

## Model Based Statistics in Biology.

### Part II. Quantifying Uncertainty.

#### Chapter 6 Frequency Distributions

ReCap. Part I (Chapters 1,2,3,4)

ReCap. Part II (Ch 5)

##### 6.1 Frequency Distributions from Data

Discrete Distributions

Example, Four Forms, Four Uses

Continuous Distributions

Example, Four Forms, Four Uses

Uses (Summary)

##### 6.2 Frequency Distributions from a Model

Notation

Uses

Computing Probabilities and Outcomes

Cell nuclei (binomial)

Lab3

Model vs Observed Distributions

##### 6.3 Fit of Observed to Model Distribution

Grouped Data

Case 1. Mining Disasters (poisson)

Case 2. Students/row (poisson)

Case 3. Ages of alumnae mothers (normal)

Case 4. MUN student mother ages (normal)

Case 5. Mortality (binomial)

Probability plots (Ungrouped Data)

Red chalk for residuals  
Yellow chalk for model  
White chalk for data

on chalk board

**Recap** Part I (Chapters 1,2,3,4)

Quantitative reasoning: Example of scallops, which combined stats and models

Quantities: Five part definition

Equations express an idea or concept about the relation of one quantity to another

**ReCap** (Ch5)

Data equations summarize pattern in data.

Data equations apply to regression lines and to comparison of groups.

The sum of the squared residuals allows us to compare one model to another.

It allows us to quantify the improvement in fit, a key concept in statistics.

Today: Frequency Distributions.

Frequency distributions are a key concept in statistics.

For a variable quantity, these distributions summarize information.

They will be used throughout the course, for a variety of purposes.

Frequency distributions can be calculated from data

or from a probability model.