

# E-411-PRMA

## Lecture 2

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TABLE A.4

Areas of the standard normal distribution. The entries in this table are the probabilities that a standard normal random variable is between 0 and  $z$  (the shaded area).



$z$	SECOND DECIMAL PLACE IN $z$									
	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.0	0.0000	0.0040	0.0080	0.0120	0.0160	0.0199	0.0239	0.0279	0.0319	0.0359
0.1	0.0398	0.0438	0.0478	0.0517	0.0557	0.0596	0.0636	0.0675	0.0714	0.0753
0.2	0.0793	0.0832	0.0871	0.0910	0.0948	0.0987	0.1026	0.1064	0.1103	0.1141
0.3	0.1179	0.1217	0.1255	0.1293	0.1331	0.1368	0.1406	0.1443	0.1480	0.1517
0.4	0.1554	0.1591	0.1628	0.1664	0.1700	0.1736	0.1772	0.1808	0.1844	0.1879
0.5	0.1915	0.1950	0.1985	0.2019	0.2054	0.2088	0.2123	0.2157	0.2190	0.2224
0.6	0.2257	0.2291	0.2324	0.2357	0.2389	0.2422	0.2454	0.2486	0.2517	0.2549
0.7	0.2580	0.2611	0.2642	0.2673	0.2704	0.2734	0.2764	0.2794	0.2823	0.2852
0.8	0.2881	0.2910	0.2939	0.2967	0.2995	0.3023	0.3051	0.3078	0.3106	0.3133
0.9	0.3159	0.3186	0.3212	0.3238	0.3264	0.3289	0.3315	0.3340	0.3365	0.3389
1.0	0.3413	0.3438	0.3461	0.3485	0.3508	0.3531	0.3554	0.3577	0.3599	0.3621
1.1	0.3643	0.3665	0.3686	0.3708	0.3729	0.3749	0.3770	0.3790	0.3810	0.3830
1.2	0.3849	0.3869	0.3888	0.3907	0.3925	0.3944	0.3962	0.3980	0.3997	0.4015
1.3	0.4032	0.4049	0.4066	0.4082	0.4099	0.4115	0.4131	0.4147	0.4162	0.4177
1.4	0.4192	0.4207	0.4222	0.4236	0.4251	0.4265	0.4279	0.4292	0.4306	0.4319
1.5	0.4332	0.4345	0.4357	0.4370	0.4382	0.4394	0.4406	0.4418	0.4429	0.4441
1.6	0.4452	0.4463	0.4474	0.4484	0.4495	0.4505	0.4515	0.4525	0.4535	0.4545
1.7	0.4554	0.4564	0.4573	0.4582	0.4591	0.4599	0.4608	0.4616	0.4625	0.4633
1.8	0.4641	0.4649	0.4656	0.4664	0.4671	0.4678	0.4686	0.4693	0.4699	0.4706
1.9	0.4713	0.4719	0.4726	0.4732	0.4738	0.4744	0.4750	0.4756	0.4761	0.4767
2.0	0.4772	0.4778	0.4783	0.4788	0.4793	0.4798	0.4803	0.4808	0.4812	0.4817
2.1	0.4821	0.4826	0.4830	0.4834	0.4838	0.4842	0.4846	0.4850	0.4854	0.4857
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2.3	0.4893	0.4896	0.4898	0.4901	0.4904	0.4906	0.4909	0.4911	0.4913	0.4916
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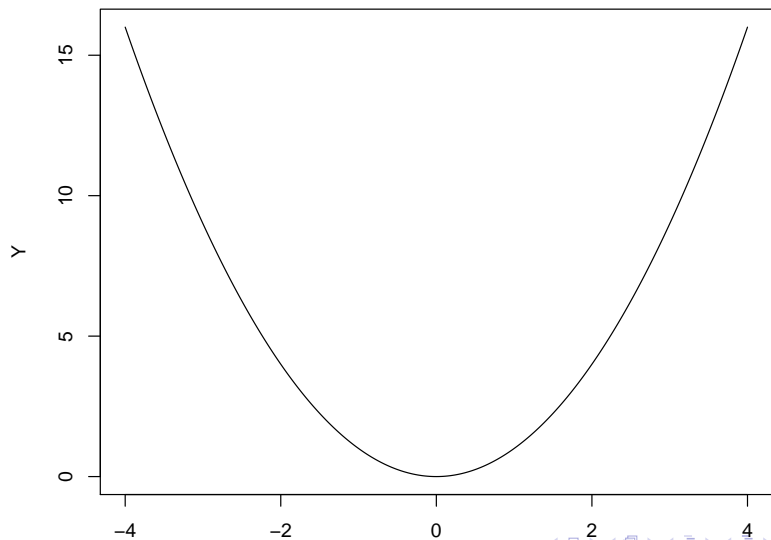
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- ▶ How does this relate to a hypothesis test?

# What is a correlation?

- ▶ Is it an association?
- ▶ Does it imply causation?
- ▶ Is a correlation necessary for causation?
- ▶ Does it need linearity?
- ▶ Is it affected by variability?
- ▶ Is it affected by outliers?
- ▶ Is it related to the simple linear regression?

# What is the Pearson correlation coefficient?



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$$\frac{\sum(X - \bar{X})(Y - \bar{Y})}{\sqrt{\sum(X - \bar{X})^2 \sum((Y - \bar{Y})^2)}}$$



# Calculating Pearson correlation coefficient

	X	Y
	5	6
	3	0
	1	0
Mean	3	2

```
x <- c(5, 3, 1)
y <- c(6, 0, 0)
cor(x, y)
```

# R correlation applet

1. Open RStudio
2. Open correlation\_applet.R
3. Click the "Source" button

# Spearman's rho

- ▶ Non-parametric measure of association
- ▶ Appropriate when at least one of your variables is ordinal variables
- ▶ Don't use Pearson's correlation with ordinal variables!

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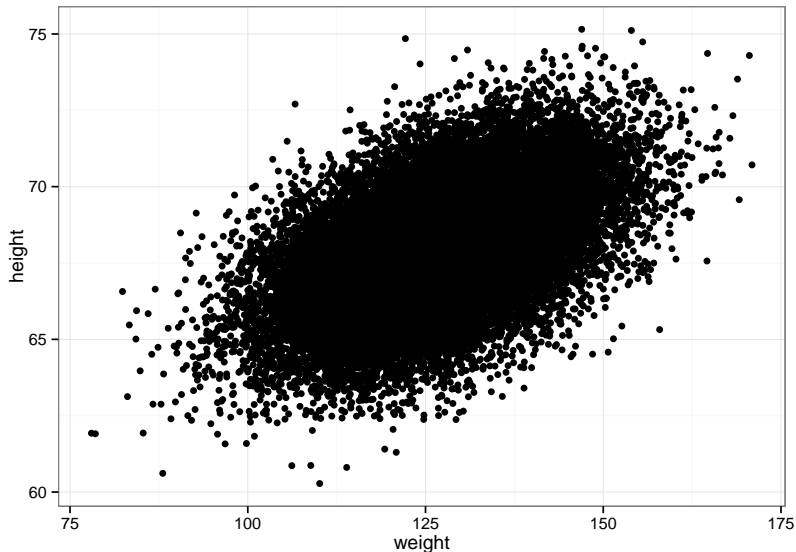
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- ▶ How could we assess if this is appropriate?

# 1993 Growth Survey of 25,000 Hong Kongese children

source: [http://wiki.stat.ucla.edu/socr/index.php/SOCR\\_Data\\_Dinov\\_020108\\_HeightsWeights](http://wiki.stat.ucla.edu/socr/index.php/SOCR_Data_Dinov_020108_HeightsWeights)





# Model Summary

Parameter	Estimate	SE	t-value	p-value
$\beta_0$	57.57	0.11	506.01	.001
$\beta_1$	0.08	0.001	91.98	.001

How does this relate to correlation?

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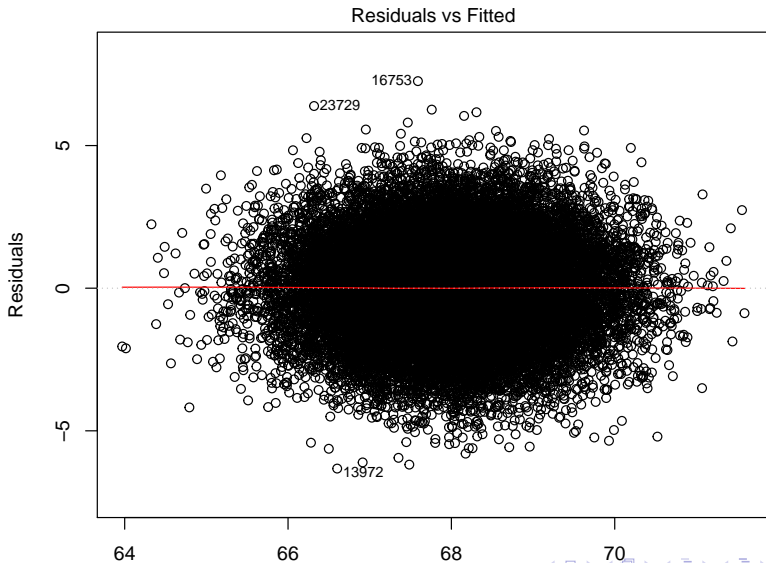
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- ▶ 0.5028585

# Always look at the residuals



# Brief history of testing

- ▶ 2200 BCE, Chinese believed to use testing for determining who would get governmental jobs
- ▶ Greek and Romans categorized individuals based on personality type ("blood" or "phlegm")
- ▶ Francis Galton's classification based on "natural gift" (i.e. eugenics)
  - ▶ Contributed to development of questionnaires, rating scales, and self-report inventories
- ▶ Wilhelm Wundt's laboratory and his focus on "standardization"
  - ▶ James Cattell's mental tests
  - ▶ Charles Spearman - reliability and factor analysis

# Testing in the 20th century

- ▶ 1905, Binet and Simon publish a test measuring intelligence in mental retarded school children in Paris
- ▶ 1939, Wechsler publishes a test to measure intelligence in adults (would become WAIS)
- ▶ Group intelligence test administered by the US military during WWI and WWII
- ▶ WWI personality tests used to screen recruits



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- ▶ Understanding the normative sample is very important, why?

# Sampling

- ▶ Simple random sample
- ▶ Stratified random sample
- ▶ Cluster random sample
- ▶ Purposive sample
- ▶ Convenience sample

# Different Norms

- ▶ Percentiles
- ▶ Developmental Norms
  - ▶ Age Norms
    - ▶ A 6 year old performs at the level of a 10 year old
    - ▶ This is on this material only though!
  - ▶ Grade Norms
    - ▶ School year typically 10 months in the US
    - ▶ A 4th grader is performing at the level of a 5th grader in third month
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- ▶ National Norms, nationally representative
  - ▶ Anchor norms enable two tests to be compared
  - ▶ In USA, students could take SAT or ACT for admission to college

# Fixed Reference and Criterion-Related

- ▶ Fixed reference group scores are used as the basis for calculation of future administrations of the test
- ▶ Raw scores are scaled relative to the performance of the fixed reference group
  - ▶ Answering 50 items correctly one year and 50 on the following year doesn't mean you'll have the same score
- ▶ SAT does this through using anchor items and equating
- ▶ Criterion-referenced, evaluate a score with reference to a set criteria or standard NOT other test takers
- ▶ What is the fairest way to score grades in a class room?