# Review of coding challenge for Semester 1

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# 1. Benefits of swimming for long-distance runners

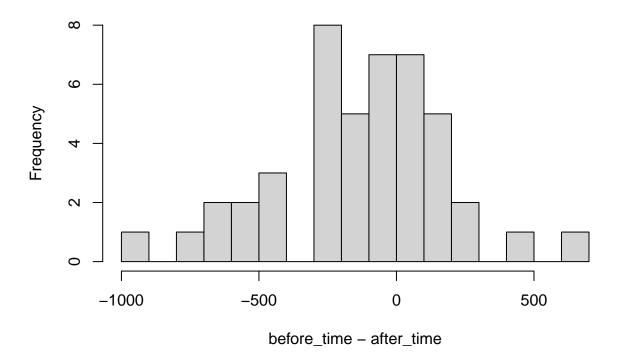
```
swim = read.table("swimming.txt", sep = '\t', header = T)
# head(swimming)
# summary(swim)
# str(swim)
```

### 1.1 Tidy the data and decide on suitable statistical test.

How are the before and after time distributed?

```
before_time = swim$before_minutes * 60 + swim$before_seconds
before_time = as.integer(before_time)
after_time = swim$after_minutes * 60 + swim$after_seconds
after_time = as.integer(after_time)
hist(before_time - after_time, breaks = 20)
```

# Histogram of before\_time - after\_time



```
shapiro.test(before_time - after_time)

##

## Shapiro-Wilk normality test

##

## data: before_time - after_time

## W = 0.9736, p-value = 0.3883

swim2 = data.frame(swim$names, before_time, after_time)

# head(swim2)
```

- The improvement time (the difference between the after\_time and the before\_time) are all normally distributed.
- However, we cannot decide whether the improvement time is normally distributed through the histogram.
- It is better to use the shapiro test to test the normality.
- In the shapiro test, p > 0.05, so the improvement is normally distributed, so we can use the t test.
- Since every person in the data has a before\_time and an after\_time, the 2 values are paired.
- As we want to test the improvement time, We decided to use the paired 2-sample t-test. (NOTE: To get full mark, you should emphasize that we test the improvement time.)

#### 1.2 The null and alternative hypotheses

• The null hypothesis (H0): The time used for the half-marathon after the swimming training is no shorter than that before the swimming training.

• The alternative hypothesis (HA): The time used for the half-marathon after the swimming training is shorter than that before the swimming training.

## 1.3 Is there a statistically significant improvement on runners' times after swimming?

```
t.test(after_time, before_time, paired = T, alternative = "less")
##
##
   Paired t-test
##
## data: after_time and before_time
## t = 2.8221, df = 44, p-value = 0.9964
## alternative hypothesis: true mean difference is less than 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##
        -Inf 206.0872
## sample estimates:
## mean difference
          129.1778
t.test(after_time - before_time, mu = 0)
##
    One Sample t-test
##
##
## data: after_time - before_time
## t = 2.8221, df = 44, p-value = 0.007135
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
     36.9281 221.4275
## sample estimates:
## mean of x
## 129.1778
  • NOTICE: t.test(x, y, alternative = 'greater') means the HA is y>x
```

- p > 0.05
- We cannot reject the null hypothesis.
- There is insufficient evidence to conclude that the time used for the half-marathon after the swimming training is shorter than that before the swimming training.
- Therefore, there is not a statistically significant improvement on runners' times after swimming.

# 2. Number of emergency room admissions

## 2.1 Import the dataset and plot the data in a useful way

```
hosp = read.csv("hospital_admissions.csv")
# head(hosp)
```

```
# str(hosp)
hosp$week = as.factor(hosp$week)
hosp$weekday = as.factor(hosp$weekday)
subset(hosp, hosp$week == 1)
##
     week weekday hour patients_per_hour
## 1
     1 Monday
                   1
      1 Monday
                   2
## 3
      1 Monday
                                   7
                   3
      1 Monday 4
                                   3
## 4
      1 Monday 5
                                   3
## 5
## 6
      1 Monday 6
                                   2
      1 Monday
                                   3
## 7
                 7
## 8
      1 Monday 8
                                   2
                                   2
## 9
      1 Sunday 1
## 10 1 Sunday
                   2
                                   1
## 11 1 Sunday 3
                                   1
## 12 1 Sunday 4
                                   3
## 13 1 Sunday 5
                                   1
## 14 1 Sunday 6
                                   5
## 15 1 Sunday
                   7
                                    2
## 16 1 Sunday
hosp1 = aggregate(hosp$patients_per_hour,
                by = list(hosp$week, hosp$weekday),
                FUN = sum)
names(hosp1)[1] = "week"
names(hosp1)[2] = "weekday"
names(hosp1)[3] = "patients"
# str(hosp1)
# summary(hosp1)
g2.1 = ggplot(data = hosp1[hosp1$weekday == "Monday",],
          mapping = aes(x = week, y = patients)
g2.1 = g2.1 + geom_bar(stat="identity", fill = "orange")
```

g2.1

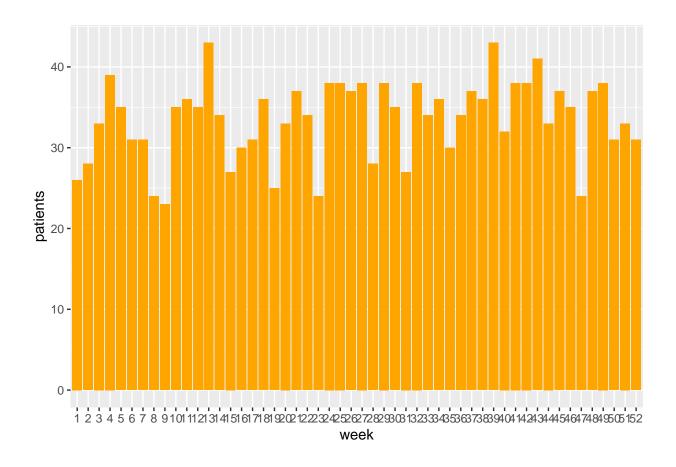


Figure 2.1: Patients on Monday during the year.

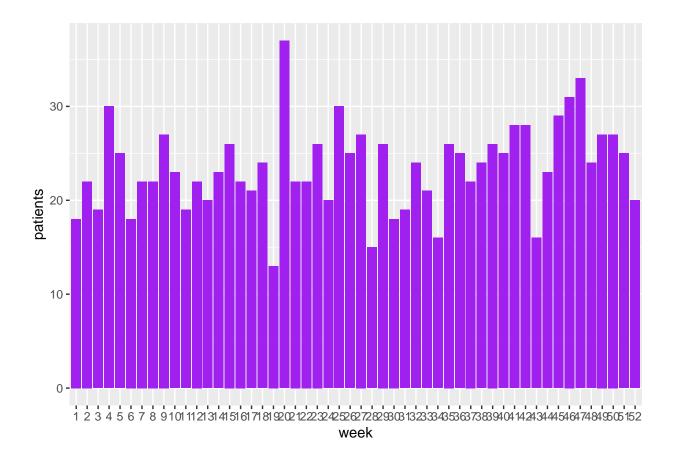
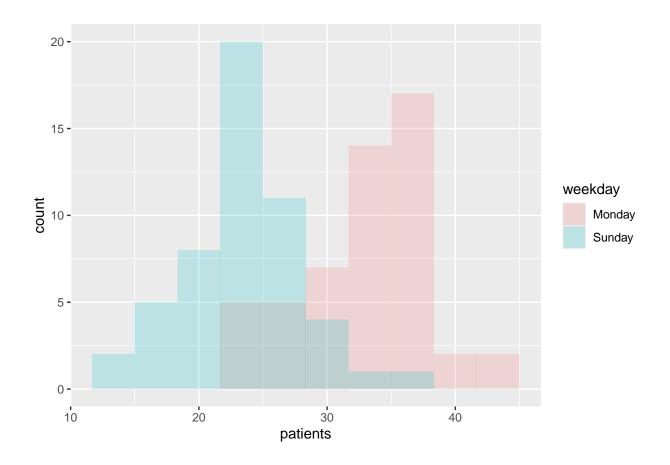


Figure 2.2: Patients on Sunday during the year.

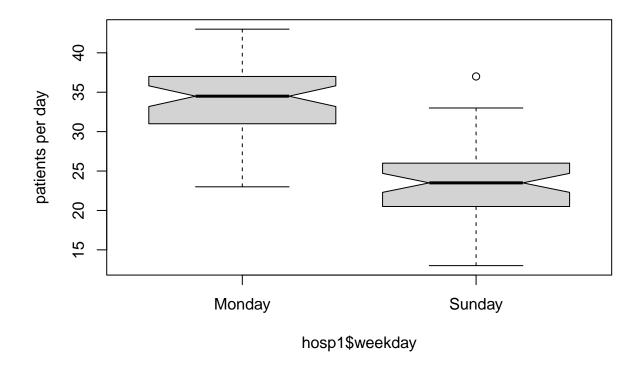
- We can change the x axis into patients\_per\_day and the y axis into the count.
- In this way, we remove the information of week, because we think the data are not paired, which means the patient number on Sunday and Monday are not correlated.
- This process is like to put the original patient number data into buckets to remove the week information.

```
#hosp1
g2.3 = ggplot(hosp1, mapping = aes(x = patients, fill = weekday))
g2.3 = g2.3 + geom_histogram(position = "identity", alpha = 0.2, bins = 10)
g2.3
```



• You can see that the patients on Sundays are normally distributed. Also, the patients on Mondays are normally distributed.

boxplot(hosp1\$patients ~ hosp1\$weekday, notch = T, ylab = "patients per day")



## Is there a difference in patient admission rates between Mondays and Sundays?

- We first form the null (H0) and alternative (HA) hypothesis for this question.
- H0: The patient admission rate on Mondays is no different from that on Sundays.
- HA: The patient admission rate on Mondays is different from that on Sundays.

```
monsums = hosp1[hosp1$weekday == "Monday", ]$patients
sunsums = hosp1[hosp1$weekday == "Sunday", ]$patients
shapiro.test(monsums)
##
    Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
##
## data: monsums
## W = 0.95206, p-value = 0.03564
shapiro.test(sunsums)
##
##
    Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: sunsums
## W = 0.987, p-value = 0.838
```

• The patients on both Monday and Sunday during the year are not normally distribution, so the data do not meet the condition to use the t-test.

```
##
## Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction
##
## data: hosp1[hosp1$weekday == "Monday", ]$patients and hosp1[hosp1$weekday == "Sunday", ]$patients
## W = 2492.5, p-value = 1.159e-13
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is not equal to 0
```

- p-value < 0.05
- We reject H0.
- There is sufficient evidence to conclude that the patient admission rate on Mondays is different from that on Sundays.
- Therefore, there is a significant difference in patient admission rates between Mondays and Sundays.
- Here provide another solution: simulation.

```
monsums = hosp1[hosp1$weekday == "Monday", ]$patients
sunsums = hosp1[hosp1$weekday == "Sunday", ]$patients

real_median = median(monsums) - median(sunsums)

random_sums = c(sunsums, monsums)

count = 0

reptimes = 10000

for(i in 1:reptimes){
   random_index = sample(seq(1,104), 52, replace = F)

   random_mon = random_sums[random_index]
   random_sun = random_sums[-random_index]

   random_median = median(random_mon) - median(random_sun)

if(random_median >= real_median)
   count = count + 1
}

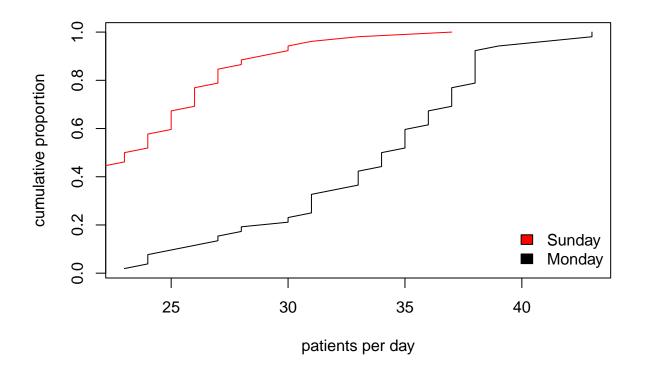
p_value = 1.0*count/reptimes
p_value
```

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• p-value < 0.05, so we reject H0.

• NOTE: p-value means the probability that the situation is the same or more extreme (refers to extreme like HA) if H0 is true.

```
#monsums
#sort(monsum)
plot(sort(monsums), 1:length(monsums)/length(monsums), type = 'l',
    ylab = "cumulative proportion", xlab = "patients per day")
lines(sort(sunsums), 1:length(sunsums)/length(sunsums), col = "red")
legend("bottomright", legend = c("Sunday", "Monday"), fill = c("red", "black"),
    bty = "n")
```



```
# bty = box type, default = "o", "n" means none.
```

## 2.3 Based on your findings, what advice would you give Dr. Horsey?

• We should arrange more staff on Mondays than on Sundays.

# 3. Spinal cord injury and novel biomaterials

3.1 Import, arrange the data (merge both pieces of data and make the data possible to analyse), and make tsuitable for analysis.

```
data1 = read.csv("SCI_before.csv")
data2 = read.csv("SCI_after.csv")
# head(data1)
# head(data2)
data1$patient_ID = as.factor(data1$patient_ID)
# levels(data1$patient_ID)
data2$patient_ID = as.factor(data2$patient_ID)
# summary(data1)
# summary(data2)
# library(dplyr)
# levels(data2$patient_ID)
data1 = arrange(data1, data1$patient_ID)
data2 = arrange(data2, data2$patient_ID)
# data1$patient_ID == data2$patient_ID
#data1
#data2
#match(data1$patient_ID, data2$patient_ID)
data = cbind(data1, data2$AIS_after)
names(data)[3] = "AIS_after"
# head(data)
```

## Any NA?

```
anyNA(data)
## [1] FALSE
• No NA.
```

#### Any duplicated?

```
idx1 = which(duplicated(data))
idx2 = which(duplicated(data, fromLast = T))
idx1

## [1] 3 6 8 10 18 31 35 37

# data[c(idx1, idx2), ]
data = data[-idx1, ]
```

#### Data type?

```
# summary(data)
data$AIS_before = as.factor(data$AIS_before)
data$AIS_after = as.factor(data$AIS_after)
```

Documentation: Remove 8 duplicated rows.

3.2 Check your data carefully. Identify features of the data and discuss your conclusions. Make illustrative plots.

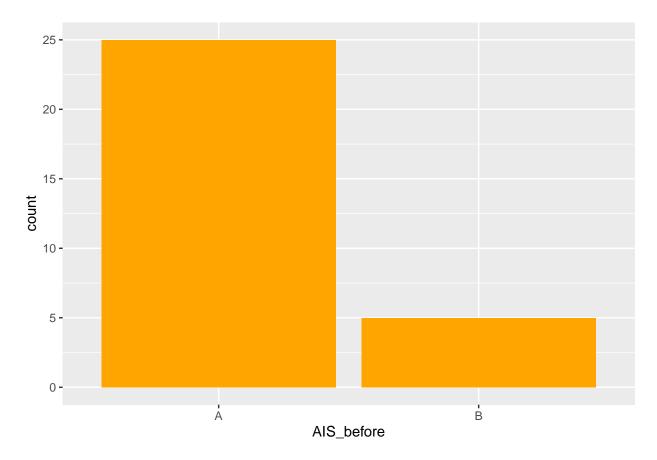


Figure 3.1: ALS level distribution before treatment.

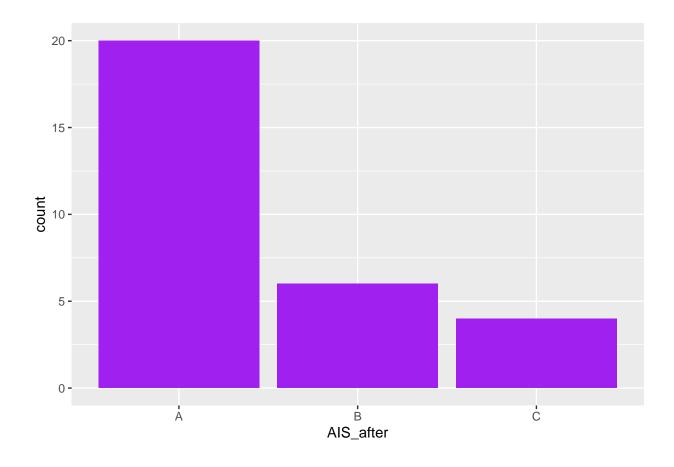


Figure 3.1: ALS level distribution after treatment.

# 3.3 Formulate the correct statistical hypothesis to compare the groups, choose the appropriate statistical test

- We first form the null (H0) and alternative (HA) hypothesis for this question.
- H0: The AIS score after treatment is no better than that before treatment.
- HA: The AIS score after treatment is better than that before treatment.
- Because the sample size is too small, we cannot decide whether it is normally distributed.
- Therefore, We use paired Wilcoxon test.
- We convert AIS score A,B,C,D,E into 5, 4, 3, 2 and 1.

```
a = c()
for (i in 1:nrow(data)) {
    x = data[i, "AIS_before"]
    if (x == "A")
        t = 5
    if (x == "B")
        t = 4
    if (x == "C")
        t = 3
    if (x == "D")
        t = 2
    if (x == "E")
```

```
t = 1
  a = c(a, t)
#print(a)
b = c()
for (i in 1:nrow(data)) {
  x = data[i, "AIS_after"]
  if (x == "A")
   t = 5
  if (x == "B")
   t = 4
  if (x == "C")
    t = 3
  if (x == "D")
   t = 2
  if (x == "E")
    t = 1
  b = c(b, t)
wilcox.test(a, b, alternative = 'less', paired = T)
```

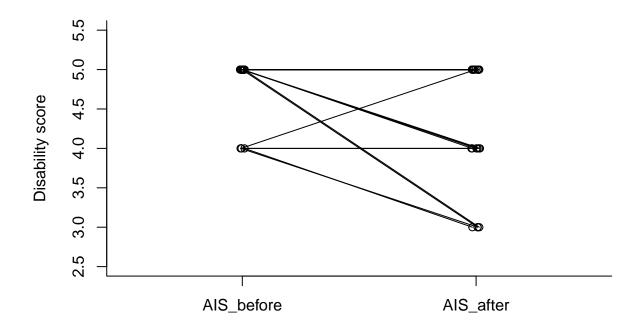
```
##
## Wilcoxon signed rank test with continuity correction
##
## data: a and b
## V = 41, p-value = 0.9912
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is less than 0
```

- p-value < 0.05
- We reject H0.
- There is sufficient evidence to conclude that the AIS score after treatment is better than that before treatment.

```
data_to_plot = cbind(rep(1, nrow(data)),a,rep(2, nrow(data)),b)
data_to_plot = as.data.frame(data_to_plot)
names(data_to_plot) = c("AIS_before", "x0", "AIS_after", "x1")
# str(data_to_plot)
data_to_plot[, c(1, 3)] = apply(data_to_plot[, c(1, 3)], MARGIN = c(1, 2), FUN = jitter, factor = 0.5)
# MARGIN = for a matrix 1 indicates rows, 2 indicates columns, c(1, 2) indicates rows and columns
data_to_plot
```

```
##
     AIS before x0 AIS after x1
## 1
     1.0001530 5 2.006037 4
## 2 0.9974535 5 2.001287 4
## 3 0.9939644 5 2.006197 5
## 4
     1.0096883 5 1.983194 5
## 5
     0.9967711 4 2.012714 4
     0.9977320 5 2.009045 5
## 6
     0.9902508 5 1.991249 5
## 7
## 8
     1.0041466 5 1.987410 5
## 9
     1.0011054 5 1.983496 4
## 10 1.0095075 4 1.984089 3
```

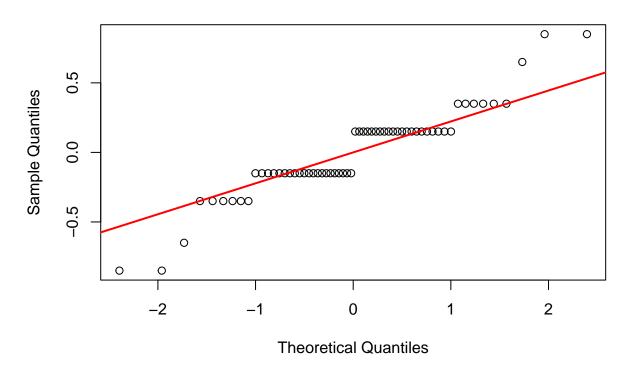
```
## 11 0.9927163 4 1.980216 4
## 12 1.0071134 5 2.006374 5
## 13 0.9950562 5 2.011349 5
## 15 0.9938917 4 2.006894 3
## 16 1.0077219 5 1.986659 5
## 17 1.0050029 5 2.012896 5
## 18 1.0099905 5 2.010209 5
## 19 1.0066867 5 2.013654 3
## 20 0.9943013 4 1.998434 5
## 21 0.9976447 5 2.009213 5
## 22 1.0036036 5 2.013278 5
## 23 0.9995317 5 1.982961 5
## 24 0.9937778 5 1.991560 5
## 25 1.0056466 5 2.011706 5
## 26 0.9986607 5 2.016471 4
## 27 1.0001049 5 2.009151 5
## 28 0.9988427 5 2.006213 3
## 29 1.0092560 5 1.982557 5
## 30 0.9913011 5 1.986694 5
plot(x = data_to_plot[ , 1], y = data_to_plot[ , 2],
    xlim = c(0.5, 2.5), ylim = c(2.5, 5.5),
    axes = F, xlab = "", ylab = "Disability score")
# add the point of AIS before AND hide the axis
points(x = data_to_plot[ , 3], y = data_to_plot[ , 4])
# add the point of AIS after
segments(x0 = data_to_plot[ , 1],
        y0 = data_to_plot[ , 2],
        x1 = data_to_plot[ , 3],
       y1 = data_to_plot[ , 4])
axis(2) # add y axis
axis(1, at = 1:2, labels = c("AIS_before", "AIS_after"))
# only draw the x axis between (1, 2)
box(bty = "l")
```



```
# bty = L means the frame looks like the letter 'L' # add a box around the plot, the aim is to complete the x axis
```

```
row.names(data) = 1:nrow(data)
data$AIS_before = a
data$AIS_after = b
data = gather(data, key = "measurement", value = "AIS", AIS_before, AIS_after)
data$patient_ID = as.factor(data$patient_ID)
model = lm(AIS ~ measurement + patient_ID, data) #
# summary(model)
# shapiro.test(resid(model))
# use q-q plot (quantile-quantile plot) to validate normality.
qqdata = resid(model)
# summary(qqdata)
qqnorm(qqdata)
qqline(qqdata, col = "red", lwd = 2) # add a reference line
```

# Normal Q-Q Plot



```
## $x
## [1] "Theoretical Quantiles"
##
## attr(,"class")
## [1] "labels"

## $y
## [1] "Ordered Values"
##
## attr(,"class")
## ## attr(,"class")
## ## attr(,"class")
```

- Normality check shows that the residuals from a linear regression of the data are not normally distributed.
- Because most points are not tightly cluster around the reference line.

#### 3.4 Discuss the results you got.

• The treatment has significant improvement effect on the spinal cord injury.

• The effect size.

```
effect_size = abs(mean(b)-mean(a))
effect_size
```

#### ## [1] 0.3

- $\bullet\,$  We should consider more factors that influence the AIS score.
- We should consider to use a quantitative score to evaluate the health condition instead of AIS score.