Elementary Statistics: Math 080

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Unit 0 Outline

- 1. Topics from Chapter 1: 1.1, 1.2, 1.3
 - What is a statistic?
 - Probability examples
 - Data and sampling
- 2. Topics from Chapter 2: 2.1 2.4, 2.5 2.8
 - Data visualization
 - Location of the data in numerical space
- 3. Topics from Chapter 3: 3.1, 3.2, 3.3
 - Two rules of probability

Topics from Chapter 2

Stemplots

Useful for numbers like grades. Most significant digit is the category.

Stem	Leaves
0	
1	
2	
3	
4	[3.0]
5	[6.0]
6	[7.0, 9.0]
7	[8.0, 0.0, 8.0, 1.0, 2.0, 5.0, 7.0]
8	[8.0, 3.0, 4.0, 6.0, 2.0, 1.0, 2.0, 1.0]
9	[8.0, 7.0, 1.0, 4.0]

Table 1: A *stemplot* of a grade distribution.

Stemplots

Procedure:

- 1. Identify the approximate order of magnitude of the sample.
- 2. Within that order of magnitude, create \approx 10 stems, corresponding to the base-10 digits.
- 3. For each data point, call the non-most significant digits the *leaves* and drop the leaves in the category with the matching leaf.

Professor example: What is the stemplot of

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Let's create a stemplot of:

- 1. Our ages in MATH080
- 2. My age and the rest of my department

(Stemplots lead in to the topic of histograms)

Histograms

Histograms are a tool for measuring *probability distributions*. The inputs are the data points and the corresponding relative frequencies, or plain frequencies.

How many textbooks or books did you purchase for school last year? (Type in the chat).

- 1. Determine the bins, or binning
- 2. For each data point, drop it into the appropriate bin
- 3. Each time a measurement is dropped into a bin, the *count* increases by 1.
- 4. If a histogram displays plain frequencies, it is called *un-normalized*.
- 5. If a histogram displays relative frequencies, it is called *normalized*.

Histograms

- 1. Histogram of books, by hand
- 2. Repeat with Excel/Calc

Practice with the FREQUENCY function in Calc/Excel:

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=FREQUENCY(A1:A99; B1:B11)
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Then press **control**+**shift**+**enter** to execute on arrays of data and bins. To *normalize*, input the relative frequencies, or divide frequecies by *N*. Assume the data is in C column:

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=C1/N ...
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Conclusion

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