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# Chapter 1

## Introduction

### Definition of Statistics

“Statistics is the science of collecting, organizing, analyzing, and interpreting data in order to make decisions.”

### 1.1 Data

#### 1.1.1 Data Sets

**Population** The collection of all outcomes, responses, measurements, or counts, that are of interest.

**Sample** A subset of the population.

**Parameter** A number that describes a population characteristic.

**Statistic** A number that describes a sample characteristic.

#### 1.1.2 Types of Data

**Qualitative Data** Attributes, labels, or non-numerical entries.

**Quantitative Data** Numerical measurements or counts.

### 1.2 Sample Mean and Median

#### 1.2.1 Definition

**Sample Mean** The average of the sample data points, however it may not be a data point.

$$\bar{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{n} = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \cdots x_n}{n}$$

**Sample Median** The middle value of the data.

$$\tilde{x} = \begin{cases} x_{(\frac{n+1}{2})} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{1}{2}(x_{\frac{n}{2}} + x_{\frac{n}{2}+1}) & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

**Trimmed Mean** A trimmed mean is computed by trimming off the largest and smallest set of values. For example a 10% trimmed mean is found by eliminating the largest 10% and smallest 10% and computing the mean of the remaining values. This may be useful for data that contains possible outliers. Denoted by  $x_{tr(\text{percent})}$

## 1.3 Measures of Variability

### 1.3.1 Standard Deviation

**Sample Variance**

$$s^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$$

**Sample Standard Deviation**

$$s = +\sqrt{s^2}$$

The standard deviation is 0 when all the data points are the same.

## 1.4 Descriptive Statistics

### 1.4.1 Quartiles

Quartiles approximately divide an ordered data set into four equal parts.

**First Quartile,  $Q_1$**  About 25% of the data fall on or below  $Q_1$

**Second Quartile,  $Q_2$**  About 50% of the data fall on or below  $Q_2$

**Third Quartile,  $Q_3$**  About 75% of the data fall on or below  $Q_3$

### 1.4.2 Range and Interquartile Range

**Range**

$$\text{range} = \text{max value} - \text{min value}$$

**Interquartile Range**

$$IQR = Q_3 - Q_1$$

To help find outliers, compute  $1.5 \times IQR$ , and any values that lie outside the interval  $[Q_1 - 1.5 \times IQR, Q_3 + 1.5 \times IQR]$  is a possible (and probable) outlier.

1.4.3 Box and Whisker Plot

Exploratory Data Analysis Tool

- Requires
  - Min
  - $Q_1$
  - Median
  - $Q_3$
  - Max

Example

Example Data	[1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 11]
Min	1
Median	4.0
Max	6
Outlier	11

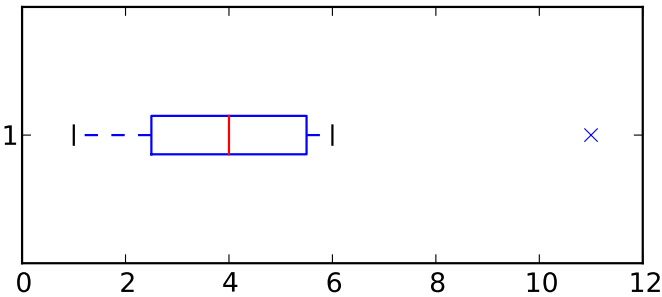


Figure 1.1: Example Box And Whisker Plot

1.5 Stem and Leaf Plots

These look like a sideways histogram

Data: [31, 21, 32, 33, 41, 42, 58, 25, 21]

Stem	Leaf	Key: $a b = ab$
2	1,1,5	
3	1,2,3	
4	1,2	
5	8	

### 1.5.1 Key Notation

Key: 4—5 = 45 Key: 4—5 = 4.5

### 1.5.2 Double Stem and Leaf

Separate the leaves into two groups, (0-4, and 5-9)

Data: [31, 21, 32, 33, 41, 42, 58, 25, 21]

Stem	Leaf	Key: $a b = ab$
2	1,1	
2	5	
3	1,2,3	
4	1.2	
4		
5		
5	8	

## 1.6 Frequency Distribution

A table that shows classes or intervals of data with a count of the number of entries in each class.

### 1.6.1 Midpoint of a Class

Average of the class limits.

$$\frac{(\text{lower class limit}) + (\text{upper class limit})}{2}$$

### 1.6.2 Relative Frequency

$$\frac{\text{class frequency}}{\text{sample size}} = \frac{f}{n}$$

## 1.7 Scatter Plots

Each entry in one data set corresponds to one entry in a second set, one-to-one mapping.

### 1.7.1 Example Scatter Plot

Data:

X: [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12]  
 Y: [6, 5, 4, 3, 6, 4, 12, 2, 1, 9, 6, 10]



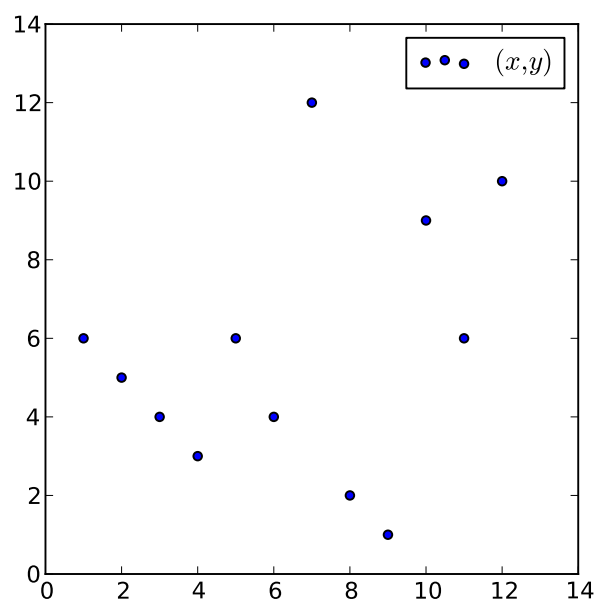


Figure 1.2: Example Scatter Plot



## Chapter 2

# Probability

### 2.1 Experiments

Any process that generates a set of data.

### 2.2 Sample Space

The set of all possible outcomes of a statistical experiment, denoted  $S$ . The sample space with no elements is the empty set or null set, denoted  $\emptyset$

#### 2.2.1 Example

$$S = \{3, 2, 1, 0\}$$

$$S = \{x | 0 < x < 25\}$$

$$S = \{x^2 | x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

#### 2.2.2 Tree Diagrams

A Tree Diagram can be used to list all possible outcomes

#### 2.2.3 Events

An event is a subset of a sample space. The null set ( $\emptyset$ ) and the sample space ( $S$ ) are both subsets of the sample space  $S$ .

#### Intersection

The intersection of two events  $A$  and  $B$ , denoted  $A \cap B$ , is the event containing all elements that are common to  $A$  and  $B$ . If  $A \cap B = \emptyset$  then  $A$  and  $B$  are called mutually exclusive or disjoint.

**Union**

The union of two events  $A$  and  $B$ , denoted  $A \cup B$ , is the event containing all elements that belong to  $A$  or  $B$  or both.

**Compliment**

The compliment of an event  $A$  with respect to  $S$  is a subset of all elements of  $S$  not in  $A$ , denoted  $A'$

**2.3 Counting Sample Points****2.3.1 Multiplication Rule**

If an operation can be preformed in  $n_1$  ways and if for each of the ways a second operation can be preformed in  $n_2$  ways, then the two operations can be preformed together in  $n_1 n_2$  ways. This principle can be extended to more than two operations. See Example 2.14 in Walpole et al. [1, p. 45]

**2.3.2 Factorial**

For any non-negative integer  $n$ ,  $n!$  called “n factorial”, is defined as

$$n! = n(n-1) \cdots (2)(1)$$

with the special case  $0! = 1$ .

**2.3.3 Permutation**

A permutation is an arrangement of all or a part of a set objects. For permutations the order of objects matters. The number of permutations of  $n$  distinct objects is  $n!$ .

**2.3.4 Permutations at a Time**

The number of permutations of  $n$  distinct objects taken  $r$  at a time is

$${}_n P_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

*Note: This is called “n Permute r”*

**2.3.5 Permutations in a Circle**

The number of permutations of  $n$  objects arranged in a circle is  $(n-1)!$ .

### 2.3.6 Permutations of a Kind

The number of distinct permutations of  $n$  objects of which  $n_1$  are of one kind,  $n_2$  of a second kind,  $\dots$ ,  $n_k$  of a  $k$ th kind is

$$\frac{n!}{n_1!n_2!\cdots n_k!}$$

### 2.3.7 Partitioning

The number of way of partitioning a set of  $n$  objects into  $k$  cells with  $n_1$  elements in the first cell,  $n_2$  elements in the second cell, and so forth, is

$$\binom{n}{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k} = \frac{n!}{n_1!n_2!\cdots n_k!}$$

Where  $n_1 + n_2 + \cdots + n_k = n$

*Note: This is the same as the last example*

### 2.3.8 Combinations

The number of combinations of  $n$  distinct object taken  $r$  at a time, is:

$${}_nC_r = \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

*Note: This is partitioning with only two cells*

### 2.3.9 Partitioning and Combinations

Note that:

$$\binom{10}{5, 4, 1} = \binom{10}{5} \binom{5}{4} \binom{1}{1}$$

## 2.4 Probability of an Event

The probability of an event  $A$  is the sum of the weifhts of all sample points on  $A$ . Therefore

$$0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$$

$$P(\emptyset) = 0$$

$$P(S) = 1$$

Furthermore, if  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  is a set of mutually exclusive events, then

$$P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \cdots) = P(A_1) + P(A_2) + \cdots$$

### 2.4.1 Complimentary Probability

If  $A$  and  $A'$  are complimentary events, then

$$P(A) + P(A') = 1$$

### 2.4.2 Different Outcomes

If an experiment can result in any one of  $N$  different equally likely outcomes, and of exactly  $n$  of those outcomes correspond to event  $A$ , the probability of event  $A$  is

$$P(A) = \frac{n}{N}$$

### 2.4.3 Additive Rule of Probability

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

## 2.5 Conditional Probability

The conditional probability of  $B$  given  $A$ , denoted  $P(B|A)$  is defined as

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)}, \text{ where } P(A) \neq 0$$

*Note: This is a filter*

#### Alternate Notation

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

Where  $n(x)$  is defined as “the number of elements in  $x$ ”

### 2.5.1 Multiplication Rule

If in an experiment the events  $A$  and  $B$  can both occur, then

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B|A), \text{ provided } P(A) > 0$$

### 2.5.2 Independent Events

Two events  $A$  and  $B$  are *independent* if and only if

$$P(B|A) = P(B) \text{ or } P(A|B) = P(A)$$

Assuming the existence of the conditional probabilities. Otherwise,  $A$  and  $B$  are dependent.

*Note: Independence does not imply Mutual Exclusivity!*

### 2.5.3 Corollary

Two events  $A$  and  $B$  are *independent* if and only if

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$$

Therefore, to obtain the probability that two independent events will occur, we simply find the product of their individual probabilities.

### 2.5.4 Compliments of Independent Events

If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent events so are the complements of these events, this means that:

- $A'$  and  $B'$  are independent
- $A'$  and  $B$  are independent
- $A$  and  $B'$  are independent

*Note: Also  $P(A'|B) = 1 - P(A|B)$  (no need for independence)*

### 2.5.5 Extended Multiplication for Conditional Probability

If, in an experiment, the events  $A_1, A_2 \dots A_k$  can occur, then

$$P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_k) = P(A_1) \times P(A_2|A_1) \times P(A_3|A_1 \cap A_2) \times \dots \times P(A_k|A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots \cap A_{k-1})$$

## 2.6 Bayes' Rule

### 2.6.1 Partitioning the Sample Space

A sample space  $A$  can be partitioned into an arbitrary number of subsets. For partitions  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  then

$$A = (B_1 \cap A) \cup (B_2 \cap A) \cup \dots \cup (B_3 \cap A)$$

### 2.6.2 Theorem of Total Probability

$$P(A) = \sum_{i=1}^k P(B_i \cap A) = \sum_{i=1}^k P(B_i)P(A|B_i)$$

### 2.6.3 Bayes Rule

$$P(B_i|A) = \frac{P(B_i \cap A)}{\sum_{i=0}^k P(B_i \cap A)} = \frac{P(B_i \cap A)}{\sum_{i=0}^k P(B_i)P(A|B)}$$





## Chapter 3

# Random Variables

### 3.1 Concept of a Random Variable

#### 3.1.1 Definition

A random variable, denoted  $X$ , is a function that associates a real number with each element in the sample space.

#### 3.1.2 Discrete Sample Space

If a sample space contains a finite number of possibilities or an unending sequence with as many elements as there are whole numbers, it is called a *discrete sample space*.

A random variable corresponding with a discrete sample space is called a *discrete random variable*.

### 3.2 Continuous Sample Space

If a sample space contains an infinite number of possibilities equal to the number of points on a line segment, it is called a *continuous sample space*.

A random variable corresponding with a continuous sample space is called a *continuous random variable*.

### 3.3 Discrete Probability Distribution

The set of ordered pairs  $(x, f(x))$  is a *probability function*, *probability mass function*, or *probability distribution* of the discrete random variable  $X$  if, for each possible outcome  $x$ ,

1.  $f(x) \geq 0$
2.  $\sum_x f(x) = 1$

$$3. P(X = x) = f(x)$$

*Note: Probabilities are Functions!*

### 3.3.1 Cumulative Distribution Function

The Cumulative Distribution Function  $F(x)$  of a discrete random variable  $X$  with probability distribution  $f(x)$  is

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \sum_{t \leq x} F(t), \text{ for } -\infty < x < \infty$$

*Note: This keeps a running total of the cumulative probabilities up to a value*

## 3.4 Continuous Random Variables

### 3.4.1 Probability Density Function

The function  $f(x)$  is called a probability density function or pdf for the continuous random variable  $X$ , defined over the set of real numbers, if

1.

$$F(x) \geq 0, \text{ for all } x \in R$$

2.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$$

3.

$$P(a < X < b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

*Note:  $P(X = c) = 0$ , where  $a \leq c \leq b$*

## Joint

### 3.4.2 Cumulative Distribution Function

The Cumulative Distribution Function  $F(x)$  of a continuous random variable  $X$  with density function  $f(x)$  is

$$F(x) = P(X \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(t) dt, \text{ for } -\infty < x < \infty$$

*Note:  $P(a < X < b) = F(b) - F(a)$*

*Note:  $f(x) = F'(x)$*

### 3.4.3 Joint Probability Mass Functions

The function  $f(x, y)$  is a Joint Probability Function or Probability Mass Function of the discrete random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  if

1.

$$f(x, y) \geq 0 \text{ for all } (x, y)$$

2.

$$\sum_x \sum_y f(x, y) = 1$$

3.

$$P(X = x, Y = y) = f(x, y)$$

4. For any region  $A$  in the  $xy$  plane,

$$P((X, Y) \in A) = \sum_A \sum f(x, y)$$

### 3.5 Joint Probability Distributions

The function  $f(x, y)$  is a joint density function of the continuous random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  if

1.

$$f(x, y) \geq 0, \text{ for all } (x, y)$$

2.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx dy = 1$$

3.

$$P((X, Y) \in A) = \int_A \int f(x, y) dx dy$$

#### 3.5.1 Marginal Distribution

The marginal distribution of  $X$  alone  $Y$  alone are  
(for the discrete case)

$$g(x) = \sum_y f(x, y) \text{ and } h(y) = \sum_x f(x, y)$$

(for the continuous case)

$$g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dy \text{ and } h(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) dx$$

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variables, discrete or continuous. The conditional distribution of the random variable  $Y$  given that  $X = x$  is

$$f(y|x) = \frac{f(x, y)}{g(x)}, \text{ provided } g(x) > 0$$

Similarly, the conditional distribution of the random variable  $X$  given that  $Y = y$  is

$$f(x|y) = \frac{f(x, y)}{h(y)}, \text{ provided } h(y) > 0$$

Where  $g(x)$  and  $h(y)$  are the respective marginal distributions.

*Note: Marginal distributions are probability distributions*

### 3.5.2 Statistical Independence

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variables, discrete or continuous, with joint probability distribution  $f(x, y)$  and marginal distributions  $g(x)$  and  $h(y)$  respectively. The random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be statistically independent if and only if

$$f(x, y) = g(x)h(y)$$

for all  $(x, y)$  within their range.

# Appendix A

## Homework

### A.1 Homework Set 1

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59	2.52, 2.53, 2.56, 2.57, 2.58, 2.62, 2.67, 2.70

### A.3 Homework Set 3

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### A.4 Homework Set 4

Page	Problem Numbers
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91	3.1, 3.2, 3.5, 3.10, 3.11, 3.12, 3.25

### A.5 Homework Set 5

Page	Problem Numbers
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104	3.37, 3.38 3.44, 3.45, 3.46, 3.52, 3.57



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