Multivariate Analysis Introduction to Multivariate Analysis



Objective



Describe attributes of multivariate data visualization

Terms

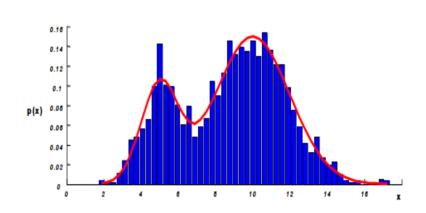
Multivariate Data

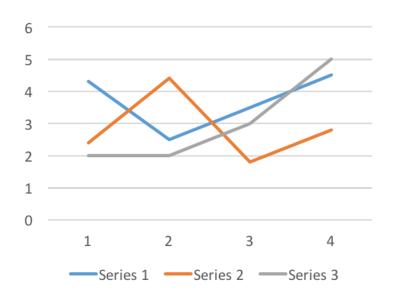
- Any statistical technique used to analyze data from more than one variable
- Used to process information in a meaningful way

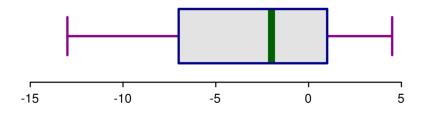
Curse of Dimensionality

 The more dimensions in a visualization, the less effective standard computational and statistical techniques become.

Univariate Visualization







Representation

What are the two main ways of presenting multivariate data sets?

Directly (textually) - Tables

Symbolically (pictures) – Graphs

How do we decide which to use, and when?

Tables

Use tables when:

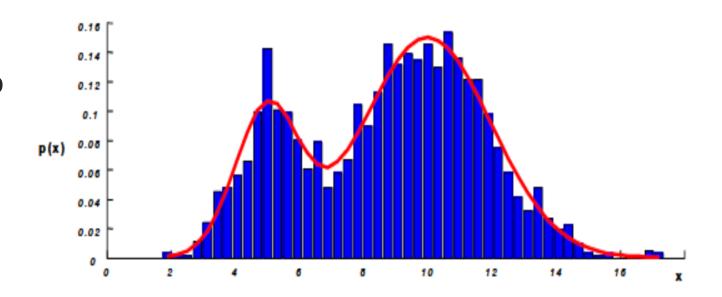
- The document will be used to look individual value
- The document will be used to compare individual values
- Precise values are required
- The quantitative info to be communicated involves more than one unit of measure

Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4
value	value	value	value
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Graphs

Use graphs when

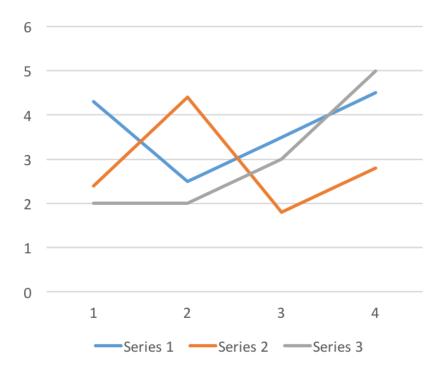
- The message is contained in the shape of the values
- The document will be used to reveal relationships among values



Graphs

Graph

- Visual display that illustrates one or more relationships among entities
- Shorthand way to present information
- Allows a trend, pattern or comparison to be easily comprehended



Task-Centric Graphing

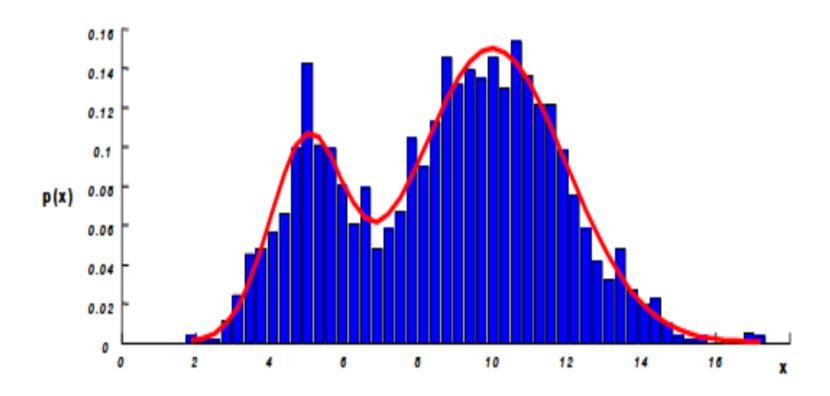
Why do you need a graph?

What questions are being answered?

What data is needed to answer those questions?

Who is the audience?

Univariate Graph



Bivariate Case – Stacked Bars

