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## Introductory Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences

Sixth Edition

This book is dedicated to our students—past, present, and future—to Walter, Julie, Larry, David, Sara, and Ray, to Lori, Michael, and Melissa, to Judy and Meredith,

and especially to the memory of Joan Welkowitz, our mentor and brilliant, much-loved friend. She will be greatly missed by many family members, friends, colleagues, and former students.

### **Preface**

This sixth edition represents a major revision of a text that was first published in 1971, and has been in print continuously ever since. However, our purpose in this edition is the same as it was in the very first edition: to introduce and explain statistical concepts and principles clearly and in a highly readable fashion, assuming minimal mathematical sophistication, but avoiding a "cookbook" approach to methodology.

In this edition we have moved to a new publisher, John Wiley & Sons, and replaced our dear, departed colleague, Jack Cohen, with another co-author of the same last name. Although not directly related to Jack in a genetic sense, Barry Cohen began teaching statistics at New York University while Jack Cohen was still doing the same, and has been influenced accordingly. Before then, he served as a teaching assistant to Joan Welkowitz at NYU more than twenty years ago. One advantage of joining John Wiley & Sons is that this text can now share supplementary materials with Barry Cohen's graduate-level statistics text, *Explaining Psychological Statistics*, also published by Wiley. (See Barry Cohen's statistics web page: www.psych.nyu.edu/cohen/statstext.html.)

There are five major changes in this edition.

#### 1. The Inclusion of Exercises in the Text

Most of the numerical exercises from the Study Guide prepared by Bob Ewen for the fifth edition of this text have been moved to the end of the appropriate chapters in this edition. Most of the conceptual workbook problems have been moved to a separate section following the exercises in each chapter, labeled Thought Questions. Answers to selected exercises appear in an appendix to the text; answers to all of the exercises (including the thought questions) are in the instructor's manual, available from the Wiley web page for this text (instructors will need to set up a password to access this manual). For instructors who have used the Study Guide from the previous edition, the instructor's manual includes a table that will tell them where to find each of those problems in this edition. A student study guide is also available from the Wiley web page. (Links to the Wiley web page can always be found on the Cohen statistics web page.)

## 2. The Addition of Computer Exercises and a "Bridge to SPSS" Section at the End of Every Chapter

Although we believe that the performance of some simple hand calculations is vital for a complete understanding of the statistical procedures in this text, we

also recognize that most instructors these days require their students to learn how to calculate basic statistics with Microsoft Excel, or one of the comprehensive statistical software packages (e.g., SPSS, SAS, Minitab). Therefore, we have included one large data set in the appendix, which can also be downloaded in several useful formats from the web, and end-of-chapter computer exercises, all of which refer to this data set. The use of a single data set for all of the computer exercises facilitates comparisons among seemingly disparate, yet nonetheless closely related statistical procedures.

Because SPSS for Windows (SPSS, Chicago, Illinois) seems to be the most often used statistical package among our intended audience, we have included instructions that will help students to solve the computer exercises with SPSS, and to understand the output that SPSS creates. This built-in SPSS guide cannot take the place of a more general introductory guide to the SPSS package, and students will still need instructions concerning access to SPSS at their particular college or university. However, our Bridge to SPSS sections will ensure that students can connect the statistical terms that SPSS uses, which are not always universally recognized, with the language being used in this text.

It should be possible to solve most, if not all, of our computer exercises using any major statistical software package, but instructors using packages other than SPSS will need to provide their students with some guidance in translating their output into terms that are compatible with this text. Our Bridge to SPSS sections are based on version 14.0 of SPSS for Windows, the current version at the time of publication of this edition, but users of SPSS versions as early as 8.0 should find these sections just as applicable. If newer versions of SPSS for Windows, released before the next edition of this text, require any modifications of our Bridge to SPSS sections, these will be posted on the Cohen statistics web page.

#### 3. The Addition of an Entire Chapter on Multiple Comparisons

The material on Fisher's protected t tests and LSD has been moved from the one-way ANOVA chapter in the fifth edition to a chapter of its own in this edition, and has been joined by Tukey's HSD, the modified LSD test, and the Bonferroni adjustment. The relative advantages and disadvantages of these alternatives are explained.

#### 4. The Addition of a Chapter on Repeated-Measures ANOVA

This new chapter extends the scope of this text into an area that is now covered commonly in introductory statistics texts. This chapter appears *after* the two-way ANOVA, and can therefore take advantage of both the formulas and concepts of the two-way ANOVA to explain the workings of the repeated-measures and randomized-blocks ANOVA procedures. The new chapter concludes with a brief description of the computation and use of the two-way mixed-design ANOVA.

#### 5. The Reorganization of Material from the Previous Edition

An important theme of this new edition has been the drawing of connections between statistical procedures from different chapters. Towards that end, we have reanalyzed, whenever feasible, the data sets of earlier chapters by the methods of subsequent chapters. Moreover, our text examples frequently refer to, as a unifying theme, the same hypothetical experiment that we used for our computer exercises.

Another important, and somewhat related, theme has been continuity. For example, the material on discrete probability (in chapter 8 of the fifth edition) was interrupting the flow between the description of standardized (*z*) scores, and their use with respect to the areas of the normal distribution. Consequently, we moved this material to a new chapter, just before "Chi-Square Tests," to create an introduction to nonparametric statistics. Also, in accord with the suggestion of an anonymous reviewer, we reversed the order of chapters 6 and 7 from the fifth edition, so that the chapter on standardized scores directly precedes the description of the normal curve, and the chapter on exploratory data summaries follows directly after the chapters on central tendency and variability.

What has not changed in this edition is our continuing commitment to teaching our readers to understand the rationales that underlie the various statistical procedures explained herein, and to interpret and apply the results of those procedures without falling prey to common conceptual errors. Our emphasis therefore remains on the fundamental logic and proper use of descriptive and inferential statistics. This text was ahead of its time in highlighting the advantages of using confidence intervals and effect size measures, and making simple power calculations accessible to students at an introductory level. It is our hope that this revision brings our text not just up-to-date, but moves it once again to the forefront of statistical education for students of the behavioral sciences.

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For the very existence of this latest edition, we owe our thanks to Patricia Rossi (senior editor) and Isabel Pratt (associate editor); without the vision and understanding of the editors and publishers at John Wiley & Sons, this revision would not have been published. We are also grateful to those responsible for the look and design of this text—especially, Linda Witzling (senior production editor, Wiley) and Susan Dodson (Graphic Composition, Inc., Athens, GA). Finally, we owe a debt of gratitude to Leona Gizzi for tirelessly typing the new chapters and sections from handwritten copy, and to Ihno Lee for her careful preparation of the answer key both in the appendix of this edition and in the accompanying instructor's manual.

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#### **Postscript**

It is with much sadness that we note the passing of our senior author, Joan Welkowitz, early in 2006. She was very excited about the whole framework of this new edition, and remained involved in every stage of this revision, until the final copyediting. This edition is a tribute to her lifelong dedication to the teaching of statistics, and more generally, the mentoring of students of psychology. We will miss her greafly.

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## **Glossary of Symbols**

Numbers in parentheses indicate the chapter in which the symbol first appears.

```
Y-intercept of linear regression line for predicting Y from X (12)
 a_{yx}
                 criterion (or level) of significance; probability of Type I error (9)
 α
                 the experiment-wise alpha (16)
 \alpha_{\rm EW}
 \alpha_{pc}
                 the alpha per comparison (16)
                 slope of linear regression line for predicting Y from X (12)
 b_{vx}
 β
                 probability of Type II error (9)
 1 - \beta
                 power (14)
cf
                 cumulative frequency (2)
\chi^2
                 statistic following the chi square distribution (20)
                 difference between two scores or ranks (11)
D
\overline{D}
                 mean of the Ds (11)
d
                 effect size involving two populations (14)
df
                 degrees of freedom (9)
df_{\rm R}
                 degrees of freedom between groups (15)
                 degrees of freedom within groups (15)
df_{w}
df_1
                 degrees of freedom for factor 1 (17)
df
                 degrees of freedom for factor 2 (17)
df_{1\times 2}
                 degrees of freedom for interaction (17)
δ
                 delta (14)
\eta^2
                 eta squared (15)
f
                 effect size involving multiple populations (15)
                 frequency (2)
                 expected frequency (20)
f_{\rm o}
                 observed frequency (20)
F
                statistic following the F distribution (15)
g
                effect size involving two samples (14)
h
                interval size (3)
```

H	statistic following the Kruskal—Wallis test (21)
H%	percent of subjects in all intervals higher than the critical one (3)
$H_0$	null hypothesis (10)
$H_1$	alternative hypothesis (10)
HSD	Tukey's Honestly Significant Difference (16)
i	case number (1)
<i>I</i> %	percent of subjects in the critical interval (3)
k	a constant (1)
k	number of groups (or the last group) (15)
L%	percent of subjects in all intervals below the critical one (3)
LRL	lower real limit (3)
LSD	Fisher's Least Significant Difference (16)
Mdn	median (4)
MS	mean square (15)
$MS_{_{ m B}}$	mean square between groups (15)
$MS_{\mathrm{w}}$	mean square within groups (15)
$MS_1$	mean square for factor 1 (17)
$MS_2$	mean square for factor 2 (17)
$MS_{1\times 2}$	mean square for interaction (17)
μ	population mean (4)
$N_{_{ m T}}$	total number of subjects or observations (1)
$N_{ m i}$	number of observations or subjects in group i (15)
π	hypothetical population proportion (10)
p	observed sample proportion (10)
P(A)	probability of event $A$ (19)
PR	percentile rank (3)
φ	phi coefficient (20)
$\phi_{\rm C}$	Cramér's φ (20)
q	studentized range statistic (16)
$r_{c}$	matched pairs rank biserial correlation coefficient (21)
$r_{_G}$	Glass rank biserial correlation coefficient (21)
$r_{ m pb}$	point-biserial correlation coefficient (13)
$r_{ m s}$	Spearman rank-order correlation coefficient (21)
$r_{_{XY}}$	sample Pearson correlation coefficient between $X$ and $Y$ (12)
$\overline{R}$	mean of a set of ranks (21)
$ ho_{\scriptscriptstyle XY}$	population correlation coefficient between $X$ and $Y$ (12)

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S
                    sample standard deviation (5)
 S^2
                    population variance estimate (5)
 S_D^2
                    variance of the Ds (11)
 S_{\text{pooled}}^2
                    pooled variance (11)
                    standard error of the mean (10)
 S_{\overline{X}}
                    standard error of the difference (11)
 S_{\overline{X}_1-\overline{X}_2}
                   estimate of \sigma_{y'} obtained from a sample (12)
 S_{V'}
 Score<sub>n</sub>
                    score corresponding to the pth percentile (3)
 SFB
                    sum of frequencies below the critical interval (3)
 SS
                    sum of squares (15)
 SS_{T}
                    total sum of squares (15)
 SS_{\rm B}
                   sum of squares between groups (15)
                   sum of squares within groups (15)
 SS_{w}
                   sum of squares for factor 1 (17)
 SS_1
 SS,
                   sum of squares for factor 2 (17)
SS_{1\times 2}
                   sum of squares for interaction (17)
 Σ
                   summation sign (1)
                   population standard deviation (5)
 σ
 \sigma^2
                   population variance (5)
                   standard error of a sample proportion (10)
 \sigma_{p}
                   standard error of the ranks of independent samples (21)
 \sigma_T
                   standard error of the ranks of matched samples (21)
\sigma_{T..}
                   standard error of the mean when \sigma is known (10)
\sigma_{\overline{X}}
                   standard error of estimate for predicting Y(12)
\sigma_{v'}
t
                   statistic following the t distribution (10)
T
                   T score (7)
T_{\scriptscriptstyle \mathrm{E}}
                   expected sum of the ranks (21)
T_{i}
                   sum of ranks in group i (21)
\chi
                   deviation score (4)
X'
                   predicted X score (12)
\overline{X}
                   sample mean (4)
\overline{X}_{i}
                  mean of group i (15)
\overline{X}_{G}
                  grand mean (15)
Y'
                  predicted Y score (12)
Z
                  standard score (7)
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