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This workshop will last 50 minutes, organized as follows:

- Introduction to the Development of Statistical Tasks on Energy Resiliency and workshop data distribution (5 min.)
- Participants' development of graphs using Excel and sample data from the APEC Energy Database (10 min.)
- Participants' presentations of their statistical analyses and observations (30 min.)
- Workshop summary (5 min.)







Introduction to the Development of Statistical Tasks on Energy Resiliency



• Take a look to the following satellite picture of the light cities generate at night (NASA, 2012).





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Much of the light generated on Earth is wasted, spilling out into space.

In terms of energy consumption, this is not very efficient.

Incandescent lightbulbs, the type which have a filament inside, account for around half of the lightbulbs in homes around the world. But only about 5% of the energy they use is actually turned into light. The other 95% is wasted. It now estimates that replacing all the standard lightbulbs in Europe with new energy-efficient ones could cut carbon emissions by 28million tonnes a year - the equivalent of 50million barrels of oil.

(http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/technology/6067900.stm)



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(http://www.blue-marble.de/nightlights/2012)



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- What kind of questions, involving data representation and data analysis, would you pose from this lighting scenario?
- Remember: When analyzing data, the role of a student or a statistician is to be a "data detective," to uncover the stories that are hidden in the data.







- As "data detectives", people are expected:
 - to note important signals in the variability of the data,
 - to develop and share their reasoning about sources of variation in data over time, and
 - to engage in informal inferential reasoning by using data as evidence of estimations, predictions and generalizations.

(English & Watson, 2015; Makar & Rubin, 2009; Shaughnessy, 2007).







- By doing so, we will have opportunities to engage in the following 4 levels of reading graphs (Shaughnessy, 2007):
 - Reading the graph/data
 - Reading within the graph/data
 - Reading beyond the graph/data
 - Reading behind the graph/data
- When "reading behind the graph", one might conjecture about the possible causes that might affect the phenomenon represented over time (i.e., historical, economic, or demographic potential sources of variation in the data), and use some "data detective" skills to analyze graphical information.





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• From a data-detective point of view, important signals in the data variability should be noticed.

 Such signals are particularly evident in data that are collected over time.

• http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/ for APEC DATABASE









Electricity Power Generation:

http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/database/electricity_select_form.html

Electricity Power Capacity:

http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/database/egcapacity_select_form.html

Final Energy Consumption:

http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/database/newfinal_select_form.html

Fuel Consumption for Electricity Power Generation:

http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/database/newfelectricity_select_form.html

Primary Energy Supply:

http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/database/newprimary_select_form.html

Fuel Demand and Supply by Energy Sources (Coal, Crude Oil, Gas): http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/database/newdemand_select_form.html

CO₂ Emission:

http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/database/co2_select_form.html



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Let's develop statistical tasks and graphs using Excel and data from the APEC Energy Database! (10 min.)



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Workshop Summary



• During our workshop in November 2016 at KKU, we discussed the models for the Practice of Statistics at school level developed by Wild and Pfannkuch (1999) and Watson (2009).



 Challenging students with problems and questions in which they have to analyze data collected over time using graphical representations, provide students with opportunities to empower them as statistically literate citizens (e.g., English & Watson, 2015; Gal, 2004; Shaughnessy, 2007).









- Shaughnessy (2007, p. 991) also listed the following eight behaviors regarding understanding of graphs, considered to be critical to develop students' basic graph sense, as well as critical, mathematical and statistical literacy:
- 1. Recognizing components of graphs (*Reading* the data).
- 2. Speaking the language of graphs (*Reading* the data).
- 3. Understanding relationships among tables, graphs, and data (Reading *within* the data).
- 4. Making sense of a graph, but avoiding personalization and maintaining an objective stance while talking about the graphs. (Reading *within* the data).

- 5. Interpreting information in a graph and answering questions about it (Reading *beyond* the data).
- 6. Recognizing appropriate graphs for a given data set and its context (Reading *beyond* the data).
- Looking for possible causes of variation (Reading *behind* the data).
- 8. Looking for relationships among variables in the data (Reading *behind* the data).









- Using the graphical representation shown before, we can ask students "critical questions" such as:
 - What was the overall pattern in the data?
 - Why might be the data varying in the way it is?
 - Why does this variable have a similar/different trend that the one shown by SE Asia and North America?
 - What might happened in a particular period of time (e.g., the early 90's) in the regions under examination, to explain the behavior of the variable during that period?
 - What might happen in the next five years, and why?









- When analyzing data, one safe first approach is to start by asking what the overall pattern in the data was, and why the data might be varying.
- What could you say regarding the distribution of economic activity and populations in both countries? How about the impacts on our environment (e.g., transformation the landscape and the soil, which alters the surrounding ecosystem and the climate)?
- How about the electric bill in different APEC countries? Do you remember the "Electric Bill Task" from the last meeting? How would you connect that task to the city night lights picture and your statistical analysis?











- Starting with a counterintuitive idea (e.g., the refrigerator acting as a heater, or city lights as light pollution) will motivate students to collect data, and then engage in statistical investigations.
- Law of Conservation of Energy (on an intuitive level, before the formalization)
- The heat doesn't vanish, it's transferred to the room and after to the outside.
- "Country glow" as a informal (simple) indicator of pollution, fuel demand, CO₂ emissions, ...









- Estimate the energy spent by a washer machine by kilogram of laundry load.
- Water consumption, electric consumption, coal consumption, oil consumption, ...
- Comparison between the energy consumption of mercury-filament light bulbs, LED bulbs, fluorescent lamps.
- Make sure students take into account the difference in climatic conditions (Thailand and Canada for example).









• Students will have the opportunity to compare their own empirical results with national and regional data, using the APEC Energy database.

 Data on energy sources, energy consumption, CO₂ emissions, etc., are available in the database, very useful for verifying students' hypotheses.











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Thank You for your Attention!



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- We have access to the APEC Energy Database, compiled by the Asia Pacific Energy Research Centre (APERC).
- 100% real data, 100% free.
- http://www.ieej.or.jp/egeda/

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APEC Energy Database					
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	Monthly Oil Reports	Mexico	Apr 2001 -> Sep 2016	12 Nov 2016	New: September 2016
	Monthly Oil Reports	Chile	Apr 2001 -> Sep 2016	12 Nov 2016	New: April - September 2016
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