

Homework 9
MTH 3220, Fall 2019
Can be handed in Tue., Dec. 3 (after Fall Break)

For any problems that involve computations, you must **show your work** to receive full credit.

Section in Book	Problems
14.1	2, 7, 11*
14.3	Problem 1 (below), 27, 31

* The data for **Problem 11** are in the file **ex_14_11.txt**. For **Part a**, the R function **qnorm()** will return the normal distribution quantiles (percentiles) used to define the class intervals. For example, the values returned by the following commands will divide the $N(0, 1)$ distribution into equi-probable intervals each having probability $1/6$:

```
> qnorm(p = 1/6, mean = 0, sd = 1)
> qnorm(p = 2/6, mean = 0, sd = 1)
  ⋮
> qnorm(p = 5/6, mean = 0, sd = 1)
```

For **Part b**, the quantiles are obtained from:

```
> qnorm(p = 1/6, mean = 0.5, sd = 0.002)
> qnorm(p = 2/6, mean = 0.5, sd = 0.002)
  ⋮
> qnorm(p = 5/6, mean = 0.5, sd = 0.002)
```

For **Part c**, the function **sort()** will make it easier to tally up how many observations fall into each of the intervals from **Part b**, for example:

```
> sort (my.data$x)
```

Additional Problem

1. A study from the University of Texas Medical Center examined whether the risk of **hepatitis C** was related to whether or not people had **tattoos**. A sample of $n = 626$ patients being treated for non-blood-related disorders was tested for hepatitis C and asked whether they had any tattoos. The counts are shown below.*

		Hepatitis C		Total
		Yes	No	
Tattoo	Yes	25	88	113
	No	22	491	513
Total		47	579	626

- a) The **estimated conditional probability** that a patient will have hepatitis C, given that he or she has a tattoo, is the fraction of individuals that have hepatitis C among those that have tattoos, i.e.

$$\text{Estimated conditional probability} = \frac{n_{11}}{n_{1.}}.$$

The **estimated conditional probability** that a patient will have hepatitis C, given that he or she *doesn't* have a tattoo, is the fraction of individuals that have hepatitis C among those who *don't* have tattoos, i.e.

$$\text{Estimated conditional probability} = \frac{n_{21}}{n_{2.}}.$$

Compute these two **estimated conditional probabilities**. Which one is higher?

- b) The **estimated marginal column probabilities**, denoted $\hat{p}_{.1}$ and $\hat{p}_{.2}$, are defined as

$$\hat{p}_{.1} = \frac{n_{.1}}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{p}_{.2} = \frac{n_{.2}}{n}$$

Thus $\hat{p}_{.1}$ is the fraction of individuals that have hepatitis C in the entire sample, and $\hat{p}_{.2}$ is the fraction that *don't* have hepatitis C.

Compute $\hat{p}_{.1}$ and $\hat{p}_{.2}$. Which one is larger?

- c) Carry out a **chi-squared test for independence** between **hepatitis C** status and **tattoo** presence. Use a level of significance $\alpha = 0.05$.
- d) Verify that the sample size $n = 626$ is large enough to justify the use of the chi-squared test: The **estimated expected counts**, \hat{e}_{11} , \hat{e}_{12} , \hat{e}_{21} , and \hat{e}_{22}

$$\hat{e}_{ij} = n\hat{p}_{i.}\hat{p}_{.j} = \frac{n_{i.}n_{.j}}{n}$$

should all be **at least five**.

*Source: De Veaux, Velleman, and Bock