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Chapter 2

Tabular and Graphical Methods

- LO 2.1: Summarize qualitative data by forming frequency distributions.
- LO 2.2: Construct and interpret pie charts and bar charts.
- LO 2.3: Summarize quantitative data by forming frequency distributions.
- LO 2.4: Construct and interpret histograms, polygons, and ogives.
- LO 2.5: Construct and interpret a stem-and-leaf diagram.
- LO 2.6: Construct and interpret a scatterplot.

2.1 Summarizing Qualitative Data

LO 2.1 Summarize qualitative data by forming frequency distributions.

- A bar chart depicts the frequency or the relative frequency for each category of the qualitative data as a bar rising vertically from the horizontal axis.
- For example, Adidas' sales may be proportionally compared for each Region over these two periods.

2.2 Summarizing Quantitative Data

LO 2.2 Summarize quantitative data by forming frequency distributions.

- A frequency distribution for quantitative data groups data into intervals called classes, and records the number of observations that fall into each class.
- Guidelines when constructing frequency distribution:
 - Classes are *mutually exclusive*.
 - Classes are *exhaustive*.
- The number of classes usually ranges from 5 to 20.
- Approximating the class width:

$$\frac{\text{Largest Value} - \text{Smallest Value}}{\# \text{ of classes}}$$

- The
- A cumulative frequency distribution specifies how many observations fall below the upper limit of a particular class.

Chapter 3

Numerical Descriptive Measures

3.1 Investment Decision

Table 3.1: Investment Decision

Year	Metals	Income	Year	Metals	Income
2000	-7.34	4.07	2005	43.79	3.12
2001	18.33	6.52	2006	34.30	8.15
2002	33.35	9.38	2007	36.13	5.44
2003	59.45	18.62	2008	-56.02	-11.37
2004	8.09	9.44	2009	76.46	31.77

- Rebecca would like to
 1. Determine the typical return of the mutual funds.
 2. Evaluate the investment risk of the mutual funds.
- As an investment counselor at a large bank, Rebecca Johnson was asked by an inexperienced investor to explain the differences between two top-performing mutual funds:
 - Vanguard's Precious Metals and Mining fund (Metals)
 - Fidelity's Strategic Income Fund (Income)
- The investor has collected sample returns for these two funds for years 2000 through 2009. These data are presented in the next slide.

3.2 Measures of Central Location

3.2.1 Mean

- The arithmetic mean is a primary measure of central location.
- Sample mean \bar{x}

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i \quad (3.1)$$

- Population mean μ

$$\mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum x_i \quad (3.2)$$

Metals fund metal return:

$$\frac{-7.34 + 18.33 + 33.35 + 59.45 + 8.09 + 43.79 + 34.30 + 36.13 - 56.02 + 76.46}{10} = \frac{246.54}{10} = 24.654\%$$

Income fund mean return:

$$\frac{4.07 + 3.12 + 6.52 + 8.15 + 9.38 + 5.44 + 18.62 - 11.37 + 9.44 + 31.77}{10} = \frac{85.14}{10} = 8.514\%$$

3.2.2 Median

3.2.3 Mode

3.2.4 Percentiles and Box Plots

- In general, the p th percentile divides a data set into two parts:
 - Approximately $p\%$ of the observations have values less than the p th percentile;
 - Approximately $(100 - p)\%$ of the observations have values greater than the p th percentile.
- Calculating the p th percentile:
 - First, arrange the data in ascending order.
 - Locate the position, L_p , of the p th percentile . . .
- Consider the sorted data from the introductory case.

Position	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Value	4.07	3.12	6.52	8.15	9.38	5.44	18.62	-11.37	9.44	31.77

- For the 25th percentile, we locate
- A box plot allows you to:
 - Graphically display the distribution of a data set.
 - Compare two or more distributions.
 - Identify outliers in a data set.
- Detecting outliers
 - Calculate $IQR = Q_3 - Q_1$
 - Calculate $1.5 \times IQR$
 - There are outliers if:
 - * $Q_1 - \min > 1.5IQR$, or if
 - * $\max - Q_3 > 1.5IQR$, or if

3.2.5 Geometric Mean

For multiperiod returns R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n , the geometric mean return G_R is calculated as:

$$G_R = \sqrt[n]{(1 + R_1)(1 + R_2) \dots (1 + R_n)} - 1 \quad (3.3)$$

where n is the number of multiperiod returns.

3.3 Measures of Dispersion

- Measures of dispersion gauge the variability of a data set.
- Measures of dispersion include:
 - Range
 - Mean Absolute Deviation (MAD)
 - Variance and Standard Deviation
 - * In finance, standard deviation of a return is known as volatility
 - Coefficient of Variation (CV)

3.3.1 Mean Absolute Deviation (MAD)

- MAD is an average of the absolute difference of each observation from the mean.

Sample MAD:

$$\text{Sample MAD} = \frac{\sum |x_i - \bar{x}|}{n} \quad (3.4)$$

$$\text{Population MAD} = \frac{\sum |x_i - \mu|}{N} \quad (3.5)$$

3.3.2 Variance and Standard Deviation

For a given sample,

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1} \text{ and } s = \sqrt{s^2} \quad (3.6)$$

where s is the sample standard deviation and s^2 is the sample variance.

For a given population:

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{N} \text{ and } \sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2} \quad (3.7)$$

where σ is the standard deviation and σ^2 is the variance.

Table 3.2: Volatility Index (VIX)

Period	Typical VIX Levels	What It Means
Quiet Markets	$\sim 10 - 15$	Low fear, high confidence in equity returns
Normal Conditions	$\sim 15 - 25$	Modest uncertainty, moderate stability
Crisis Conditions	> 30	Elevated fear—uncertain markets
Peak Crises	$> 60 - 80$	Extreme panic or sharp dislocations

3.3.3 Coefficient of Variation (CV)

- CV adjusts for differences in the magnitudes of the means.
- CV is unitless, allowing easy comparison of mean-adjusted dispersion across different data sets.

$$\text{Sample CV} = \frac{s}{\bar{x}} \quad (3.8)$$

$$\text{Population CV} = \frac{\sigma}{\mu} \quad (3.9)$$

3.4 Sharpe Ratio

- Measures the extra reward per unit of risk.
- For an investment I , the Sharpe ratio is computed as

$$\text{Sharpe Ratio} = \frac{\bar{x}_I - \bar{R}_f}{s_I} \quad (3.10)$$

where \bar{x}_I is the mean return for the investment, \bar{R}_f is the mean return for a risk-free asset, and s_I is the standard deviation for the investment.

3.5 Chebyshev's Theorem and the Empirical Rule

- Chebyshev's Theorem – For any data set, the proportion of observation that lie within k standard deviations from the mean is at least $1 - \frac{1}{k^2}$, where k is any number greater than 1.
- Consider a large lecture class with 280 students. The mean score on an exam is 74 with a standard deviation of 8. At least how many students scored within 85 and 90?
- With $k = 2$, we have $1 - \frac{1}{2^2} = 0.75 \dots$

3.5.1 The Empirical Rule

- Approximately 68% of all observations fall in the interval $\bar{x} \pm s$.
- Approximately 95% of all observations fall in the interval $\bar{x} \pm 2s$.
- Approximately 99.7% of all observations fall in the interval $\bar{x} \pm 3s$.

Chapter 4

Introduction to Probability

4.1 Sportswear Brands

- Annabel Gonzalez, chief retail analyst at marketing firm Longmeadow Consultants is tracking the sales of compression-gear produced by Under Armour, Inc., Nike, Inc, and Adidas Group.
- After collecting data from 600 recent purchases, Annabel wants to determine whether age influences brand choice.

	Brand Name		
Age Group	Under Armour	Nike	Adidas
Under 25 years	174	132	90
35 years and older	54	72	78

Table 4.1: Live Example for Chapter 4

4.2 Fundamental Probability Concepts

- A probability is a numerical value that ...
- An experiment

4.2.1 Assigning Probabilities

Subjective Probabilities

- Draws on personal and subjective judgment.

Prior Probability	Conditional Probability	Joint Probability	Posterior Probability
$P(T) = 0.99$			
$P(T^c) = 0.01$			
$P(T) + P(T^c) = 1$			

Table 4.2: Bayes' Rule Example

Objective Probabilities

- Empirical probability: a relative frequency of occurrence
- a priori probability: a logical analysis

4.2.2 Probabilities expressed as odds

Percentages and odds are an alternative approach to expressing probabilities include.

4.2.3 Converting an odds ratio to a probability

Given odds for event A occurring of "a to b", the probability of A is:

$$\frac{a}{a+b} \quad (4.1)$$

Given odds against event A occurring of "a to b", the probability of A is:

$$\frac{b}{a+b} \quad (4.2)$$

4.2.4 Converting probability to an odds ratio

4.3 Rules of Probability

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \quad (4.3)$$

4.3.1 Multiplication Rule

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A|B) \times P(B) = P(B|A) \times P(A) \quad (4.4)$$

4.4 Contingency Tables and Probabilities

4.4.1 Contingency Tables

- A contingency table generally shows frequencies for two qualitative ...

4.5 Bayes' Rule

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A \cap B) + P(A \cap B^c)} = \frac{P(A|B)P(B)}{P(A|B)P(B) + P(A|B^c)P(B)^c} \quad (4.5)$$

We find:

$$\begin{aligned} P(T|D) &= \frac{(0.005)(0.99)}{(0.005)(0.99) + (0.95)(0.01)} \\ &= \frac{0.00495}{0.00495 + 0.0095} \\ &= \frac{0.00495}{0.01445} \\ &= 0.342560554 \end{aligned}$$

4.6 Counting Rules

$${}_nC_x = \binom{n}{x} = \frac{n!}{(n-x)!x!} \quad (4.6)$$

$${}_nP_x = \dots \quad (4.7)$$

Chapter 5

Discrete Random Variables

- LO 5.1: Distinguish between discrete and continuous random variables.
- LO 5.2: Describe the probability distribution of a discrete random variable.
- LO 5.3: Calculate and interpret summary measures for a discrete random variable.
- LO 5.4: Differentiate among risk neutral, risk averse, and risk loving consumers.
- LO 5.5: Compute summary measures to evaluate portfolio returns.
- LO 5.6: Describe the binomial distribution and compute relevant probabilities.
- LO 5.7: Describe the Poisson distribution and compute relevant probabilities.

5.1 Random Variables and Discrete Probability Distributions

LO 5.1 Distinguish between discrete and continuous random variables.

- Random Variable
 - A function that assigns numerical values to the outcomes of a random experiment.
 - Denoted by uppercase letters (e.g., X)
- Values of the random variable are denoted by corresponding lowercase letters.
 - Corresponding values of the random variable: x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots
- Random variables may be classified as:
 - Discrete** The random variable assumes a countable number of distinct values.
 - Continuous** The random variable is characterized by (infinitely) uncountable values within any interval.
- Consider an experiment in which two shirts are selected from the production line and each can be defective (D) or non-defective (N).
 - Here is the sample space:
 - The random variable X is the number of defective shirts.
 - The possible number of defective shirts is the set $\{0, 1, 2\}$.
- Since these are the only possible outcomes, this is a discrete random variable.

LO 5.2 Describe the probability distribution of a discrete random variable.

- Every random variable is associated with a probability distribution that describes the variable completely.
 - A probability mass function is used to describe discrete random variables.
 - A probability density function is used to describe continuous random variables.
 - A cumulative distribution function may be used to describe both discrete and continuous random variables.
- The probability mass function of a discrete random variable X is a list of the values of X with the associated probabilities, that is, the list of all possible pairs:

$$(x, P(X = x)) \tag{5.1}$$
- The cumulative distribution function of X is defined as

$$P(X \leq x) \tag{5.2}$$
- Two key properties of discrete probability distributions:
 - The probability of each value x is a value between 0 and 1, or equivalently

$$0 \leq P(X = x) \leq 1$$
 - The sum of the probabilities equals 1. In other words,

$$\sum_i P(X = x_i) = 1$$

where the sum extends over all values x_i of X .
- A discrete probability distribution may be viewed as a table, algebraically, or graphically.

- For example, consider the experiment of rolling a six-sided die. A tabular presentation is:

Table 5.1: Tabular representation of rolling a six-sided die.

x	1	2	3	4	5	6
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$

- Each outcome has an associated probability of $\frac{1}{6}$. Thus, the pairs of values and their probabilities form the probability mass function for X .
- Another tabular view of a probability distribution is based on the cumulative probability distribution.
 - For example, consider the experiment of rolling a six-sided die. The cumulative probability distribution is

Table 5.2: Tabular cumulative probability distribution of rolling a six-sided die.

x	1	2	3	4	5	6
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{2}{6}$	$\frac{3}{6}$	$\frac{4}{6}$	$\frac{5}{6}$	$\frac{6}{6}$

- The cumulative probability gives the probability of X being less than or equal to x . For example, $P(x \leq 4) = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$.
- A probability distribution may be expressed algebraically.
- For example, for the six-sided die experiment, the probability distribution of the random variable X is:

$$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6} & \text{if } x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- Using this formula, we can find

$$P(X = 5) = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$P(X = 7) = 0$$

- A probability distribution may be expressed graphically.
 - The values x of X are placed on the horizontal axis and the associated probabilities on the vertical axis.
 - A line is drawn such that its height is associated with the probability of x .
 - ...
 - This is a uniform distribution since the bar heights are all the same.

5.2 Expected Value, Variance, and Standard Deviation

LO 5.3 Calculate and interpret summary measures for a discrete random variable.

- Summary measures for a random variable include the
 - Mean (Expected Value)
 - Variance
 - Standard Deviation

5.2.1 Expected Value

Expected Value \Leftrightarrow Population Mean

$$E(X) \Leftrightarrow \mu$$

- $E(X)$ is the long-run average value of the random variable over infinitely many independent repetitions of an experiment.
- For a discrete random variable X with values x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots that occur with probabilities $P(X = x_i)$, the expected value of X is

$$E(X) = \mu = \sum_i x_i \times P(X = x_i) \quad (5.3)$$

5.2.2 Variance and Standard Deviation

- For a discrete random variable X with values x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots that occur with probabilities $P(X = x)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) &= \sigma^2 = \sum_i (x_i - \mu)^2 P(X = x_i) \\ &= \sum_i x_i^2 P(X = x_i) - \mu^2 \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

- The standard deviation is the square root of the variance.

$$\text{SD}(X) = \sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2} \quad (5.5)$$

5.2.3 Risk Neutrality and Risk Aversion

LO 5.4 Differentiate among risk neutral, risk averse, and risk loving consumers.

- Risk average consumers:
 - Expect a reward for taking a risk.
 - May decline a risky prospect even if it offers a positive expected gain.
- Risk neutral consumers:
 - Completely ignore risk.
 - Always accept a prospect that offers a positive expected gain.
- Risk loving consumers:
 - May accept a risky prospect even if the expected gain is negative.

5.2.4 Application of Expected Value to Risk

- Suppose you have a choice of receiving \$1,000 in cash or receiving a beautiful painting from your grandmother.
- The actual value of the painting is uncertain. Here is a probability distribution of the possible worth of the painting. What should you do?

Table 5.3: Painting Value Probabilities

x	$P(X = x)$
\$2,000	0.20
\$1,000	0.50
\$500	0.30

5.3 Portfolio Returns

LO 5.5 Compute summary measures to evaluate a portfolio's return.

- Investment opportunities often use both:
 - Expected return as a measure of reward.
 - Variance or standard deviation of return as a measure of risk.
- Portfolio is defined as a collection of assets such as stocks and bonds.
 - Let X and Y two random variables of interest, denoting, say, the returns of two assets.
 - Since an investor may have invested in both assets, we would like to evaluate the portfolio return formed by a linear combination of X and Y .

5.3.1 Properties of random variables useful in evaluating portfolio returns

- Given two random variables X and Y ,
 - The expected value of X and Y is

$$E(X + Y) = E(X) + E(Y) \quad (5.6)$$
 - The variance of X and Y is

$$\text{Var}(X + Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y) + 2\text{Cov}(X, Y) \quad (5.7)$$
 where $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$ is the covariance between X and Y .
 - For constants a, b , the formulas extend to

$$E(aX + bY) = aE(X) + bE(Y)$$

$$\text{Var}(aX + bY) = a^2\text{Var}(X) + b^2\text{Var}(Y) + 2ab\text{Cov}(X, Y)$$

5.3.2 Expected return, variance, and standard deviation of portfolio returns

- Given a portfolio with two assets, Asset A and Asset B , the expected return of the portfolio $E(R_p)$ is computed as:

$$E(R_p) = w_A E(R_A) + w_B E(R_B) \quad (5.8)$$

where w_A and w_B are the portfolio weights, $w_A + w_B = 1$, and $E(R_A)$ and $E(R_B)$ are the expected returns on assets A and B , respectively.

- Using the covariance or the correlation coefficient of the two returns, the portfolio variance of return is:

$$\text{Var}(R_p) = w_A^2 \sigma_A^2 + w_B^2 \sigma_B^2 + 2w_A w_B \rho_{AB} \sigma_A \sigma_B \quad (5.9)$$

where σ_A^2 and σ_B^2 are the variances of the returns for Asset A and Asset B , respectively, σ_{AB} is the covariance between the returns for Assets A and B , and ρ_{AB} is the correlation coefficient between the returns for Asset A and Asset B .

$$\rho_{AB} = \frac{\sigma_{AB}}{\sigma_A \sigma_B} \quad (5.10)$$

5.4 The Binomial Probability Distribution

LO 5.6 Describe the binomial distribution and compute relevant probabilities.

- A binomial random variable is defined as the number of successes achieved in the n trials of a Bernoulli process.
 - A Bernoulli process consists of a series of n independent and identical trials of an experiment such that on each trial:
 - * There are only two possible outcomes:
 - p probability of a success
 - $1 - p = q$ probability of a failure
 - * Each time the trial is repeated, the probabilities of success and failure remain the same.
- A binomial random variable X is defined as the number of successes achieved in the n trials of a Bernoulli process.
- A binomial probability distribution shows the probabilities associated with the possible values of the binomial random variable (that is, $0, 1, \dots, n$).
 - For a binomial random variable X , the probability of x successes in n Bernoulli trials is:

$$P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{n-x} = \frac{n!}{(n-x)!x!} p^x q^{n-x} \quad (5.11)$$

for $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$.

- For a binomial distribution:
 - The expected value $E(X)$ is:
 - The variance $\text{Var}(X)$ is:
 - The standard deviation $\text{SD}(X)$ is:

$$E(X) = \mu = np \quad (5.12)$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2 = npq \quad (5.13)$$

$$\text{SD}(X) = \sigma = \sqrt{npq} \quad (5.14)$$

5.5 The Poisson Probability Distribution

LO 5.7 Describe the Poisson distribution and compute relevant probabilities.

- A binomial random variable counts the number of successes in a fixed number of Bernoulli trials.
- In contrast, a Poisson random variable counts the number of successes over a given interval of time or space.
 - Examples of a Poisson random variable include:
 - With respect to time** the number of cars that cross the Brooklyn Bridge between 9:00 am and 10:00 am on a Monday morning.
 - With respect to space** the number of defects in a 50-year roll of fabric.
- A random experiment satisfies a Poisson process if:
 - The number of successes within a specified time or space interval equals any integer between 0 and ∞ .
 - The number of successes in non-overlapping intervals are independent.
 - The probability that successes occurs in any interval is the same for all intervals of equal size and is proportional to the size of the interval.
- For a Poisson random variable X , the probability of x successes over a given interval of time or space is:

$$P(X = x) = \frac{e^{-\mu} \mu^x}{x!} \text{ for } x = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (5.15)$$

where μ is the mean number of successes and $e \approx 2.718$ is the base of the natural logarithm.

- For a Poisson distribution:
 - The expected value $E(X)$ is:
 - The variance $\text{Var}(X)$ is:
 - The standard deviation $\text{SD}(X)$ is:

$$E(X) = \mu \quad (5.16)$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2 = \mu \quad (5.17)$$

$$\text{SD}(X) = \sigma = \sqrt{\mu} \quad (5.18)$$

Chapter 6

Continuous Random Variables

LO 6.1: Describe a continuous random variable.

- LO 6.2: Describe a continuous uniform distribution and calculate associated probabilities.
- LO 6.3: Explain the characteristics of the normal distribution.
- LO 6.4: Use the standard normal table of the z-table.
- LO 6.5: **Calculate and interpret probabilities of a random variable that follows the normal distribution.**
- LO 6.6: **Calculate and interpret probabilities of a random variable that follows the exponential distribution.**
- LO 6.7: **Calculate and interpret probabilities of a random variable that follows the lognormal distribution.**

6.1 Continuous Random Variables and the Uniform Probability Distribution

LO 6.1 Describe a continuous random variable.

- Remember that random variables may be classified as
 - Discrete** The random variable assumes a countable number of distinct values.
 - Continuous** The random variable is characterized by (infinitely) uncountable values within any interval.
- When computing probabilities for a continuous random variable, keep in mind that $P(X = x) = 0$.
 - We cannot assign a nonzero probability to each infinitely uncountable value and still have the probabilities sum to one.
 - Thus, since $P(X = a)$ and $P(X = b)$ both equal zero, the following holds true for continuous random variables:

$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = P(a < X < b) = P(a \leq X < b) = P(a < X \leq b)$$

6.1.1 Probability Density Function $f(x)$ of a continuous random variable X

- Describes the relative likelihood that X assumes a value within a general interval (e.g., $P(a \leq X \leq b)$), where
 - $f(x) > 0$ for all possible values of X .
 - The area under $f(x)$ over all values of x equals 1.

6.1.2 Cumulative Density Function $F(x)$ of a continuous random variable X

- For any value x of the random variable X , the cumulative distribution function $F(x)$ is computed as:

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x)$$

- As a result:

$$P(a \leq X \leq b) = F(b) - F(a)$$

6.1.3 The Continuous Uniform Distribution

LO 6.2 Describe a continuous uniform distribution and calculate associated probabilities.

- Describe a random variable that has an equally likely chance of assuming a value within a specified range.
- Probability density function:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{for } a \leq x \leq b, \text{ and} \\ 0 & \text{for } x < a \text{ or } x > b \end{cases} \quad (6.1)$$

where a and b are the lower and upper limits, respectively.

- The expected value and standard deviation of X are:

$$E(X) = \mu = \frac{a+b}{2} \quad (6.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SD}(X) &= \sigma \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}} \end{aligned} \quad (6.3)$$

6.1.4 Graph of the continuous uniform distribution

- The values of a and b on the horizontal axis represent the lower and upper limits, respectively.
- The height of the distribution does not directly represent a probability.
- It is the area under $f(x)$ that corresponds to probability.

Cumulative function:

$$\begin{aligned} P(X > x_1) &= \text{base} \times \text{height} \\ &= (b - x_1) \times \frac{1}{b-a} \end{aligned}$$

6.2 The Normal Distribution

- For a random variable X with mean μ and variance σ^2 :

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (6.4)$$

6.2.1 The Normal Distribution

LO 6.3 Explain the characteristics of the normal distribution.

- Symmetric
- Bell-shaped
- Closely approximates the probability distribution of a wide range of random variables, such as the
 - Heights and weights of newborn babies
 - Scores on SAT
 - Cumulative debt of college graduates
- Serves as the cornerstone of statistical inference.

6.2.2 Characteristics of the Normal Distribution

- Symmetric about its mean
 - Mean = Median = Mode
- Asymptotic—that is, the tail gets closer and closer to the horizontal axis but never touches it.
- The normal distribution is completely described by two parameters: μ and σ^2 .
 μ is the population mean which describes the central location of the distribution.
 σ^2 is the population variance which describes the dispersion of the distribution.

6.2.3 Probability Density Function of the Normal Distribution

- For a random variable X with mean μ and variance σ^2 :

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (6.5)$$

6.2.4 The Standard Normal (Z) Distribution

LO 6.4 Use the standard normal table of the z -table.

- A special case of the normal distribution:
 - Mean μ is equal to zero ($E(X) = 0$).
 - Standard deviation σ is equal to 1 ($SD(Z) = 1$).

6.2.5 Standard Normal Table (Z-Table)

- Gives the cumulative probabilities $P(Z \leq z)$ for positive and negative values of z .
- Since the random variable Z is symmetric about its mean of 0,

$$P(Z < 0) = P(Z > 0) = 0.5$$

- To obtain the $P(Z < z)$, read down the z -column first, then across the top.

6.2.6 Finding the Probability for a Given z -Value

- Transform normally distributed random variables into standard normal random variables and use the z -table to compute the relevant probabilities.
- The z -table provides cumulative probabilities $P(Z \leq z)$ for a given z .

6.3 Solving Problems with the Normal Distribution

LO 6.5 Calculate and interpret probabilities or a random variable that follows the normal distribution.

6.3.1 The Normal Transformation

- Any normally distributed random variable X with mean μ and standard deviation σ can be transformed into the standard normal random variable Z as:

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \text{ with corresponding values } z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \quad (6.6)$$

- As constructed: $E(Z) = 0$ and $SD(Z) = 1$.
- A z -value specifies by how many standard deviations the corresponding x value falls above ($z > 0$) or below ($z < 0$) the mean.
 - A positive z indicates by how many standard deviations the corresponding x lies above μ .
 - A zero z indicates that the corresponding x equals μ .
 - A negative z indicates by how many standard deviations the corresponding x lies below μ .

6.3.2 Use the Inverse Transformation to Compute Probabilities for Given x values

- A standard normal variable Z can be transformed to the normally distributed random variable X with mean μ and standard deviation σ as

$$X = \mu + Z\sigma \text{ with corresponding values } x = \mu + z\sigma \quad (6.7)$$

6.4 Other Continuous Probability Distributions

LO 6.6 Calculate and interpret probabilities of a random variable that follows the exponential distribution.

6.4.1 Exponential Distribution

- A random variable X follows the exponential distribution if its probability density function is:

$$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x} \text{ for } x \geq 0 \quad (6.8)$$

where λ is the rate parameter and $E(X) = \text{SD}(X) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$.

- The cumulative distribution function is:

$$P(X \leq x) = 1 - e^{-\lambda x} \quad (6.9)$$

6.4.2 The Lognormal Distribution

LO 6.7 Calculate and interpret probabilities of a random variable that follows the lognormal distribution.

- Defined for a positive random variable, the lognormal distribution is positively skewed.
- Useful for describing variables such as
 - Income
 - Real estate values
 - Asset prices
- Failure rate may increase or decrease over time.
- Let X be a normally distributed random variable with mean μ and standard deviation σ . The random variable $Y = e^X$ follows the lognormal distribution with a probability density function as

$$f(y) = \frac{1}{y\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\ln(y) - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \text{ for } y > 0 \quad (6.10)$$

- The lognormal distribution is clearly positively skewed for $\sigma > 1$. For $\sigma < 1$, the lognormal distribution somewhat resembles to normal distribution.

6.4.3 Expected values and standard deviations of the lognormal and normal distributions

- Let X be a normal random variable with mean μ and standard deviation σ and let $Y = e^X$ be the corresponding lognormal variable. The mean μ_Y and standard deviation σ_Y of Y are derived as:

$$\mu_Y = \exp\left(\frac{2\mu + \sigma^2}{2}\right) \quad (6.11)$$

$$\sigma_Y = \sqrt{(\exp(\sigma^2) - 1) \exp(2\mu + \sigma^2)} \quad (6.12)$$

- Equivalently, the mean and standard deviation of the normal variable $X = \ln(Y)$ are derived as

$$\mu = \ln\left(\frac{\mu_Y^2}{\sqrt{\mu_Y^2 + \sigma_Y^2}}\right) \quad (6.13)$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\ln\left(1 + \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{\mu_Y^2}\right)} \quad (6.14)$$

Chapter 7

Sampling and Sampling Distributions

- LO 7.1: Differentiate between a population parameter and a sample statistic.
- LO 7.2: Explain common sample biases.
- LO 7.3: Describe simple random sampling.
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- LO 7.7: Describe the properties of the sample distribution of the sample proportion.
- LO 7.8: Use a finite population correction factor.
- LO 7.9: Construct and interpret control charts from quantitative and qualitative data.

7.1 Sampling

LO 7.1 Differentiate between a population parameter and a sample statistic.

- Population – consists of all items of interest in a statistical problem.
 - Population Parameter is unknown.
- Sample – a subset of the population.
 - Sample statistic is calculated from sample and used to make inferences about the population.
- Bias – the tendency of a sample statistic to systematically over- or under-estimate a population parameter.

LO 7.2 Explain common sample biases.

- Classic Case of a “Bad” Sample: The *Literary Digest* Debacle of 1936
 - During the 1936 presidential election, the *Literary Digest* predicted a landslide victory of Alf Landon over Franklin D. Roosevelt (FDR) with only a 1% margin or error.
 - They were wrong! FDR won in a landslide election.
 - The *Literary Digest* had committed selection bias by randomly sampling from their own subscriber/membership lists, etc.
 - In addition, with only a 24% response rate, the *Literary Digest* had a great deal of non-response bias.
- Selection bias – a systematic exclusion of certain groups from consideration for the sample.
 - The *Literary Digest* committed selection bias by excluding a large portion of the population (e.g., lower income voters).
- Nonresponse bias – a systematic difference in preferences between respondents and non-respondents to a survey or a poll.
 - The *Literary Digest* had only a 24% response rate. This indicates that only those who cared a great deal about the election took the time to respond to the survey. These respondents may be atypical of the population as a whole.

LO 7.3 Describe simple random sampling.

7.1.1 Sampling Methods

- Simple random sample is a sample of n observations which have the same probability of being selected from the population as any other sample of n observations.
 - Most statistical methods presume simple random samples.
 - However, in some situations, other sampling methods have an advantage over simple random samples.

LO 7.4 Distinguish between stratified random sampling and cluster sampling.

7.1.2 Stratified Random Sampling

- Divide the population into mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive groups, called strata.
- Randomly select observations from each stratum, which are proportional to the stratum's size.
- Advantages:
 - Guarantees that each population's subdivision is represented in the sample.
 - Parameter estimates have greater precision than those estimated from simple random sampling.

7.1.3 Cluster Sampling

- Divide population into mutually exclusive and collectively exhaustive groups, called clusters.
- Random select clusters.
- Sample every observation in those randomly selected clusters.
- Advantages and disadvantages:
 - Less expensive than other sampling methods.
 - Less precision than simple random sampling or stratified sampling.
 - Useful when clusters occur naturally in the population.

Table 7.1: Stratified vs. Cluster Sampling

Stratified Sampling	Cluster Sampling
Sample consists of elements from each group.	Sample consists of elements from the selected groups.
Preferred when the objective is to increase precision.	Preferred when the objective is to reduce costs.

7.2 The Sampling Distribution of the Means

LO 7.5 Describe the properties of the sampling distribution of the same mean.

- Population is described by parameters.
 - A *parameter* is a constant, whose value may be unknown.
 - Only one population.
- Sample is described by statistics.
 - A statistic is a random variable whose value depends on the chosen random sample.
 - Statistics are used to make inferences about the population parameters.
 - Can draw multiple random samples of size n .

7.2.1 Estimator

- A statistic that is used to estimate a population parameter.
- For example, \bar{X} , the mean of the sample, is an estimate of μ , the mean of the population.

7.2.2 Estimate

- A particular value of the estimator.
- For example, the mean of the sample \bar{x} is an estimate of μ , the mean of the population.

7.2.3 Sampling Distribution of the Mean \bar{x}

- Each random sample size n drawn from the population provides an estimate of μ —the sample mean \bar{x} .
- Drawing many samples of size n results in many different sample means, one for each sample.
- The sampling distribution of the mean is the frequency or probability distribution of these sample means.

7.2.4 The Expected Value and Standard Deviation of the Sample Mean

- The expected value of X ,

$$E(X) = \mu \quad (7.1)$$

- The expected value of the mean,

$$E(\bar{X}) = E(X) = \mu \quad (7.2)$$

- Variance of X

$$\text{Var}(X) = \sigma^2 = \sum \frac{(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1} \quad (7.3)$$

- Standard Deviation

– of X

$$SD(X) = \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sigma \quad (7.4)$$

– of \bar{X}

$$SD(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (7.5)$$

where n is the sample size. Also known as the standard error of the mean.

7.2.5 Sampling from a Normal Distribution

- For any sample size n , the sampling distribution of \bar{X} is normal if the population X from which the sample is drawn is normally distributed.
- If X is normal, then we can transform it into the standard normal random variable as:
 - For a sampling distribution:

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \frac{\bar{X} - E(\bar{X})}{SD(\bar{X})} \\ &= \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \end{aligned} \quad (7.6)$$

- For a distribution of the values of X .

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \frac{X - E(X)}{SD(X)} \\ &= \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \end{aligned} \quad (7.7)$$

7.2.6 The Central Limit Theorem

LO 7.6 Explain the importance of the central limit theorem.

- For any population X with expected value μ and standard deviation σ , the sampling distribution of \bar{X} will be approximately normal if the sample size n is sufficiently large.
- As a general guideline, the normal distribution approximation is justified when $n \geq 30$.
- As before, if \bar{X} is approximately normal, then we can transform it using (7.6).

7.3 The Sampling Distribution of the Sample Proportion

LO 7.7 Describe the properties of the sample distribution of the sample proportion.

- Estimator – Sample proportion \bar{P} is used to estimate the population parameter p .
- Estimate – a particular value of the estimator \bar{p} .

7.3.1 The Expected Value and Standard Deviation of the Sample Proportion

- The expected value of \bar{P} is

$$E(\bar{P}) = p \quad (7.8)$$

- The standard deviation of \bar{P} is

$$SD(\bar{P}) = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \quad (7.9)$$

7.3.2 The Central Limit Theorem for the Sample Proportion

- For any population proportion p , the sampling distribution of \bar{P} is approximately normal if the sample size n is sufficiently large.
- As a general guideline, the normal distribution approximation is justified when $np \geq 5$ and $n(1-p) \geq 5$.
- If \bar{P} is normal, we can transform it into the standard normal random variable as

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= \frac{\bar{P} - E(\bar{P})}{SD(\bar{P})} \\ &= \frac{\bar{P} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}} \end{aligned} \quad (7.10)$$

- Therefore, any value \bar{p} on \bar{P} has a corresponding value z on Z given by

$$z = \frac{\bar{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}} \quad (7.11)$$

7.4 The Finite Population Correction Factor

LO 7.8 Use a finite population correction factor.

- Used to reduce the sampling variation of \bar{X} .
- The resulting standard deviation is

$$SD(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} \right) \quad (7.12)$$

- The transformation of \bar{x} to Z is made accordingly.
- Apparently, only used when $\frac{n}{N} > 5\%$.

7.4.1 The Finite Population Correction Factor for the Sample Proportion

- Used to reduce the sampling variation of the sample proportion \bar{P} .
- The resulting standard deviation is:

$$SD(\bar{P}) = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{N-n}{N-1}} \right) \quad (7.13)$$

- The transformation of \bar{P} to Z is made accordingly.

7.5 Statistical Quality Control

LO 7.9 Construct and interpret control charts from quantitative and qualitative data.

- Involves statistical techniques used to develop and maintain a firm's ability to produce high-quality goods and services.
- Two Approaches for Statistical Quality Control
 - Acceptance Sampling
 - Detection Approach

7.5.1 Acceptance Sampling

- Used at the completion of a production process or service.
- If a particular product does not conform to certain specifications, then it is either discarded or repaired.
- Disadvantages
 - It is costly to discard or repair a product.
 - The detection of all defective products is not guaranteed.

7.5.2 Detection Approach

- Inspection occurs during the production process in order to detect any nonconformance to specifications.
- Goal is to determine whether the production process should be continued or adjusted before producing a large number of defects.
- Types of variation.
 - Chance variation.
 - Assignable variation.

Chance Variation (Common Variation)

- Caused by a number of randomly occurring events that are part of the production process.
- Not controllable by the individual worker or machine.
- Expected, so not a source of alarm as long as its magnitude is tolerable and the end product meets specifications.

Assignable variation

- Caused by specific events or factors that can usually be identified and eliminated.
- Identified and corrected or removed.

7.5.3 Control Charts

- Developed by Walter A. Shewhart.
- A plot of calculated statistics of the production process over time.
- Production process is “in control” if the calculated statistics fall in an expected range.
- Production process is “out of control” if calculated statistics reveal an undesirable trend.
 - For quantitative data— \bar{x} chart.
 - For qualitative data— \bar{p} chart.

Control Charts for Quantitative Data

- Centerline—the mean when the process is under control.
- Upper control limit (UCL)—set at $+3\sigma$ from the mean.

$$\mu + 3 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (7.14)$$

- Points falling above the upper control limit are considered to be out of control.

- Lower control limit (LCL)—set at -3σ from the mean.

$$\mu - 3 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (7.15)$$

- Points falling below the lower control limit are considered to be out of control.

- Process is in control—all points fall within the control limits.

Control Charts for Qualitative Data

- \bar{p} chart (fraction defective or percent defective chart).
- Tracks proportion of defects in a production process.
- Relies on central limit theorem for normal approximation for the sampling distribution of the sample proportion.
- Centerline—the mean when the process is under control.
- Upper control limit (UCL)—set at $+3\sigma$ from the mean.

$$p + 3 \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \quad (7.16)$$

- Points falling above the upper control limit are considered to be out of control.

- Lower control limit (LCL)—set at -3σ from the mean.

$$p - 3 \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}} \quad (7.17)$$

- Points falling below the lower control limit are considered to be out of control.

- Process is out of control—some points fall above the UCL.

Chapter 8

Estimation

LO 8.1: Discuss point estimators and their desirable properties.

- LO 8.2: Explain an interval estimator.
- LO 8.3: Calculate a confidence interval for the population mean when the population standard deviation is known.
- LO 8.4: Describe the factors that influence the width of a confidence interval.
- LO 8.5: Discuss features of the t distribution.
- LO 8.6: Calculate a confidence interval for the population mean when the population standard deviation is not known.
- LO 8.7: Calculate a confidence interval for the population proportion.
- LO 8.8: Select a sample size to estimate the population mean and the population proportion.

8.1 Point Estimators and Their Properties

LO 8.1 Discuss point estimators and their desirable properties.

8.1.1 Point Estimator

- A function of the random sample used to make inferences about the value of an unknown population parameter.
- For example, \bar{X} is a point estimator for μ and \bar{P} is a point estimator for p .

8.1.2 Point Estimate

- The value of the point estimator derived from a given sample.
- For example, $\bar{x} = 96.5$ is a point estimate of the mpg for all ultra-green cars.

8.1.3 Properties of Point Estimators

- Unbiased – an estimator is unbiased if its expected value equals the unknown population parameter being estimated.
- Efficient – an unbiased estimator is efficient if its standard error is lower than that of other unbiased estimators.
- Consistent – an estimator is consistent if it approaches the unknown population parameter being estimated as the sample size grows larger.

8.2 Confidence Interval of the Population Mean When σ Is Known

LO 8.2 Explain an interval estimator.

- Confidence Interval – provides a range of values that, with a certain level of confidence, contains the population parameter of interest.
 - Also referred to as an interval estimate.
- Construct a confidence interval as: Point estimate \pm Margin of error.
 - Margin of error accounts for the variability of the estimator and the desired confidence level of the interval.

8.2.1 Constructing a Confidence Interval for μ When σ is Known

LO 8.3 Calculate a confidence interval for the population mean when the population standard deviation is known.

- Consider a standard normal random variable:

$$P(-1.96 \leq Z \leq 1.96) = 0.95$$

- Because of (7.6), we get:

$$P\left(-1.96 \leq \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \leq 1.96\right) = 0.95$$

- Which, after algebraically manipulating, is equal to:

$$P\left(\mu - 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \leq \bar{X} \leq \mu + 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = 0.95 \quad (8.1)$$

- Note that (8.1) implies there is a 95% probability that the sample mean \bar{X} will fall within the interval $\mu \pm 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$.
 - Thus, if samples of size n are drawn repeatedly from a given population, 95% of the computed sample means, \bar{x} , will fall within the interval and the remaining 5% will fall outside the interval.
- Since we do not know μ , we cannot determine if a particular \bar{x} falls within the interval or not.
 - However, we do know that \bar{X} will fall within the interval $\mu \pm 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ iff μ falls within the interval $\bar{x} \pm 1.96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$.
- This will happen 95% of the time given the interval construction. Thus, this is a 95% confidence interval for the population mean.
- Level of significance (i.e., probability of error) = α .
- Confidence coefficient = $1 - \alpha \Rightarrow \alpha = 1 - \text{confidence coefficient}$.
- A $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval of the population mean μ when the standard deviation σ is known is computed as

$$\bar{x} \pm z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (8.2)$$

or equivalently

$$\left[\bar{x} - z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \quad (8.3)$$

- $z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}$ is the z -value associated with the probability of $\frac{\alpha}{2}$ being in the upper-tail.
- Confidence Intervals:
 - 90%, $\alpha = 0.10$, $\frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.05$, $z_{0.05} = 1.645$.
 - 95%, $\alpha = 0.05$, $\frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.025$, $z_{0.025} = 1.96$.
 - 99%, $\alpha = 0.01$, $\frac{\alpha}{2} = 0.005$, $z_{0.005} = 2.575$.

8.2.2 Interpreting a Confidence Interval

- Interpreting a confidence interval requires care.
- Incorrect: the probability that μ falls in the interval is 0.95.
- Correct: If numerous samples of size n are drawn from a given population, then 95% of the intervals formed by the $\bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ will contain μ .
 - Since there are many possible samples, we will be right 95% of the time, thus giving us 95% confidence.

8.2.3 The Width of a Confidence Interval

LO 8.4 Describe the factors that influence the width of a confidence interval.

- Margin of Error: $z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$
- Confidence Interval Width: $2 \left(z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$
- The width of the confidence interval is influenced by the:
 - Sample size n ,
 - Standard deviation σ , and
 - Confidence level $100(1 - \alpha)\%$.

8.2.4 Summary of the t_{df} Distribution

- Bell-shaped and symmetric around 0 with asymptotic tails (the tails get closer and closer to the horizontal axis, but never touch it).
- Has slightly broader tails than the z distribution.
- Consists of a family of distributions where the actual shape of each one depends on the df . As df increases, the t_{df} distribution becomes similar to the z distribution; it is identical to the z distribution when $df \rightarrow \infty$.

8.3 Confidence Interval of the Population Mean When σ Is Unknown

8.3.1 The t -Distribution

LO 8.5 Discuss features of the t distribution.

- If repeated samples of size n are taken from a normal population with a finite variance, then the statistic T follows the t -distribution with $n - 1$ degrees of freedom, df .
- Degrees of freedom – determines the extent of the broadness of the tails of the distribution; the fewer the degrees of freedom, the broader the tails.

$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{S}{\sqrt{n}}} \quad (8.4)$$

8.3.2 Constructing a Confidence Interval for μ When σ Is Unknown

LO 8.6 Calculate a confidence interval for the population mean when the population standard deviation is not known.

- A $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval of the population mean μ when the population standard deviation σ is not known is

$$\bar{x} \pm t_{\alpha/2, df} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \quad (8.5)$$

or equivalently

$$\left[\bar{x} - t_{\alpha/2, df} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + t_{\alpha/2, df} \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \quad (8.6)$$

where s is the sample standard deviation.

8.4 Confidence Interval of the Population Proportion

LO 8.7 Calculate a confidence interval for the population proportion.

- Let the parameter p represent the proportion of successes in the population, where success is defined by a particular output.
 - \bar{p} is the point estimator of the population proportion p .
- By the central limit theorem, \bar{P} can be approximated by a normal distribution for large samples (i.e., $np \geq 5$ and $n(1 - p) \geq 5$).
- Thus, a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval of the population proportion is

$$\bar{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}{n}} \quad \text{or} \quad \left[\bar{p} - z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}{n}}, \bar{p} + z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}{n}} \right] \quad (8.7)$$

where \bar{p} is used to estimate the population parameter p .

8.5 Selecting a Useful Sample Size

LO 8.8 Select a sample size to estimate the population mean and the population proportion.

- Precision in interval estimates is implied by a low margin of error.
- The larger n reduces the margin of error for the interval estimates.
- How large should the sample size be for a given margin of error?

8.5.1 Selecting n to Estimate μ

- Consider a confidence interval for μ with a known σ and let D denote the desired margin of error.
- Since

$$D = z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \quad (8.8)$$

we may rearrange to get

$$n = \left(\frac{z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sigma}{D} \right)^2. \quad (8.9)$$

- If σ is unknown, estimate it with $\hat{\sigma}$.
- For a desired margin of error D , the minimum sample size n required to estimate a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval of the population mean μ is

$$n = \left(\frac{z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \hat{\sigma}}{D} \right)^2. \quad (8.10)$$

where $\hat{\sigma}$ is a reasonable estimate of σ in the planning stage.

8.5.2 Selecting n to Estimate p

- Consider a confidence interval for p and let D denote the desired margin of error.
- Since

$$D = z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}{n}} \quad (8.11)$$

(where \bar{p} is the sample proportion), we may rearrange to get

$$n = \left(\frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{D} \right)^2 \bar{p}(1 - \bar{p}) \quad (8.12)$$

- Since \bar{p} comes from a sample, we must use a reasonable estimate of p , that is, \hat{p} .
- For a desired margin of error D , the minimum sample size n required to estimate a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval of the population proportion p is

$$n = \left(\frac{z_{\alpha/2}}{D} \right)^2 \hat{p}(1 - \hat{p}) \quad (8.13)$$

where \hat{p} is a reasonable estimate of p in the planning stage.

Chapter 9

Hypothesis Testing

- LO 9.1: Define the null hypothesis and the alternative hypothesis.
- LO 9.2: Distinguish between Type I and Type II errors.
- LO 9.3: Explain the steps of a hypothesis test using the p -value approach.
- LO 9.4: Explain the steps of a hypothesis test using the critical value approach.
- LO 9.5: Differentiate between the test statistics for the population mean.
- LO 9.6: Specify the test statistic for the population proportion.

9.1 Point Estimators and Their Properties

LO 9.1 Define the null hypothesis and the alternative hypothesis.

- Hypothesis tests resolve conflicts between two competing opinions (hypotheses).
- In a hypothesis test, define
 - H_0 the null hypothesis, the presumed default state of nature or status quo.
 - H_A the alternative hypothesis, a contradiction of the default state of nature or status quo.
- In statistics, we use sample information to make inferences regarding the unknown population parameters of interest.
- We conduct hypothesis tests to determine if sample evidence contradicts H_0 .
- On the basis of sample information, we either
 - “Reject the null hypothesis”
 - Sample evidence is inconsistent with H_0 .
 - “Do not reject the null hypothesis”
 - Sample evidence is not inconsistent with H_0 .
 - We do not have enough evidence to “accept” H_0 .

9.1.1 Defining the Null Hypothesis and Alternative Hypothesis

General guidelines:

- Null hypothesis, H_0 , states the status quo.
- Alternative hypothesis, H_A , states whatever we wish to establish (i.e., contests the status quo)
- Note that H_0 always contains the “equality”.

9.1.2 One-Tailed vs Two-Tailed Hypothesis Tests

Two-Tailed Test

- Reject H_0 on either side of the hypothesized value of the population parameter.
- For example:
 - $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ versus $H_A: \mu \neq \mu_0$
 - $H_0: p = p_0$ versus $H_A: p \neq p_0$
- The \neq symbol in H_A indicates that both tail areas of the distribution will be used to make the decision regarding the rejection of H_0 .

One-Tailed Test

- Reject H_0 only on one side of the hypothesized value of the population parameter.
- For example:
 - $H_0: \mu \leq \mu_0$ versus $H_A: \mu > \mu_0$ (right-tail test)
 - $H_0: \mu \geq \mu_0$ versus $H_A: \mu < \mu_0$ (left-tail test)
- Note that the inequality in H_A determines which tail area will be used to make the decision regarding the rejection of H_0 .

9.1.3 Three Steps to Formulate Hypotheses

- Identify the relevant population parameter of interest (e.g., μ or p).
- Determine whether it is a one- or a two-tailed test.
- Include some form of the equality sign in H_0 and use H_A to establish a claim.

H_0	H_A	Test Type
$=$	\neq	Two-tail
\geq	$<$	One-tail, Left-tail
\leq	$>$	One-tail, Right-tail

9.1.4 Type I and Type II Errors

LO 9.2 Distinguish between Type I and Type II errors.

- Type I Error** – Committed when we reject H_0 when H_0 is actually true.
 - Occurs with probability α . α is chosen a priori.
- Type II Error** – Committed when we do not reject H_0 when H_0 is actually false.
 - Occurs with probability β . Power of the test = $1 - \beta$
- For a given sample size n , a decrease in α will increase β and vice versa.
- Both α and β decreases as n increases.

Decision	Null hypothesis is true	Null hypothesis is false
Reject the null hypothesis	Type I error	Correct decision
Do not reject the null hypothesis	Correct decision	Type II error

9.2 Hypothesis Test of the Population Mean When σ Is Known

LO 9.3 Explain the steps of a hypothesis test using the p -value approach.

- Hypothesis testing enables us to determine whether the sample evidence is inconsistent with what is hypothesized under the null hypothesis (H_0).
- Basic principle: First assume that H_0 is true and then determine if sample evidence contradicts this assumption.
- Two approaches to hypothesis testing:
 - The p -value approach.
 - The critical value approach.

9.2.1 The p -value Approach

- The value of the test statistic for the hypothesis test of the population mean μ when the population standard deviation σ is known is computed as

$$z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \quad (9.1)$$

where μ_0 is the hypothesized mean value.

- p -value: the likelihood of obtaining a sample mean that is at least as extreme as the one derived from the given sample, under the assumption that the null hypothesis is true.
- Under the assumption that $\mu = \mu_0$, the p -value is the likelihood of observing a sample mean that is at least as extreme as the one derived from the given sample.
- The calculation of the p -value depends on the -----.

Alternative hypothesis	p -value
$H_A : \mu > \mu_0$	Right-tail probability: $P(Z \geq z)$
$H_A : \mu < \mu_0$	Left-tail probability: $P(Z \leq z)$
$H_A : \mu \neq \mu_0$	Two-tail probability: $2P(Z \geq z)$ if $z > 0$ or $2P(Z \leq z)$ if $z < 0$

- Decision rule: Reject H_0 if p -value $< \alpha$.

9.2.2 Four Step Procedure Using the p -value Approach

- Specify the null and the alternative hypotheses.
- Specify the test statistic and compute its value.
- Calculate the p -value.
- State the conclusion and interpret the results.

LO 9.4 Explain the steps of a hypothesis test using the critical value approach.

9.2.3 The Critical Value Approach

- Rejection region – a region of values such that if the test statistic falls into this region, then we reject H_0 .
 - The location of this region is determined by H_A .
- Critical value – a point that separates the rejection region from the nonrejection region.
- The critical value approach specifies a region such that if the value of the test statistic falls into the region, the null hypothesis is rejected.
- The critical value depends on the alternative.

Alternative hypothesis	Critical Value
$H_A : \mu > \mu_0$	Right-tail critical value is z_α , where $P(Z \geq z_\alpha) = \alpha$
$H_A : \mu < \mu_0$	Left-tail critical value is $-z_\alpha$, where $P(Z \leq -z_\alpha) = \alpha$
$H_A : \mu \neq \mu_0$	Two-tail critical value $-z_{\alpha/2}$ and $z_{\alpha/2}$, where $P(Z \geq z_{\alpha/2}) = \frac{\alpha}{2}$

- Decision Rule: Reject H_0 if:
 - $z > z_\alpha$ for a right-tailed test
 - $z < -z_\alpha$ for a left-tailed test
 - $z > z_{\alpha/2}$ or $z < -z_{\alpha/2}$ for a two-tailed test

9.2.4 Four Step Procedure Using the Critical Value Approach

- Specify the null and the alternative hypotheses.
- Specify the test statistic and compute its value.
- Find the critical value or values.
- State the conclusion and interpret the results.

9.2.5 Confidence Intervals and Two-Tailed Hypothesis Tests

- Given the significance level α , we can use the sample data to construct a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval for the population mean μ .
- Decision Rule
 - Reject H_0 if the confidence interval does not contain the value of the hypothesized mean μ_0 .
 - Do not reject H_0 if the confidence interval does contain the value of the hypothesized mean μ_0 .

9.2.6 Implementing a Two-Tailed Test Using a Confidence Interval

- The general specification for a $100(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval of the population mean μ when the population standard deviation σ is known as

$$\bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{or} \quad \left[\bar{x} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \bar{x} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \quad (9.2)$$

- Decision Rule: Reject H_0 if $\mu_0 < \bar{x} - z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ or if $\mu_0 > \bar{x} + z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

9.3 Hypothesis Test of the Population Mean When σ Is Unknown

9.3.1 Test Statistic for μ When σ is Unknown

LO 9.5 Differentiate between the test statistics for the population mean.

- When the population standard deviation σ is unknown, the test statistic for testing the population mean μ is assumed to follow the t_{df} distribution with $(n - 1)$ degrees of freedom (df).
- The value of t_{df} is computed as

$$t_{df} = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}} \quad (9.3)$$

9.4 Hypothesis Test of the Population Proportion

LO 9.6 Specify the test statistic for the population proportion.

- \bar{P} can be approximated by a normal distribution if $np \geq 5$ and $n(1 - p) \geq 5$.
- Test statistic for the hypothesis test of the population proportion p is assumed to follow the z distribution:

$$z = \frac{\bar{p} - p_0}{\sqrt{\frac{p_0(1-p_0)}{n}}} \quad (9.4)$$

where $\bar{p} = \frac{x}{n}$ and p_0 is the hypothesized value of the population proportion.

Chapter 13

Analysis of Variance

- LO 13.1: Provide a conceptual overview of ANOVA.
- LO 13.2: Conduct and evaluate hypothesis tests based on one-way ANOVA.
- LO 13.3: ~~Use confidence intervals and Tukey's HSD method in order to determine which means differ.~~
- LO 13.4: Conduct and evaluate hypothesis tests based on two-way ANOVA with no interaction.
- LO 13.5: Conduct and evaluate hypothesis tests based on two-way ANOVA with interaction.

13.1 One-Way ANOVA

LO 13.1 Provide a conceptual overview of ANOVA.

- Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) is used to determine if there are differences among three or more populations.
- One-way ANOVA compares population means based on one categorical variable.
- We utilize a completely randomized design, comparing sample means computed for each treatment to test whether the population means differ.

13.1.1 ANOVA Assumptions

The assumptions are extensions of those we used when comparing just two populations:

1. The populations are normally distributed.
2. The population standard deviations are unknown but assumed equal.
3. Samples are selected independently from each population.

Here, we compare a total of c populations, rather than just two.

13.1.2 The Hypothesis Test

LO 13.2 Conduct and evaluate hypothesis tests based on one-way ANOVA.

- The competing hypotheses for the one-way ANOVA:

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \cdots = \mu_c$$

$$H_A : \text{Not all population means are equal}$$

13.1.3 The ANOVA Concept

- The competing hypotheses are displayed graphically below.

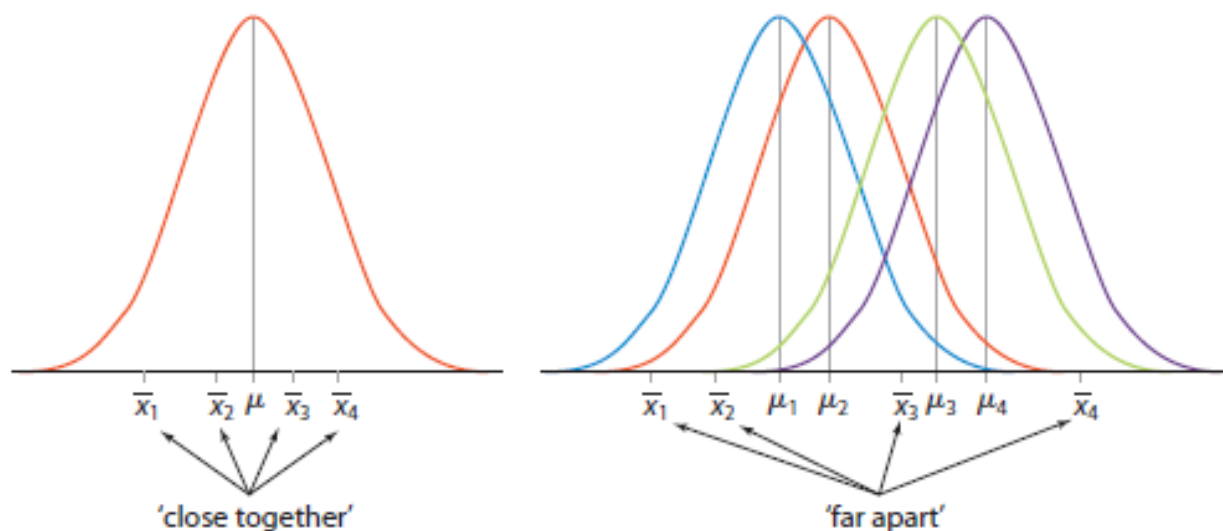


Figure 13.1: The ANOVA Concept.

- The left graph depicts the null hypothesis, where all sample means are drawn from the same distribution.
- On the right, the distributions, and population means, differ.

13.1.4 Methodology

- We first compute the amount of variability between the sample means.
- Then we measure how much variability there is within each sample.
- A ratio of the first quantity to the second forms our test statistic which follows the $F_{(df_1, df_2)}$ distribution.

13.1.5 Between-Treatments Estimate

- To measure between-treatments variability, we compare the sample means to the overall mean, sometimes called the grand mean.
- To compute the grand mean $\bar{\bar{x}}$, simply average all the values from the dataset:

$$\bar{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^c \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} x_{ij}}{n_T} \quad (13.1)$$

- First, we compute the sum of squares due to treatments, SS_{TR}:

$$SS_{TR} = \sum_{i=1}^c n_i (\bar{x}_i - \bar{\bar{x}})^2 \quad (13.2)$$

- Then, we compute the mean square for treatments, MS_{TR}:

$$MS_{TR} = \frac{SS_{TR}}{c - 1} \quad (13.3)$$

- MS_{TR} is our measure of variability between samples.

13.1.6 Within-Treatments Estimate

- The denominator of our test statistic measures the within-sample variability. It really is an extension of the pooled-sample variance that we used in a two-sample comparison.
- First, we compute the error sum of squares, SSE:

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^c (n_i - 1)s_i^2 \quad (13.4)$$

- Then, we compute the mean squared error, MSE:

$$MSE = \frac{SSE}{n_T - c} \quad (13.5)$$

13.1.7 The F Test

- We test whether average cost savings from using public transportation differ between the four cities:

$$H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \mu_3 = \mu_4$$

$$H_A : \text{Not all population means are equal}$$

- The value of the test statistic is calculated as

$$F_{(df_1, df_2)} = \frac{MSTR}{MSE}, \quad (13.6)$$

where $df_1 = c - 1$ and $df_2 = n_T - c$.

- For $c = 4$ and $n_T = 24$, we use the $F_{(3,20)}$ distribution. At the 5% significance level, the critical value is 3.10.

13.1.8 The F distribution

- $F_{(df_1, df_2)}$ distribution is a family of distributions, each one is defined by two degrees of freedom parameters, one for the numerator and one for the denominator.
- More details of F distribution can be found in Chapter 11.
- $F_{\alpha, (df_1, df_2)}$ represents a value such that the area in the right tail of the distribution is α .
- With two df parameters, F tables occupy several pages.

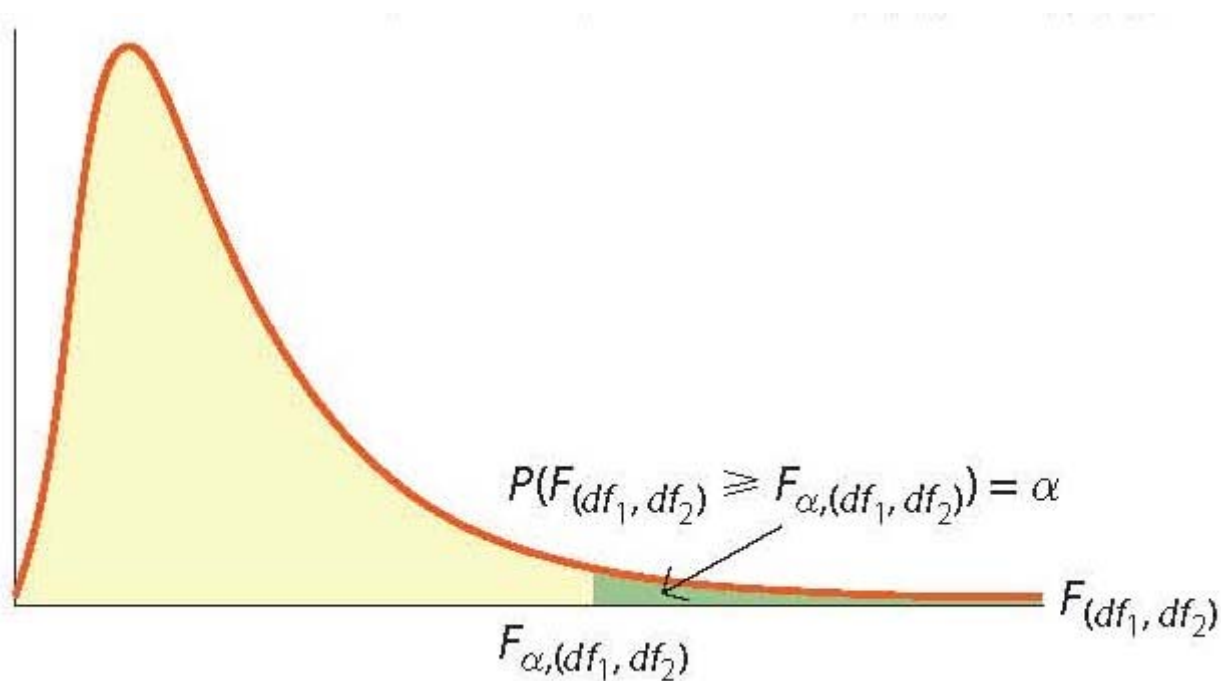


Figure 13.2: The F -distribution

13.1.9 Right-tail Values

- With $df_1 = 6$ and $df_2 = 8$, 5% of the area falls above 3.58.

13.1.10 Left-tail Values

- $F_{1-\alpha, (df_1, df_2)}$ represents a value such that the area in the left tail of the distribution is α .

$$F_{1-\alpha, (df_1, df_2)} = \frac{1}{F_{\alpha, (df_2, df_1)}} \quad (13.7)$$

- For an $F_{(6,8)}$ distribution, find the value such that the area in the left tail is 5%, or $F_{(0.95, (6,8))}$.

- First find $F_{0.05,(8,6)} = 4.15$.

$$F_{(0.95,(6,8))} = \frac{1}{4.15} \\ = 0.24$$

13.1.11 Do savings differ by city?

- We have computed $MSTR = 4,401,573$ and $MSE = 7,209$.
- Our test statistic is then:

$$F_{(3,20)} = \frac{4,401,573}{7,209} \\ = 610.57$$

- The greatly exceeds the critical value of 3.10, so we conclude that the cost savings differ across cities.
- The ANOVA test does not tell us which cities have different cost savings, but later in the chapter, we will develop techniques to help answer these questions.

13.2 Multiple Comparison Methods

LO 13.3 Use confidence intervals and Tukey's HSD method in order to determine which means differ.

- When the one-way ANOVA finds significant differences between the population means, it is natural to ask which means differ.
- In this section, we show two techniques for performing this follow-up analysis:
 - Fisher's Least Difference Method
 - Tukey's Honestly Significant Differences Method
- When comparing two population means, we compute:

$$(\bar{x}_i - \bar{x}_j) \pm t_{\alpha/2, n_i+n_j-2} \sqrt{s_p^2 \left(\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j} \right)} \quad (13.8)$$

where s_p^2 is the pooled sample variance.

- Here, we will improve upon the precision of this estimate by substituting MSE from the ANOVA test for s_p^2 .

13.2.1 Fisher's Confidence Intervals

- For comparing population means μ_i and μ_j as a follow-up to the ANOVA test, we can form Fisher's confidence interval:

$$(\bar{x}_i - \bar{x}_j) \pm t_{\alpha/2, n_T-c} \sqrt{MSE \left(\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j} \right)} \quad (13.9)$$

- The t -distribution has $n_T - c$ degrees of freedom regardless of which two means we are comparing.

13.3 Two-Way ANOVA (No Interaction)

LO 13.4 Conduct and evaluate hypothesis tests based on two-way ANOVA with no interaction.

- We now consider problems where the data are categorized by two factors.
- For example, we may want to determine if the brand of a hybrid car and the octane level of the gasoline influence average miles per gallon.
- Using a two-way ANOVA, we are able to assess the effect of each factor while controlling for the other one.
- If the education level of the 12 workers is considered, a different story emerges.

Table 13.1: Workers Education Level

	Field of Employment (Factor A)			
Education Level (Factor B)	Educational Services	Financial Services	Medical Services	Factor B Means
High School	18	25	26	$\bar{x}_{\text{High School}} = 23.00$
Bachelor's	35	45	43	$\bar{x}_{\text{Bachelor's}} = 41.00$
Master's	46	58	62	$\bar{x}_{\text{Master's}} = 55.33$
Ph.D.	75	90	110	$\bar{x}_{\text{Ph.D.}} = 91.67$
Factor A Means	$\bar{x}_{\text{educational}} = 43.50$	$\bar{x}_{\text{financial}} = 54.50$	$\bar{x}_{\text{medical}} = 60.25$	$\bar{\bar{x}} = 52.75$

- It is clear that education also impacts wage.

13.3.1 The Randomized Block Design

- This type of two-way ANOVA is called a **randomized block design**.
- The term "block" refers to a matched set of observations across the treatments.
- In the salary example, the treatments are the three fields of employment.
- The blocks are the education levels. Until we account for them, we cannot capture the employment field effects.

13.3.2 The ANOVA Layout

Table 13.2: The ANOVA Layout

Source of Variation	SS	df	MS	F
Rows	SSB	$r - 1$	$MSB = \frac{SSB}{r-1}$	$F(df_1, df_2) = \frac{MSB}{MSE}$
Columns	SSA	$c - 1$	$MSA = \frac{SSA}{c-1}$	$F(df_1, df_2) = \frac{MSA}{MSE}$
Error	SSE	$n_T - c - r + 1$	$MSE = \frac{SSE}{n_T - c - r + 1}$	
Total	SST	$n_T - 1$		

There are now three sources of variation:

1. Row variability (due to blocks or Factor F),
2. Column variability (due to treatments of Factor A), and
3. Variability due to chance or SSE

13.4 Two-Way ANOVA with Interaction

LO 13.5 Conduct and evaluate hypothesis tests based on two-way ANOVA with interaction.

- Now we will look at data categorized by two factors, but with two or more values observed in each “cell”.
- In two-way ANOVA with interaction, we partition the total variability of the data set into four components: SSA , SSB , $SSAB$, and SSE .

13.4.1 What is Interaction?

- Interaction means that the effect of one factor depends on the level of the other factor.
- For example, perhaps education impacts salaries in the financial sector, but not in professional sports. The two categories, employment sector and education, interact differently depending on the sector.

Chapter 14

Regression Analysis

- LO 14.1: Conduct a hypothesis test for the population correlation coefficient.
- LO 14.2: Discuss the limitations of correlation analysis.
- LO 14.3: Estimate the simple linear regression model and interpret the coefficients.
- LO 14.4: Estimate the multiple linear regression model and interpret the coefficients.
- LO 14.5: Calculate and interpret the standard error of the estimate.
- LO 14.6: Calculate and interpret the coefficient of determination R^2 .
- LO 14.7: Differentiate between R^2 and adjusted R^2 .

14.1 Covariance and Correlation

LO 14.1 Conduct a hypothesis test for the population correlation coefficient.

- We examined covariance and correlation as exploratory tools in Chapters 2 and 3.
- Recall that covariance is a numerical measure that reveals the direction of the linear relationship between two variables.
- The sample covariance is computed as:

$$s_{xy} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{n - 1} \quad (14.1)$$

14.1.1 Computing the Correlation

- The correlation coefficient indicates both the direction and the strength of the linear relationship.
- The sample correlation coefficient can be computed using:

$$r_{xy} = \frac{s_{xy}}{s_x s_y} \quad (14.2)$$

- The correlation coefficient has the same sign as the covariance; however, its value ranges between -1 and +1.

14.1.2 Testing for Significant Correlation

- We need to be able to determine whether the relationship implied by the sample correlation coefficient is real or due to chance.
- In other words, we would like to test whether the population correlation coefficient is different from zero:

$$H_0 : \rho_{xy} = 0$$

$$H_A : \rho_{xy} \neq 0$$

14.1.3 The Test Statistic

- The test statistic is

$$t_{df} = \frac{r_{xy}}{s_r}, \quad (14.3)$$

where

$$s_r = \sqrt{\frac{1 - r_{xy}^2}{n - 2}} \quad (14.4)$$

The test statistic follows a t distribution with $df = n - 2$.

14.1.4 Limitations of Correlation Analysis

LO 14.2 Discuss the limitations of correlation analysis.

- The correlation coefficient captures only a linear relationship.
- The correlation coefficient may not be a reliable measure in the presence of outliers.
- Even if two variables are highly correlated, one does not necessarily cause the other.

14.2 The Simple Regression Model

LO 14.3 Estimate the simple linear regression model and interpret the coefficients.

- While the correlation coefficient may establish a linear relationship, it does not suggest that one variable causes the other.
- With regression analysis, we explicitly assume that one variance, called the response variable, is influenced by other variables, called the explanatory variables.
- Using regression analysis, we may predict the response variable given values for our explanatory variables.
- The simple linear regression model is defined as

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \epsilon \quad (14.5)$$

where y and x are the response and explanatory variables, respectively, and ϵ is the random error term.

- The coefficients β_0 and β_1 are the unknown parameters to be estimated.

14.2.1 Sample Regression Equation

- By fitting our data to the model, we obtain the equation

$$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1 x, \quad (14.6)$$

where \hat{y} is the estimated response variable, b_0 is the estimate of β_0 , and b_1 is the estimate of β_1 .

- Since the predictions cannot be totally accurate, the difference between the predicted and actual value represents the residual $e = y - \hat{y}$.

14.2.2 The Least Squares Estimates

- The two parameters β_0 and β_1 are estimated by minimizing the sum of squared residuals.
- The slope coefficient is estimated as

$$b_1 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \quad (14.7)$$

- Then, compute the intercept:

$$b_0 = \bar{y} - b_1 \bar{x} \quad (14.8)$$

14.2.3 Stochastic Relationships

- If the value of the response variable is uniquely determined by the values of the explanatory variables, we say that the relationship is deterministic.
- However if, as we find in most fields of research, that the relationship is inexact due to omission of relevant factors, we say that the relationship is stochastic.
- In regression analysis, we include a stochastic error term, that acknowledges that the actual relationship between the response and explanatory variables is not deterministic.

14.3 The Multiple Regression Model

LO 14.4 Estimate the multiple linear regression model and interpret the coefficients.

- If there is more than one explanatory variable available, we can use multiple regression.
- For example, we analyzed how debt payments are influenced by income, but ignored the possible effect of unemployment.
- Multiple regression allows us to explore how several variables influence the response variable.
- Suppose there are k explanatory variables. The multiple linear regression model is defined as:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \cdots + \beta_k x_k + \epsilon, \quad (14.9)$$

where x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k are the explanatory variables and the β_j values are the unknown parameters that we will estimate from the data.

- As before, ϵ is the random error term.

14.3.1 The Estimated Equation

- The sample multiple regression equation is:

$$y = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2 + \cdots + b_kx_k \quad (14.10)$$
- In multiple regression, there is a slight modification in the interpretation of the slopes b_1 through b_k as they show “partial” influences.
- For example, if there are $k = 3$ explanatory variables, the value b_1 estimates how a change in x_1 will influence y assuming x_2 and x_3 are held constant.

14.4 Goodness-of-Fit Measures

LO 14.5 Calculate and interpret the standard error of the estimate.

- We will introduce three measures to judge how well the sample regression fits the data.

- The Standard Error of the Estimate
- The Coefficient of Determination
- The Adjusted R^2

14.4.1 Mean Squared Error

- To compute the standard error of the estimate, we first compute the mean squared error (MSE).
- We first compute the error sum of squared:

$$\begin{aligned} SSE &= \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \end{aligned} \quad (14.11)$$

- Dividing SSE by the appropriate degrees of freedom, $n - k - 1$, yields the MSE:

$$MSE = \frac{SSE}{n - k - 1} \quad (14.12)$$

14.4.2 Standard Error of the Estimate

- The square root of the MSE is the standard error of the estimate, s_e .

$$\begin{aligned} s_e &= \sqrt{MSE} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{SSE}{n - k - 1}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum e_i^2}{n - k - 1}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum (y_i - \hat{y})^2}{n - k - 1}} \end{aligned} \quad (14.13)$$

- In general, the less dispersion around the regression line, the smaller the s_e , which implies a better fit to the model.

14.4.3 The Coefficient of Determination

LO 14.6 Calculate and interpret the coefficient of determination R^2 .

- The coefficient of determination, commonly referred to as the R^2 , is another goodness-of-fit measure that is easier to interpret than the standard error.
- In particular, the R^2 quantifies the fraction of variation in the response variable that is explained by changes in the explanatory variables.
- The coefficient of determination can be computed as

$$\begin{aligned} R^2 &= 1 - \frac{SSE}{SST} \\ &= \frac{SSR}{SST} \end{aligned} \quad (14.14)$$

where SSE is (14.11) and SST is (14.15)

$$SST = \sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2. \quad (14.15)$$

- The SST , called the total sum of squares, denotes the total variation in the response variable.
- The SST can be broken down into two components: the variation explained by the regression equation (the regression sum of squares or SSR) and the unexplained variation (the error sum of squares or SSE).

14.4.4 The Adjusted R^2

LO 14.7 Differentiate between R^2 and adjusted R^2 .

- More explanatory variables always result in a higher R^2 .
- But some of these variables may be unimportant and show not be in the model.
- The adjusted R^2 tries to balance the raw explanatory power against the desire to include only important predictors.
- The Adjusted R^2 is computed as:

$$\text{Adjusted } R^2 = 1 - (1 - R^2) \left(\frac{n - 1}{n - k - 1} \right) \quad (14.16)$$

- As you can see, the adjusted R^2 penalizes the R^2 for adding additional explanatory variables.
- As with our other goodness-of-fit measures, we typically allow the computer to compute the Adjusted R^2 . It's shown directly below the R^2 in the Excel regression output.

Chapter 15

Inference with Regression Models

- LO 15.1: Conduct tests of individual significance.
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- LO 15.6: Describe common violations of the assumptions and offer remedies.

15.1 Tests of Significance

LO 15.1 Conduct tests of individual significance.

- With two explanatory variables to choose from, we can formulate three linear models:

$$\text{Model 1: Win} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{BA} + \epsilon$$

$$\text{Model 2: Win} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{ERA} + \epsilon$$

$$\text{Model 3: Win} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{BA} + \beta_2 \text{ERA} + \epsilon$$

15.1.1 Tests of Individual Significance

- Consider our standard multiple regression model: (14.9).
- In general, we can test whether β_j is equal to, greater than, or less than some hypothesized value β_{j0} .
- This test could have one of three forms:

Table 15.1: Three Forms of Individual Significance

Two-tailed Test	Right-tailed Test	Left-tailed Test
$H_0 : \beta_j = \beta_{j0}$	$H_0 : \beta_j \leq \beta_{j0}$	$H_0 : \beta_j \geq \beta_{j0}$
$H_A : \beta_j \neq \beta_{j0}$	$H_A : \beta_j > \beta_{j0}$	$H_A : \beta_j < \beta_{j0}$

15.1.2 The Test Statistic

- The appropriate test statistic is:

$$t_{df} = \frac{b_j - \beta_{j0}}{s_{b_j}} \quad (15.1)$$

- s_{b_j} is the standard error of the estimator b_j .
- The test statistic will follow a t -distribution with degrees of freedom $df = n - k - 1$.

15.1.3 Testing $\beta_j = 0$

- By far, the most common hypothesis test for an individual coefficient is to test whether its value differs from zero.
- To see why, consider our model: (14.9).
- If a coefficient is equal to zero, then it implies that the explanatory variable is not a significant predictor of the response variable.

15.1.4 Computer-Generated Output

- Virtually all statistical software will automatically report a test statistic and a p -value with each coefficient estimate.
- These values can be used whether the regression coefficient differs from zero.
- To perform a one-sided test where the hypothesized value is zero, divide the computer-reported p -value in half.
- If we wish to test whether the coefficient differs from a non-zero value, we need to compute a new test statistic.

15.1.5 Intervals for the Parameters

- A confidence interval for the β_j parameter can be constructed using the formula:

$$b_j \pm t_{\alpha/2, df} s_{b_j} \quad (15.2)$$

- This can also be used to perform the two-sided test to determine whether a coefficient differs from zero.
- For ERA, the interval of $[-0.15, -0.08]$ does not include 0, indicating ERA is a significant predictor.

15.1.6 Test for a Non-Zero Slope

- A capital asset pricing model follows the equation:

$$y = \alpha + \beta x + \epsilon \quad (15.3)$$

where y = the risk-adjusted return of an asset, $R - R_f$ and x = the risk-adjusted return to the market $R_M - R_f$.

- The estimate of β is called the investment's beta value.
- A $\beta > 1$ implies the stock is "aggressive", while a $\beta < 1$ implies it is "conservative".

15.1.7 Test of Joint Significance

LO 15.2 Conduct a test of joint significance.

- In addition to conducting tests of individual significance, we may also want to test the joint significance of all k variables at once.
- The competing hypotheses for a test of joint significance are:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_k = 0 \\ H_A : \text{at least one } \beta_j \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

15.1.8 The Test Statistic

- The test statistic for a test of joint significant is

$$\begin{aligned} F(df_1, df_2) &= \frac{MSR}{MSE} \\ &= \frac{\frac{SSR}{k}}{\frac{SSE}{n-k-1}} \end{aligned} \quad (15.4)$$

where MSR and MSE are the mean regression sum of squares and the mean error sum of squares, respectively.

- The numerator degrees of freedom, $df_1 = k$, while the denominator degrees of freedom, $df_2 = n - k - 1$.

15.2 A General Test of Linear Restrictions

LO 15.3 Conduct a general test of linear restrictions.

- The significance tests in the previous section can also be labeled tests of **linear restrictions**.
- For example, if we have $k = 3$ explanatory variables, testing whether $\beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$ is equivalent to testing whether to restrict the model to only x_1 .
- In this section, we apply the F -test for any number of linear restrictions; the resulting F -test is often referred to as the **partial F**-test.

15.2.1 Restricted and Unrestricted Models

- To conduct the partial F -test, we estimate the model with and without the restrictions.
- In the restricted model, we do not estimate the coefficients that are restricted under the null hypothesis.
- The unrestricted model is a complete model that imposes no restrictions on the coefficients.
- If restrictions are valid, then the restricted model's error sum of squares, SSE_R , will not be significantly larger than the unrestricted model's error sum of squares SSE_U .

15.2.2 The Test Statistic

- The test statistic for a partial F -test can be computed as

$$F(df_1, df_2) = \frac{\frac{SSE_R - SSE_U}{df_1}}{\frac{SSE_U}{df_2}} \quad (15.5)$$

where the numerator degrees of freedom, df_1 , equals the number of restrictions on the model, and the denominator degrees of freedom, df_2 , equals $n - k - 1$.

- If the test statistic is greater than the critical value, then we reject the null hypothesis and the restrictions are not valid.

15.2.3 Car Wash Example

- A manager at a car wash company wants to determine which promotions improve sales.
- He has information on sales, price discounts, and advertising expenditures on Radio and Newspaper in 40 Missouri counties. (Columns = [Country; Sales (in \$1,000s); Discount (in %); Radio (in \$1,000s); Newspaper (in \$1,000s)])
- More specifically, he would like to test whether either type of advertising impacts sales. To do so, we form the competing hypotheses as:

$$H_0 : \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$$

$$H_A : \text{At least one of the coefficients is nonzero.}$$

- To conduct the test, we need to estimate a restricted model (R) and an unrestricted model (U):

$$(R) \text{ Sales} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{Discount} + \epsilon$$

$$(U) \text{ Sales} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{Discount} + \beta_2 \text{Radio} + \beta_3 \text{Newspaper} + \epsilon$$

- From the tables (which I'm not adding to this PDF), we can see that $SSE_U = 1208.1348$ while the $SSE_R = 2182.5649$. We can now proceed to compute the value of the test statistic.
- The number of restrictions, df_1 , equals 2. The unrestricted model has $df_2 = n - k - 1 = 40 - 3 - 1 = 36$ degrees of freedom.
- We compute the value of the test statistic as:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{2,36} &= \frac{\frac{2182.5649 - 1208.1348}{2}}{\frac{1208.1348}{36}} \\ &= \frac{487.2151}{33.5593} \\ &= 14.52 \end{aligned}$$

- Since $F_{(2,36)} = 14.52$ is greater than the critical value $F_{0.05,(2,36)} = 3.26$, we reject the null hypothesis and conclude the restrictions are not valid.

15.3 Interval Estimates for Predictions

LO 15.4 Calculate and interpret interval estimates for predictions.

- Once we have developed a regression model, we often want to use it to make predictions.
- From the introductory case, what would we predict for a team with an earned run average of 4.00 and a batting average of 0.250? Plugging these values into the estimated equation, we find:

$$\hat{W}in = 0.13 + 3.28(0.250) - 0.12(4.00) = 0.47$$

- But this is only a point estimate and ignores sampling error. We could also provide interval estimates.

15.3.1 Two Types of Predictions

- We will develop two types of interval estimates regarding y :
 - A confidence interval for the expected value of y
 - A prediction interval for an individual value of y
- It is common to refer to the first as a confidence interval and the second as a prediction interval.

15.3.2 The Confidence Interval

- The point estimate of $E(y^0)$ is just the \hat{y} value:

$$\hat{y}^0 = b_0 + b_1 x_1^0 + b_2 x_2^0 + \cdots + b_k x_k^0 \quad (15.6)$$

- The confidence interval, as always, includes the point estimate, plus or minus the margin of error:

$$\hat{y}^0 \pm t_{\alpha/2, df} se(\hat{y}^0) \quad (15.7)$$

- The term $se(\hat{y}^0)$ is the standard error of the prediction. Though difficult to compute by hand if there is more than one explanatory variable in the model, we will develop a procedure to compute it with a statistical package.

15.4 Model Assumptions and Common Violations

LO 15.5 Explain the role of the assumptions on the OLS estimators.

- The statistical properties of OLS estimator, as well as the validity of the testing procedures, depend on a number of assumptions. We discuss those assumptions now.
 - The model (14.9) is linear in the β parameters with an additive error ϵ .
 - Conditional on the x_1, \dots, x_k values, the expected error is 0, thus:

$$E(y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k \quad (15.8)$$

- There is no exact linear relationship among the x_1, \dots, x_k values (no perfect multicollinearity).
- The variance of the error term ϵ is the same for all x_1, \dots, x_k values. We call this homoskedasticity.
- The error term ϵ is uncorrelated across observations, conditional on the explanatory variables. There is no serial correlation or autocorrelation.
- The error term ϵ is not correlated with any of the predictors x_1, \dots, x_k . In other words, there is no endogeneity.
- The error term ϵ is normally distributed. This assumption allows us to do hypothesis testing. If normality is not true, the tests may not be valid.

15.4.1 Checking the Assumptions

- The true error terms ϵ cannot be observed because they exist only in the population. We can, however, look at the residuals, $e = y - \hat{y}$, where $\hat{y} = b_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k b_i x_i$, for each observation.
- It is common to plot residuals on the vertical axis and an explanatory variable on the horizontal axis.
- When estimating a regression in Excel, the dialog box that opens after choosing **Data > Data Analysis > Regression** allows us to select Residuals and Residual Plots options.

15.4.2 Common Violation 1: The Model Suffers from Multicollinearity

LO 15.6 Describe common violations of the assumptions and offer remedies.

- Perfect multicollinearity exists when two or more x variables have an exact linear relationship.
- For example, suppose the x data includes total cost, fixed cost and variable cost.
- Other data sets may have a great degree of multicollinearity that is not perfect.
- In these cases, we may see a high R^2 coupled with individually insignificant explanatory variables. Additionally, unintuitive result may be indicative.
- A sample correlation between explanatory variables that is > 0.80 or < -0.80 suggests severe multicollinearity.

Remedying Multicollinearity

- A good remedy may be simply drop one of the collinear variables if we can justify it as redundant.
- Alternatively, we could try to increase our sample size.
- Another option would be to try to transform our variables so that they are no longer collinear.
- Last, especially if we are interested only in maintaining a high predictive power, it may make sense to do nothing.

15.4.3 Common Violation 2: The Error Term is Heteroskedastic

- The variance of the error term changes for different values of at least one explanatory variable.
- Informal residual plots can gauge heteroskedasticity (display a marked pattern, such as increasing magnitude along an axis).

Remedying Heteroskedastic

- Heteroskedastic results in inefficient estimators and the hypothesis tests for significance are no longer valid.
- To get around the second problem, some researchers use OLS estimates along with corrected standard errors, called White's standard errors. Many statistical packages have this option available, unfortunately the current version of Excel does not.

15.4.4 Common Violation 3: The Error Term is Serially Correlated

- We assume that the error term is uncorrelated across observations when obtaining OLS estimates.
- But this often breaks down in time series data.
- Remedies are not easily accessible using Excel.

15.4.5 Common Violation 4: The Explanatory Variable is Endogenous

- Endogeneity in the regression model refers to the error term being correlated with the explanatory variables.
- This commonly occurs due to an omitted explanatory variable.
- For example, a person's salary may be highly correlated with that person's innate ability. But since we cannot include it, ability gets incorporated in the error term. If we try to predict salary by years of education, which may also be correlated with innate ability, then we have an endogeneity problem.
- Endogeneity will result in biased estimators, and so is quite a serious problem.
- Unfortunately, endogeneity is difficult to fix. Most commonly, we would like to find an instrumental variable, one that is correlated with the endogenous explanatory variable but uncorrelated with the error term. But it may be difficult to find such a variable.

Equation 3.6 STDEV.S(x_1, x_2, \dots) – Sample standard deviation of a population.

Equation 5.11 BINOM.DIST(# of successes in trials, # of trials, probability of success) – returns the individual term binomial distribution probability.

Equation 5.15 POISSON.DIST(x , mean, cumulative=TRUE) –

Equation 6.4 NORM.S.DIST(z , cumulative=TRUE) – gets the probability given z .

Equation 6.4 NORM.S.INV(probability) – returns the inverse of the standard normal cumulative distribution. Finds the z -value given a probability.

Equation 6.9 EXPON.DIST(x , λ , cumulative=TRUE) –

Equation 6.10 LOGNORM.DIST(x , μ , σ , cumulative=TRUE) – Returns the lognormal distribution of x , where $\ln(x)$ is normally distributed with parameters μ and σ .

Equation 8.4 T.DIST(x , df , cumulative=TRUE) – returns the probability for the (left-tailed) t -distribution.

?? T.DIST.2T(x , df) – returns the probability for the two-tailed t -distribution.

?? T.INV.2T(probability, df) – Returns the two-tailed inverse of the t -distribution. Gets the two-tailed t -value for a given probability.

Equation 13.6 F.DIST.RT(X , $df1$, $df2$) – Returns the (right-tailed) F -probability distribution.

subsection 13.1.9 F.INV.RT(α , $df1$, $df2$) – Returns a critical value such that the area in the right tail of the distribution is α (probability).

Equation 13.7 F.DIST(X , $df1$, $df2$, cumulative=TRUE) – Returns the (left-tailed) F -probability distribution. If cumulative is TRUE, returns the cumulative distribution function; if FALSE, it returns the probability density function.

Equation 13.7 F.INV(α , $df1$, $df2$) – Returns a critical value such that the area in the left tail of the distribution is α (probability).

Equation 14.1 COVARIANCE.S(array₁, array₂) – Calculates the correlation coefficient between two arrays.