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## STATS Lecture #4: Measures of Center + Spread

° 3 possible vertical scale histograms

① Raw-frequency: plot the counts

② relative-frequency: plot the %.

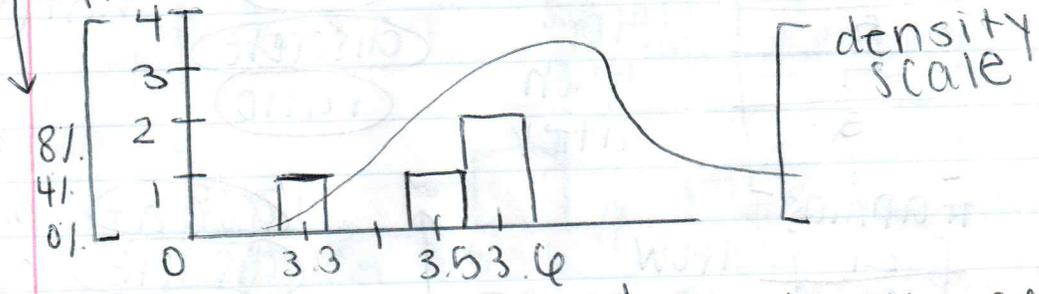
③ Density scale

butterfly data

value	raw freq.	% (relative frequency)
3.3	1	$\frac{1}{24} = 4\%$
3.4	0	0%
3.5	1	4%
3.6	2	8%
4.5	1	4%
$n = 24$		100%

relative freq.

raw freq.



• When hist. are plotted on density scale:

a) rel. freq  $\leftrightarrow$  area of hist. bars (curve)

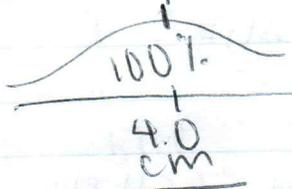
b) total area under hist. = 100%

• Convention: all hist. from now on, are

implicitly

~~on the density scale~~ on the density scale

ex)



wing length

point of symmetry

positively skewed

not symmetric

(skewed)

negatively skewed

long right hand tail

barrier

U.S. family income in 2017

\$0

Bill Gates

\$0

\$60K

\$120K

long left hand tail

midterm scores (%)

100%

0%

50%

100%

unimodal

mode

left tail

center

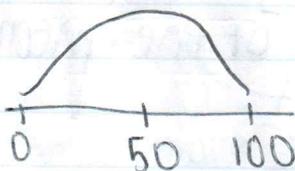
right tail

tails

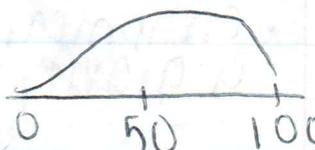
outlier

bimodal

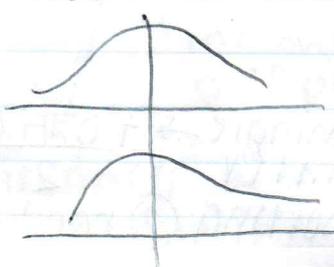
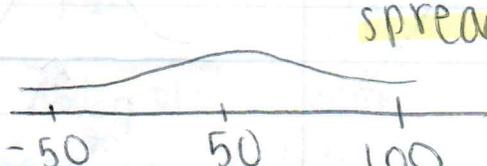
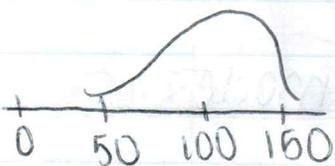
multimodal



different center, same shape, same spread



same shape, same center, different spread



same center, same spread, different shape

qualitatively

Measures of center: (L-15)

$$y_1 \begin{bmatrix} 4.4 \\ 3.6 \\ \vdots \\ 3.8 \end{bmatrix} n=24$$

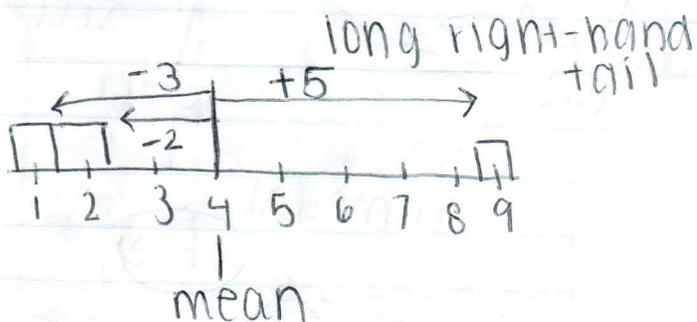
quant. cont. ratio

① mean/average

$$\text{mean } \bar{y} = \frac{4.4 + \dots + 3.8}{24} = \boxed{4.0 \text{ cm}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} n=3$$

mean  $\bar{y} = 4$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{subtract } 4} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ +5 \end{bmatrix}$$

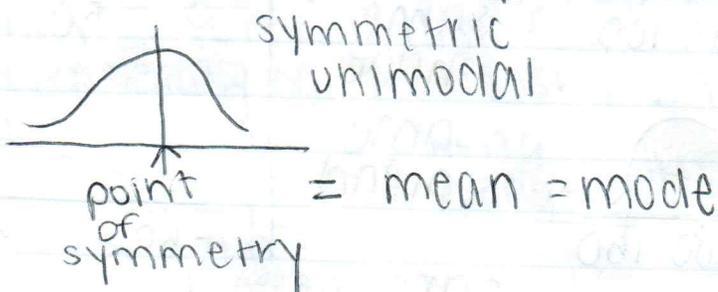
mean 4

mean 0

deviations from the mean

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{subtract } \bar{y}} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - \bar{y} \\ y_2 - \bar{y} \\ y_n - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

Graphical interpretation of the mean: center of gravity = balance point



$$\begin{bmatrix} 4.4 \\ 3.6 \\ \vdots \\ 3.9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{sort}} \begin{bmatrix} 3.3 \\ 3.5 \\ 4.0 \\ 4.0 \\ 4.4 \\ 4.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

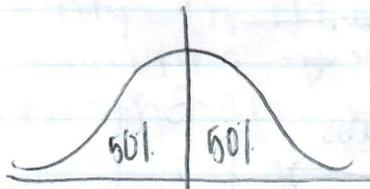
middle after sorting  $\rightarrow \frac{4.0 + 4.0}{2} = 4.0$

② median

$n=3$

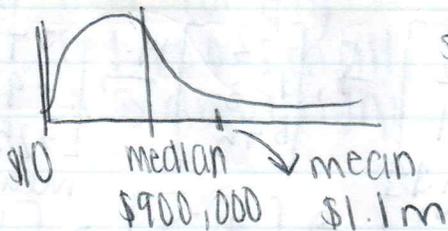
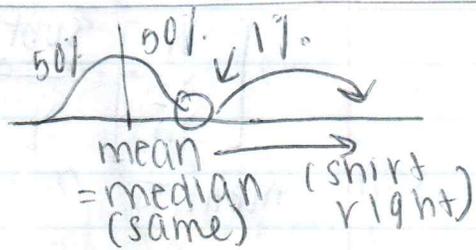
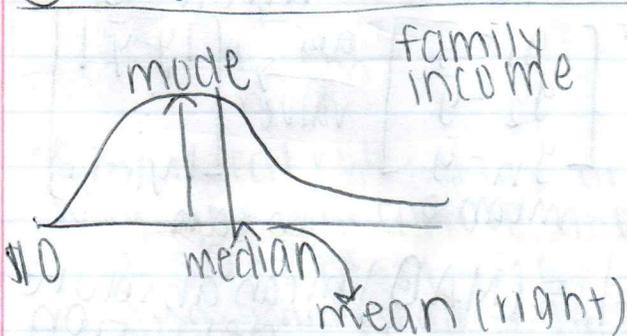
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{sort}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \textcircled{2} \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{median} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{sort}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{3} \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{median} = 2.5$$

Graphical interpretation of median: 50/50 point in data in relative frequency terms



point of symmetry = mean = mode = median

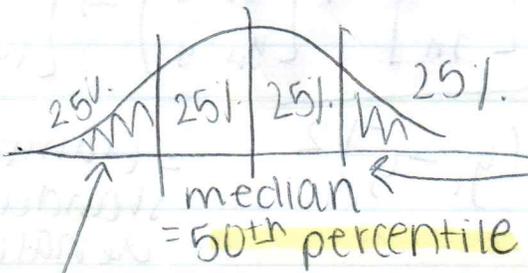
### ③ Mode



sale price of SC housing

$\sigma$  lower case sigma  
upper case sigma

$$\bar{y} = \frac{y_1 + \dots + y_n}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$$



index of summation

75th percentile = 0.75 quantile

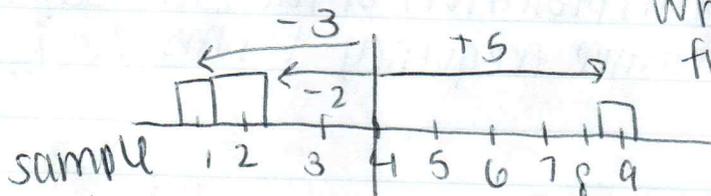
25th percentile = 0.25 quantile

• Influence of outliers on the mean

• Mean is pulled by the tail

Measures of spread:

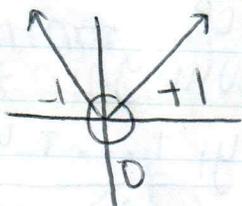
- typical amount by which each # differs from center



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{mean 4}]{\text{subtract 4}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ +5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{mean 0}]{\text{abs values}} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{mean } \bar{y}]{\text{subtract } \bar{y}} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - \bar{y} \\ y_2 - \bar{y} \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{mean}]{\text{abs value}} \begin{bmatrix} |y_1 - \bar{y}| \\ \vdots \\ |y_n - \bar{y}| \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \bar{y}| = (\text{MAD}) \text{ mean absolute deviation}$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{mean } 4]{\text{subtract 4}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ +5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{mean: } 12.7]{\text{square}} \begin{bmatrix} +9 \\ +4 \\ +25 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{mean } \bar{y}]{\text{subtract } \bar{y}} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - \bar{y} \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\text{mean}]{\text{square}} \begin{bmatrix} (y_1 - \bar{y})^2 \\ \vdots \\ (y_n - \bar{y})^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{mean: } s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = (\text{sample standard deviation (SD)})$$

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = (\text{sample variance})$$

$$SD = \sqrt{\frac{1^2 38}{2}} = 4.4 \text{ (100 yrs old)}$$

✓
✓
$\bar{x}$

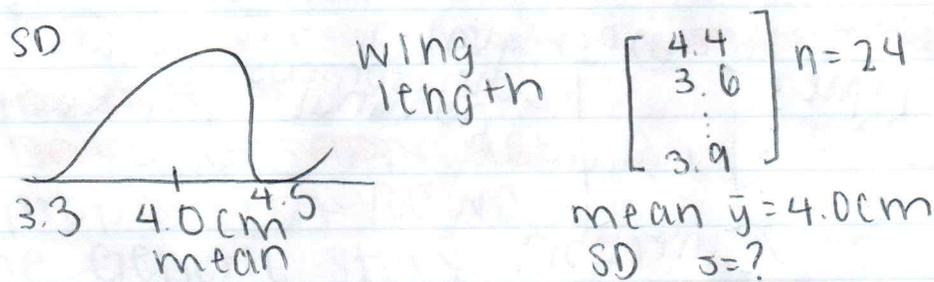
free

$n=3$

not free

mean

- The data set has  $n=3$  observations in it, but only  $(n-1)=2$  degrees of freedom for measuring spread
- Empirical interpretation of SD:



- **Empirical rule:** start at mean go 1 SD either way: you will capture about  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the data
  - 2 SD  $\rightarrow$  most  $\rightarrow$  95%
  - 3 SD  $\rightarrow$  almost all  $\rightarrow$  99.7%. (from normal curve)
- ex) 0.5 too big
- 0.1 too small
- 0.3 about right