



# Introduction to Statistical Methods

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**Session 1:**  
**Overview of the course**  
**& Descriptive Statistics**  
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# Overview of the course

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## TEXT BOOK

Probability and Statistics for Engineering and Sciences,  
8<sup>th</sup> Edition, Jay L Devore, Cengage Learning

# Overview of the course

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- ❖ Descriptive Statistics
- ❖ Probability
- ❖ Conditional Probability
- ❖ Random Variables
- ❖ Probability Distributions – Univariate & Joint
- ❖ Sampling & Estimation
- ❖ Testing of Hypothesis – mean , proportions
- ❖ Regression
- ❖ Time Series Analysis

| Contact Session | List of Topic Title   | Reference    |
|-----------------|---|--------------|
| CS - 1          | Descriptive Statistics: Data Visualisation, Measures of Central Tendency, Measures of Variability | T1:Chapter 1 |

➤ Assignment 1 – 7%

➤ Assignment 2 – 8%

➤ Mid – 30%

➤ Compre – 45%

## Evaluation Components



➤ Assignment submission is individual

“Statistical thinking will be one day as necessary for efficient citizenship as the ability to read and write”

*H G Wells*



A famous statistician would never travel by airplane, because she had studied air travel and estimated the probability of there being a bomb on any given flight was 1 in a million, and she was not prepared to accept these odds.

One day a colleague met her at a conference far from home.

"How did you get here, by train?"

"No, I flew"

"What about the possibility of a bomb?"

"Well, I began thinking that if the odds of one bomb are 1:million, then the odds of TWO bombs are  $(1/1,000,000) \times (1/1,000,000) = 10^{-12}$ . This is a very, very small probability, which I can accept. So, now I bring my own bomb along!"



**Statistics may be defined as science that is employed to**

- Collect the data
- Present and organize the data in a systematic manner
- Analyse the data
- Infer about the data
- Take decision from the data.

**Statistics may be defined as numerical data with a view to analyse it.**

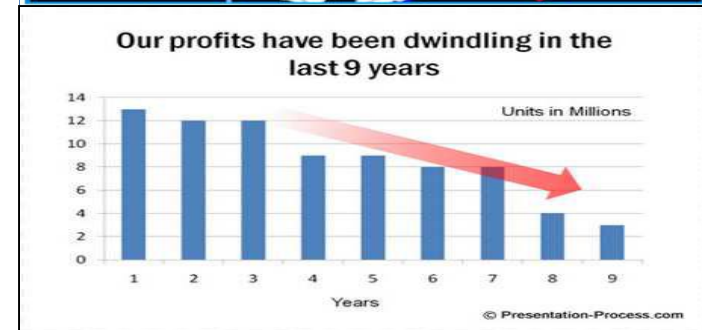
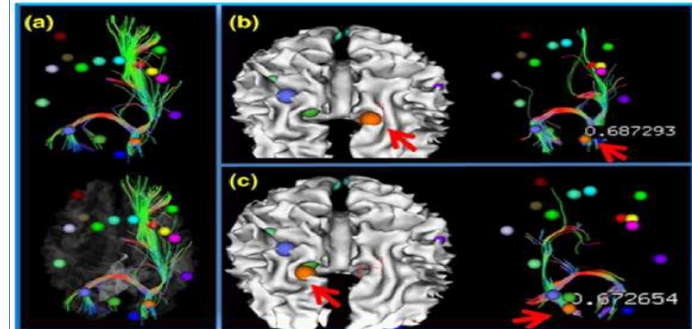
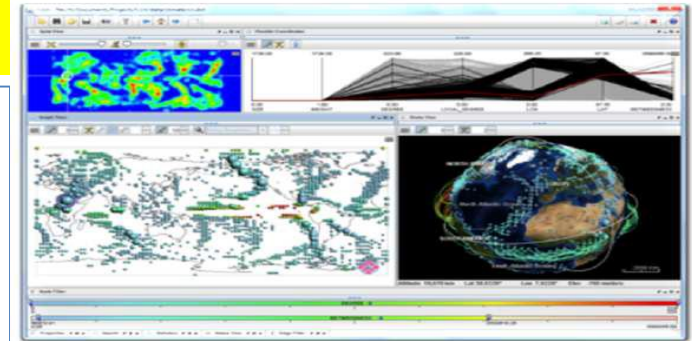
# Need for Data Visualization



Tool to enable a user get **insight** into data

Broadly three types of goals:

- To **explore**:
  - *Nothing is known*
  - *Required to get an insight*
- To **analyze** :
  - *There are hypotheses*
  - *Used for verification or falsification*
- To **present**:
  - *We have the required information*
  - *Used for communication of result*



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| 12        | 1230            | .0635              | 26        | 1               | .0001              |
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# Statistical Visualization



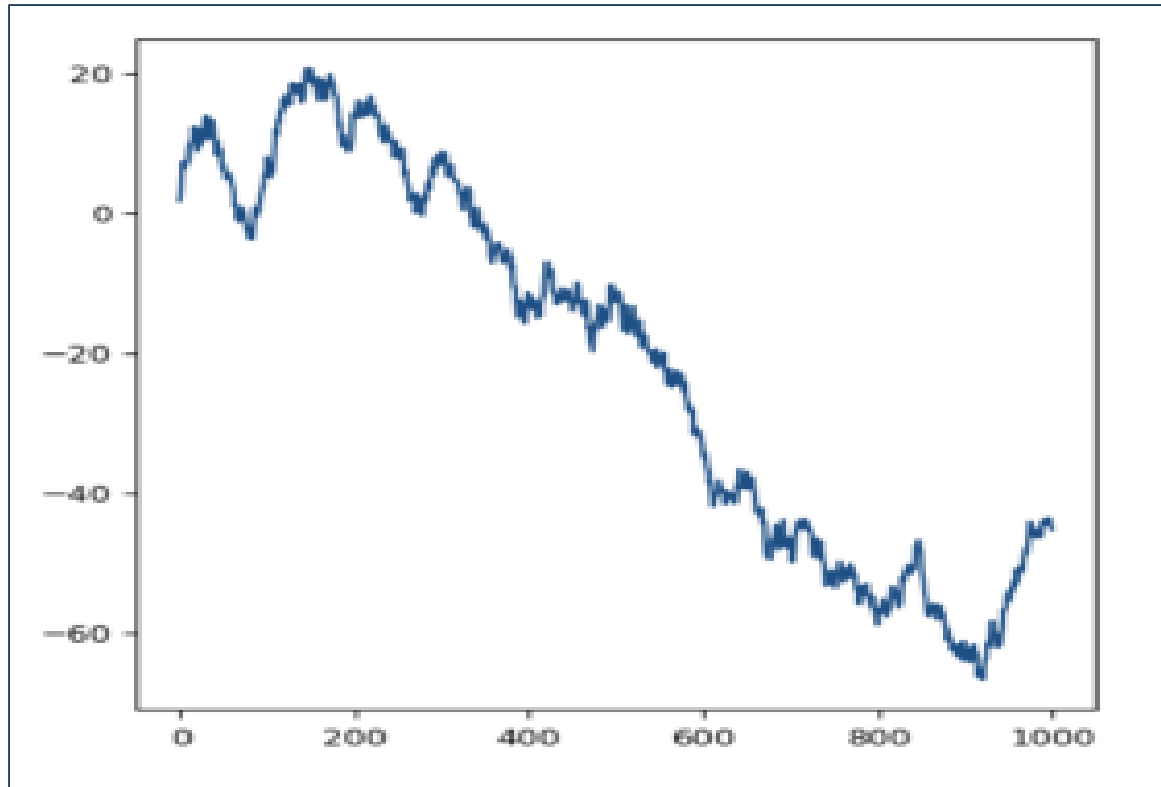
A picture is worth a thousand words!

- Bar chart / graph
- Histogram
- Box plot
- Pie chart
- Density plot
- Line chart
- Frequency polygons
- Scatter plots

# Chart Types



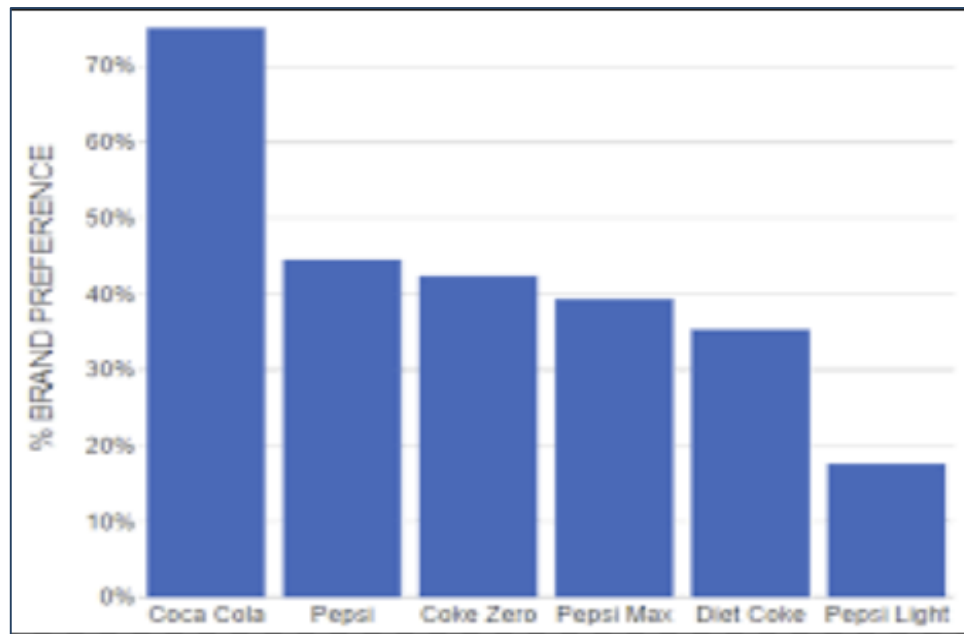
**Line charts** are great when it comes to displaying patterns of change across a continuum.



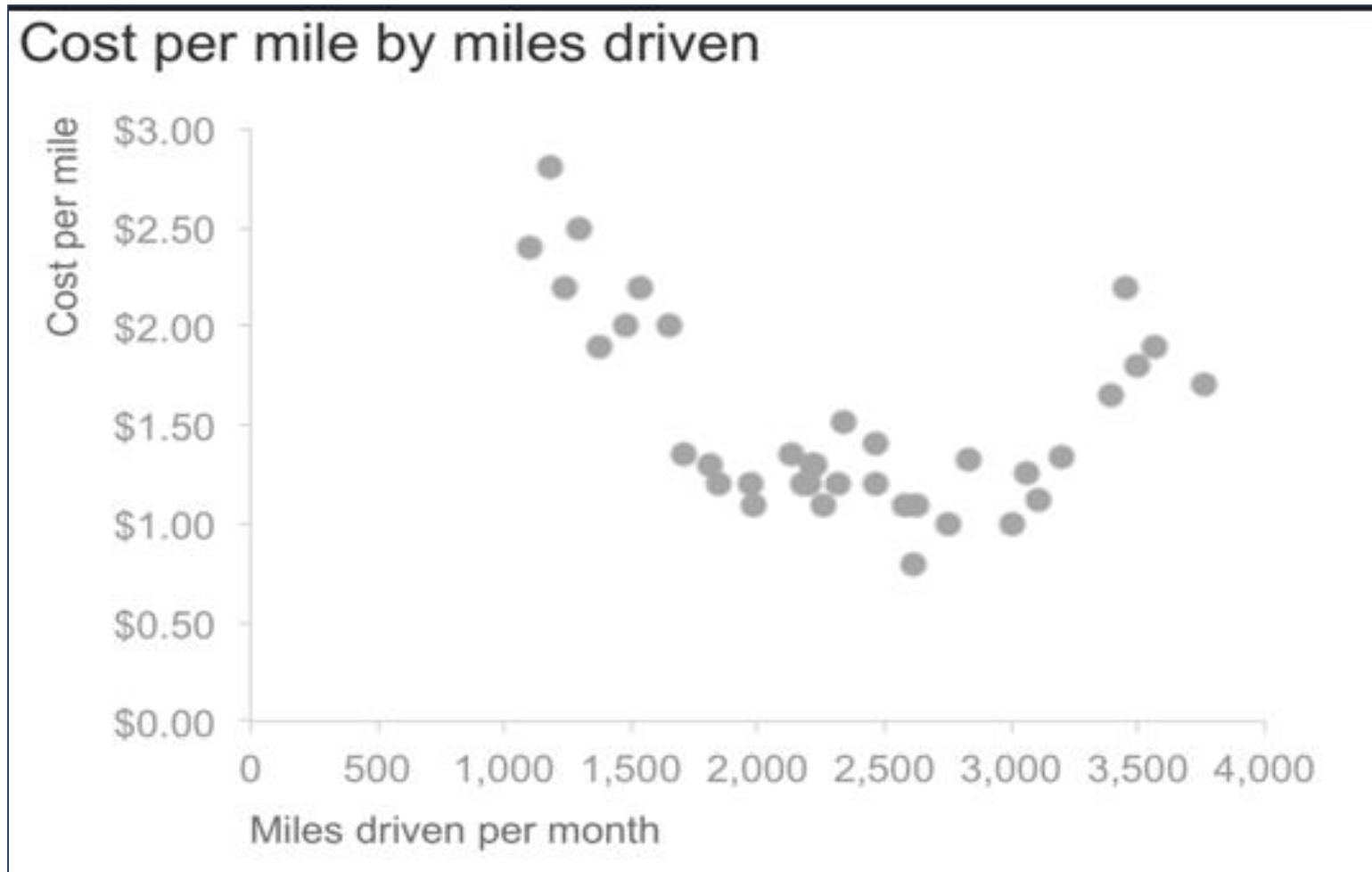
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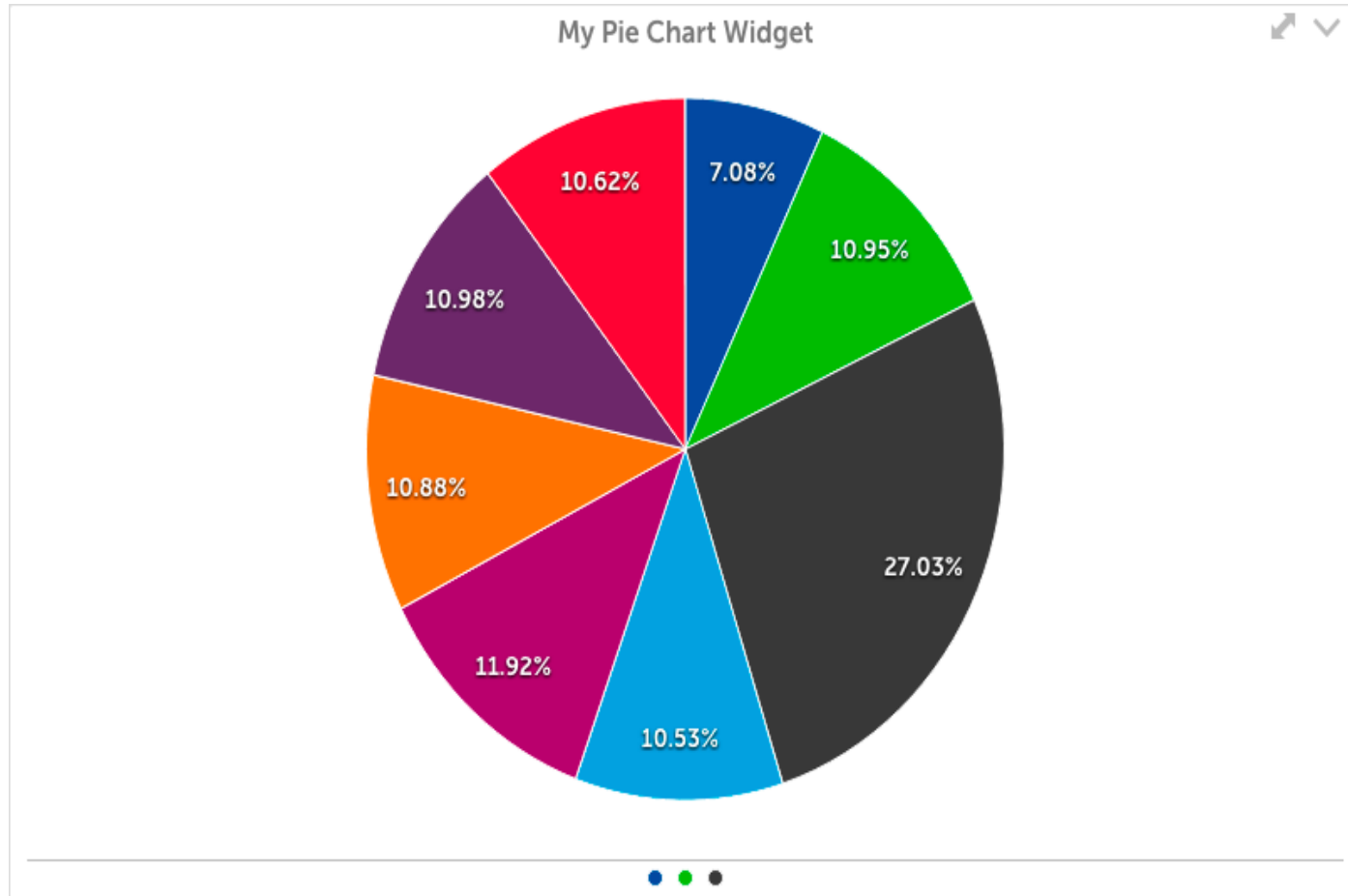
- Choose **bar charts** if you want to compare items in the same category.
- The objective is not just to compare but also show how much one is better or worse than the rest.



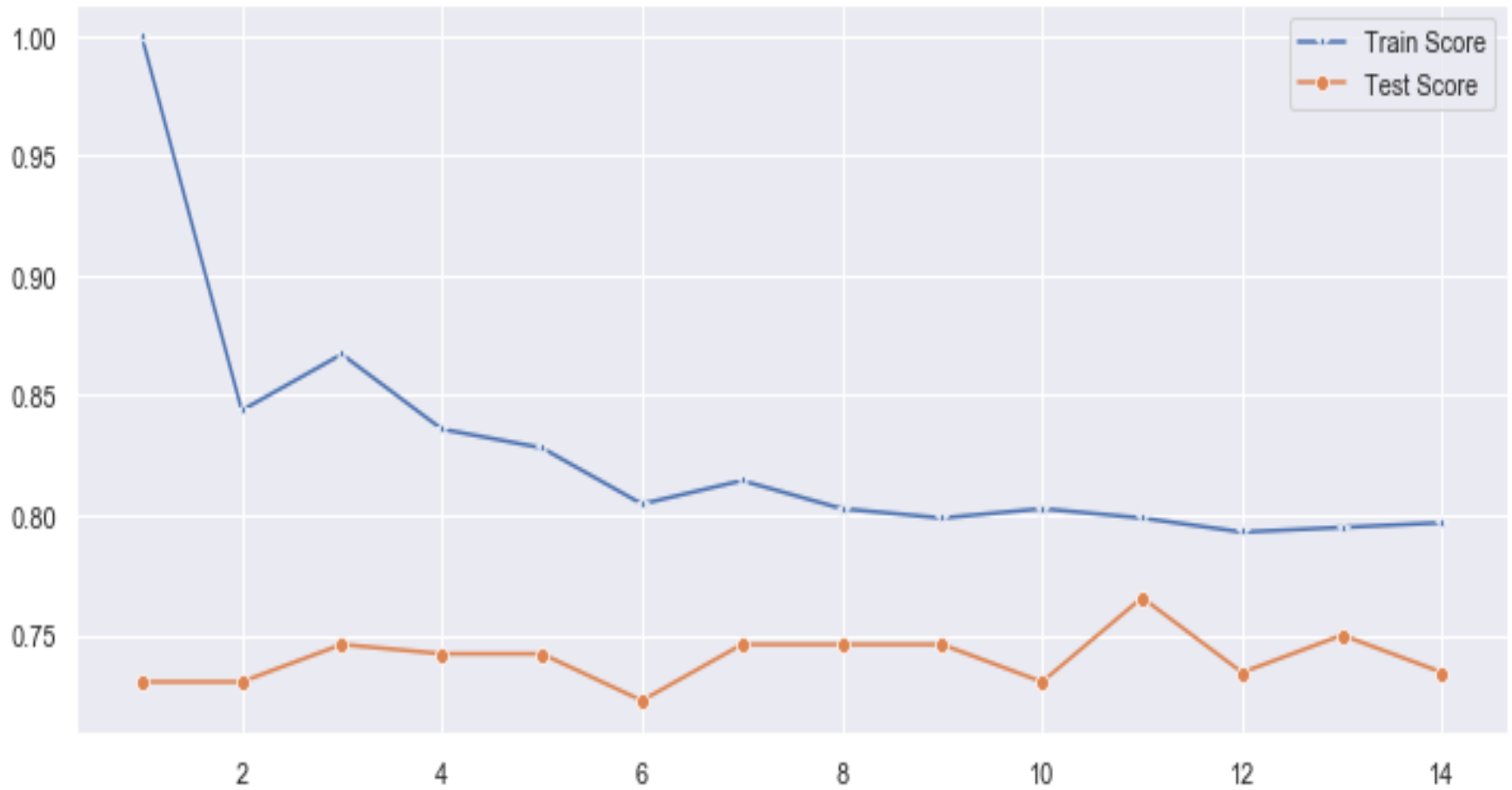
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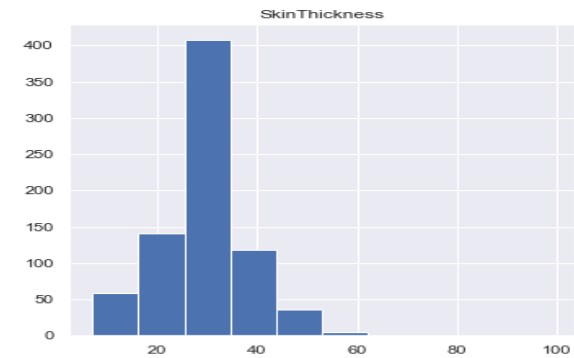
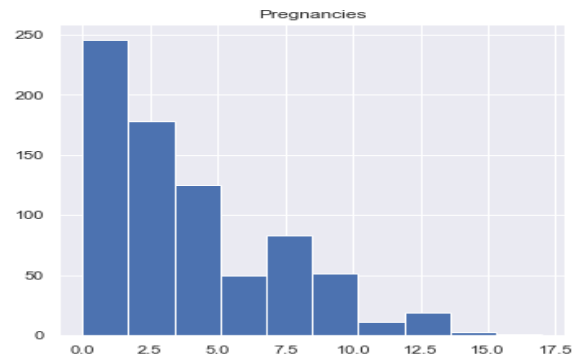
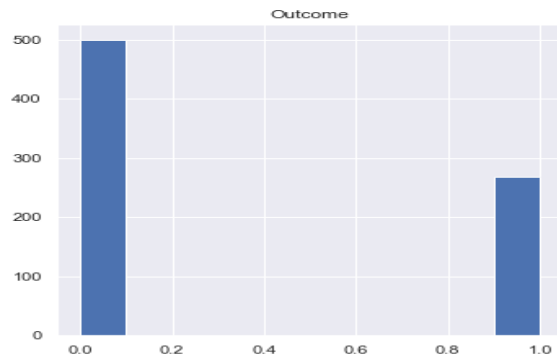
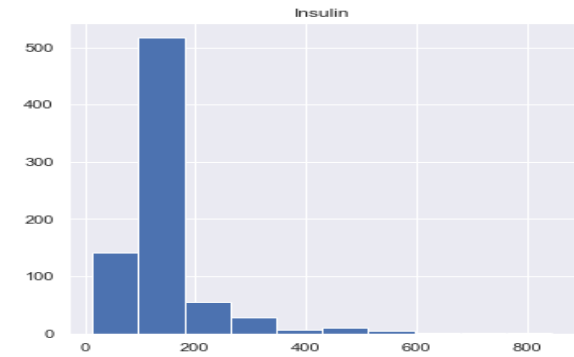
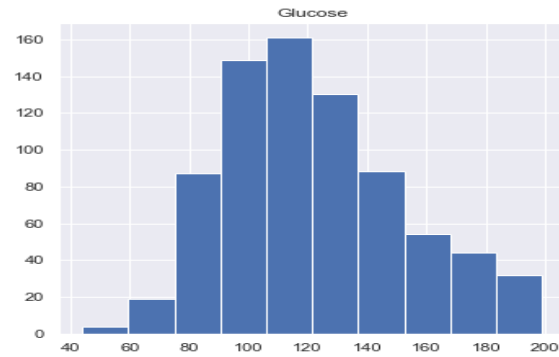
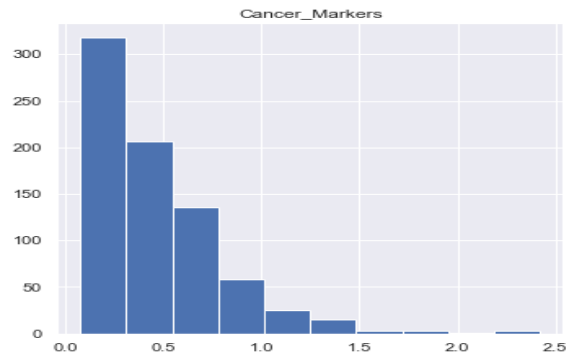
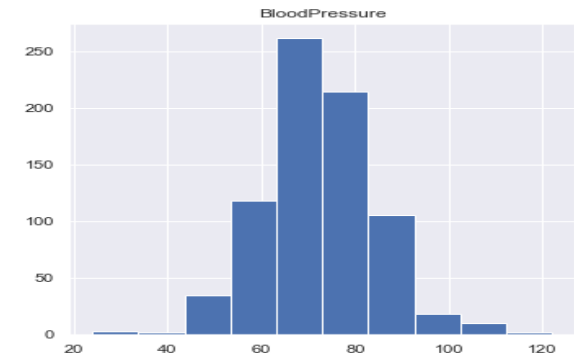
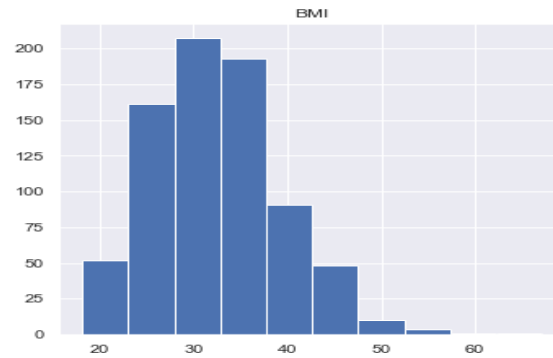
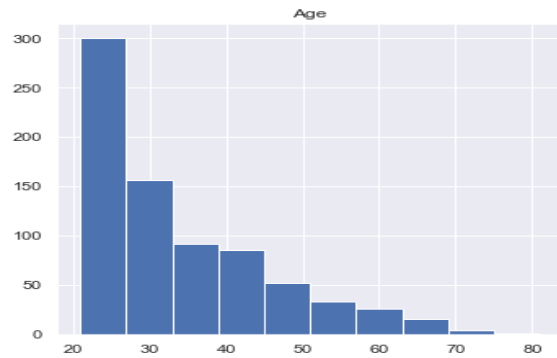


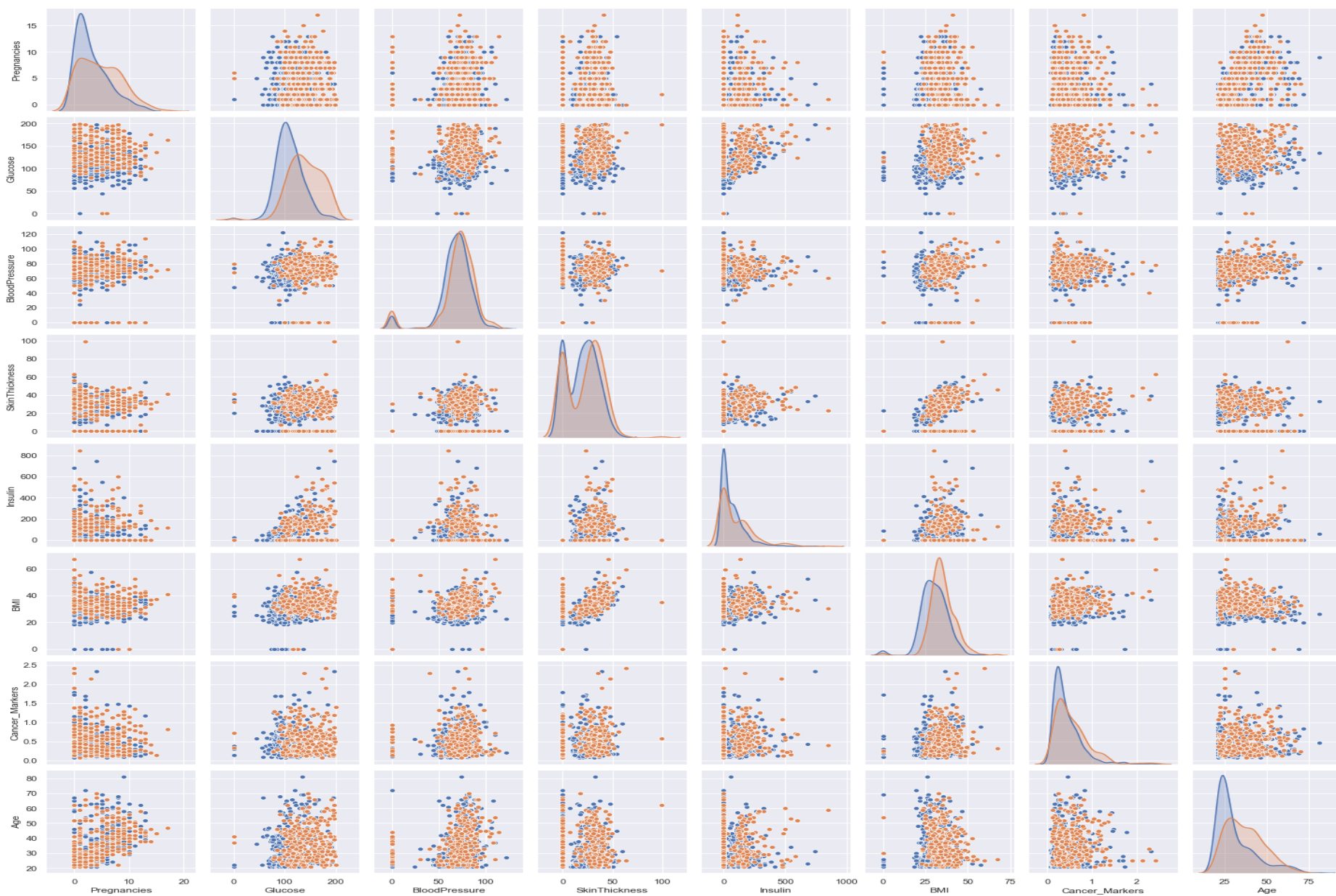
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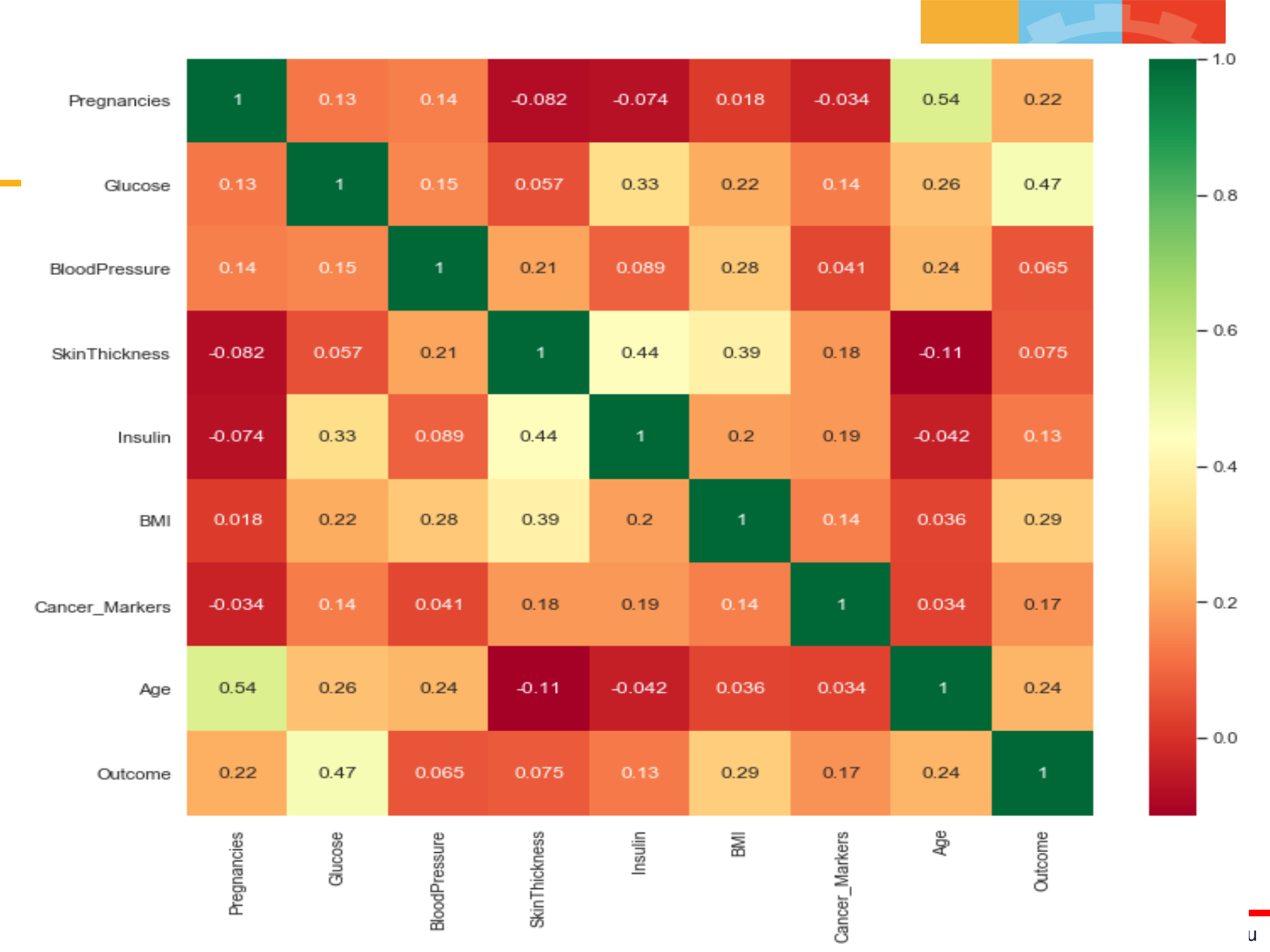






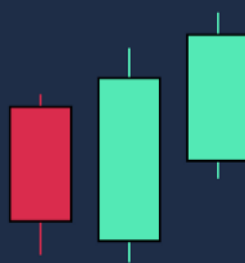








Three White Soldiers



Three Outside Up



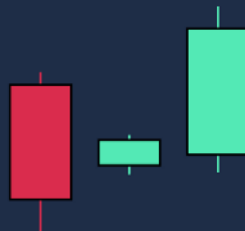
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Ladder Bottom



Meeting Line



Three Inside Up

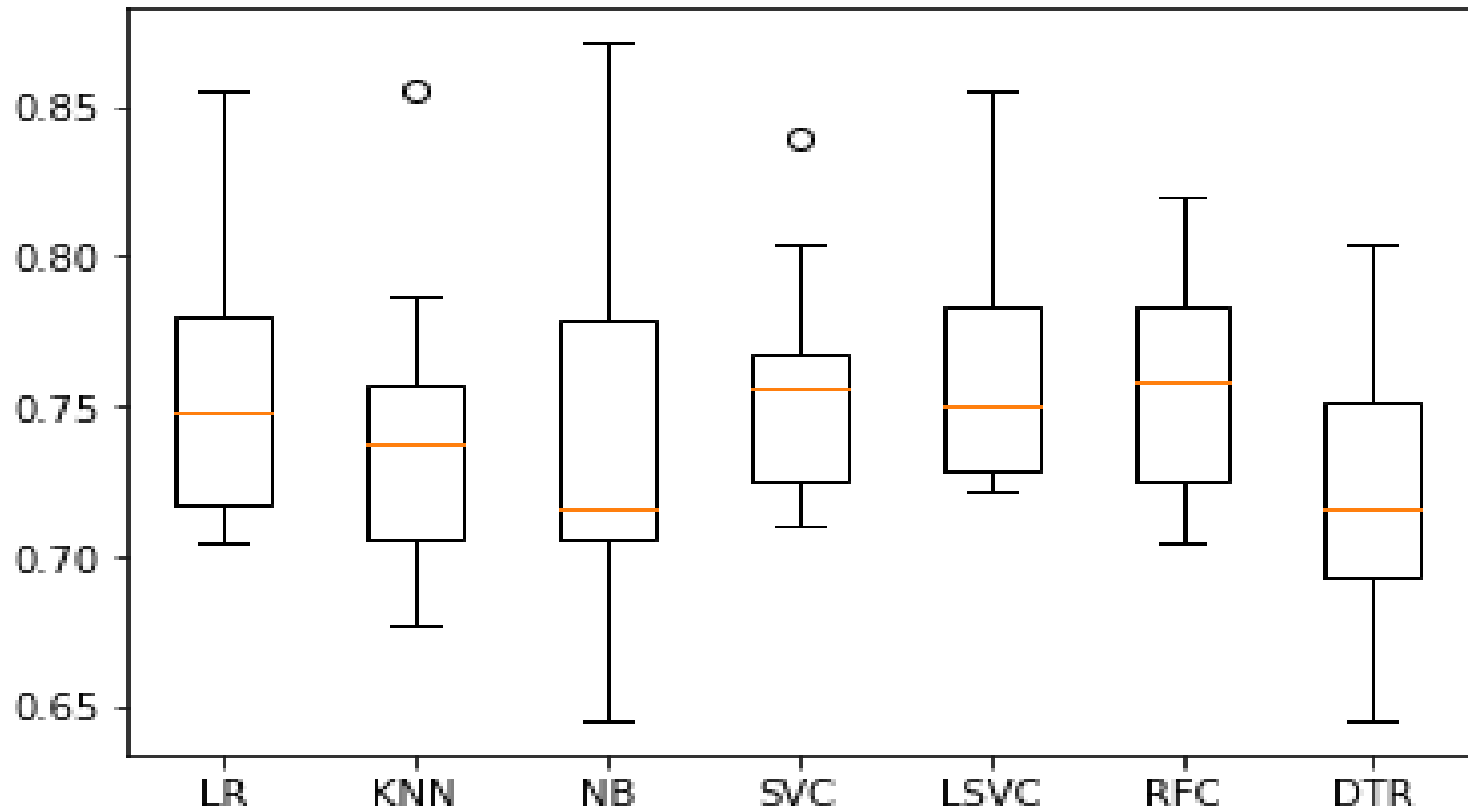


Bullish Engulfing



Stick Sandwich

## Algorithm Comparison





# Statistical Summary

| Cost  | Weight      | Weight1    | Length     | Height     | Width      |            |
|-------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| count | 159.000000  | 159.000000 | 159.000000 | 159.000000 | 159.000000 | 159.000000 |
| mean  | 398.326415  | 26.247170  | 28.415723  | 31.227044  | 8.970994   | 4.417486   |
| std   | 357.978317  | 9.996441   | 10.716328  | 11.610246  | 4.286208   | 1.685804   |
| min   | 0.000000    | 7.500000   | 8.400000   | 8.800000   | 1.728400   | 1.047600   |
| 25%   | 120.000000  | 19.050000  | 21.000000  | 23.150000  | 5.944800   | 3.385650   |
| 50%   | 273.000000  | 25.200000  | 27.300000  | 29.400000  | 7.786000   | 4.248500   |
| 75%   | 650.000000  | 32.700000  | 35.500000  | 39.650000  | 12.365900  | 5.584500   |
| max   | 1650.000000 | 59.000000  | 63.400000  | 68.000000  | 18.957000  | 8.142000   |

# Measures of Central Tendency

## Measures of Variability



# Measures of Central Tendency



- Measure of central tendency provides a very convenient way of describing a set of scores with a single number that describes the **PERFORMANCE** of the group.
- Also defined as a single value that is used to describe the “**center**” of the data.
- Three commonly used measures of central tendency:
  1. Mean
  2. Median
  3. Mode



# Mean



- Also referred as the “**arithmetic average**”
- The most commonly used measure of the center of data
- Numbers that describe what is average or typical of the distribution

- Computation of Sample Mean:

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{\sum Y}{N} = \Sigma Y / N = (Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3 + \dots Y_n) / N \quad \text{where}$$

“Y bar” equals the sum of all the scores, Y, divided by the number of scores, N.

- Computation of the Mean for grouped Data

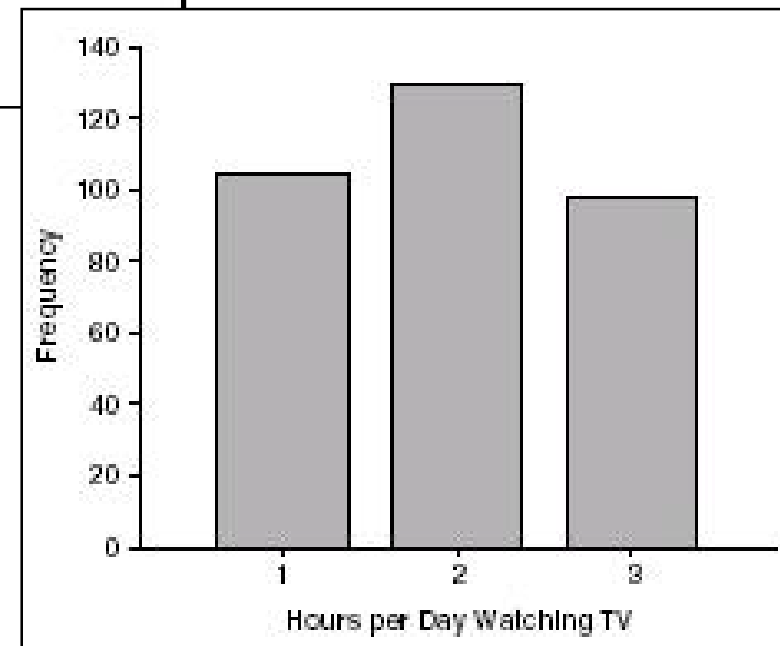
$$\bar{Y} = \frac{\sum f Y}{N} \quad \text{Where } f Y = \text{a score multiplied by its frequency}$$

# Mean: Grouped Scores

| <i>Hours Spent<br/>Watching TV</i> | <i>Frequency (f)</i> | <i>fY</i> | <i>Percentage</i> | <i>C%</i> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| 1                                  | 104                  | 104       | 31.3              | 31.3      |
| 2                                  | 130                  | 260       | 39.2              | 70.5      |
| 3                                  | 98                   | 294       | 29.5              | 100.0     |
| Total                              | 332                  | 658       | 100.0             |           |

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{\sum fY}{N} = \frac{658}{332} = 1.98$$

Data of Children watching TV in Bengaluru



# Mean



## Properties

- It measures stability. Mean is the most stable among other measures of central tendency because every score contributes to the value of the mean.
- It may easily affected by the extreme scores.
- The sum of each score's distance from the mean is zero.
- It can be applied to interval level of measurement
- It may not be an actual score in the distribution
- It is very easy to compute.

# Mean



## When to Use the Mean

- Sampling stability is desired.
- Other measures are to be computed such as standard deviation, coefficient of variation and skewness

# The Mode

- The category or score with the largest frequency (or percentage) in the distribution.
- The mode can be calculated for variables with levels of measurement that are: nominal, ordinal, or interval-ratio.

## *Example:*

- Number of Votes for Candidates for Lok Sabha MP. The mode, in this case, gives you the “central” response of the voters: the most popular candidate.
  - Candidate A – 11,769 votes
  - Candidate B – 39,443 votes
  - Candidate C – 78,331 votes

**The Mode:**  
**“Candidate C”**

## Properties

- It can be used when the data are qualitative as well as quantitative.
- It may not be unique.
- It is affected by extreme values.
- It may not exist.

## When to Use the Median

- When the “typical” value is desired.
- When the data set is measured on a nominal scale

# The Median



- The score that **divides the distribution into two equal parts**, so that half the cases are above it and half below it.
- The median is the **middle score**, or average of middle scores in a distribution.
  - Fifty percent (50%) lies below the median value and 50% lies above the median value.
  - It is also known as the middle score or the 50th percentile.





# Measures of central tendency

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➤ The mean

➤ the median

➤ the mode



# Shape of the Distribution

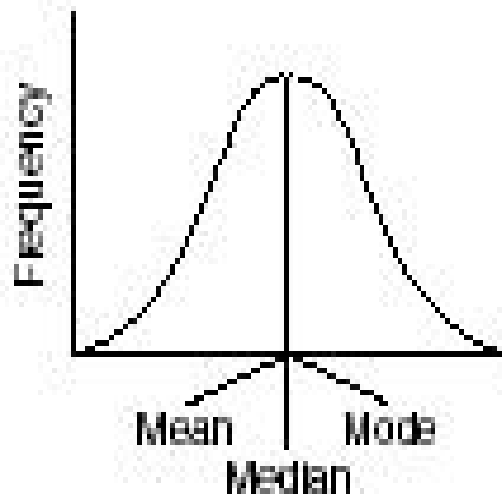
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- Symmetrical : mean is about equal to median
- Skewed
  - Negatively :  $\text{mean} < \text{median}$
  - Positively :  $\text{mean} > \text{median}$
- Bimodal : has two distinct modes
- Multi-modal : has more than 2 distinct modes)

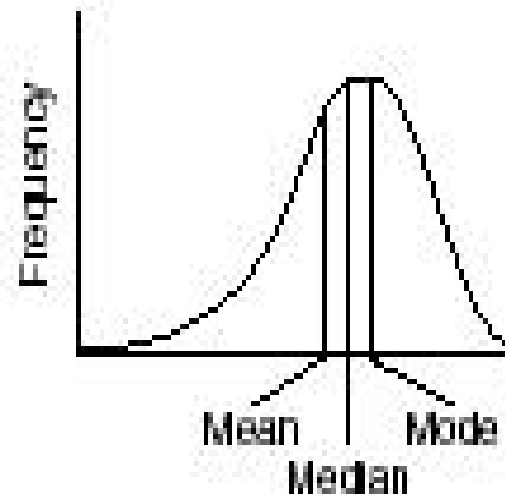
# Distribution Shape



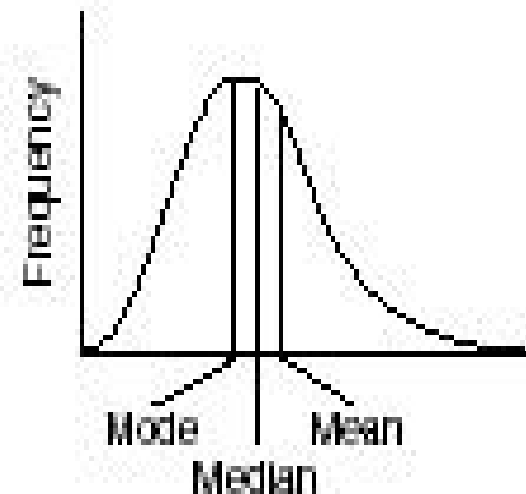
## Types of Frequency Distributions



a. Symmetrical distribution



b. Negatively skewed distribution



c. Positively skewed distribution

| Sl.<br>No. | $X_1$ | $X_2$ |
|------------|-------|-------|
| 1          | 2     | 1     |
| 2          | 8     | 15    |
| 3          | 5     | 5     |
| 4          | 3     | 5     |
| 5          | 7     | 6     |
| 6          | 8     | 3     |
| 7          | 5     | 5     |
| 8          | 2     | 2     |
| 9          | 5     | 3     |
| Total      | 45    | 45    |

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| 4          | 3     |
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| 7          | 5     |
| 8          | 2     |
| 9          | 5     |
| Total      | 45    |

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Statistical<br>measures | Group<br>1 |
| Mean                    | 5          |
| Median                  | 5          |
| Mode                    | 5          |

| Sl.<br>No. | $X_2$ |
|------------|-------|
| 1          | 1     |
| 2          | 15    |
| 3          | 5     |
| 4          | 5     |
| 5          | 6     |
| 6          | 3     |
| 7          | 5     |
| 8          | 2     |
| 9          | 3     |
| Total      | 45    |

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Statistical<br>measures | Group<br>2 |
| Mean                    | 5          |
| Median                  | 5          |
| Mode                    | 5          |

| Sl.<br>No. | $X_1$ | $X_2$ |
|------------|-------|-------|
| 1          | 2     | 1     |
| 2          | 8     | 15    |
| 3          | 5     | 5     |
| 4          | 3     | 5     |
| 5          | 7     | 6     |
| 6          | 8     | 3     |
| 7          | 5     | 5     |
| 8          | 2     | 2     |
| 9          | 5     | 3     |
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|                         |                |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Statistical<br>measures | Group<br>1 & 2 |
| Mean                    | 5              |
| Median                  | 5              |
| Mode                    | 5              |





# Do we need any other measure?

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**Answer: Yes**

## Measures of variability

Three Measures of Variability:

- The Range
- The Variance
- The Standard Deviations

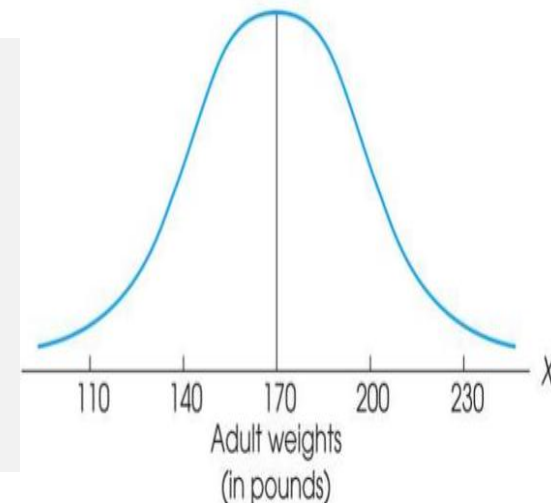
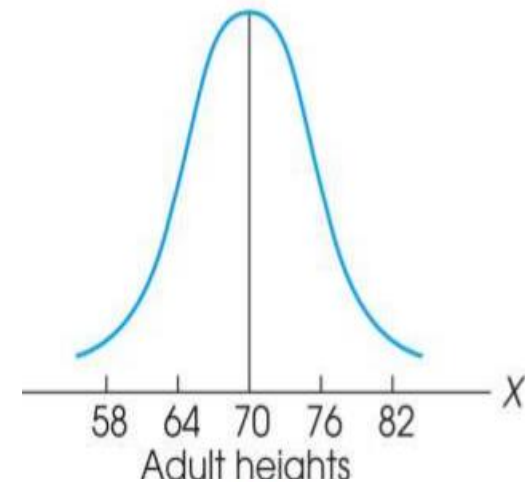
# Measure of Variability

Variability can be defined several ways:

- A quantitative distance measure based on the differences between scores
- Describes distance of the spread of scores or distance of a score from the mean

## Purposes of Measure of Variability:

- Describe the distribution
- Measure how well an individual score represents the distribution



# The Three Measures



## Three Measures of Variability:

- The Range
- The Variance
- The Standard Deviations

# The Ranges



- The distance covered by the scores in a distribution – From smallest value to highest value
- For continuous data, real limits are used

$$\text{Range} = \text{URL for } X_{\max} - \text{LRL for } X_{\min}$$

- Based on two scores, not all the data – An imprecise, unreliable measure of variability

**Example: For a set of scores: 7, 2, 7, 6, 5, 6, 2**

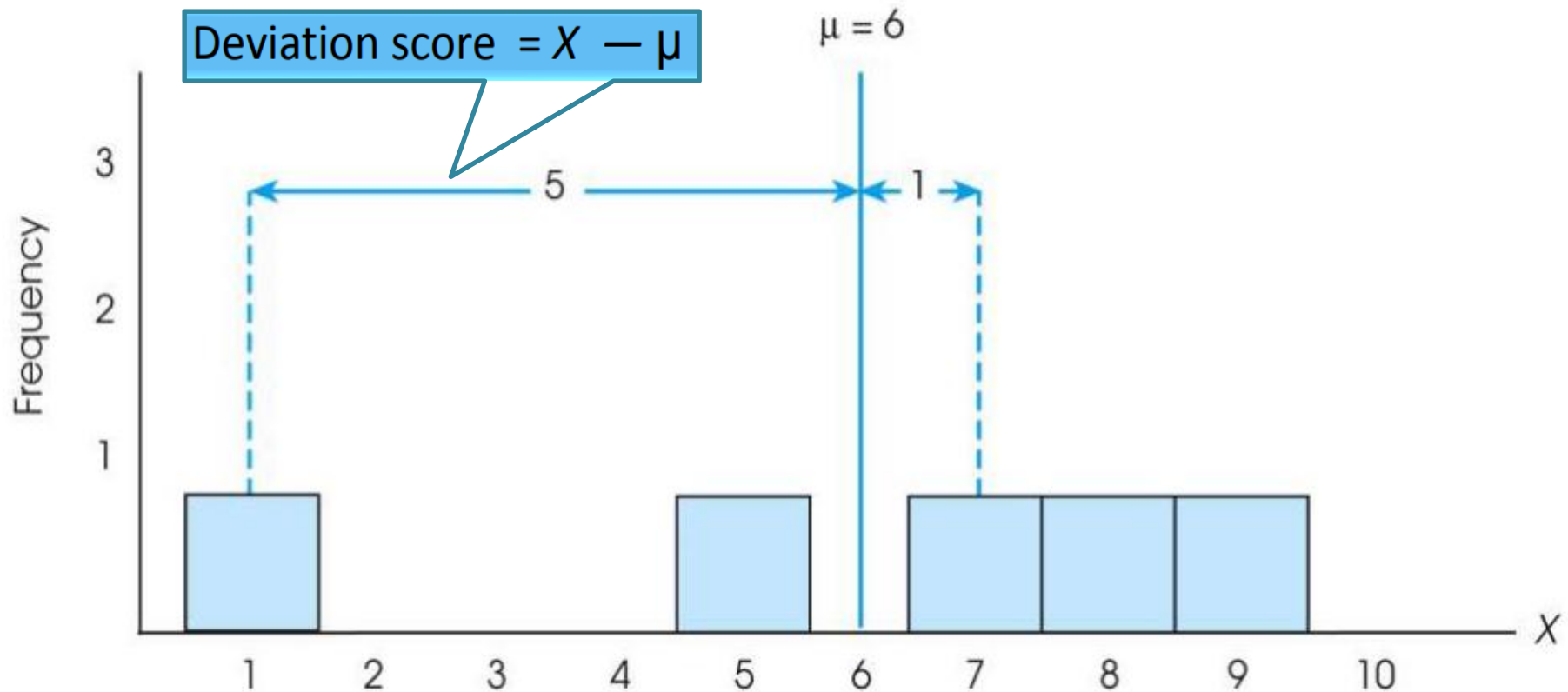
$$\text{Range} = \text{Highest Score minus Lowest score} = 7 - 2 = 5$$

# The Standard Deviation



- Most common and most important measure of variability is the standard deviation
  - A measure of the standard, or average, distance from the mean
  - Describes whether the scores are clustered closely around the mean or are widely scattered
- Calculation differs for population and samples
- Variance is a necessary *companion concept* to standard deviation but *not the same* concept

# The Standard Deviation



Exercise : Find out the deviations of all the data points with the mean....and then find the 'mean deviation'.

# The Standard Deviation



- Mean deviations will always be 'zero' !  
(because Mean is a balance point)

Then, how do you find 'Standard Deviation' ?



**Need a new strategy**



# The Standard Deviation



New Strategy :

- a) First square each deviation score
- b) Then sum the Squared Deviations (SS)
- c) Average the squared deviations

- Mean Squared Deviation is known as “**Variance**”
- Variability is now measured in squared units

$$\textit{Standard Deviation} = \sqrt{\textit{Variance}}$$

# The Variance



Variance equals mean (average) squared deviation (distance) of the scores from the mean

$$\text{Variance} = \frac{\text{sum of squared deviations}}{\text{number of scores}}$$

where  $SS = \sum (X - \mu)^2$

# The Population Variance



- ❖ Population variance equals mean (average) squared deviation (distance) of the scores from the population mean
- ❖ Variance is the average of squared deviations, so we identify population variance with a lowercase Greek letter sigma squared:  $\sigma^2$
- ❖ Standard deviation is the square root of the variance, so we identify it with a lowercase Greek letter sigma:  $\sigma$

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$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \frac{45}{5} = 5$$

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1}}$$

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{44}{8}} = 2.345$$

| Sl.<br>No.   | $X_2$     |
|--------------|-----------|
| 1            | 1         |
| 2            | 15        |
| 3            | 5         |
| 4            | 5         |
| 5            | 6         |
| 6            | 3         |
| 7            | 5         |
| 8            | 2         |
| 9            | 3         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>45</b> |

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \frac{45}{5} = 5$$

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1}}$$

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{134}{8}} = 4.093$$

# Learning Check



- a) If all the scores in a data set are the same, the Standard Deviation is equal to 1.00

**True / False**  
**?**

**Select the correct option**

- b) The standard deviation measures ...
- (1) Sum of squared deviation scores
  - (2) Standard distance of a score from the mean
  - (3) Average deviation of a score from the mean
  - (4) Average squared distance of a score from the mean

# Solution



- a) If all the scores in a data set are the same, they are equal to the mean and hence the deviation from mean = 0 therefore, Standard Deviation is equal to **zero**

**False**

- b) The standard deviation measures ...
- (1) Sum of squared deviation scores
  - (2) Standard distance of a score from the mean
  - (3) Average deviation of a score from the mean
  - (4) Average squared distance of a score from the mean



# Standard Deviation and Variance for a Sample

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- Goal of inferential statistics:
  - Draw general conclusions about population
  - 
  - Based on limited information from a sample
- Samples differ from the population
  - Samples have less variability
  - Computing the Variance and Standard Deviation in the same way as for a population would give a biased estimate of the population values

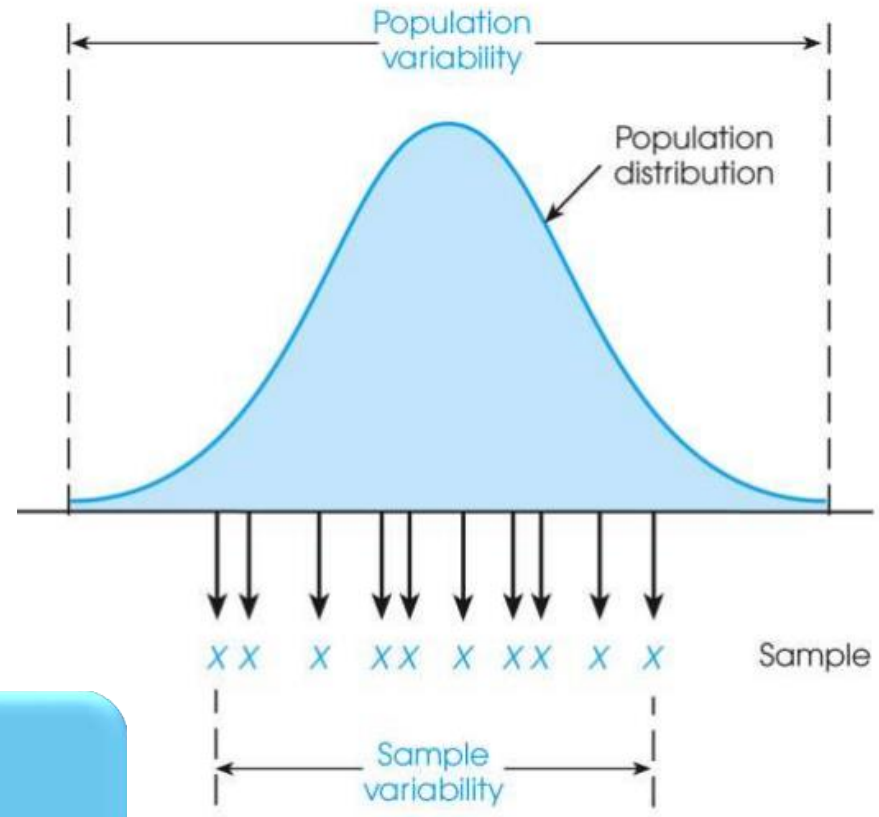
# Sample Standard Deviation and Variance



- Sum of Squares (SS) is computed as before
- Formula for Variance has  $n-1$  rather than  $N$  in the denominator
- Notation uses  $s$  instead of  $\sigma$

$$\text{variance of sample} = s^2 = \frac{SS}{n-1}$$

$$\text{standard deviation of sample} = s = \sqrt{\frac{SS}{n-1}}$$



Population of Adult Heights

# Degrees of Freedom

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- Population variance
  - Mean is known
  - Deviations are computed from a known mean
- Sample variance as estimate of population
  - Population mean is unknown
  - Using sample mean restricts variability
- Degrees of freedom
  - Number of scores in sample that are independent and free to vary
  - Degrees of freedom (df) =  $n - 1$

# Learning Check



Select the correct option

- a) A sample of four scores has  $SS = 24$ . What is the variance?
- (1) The variance is 6
  - (2) The variance is 7
  - (3) The variance is 8
  - (4) The variance is 12
- b) A sample systematically has less variability than a population
- c) The standard deviation is the distance from the Mean to the farthest point on the distribution curve

True / False  
?

True / False  
?

# Solution



Select the correct option

- a) A sample of four scores has  $SS = 24$ . What is the variance?
- (1) The variance is 6
  - (2) The variance is 7
  - (3) The variance is 8
  - (4) The variance is 12
- b) Extreme scores affect variability, but are less likely to be included in a sample
- c) The standard deviation extends from the mean approximately halfway to the most extreme score

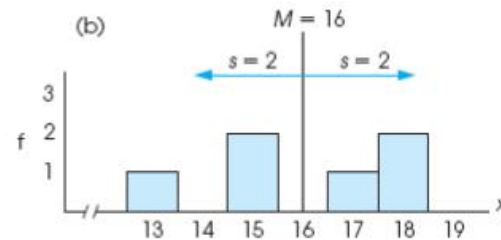
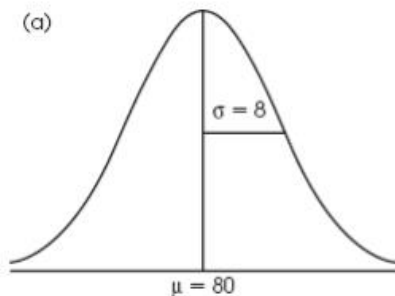
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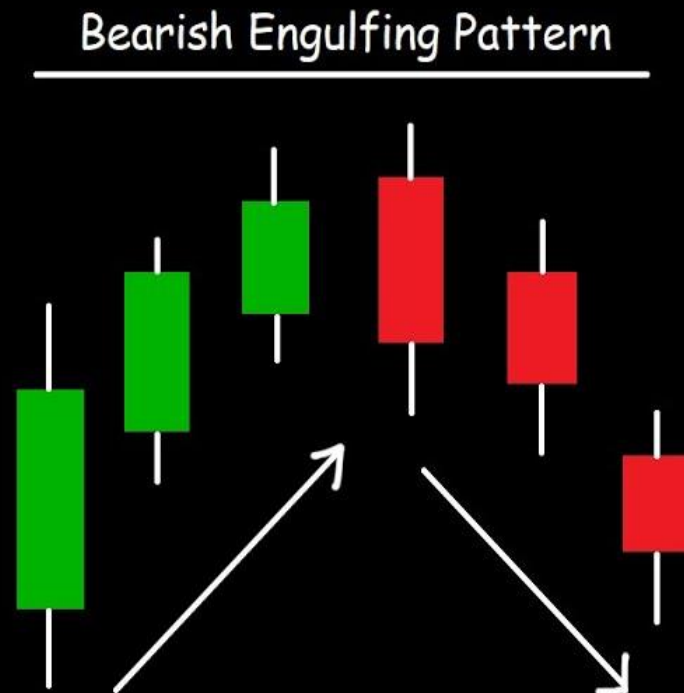
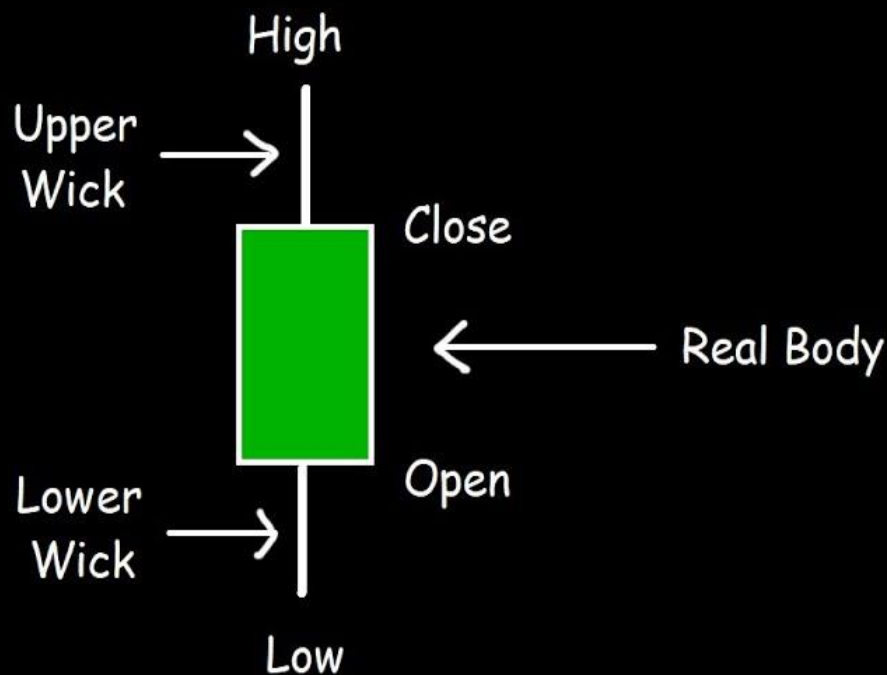
# Descriptive Statistics



- A standard deviation describes scores in terms of distance from the mean
- Describe an entire distribution with just two numbers (M and s)
- Reference to both allows reconstruction of the measurement scale from just these two numbers
- Means and standard deviations together provide extremely useful descriptive statistics for characterizing distributions



# Candlestick Chart Patterns



# Interquartile range (IQR)

- Measure of Variation
- Also Known as Midspread: Spread in the Middle 50%
- Difference Between Third & First Quartiles:
- Not Affected by Extreme Values

$$\text{Interquartile Range} = Q_3 - Q_1$$

Data in Ordered Array: 11 12 13 16 16 17 17 18 21

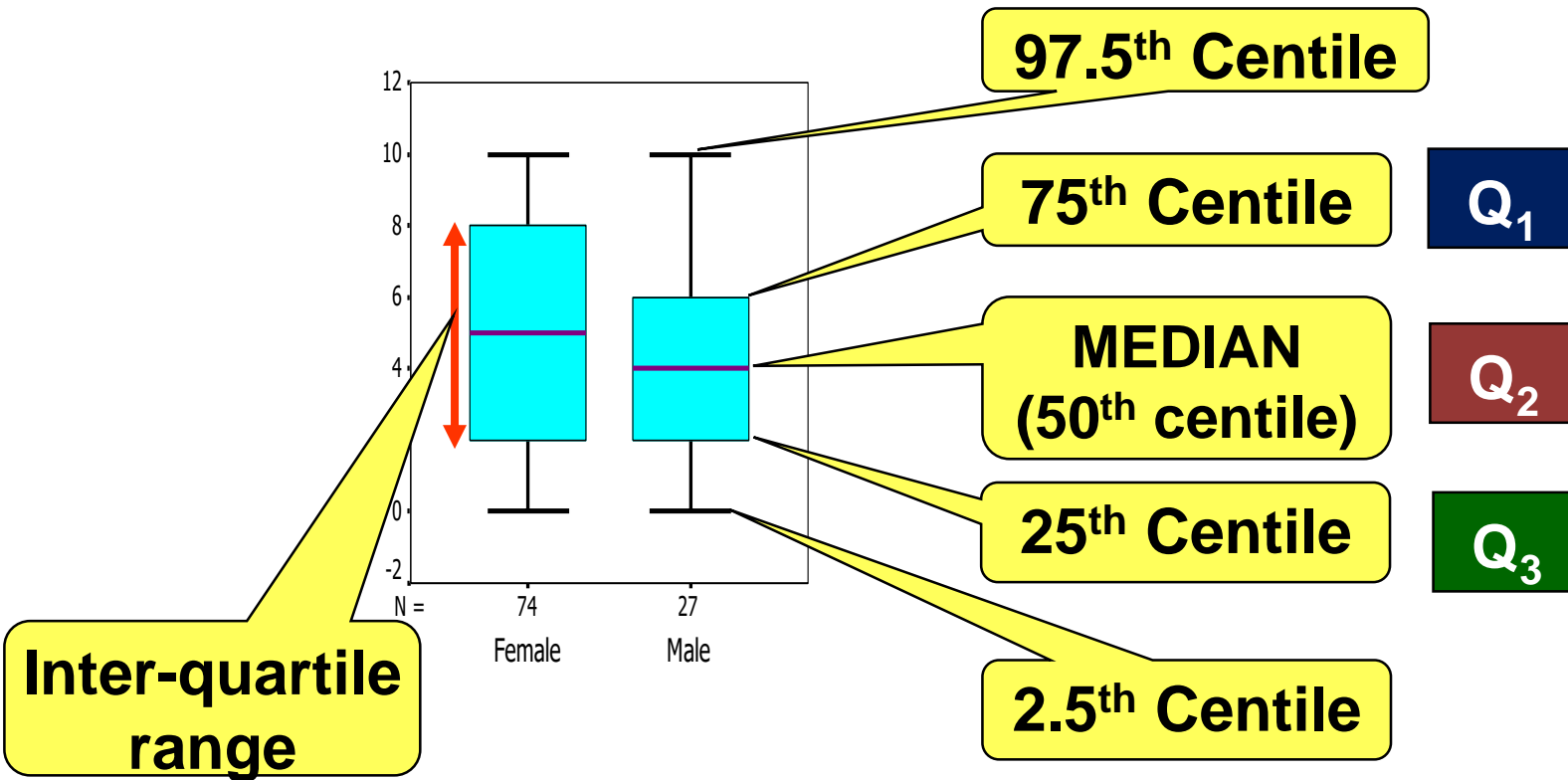
Position of  $Q_1 = \frac{1 \cdot (9 + 1)}{4} = 2.50$ ,  $Q_1 = 12.5$

Position of  $Q_3 = \frac{3 \cdot (9 + 1)}{4} = 7.50$ ,  $Q_3 = 17.5$

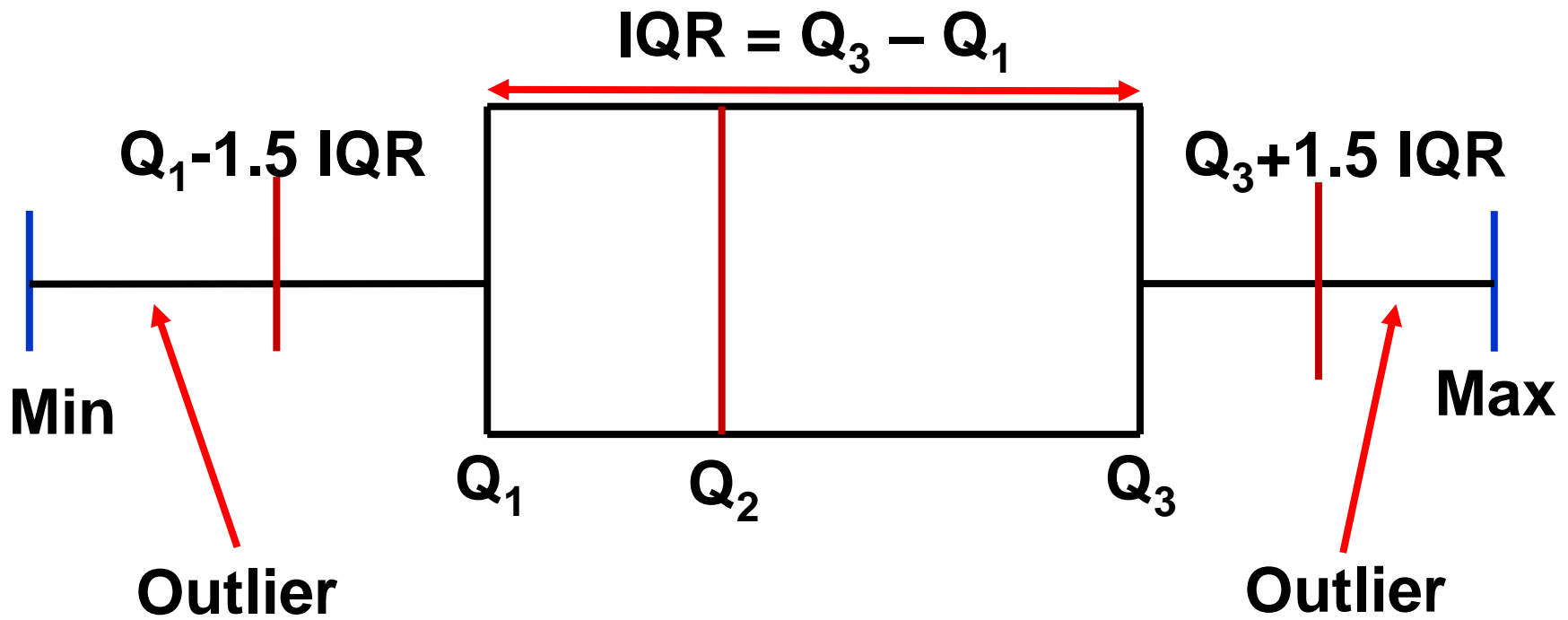
$$\text{Interquartile Range} = Q_3 - Q_1 = 17.5 - 12.5 = 5$$



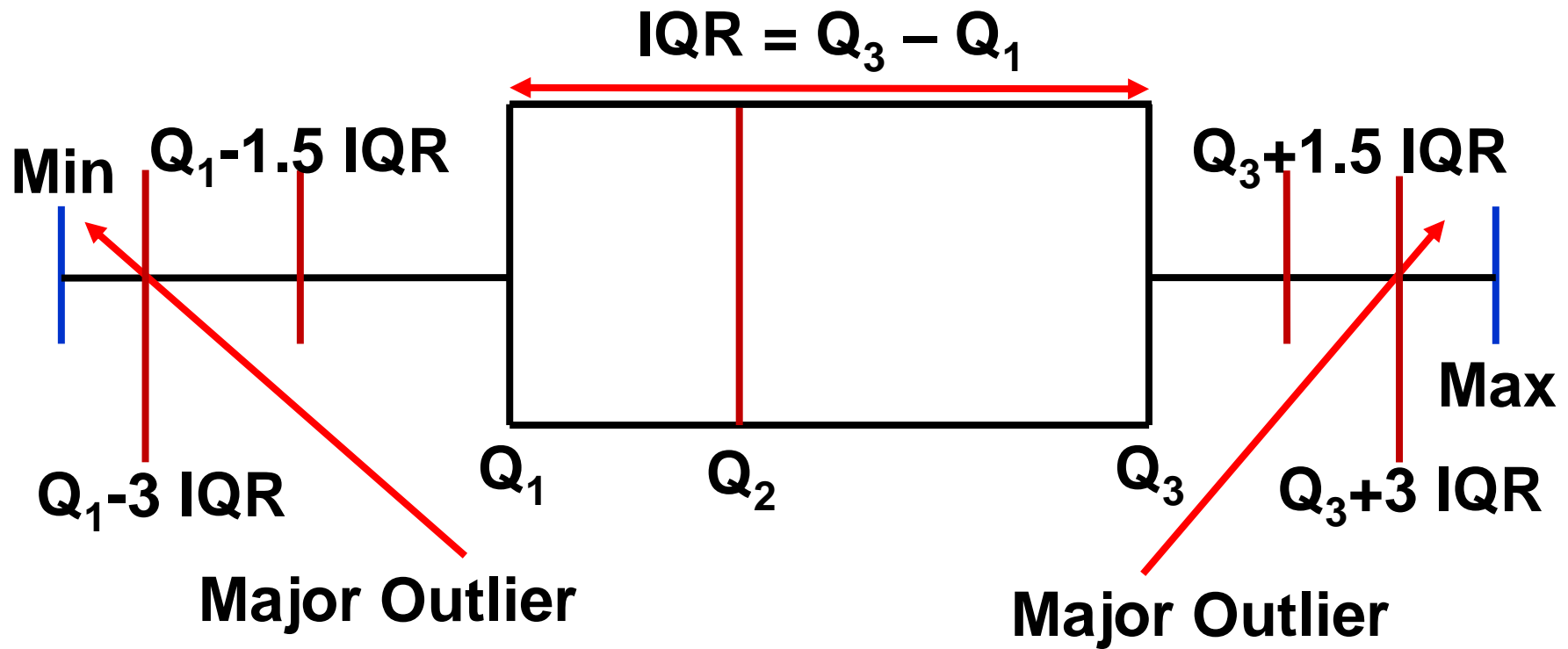
# Box and Whisker plot



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# Box-and-Whisker plot



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# Thanks