

Other Statistical Software Statistics 506

Other Software

While R, Stata and SAS are the most popular statistical software amongst practicing data analysts, there are a number of other pieces of statistical software that non-statistically oriented people tend to use. The goal of these notes is to offer you a passing familiarity with these tools and their strengths and weaknesses so if you encounter someone using them, you can understand where they're coming from.

None of the material in these notes will appear on problem sets or the midterm.

One common theme that will come up is that *none* of these other pieces of software offers support for the same wide range of statistical models and analyses that R, Stata and SAS cover. In some cases (Python in particular) they may support the models, but not more advanced usages of them. They will support basic analyses like t-tests and linear regression, though they may require an additional tool (such as Excel's Analyse-it) to avoid carrying out these analyses manually.

Programming Languages

Python

Python is an open source general purpose programming language that has, in recent years, become popular as a tool for statistical analysis. It's use is covered heavily in Statistics 507, which is why we only include it here.

Python supports dynamic documents via Quarto, or others such as [jupyter](#). RStudio has support for these, as well as running interactive Python sessions just like R.

Because Python is a general purpose programming language and not purely for statistical analysis, it requires a number of third-party libraries to perform any statistical analysis. It also can be more frustrating to install than R.

NumPy

[NumPy](#) adds support for large matrix-style objects and functions associated with them. An example from the [quickstart](#):

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> a = np.array([20, 30, 40, 50])
>>> b = np.arange(4)
>>> b
array([0, 1, 2, 3])
>>> c = a - b
>>> c
array([20, 29, 38, 47])
>>> b**2
array([0, 1, 4, 9])
>>> 10 * np.sin(a)
array([ 9.12945251, -9.88031624,  7.4511316 , -2.62374854])
>>> a < 35
array([ True,  True, False, False])
>>> A = np.array([[1, 1],
...              [0, 1]])
>>> B = np.array([[2, 0],
...              [3, 4]])
>>> A * B      # elementwise product
array([[2, 0],
       [0, 4]])
>>> A @ B      # matrix product
array([[5, 4],
       [3, 4]])
>>> A.dot(B)   # another matrix product
array([[5, 4],
       [3, 4]])
```

Pandas

[Pandas](#) introduces an analogue of R's `data.frame`: the `DataFrame`. It is built on top of NumPy. An example from the [getting started tutorials](#):

```
>>> import pandas as pd
>>> df = pd.DataFrame(
...     {
...         "Name": [
```

```

...         "Braund, Mr. Owen Harris",
...         "Allen, Mr. William Henry",
...         "Bonnell, Miss. Elizabeth",
...     ],
...     "Age": [22, 35, 58],
...     "Sex": ["male", "male", "female"],
... }
... )
...
>>> df
      Name  Age  Sex
0  Braund, Mr. Owen Harris  22  male
1  Allen, Mr. William Henry  35  male
2  Bonnell, Miss. Elizabeth  58  female
>>> df["Age"]
0    22
1    35
2    58
Name: Age, dtype: int64
>>> df["Age"].max()
58
>>> titanic = pd.read_csv("data/titanic.csv")
>>> titanic.head()
   PassengerId  Survived  Pclass  ...    Fare  Cabin  Embarked
0             1         0       3  ...   7.2500   NaN         S
1             2         1       1  ...  71.2833   C85         C
2             3         1       3  ...   7.9250   NaN         S
3             4         1       1  ...  53.1000  C123         S
4             5         0       3  ...   8.0500   NaN         S

[5 rows x 12 columns]
>>> titanic["Age"].shape
(891,)
>>> above_35 = titanic[titanic["Age"] > 35]
>>> above_35.head()
   PassengerId  Survived  Pclass  ...    Fare  Cabin  Embarked
1             2         1       1  ...  71.2833   C85         C
6             7         0       1  ...  51.8625   E46         S
11            12         1       1  ...  26.5500  C103         S
13            14         0       3  ...  31.2750   NaN         S
15            16         1       2  ...  16.0000   NaN         S

```

```
[5 rows x 12 columns]
>>> above_35.shape
(217, 12)
```

SciPy

SciPy implements a large suite of scientific computing functions. A lot of these may not be interesting to us as statisticians except in niche situations, such as fast fourier transformations or signal processing. However it does have a **stats** subpackage that is very handy and implements basic statistical analyses. For example here's a linear regression example from the [SciPy API reference](#):

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> from scipy import stats
>>> rng = np.random.default_rng()
>>> x = rng.random(10)
>>> y = 1.6*x + rng.random(10)
>>> res = stats.linregress(x, y)
>>> res.slope
2.0401139933368753
>>> res.intercept
0.22541055389034326
```

statsmodels

statsmodels is a library focused solely on statistical data exploration, hypothesis testing, and modeling estimation. It implements a wide range of statistical analyses, though does not handle as many models as R's various packages do. An example from [getting started](#):

```
>>> import statsmodels.api as sm
>>> import pandas
>>> from patsy import dmatrices
>>> df = sm.datasets.get_rdataset("Guerry", "HistData").data
>>> y, X = dmatrices('Lottery ~ Literacy + Wealth + Region', data=df, return_type='dataframe')
>>> y[:3]
   Lottery
0      41.0
1      38.0
2      66.0

>>> X[:3]
```

```

      Intercept Region[T.E] Region[T.N] ... Region[T.W] Literacy Wealth
0          1.0          1.0          0.0 ...          0.0          37.0          73.0
1          1.0          0.0          1.0 ...          0.0          51.0          22.0
2          1.0          0.0          0.0 ...          0.0          13.0          61.0

```

[3 rows x 7 columns]

```

>>> mod = sm.OLS(y, X) # Describe model
>>> res = mod.fit()    # Fit model
>>> print(res.summary()) # Summarize model

```

OLS Regression Results

```

=====
Dep. Variable:          Lottery      R-squared:                0.338
Model:                  OLS          Adj. R-squared:           0.287
Method:                 Least Squares  F-statistic:              6.636
Date:                   Fri, 05 May 2023  Prob (F-statistic):       1.07e-05
Time:                   13:59:50      Log-Likelihood:          -375.30
No. Observations:      85           AIC:                     764.6
Df Residuals:          78           BIC:                     781.7
Df Model:               6
Covariance Type:      nonrobust
=====

```

```

=====
              coef      std err          t      P>|t|      [0.025      0.975]
-----
Intercept      38.6517      9.456        4.087      0.000      19.826      57.478
Region[T.E]   -15.4278      9.727       -1.586      0.117     -34.793      3.938
Region[T.N]   -10.0170      9.260       -1.082      0.283     -28.453      8.419
Region[T.S]    -4.5483      7.279       -0.625      0.534     -19.039      9.943
Region[T.W]   -10.0913      7.196       -1.402      0.165     -24.418      4.235
Literacy       -0.1858      0.210       -0.886      0.378      -0.603      0.232
Wealth         0.4515      0.103        4.390      0.000      0.247      0.656
=====

```

```

=====
Omnibus:                 3.049      Durbin-Watson:           1.785
Prob(Omnibus):           0.218      Jarque-Bera (JB):        2.694
Skew:                    -0.340      Prob(JB):                0.260
Kurtosis:                 2.454      Cond. No.                371.
=====

```

Notes:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified

Julia

[Julia](#) is somewhat of a combination of Python and R - it's technically an open source general-purpose programming language like Python, but is oriented towards numerical and statistical analyses like R. It made a big splash when it appeared on the scene about 10 years ago, and is moderately popular, but never lived up to its promise to dethrone R as the most common statistical software.

Julia was designed to be much more efficient than existing high-level interactive languages. Its syntax is very similar to R. Taken from the [Julia documentation](#):

```
julia> 3 \ 6
2.0

julia> inv(3) * 6
2.0

julia> A = [4 3; 2 1]; x = [5, 6];

julia> A \ x
2-element Vector{Float64}:
 6.5
-7.0

julia> inv(A) * x
2-element Vector{Float64}:
 6.5
-7.0
```

Here's a regression example from [GLM example](#):

```
julia> using DataFrames, GLM, StatsBase

julia> data = DataFrame(X=[1,2,3], Y=[2,4,7])
3×2 DataFrame
 Row   X      Y
     Int64 Int64
1     1     2
2     2     4
3     3     7
```

```

julia> ols = lm(@formula(Y ~ X), data)
StatsModels.TableRegressionModel{LinearModel{GLM.LmResp{Vector{Float64}}}, GLM.DensePredCho

Y ~ 1 + X

Coefficients:

              Coef.  Std. Error      t  Pr(>|t|)  Lower 95%  Upper 95%
(Intercept) -0.666667  0.62361  -1.07  0.4788  -8.59038  7.25704
X            2.5      0.288675  8.66  0.0732  -1.16797  6.16797

julia> round(r2(ols); digits=5)
0.98684

julia> round(aic(ols); digits=5)
5.84252

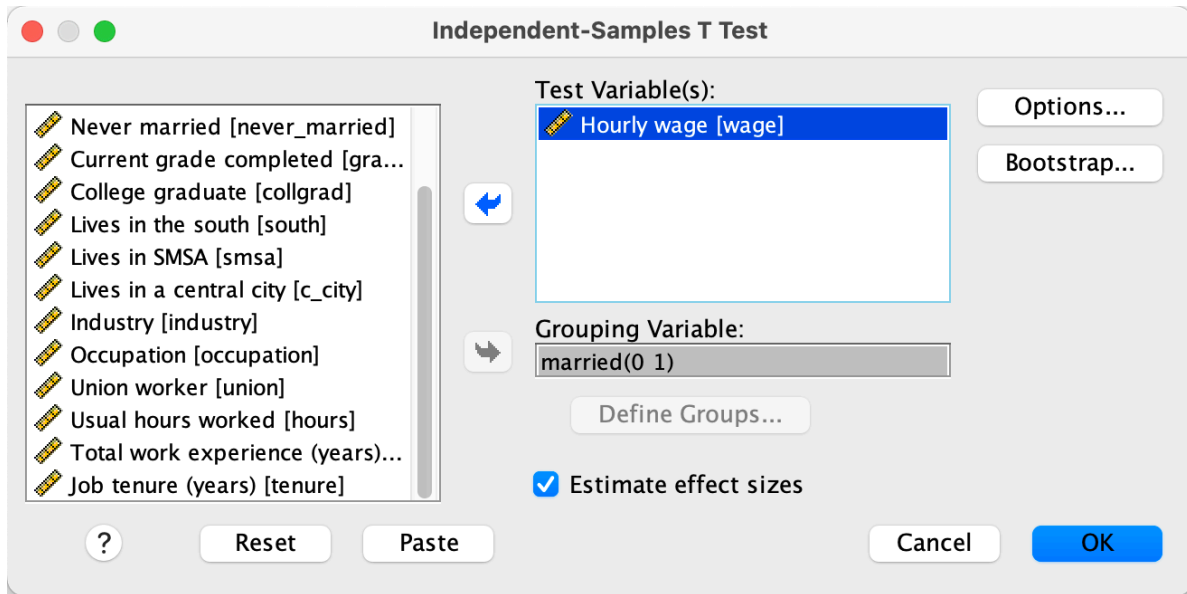
julia> round.(vcov(ols); digits=5)
2×2 Matrix{Float64}:
 0.38889 -0.16667
-0.16667  0.08333

```

Graphical Software

SPSS

SPSS used to be one of the dominant pieces of proprietary statistical software amongst people who wanted to do statistical analysis but weren't actual statisticians. SPSS has a user-friendly interface that can be entirely driven via GUI, allowing users to accomplish almost everything without ever writing any syntax (SPSS calls their code "syntax"). For example, here is the dialog for carrying out a two-sample t-test:



which produces as an output

→ T-Test

[DataSet1] /Users/jerrick/Desktop/nLsw08.sav

Group Statistics					
	Married	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Hourly wage	Single	804	8.08	6.336	.223
	Married	1442	7.59	5.399	.142

Independent Samples Test											
Levene's Test for Equality of Variances				t-test for Equality of Means							
		F	Sig.	t	df	Significance One-Sided p	Significance Two-Sided p	Mean Difference	Std. Error Difference	95% Confidence Interval of the Difference	
										Lower	Upper
Hourly wage	Equal variances assumed	11.222	<.001	1.931	2244	.027	.054	.489	.253	-.008	.985
	Equal variances not assumed			1.845	1452.197	.033	.065	.489	.265	-.031	1.008

Independent Samples Effect Sizes					
		Standardizer ^a	Point Estimate	95% Confidence Interval	
				Lower	Upper
Hourly wage	Cohen's d	5.752	.085	-.001	.171
	Hedges' correction	5.754	.085	-.001	.171
	Glass's delta	5.399	.091	.004	.177

a. The denominator used in estimating the effect sizes. Cohen's d uses the pooled standard deviation. Hedges' correction uses the pooled standard deviation, plus a correction factor. Glass's delta uses the sample standard deviation of the control (i.e., the second) group.

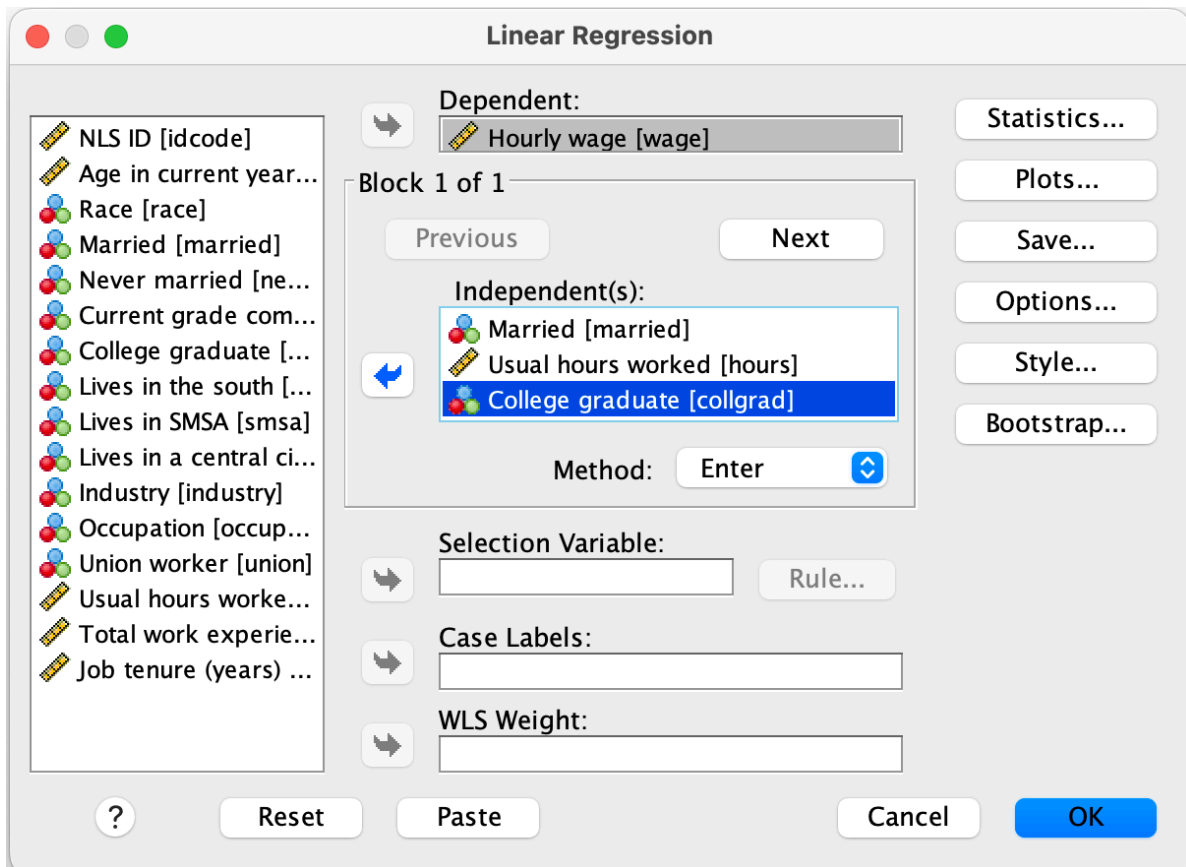
The corresponding syntax would be:

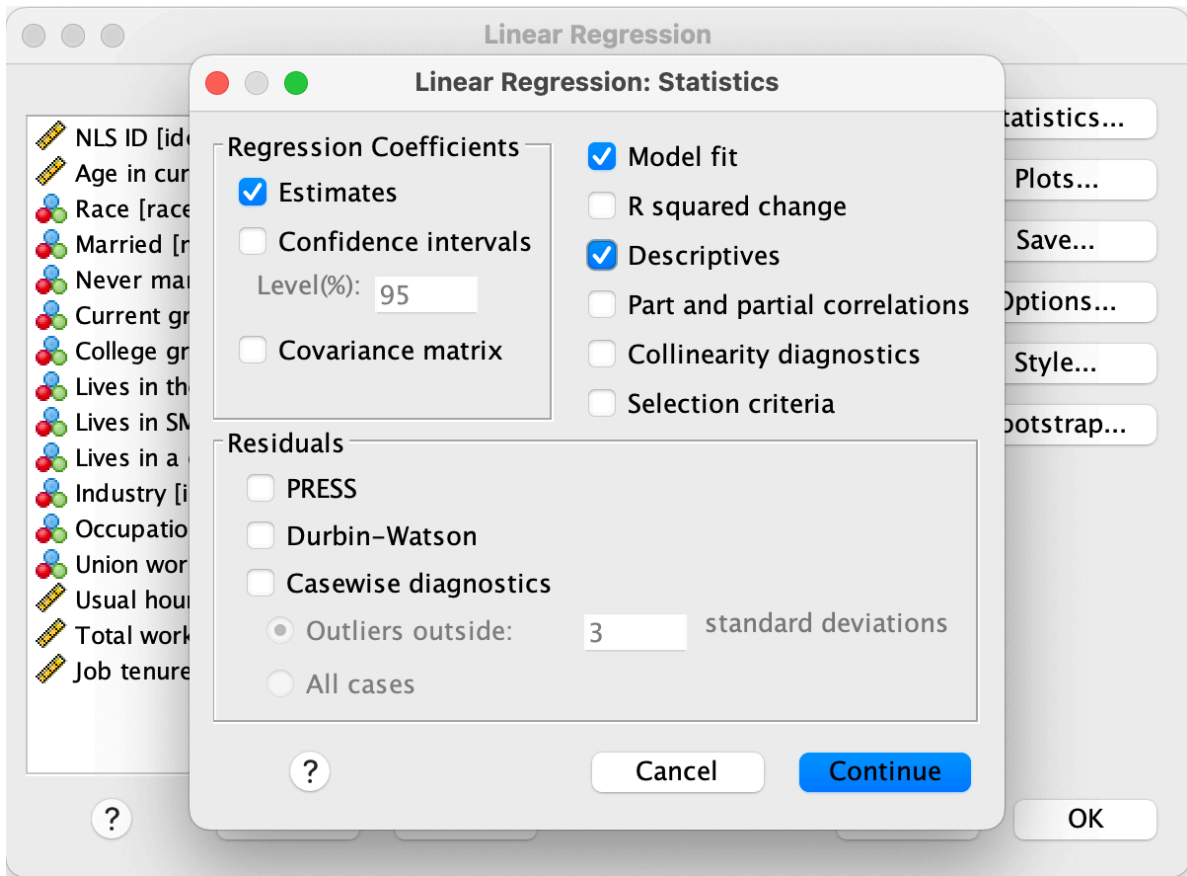
```
T-TESTS GROUPS=married(0 1)
/VARIABLES=wage
/ES DISPLAY(TRUE) .
```

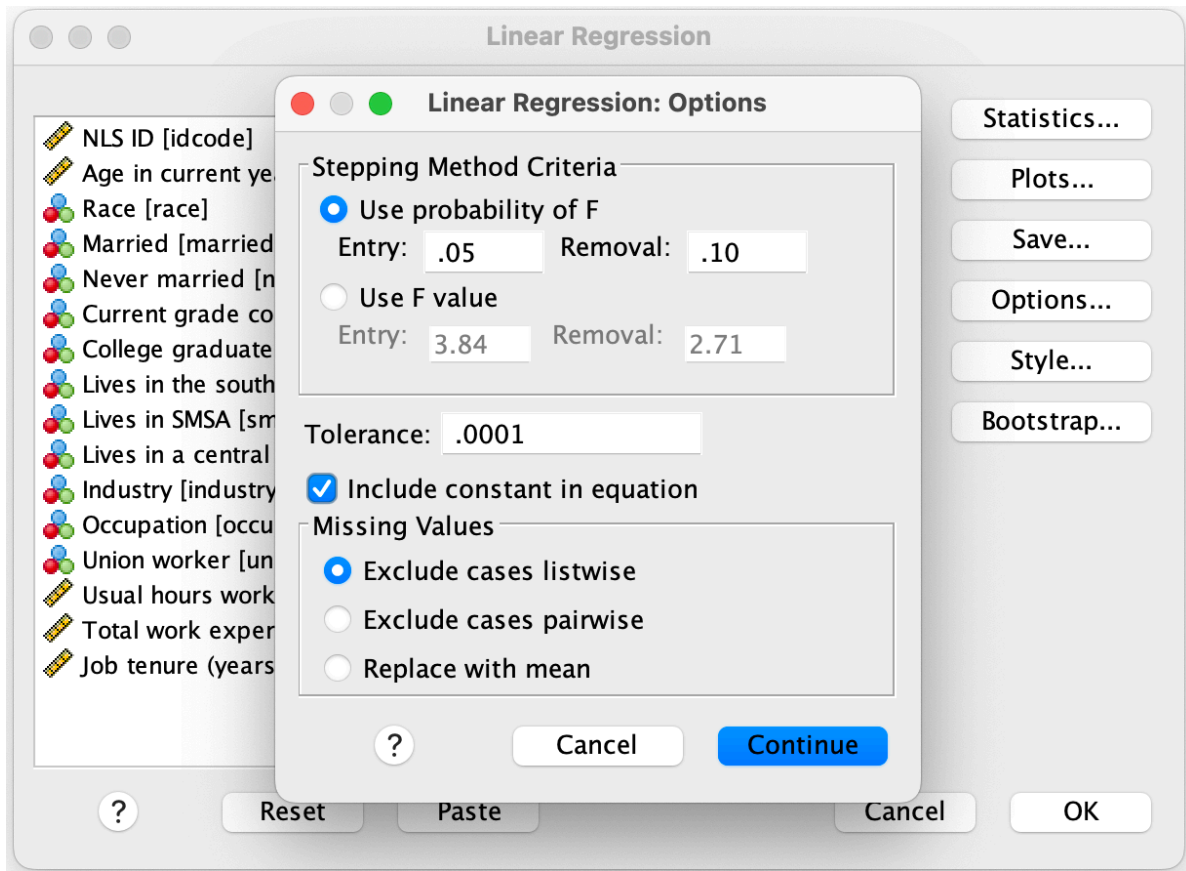

The capitalization is by convention, and is not enforced. Note that the vast majority of SPSS users do not know and never use the syntax, they use the dialog boxes.

SPSS's use over the last 5-10 years has waned substantially. This is primarily due to the other statistical software catching up in terms of user-friendliness. SPSS also supports far less advanced models than R, Stata, SAS, and Python.

Another example, this of linear regression. Often in these dialog boxes, more complex options are in sub-dialogs.







producing as output

➔ Regression

	Mean	Std. Deviation	N
Hourly wage	7.77	5.758	2242
Married	.64	.479	2242
Usual hours worked	37.22	10.509	2242
College graduate	.24	.425	2242

Correlations

		Hourly wage	Married	Usual hours worked	College graduate
Pearson Correlation	Hourly wage	1.000	-.042	.159	.267
	Married	-.042	1.000	-.143	.006
	Usual hours worked	.159	-.143	1.000	.085
	College graduate	.267	.006	.085	1.000
Sig. (1-tailed)	Hourly wage	.	.023	<.001	<.001
	Married	.023	.	.000	.389
	Usual hours worked	.000	.000	.	.000
	College graduate	.000	.389	.000	.
N	Hourly wage	2242	2242	2242	2242
	Married	2242	2242	2242	2242
	Usual hours worked	2242	2242	2242	2242
	College graduate	2242	2242	2242	2242

Variables Entered/Removed^a

Model	Variables Entered	Variables Removed	Method
1	College graduate, Married, Usual hours worked ^b	.	Enter

- a. Dependent Variable: Hourly wage
 b. All requested variables entered.

Model Summary

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
1	.301 ^a	.091	.090	5.494

- a. Predictors: (Constant), College graduate, Married, Usual hours worked

ANOVA^a

Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	6747.189	3	2249.063	74.524	<.001 ^b
	Residual	67540.633	2238	30.179		
	Total	74287.822	2241			

- a. Dependent Variable: Hourly wage
 b. Predictors: (Constant), College graduate, Married, Usual hours worked

Coefficients^a

Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	4.414	.480		9.204	<.001
	Married	-.294	.245	-.025	-1.203	.229
	Usual hours worked	.073	.011	.134	6.544	<.001
	College graduate	3.468	.274	.256	12.660	<.001

- a. Dependent Variable: Hourly wage

The corresponding syntax is:

```
REGRESSION
/DESCRIPTIVES MEAN STDDEV CORR SIG N
/MISSING LISTWISE
/STATISTICS COEFF OUTS R ANOVA
/DEPENDENT wage
/METHOD=ENTER married hours collgrad.
```

Excel

It's almost impossible to not have some familiarity with Excel. Excel is a good tool for managing small to moderate sized data, and a lot of data projects start out with an Excel spreadsheet. Excel supports some basic statistical tests by default, such as a t-test:

```
=TTEST(A2:A10,B2:B10,2,1)
```

In addition, the [Analysis ToolPak](#) adds a few more analysis, such as [linear regression](#):

```
=LINEST(A2:A5,B2:B5,,FALSE)
=LINEST(E2:E12,A2:D12,TRUE,TRUE)
```

Analyse-it

The add-in [Analyse-it](#) is an optional purchased component that adds more statistical tools to Excel. Here's some example screenshots from their [product page](#):

An intuitive user interface integrated in Microsoft Excel.
With all the statistical analysis and data visualization tools you need.

Plain English documentation that's easy to understand even if your knowledge is a bit rusty.

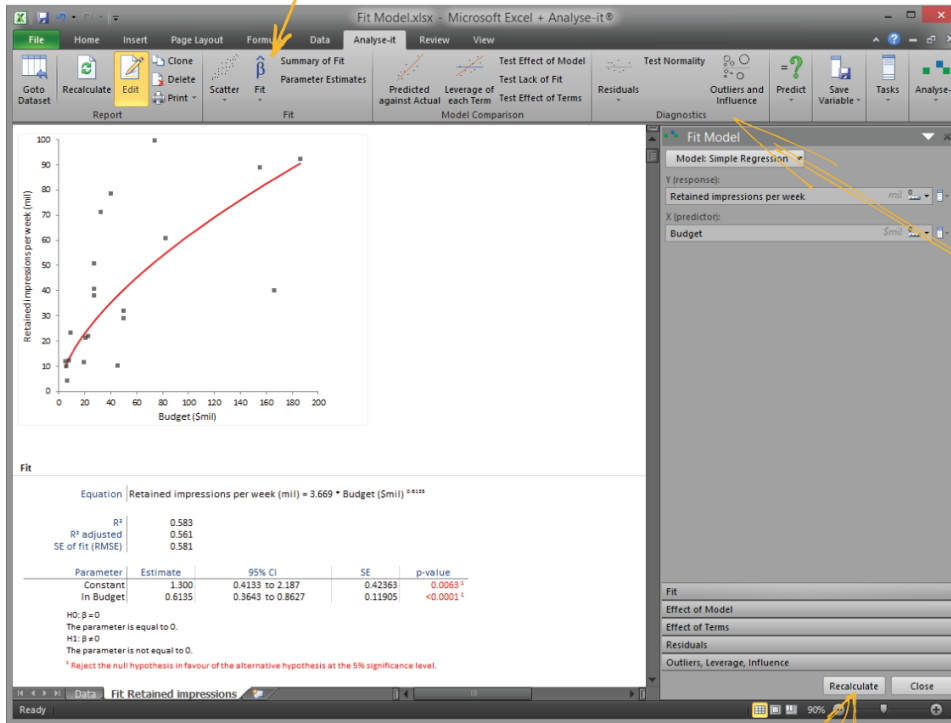
(Galleries to quickly create the most popular charts.)

	D	E	F	G	H	I
70	80	75	77	88	69	
85	88	89	86	63	87	
69	77	74	77	85	67	
79	64	83	65	80	80	
90	87	85	88	63	78	
76	70	79	68	81	81	
86	60	77	63	77	95	
74	72	85	73	74	82	
84	78	84	87	64	91	
72	82	77	77	85	67	
79	86	72	85	67	79	
83	79	94	84	66	86	
84	82	78	79	70	79	
85	75	75	91	66	89	
66	80	72	83	66	67	
84	84	92	85	71	89	

There's no locked-in file format. All your data and results are kept in an Excel workbook making it easy to collaborate.

A logical task-based workflow that makes sense to those of us that aren't programmers or full-time statisticians.

Fit Model: Simple linear, power, exponential, logarithmic, polynomial regression, ANOVA, ANCOVA, GLM and advanced logistic and linear models.



Every tool you need to:

- Check goodness of fit of model and terms.
- Verify the assumptions of the model.
- Make predictions.
- Save fitted values, residuals + more back to your worksheet.

Quickly make changes to the model and recalculate.

Using Excel solely for data-management

A more common use of Excel is to use it to manage and manipulate data. Features such as [lookup](#) and [pivot tables](#) can be powerful and often much quicker than writing code.

However, keep in mind that such usage does not fall into the reproducible research paradigm, and you should keep good notes of what you've done.

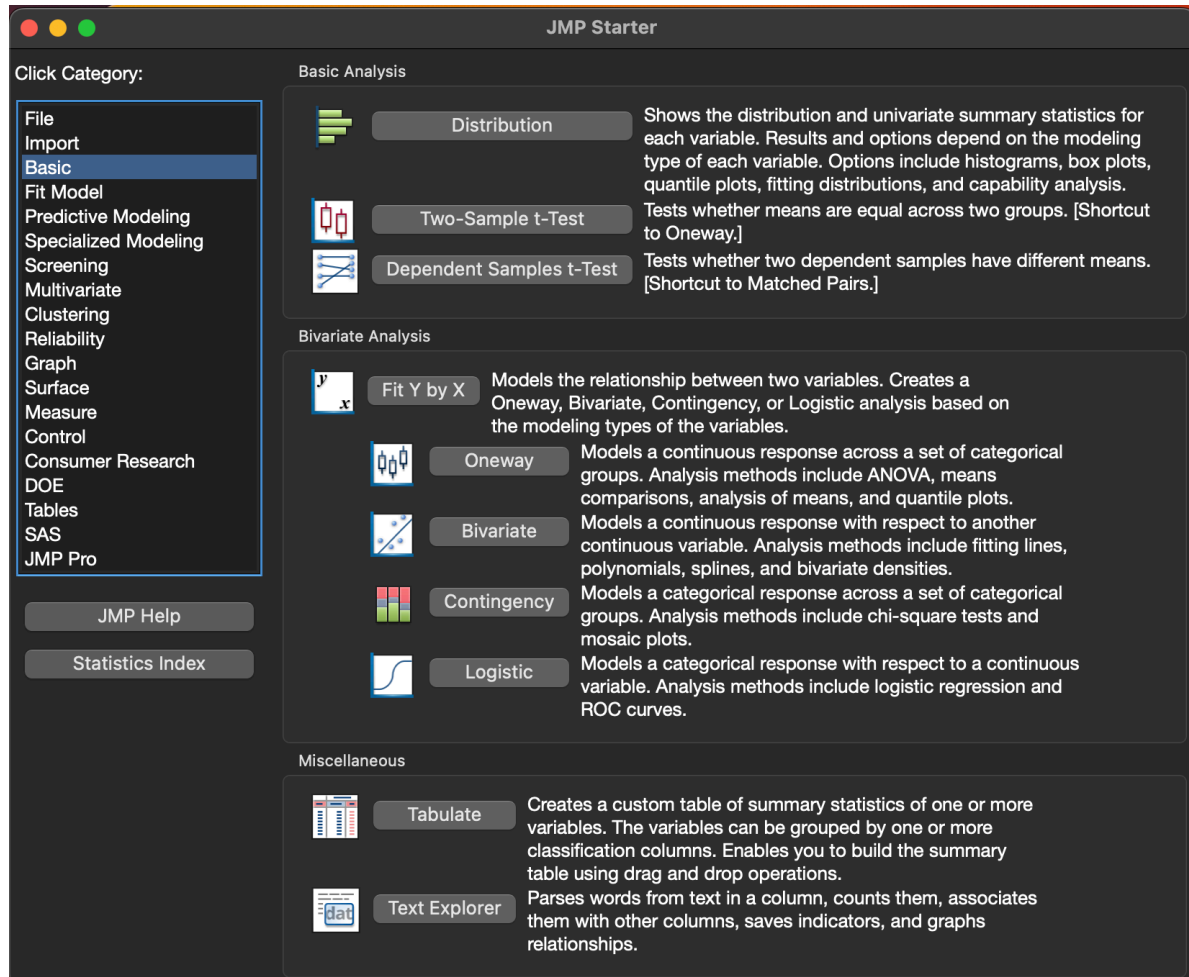
Excel can export to .csv format, which is usually easier to import into statistical software than .xlsx files.

JMP

[JMP](#) (pronounced “jump”) is a statistical analysis suite offered by SAS. JMP is designed to used more for data exploration and visualization than SAS, and as such offers a more GUI-based interaction mode rather than SAS's code-based interaction. Of the various GUI-based statistical software (SPSS, JMP, Prism) it is the most modern, though as usual, it doesn't offer the depth of models.

There is the [JSL](#), JMP Scripting Language, that can be used to generate reproducible scripts.

The main interface to choose your analysis:



Repeating the t-test from SPSS:

Oneway - Distribution by Group

Models a continuous response versus a categorical variable.

Select Columns Cast Selected Columns into Roles Action

17 Columns

- NLS ID
- Age in current year
- Race
- Married
- Never married
- Current grade completed
- College graduate
- Lives in the south
- Lives in SMSA
- Lives in a central city
- Industry
- Occupation
- Union worker
- Hourly wage
- Usual hours worked
- Total work experience (years)
- Job tenure (years)

Y, Response: **Hourly wage**
optional numeric

X, Grouping: **Married**
optional

Block: *optional*

Weight: *optional numeric*

Freq: *optional numeric*

By: *optional*

OK

Cancel

Remove

Recall

Help

nls88 - Oneway of Hourly wa...

Oneway Analysis of Hourly wage By Married

wage By married

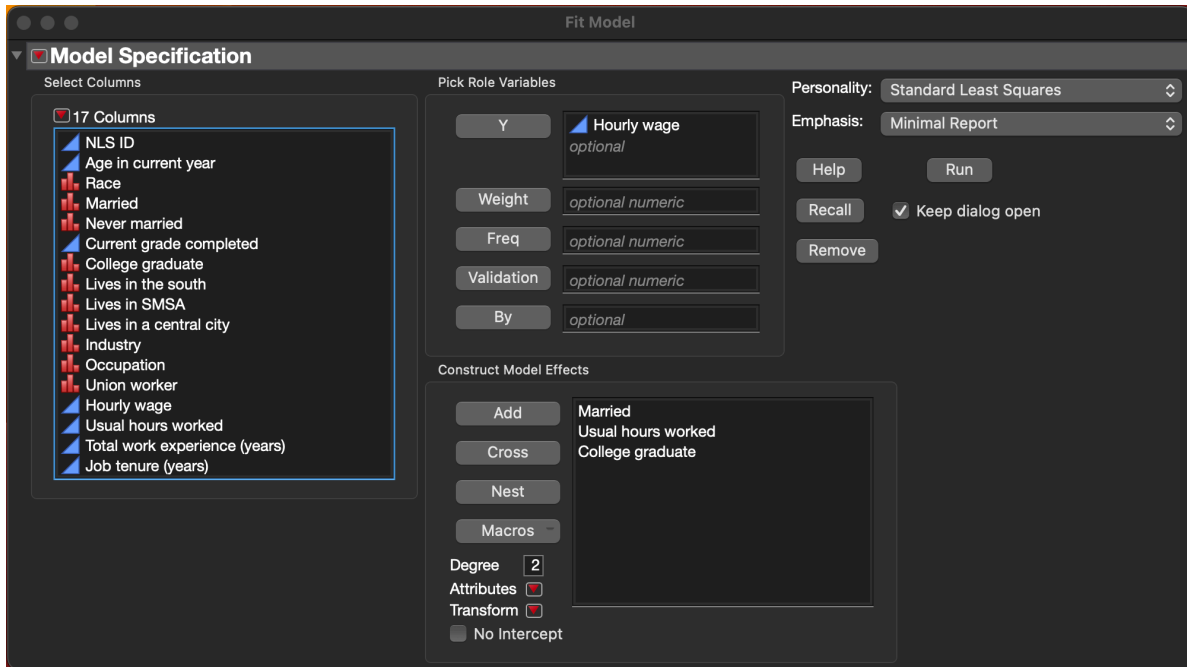
Level	Number	Mean	Std Dev	Std Err			Std Dev		
				Mean	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	
Single	804	8.0807653	6.336071	0.223456	7.6421384	8.5193921	6.0407887	6.6619312	
Married	1442	7.591978	5.3992294	0.1421835	7.3130692	7.8708868	5.209118	5.6038488	

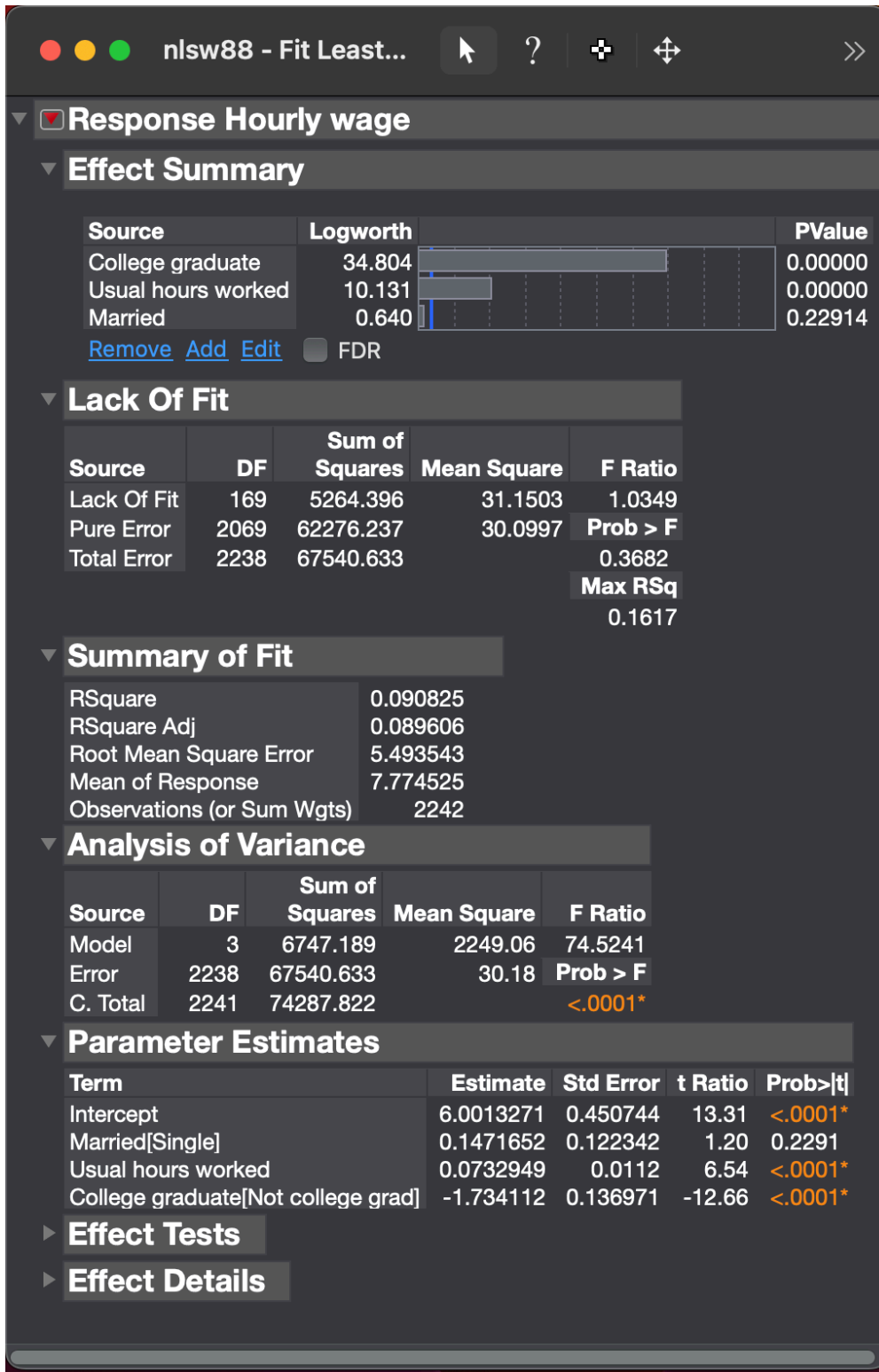
t Test

Married-Single
Assuming unequal variances

Difference	-0.4888	t Ratio	-1.84548
Std Err Dif	0.2649	DF	1452.197
Upper CL Dif	0.0308	Prob > t	0.0652
Lower CL Dif	-1.0083	Prob > t	0.9674
Confidence	0.95	Prob < t	0.0326*

Again, repeating the regression from SPSS:





(The discrepancy in coefficients is in how SPSS and JMP handle binary categorical variables. The model fits are identical.)

Graphpad Prism

Graphpad Prism is very similar to JMP in that it is an entirely GUI-based interaction that offers a limited subset of analyses. It is very popular amongst users with small data and little statistical experience. It operates similarly to JMP. One quirk is that it often (though not always) wants data stored in non-rectangular fashion, in a form that would be incompatible with lots of other software.

The screenshot shows the Graphpad Prism software interface. The main window displays a data table with the following structure:

	Group A	Group B	Group C	Group D
	Male	Female	Title	Title
1	54	43		
2	23	34		
3	45	65		
4	54	77		
5	45	46		
6		65		
7				
8				
9				
10				
11				
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				

The interface includes a menu bar with options like File, Sheet, Undo, Clipboard, Analysis, Change, Import, Draw, and Write. A left sidebar shows a project tree with sections for Data Tables, Info, Results, Graphs, and Layouts. The bottom status bar indicates the current analysis is 'Col: Unpaired t test'.

Parameters: t Tests (and Nonparametric Tests)

Experimental Design | Residuals | Options

Experimental design

- Unpaired
 Paired

	Group A	Group B
	Control	Treated
	Y	Y
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

Assume Gaussian distribution?

- Yes. Use parametric test.
 No. Use nonparametric test.

Choose test

- Unpaired t test. Assume both populations have the same SD
 Unpaired t test with Welch's correction. Do not assume equal SDs



Cancel

OK

Untitled — Edited

File Sheet Undo Clipboard Analysis Interpret Change Draw Write

Q Search

Tabular results

Unpaired t test Tabular results		
1	Table Analyzed	Col: Unpaired t test
2		
3	Column B	Female
4	vs.	vs.
5	Column A	Male
6		
7	Unpaired t test	
8	P value	0.2613
9	P value summary	ns
10	Significantly different (P < 0.05)?	No
11	One- or two-tailed P value?	Two-tailed
12	t, df	t=1.199, df=9
13		
14	How big is the difference?	
15	Mean of column A	44.20
16	Mean of column B	55.00
17	Difference between means (B - A) ± SEM	10.80 ± 9.010
18	95% confidence interval	-9.583 to 31.18
19	R squared (eta squared)	0.1377
20		
21	F test to compare variances	
22	F, DFn, Dfd	1.680, 5, 4
23	P value	0.6354
24	P value summary	ns
25	Significantly different (P < 0.05)?	No
26		
27	Data analyzed	
28	Sample size, column A	5
29	Sample size, column B	6
30		
31		

Family

- Col: Unpaired t test
- Unpaired t test
- Estimation Plot: Unpaired t test o

Unpaired t test of Col: Unpair... Row 1, Column A

Numerical Analysis Software

MATLAB

[MATLAB](#) is one of several programming languages with a focus on numerical analysis. There's also [Octave](#) which is mostly an open-source implementation of MATLAB.) MATLAB primarily comes into use for most statisticians due to its efficient and powerful matrix support. This example comes from the MATLAB [help center](#):

```
>> A = [1 2 0; 2 5 -1; 4 10 -1]
>> A
A = 3×3

     1     2     0
     2     5    -1
     4    10    -1
>> B = A'
>> C = A * B
>> C
C = 3×3

     5    12    24
    12    30    59
    24    59   117
>> % Let's solve Ax = b
>> b = [1;3;5]
>> x = A\b
>> x
x = 3×1

     1
     0
    -1
>> eig(A)
ans = 3×1

    3.7321
    0.2679
    1.0000
>> svd(A)
ans = 3×1
```

```
12.3171
0.5149
0.1577
```

MATLAB also supports a limited set of statistical models. From the [fitlm](#) documentation:

```
>> load carsmall
>> tbl = table(Weight,Acceleration,Model_Year,MPG,'VariableNames',{'Weight','Acceleration'})
>> lm = fitlm(tbl,'MPG~Weight+Acceleration')
```

```
lm =
Linear regression model:
MPG ~ 1 + Weight + Acceleration
```

Estimated Coefficients:

	Estimate	SE	tStat	pValue
	-----	-----	-----	-----
(Intercept)	45.155	3.4659	13.028	1.6266e-22
Weight	-0.0082475	0.00059836	-13.783	5.3165e-24
Acceleration	0.19694	0.14743	1.3359	0.18493

Number of observations: 94, Error degrees of freedom: 91

Root Mean Squared Error: 4.12

R-squared: 0.743, Adjusted R-Squared: 0.738

F-statistic vs. constant model: 132, p-value = 1.38e-27

```
>> tbl.Model_Year = categorical(tbl.Model_Year)
```

```
>> lm = fitlm(tbl,'MPG~Weight+Model_Year')
```

```
lm =
Linear regression model:
MPG ~ 1 + Weight + Model_Year
```

Estimated Coefficients:

	Estimate	SE	tStat	pValue
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(Intercept)	40.11	1.5418	26.016	1.2024e-43
Weight	-0.0066475	0.00042802	-15.531	3.3639e-27
Model_Year_76	1.9291	0.74761	2.5804	0.011488
Model_Year_82	7.9093	0.84975	9.3078	7.8681e-15

Number of observations: 94, Error degrees of freedom: 90
Root Mean Squared Error: 2.92
R-squared: 0.873, Adjusted R-Squared: 0.868
F-statistic vs. constant model: 206, p-value = 3.83e-40

Others

The two big other numerical analysis software are

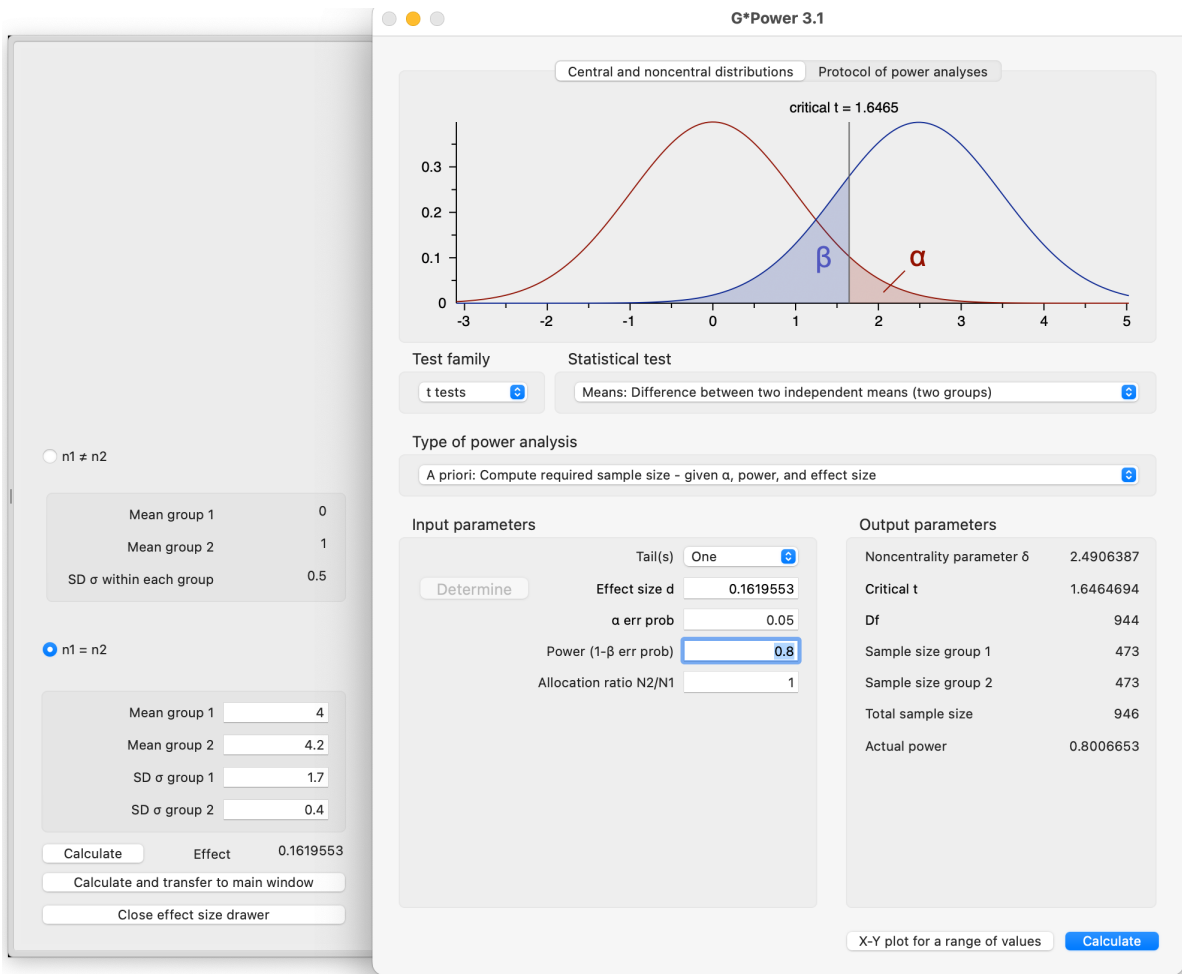
- [Maple](#)
- [Wolfram Mathematica](#)

Miscellaneous

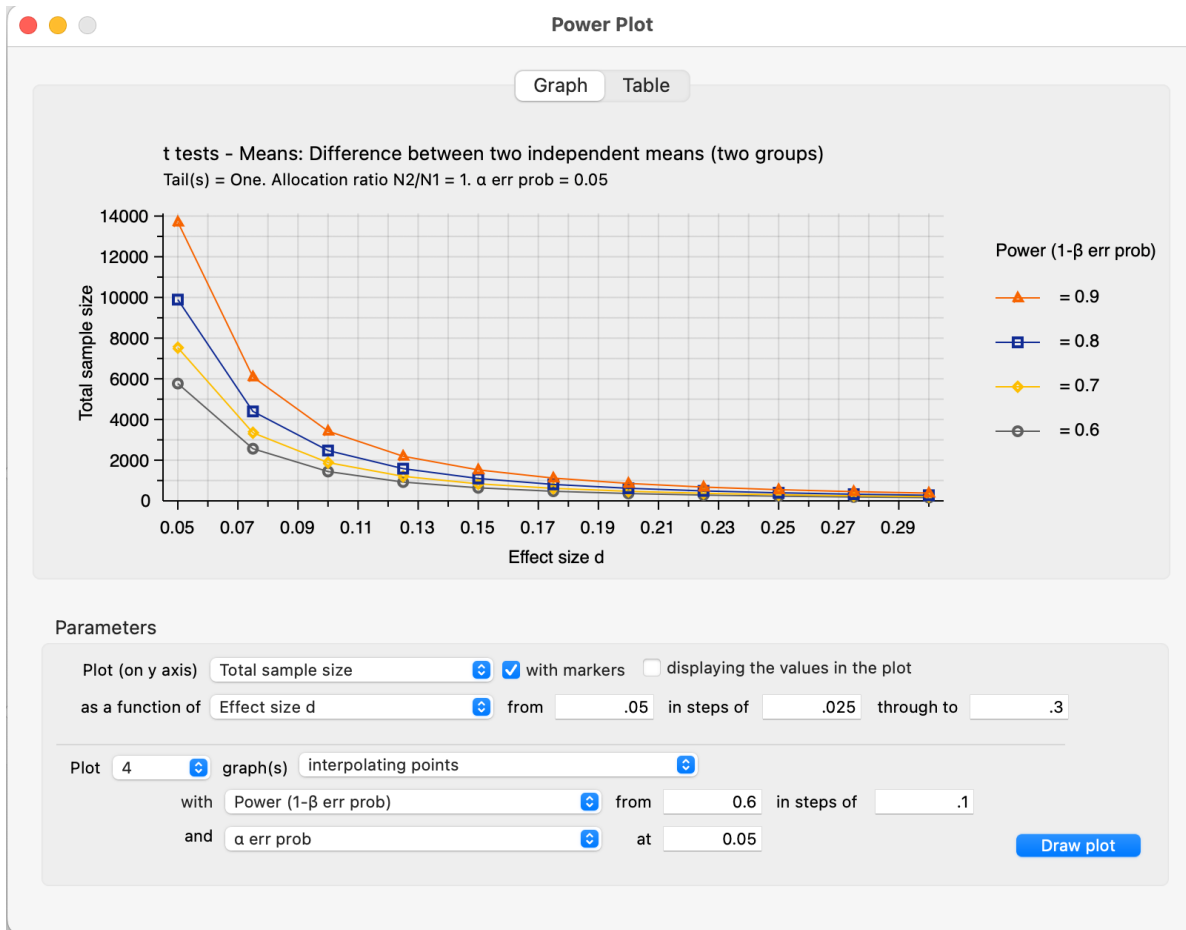
G*Power

[G*Power](#) is open-source software used in power analysis/sample size calculations. While most software has built-in power calculations, a lot of analysts prefer a custom-built solution like *GPower*. *As with any power analysis, obtaining a useful result from GPower* requires assumed values of all parameters of the model (primarily means and covariance matrices), as well as an understanding of the results are only as good as the guesses for the parameters.

Here's an example of a two-sample t-test. Note that standardized effect sizes (in this case d) can be manually input, or calculated in the side drawer.

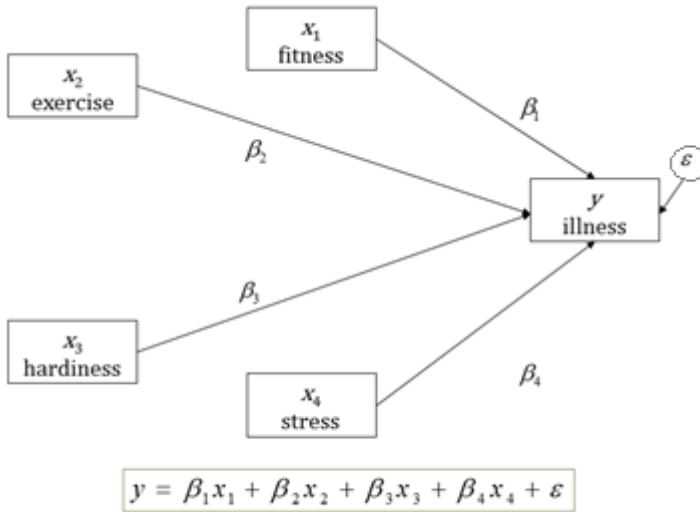


G*Power can also generate plots showing how power concerns change as other parameters change.



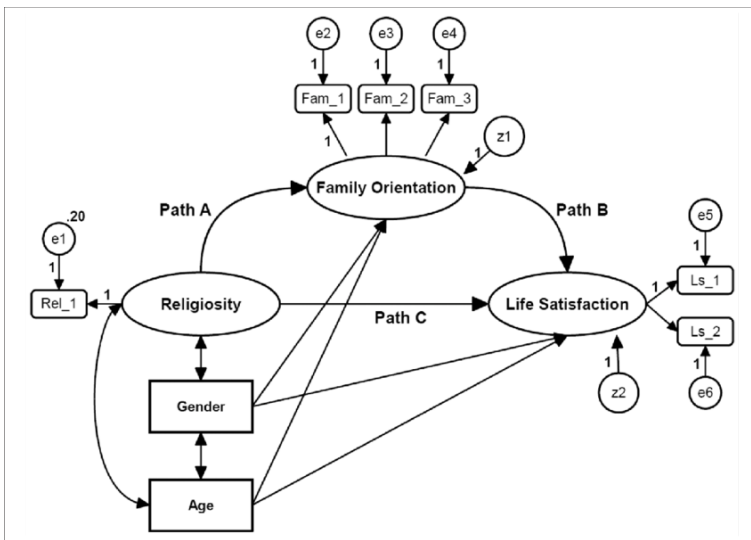
Mplus

Mplus is *extremely* powerful software for fitting path analysis models, also known as structural equation models (SEM). These are models which can be represented via direct acyclic graphs (DAGs). For example, linear regression can be represented with this:



Multiple regression

In this example there is a single outcome, *illness*. However, more complex models can be represented in a DAG:



While these models can be fit in other software (R's [lavaan](#) package, Stata's [sem](#) command, [Amos](#) for SPSS), Mplus is incredibly powerful and can fit complex models that the other software cannot handle.

Unfortunately, the code to fit such models is complex and finicky. For example, here is a relatively simple SEM:

Mplus VERSION 6
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INPUT INSTRUCTIONS

TITLE: cont3

Classic structural equation model with multiple indicators
used in a study of the stability of alienation.

Source:

Wheaton, B., Muthen, B., Alwin, D., & Summers, G. (1977).
Assessing the reliability and stability in panel models.
In D.R. Heise (ed), Sociological Methodology 1977.
San Francisco: Jossey-Bass.

DATA: FILE IS wheacov.dat;
TYPE IS COVARIANCE;
NOBS ARE 932;

VARIABLE: NAMES ARE anomia67 power67 anomia71 power71 educ sei;
USEVAR = anomia67 power67 anomia71 power71 educ sei;

MODEL:

! first the measurement model part using the keyword BY:

ses BY educ sei;
alien67 BY anomia67 power67;
alien71 BY anomia71 power71;

! next the structural model part using the keyword ON:

alien71 ON alien67 ses;
alien67 ON ses;

! and then adding correlated residuals over time using
! the keyword WITH:

```
anomia67 WITH anomia71;  
power67 WITH power71;
```

OUTPUT:

```
sampstat tech1 standardized modindices(0);
```

The output from this model is very large, see [this example](#) for the full output. Some of this is skippable (e.g. the description and Source) but most of it is required precisely.