Applied Statistics I

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Statistical Software Packages

Why do we need statistical software?

Statistical analysis computer applications have the advantage of being accurate, reliable, and generally faster than computing statistics and drawing graphs by hand.

Comparison of commonly used statistical packages

Product	Latest version	Cost(\$)	Open source	Interface
Minitab	May 18, 2010	$895 - 1395^{1}$	No	CLI/GUI
SPSS	2011	4975	No	CLI/GUI
PSPP	May 05, 2011	Free	Yes	CLI/GUI
R	April 13, 2011	Free	Yes	CLI/GUI
SPlus	2005	2399/year	No	CLI

Higher prices may apply to current purchases and the lower pricing is offered to academic purchasers.

1- Perpetual

Software cracking

- Software cracking is the process of bypassing the registration and payment options on a software product to remove copy protection safeguards or to turn a demo version of software into a fully functional version without paying for it.
- ► Software cracking is considered illegal and cracked software is often called pirated software.
- Cracked software generally has had the executable modified and can cause undesirable behaviour.

Minitab

- Minitab is a statistical analysis software.
- It can be used for learning about statistics as well as statistical research.
- Minitab is relatively easy to use once you know a few fundamentals.

Use of Minitab

- Data and File Management
- ► Tables and Graphs
- Regression Analysis
- Multivariate Analysis
- Nonparametrics
- Time Series and Forecasting
- Statistical Process Control
- Measurement System Analysis
- Analysis of Variance

Thanks