Practical Applications of Statistical Analysis

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Statistics and Types Of Statistics

- Statistics is the science of collecting, organizing, presenting, analyzing, and interpreting numerical data for the purpose of better problem solving
- **Descriptive statistics** is the procedures used to organize and summarize data; for example, ARCS
- **Inferential statistics** is the method used to find out something about the population (*all enterprises in Armenia*) using a sample (*300 enterprises in ARCS*).

How To Organize Data & Peresnt Data (Descriptive Statistics)

- Arranging the data in ascending or descending order.
- Frequency Distribution
- Cumulative Frequency Distribution
- **Bar Charts** • Pie Charts

Histogram of Sales (ARCS -2004)

Sales Histogram 2004

What do we know and how we can use this knowledge:

Quick Review: Mean Value

• Mean of the data is what you expect the data to be. *Mean could be ^a simple average value for the data: Life expectancy at birth* **= 72.7**

GDP per capita (PPP) \$5 900 (PPP) = \$5,900

• Mean usually estimate by adding up the individual elements of a variable and dividing the sum by the total number of elements, i.e. average of 2 and 6 is then (2+6)/2

• Sometimes we hear a phrase "weighted average". It is a mean but instead of weighing each individual element equally we weigh them by specified weights (for example: food cannot be consumed in equal amount by a child and an adult, but we have to estimate an average consumption per family.)

Mean

• Average = (Sum of all values) / (Number of values)

For example: 3, 4, 7, 3, 8 Average = $(3 + 4 + 7 + 3 + 8) / 5 = 5$

In this example, there were 5 observations, that is, *i=1, 2, …,5.* Hence, the total number of observations are 5 $(n=5)$

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Mean = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i}^{n} X_{i}
$$

Variance

- **Variance** is a measure of dispersion of the data around the mean
- $\bullet\,$ Variance also serves as a measurement of risk, i.e. greater the variability around the mean greater the risk
- Since in the real world we rarely deal with entire population, we get to work with the **sample variance** *formula***:**

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S^{2} = \frac{\sum_{i}^{n} (Y_{i} - \overline{Y})^{2}}{n-1}
$$

• Standard Deviation (S) is a standardized measure of dispersion around the mean. The value of standard deviation is just a square root of variance

An Example: Computation Of Variance (n=4) Example:

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Covariance

• A measure of co-movement . It is just the average of the cross products of two random variables

Co variance

Sum / $(4-2) = 92/2 = 46 = Covariance$

Co variance = $\frac{\sum (X_i - \overline{X})(Y_i - \overline{Y})}{\sum (X_i - \overline{X})(Y_i - \overline{Y})}$ $N-2$

Application of Variance and Covariance: Regression Model

Modeling Y: Assume that theory tells us that Y is influenced by X:

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Y_t = f(X_t)
$$

Also, assume that , the relationship between Y and X is linear; and that, "e" is a portion of Y that is not explained by X. Then, we have the following model:

$$
Y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_t + e_t
$$

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\nNote:
$$
\frac{Y_t}{Y_t} = \frac{\beta_0}{\beta_0} \quad \text{if } \frac{X_t = 0}{X_t} \text{ or } \beta = 0
$$
\nNote:
$$
\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X} = \beta_1
$$
 = Change in Y, if X changes by a unit
\nNote: Elasticity = $E = \frac{9}{\Delta Y} / \frac{9}{\Delta X} \times E = \beta_1 \frac{\overline{X}}{\overline{Y}}$

Example: Modeling Y = f (X)

Application - continued:

• Slope or parameter β_1 is estimated using what we have already learned:

> ² Covariance(*Y*,*X*) 1 β ⁼ (X) *Variance*

- . This slope tells us the following: For one unit increase in explanatory variable X, how many units will the predicted variable Y.
- And β_0 is estimated by:

$$
\beta_0 = \overline{Y} - \beta_1 \overline{X}
$$

Application - continued:

• Slope or parameter $\vert \beta_1 \vert$ is estimated by:

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\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\text{Covariance}(Y, X)}{\text{Variance}(X)} \qquad \hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{90}{512.7} = 0.176
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 \bullet This slope tells us the following: For one unit increase in X, we find 0.176 unit increase in Y. Or for 100 unit increase in X , then Y will go up by 17.6 unit.

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\frac{\beta_0}{\beta_0} \text{ is estimated by:}
$$
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$$
\beta_0 = \overline{Y} - \beta_1 \overline{X} \qquad \beta_0 = 6 - (0.176)(37.75) = -0.64
$$

This shows that if $X = 0$, then $Y = -0.64$

Application of Variance and C i ovar iance - continue

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Y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_t + e_t
$$

z *Elasticity* or *E*= *%ΔY / %Δ X is* :

$$
E = \beta_1 \frac{\overline{X}}{\overline{Y}}
$$
 $E = (0.176) \frac{37.75}{6} = 1.107$

Therefore, "E= 1.107" shows that for every one percent rise in X, we will see Y to rise by 1.107 percent.

Univariate Descriptive Statistics - ARCS 2009

Covariance - ARCS 2009

Correlation Coefficients = Cov (Y, X) / (S_y S_x) - ARCS 2009

