

Analysis of a GRTS Survey Design for a Linear Resource

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1 Preliminaries

This document presents analysis of a GRTS survey design for a linear resource. The linear resource used in the analysis is streams in the Upper Wabash basin in Indiana. The analysis will include calculation of three types of population estimates: (1) estimation of proportion and size (length of streams) for site evaluation status categorical variables; (2) estimation of proportion and size for stream condition categorical variables; and (3) estimation of the cumulative distribution function (CDF) and percentiles for quantitative variables. Testing for difference between CDFs from subpopulations also will be presented.

The initial step is to use the library function to load the spsurvey package. After the package is loaded, a message is printed to the R console indicating that the spsurvey package was loaded successfully.

Load the spsurvey package

```
> # Load the spsurvey package
> library(spsurvey)
>
```

Version 3.2 of the spsurvey package was loaded successfully.

2 Load the survey design and analytical variables data set

The next step is to load the data set, which includes both survey design variables and analytical variables. The data function is used to load the data set and assign it to a data frame named IN_streams. The nrow function is used to determine the number of rows in the IN_streams data frame, and the resulting value is assigned to an object named nr. Finally, the initial six lines and the final six lines in the IN_streams data frame are printed using the head and tail functions, respectively.

Load the survey design and analytical variables data set

```
> # Load the data set and determine the number of rows in the data frame
> data(IN_streams)
> nr <- nrow(IN_streams)
>
```

Display the initial six lines in the data file.

```
> # Display the initial six lines in the data file
> head(IN_streams)
```

	siteID	xcoord	ycoord	wgt	Strahler_Cat	Status	TNT
1	INRB98-001	7574790	12556023	180.49965	1st	Landowner_Denial	Target
2	INRB98-002	7490591	12580092	180.49965	1st	Sampled	Target
3	INRB98-003	7500191	12545177	57.70535	2nd	Sampled	Target
4	INRB98-004	7543103	12557747	26.40031	4th	Landowner_Denial	Target
5	INRB98-005	7459317	12689535	29.59298	3rd	Sampled	Target
6	INRB98-006	7515604	12649037	57.70535	2nd	Physical_Barrier	Target

	IBI_Score	IBI_Status	QHEI_Score	QHEI_Status
1	NA	<NA>	NA	<NA>
2	50	Not_Impaired	48	Impaired
3	22	Impaired	65	Not_Impaired
4	NA	<NA>	NA	<NA>
5	38	Not_Impaired	31	Impaired
6	NA	<NA>	NA	<NA>

>

Display the final six lines in the data file.

```
> # Display the final six lines in the data file
> tail(IN_streams)
```

	siteID	xcoord	ycoord	wgt	Strahler_Cat	Status
95	INRB98-095	7503526	12628573	57.70535	2nd	Landowner_Denial
96	INRB98-096	7496050	12662272	180.49965	1st	NonTarget
97	INRB98-097	7483750	12664829	29.59298	3rd	Chemistry_Only
98	INRB98-098	7496653	12634435	180.49965	1st	NonTarget
99	INRB98-099	7443579	12609765	26.40031	4th	Sampled
100	INRB98-100	7445529	12651391	26.40031	4th	Chemistry_Only

	TNT	IBI_Score	IBI_Status	QHEI_Score	QHEI_Status
95	Target	NA	<NA>	NA	<NA>
96	NonTarget	NA	<NA>	NA	<NA>
97	Target	NA	<NA>	NA	<NA>
98	NonTarget	NA	<NA>	NA	<NA>
99	Target	48	Not_Impaired	78	Not_Impaired
100	Target	NA	<NA>	NA	<NA>

>

The sample of streams in Indiana is displayed in Figure 1. The sample sites for each Strahler order are displayed using a unique color.

3 Analysis of site status evaluation variables

The first analysis that will be examined is calculation of extent estimates for site status evaluation variables. Extent is measured both by the proportion of the resource in status evaluation categories and by size of the resource in each category. For a linear resource like streams, size refers to the length of streams in a category. For calculating extent estimates (and for all of the analyses we will consider), the survey design weights are incorporated into the calculation process. Weights used in the analyses were modified from the original survey design weights to ensure that the weights sum to the known size of the resource. Further information regarding weight adjustment is provided in the help page for the `adjwgt` (weight adjustment) function. Two site status variables will be examined: (1) status, which classifies streams into seven evaluation categories and (2) TNT, which classifies streams as either "Target" or "NonTarget". The `table` and `addmargins` functions are used to create tables displaying the count for each code (level) of the two status variables.

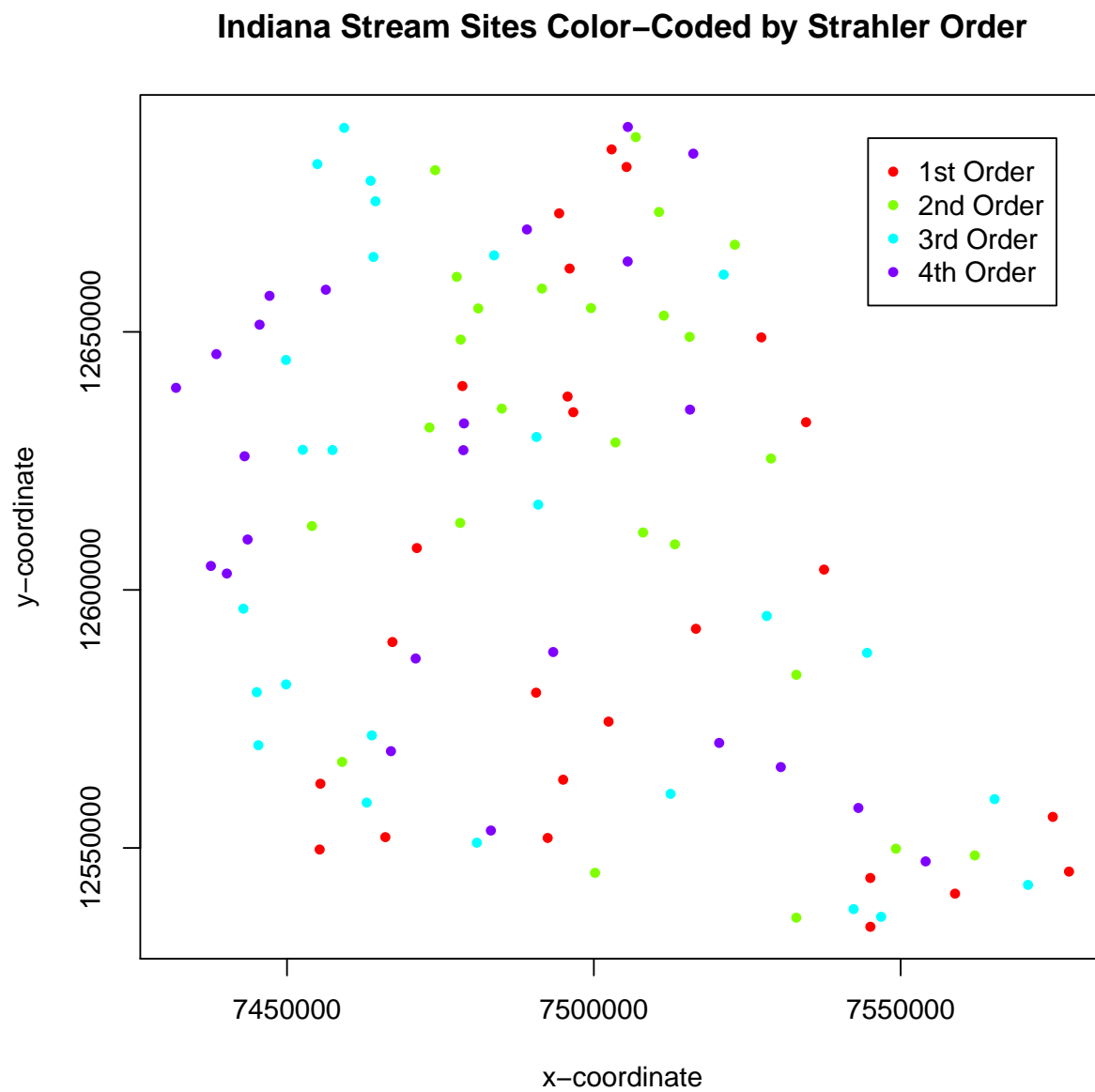


Figure 1: Location of stream sample sites in Indiana color-coded by Strahler order.

```
> addmargins(table(IN_streams$Status))
```

A table displaying the number of values for each level of the status variable follows:

Chemistry_Only	Landowner_Denial	NonTarget	Physical_Barrier
14	19	9	7
Sampled	Target_Not_Sampled	Unknown	Sum
48	2	1	100

```
> addmargins(table(IN_streams$TNT))
```

A table displaying the number of values for each level of the TNT variable follows:

NonTarget	Target	Sum
10	90	100

The `cat.analysis` function in the `spsurvey` package will be used to calculate extent estimates. Four data frames constitute the primary input to the `cat.analysis` function. The first column (variable) in the four data frames provides the unique identifier (site ID) for each sample site and is used to connect records among the data frames. The `siteID` variable in the `IN_streams` data frame is assigned to the `siteID` variable in the data frames. The four data frames that will be created are named as follows: `sites`, `subpop`, `design`, and `data.cat`. The `sites` data frame identifies sites to use in the analysis and contains two variables: (1) `siteID` - site ID values and (2) `Use` - a logical vector indicating which sites to use in the analysis. The `rep` (repeat) function is used to assign the value `TRUE` to each element of the `Use` variable. Recall that `nr` is an object containing the number of rows in the `IN_streams` data frame. The `subpop` data frame defines populations and, optionally, subpopulations for which estimates are desired. Unlike the `sites` and `design` data frames, the `subpop` data frame can contain an arbitrary number of columns. The first variable in the `subpop` data frame identifies site ID values and each subsequent variable identifies a type of population, where the variable name is used to identify type. A type variable identifies each site with a character value. If the number of unique values for a type variable is greater than one, then the set of values represent subpopulations of that type. When a type variable consists of a single unique value, then the type does not contain subpopulations. For this analysis, the `subpop` data frame contains three variables: (1) `siteID` - site ID values, (2) `Upper_Wabash` - which will be used to calculate estimates for all of the sample sites combined, and (3) `Strahler_Order` - which will be used to calculate estimates for each Strahler order individually. The `Strahler_order` variable in the `IN_streams` data frame is assigned to the `Strahler_Order` variable in the `subpop` data frame. The `design` data frame consists of survey design variables. For the analysis under consideration, the `design` data frame contains the following variables: (1) `siteID` - site ID values; (2) `wgt` - final, adjusted, survey design weights; (3) `xcoord` - x-coordinates for location;

and (4) ycoord - y-coordinates for location. The wgt, xcoord, and ycoord variables in the design data frame are assigned values using variables with the same names in the IN_streams data frame. Like the subpop data frame, the data.cat data frame can contain an arbitrary number of columns. The first variable in the data.cat data frame identifies site ID values and each subsequent variable identifies a response variable. The two response variables are Status and Target_NonTarget, which are assigned the status and TNT variables, respectively, in the IN_streams data frame. Missing data (NA) is allowed for the response variables, which are the only variables in the input data frames for which NA values are allowed.

Create the sites data frame.

```
> sites <- data.frame(siteID=IN_streams$siteID,  
+                      Use=rep(TRUE, nr))
```

Create the subpop data frame.

```
> subpop <- data.frame(siteID=IN_streams$siteID,  
+                      Upper_Wabash=rep("Upper Wabash", nr),  
+                      Strahler_Order=IN_streams$Strahler_Cat)
```

Create the design data frame.

```
> design <- data.frame(siteID=IN_streams$siteID,  
+                      wgt=IN_streams$wgt,  
+                      xcoord=IN_streams$xcoord,  
+                      ycoord=IN_streams$ycoord)
```

Create the data.cat data frame.

```
> data.cat <- data.frame(siteID=IN_streams$siteID,  
+                        Status=IN_streams$Status,  
+                        Target_NonTarget=IN_streams$TNT)
```

Use the cat.analysis function to calculate extent estimates for the site status evaluation variables.

```
> # Calculate extent estimates for the site status evaluation variables  
> Extent_Estimates <- cat.analysis(sites, subpop, design, data.cat)  
>
```

The extent estimates for all basins combined are displayed using the print function. The object produced by cat.analysis is a data frame containing thirteen columns. The first five columns identify the population (Type), subpopulation (Subpopulation), response variable

(Indicator), levels of the response variable (Category), and number of values in a category (NResp). A category labeled "Total" is included for each combination of population, subpopulation, and response variable. The next four columns in the data frame provide results for the proportion estimates: the proportion estimate (Estimate.P), standard error of the estimate (StdError.P), lower confidence bound (LCB95Pct.P), and upper confidence bound (UCB95Pct.P). Argument conf for cat.analysis allows control of the confidence bound level. The default value for conf is 95, hence the column names for confidence bounds contain the value 95. Supplying a different value to the conf argument will be reflected in the confidence bound names. Confidence bounds are obtained using the standard error and the Normal distribution multiplier corresponding to the confidence level. The final four columns in the data frame provide results for the size (units) estimates: the units estimate (Estimate.U), standard error of the estimate (StdError.U), lower confidence bound (LCB95Pct.U), and upper confidence bound (UCB95Pct.U). Note that the size estimate for the Total category will be equal to the sum of the survey design weights.

```
> # Print the extent estimates for all basins combined
> print(Extent_Estimates[c(1:8, 32:34),])
```

	Type	Subpopulation	Indicator	Category	NResp	
1	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Status	Chemistry_Only	14	
2	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Status	Landowner_Denial	19	
3	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Status	NonTarget	9	
4	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Status	Physical_Barrier	7	
5	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Status	Sampled	48	
6	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Status	Target_Not_Sampled	2	
7	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Status	Unknown	1	
8	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Status	Total	100	
32	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Target_NonTarget	NonTarget	10	
33	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Target_NonTarget	Target	90	
34	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	Target_NonTarget	Total	100	
	Estimate.P	StdError.P	LCB95Pct.P	UCB95Pct.P	Estimate.U	StdError.U
1	6.5597397	1.6598843	3.3064261	9.8130532	482.67548	110.03523
2	17.8769326	3.7404140	10.5458559	25.2080092	1315.41150	285.35722
3	22.0775177	5.0281966	12.2224335	31.9326019	1624.49685	423.20639
4	5.5434713	2.4060864	0.8276286	10.2593140	407.89693	179.10621
5	46.4405214	5.0106571	36.6198139	56.2612289	3417.16319	427.23184
6	1.1430273	0.7450965	0.0000000	2.6033896	84.10566	54.27639
7	0.3587901	0.2951899	0.0000000	0.9373516	26.40031	21.63337
8	100.0000000	0.0000000	100.0000000	100.0000000	7358.14992	536.14393
32	22.4363077	5.0285302	12.5805696	32.2920459	1650.89716	423.75896
33	77.5636923	5.0285302	67.7079541	87.4194304	5707.25276	460.82638
34	100.0000000	0.0000000	100.0000000	100.0000000	7358.14992	536.14393
	LCB95Pct.U	UCB95Pct.U				
1	267.01038	698.34058				

```

2  756.12163 1874.70137
3  795.02756 2453.96614
4   56.85522  758.93864
5 2579.80417 4254.52221
6   0.00000  190.48543
7   0.00000   68.80094
8 6307.32713 8408.97271
32 820.34487 2481.44945
33 4804.04965 6610.45587
34 6307.32713 8408.97271

```

```
>
```

The `write.csv` function is used to store the extent estimates as a comma-separated value (csv) file. Files in csv format can be read by programs such as Microsoft Excel.

```
> write.csv(Extent_Estimates, file="Extent_Estimates.csv", sep=",",
+           row.names=FALSE)
```

4 Analysis of stream condition variables

The second analysis that will be examined is estimating resource proportion and size for stream condition variables. Two stream condition variables will be examined: (1) `IBI_Status`, which classifies streams by IBI (index of biotic integrity) status categories and (2) `QHEI_Status`, which classifies streams by QHEI (qualitative habitat evaluation index) status categories. The `table` and `addmargins` functions are used to create tables displaying the count for each level of the two stream condition variables.

```
> addmargins(table(IN_streams$IBI_Status))
```

A table displaying the number of values for each level of the IBI status variable follows:

Impaired	Not_Impaired	Sum
12	36	48

```
> addmargins(table(IN_streams$QHEI_Status))
```

A table displaying the number of values for each level of the QHEI status variable follows:

Impaired	Not_Impaired	Sum
14	34	48

As for extent estimates, the `cat.analysis` function will be used to calculate condition estimates. The sites data frame for this analysis differs from the one used to calculate extent estimates. The `Use` logical variables in `sites` is set equal to the value "Sampled", so that only sampled sites are used in the analysis. The `subpop` and `design` data frames created in the prior analysis can be reused for this analysis. The `data.cat` data frame contains the two stream condition variables: `IBLStatus` and `QHEIStatus`. Variables `IBLStatus` and `QHEIStatus` in the `IN_streams` data frame are assigned to `IBLStatus` and `QHEIStatus`, respectively.

Create the `sites` data frame.

```
> sites <- data.frame(siteID=IN_streams$siteID,
+                      Use=IN_streams$Status == "Sampled")
```

Create the `data.cat` data frame.

```
> data.cat <- data.frame(siteID=IN_streams$siteID,
+                        IBI_Status=IN_streams$IBI_Status,
+                        QHEI_Status=IN_streams$QHEI_Status)
```

Use the `cat.analysis` function to calculate estimates for the stream condition variables.

```
> # Calculate estimates for the categorical variables
> Condition_Estimates <- cat.analysis(sites, subpop, design, data.cat)
>
```

Print the stream condition estimates for all sites combined.

```
> # Print the condition estimates for all basins combined
> print(Condition_Estimates[c(1:3, 16:18),])
```

	Type	Subpopulation	Indicator	Category	NResp	Estimate.P	
1	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Status	Impaired	12	27.66052	
2	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Status	Not_Impaired	36	72.33948	
3	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Status	Total	48	100.00000	
16	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	QHEI_Status	Impaired	14	40.90216	
17	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	QHEI_Status	Not_Impaired	34	59.09784	
18	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	QHEI_Status	Total	48	100.00000	
	StdError.P	LCB95Pct.P	UCB95Pct.P	Estimate.U	StdError.U	LCB95Pct.U	UCB95Pct.U
1	6.611920	14.70139	40.61964	945.205	247.3122	460.4819	1429.928
2	6.611920	59.38036	85.29861	2471.958	345.9131	1793.9811	3149.935

3	0.000000	100.00000	100.00000	3417.163	362.5003	2706.6756	4127.651
16	8.383366	24.47106	57.33325	1397.694	357.9031	696.2163	2099.171
17	8.383366	42.66675	75.52894	2019.470	305.3225	1421.0486	2617.891
18	0.000000	100.00000	100.00000	3417.163	362.5003	2706.6756	4127.651

>

Use the write.csv function to write the condition estimates as a csv file.

```
> write.csv(Condition_Estimates, file="Condition_Estimates.csv")
```

5 Analysis of stream condition variables correcting for population size

The frame is a data structure containing spatial location data in addition to other attributes regarding a resource of interest and is used to create a survey design. A frame often takes the form of a shapefile. The frame can be used to obtain size values (e.g., length of streams) for the populations and subpopulations examined in an analysis. Examination of the Estimate.U column in the Condition_Estimates data frame produced by cat.analysis reveals that the estimated Total value for both condition variables and each combination of population value and subpopulation value does not sum to the corresponding frame size value. For example, the Total entry in the Estimate.U column for the IBLstatus variable, population "Upper_Wabash" and subpopulation "Upper Wabash" is 3,417 kilometers (rounded to a whole number). The corresponding frame size value is 7,358 kilometers. The popsize (population size) argument to cat.analysis provides a mechanism for forcing the size estimates to sum to a desired value, e.g., the frame size value. Note that including popsize as an argument results in assigning the popsize value to the Total category of the size estimates. Use of the popsize argument assumes that sites which were evaluated but not sampled were missing at random. The missing at random assumption may not be a valid assumption, e.g., sites for which access was denied by the landowner may not be the same as sites that were sampled. For the current analysis, we will assume that the assumption is valid. As a first step for use of the popsize argument, the c (combine) function is used to create a named vector of frame size values for each basin. Output from the c function is assigned to an object named framesize. The popsize argument is a list, which is a particular type of R object. The popsize list must include an entry for each population type included in the subpop data frame, i.e., Upper_Wabash and Strahler_Order for this analysis. The sum function applied to framesize is assigned to the Upper_Wabash entry in the popsize list. Recall that the Strahler order population type contains subpopulations, i.e., Strahler order categories. When a population type contains subpopulations, the entry in the popsize list also is a list. The as.list function is applied to framesize, and the result is assigned to the Strahler_Order entry in the popsize list.

Assign frame size values.

```
> framesize <- c("1"=4514.450, "2"=1443.260, "3"=740.146, "4"=660.294)
```

Use the cat.analysis function to calculate estimates for the stream condition variables.

```
> Condition_Estimates_popsiz <- cat.analysis(sites, subpop, design, data.cat,
+   popsiz=list(Upper_Wabash=sum(framesize),
+   Strahler_Order=as.list(framesize)))
```

Print the stream condition estimates for all sites combined.

```
> # Print the stream condition estimates for all sites combined
> print(Condition_Estimates_popsiz[c(1:3, 16:18),])
```

	Type	Subpopulation	Indicator	Category	NResp	Estimate.P	
1	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Status	Impaired	12	27.66052	
2	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Status	Not_Impaired	36	72.33948	
3	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Status	Total	48	100.00000	
16	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	QHEI_Status	Impaired	14	40.90216	
17	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	QHEI_Status	Not_Impaired	34	59.09784	
18	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	QHEI_Status	Total	48	100.00000	
	StdError.P	LCB95Pct.P	UCB95Pct.P	Estimate.U	StdError.U	LCB95Pct.U	UCB95Pct.U
1	6.611920	14.70139	40.61964	2035.302	486.5150	1081.750	2988.854
2	6.611920	59.38036	85.29861	5322.848	486.5150	4369.296	6276.400
3	NA	NA	NA	7358.150	NA	NA	NA
16	8.383366	24.47106	57.33325	3009.642	616.8607	1800.618	4218.667
17	8.383366	42.66675	75.52894	4348.508	616.8607	3139.483	5557.532
18	NA	NA	NA	7358.150	NA	NA	NA

>

Use the write.csv function to write the condition estimates as a csv file.

```
> write.csv(Condition_Estimates_popsiz, file="Condition_Estimates_popsiz.csv")
```

6 Analysis of quantitative variables

The third analysis that will be examined is estimating the CDF and percentiles for quantitative variables. Two quantitative variables will be examined: (1) IBLScore - IBI score and (2) QHELScore - QHEI score. The summary function is used to summarize the data structure of the two quantitative variables.

```
> summary(IN_streams$IBI_Score)
```

Summarize the data structure of the IBI score variable:

Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.	NA's
0.00	31.50	36.00	36.12	42.00	54.00	52

```
> summary(IN_streams$QHEI_Score)
```

Summarize the data structure of the QHEI score variable:

Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.	NA's
25.00	47.75	60.00	59.65	71.25	87.00	52

The `cont.analysis` function will be used to calculate estimates for quantitative variables. Input to the `cont.analysis` function is the same as input for the `cat.analysis` function except that the data frame containing response variables is named `cont.data` rather than `cat.data`. The `sites`, `subpop`, and `design` data frames created in the analysis of stream condition variables can be reused for this analysis. The `data.cont` data frame contains the two quantitative variables: `IBLScore` and `QHELScore`, which contain the numeric scores for the IBI and QHEI variables, respectively. Variables `IBLScore` and `QHELScore` in the `IN_streams` data frame are assigned to `IBLScore` and `QHELScore`, respectively. The `popsize` argument is included in the call to `cont.analysis`.

Create the `data.cont` data frame.

```
> data.cont <- data.frame(siteID=IN_streams$siteID,  
+                          IBI_Score=IN_streams$IBI_Score,  
+                          QHEI_Score=IN_streams$QHEI_Score)
```

Use the `cont.analysis` function to calculate CDF and percentile estimates for the quantitative variables.

```
> CDF_Estimates <- cont.analysis(sites, subpop, design, data.cont,  
+   popsize=list(Upper_Wabash=sum(framesize),  
+   Strahler_Order=as.list(framesize)))
```

The object produced by `cont.analysis` is a list containing two objects: (1) `CDF`, a data frame containing the CDF estimates and (2) `Pct`, a data frame containing percentile estimates plus estimates of population values for mean, variance, and standard deviation. Format for the `CDF` data frame is analogous to the data frame produced by `cat.analysis`. For the `CDF` data frame, however, the fourth column is labeled `Value` and contains the value at which the

CDF was evaluated. Unlike the data frames produced by the other analysis functions we have examined, the Pct data frame contains only nine columns since there is a single set of estimates rather than two sets of estimates. In addition, the fourth column is labeled Statistic and identifies either a percentile or the mean, variance, or standard deviation. Finally, since percentile estimates are obtained by inverting the CDF estimate, the percentile estimates do not have a standard error value associated with them.

Use the write.csv function to write the CDF estimates as a csv file.

```
> write.csv(CDF_Estimates$CDF, file="CDF_Estimates.csv")
```

The cont.cdfplot function in spsurvey can be used to produce a PDF file containing plots of the CDF estimates. The primary arguments to cont.cdfplot are a character string containing a name for the PDF file and the CDF data frame in the CDF_Estimates object.

Produce a PDF file containing plots of the CDF estimates.

```
> cont.cdfplot("CDF_Estimates.pdf", CDF_Estimates$CDF)
>
```

Print the percentile estimates for IBI score for all sites combined.

```
> # Print the percentile estimates for IBI score for all sites combined
> print(CDF_Estimates$Pct[1:10,])
```

	Type	Subpopulation	Indicator	Statistic	NResp	Estimate
1	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	5Pct	1	0.00000
2	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	10Pct	2	23.39923
3	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	25Pct	8	28.73106
4	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	50Pct	23	34.24697
5	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	75Pct	31	39.58683
6	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	90Pct	41	44.24131
7	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	95Pct	44	48.88966
8	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	Mean	48	34.19264
9	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	Variance	48	112.13090
10	Upper_Wabash	Upper Wabash	IBI_Score	Std. Deviation	48	10.58919
		StdError	LCB95Pct	UCB95Pct		
1			0.000000	24.63962		
2			0.000000	26.64929		
3			24.221557	32.17595		
4			31.384275	37.06088		
5			35.911571	43.88564		
6			40.800963	51.47035		
7			41.691545	54.00000		

```

8  1.7410238506777 30.780300 37.60499
9  45.0419816500115 23.850234 200.41156
10 2.12679116946548 6.420754 14.75762

```

```
>
```

Use the write.csv function to write the percentile estimates as a csv file.

```
> write.csv(CDF_Estimates$Pct, file="Percentile_Estimates.csv")
```

The cont.cdfctest function in spsurvey can be used to test for statistical difference between the CDFs from subpopulations. For this analysis we will test for statistical difference between the CDFs for the four Strahler order categories. The cont.cdfctest function will test all possible pairs of Strahler order categories. Arguments to cont.cdfctest are the same as arguments to cont.analysis. Since we are interested only in testing among Strahler order categories, the subpop data frame is subsetting to include only the siteID and Strahler_Order variables. Note that the popsize argument was modified from prior examples to include only the entry for Strahler_Order.

```
> CDF_Tests <- cont.cdfctest(sites, subpop[,c(1,3)], design, data.cont,
+   popsize=list(Strahler_Order=as.list(framesize)))
```

During execution of the program, a warning message was generated. The warning message is stored in a data frame named 'warn.df'. Enter the following command to view the warning message: warnprnt()

The print function is used to display results for IBI score of the statistical tests for difference between CDFs for Strahler order categories. The object produced by cont.cdfctest is a data frame containing eight columns. The first column (Type) identifies the population. The second and third columns (Subpopulation_1 and Subpopulation_2) identify the subpopulations. The fourth column (Indicator) identifies the response variable. Column five contains values of the test statistic. Six test statistics are available, and the default statistic is an F-distribution version of the Wald statistic, which is identified in the data frame as "Wald-F". The default statistic is used in this analysis. For further information about the test statistics see the help file for the cdf.test function in spsurvey, which includes a reference for the test for differences in CDFs. Columns six and seven (Degrees_of_Freedom_1 and Degrees_of_Freedom_2) provide the numerator and denominator degrees of freedom for the Wald test. The final column (p_Value) provides the p-value for the test.

```
> # Print results of the statistical tests for difference between CDFs from
> # Strahler order categories for IBI score
> print(CDF_Tests, digits=2)
```

	Type	Subpopulation_1	Subpopulation_2	Indicator	Wald_F
1	Strahler_Order	1st	2nd	IBI_Score	0.350
2	Strahler_Order	1st	3rd	IBI_Score	0.314
3	Strahler_Order	1st	4th	IBI_Score	3.535
4	Strahler_Order	2nd	3rd	IBI_Score	0.065
5	Strahler_Order	2nd	4th	IBI_Score	3.554
6	Strahler_Order	3rd	4th	IBI_Score	2.670
7	Strahler_Order	1st	2nd	QHEI_Score	0.989
8	Strahler_Order	1st	3rd	QHEI_Score	1.633
9	Strahler_Order	1st	4th	QHEI_Score	5.631
10	Strahler_Order	2nd	3rd	QHEI_Score	0.406
11	Strahler_Order	2nd	4th	QHEI_Score	3.510
12	Strahler_Order	3rd	4th	QHEI_Score	1.968
	Degrees_of_Freedom_1	Degrees_of_Freedom_2	p_Value		
1	2	21	0.709		
2	2	23	0.733		
3	2	17	0.052		
4	2	25	0.938		
5	2	19	0.049		
6	2	21	0.093		
7	2	21	0.389		
8	2	23	0.217		
9	2	17	0.013		
10	2	25	0.671		
11	2	19	0.050		
12	2	21	0.165		

>

Use the write.csv function to write CDF test results as a csv file.

```
> # Write CDF test results as a csv file
> write.csv(CDF_Tests, file="CDF_Tests.csv", row.names=FALSE)
>
```