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Lab 1

Note: All the graphs of this lab should be saved as pdf files and be inserted in a Word document where you can type your comments. Make sure you write a comment for each graph!

EXERCISE 1

The data here represent life expectancies (Life) and per capita income (Income) in 1974 dollars for 101 countries in the early 1970's. The source of these data is: Leinhardt and Wasserman (1979), New York Times (September, 28, 1975, p. E-3). They also appear on Regression Analysis by Ashish Sen and Muni Srivastava. You can access these data in R using:

- c <- read.table("http://www.stat.ucla.edu/~nchristo/statistics13/countries_life.txt", header=TRUE)
 - a. Construct a scatterplot of Life against Income. Note: Income should be on the horizontal axis. How does income affect life expectancy?
 - b. Construct the boxplot and histogram of Income. Are there any outliers?
 - c. Split the data set into two part: One for which the Income is below \$1000, and one for which the Income is above \$1000.
 - d. Use the data for which the Income is below \$1000: Plot Life against Income and compute the correlation coefficient.

EXERCISE 2

These data represent the percentage of body fat determined by underwater weighing and various body circumference measurements and other variables for 251 men. For the variable description see the handout "Data analysis with R":

http://www.stat.ucla.edu/~nchristo/statistics13/stat13_intro_to_R.pdf

You can access the data in R with the following command:

- d <- read.table("http://www.stat.ucla.edu/~nchristo/statistics13/body_fat.txt", header=TRUE)
 - a. Compute summary statistics for the variable y (percent body fat).
 - b. Construct the boxplot and histogram of y.
 - c. Create two data sets: one for which $x_3 < 30$ (men younger than 30) and one for which $x_3 > 60$ (men older than 60). Construct side-by-side boxplots of y for these two data sets.
 - d. Compute summary statistics for y for the two data sets that you created in part (c). What do you observe?
 - e. Compute the correlation coefficient between y and x_{10} for the two data sets that you created in part(c).

EXERCISE 3

Use R to access the Maas river data. These data contain the concentration of lead and zinc in ppm at 155 locations at the banks of the Maas river in the Netherlands. You can read the data in R as follows:

- a <- read.table("http://www.stat.ucla.edu/~nchristo/statistics13/soil.txt", header=TRUE)
 - a. Compute the summary statistics for lead and zinc.
 - b. Plot the histogram of lead and log(lead).
 - c. Plot log(lead) against log(zinc). What do you observe?
 - d. The level of risk for surface soil based on lead concentration in ppm is given on the table below:

| Mean concentration (ppm) | Level of risk |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Below 150 | Lead-free |
| Between 150-400 | Lead-safe |
| Above 400 | Significant environmental lead hazard |

Use techniques similar to pages 9, 10, and 11 in the handout "Introduction to R" to give different colors and sizes to the lead concentration at these 155 locations.

EXERCISE 4

The data for this exercise represent approximately the centers (given by longitude and latitude) of each one of the City of Los Angeles neighborhoods. See also the Los Angeles Times project on the City of Los Angeles neighborhoods at:

http://projects.latimes.com/mapping-la/neighborhoods/

You can access these data at:

- b <- read.table("http://www.stat.ucla.edu/~nchristo/statistics13/la_data.txt", header=TRUE)
 - a. Plot these data points and add the map on the plot.
 - b. Do you see any relationship between income and school performance? Hint: Plot the variable Schools against the variable Income and describe what you see. Also, ignore the data points on the plot for which Schools=0.