Statistics with Spa Report ows

Lecture 17

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Nominal

- · define an attribute
- · e.g. gender, matital status

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Ordinal

- rank or order the observations as scores or categories from low to high in terms of «more or less»
- e.g. education, attitude/opinion scales

Nonparametric

Interval

- interval between observations in terms of fixed unit of measurement
- e.g. measures of temperature

*Parametric

Ratio

- The scale has a fundamental zero point
- · e.g. age, income

*Parametric

Non-parametric statistics for ranked stuff

- Parametric
 - Paired t-test
 - Unpaired t-test
 - Pearson correlation
 - One way ANOVA

- Non-parametric
 - Wilcoxon Rank sum test
 - Mann-Whitney-U test
 - Spearman correlation
 - Kruskall Wallis test

Non-parametric statistics for nominal data

- χ^2 test (chi-square)
- Fisher's exact test