Project 1: SAT Scores + Summary Statistics

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Introduction

 Data: mean SAT math and verbal scores, and the participation rate for each state and the District of Columbia for the year 2001.

Data Dictionary

Since it's boring to do it in excel...

```
variable={'Description': ['States', 'Participant Rate', 'Average Verbal Scores', 'Average Math Scores'], 'Data Type': scores.dtypes, 'Mean': scores.mean()} datadict=pandas.DataFrame(variable) datadict.to_csv('data dictionary.csv')
```

| | Data Type | Description | Mean |
|--------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| Math | int64 | Average Verbal Scores | 531.8 |
| Rate | int64 | Participant Rate | 37 |
| State | object | States | |
| Verbal | int64 | Average Math Scores | 532 |

Exploratory Data Analysis

Load the Data to a list of lists:

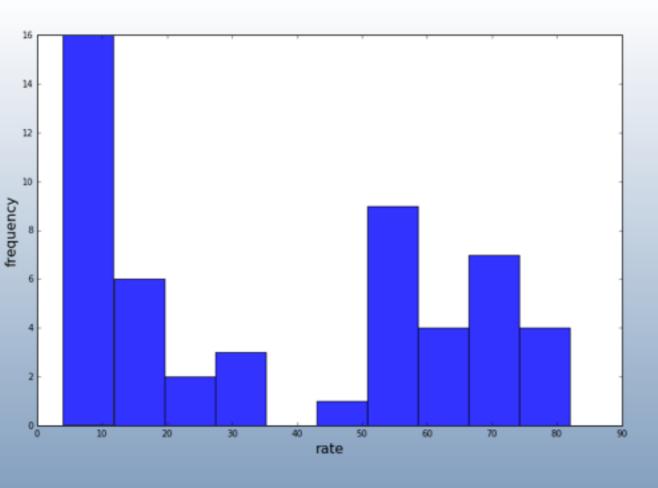
```
import csv
scorelist=[]
with open('sat_scores.csv', 'rb') as inputdata:
  filelist=csv.reader(inputdata)
  for row in filelist:
     scorelist.append(row)
```

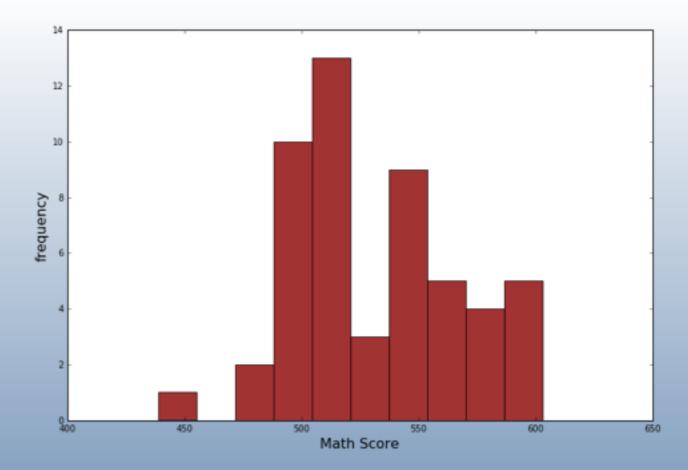
Compute std using list comprehension:

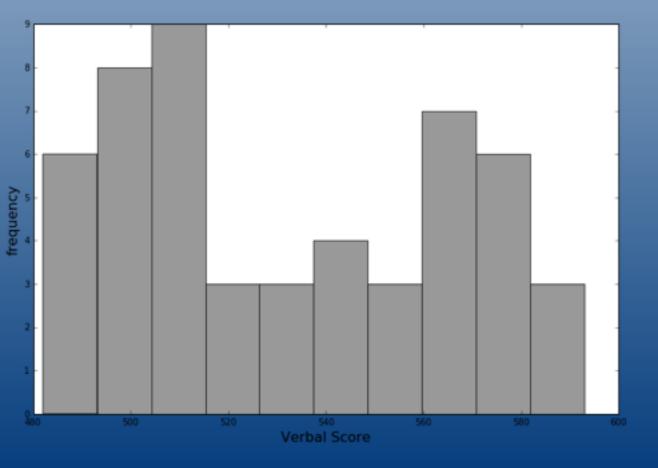
```
import numpy
lst=[rate, verbal, math]
def func():
  sd=[numpy.std([y for y in x]) for x in lst]
  return sd
print func()
```

 Result: [27.037996494523586, 32.915094961603266, 35.666996164305949]

Visualization





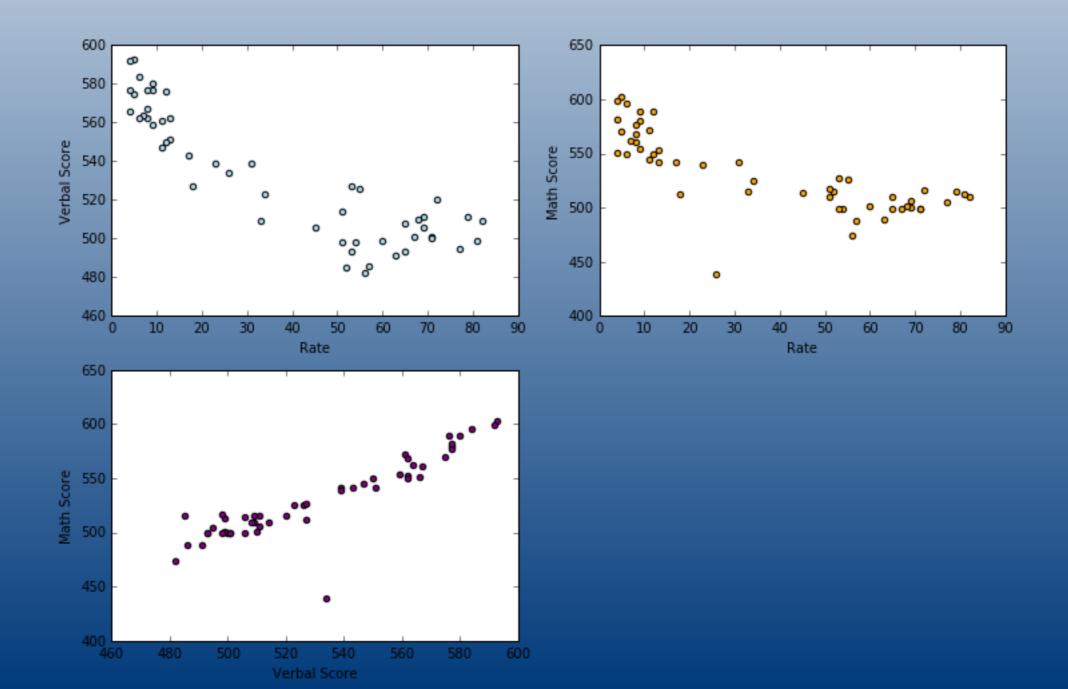


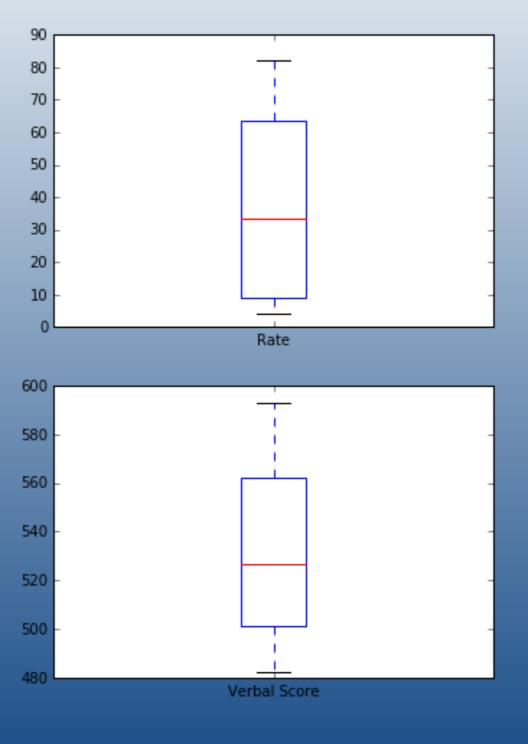
Rate and Verbal Score dist don't seem like normal.

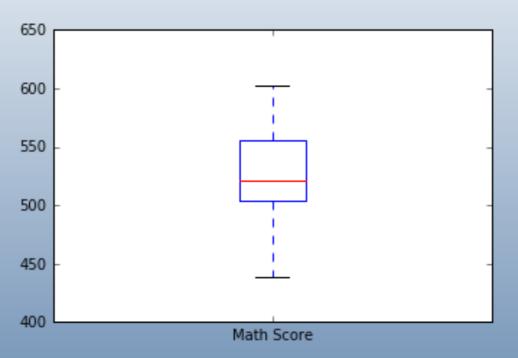
Possible Reasons:

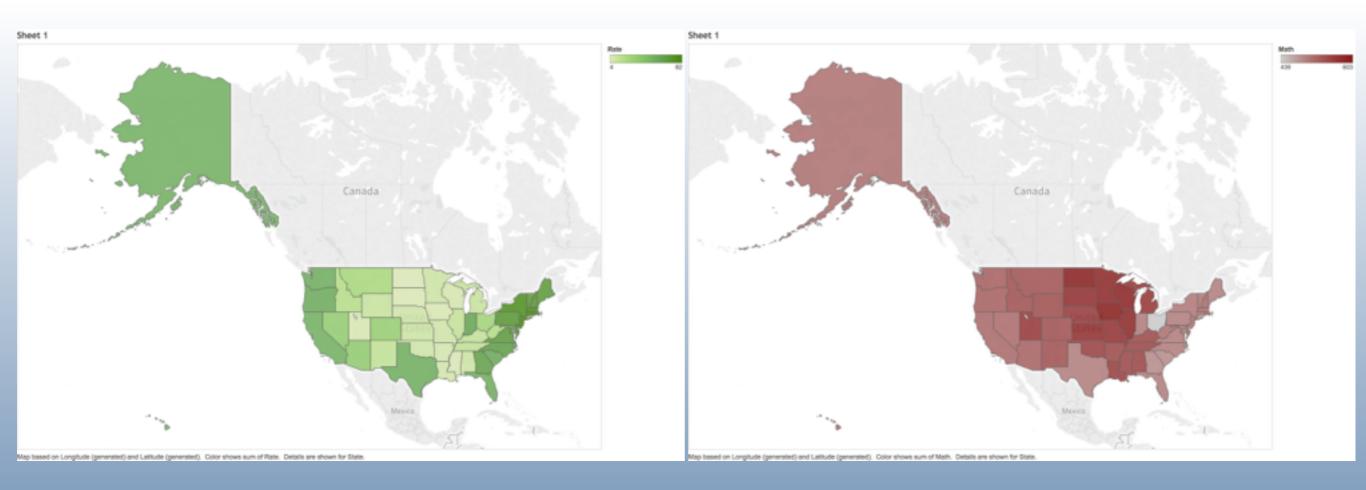
- 1. small sample size.
- 2. wrong data

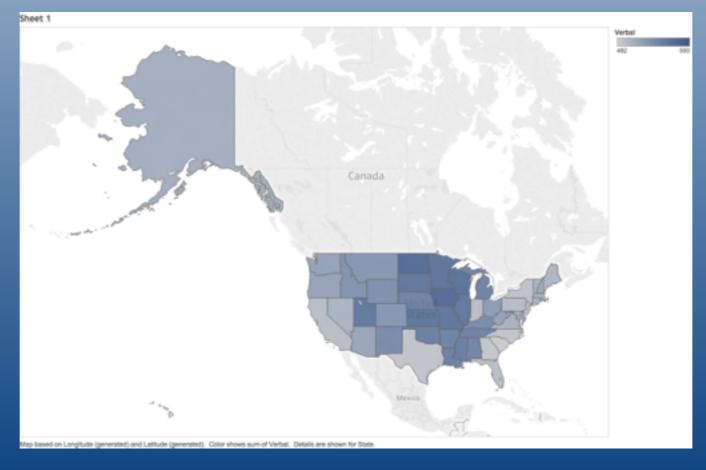
- Negative correlation between rate and test scores.
- Positive correlation between verbal and math scores.
- Both make sense.











Conclusion

- Next steps: linear regression?
- Need more information and data to draw useful conclusion