending on number of observations)
- Starting value of the first (i.e, left-most) interval = \_\_\_\_\_.
- Settle boundary disputes (for example we may have intervals contain the left endpoint but not the right)

# Relative Frequency Table

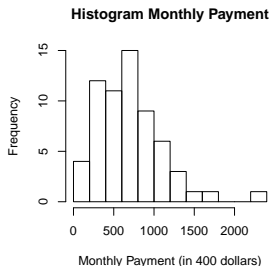
Monthly Payment(\$)*	Frequency	Rel. freq.(%)
0-200	2	3.2
200-400	13	20.6
400-600	12	19.0
600-800	14	22.2
800-1000	8	12.7
1000-1200	3	4.8
1200-1400	6	9.5
1400-1600	3	4.8
1600-1800	0	0
1800-2000	1	1.6
2000-2200	0	0
2200-2400	0	0
2400-2600	1	1.6
Total	63	100

\* Interval contain the left endpoint, but not the right

# Histogram

A graphical display of the relative frequency table defined by the class intervals

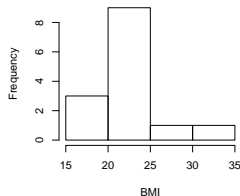
⇒ frequencies (or relative frequencies) are plotted as columns



# iClicker Question 2.4.2

The histogram below shows the BMI (Body Mass Index) of 15 individuals. The right inclusion rule was used in the construction of the histogram. What class interval(s) occurs least frequently?

- 1 (25, 30]
- 2 (30, 35]
- 3 (20, 25]
- 4 (25, 30] and (30, 35]
- 5 Unknown

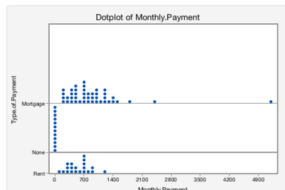




# Dotplot

- Each observation is represented by a dot, repeated values are stacked upwards
- Below is a comparison dotplot of the monthly payments from the two types of payment:

Dotplot of Monthly.Payment



## iClicker Question 2.4.3

We summarize numerical data with all of the following EXCEPT:

- 1 Bar chart
- 2 Dotplot
- 3 Histogram
- 4 Scatterplot
- 5 Stem and leaf

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Ch 2.4.4 Box and Whisker Plot

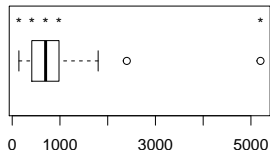
# Outline

## Summarizing Numerical Data, #2

- Box-and-Whisker Plot
- Symmetry and Skewness

# Box -and-whisker plot (or Boxplot)

This is a graphical picture of the distribution of quarters of the data



- **This shows the range of each of the four quarters of data:**
- MINimum to Q1 (upper boundary of first quarter): 140, 415
- Median (upper boundary of second quarter, also known as Q2): 700
- Q3 is the upper boundary of the third quarter: 975
- MAXimum is the largest of the ordered observations: 5200

# Five-number Summary

Payment (Rent/Mortgage, outlier excluded), ACS Data  
 $n = 63$ ;  $(n + 1)/4 = 16$ ; 1st quarter of the data

140, 190, 200, 200, 220, 230, 250, 280, 290, 340, 340,  
 350, 370, 380, 380, 400, 420, 440, 450, 490, 500, 500,  
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The range is from 140 to 415

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Payment (Rent/Mortgage, outlier excluded), ACS Data  
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140, 190, 200, 200, 220, 230, 250, 280, 290, 340, 340,  
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 1200, 1200, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1400, 1500, 1800, 2400,  
 5200

The range is from 415 to 700

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 $n = 63$ ;  $(n + 1)/4 = 16$ ; 3rd quarter of the data

140, 190, 200, 200, 220, 230, 250, 280, 290, 340, 340,  
 350, 370, 380, 380, 400, 420, 440, 450, 490, 500, 500,  
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The range is from 700 to 975



# Five-number Summary

Payment (Rent/Mortgage, outlier excluded), ACS Data  
 $n = 63$ ;  $(n + 1)/4 = 16$ ; 4th quarter of the data

140, 190, 200, 200, 220, 230, 250, 280, 290, 340, 340,  
 350, 370, 380, 380, 400, 420, 440, 450, 490, 500, 500,  
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 1200, 1200, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1400, 1500, 1800, 2400,  
 5200

The range is from 975 to 2400

# Five-number Summary

Payment (Rent/Mortgage, outlier excluded), ACS Data  
 $n = 63$ ;  $(n + 1)/4 = 16$ ; In summary,

- MIN = smallest observation = 140
- Q1 = 1st quartile = 400
- MED = median (= 2nd quartile) = 700
- Q3 = 3rd quartile = 970
- MAX = largest observation = 2400
- 
- MIN, Q1, MED, Q3, and MAX give five-number summary

# Five-number Summary

Payment (Rent/Mortgage, outlier excluded), ACS Data  
 $n = 63$ ;  $(n + 1)/4 = 16$ ; In summary,

- 50% of data values  $\leq$  MED
- 50% of data values  $\geq$  MED
- 25% of data values  $\leq$  Q1
- 75% of data values  $\geq$  Q1

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- 5  $MED = 0.5(n + 1)$ th ordered value
- 6  $Q3 = 0.75(n + 1)$ th ordered value
- 7 If a non-integer resulted in any computation of the quartiles ( $Q1$ ,  $MED$ ,  $Q3$ ) above, average the two adjacent ordered values for the respective quartile

# Five-number Summary for Monthly Rent

Sorted monthly payments for Type = Rent ( $n = 20$ ), ACS Data

140, 220, 250, 280, 340, 350, 380, 400, 490, 500, 560,  
650, 670, 700, 700, 740, 760, 880, 910, 1200

1 MIN = 140, MAX = 1200

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- 1 MIN = 140, MAX = 1200
- 2  $0.25(n + 1) = 5.25$  and hence  $Q1 = \text{average of 5th and 6th ordered values} = (340 + 350)/2 = 345$

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- 3  $0.5(n + 1) = 10.5$  and hence MED = average of 10th and 11th ordered values =  $(500 + 560)/2 = 530$

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- ①  $\text{MIN} = 140$ ,  $\text{MAX} = 1200$
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- ③  $0.5(n + 1) = 10.5$  and hence  $\text{MED} = \text{average of 10th and 11th ordered values} = (500 + 560)/2 = 530$
- ④  $0.75(n + 1) = 15.75$  and hence  $Q3 = \text{average of 15th and 16th ordered values} = (700 + 740)/2 = 720$

## iClicker Question 2.4.4.1

In general, the middle 50% of data values are bounded by what statistics?

- 1 The first quartile and the median.
- 2 The first quartile and the third quartile.
- 3 The median and the third quartile.
- 4 The median and the maximum.
- 5 The minimum and the maximum.

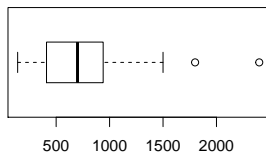
## iClicker Question 2.4.4.2

Given the 5-Number summary (MIN, Q1, Q2, Q3, and MAX) of any data set, approximately 75% of data values are at or above what statistic?

- 1 The median.
- 2 The first quartile.
- 3 The third quartile.
- 4 The maximum.
- 5 The minimum.

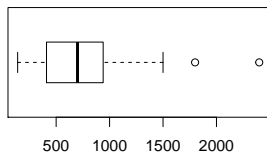


# Box-and-whisker Plot



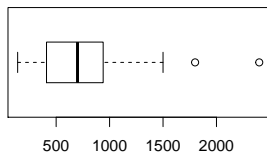
- Draw a horizontal axis covering data range

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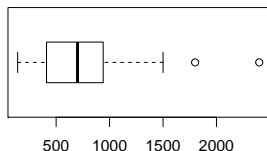
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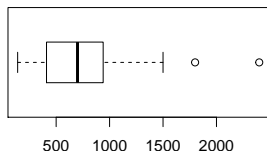
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# Box-and-whisker Plot



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- Draw within the box, a line located at  $MED$
- Draw 'fences' (lines) at the  $MIN$  and  $MAX$

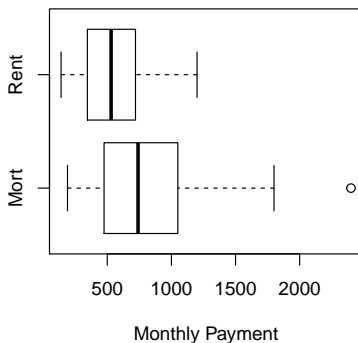
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- Draw 'fences' (lines) at the MIN and MAX
- Draw 'whiskers' extending from the edges of the box to the MIN and MAX

# Comparison Boxplots

**Comparison Boxplots of Payment Type**



# Symmetry/Skewness

## Left-skewed

The decimal point is 1 digit(s) to the right of the |

4		0
5		5
6		2
7		
8		17
9		2445
10		011245569
11		58

# Symmetry/Skewness

## Symmetric

The decimal point is 1 digit(s) to the right of the |

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4 | 7
5 | 35
6 | 005
7 | 00112
8 | 467899
9 | 0199
10 | 14
11 | 1

```



# Symmetry/Skewness

## Right-skewed

The decimal point is 1 digit(s) to the right of the |

```

4 | 58
5 | 011245569
6 | 2445
7 | 17
8 |
9 | 2
10 | 5
11 | 0

```

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- **Symmetric:** data shape in two mirror-imaged halves
- **Right-skewed:** long right tail
- **Left-skewed:** long left tail
- **Symmetry/Skewness** can be detected by inspecting the stem-and-leaf plot (first turn it counter-clockwise 90 degrees), histogram, dotplot, or boxplot (median is half way from the edges of the box, whiskers on two sides of equal length)

# iClicker Question 2.4.4.3

The stem-and-leaf displays of two data sets are given below. Describe the shape of these two data sets.

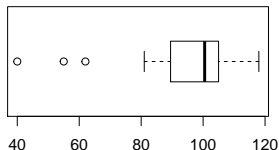
- 1. symmetric; 2. left skewed
- 2. right skewed; 2. symmetric
- 3. symmetric; 2. symmetric
- 4. left skewed; 2. left skewed
- 5. symmetric; 2. right skewed

	Set 1
1	599
2	0113
3	669
	Set 2
0	1223466
1	0015
2	9

# iClicker Question 2.4.4.4

Describe the shape of the box-and-whisker plot (boxplot) below.

- 1 Symmetric
- 2 Right skewed
- 3 Left skewed
- 4 right and left skewed
- 5 None of the above



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Ch. 3 Estimates of Center



# Outline

## Summarizing Numerical Data, #3

- Location and Spread

# Importance of Location and Spread

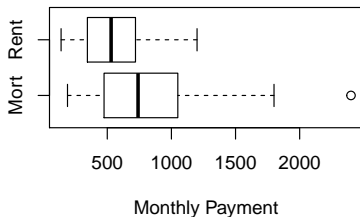
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## Summarizing Numerical Data, #3

- Location and spread
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- Estimates of Center
  - Estimating Average Value
  - The Sample Means
  - The Trimmed Mean
  - The Median of Pairwise Averages

# How do you estimate the average rental

Based on the following random sample of 2-bedroom apartments in Kalamazoo area

880, 380, 650, 910, 760, 560, 340, 740, 220, 500

How do you measure the (central) location of such rentals?

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- Looking at another example:
- Let's say we have a dataset of the following:
- Data: 5, 10, 17, 20, 25
- Mean: **15.4**; Median: 17
- Data: 5, 10, 17, 20, 40
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We can see the median has not been affected by the outlier, whereas the mean has been affected.

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$$\begin{aligned}\bar{X}_{tr} &= \frac{340 + 380 + 500 + 560 + 650 + 740 + 760 + 880}{8} \\ &= 601.25\end{aligned}$$

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- The dataset must be ordered.



# The Median of Pairwise Averages

- The median of pairwise averages is another compromise between the mean and the median.
- We replace observations by pairwise averages of those observations.
- Next we take the median of those.
- Also make sure to pair each observation with itself!
- Proceed in the following pattern as laid out on the next slide.

# The Median of Pairwise Averages

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- averaging 1st obs with itself =  $(500 + 500) / 2 = 500$ ,
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- median of 55 ( $= .5(n + 1)/2$ ) pairwise averages = 28th ( $0.5(55 + 1) = 28$ ) ordered pairwise average = \$625.0.

# Robustness of Est. of Central Location

- Recall that an estimate is robust if it is insensitive to outliers.
- **Robust** = resistant to errors
- The sample mean is NOT robust. That is, it is sensitive to outliers.
- The sample median and the median of pairwise averages are robust.
- The trimmed means are more robust than the mean but less robust than the median. Trimmed means with higher trimmed percentage are more robust.

## Clicker Question 3.1.2

For estimates of central location, which of the following statements is true?

- 1 Median, mean, and the median of pairwise averages are robust.
- 2 Median, 20% trimmed mean, and mean are robust.
- 3 Mean and the median are not robust.
- 4 Median and the median of pairwise averages are robust.
- 5 All statements above are incorrect.

# Statistics and Data Analysis

## STAT 1600 Ch 3.2 Estimates of Spread

# Outline

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$$SD = \sqrt{\frac{4.9384 \times 10^5}{10 - 1}} = 234.2$$



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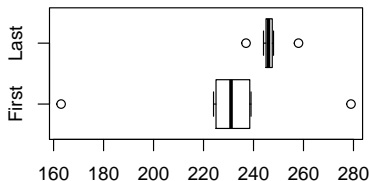
Table: Bowling Example

Games	Scores	Mean	SD
First games	163, 231, 224, 238, 279, 239, 226	228.6	34.34
Last games	246, 244, 247, 248, 237, 258, 246	246.6	6.21

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- Bigger swings (larger SD) in earlier games and scored typically lower (smaller Mean)
- He played consistently (smaller SD) in later games, and typically with better scores (larger Mean)

# Sample Standard Deviation is Not Robust

As an estimate of the spread of a data set, the sample standard deviation **is sensitive to outliers**.

## iClicker Question 3.2.1

The fuel efficiency (MPG) of 5 Japanese made cars are listed below

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Ignoring any rounding error, what is the sum of all the deviations (MPG for Japanese made cars) from the mean MPG for Japanese made cars?

- 1 9.38
- 2 4.19
- 3 0.00
- 4 -4.19
- 5 30.58

## iClicker Question 3.2.2

Recall that an estimate is robust if it is insensitive to outliers. Which of the following statements is true.

- 1 The sample mean and the standard deviation are robust.
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Notice here the mean increased from 2 to 4, yet the SD did not change.

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$\bar{x} = 4$	0	$SS = 8$

$$SD = \sqrt{\frac{4}{(3-1)}} = 2$$

In this second example, multiplying by 2 the mean doubled AND the SD doubled.

## iClicker Question 3.2.3

Compute the mean given the following data:  
8, 12, 15, 22, 28

- 1 5
- 2 10
- 3 15
- 4 17
- 5 20

# Statistics and Data Analysis

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Ch 4 Threats to Valid Comparisons

# Outline

## Threats to Valid Comparisons

- Hidden Confounder

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## Lower Extremity Fractures Example

In the study of 'Lower extremity fractures in motor vehicle collisions: Influence of direction of impact and seatbelt use,' one of the conclusions is of interest: there was a higher incidence of lower extremity fracture among women.



# Lower Extremity Fractures

Wrong assumptions may lead to wrong conclusions by falsely assuming that gender **causes** higher/lower leg fractures, one may reach these **false conclusions** about the study outcome 'women have higher rates of leg fractures'

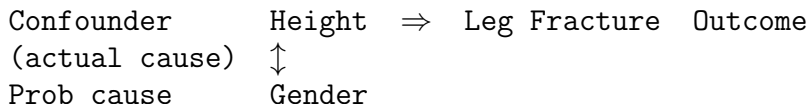
- because they drive faster?
- apply brakes more slowly?
- have weaker bones?

# Lower Extremity Fractures

A follow-up study titled 'the role of driver gender and height' turns out that **height** was the culprit.

Because **height** and **gender** have a strong link, a false conclusion can result from a false assumption.

The pathway graph below describes the true relationship:



↑ Means 'association' or 'probable cause'

⇒ Means 'cause-and-effect'

# Lower Extremity Fractures

pathway graph :  $\begin{array}{c} \text{Height} \Rightarrow \text{Leg Fracture} \\ \updownarrow \\ \text{Gender} \end{array}$

- outcome variable: leg fracture.
- probable cause: gender.
- confounder or confounding variable: the hidden variable height.

# Confounding Variable or Confounder

A **confounder** is a third variable that is associated with both the probable cause and the **outcome**.

- *Overlooking* its existence can lead us to drawing a *wrong conclusion* about the cause-and-effect relationship.
- Hidden confounders are one of the biggest sources of (often unknowingly) *invalid comparisons*. One could end up comparing apples to oranges! (Note: women as a group are shorter than men!)

# Lower Extremity Fractures, cont'd

Potential confounders other than height includes

- weight,
- none/light/heavy smoker,
- alcohol consumption,
- short/long hair,
- wearing higher heels or not,
- ..., etc.

## iClicker Question 4.1

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- ‘taking ED drugs or not’ is only a probable cause

# Statistics and Data Analysis

## STAT1600 Ch 5 Study Designs

# Outline

## Study Designs

- Randomized Trials
- Double-blind Randomized Controlled Trials
- Observational Studies
- iClicker Questions

# Diet Comparison Example

The diet comparison example “Comparison of the Atkins, Zone, Ornish, and LEARN Diets for Change in Weight and Related Risk Factors Among Overweight Premenopausal Women The A TO Z Weight Loss Study: A Randomized Trial” by C.D. Gardner, et al. (JAMA, Vol. 297, pp. 969–977, March 2007) is a good example of **randomized trials**.

An important characteristic of the experiment is that the comparison groups are similar to each other in all aspects, **except for the treatment** (see Table 5.1 on page 79). Hence such experiment offers fair comparison of the treatment among the four diet groups.

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In many cases, randomization cannot be achieved in that the treatments being compared cannot be assigned, e.g., the study involving women and leg fractures. When a new subject enters the study (by having a car accident), we observe what gender they belong to, instead of randomly assigning it. This is an example of *observational studies*.



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# Successful Story of a Case-control Study

The first study formally linking lung cancer to smoking was a 1950 case-control study “Smoking and Carcinoma of the Lung” by Richard Doll and A. Bradford Hill (British Medical Journal, 1950 September 30; 2(4682): page 739–748). This study led to numerous studies, and consequently, it is now accepted by the scientific community that smoking causes lung cancer.

# Case-crossover Study

allows subjects in the treatment group ‘cross over’ to the control group and vice versa. That is, each subject can be their own control.

A successful example: a 1997 study linking cell phone use to car accidents: “Association between cellular-telephone calls and motor vehicle collisions” by D.A. Redelmeier and R.J. Tibshirani (The New England Journal of Medicine, 1997 Feb 13; vol 336, pp. 453–458).

# iClicker Question 5.1

According to “Cumulative Use of Strong Anticholinergics and Incident Dementia” (JAMA, March 2015), from 10 years of tracking older adults and their use of anticholinergic drugs (meant to reduce symptoms of allergies, inability to sleep, anxiety, depression and bladder over-activity), the risk of Alzheimer’s was 63 percent higher. What type of study is this?

- 1 randomized controlled experiment
- 2 case-control study
- 3 none of the previous

## iClicker Question 5.2

Which of the following is *false* about a case-control study when it is compared to a randomized controlled trial?

- 1 case-control study is less time-consuming to conduct
- 2 case-control study is cheaper to conduct
- 3 case-control study can be used to determine causation
- 4 case-control study is easier to conduct

## iClicker Question 5.3

A clinical trial was conducted in which 120 patients with similar clinical features were randomly divided into a control group and a treatment group, each consisting of 60 patients. What type of study this is?

- 1 randomized controlled trial
- 2 case-control study
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# iClicker Question 5.4

Western Michigan University offers a 1 credit course for freshmen, UNIV 1010, which teaches about university resources and study habits for success in college. It is an elective course and about half of the freshmen take it. WMU has studied the results by comparing the retention and GPAs of students who took this class against those who did not take this class. It was found that retention and GPAs were generally higher for those who took UNIV 1010. This evidence was put forth as proof that the course was successful and that it should be continued. What potential source(s) of bias have not been accounted for by WMU?

- 1 GPAs before college.
- 2 Lack of randomization in subject selection for UNIV 1010
- 3 Chosen majors of the students
- 4 All the above

# Statistics and Data Analysis

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Ch. 6 The Normal Distribution

# Outline

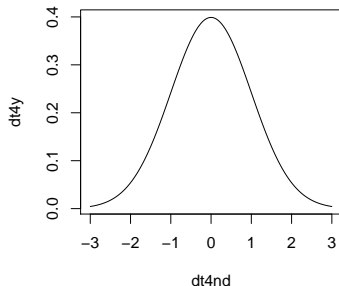
## The Normal Distribution

- Normal Distribution and Z Score
- Using the Normal or Z Curve



# Normal Distribution

- Normal distribution is denoted by  $N(\text{mean}, \text{SD})$ .
- Standard normal has mean=0 and SD=1 and is denoted by  $N(0, 1)$
- The mean gives the location of the line of symmetry and the standard deviation refers to the spread.
- **The area under the curve always equals 1.**

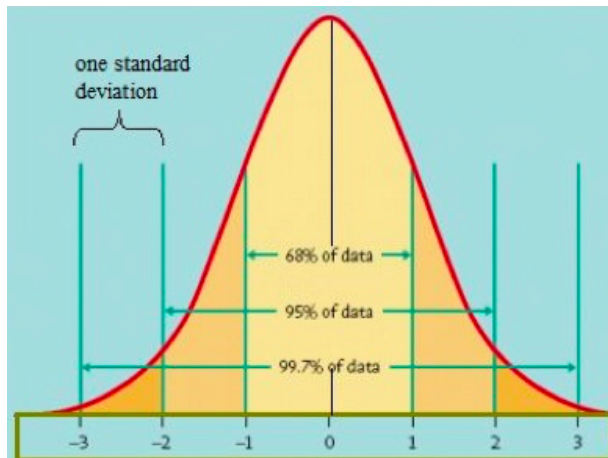


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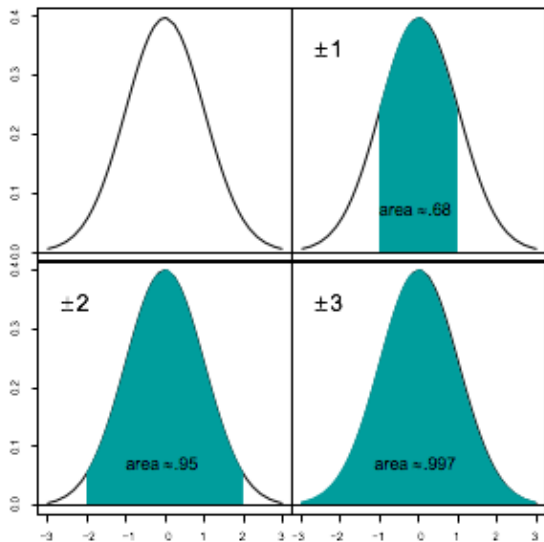
The normal or bell-shaped curve is helpful in calculating probabilities

- 68% of the data falls within  $-1$  and  $+1$  standard deviations of the mean
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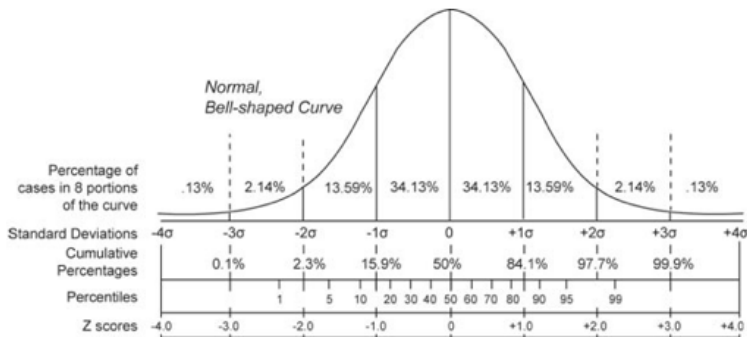
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- To find the probability of a random variable,  $X$ , occurring in a normal distribution, we make use of the normal distribution or normal curve. Once we obtain a z-score using the formula above we can find the probability of a data value occurring at or below that value.

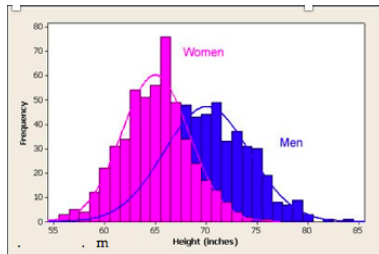


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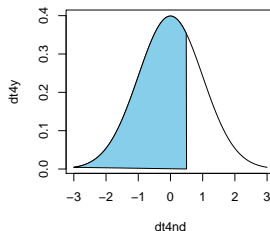


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Ch 7 The Binomial Distribution

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## The Binomial Distribution

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- $X$  = total number of successes among the  $n$  observations is a **binomial random variable** with parameters  $n$  and  $p$  and is denoted  $X \sim \text{binomial}(n, p)$



# Binomial Process and Binomial RV

Example: What is the probability of rolling exactly two ones in 10 rolls of a die? ( $n$ , our sample size = 10)

There are several things you need to know:

- 1 First Define Success: "Rolling a 1 on a single die"
- 2 Define the probability of success: ( $p$ ):  

$$p = \frac{1}{6} = 0.167$$
- 3 Find the probability of failure:  

$$(1 - p) = q = \frac{5}{6} = 0.833$$
- 4 Define the  $X$  (or  $j$ ) that we are investigating. This is the number of successes out of the trials (or sample size,  $n$ ): Here it is two rolls out of 10 so  $X = j = 2$

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In our example:

$$X = j = 2 \text{ and } n = 10$$

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(Since  $q$  is the probability of failure in our example you can see it is also  $5/6$  as there are five other numbers the die could fall on.)

# Using Formula to Compute Binomial Probability

$$X \sim \text{binomial}(n, p)$$

$$\begin{aligned} P[X = 2] &= \frac{10!}{2!(10-2)!} (.167)^2 (.833)^{10-2} \\ &= \frac{10 \times 9 \times 8!}{(2 \times 1)(8!)} (.167)^2 (.833)^8 \\ &= (45)(.167)^2 (.833)^8 \\ &= 0.291 \text{ or } 29.1\% \end{aligned}$$

# Examples of Binomial RV

- A 5-question multiple-choice quiz has 5 choices on each question.  $X$  = number of correct answers (success = correct) in the quiz by guessing all. Then  $X \sim \text{binomial}(n = 5, p = 0.20)$ .
- Past experience: 40% phone respondents agree to be interviewed (success = a respondent agrees to be interviewed) for market research survey. Of 50 reached by Reliable Research,  $X$  respondents agree to be interviewed. Then  $X \sim \text{binomial}(n = 50, p = 0.40)$ .

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- Suppose historical data shows that 20% of buyers at Best Buy who purchase smart fitness and GPS watches also purchase the Geek Squad's extended protection plan (success = a buyer purchases extended protection plan).  $X$  extended protection plans were sold along with the 300 smart watches sold last quarter. Then  
 $X \sim \text{binomial}(n = 300, p = 0.20)$ .



# iClicker Question 7.1

The probability that a defective item is observed at a production line is 0.02. A quality engineer, working at the production line, inspects an item. What is the chance that the item is found to be non-defective?

- 1 0.02
- 2 1
- 3 0.98
- 4 -0.02
- 5 none of the previous

## iClicker Question 7.2

Over a long period of time in a large multinational corporation, 10% of all sales trainees are rated as outstanding, 75% are rated as excellent/good, 10% percent are rated as satisfactory, and 5% are considered unsatisfactory. What is the probability that a sales trainee is rated as not outstanding?

- 1 0.05
- 2 0.10
- 3 0.25
- 4 0.90
- 5 0.95

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# Best Buy Example, continued

Recall that historical data shows that 20% (i.e.,  $p = 0.2$ ) of buyers at Best Buy purchase extended protection plans with smart watches. If ( $n = 10$  smart watches were sold in one day, what is the probability that ( $j = 3$ ) extended protection plans were sold? Now,  $X$ , the number of extended protection plans sold along with 10 smart watches has  $X \sim \text{binomial}(10, .2)$  distribution and hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 P[X = 3] &= \frac{10!}{3!(10-3)!} 0.2^3 (1-0.2)^{10-3} \\
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# Using Formula – olympics swimmer eg.,

A swimmer competes in three events in the Summer Olympics. The swimmer's winning/losing one event is independent of her result in any other event. If the probability of winning any one event is 0.45, what is the chance that she wins two or three events?

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# Statistics and Data Analysis

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Ch. 8 Sampling Distribution of the Proportion

# Outline

## Distribution of the Sample Proportion

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- Theory
- Law of Large Numbers for Sample Proportions

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# iClicker Question 8.1

A study surveyed 100 students who took a standardized test. Among these students, 43 said they would like math help. What is the sample percentage of students needing math help?

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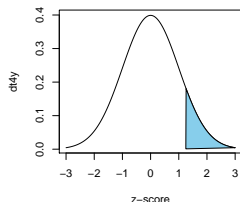
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## iClicker Question 6.2

Recall that if Best Buy sold 100 smart watches last year, the percentage of watches sold with extended protection plans is expected to be around 20% give or take 4%. What is the chance that the percentage of plans sold with extended warranties is between  $12\%(= 20\% - 2 \times 4\%)$  and  $28\%(= 20\% + 2 \times 4\%)$ ?

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- 2 The standard error decreases when sample size decreases.
- 3 The increase/decrease of sample size has no effect on the value of the standard error.
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# Statistics and Data Analysis

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Ch 9 Comparing Two Proportions,  
Part 1 Difference in Proportions



# Outline

## Difference Between Independent Proportions

- Example and Notation
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# Standard Error of Difference

The SE (Standard Error) of the difference in the sample proportions of two independent samples is

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where

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# Outline

## Confidence Interval for Difference in Proportions

- Confidence Interval for Difference in Proportions
- iClicker Questions

# Confidence Interval for $\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2$

A 95% confidence interval for the true difference  $p_1 - p_2$  is

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \pm 1.96 \times SE_{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2}$$

That is

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1 - \hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}$$

*If the interval excludes zero (0), then we say that the difference in sample proportions is statistically significant.*

However, If the interval includes 0 then the difference is statistically insignificant.

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- Note:  $0\%$  is contained in this interval and hence there is still a probability that there might not be a real change in retention rate, just chance variability.

# iClicker Question 9.1

A 95% confidence interval was constructed for the difference in the proportions  $p_1 - p_2$  in two independent populations:  $(-0.08, 0.26)$ . Which of the following is true?

- 1 The difference in the proportions is significant.
- 2  $p_1$  differs from  $p_2$  significantly.
- 3 The difference in the proportions is insignificant.
- 4 None of the previous.

## iClicker Question 9.2

A study of the television viewing preferences of children, each child is asked if the Sesame Street is the program he or she likes the best among others. Of 200 girls surveyed, 85 like Sesame Street the best; of 100 boys surveyed, 30 like Sesame Street the best. A 95% confidence interval for the difference in the percentages of children like the Sesame Street the best between girls and boys is (1.2%, 23.8%).

- 1 Which of the following is true?
- 2 The two percentages differ significantly.
- 3 The two percentages do not differ significantly.
- 4 The two proportions do not differ significantly.
- 5 None of the previous.

# Outline

## Statistical Significance

# Cooks or Chefs

- According to a 2009 occupation survey by the Census Bureau, regular cooks were a separate classification from chefs or head cooks:

Occupation	Women	Men	Total	% Women
Cooks	441	762	1203	37
Chefs	45	245	290	16

- The difference in percentage is approximately 21%.
- Is the difference in percentages just luck of the draw, or due to something else besides chance?

# Cooks or Chefs – Cont'd

- If chance was at work, how likely we get a difference in proportions of 0.21?
- The chance of this occurs is small  $\Rightarrow < 0.0001$ .  
That is, less than 1 in 10,000. This chance of getting 0.21 by chance is called a P-value.
- But how do we know that this P-value is less than 0.0001?



# Cooks or Chefs – Cont'd

- The SE for the difference in proportion is

$$SE_{\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{.37 \cdot .63}{1203} + \frac{.16 \cdot .84}{290}} = 0.026$$

- And hence the chance to get a difference beyond  $\pm 0.078$  ( $= 3SE$ ) is 0.003 ( $= 1 - .997$  by the empirical rule), or 3 in 1,000.
- Similarly, the chance to get a difference beyond  $\pm 0.104$  ( $= 4SE$ ) is  $0.00006 < 0.0001$ , or less than 1 in 10,000.
- Now, in our example, a difference of 0.21 is beyond 8 SE. This cannot be just chance variability. Something else is at work.
- Note: the probability of 0.00006 above was obtained by computer.

# Statistical Significance, The P-Value

The general rule for P-value for the difference:

- If  $P\text{-value} \leq .05$ , the difference is **statistically significant**. (difference is at least  $1.96SE$  in absolute value)
- If  $P\text{-value} \leq .01$ , the difference is called **highly significant**. (difference is at least  $2.58SE$  in absolute value)
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- 4 None of the above.

# Statistics and Data Analysis

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Ch 9.3.2 Comparing Two Proportions,  
Part 2 Risk Ratio

# Outline

## Risk Ratio

- Risk Ratio
- iClicker Questions

# Hepatitis E Vaccine

From the study 'Safety and Efficacy of a Recombinant Hepatitis E Vaccine' by Shrestha et al. in the New England Journal of Medicine in March 2007 (Vol. 356 No. 9), the results were

	Hepatitis E		
	Yes	No	Total
Vaccine	3	895	898
Placebo	66	830	896

The vaccine efficacy, as reported in the article, was 95.5% with a 95% confidence interval of (85.6%, 98.6%).

How?

# Risk ratio

Consider:

	Disease		
	Yes	No	Total
Exposure	a	b	a + b
No exposure	c	d	c + d

where Exposure = Exposure to treatment (i.e., Vaccine in this example).

The *risk ratio* (or relative risk) is

$$RR = \frac{P[\text{Disease}, \text{exposure}]}{P[\text{Disease}, \text{Noexposure}]} = \frac{\frac{a}{a+b}}{\frac{c}{c+d}}$$

and the *efficacy* of the exposure is (1 - risk ratio)  
if risk ratio  $\leq 1$ .

# Hepatitis E Vaccine Eg., Cont'd

$$RR = \frac{\frac{3}{898}}{\frac{66}{896}} = 0.045 \text{ or } 4.5\%$$

That is, getting the vaccine reduces your risk to only 4.5% of the original. The efficacy of the vaccine is 95.5% (= 100% - 4.5%)



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In an observational study, a sample of 10000 smokers was taken, 50 were found to have lung cancer. Another sample of 10000 non-smokers was taken, only 2 have lung cancer. What is the relative risk of having lung cancer for smokers versus non-smokers?

- 1 50
- 2 2
- 3 25
- 4 100
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## iClicker Question 9.2.2

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- 2 There is no difference between the two proportions.
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# Odds

The odds that an event occurs is

$$\text{Odds} = \frac{\text{Probability that an event occurs}}{\text{Probability that event does not occur}} = \frac{p}{1 - p}$$

Probability	Odds
0.10	$\frac{1}{9} = 0.11$
0.20	$\frac{1}{4} = 0.25$
0.50	$\frac{1}{1} = 1.00$
0.80	$\frac{4}{1} = 4.00$
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- 1 0.25
- 2 4
- 3 80
- 4 20
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When comparing two groups, the odds ratio is

$$OR = \frac{\text{Odds of group 1}}{\text{Odds of group 2}}$$

It is easier to interpret an OR when it's greater than 1 and hence, when  $OR < 1$ , exchange the roles of the groups above to get an  $OR > 1$ .

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	Hepatitis E		Total
	Yes	No	
Placebo	66	830	896
Vaccine	3	895	898

If we consider the placebo (i.e., unvaccinated) group as group 1, then

$$Odds(Hep|Placebo) = \frac{\frac{66}{896}}{\frac{830}{896}} = \frac{66}{830} = .07952$$

$$Odds(Hep|vaccine) = \frac{\frac{3}{898}}{\frac{895}{898}} = \frac{3}{895} = .00335$$

$$OddsRatio = \frac{\text{unvaccinated}}{\text{vaccinated}} = \frac{.07952}{.00335} = 23.7$$

So, the odds of getting hepatitis is about 24 times greater if you remain unvaccinated.

# Hepatitis E Vaccine Example, Cont'd

Consider,

	Disease		Total
	Yes	No	
Group 1	a	b	a + b
Group 2	c	d	c + d

The odds ratio is then

$$OR = \frac{a \times d}{b \times c} = \frac{\text{success}_1 \times \text{failure}_2}{\text{failure}_1 \times \text{success}_2} = \frac{\text{success}_1 / \text{failure}_1}{\text{success}_2 / \text{failure}_2}$$

where  $\text{successes}_1 = \#$  of 'successes' (yes's) in group 1 and  $\text{failures}_1 = \#$  of 'failures' (no's) in group 1;

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Note: assume  $OR > 1$ . If  $OR < 1$  then switch the rows above and then the new OR is the reciprocal of the old one.

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- 3 9
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