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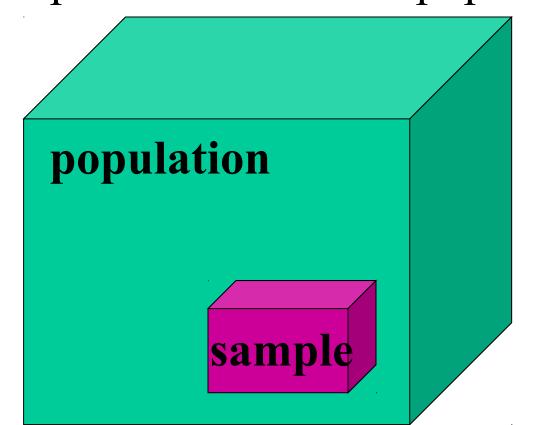




Samples vs populations

<u>Population</u>- everything or everyone about which information is sought

<u>Sample</u>- a subset of a population (that is hopefully representative of the population)



Why use a sample instead of a population?

- •Logistics
- •Cost
- •Time

Samples:

Random- each member of population has an equal chance of being part of the sample.

or

Representative- ensuring that certain parameters of your sample match the population.

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Why?

Replicates:

Technical vs Experimental

Technical replicate- one treatment is divided into multiple samples.

Experimental replicate- different, replicate, treatments are done to different samples.



Divide a participants blood into 3 samples and test blood sugar in each sample.

Technical or Experimental replicate?

Test 3 different people.

Technical or Experimental replicate?

Test the same person on 3 different days. Technical or Experimental replicate? To see a statistically significant difference between male and female height, what sample size do you need?

- This calculator will help you determine the appropriate sample size:
- http://www.stat.ubc.ca/~rollin/stats/ssize/n2.html

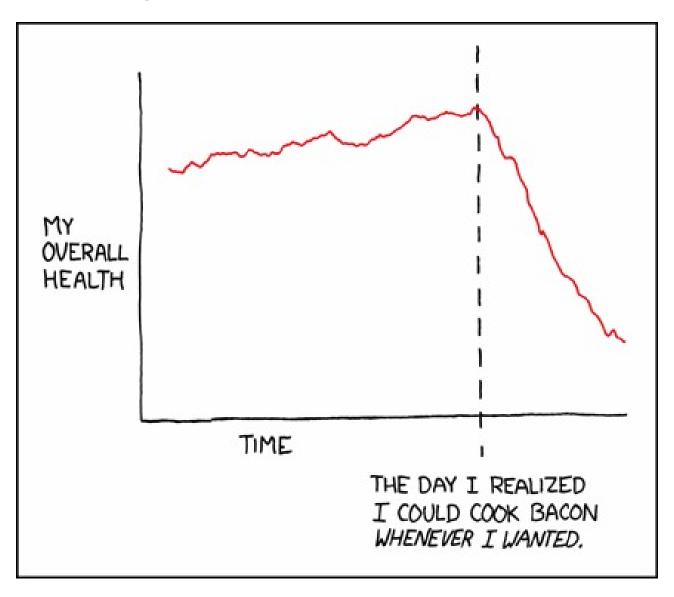
What sample size do you need?

It depends on the error you expect.

(So it is impossible to predict with 100% accuracy before the experiment is carried out.)

Form groups of 6 students (each group needs a computer). Using the heights of your group members, calculate male and female averages and standard deviations, then perform a T-test.

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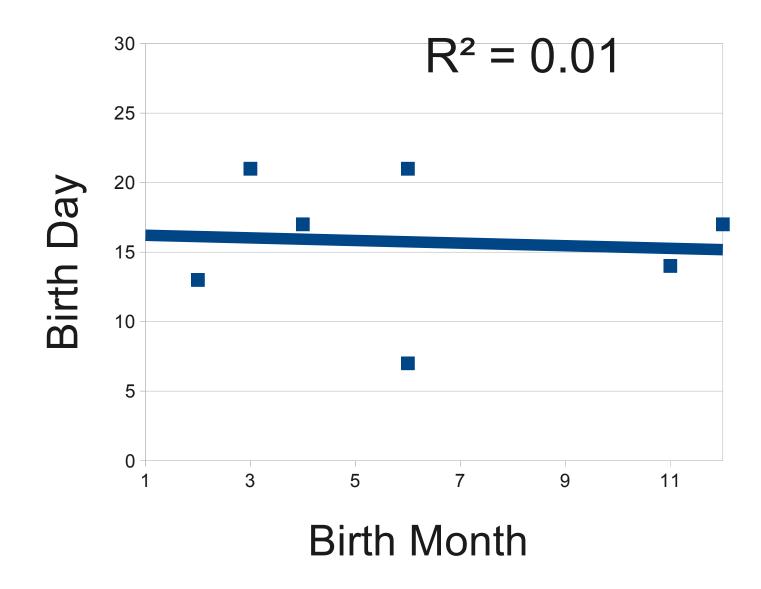
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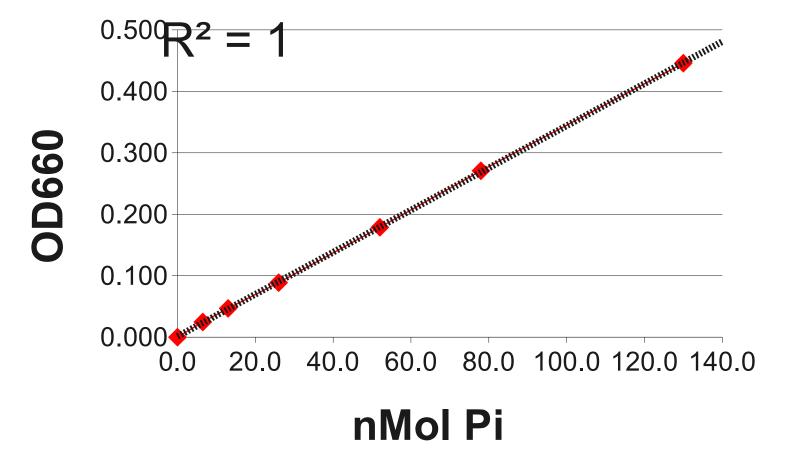
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phosphate quantity vs absorbance

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What about relating 2 variables?

•To use R² the data must be continually variable...

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