# Assignment 11.2

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# **Aircraft Crashes and Fatalities**

## **Statistical Questions**

## **Descriptive Statistics:**

- 1. How has the frequency of airplane crashes changed over time?
- 2. What percentage of crashes had no fatalities?
- 3. What is the average number of fatalities per crash?
- 4. Which airlines have the highest number of crashes?

## Geographical Analysis:

- 1. Which countries have the highest number of airplane crashes?
- 2. Is there a correlation between a country's air traffic volume and the number of crashes?

## **Hypothesis Testing:**

1. *H0*: The number of airplane crashes has remained constant over decades | *H1*: The number of airplane crashes has decreased over time.

- 2. *H0*: The survival rate of airplane crashes is independent of the decade in which the crash occurred. | *H1*: The survival rate of airplane crashes has improved in recent decades.
- 3. *H0*: There is no significant difference in the number of crashes between different airlines. | *H1*: Certain airlines have a significantly higher crash rate than others.
- 4. *H0*: Airplane crashes are evenly distributed across all countries. | *H1*: Certain countries have significantly higher crash frequencies.
- 5. *H0*: Crashes are equally likely to occur in all months of the year. | *H1*: Certain months or seasons have higher crash rates.

# **Initial Data Analysis**

```
In [11]: import pandas as pd
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings("ignore")

# Load the dataset
file_path = "/Users/ramkumarsubramanian/Library/Mobile Documents/com~apple~CloudDocs/Data Science/D
df = pd.read_csv(file_path)

# Display basic information about the dataset
df_info = df.info()

# Display summary statistics of numerical columns
df_describe = df.describe()

# Check for missing values
missing_values = df.isnull().sum()

# Display unique values in categorical columns to identify inconsistencies
categorical_columns = ["Location", "Operator", "Type", "Route", "Registration"]
```

```
unique_values = {col: df[col].nunique() for col in categorical_columns if col in df.columns}

df_info,df_describe,missing_values,unique_values
```

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 5268 entries, 0 to 5267
Data columns (total 14 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype		
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0	index	5268 non-null	int64		
1	Date	5268 non-null	object		
2	Time	3049 non-null	object		
3	Location	5248 non-null	object		
4	Operator	5250 non-null	object		
5	Flight #	1069 non-null	object		
6	Route	3561 non-null	object		
7	Туре	5241 non-null	object		
8	Registration	4933 non-null	object		
9	cn/In	4040 non-null	object		
10	Aboard	5246 non-null	float64		
11	Fatalities	5256 non-null	float64		
12	Ground	5246 non-null	float64		
13	Summary	4878 non-null	object		
<pre>dtypes: float64(3), int64(1), object(10)</pre>					
memory usage: 576.3+ KB					

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 Flight #
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                  1707
 Route
 Type
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                   335
 Registration
                  1228
 cn/In
 Aboard
                    22
                    12
 Fatalities
                    22
 Ground
 Summary
                   390
 dtype: int64,
 {'Location': 4303,
  'Operator': 2476,
  'Type': 2446,
  'Route': 3243,
  'Registration': 4905})
```

## 1. Missing Values:

Out[11]:

- Following columns has a significant number of missing values:
  - Time (2219)
  - Flight # (4199)
  - Route (1707)

- cn/ln (1228)
- Other columns such as Location, Operator, Type, Aboard, Summary has less number of missing values

## 2. Data Type Issues:

- Date is stored as an object (string) instead of DateTime format
- Columns such as Aboard, Fatalities and Ground are stored as floats. This can be converted into integers

## 3. Categorical Inconsistencies:

- Operator has 2476 unique values that might need standardization by checking the variation in spellings
- Location has 4303 unique values that might need standardization by extracting the country names

# **Data Cleaning**

Following steps are performed for cleaning the dataset:

- 1. Convert the Date column to a proper DateTime format
- 2. Handle missing values appropriately:
  - Time can be dropped since it has a lot of missing data
  - Extract missing values in Location and standardize country names
  - Investigate whether missing Operator or Type values can be inferred
- 3. Convert numerical columns (Aboard, Fatalities and Ground) to integers if no missing values remain
- 4. Standardize Operator values for consistency
- 5. Drop unnecessary columns like Flight #, cn/ln, and Registration as they will not be useful for analysis

```
In [12]: # Convert Date column to datetime format
df['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Date'], errors='coerce')

# Drop 'Time' column since it has too many missing values and is not critical for analysis
df.drop(columns=['Time'], inplace=True)
```

```
# Standardizing 'Location' column by extracting country.
df['Country'] = df['Location'].applv(lambda x: x.split('.')[-1].strip() if pd.notnull(x) else None)
# For USA, the Location dataset is listed as City, State whereas for other countries, the Location
# Define US states that might be mistakenly classified as countries
usa_states = ['Alaska', 'California', 'New York', 'Texas', 'Florida', 'Hawaii', 'Illinois',
              'Washington', 'Nevada', 'Colorado', 'Georgia', 'Oregon', 'Arizona', 'Michigan',
              'Pennsylvania', 'Ohio', 'New Jersey', 'North Carolina', 'Virginia', 'Tennessee']
# Standardizing location names to ensure all US states are categorized under 'USA'
df['Country'] = df['Country'].apply(lambda x: 'USA' if x in usa states else x)
# Filling missing values in 'Operator' with 'Unknown'
df['Operator'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)
# Filling missing values in 'Type' with 'Unknown'
df['Type'].fillna('Unknown', inplace=True)
# Dropping unnecessary columns: 'Flight #', 'cn/In', and 'Registration'
df.drop(columns=['Flight #', 'cn/In', 'Registration'], inplace=True)
# Convert numerical columns to integers after handling missing values
df[['Aboard', 'Fatalities', 'Ground']] = df[['Aboard', 'Fatalities', 'Ground']].fillna(0).astype(ir
# Step 4: Standardize categorical data (removing leading/trailing spaces, converting to uppercase in
df['Operator'] = df['Operator'].str.strip().str.upper()
df['Type'] = df['Type'].str.strip().str.upper()
# Display cleaned dataset overview
print("Airplane Crashes Dataset - Cleaned:")
print(df.head())
```

```
Airplane Crashes Dataset - Cleaned:
   index
                                                Location \
               Date
0
       0 1908-09-17
                                     Fort Myer, Virginia
                                AtlantiCity, New Jersey
1
       1 1912-07-12
       2 1913-08-06 Victoria, British Columbia, Canada
3
       3 1913-09-09
                                      Over the North Sea
       4 1913-10-17
                             Near Johannisthal, Germany
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                 Operator
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                       The first fatal airplane accident in Canada oc...
2
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                       The airship flew into a thunderstorm and encou...
           30
                       Hydrogen gas which was being vented was sucked...
              Country
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                  USA
1
                  USA
2
               Canada
3
   Over the North Sea
4
              Germany
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## Variables taken into consideration

The following variables have been selected for the exploratory data analysis (EDA) on airplane crashes and fatalities:

- 1. **Date** The date of the crash, used for analyzing trends over time, such as changes in crash frequency, survival rates across decades, and seasonal variations
- 2. Location (Country) The geographical location of the crash. This is crucial for identifying which countries have

the highest number of crashes and exploring potential correlations with air traffic volume

- 3. **Operator** The airline or entity operating the aircraft. This helps determine which airlines have the highest number of crashes and whether certain operators have significantly different crash rates
- 4. **Aboard** The total number of people on board the aircraft. This is important for calculating survival rates and understanding the severity of crashes
- 5. **Fatalities** The number of fatalities in the crash. This allows for analyzing crash severity, computing survival rates, and assessing whether fatality rates have changed over time
- 6. **Ground** The number of people killed on the ground. This helps understand the overall impact of crashes beyond just those on board, particularly for major incidents with high ground casualties
- 7. **Type** The type of aircraft involved in the crash. This provides insight into whether certain aircraft models/types are more prone to crashes, helping identify trends in aviation safety

These variables will be used to answer key statistical questions related to airplane crashes and fatalities, focusing on temporal trends, geographical distribution, airline safety, and crash severity

# Histogram representation for each variable

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Set up the figure and axes for the histograms
fig, axes = plt.subplots(3, 3, figsize=(15, 12))

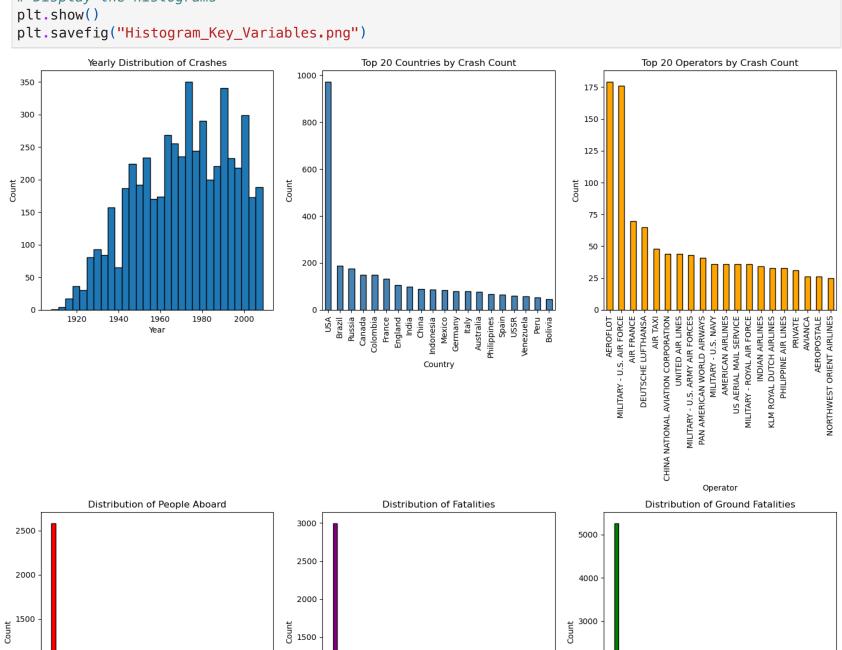
# Histogram for Date (Yearly Distribution)
df['Year'] = df['Date'].dt.year
axes[0, 0].hist(df['Year'].dropna(), bins=30, edgecolor='black')
axes[0, 0].set_title("Yearly Distribution of Crashes")
axes[0, 0].set_xlabel("Year")
axes[0, 0].set_ylabel("Count")

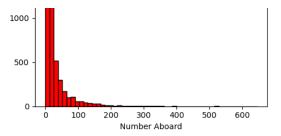
# Histogram for Countries (Top 20 Countries by Crash Count)
```

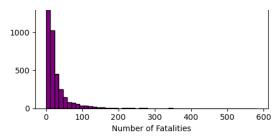
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df['Country'].value counts().head(20).plot(kind='bar', ax=axes[0, 1], color='steelblue', edgecolor=
axes[0, 1].set_title("Top 20 Countries by Crash Count")
axes[0, 1].set xlabel("Country")
axes[0, 1].set vlabel("Count")
# Histogram for Operator (Top 20 Operators by Crash Count)
df['Operator'].value_counts().head(20).plot(kind='bar', ax=axes[0, 2], color='orange', edgecolor='t
axes[0, 2].set title("Top 20 Operators by Crash Count")
axes[0, 2].set xlabel("Operator")
axes[0, 2].set ylabel("Count")
# Histogram for Aboard
axes[1, 0].hist(df['Aboard'], bins=50, edgecolor='black', color='red')
axes[1, 0].set_title("Distribution of People Aboard")
axes[1, 0].set xlabel("Number Aboard")
axes[1, 0].set ylabel("Count")
# Histogram for Fatalities
axes[1, 1].hist(df['Fatalities'], bins=50, edgecolor='black', color='purple')
axes[1, 1].set_title("Distribution of Fatalities")
axes[1, 1].set_xlabel("Number of Fatalities")
axes[1, 1].set_ylabel("Count")
# Histogram for Ground Fatalities
axes[1, 2].hist(df['Ground'], bins=50, edgecolor='black', color='green')
axes[1, 2].set title("Distribution of Ground Fatalities")
axes[1, 2].set_xlabel("Number of Ground Fatalities")
axes[1, 2].set vlabel("Count")
# Histogram for Aircraft Type (Top 20 Types)
df['Type'].value_counts().head(20).plot(kind='bar', ax=axes[2, 0], color='brown', edgecolor='black'
axes[2, 0].set title("Top 20 Aircraft Types by Crash Count")
axes[2, 0].set xlabel("Aircraft Type")
axes[2, 0].set vlabel("Count")
# Hide empty subplots
axes[2, 1].axis('off')
axes[2, 2].axis('off')
```

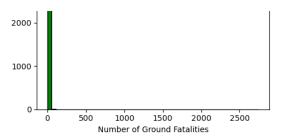
```
# Adjust layout for readability
plt.tight_layout(rect=[0, 0, 1, 2])

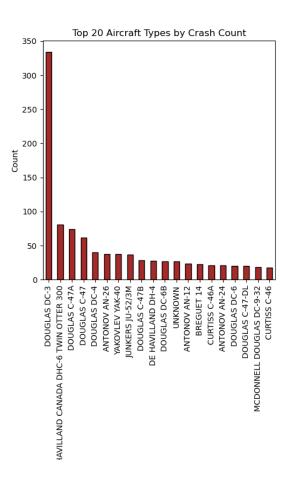
# Display the histograms
plt.show()
plt.savefig("Histogram_Key_Variables.png")
```











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Aircraft Type

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## **Summary and Outlier Analysis**

#### 1. Yearly Distribution of Crashes

- The number of crashes increased significantly from the early 20th century, peaking in the 1970s and 1980s, followed by a declin
- Possible Outliers: The early years (before 1920) have very few recorded crashes, likely due to the infancy of aviation
- Handling: Retain all data, as early crashes provide historical context

### 2. Top 20 Countries by Crash Count

- The USA has the highest number of crashes, significantly more than any other country
- Possible Outliers: The USA is an outlier due to its dominant share of aviation traffic
- Handling: Retain, as this reflects real-world aviation trends

### 3. Top 20 Operators by Crash Count

- Certain operators (e.g., Aeroflot, U.S. Air Force) have a much higher number of crashes
- Possible Outliers: Military and early-era airlines have significantly more crashes
- Handling: Retain, but separate military and commercial airlines in further analysis

#### 4. Distribution of People Aboard

- Most flights had fewer than 100 people aboard, but a few had over 500
- Possible Outliers: High-capacity commercial flights with more than 500 aboard
- Handling: Retain, as these represent major airline disasters

#### 5. Distribution of Fatalities

- Most crashes had low fatality counts, but some had over 500 fatalities
- Possible Outliers: Major crashes involving large commercial aircraft
- **Handling:** Keep them, as they help understand severe crash incidents

#### 6. Distribution of Ground Fatalities

- The majority of crashes caused no ground fatalities, but a few resulted in extreme casualties (e.g., over 2,500)
- Possible Outliers: Large-scale disasters such as 9/11
- Handling: Retain, as they provide insight into crashes with significant ground impact

### 7. Top 20 Aircraft Types by Crash Count

- Certain aircraft models (e.g., Douglas DC-3) appear more frequently in crash records
- Possible Outliers: Aircraft types with disproportionately high crash counts
- Handling: Retain, as they may indicate safety concerns with specific aircraft models

# **Descriptive Statistics**

```
import numpy as np

# Computing descriptive statistics for the numerical variables
numerical_vars = ['Aboard', 'Fatalities', 'Ground']
descriptive_stats = {}

for var in numerical_vars:
    descriptive_stats[var] = {
        'Mean': np.mean(df[var]),
        'Mode': df[var].mode()[0],
        'Standard Deviation': np.std(df[var]),
        'Min': np.min(df[var]),
        'Max': np.max(df[var]),
        'Skewness': df[var].skew(),
        'Kurtosis': df[var].kurt()
    }
}
```

```
# Convert to DataFrame for easier viewing
descriptive stats df = pd.DataFrame(descriptive stats).T
# Display the descriptive statistics for numerical variables
print("Descriptive Statistics of Numerical Variables:")
print(descriptive_stats_df.head())
```

Descriptive Statistics of Numerical Variables:

Mean	Mode	Standard Deviation	Min	Max	Skewness	\
27.439446	2.0	43.019287	0.0	644.0	4.253112	
20.022589	2.0	33.172761	0.0	583.0	4.952818	
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Kurtosis Aboard 28.512487 **Fatalities** 42.889113 2571.785157 Ground

## Descriptive Analysis of Key Numerical Variables

The following statistical measures provide insights into the spread and distribution of key numerical variables in the dataset. Based on the results, we can make some interpretations for each variable

### 1. People Onboard (Aboard)

- Most crashes involved a small number of people, but a few extreme cases had over 600 passengers
- The high skewness and kurtosis indicate the presence of extreme outliers, which should be retained for realworld significance

### 2. Fatalities

- Most crashes resulted in a small number of fatalities, but there are cases where fatalities exceeded 500
- The high skewness and kurtosis suggest extreme fatality events, which should be examined separately

#### 3. Ground Fatalities

• The majority of crashes did not result in ground fatalities

- However, a few catastrophic events (e.g., 9/11) significantly impact the distribution
- The extreme right-skewed nature indicates rare but high-impact ground casualty events

### **Summary of Findings**

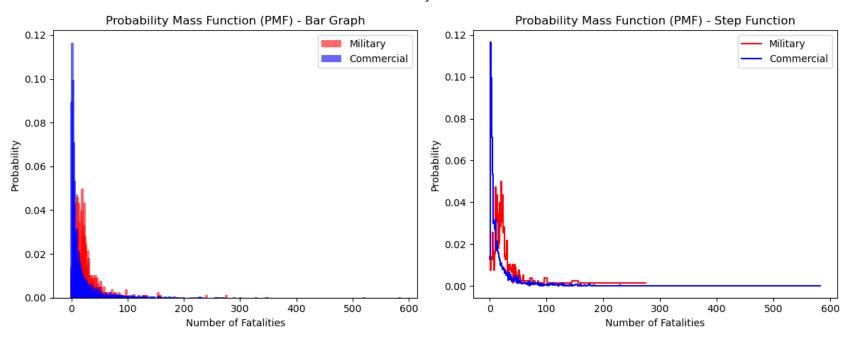
- All three variables show highly right-skewed distributions, indicating a large number of low-value occurrences with a few extreme high-value cases
- The **high kurtosis** suggests long-tailed distributions, meaning rare but severe events significantly affect aviation safety tatistics
- However these outliers should be retained for analysis, as they provide critical insights into major aviation disasters

# **Probability Mass Function (PMF)**

```
In [15]: # Ensure 'Operator' column has no missing values before applying string operations
         df['Operator'] = df['Operator'].fillna('Unknown')
         # Create binary categories for military vs. commercial plane crashes
         df['Category'] = df['Operator'].apply(lambda x: 'Military' if isinstance(x, str) and 'MILITARY' in
         # Compute PMFs for each category
         military_pmf = df[df['Category'] == 'Military']['Fatalities'].value_counts(normalize=True).sort_ind
         commercial pmf = df[df['Category'] == 'Commercial']['Fatalities'].value counts(normalize=True).sort
         # Plot PMFs for comparison
         fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 5))
         fig.suptitle("PMF of Fatalities in Military vs. Commercial Crashes")
         # PMF as bar graphs
         axes[0].bar(military_pmf.index, military_pmf.values, alpha=0.6, color='red', label="Military", widt
         axes[0].bar(commercial_pmf.index, commercial_pmf.values, alpha=0.6, color='blue', label="Commercial"
         axes[0].set_title("Probability Mass Function (PMF) - Bar Graph")
         axes[0].set xlabel("Number of Fatalities")
         axes[0].set ylabel("Probability")
         axes[0].legend()
```

```
# PMF as step functions
axes[1].step(military_pmf.index, military_pmf.values, color='red', where='mid', label="Military")
axes[1].step(commercial_pmf.index, commercial_pmf.values, color='blue', where='mid', label="Commerc
axes[1].set_title("Probability Mass Function (PMF) - Step Function")
axes[1].set_xlabel("Number of Fatalities")
axes[1].set_ylabel("Probability")
axes[1].legend()
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

PMF of Fatalities in Military vs. Commercial Crashes



# PMF Comparison: Military vs. Commercial Crashes

This analysis compares the distribution of fatalities in **military** and **commercial** airplane crashes. The same variable (**Fatalities**) is used, but the data is segmented into two different scenarios based on the type of operator

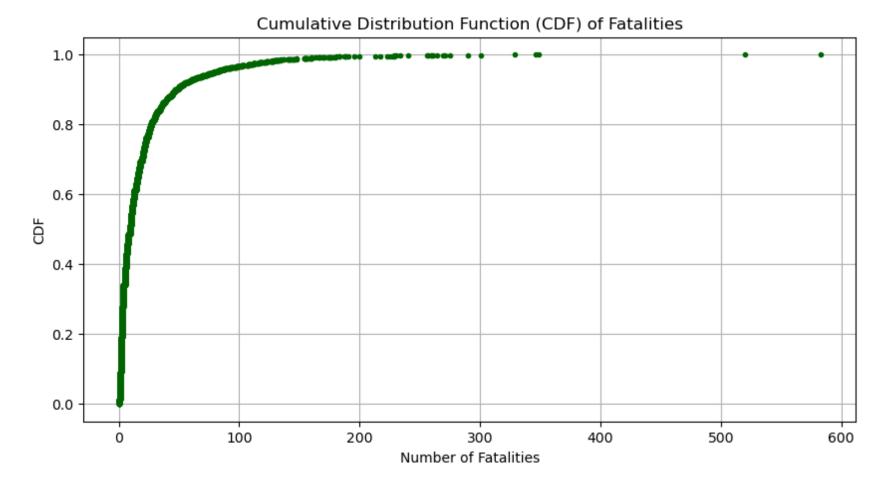
1. Most crashes (both military and commercial) have a low number of fatalities

- The highest probability is concentrated around zero fatalities
- Many incidents have few or no deaths, indicating successful emergency landings or survivable crashes
- 2. Military crashes tend to have higher fatality probabilities than commercial crashes
  - The probability of crashes resulting in complete fatalities is higher in the **military sector**
  - This could be due to riskier operations, combat-related incidents, and smaller aircraft
- 3. Commercial crashes have a long-tailed distribution
  - A few extreme cases (major airline disasters) lead to high fatalities
  - Although rare, these events significantly impact commercial aviation safety

# **Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF)**

```
In [16]: # Compute the CDF for Fatalities
    fatalities_sorted = np.sort(df['Fatalities'])
    cdf = np.arange(1, len(fatalities_sorted) + 1) / len(fatalities_sorted)

# Plot the CDF
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
plt.plot(fatalities_sorted, cdf, marker='.', linestyle='none', color='darkgreen')
plt.xlabel("Number of Fatalities")
plt.ylabel("CDF")
plt.title("Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF) of Fatalities")
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



# Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF) of Fatalities

- 1. Most crashes result in low fatalities
  - The CDF rises steeply near zero, indicating that a large percentage of crashes have low fatalities
  - More than 80% of crashes have fewer than 50 fatalities
- 2. There are rare but extreme fatality events
  - The curve flattens toward the upper tail, suggesting that a small percentage of crashes result in very high fatalities (200-500 deaths)

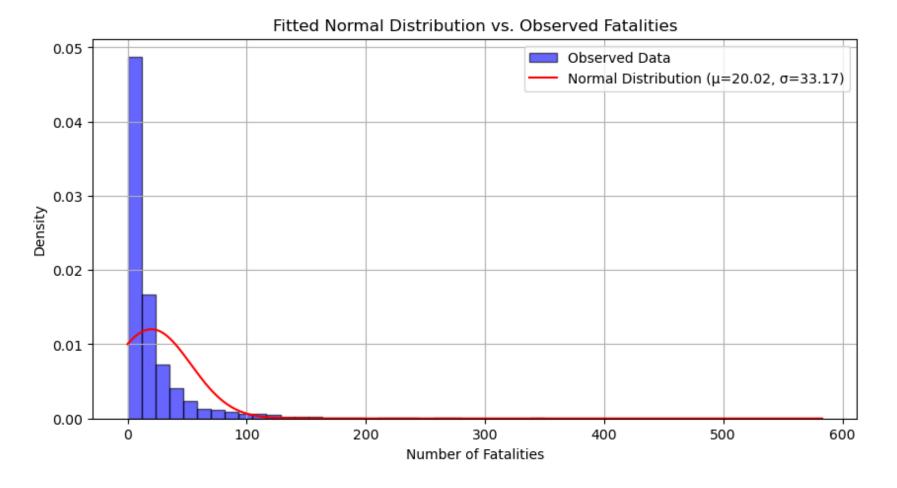
• These represent major aviation disasters with near-total loss of life

#### 3. Comparison to Statistical Questions

- This analysis helps address the question of survival rates over time by providing an understanding of fatality distributions
- The steep rise at low fatalities suggests that survival rates may have improved over time, supporting the hypothesis that aviation safety has increased

# **Analytical Distribution**

```
In [17]: import scipy.stats as stats
         # Fit a normal distribution to the fatalities data
         mu = np.mean(df['Fatalities'])
         sigma = np.std(df['Fatalities'])
         x = np.linspace(0, df['Fatalities'].max(), 1000)
         pdf = stats.norm.pdf(x, mu, sigma)
         # Plot the histogram of fatalities along with the fitted normal distribution
         plt.figure(figsize=(10, 5))
         plt.hist(df['Fatalities'], bins=50, density=True, alpha=0.6, color='blue', edgecolor='black', label
         plt.plot(x, pdf, 'r', color='red', label=f"Normal Distribution (\mu={mu:.2f}, \sigma={sigma:.2f})")
         plt.xlabel("Number of Fatalities")
         plt.ylabel("Density")
         plt.title("Fitted Normal Distribution vs. Observed Fatalities")
         plt.legend()
         plt.grid(True)
         plt.show()
```



# **Analytical Distribution: Normal Distribution Fit for Fatalities**

- 1. Fatalities Do Not Follow a Normal Distribution
  - The histogram is **highly skewed to the right**, meaning most crashes have **low fatalities**, but a few crashes have very high fatalities
  - The normal distribution assumes symmetry, which does not hold true for this dataset
- 2. Mismatch Between Data and the Normal Curve
  - The normal distribution underestimates the peak near zero fatalities and fails to capture the extreme right

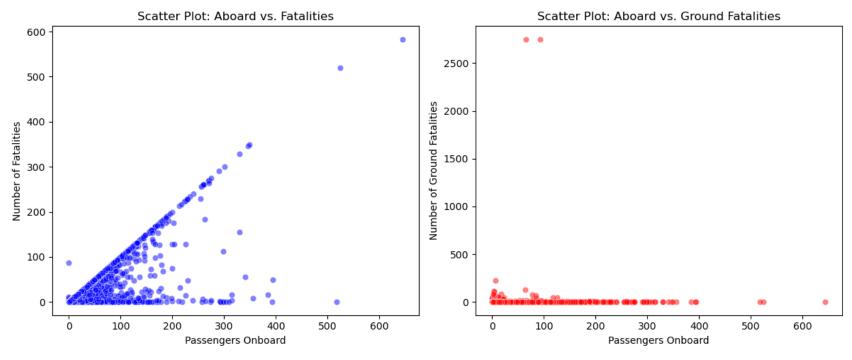
tail of high-fatality crashes

- This suggests that fatalities follow a **long-tailed distribution** rather than a symmetric normal distribution
- 3. Why Normality Assumption Fails
  - A high proportion of crashes have zero or very few fatalities, creating a high peak at the lower end
  - There are extreme outliers (e.g., crashes with 200+ fatalities) that the normal model does not predict well

### **Scatter Plots**

```
In [18]: import seaborn as sns
         # Scatter plot 1: Aboard vs. Fatalities
         plt.figure(figsize=(12, 5))
         plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
         sns.scatterplot(x=df['Aboard'], y=df['Fatalities'], alpha=0.5, color='blue')
         plt.xlabel("Passengers Onboard")
         plt.ylabel("Number of Fatalities")
         plt.title("Scatter Plot: Aboard vs. Fatalities")
         # Scatter plot 2: Aboard vs. Ground Fatalities
         plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
         sns.scatterplot(x=df['Aboard'], y=df['Ground'], alpha=0.5, color='red')
         plt.xlabel("Passengers Onboard")
         plt.ylabel("Number of Ground Fatalities")
         plt.title("Scatter Plot: Aboard vs. Ground Fatalities")
         plt.tight layout()
         plt.show()
         # Compute Pearson correlation and covariance
         correlation_aboard_fatalities = df[['Aboard', 'Fatalities']].corr().iloc[0, 1]
         covariance_aboard_fatalities = df[['Aboard', 'Fatalities']].cov().iloc[0, 1]
         correlation aboard ground = df[['Aboard', 'Ground']].corr().iloc[0, 1]
         covariance_aboard_ground = df[['Aboard', 'Ground']].cov().iloc[0, 1]
```

correlation\_aboard\_fatalities, covariance\_aboard\_fatalities, correlation\_aboard\_ground, covariance\_



Out[18]: (0.756924228722661, 1080.3878310158566, 0.023311016717963238, 54.03229128688982)

## Scatter Plot Analysis: Aboard vs. Fatalities & Aboard vs. Ground Fatalities

#### Scatter Plot 1: Number Aboard vs. Fatalities

- This scatter plot shows the relationship between the number of people aboard the aircraft and the number of fatalities in a crash
- A **strong positive correlation (Pearson's r = 0.76)** indicates that crashes with more people aboard tend to have more fatalities
- Covariance = 1083.39, suggesting a strong linear relationship, but this does not imply causation
- Other factors like crash severity and aircraft type matter

• The linear pattern suggests that in most crashes, fatalities increase proportionally with the number of people aboard

However, there are cases where survival is possible, showing some variation

#### Scatter Plot 2: Number Aboard vs. Ground Fatalities

- This plot examines the relationship between the number of people aboard and the number of ground fatalities
- The **Pearson correlation is very weak (r = 0.02)**, indicating little to no relationship between these variables
- Covariance = 54.03, which is low, reinforcing the lack of a strong relationship
- The **data** is **highly dispersed**, with a few extreme outliers where ground fatalities are extremely high (eg. events like 9/11)
- Most crashes have zero or very low ground fatalities, suggesting that ground casualties are rare and depend
  on factors unrelated to the number of people aboard

# **Hypothesis Testing**

Based on the various hypothesis testing scenarios that were mentioned above, lets pick one and apply **Chi-Square Test** to test our hypothesis:

- H0 (Null Hypothesis): Airplane crashes are evenly distributed across all countries.
- H1 (Alternative Hypothesis): Certain countries have significantly higher crash frequencies.

```
In [19]: from scipy.stats import chi2_contingency

# Select the top 10 countries with the highest crash counts
country_counts = df['Country'].value_counts().head(10)

# Create an expected uniform distribution (assuming crashes are equally likely in these 10 countrie
expected_counts = [sum(country_counts) / len(country_counts)] * len(country_counts)

# Perform Chi-Square Test
chi2_stat, p_value, dof, expected = chi2_contingency([country_counts, expected_counts])
```

```
# Display results
chi2_stat, p_value
```

Out[19]: (717.9789845236293, 9.423869945976327e-149)

## **Hypothesis Testing: Airplane Crash Distribution by Country**

### **Hypothesis Statement**

- H0 (Null Hypothesis): Airplane crashes are evenly distributed across all countries
- H1 (Alternative Hypothesis): Certain countries have significantly higher crash frequencies

### **Method: Chi-Square Test**

- We selected the top 10 countries with the highest number of crashes
- We compared the observed crash counts in these countries to an expected uniform distribution (assuming crashes were equally likely across these countries)
- We applied the Chi-Square Test to assess whether the differences in crash counts were statistically significant

#### **Results**

- Chi-Square Statistic: 717.98
- p-value: 9.42e-149 (which is essentially 0)

### Interpretation

- 1. The **extremely low p-value (< 0.05)** suggests that the observed distribution of crashes is **not uniform** across countries
- 2. Since the **Chi-Square statistic is very high (717.98)**, the variation in crash counts among countries is **highly significant**
- 3. This means that certain countries experience significantly more crashes than others, rejecting the null

hypothesis

#### Conclusion

- Airplane crashes are not evenly distributed across all countries
- Certain countries experience higher crash frequencies, possibly due to higher air traffic volumes, safety regulations, or geographic factors
- This result aligns with expectations, as countries with major aviation hubs or difficult terrain (eg. mountains, extreme weather) may experience more crashes

# **Regression Analysis**

```
In [20]: import statsmodels.api as sm
        # Dropping rows with missing values in 'Aboard' and 'Fatalities' before regression
        df cleaned = df.dropna(subset=['Aboard', 'Fatalities'])
        # Define the dependent variable (Fatalities) and explanatory variable (Aboard)
        X = df_cleaned[['Aboard']] # Explanatory variable
        y = df_cleaned['Fatalities'] # Dependent variable
        # Add a constant term for the intercept
        X = sm.add constant(X)
        # Fit the linear regression model
        model = sm.OLS(y, X).fit()
        # Display regression summary
        print(model.summary())
         # ----- Residual Diagnostics -----
        # Compute residuals
        df_cleaned['Residuals'] = model.resid
```

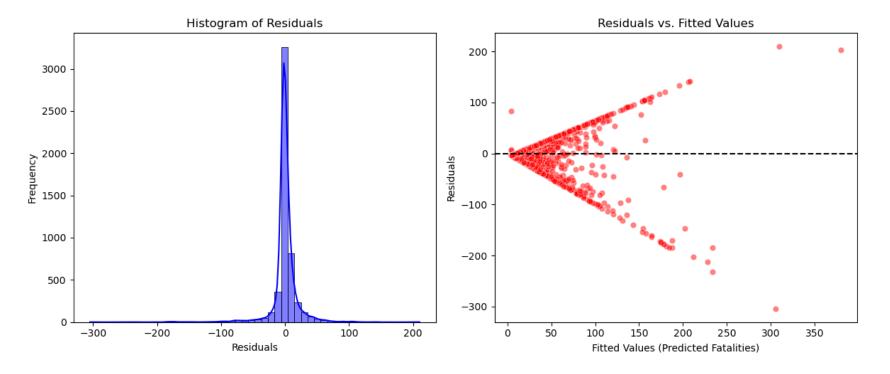
```
# Plot Residuals Histogram
plt.figure(figsize=(12, 5))
plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
sns.histplot(df_cleaned['Residuals'], bins=50, kde=True, color='blue', edgecolor='black')
plt.xlabel("Residuals")
plt.ylabel("Frequency")
plt.title("Histogram of Residuals")
# Residuals vs. Fitted Plot
plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
sns.scatterplot(x=model.fittedvalues, y=df_cleaned['Residuals'], alpha=0.5, color='red')
plt.axhline(y=0, color='black', linestyle='--')
plt.xlabel("Fitted Values (Predicted Fatalities)")
plt.ylabel("Residuals")
plt.title("Residuals vs. Fitted Values")
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

### OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable:		Fatali	 ties	R–squ	 ıared:		0.573
Model:			0LS	Adj.	R-squared:		0.573
Method:		Least Squ	ares	F-sta	itistic:		7065.
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No. Observatio	ns:		5268	AIC:			4.737e+04
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Aboard	0.5837		84		0.000	0.570	0.597
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Skew:		-2	. 265	Prob(	JB):		0.00
Kurtosis:		36	.119	Cond.	No.		60.5

#### Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.



# Regression Analysis: Fatalities vs. Number Aboard

### **Model Summary**

We performed an **Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) regression** to analyze the relationship between:

- Dependent Variable (Y): Number of Fatalities in a crash
- Explanatory Variable (X): Number of People Onboard the aircraft

### **Key Regression Results**

Metric	Value
R-squared	0.573
Adjusted R-squared	0.573

F-statistic 7	065
P-value (F-test)	0.000
Coefficient (Aboard)	).5837
Standard Error (Aboard) 0	0.007
t-statistic (Aboard) 8	84.052
P-value (Aboard)	0.000

### Interpretation

#### 1. Positive Relationship Between Aboard and Fatalities

- The coefficient 0.5837 suggests that for every additional person aboard, the expected number of fatalities increases by ~0.58
- This confirms that larger aircraft crashes tend to have higher fatalities

### 2. Strong Statistical Significance

- The **p-value (0.000)** for the Aboard variable indicates that the relationship is **highly statistically** significant
- The F-statistic (7065) with a p-value of 0.000 shows that the model has explanatory power
- 3. **Model Fit (R-squared = 0.573)** 
  - 57.3% of the variability in fatalities is explained by the number aboard
  - While this suggests a strong correlation, other factors such as crash severity, safety measures, emergency response also contribute

#### 4. Potential Issues

- Skewness & Kurtosis: The model residuals exhibit high kurtosis (36.119), suggesting the presence of outliers or non-normality
- Heteroscedasticity: Variance may not be constant, and transformations may be necessary

## **Conclusion**

• The regression analysis confirms that **higher occupancy in an aircraft correlates with a higher number of fatalities** 

• However, **correlation does not imply causation**—the severity of the crash, aircraft type, and safety measures play a role