

L12: Monday, Feb. 13

Housekeeping.

- Week 1 summary + discussion forum post due 11:59 p.m. today
- Optional homework to be posted on Canvas tonight — sol'ns will be posted on Wednesday
- Optional review session Tuesday 5-6 p.m. B205
- Exam 1 on Friday!
Wednesday's class will be a review session

QUESTIONS?

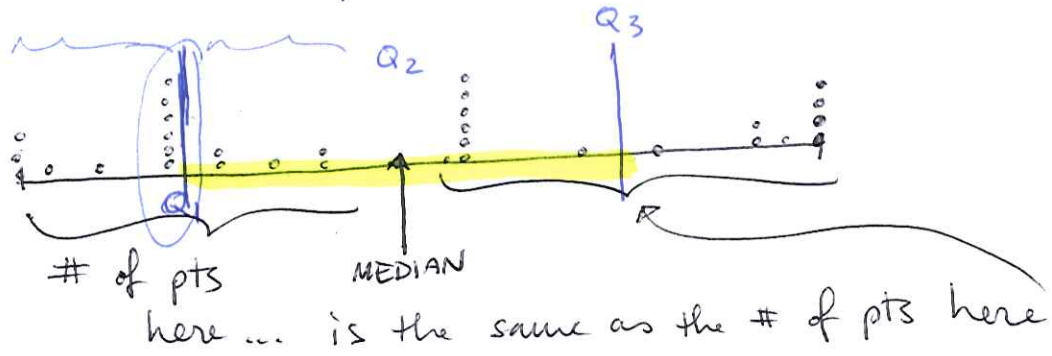
Last time...

- Mean, median, mode
- Quartiles, IQR, box & whisker plots
- Standard deviation
- z-scores

This time...

Review of the above topics

In the same way that finding the median splits the data into two parts, each with an equal # of points:



The QUARTILES split the data into four parts, each with an equal # of points:

Reminder: quartiles are numbers - numerical values - not ranges or intervals.

To find quartiles:

- ① Find the median of the data; that's Q_2 .
 - Ⓐ If # of pts (call it n) is odd, the median is the $(\frac{n+1}{2})^{\text{th}}$ point in the sorted list.
 - Ⓑ If n is even, then median = mean of $(\frac{n}{2})^{\text{th}}$ & $(\frac{n}{2}+1)^{\text{th}}$ pts.
- ② Take all points less than the median, and find the median of those; that's Q_1 .
- ③ Take all points greater than median, find the median of those; that's Q_3 .

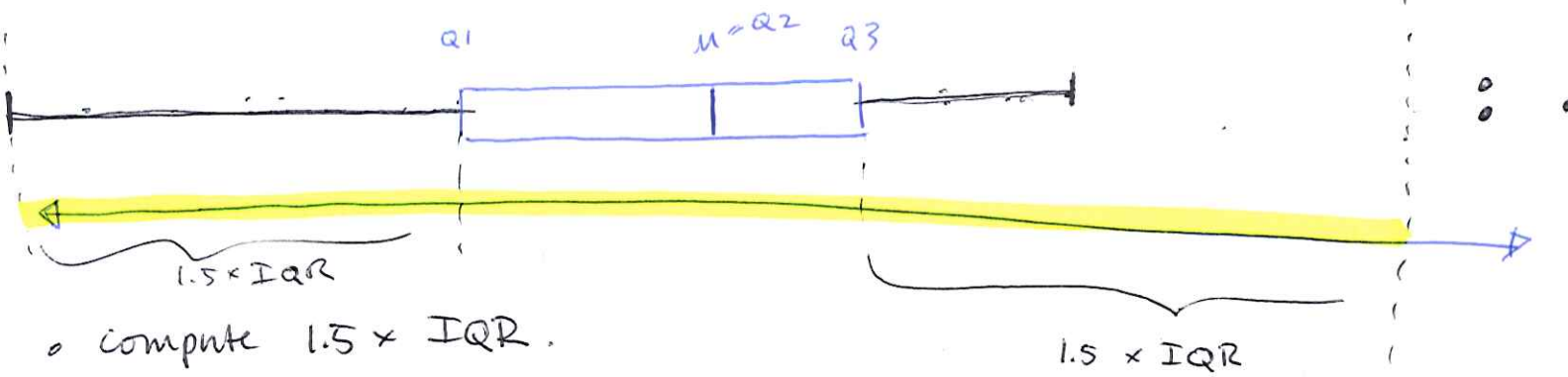
The Interquartile Range (or IQR) is also

a number : $IQR = Q_3 - Q_1$

Percentiles (similar to quartiles) divide data into 100 parts, each with (more or less) the same # of data points.

$$Q_1 = P_{25}, \quad Q_2 = P_{50} = \text{MED}, \quad Q_3 = P_{75}$$

Box + whisker plots.



- compute $1.5 \times IQR$.
- plot outliers individually
- draw the whiskers extending to the furthest points that aren't outliers

Std. Dev.

Measures the "typical" spread of the data about the mean (IQR measures the spread abt. the median).

Naïve idea :

- ✓ Find the mean
- ✓ Find the dist. from ea pt. to the mean
- ✓ Take the avg. of all distances.

Data = $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_m\}$

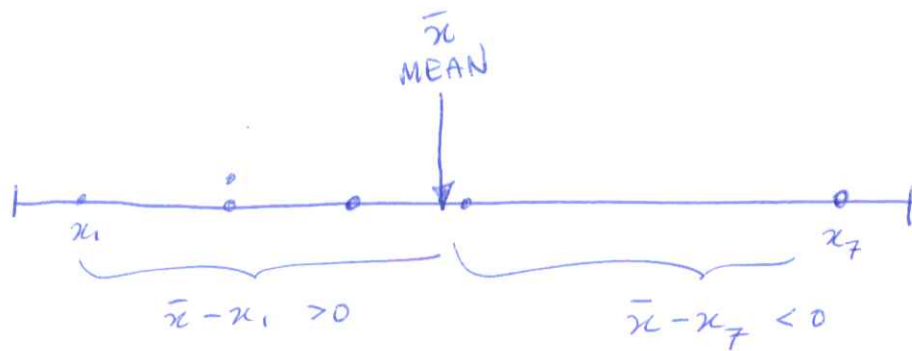
✓ Mean is $\bar{x} = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_m}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i$

Dist. from x_1 to \bar{x} is $\bar{x} - x_1$
 — " — x_2 — " — $\bar{x} - x_2$
 — " — x_3 — " — $\bar{x} - x_3$
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} the set of distances from data pts. to mean

Mean is $\frac{(\bar{x} - x_1) + (\bar{x} - x_2) + \dots + (\bar{x} - x_m)}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^m (\bar{x} - x_i)$

Example:



Problem: Positive & negative distances cancel each other out in the sum...

A slightly modified algorithm

Instead of finding the mean of all distances, find the mean of the squares of the distances.

$$\text{VARIANCE} := S^2 := \frac{(\bar{x} - x_1)^2 + (\bar{x} - x_2)^2 + \dots + (\bar{x} - x_m)^2}{m - 1}$$

for technical reasons.

Standard deviation is $S := \sqrt{S^2}$.

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^m (\bar{x} - x_i)^2}$$

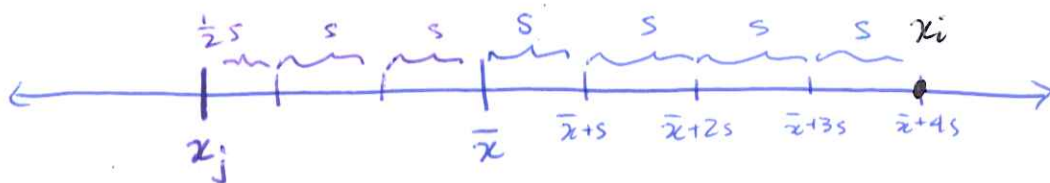
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while the S.D. is a characteristic of a data set, the z-score is a point.

For a data pt. x_i from a set whose mean is \bar{x} & s.d. is s ,

$$\text{z-score of } x_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{s}$$



For this case, the z-score of x_i is 4.

The z-score of x_j is -2.5