

# DS 116 Data Visualization

Single numeric variable

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## Section 1

# Histogram

# Movies data set

```

movies <- read.csv('Data/movies.csv', stringsAsFactors = F)
str(movies)

## 'data.frame':    2911 obs. of  32 variables:
## $ title          : chr  "Zoom" "Zoolander 2" "Zombieland" "Zodiac"
## $ genre_first    : chr  "Action" "Comedy" "Adventure" "Crime" ...
## $ year           : int   2006 2016 2009 2007 1998 2012 2005 2008 199
## $ duration       : int   83 102 88 162 116 157 101 101 119 90 ...
## $ gross_adjusted : num   14142117 29451448 86365946 39077724 2978040
## $ budget_adjusted : int   42555556 51065177 26964263 76858659 7519018
## $ gross           : int   11631245 28837115 75590286 33048353 1980338
## $ budget          : int   35000000 50000000 23600000 65000000 5000000
## $ cast_facebook_likes: int   5022 24107 28011 36928 1209 2759 32232 638
## $ reviews        : int   176 376 998 966 232 1198 338 490 709 297 ..
## $ index           : num   1.22 1.02 1.14 1.18 1.5 ...
## $ Rated           : chr   "PG" "PG-13" "R" "R" ...
## $ Genre           : chr   "Action, Adventure, Comedy" "Comedy" "Adven
## $ Writer          : chr   "Adam Rifkin (screenplay), David Berenbaum
## $ Actors          : chr   "Tim Allen, Courteney Cox, Chevy Chase, Spe
## $ Plot            : chr   "Former superhero Jack is called back to wo
## $ Language        : chr   "English" "English, Italian, Spanish" "Engl

```

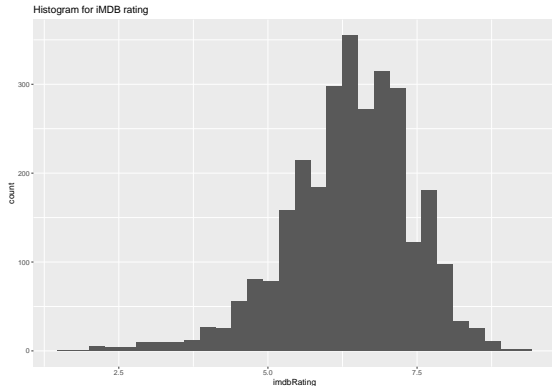
# Histogram

- A histogram displays the frequency and distribution for a range of quantitative groups.
- Bar charts compare quantities for different categories, a histogram technically compares the number of observations across a range of value 'bins' using the size of lines/bars to represent the quantitative counts.
- Histogram allows to understand the shape of the distribution of the data

# Doing with ggplot

- You need to specify only one aesthetics: x
- Use `geom_histogram` as a geometric object

```
ggplot(data = movies, aes(x = imdbRating)) +  
  geom_histogram() + ggtitle('Histogram for iMDB rating')
```



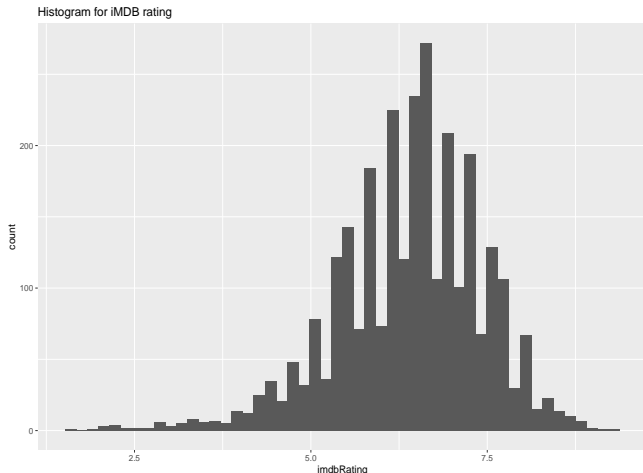
# Doing with ggplot2

- in ggplot you can either specify the number of bins (bins) or bin width (binwidth). One can be derived from another.
- The default value for number of bins is 30.
- There is no one golden rule on choosing number of bins, however in general
  - More bins (smaller binwidth) will result in higher detalization
  - Less bins (larger binwidth) will result in lower detalization

# Doing with ggplot

Number of bins = 50

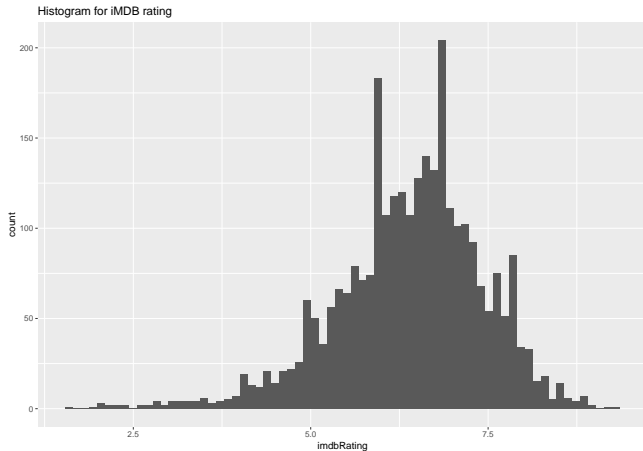
```
ggplot(data = movies, aes(x = imdbRating)) + geom_histogram(bins = 50) +  
  ggtitle('Histogram for iMDB rating')
```



# Doing with ggplot

Number of bins = 70

```
ggplot(data = movies, aes(x = imdbRating)) +  
  geom_histogram(bins = 70) + ggtitle('Histogram for iMDB rating')
```

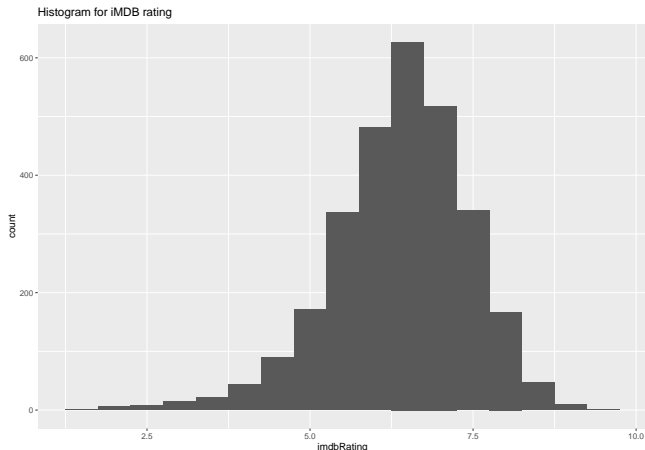




# Doing with ggplot

Alternatively you can set up the binwidth:  $\text{binwidth} = 0.5$

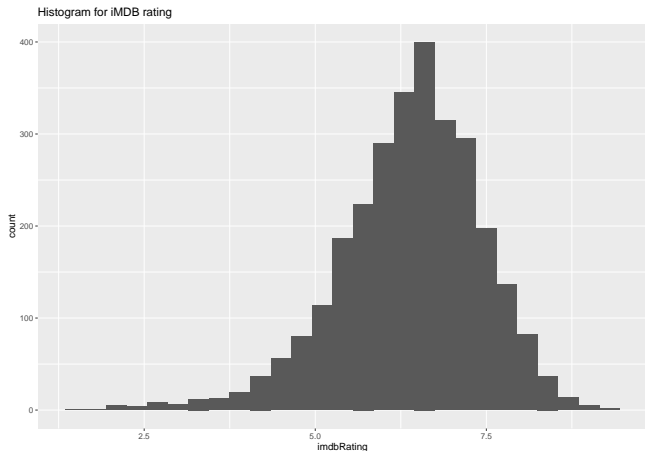
```
ggplot(data = movies, aes(x = imdbRating)) +  
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.5) + ggtitle('Histogram for iMDB rating')
```



# Doing with ggplot

Binwidth = 0.3

```
ggplot(data = movies, aes(x = imdbRating)) + geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.3)  
ggtitle('Histogram for iMDB rating')
```



# Choosing the number of bins

- There is no one golden rule on how many bins need to be there
- Do try and error until you get histogram that can be interpreted
- However, there are few approaches for the calculation of optimal number of bins

# Methods for choosing the number of bins

- 1 Square root choice

$$k = \lceil \sqrt{n} \rceil$$

- 2 Rice rule

$$k = \lceil 2\sqrt[3]{n} \rceil$$

- 3 Sturges' formula

$$k = \lceil \log_2 n \rceil + 1$$

# Methods for choosing the binwidth

- 1 Scott's normal reference rule (when data is approximately normal)

$$h = \frac{3.49\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$$

- 2 Freedman–Diaconis' rule - a variation of Scott's rule but less sensitive to outliers

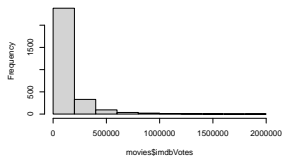
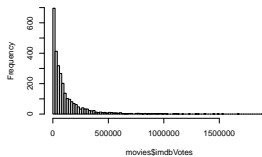
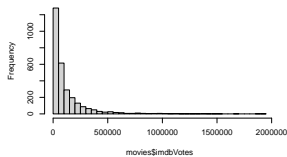
$$h = 2 \frac{\text{IQR}(x)}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$$

# Doing in R

Basic R functionality for histogram allows to directly state the method for bin calculations

```
par(mfrow = c(2,2))  
hist(movies$imdbVotes, breaks = 'sturges', main = 'Sturges', )  
hist(movies$imdbVotes, breaks = 'fd', main = 'Freedman-Diaconis')  
hist(movies$imdbVotes, breaks = 'scott', main = 'Scott')
```

# Doing in R

**Sturges****Freedman-Diaconis****Scott**

# Doing in ggplot2

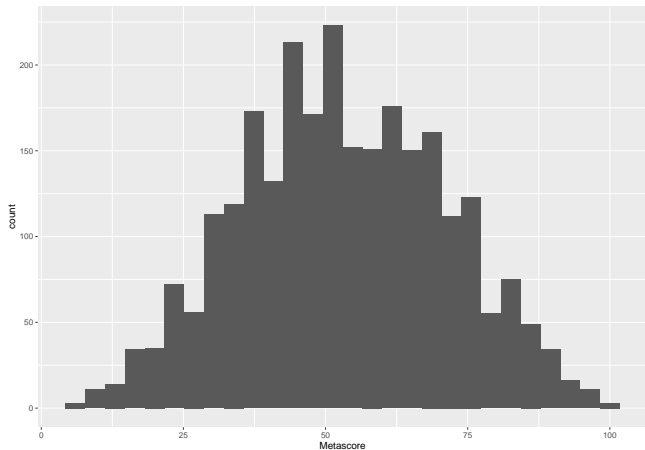
In ggplot2 you need to calculate the number of the bins/binwidth then provide the result as an argument

Example: Rice rule

```
n <- length(movies$Metascore[!is.na(movies$Metascore)])  
k <- ceiling(2*(n^(1/3)))  
ggplot(movies, aes(x = Metascore)) + geom_histogram(bins = k)
```

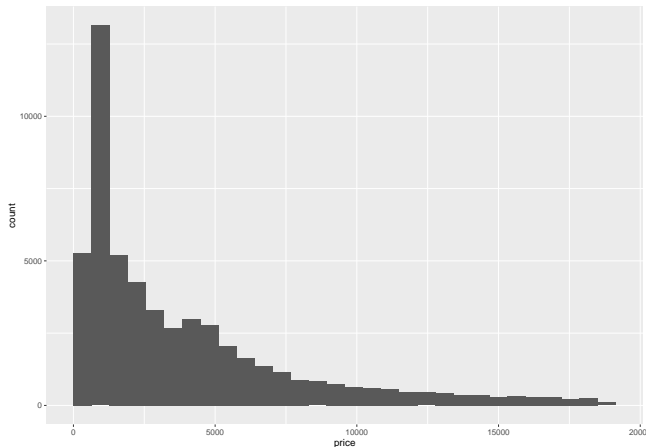


# Doing in ggplot2



# Bumpy distribution

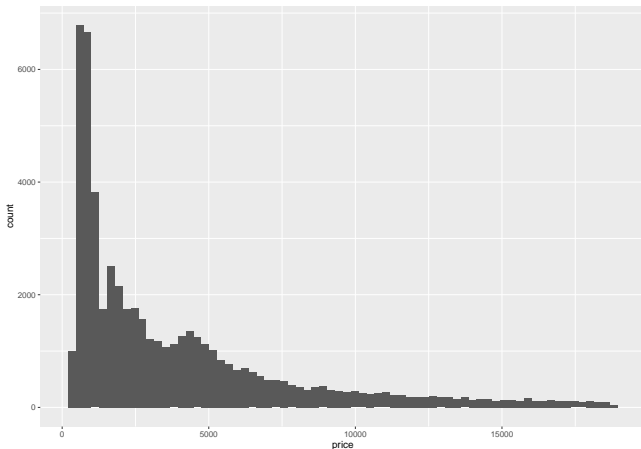
```
data("diamonds")  
ggplot(diamonds, aes(price)) + geom_histogram()
```



# Bumpy distribution

Increase the number of bins, the bump becomes more apparent

```
ggplot(diamonds, aes(price)) + geom_histogram(bins = 70)
```



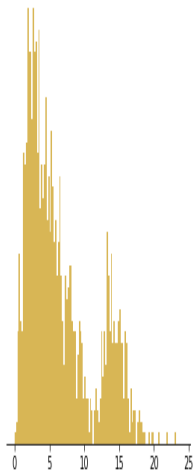
# Bumpy distribution

How can you detect it ?

bin size = 0.2

bin size = 1.0

bin size = 5.0

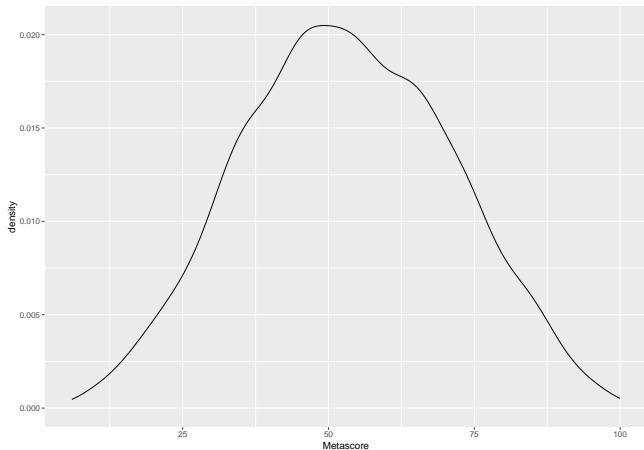


# Density plots

- To visualize the distribution of the continuous variable, you can also use kernel density estimate - smoothed version of the histogram.
- In ggplot it is done with the `geom_density()`

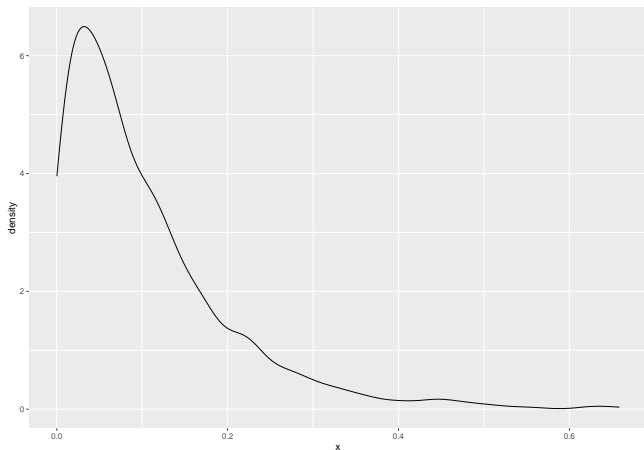
# Density plots

```
ggplot(movies, aes(x = Metascore)) + geom_density()
```



# Density plots: exponential distribution

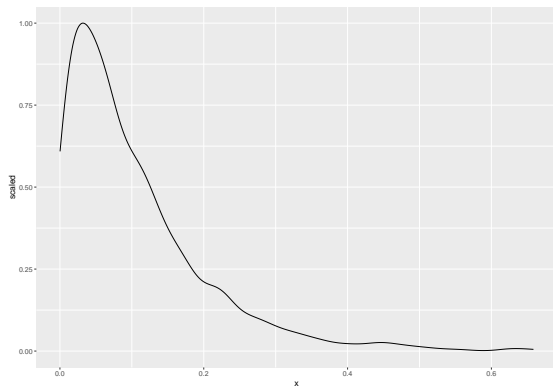
```
set.seed(1)
x <- rexp(1000, rate = 10)
ggplot() + geom_density(aes(x))
```



# Density plots

Scale the y axis

```
ggplot() + geom_density(aes(x, y = after_stat(scaled)))
```

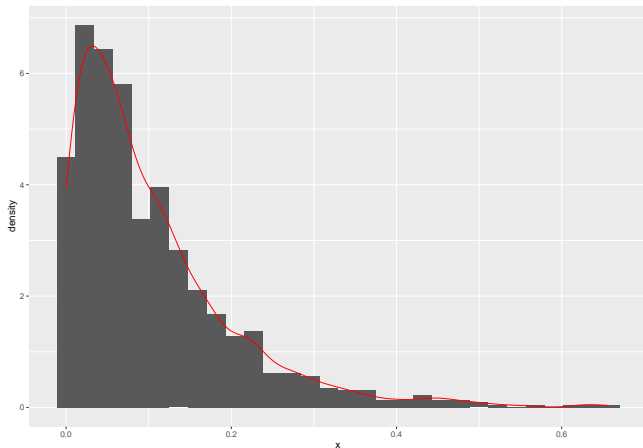


*Note: We use `after_stat(scaled)` instead of the deprecated `..scaled..` syntax (changed in ggplot2 3.4.0+).*



# Density plot over the histogram

```
ggplot(mapping = aes(x = x)) + geom_histogram(aes(y = after_stat(density)))  
  geom_density(color = 'red')
```



*Note: `after_stat(density)` replaces the deprecated `..density..` notation. This makes it explicit that density is computed by the stat layer.*

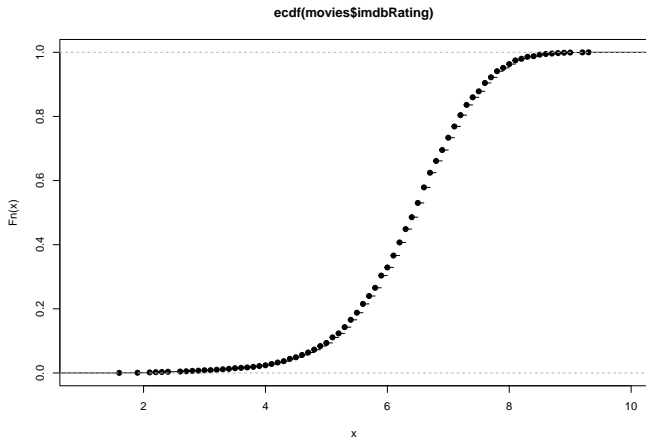
# Cumulative distribution function

- The cumulative distribution function (CDF) of a random variable  $X$ , or just distribution function of  $X$ , evaluated at  $x$  is the  $P(X \leq x)$ .
- When we have the data, we have the empirical distribution, we can construct Empirical Cumulative Distribution Function:

$$\hat{F}_n(x) = \frac{\text{number of elements in the sample} \leq x}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{I}(X_i \leq x)$$

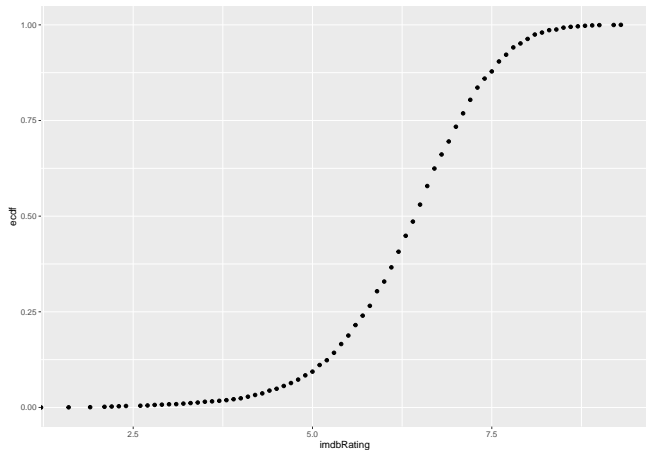
## eCDF

```
plot(ecdf(movies$imdbRating))
```



## eCDF

```
ggplot(movies, aes(x = imdbRating)) + stat_ecdf(geom = 'point')
```

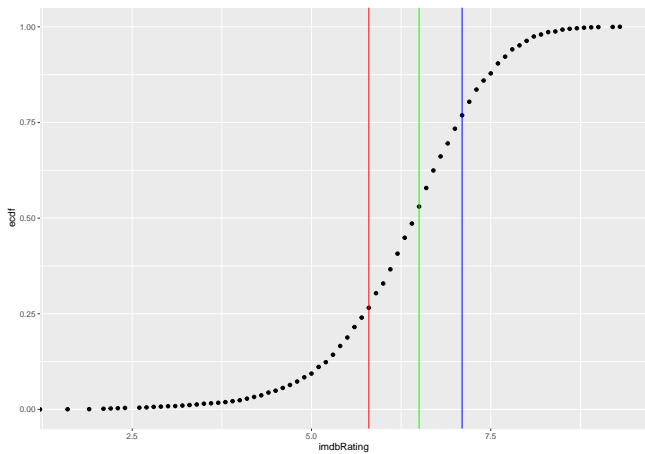


# eCDF

To make eCDF more informative we can add quartiles to the plot

```
quant <- quantile(movies$imdbRating, probs = c(0.25,0.5,0.75), na.rm = T)
ggplot(movies, aes(x = imdbRating)) + stat_ecdf(geom = 'point') +
  geom_vline(xintercept = quant, color = c('red', 'green', 'blue'))
```

## eCDF

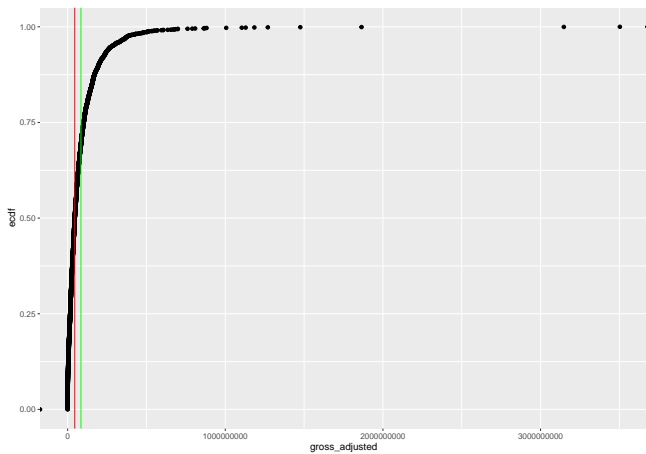


# eCDF

## Other distribution

```
med <- median(movies$gross_adjusted)
avg <- mean(movies$gross_adjusted)
ggplot(movies, aes(x = gross_adjusted)) + stat_ecdf(geom = 'point') +
  geom_vline(xintercept = c(med, avg), color = c('red', 'green'))
```

## eCDF

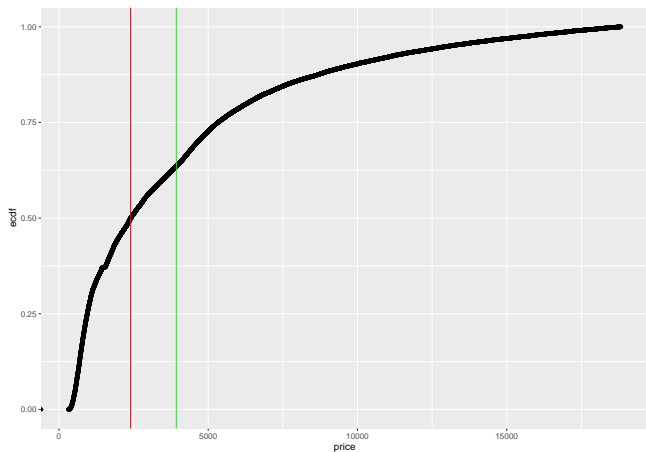




## Another skewed distribution

```
med <- median(diamonds$price)
avg <- mean(diamonds$price)
ggplot(diamonds, aes(x = price)) + stat_ecdf(geom = 'point') +
  geom_vline(xintercept = c(med, avg), col = c("red", "green"))
```

# Another skewed distribution



## Section 2

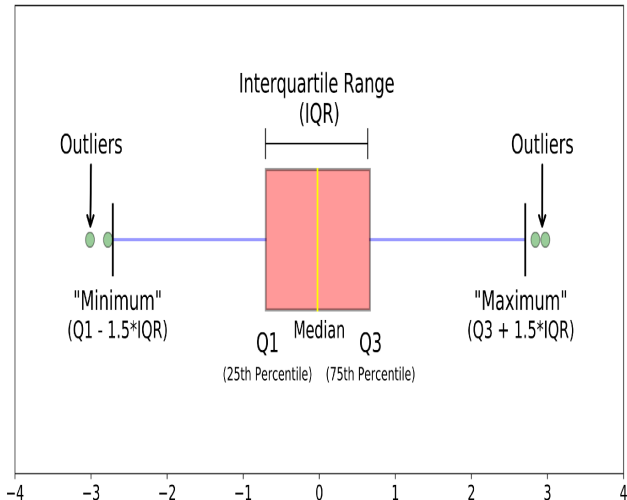
# Boxplots

# Boxplot

- Boxplot or box-whisker plot, is another way to display the distribution of the continuous variable
- Boxplots are usually used to visualize the distribution of some continuous variable by categories of a categorical variable
- They are also used to detect outliers (non-parametric way)

# Boxplot

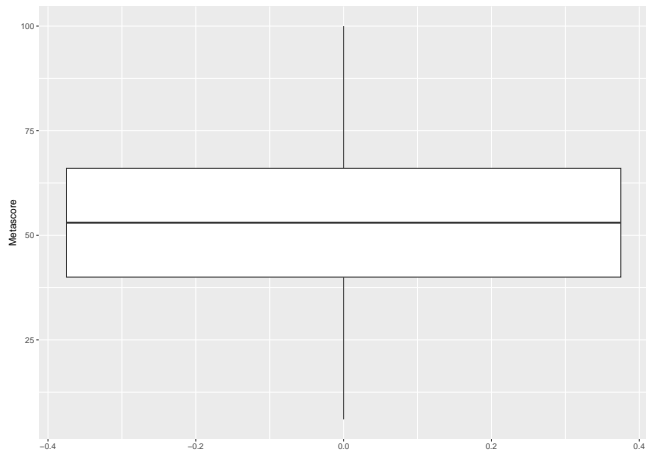
The structure of the boxplot



# Boxplot

## Vertical Boxplot

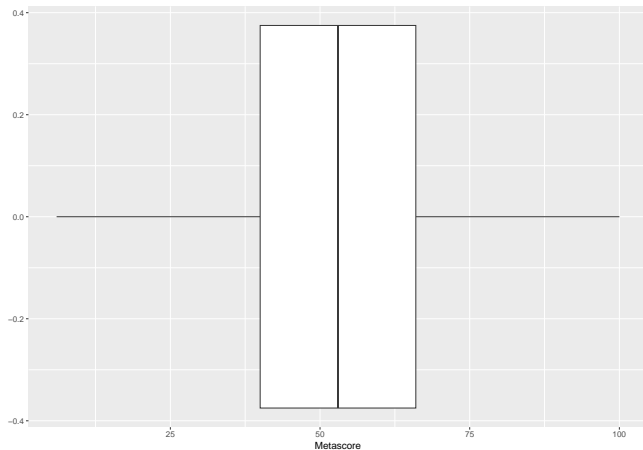
```
ggplot(data = movies, aes(y = Metascore)) + geom_boxplot()
```



# Boxplot

## Horizontal boxplot

```
ggplot(data = movies, aes(x = Metascore)) + geom_boxplot()
```



# Boxplot

## Reading the boxplot

- The width of the box - IQR, is an indicator of the variance
- If the median is in the center and the whiskers have the same length with small to none outliers, then the variable has a bell shape



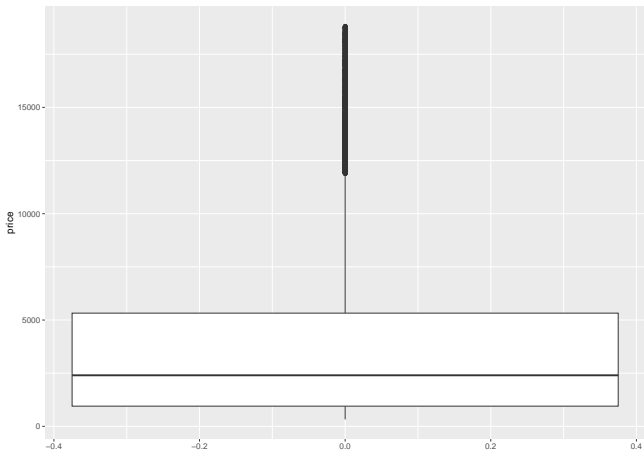
# Boxplot

Boxplot of skewed distribution

- Top whisker is longer
- Outliers on the top
- Initial conclusion: We have right skewed distribution

# Boxplot

```
ggplot(data = diamonds, aes(y = price)) + geom_boxplot()
```



# Boxplot

- You can also add mean to the graph (added empty x in aesthetics)
- Mean greater than median - right skewed distribution

# Boxplot

```
ggplot(data = diamonds, aes(x = "", y = price)) + geom_boxplot() +  
  stat_summary(fun = mean, geom = 'point', color = 'red') + xlab("") +  
  theme(axis.ticks.x = element_blank())
```



# Comparing distributions

Sometimes will need to compare the distribution of one continuous variable by different categories of a categorical variable

- The height of males and females
- Distribution of waiting time by weekdays
- Number of goals per position in football, etc

We can do this with histograms, boxplots and eCDF

# Comparing distributions

- We will use Galton's hereditary data
- for the full analysis refer to Regression Towards Mediocrity in Hereditary Stature

# Comparing Distributions

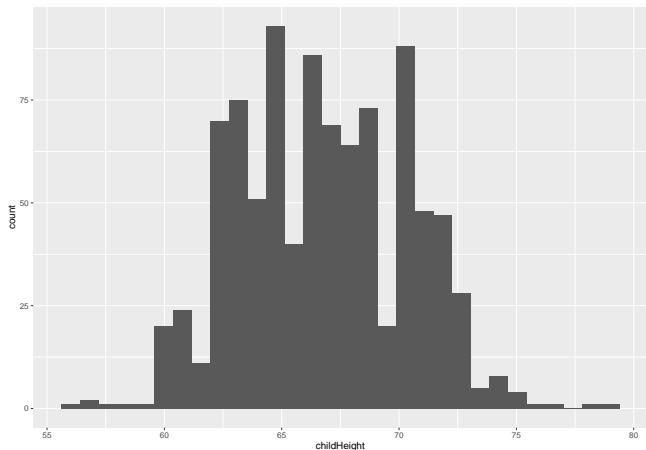
```
data("GaltonFamilies")
str(GaltonFamilies)

## 'data.frame':    934 obs. of  8 variables:
## $ family      : Factor w/ 205 levels "001","002","003",...: 1 1 1 1 2
## $ father      : num  78.5 78.5 78.5 78.5 75.5 75.5 75.5 75.5 75 75 ...
## $ mother      : num  67 67 67 67 66.5 66.5 66.5 66.5 64 64 ...
## $ midparentHeight: num  75.4 75.4 75.4 75.4 73.7 ...
## $ children    : int  4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 2 2 ...
## $ childNum    : int  1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 1 2 ...
## $ gender      : Factor w/ 2 levels "female","male": 2 1 1 1 2 2 1 1
## $ childHeight : num  73.2 69.2 69 69 73.5 72.5 65.5 65.5 71 68 ...
```

# Comparing distributions

## Histogram of height

```
ggplot(data=GaltonFamilies, aes(x = childHeight)) + geom_histogram()
```

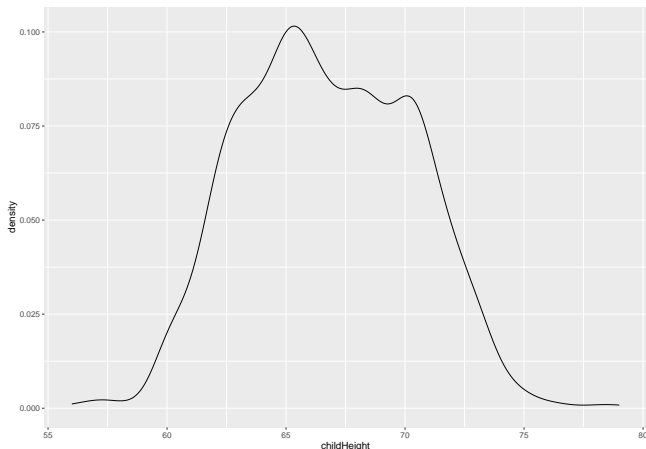




# Comparing distributions

## Density estimate

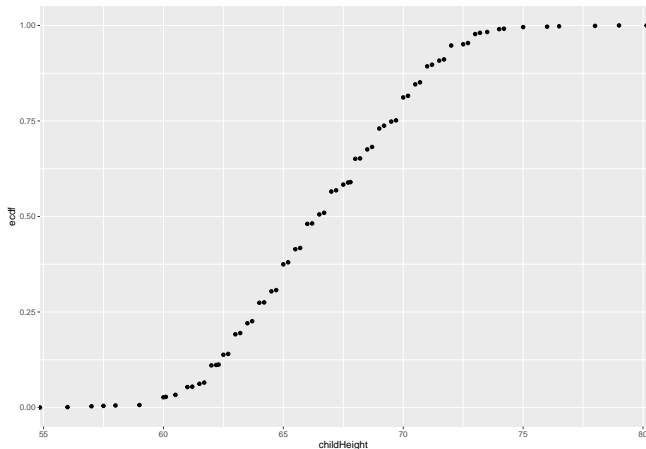
```
ggplot(data = GaltonFamilies, aes(x = childHeight)) + geom_density(bw = 0.7
```



# Comparing distributions

## eCDF

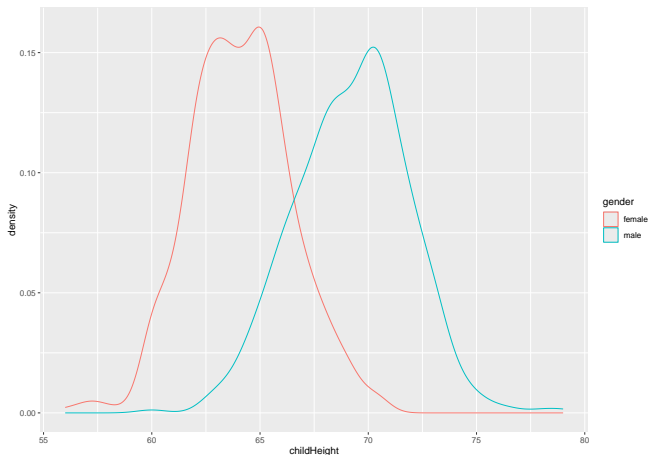
```
ggplot(data = GaltonFamilies, aes(childHeight)) + stat_ecdf(geom = 'point')
```



# Comparing distributions

Compare height for male and female children There are two distinct distributions

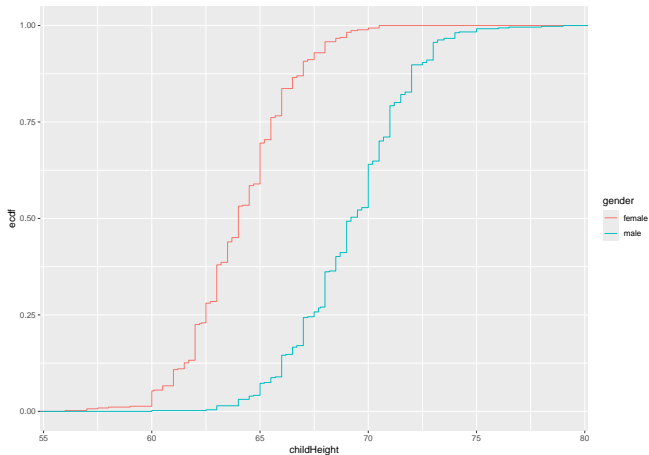
```
ggplot(data = GaltonFamilies, aes(x = childHeight, color = gender)) +  
  geom_density()
```



# Comparing distributions

Create the eCDF

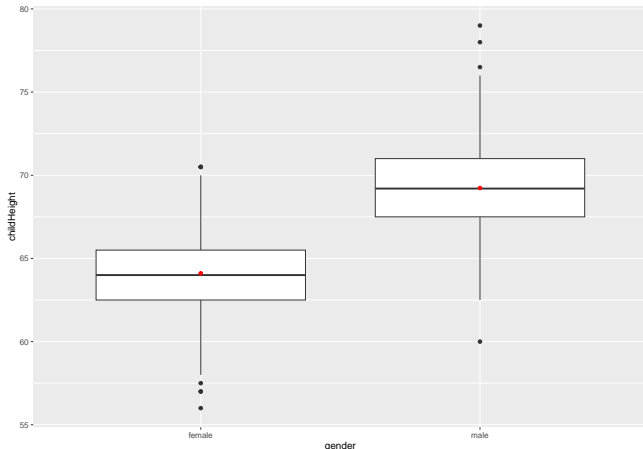
```
ggplot(data = GaltonFamilies, aes(x = childHeight, color = gender)) +  
  stat_ecdf()
```



# Comparing distributions

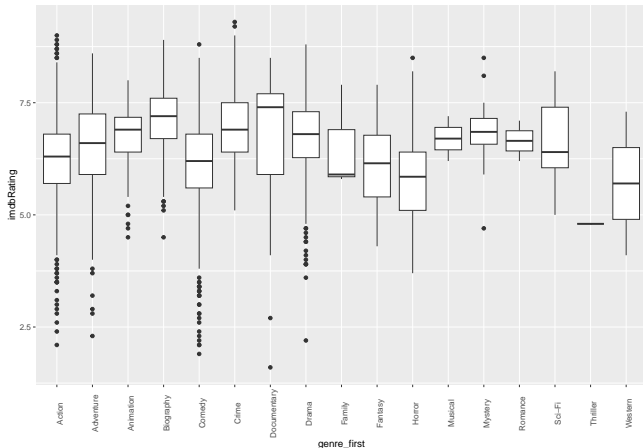
## Boxplot

```
ggplot(data = GaltonFamilies, aes(x = gender, y = childHeight)) +  
  geom_boxplot() +  
  stat_summary(fun.y = mean, geom = 'point', color = 'red')
```



# Comparing distributions

```
ggplot(movies, aes(x = genre_first, y = imdbRating)) + geom_boxplot() +  
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90))
```



## Section 3

# Testing for distribution

# Probability plots

- The probability plot is a graphical technique for assessing whether or not a variable follows a given distribution.
- The data is plotted against a theoretical distribution in such a way that the points should form approximately a straight line.
- Departures from this straight line indicate departures from the specified distribution.



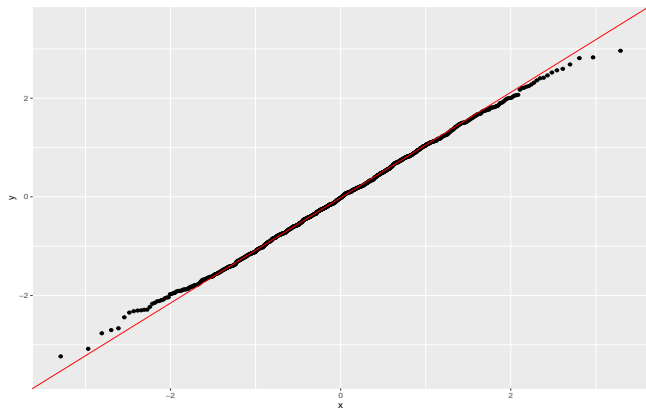
## q-q plots

- Q-Q Plots (Quantile-Quantile plots) are plots of quantiles of two variables plotted against each other.
- A quantile is a fraction where certain values fall below that value.
- The purpose of q-q plots is to find out if two sets of data come from the same distribution.
- If we have standard normal distribution then  $45^\circ$  angle is plotted on the QQ plot; if the two data sets come from the same distribution, the points will fall on that reference line, thus quantiles of theoretical and sample distributions are the same.
- The greater the departure from the reference line, the greater the evidence for the conclusion that the two data sets have come from populations with different distributions.
- If the data does not follow standard normal distribution, then the reference line is formed with intercept = mean and slope = standard deviation

## q-q plots

We have 45° line

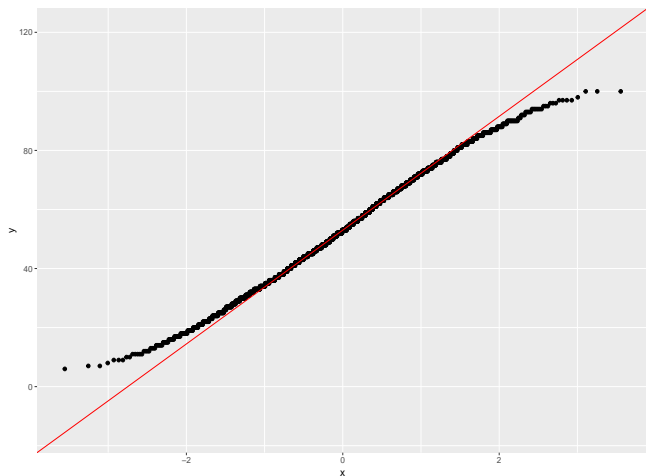
```
x <- rnorm(1000)
ggplot(mapping = aes(sample = x)) + geom_qq() +
  geom_qq_line(color = 'red')
```



# q-q plots

q-q plot for Metascore

```
ggplot(movies, aes(sample = Metascore)) + geom_qq() +  
  geom_qq_line(color = 'red')
```



# q-q plots

## Pay Attention

- We have corresponding Z scores for theoretical values on x axis
- The quantiles from the sample in the original scale
- Line is not  $45^\circ$  any more, but is rather estimated

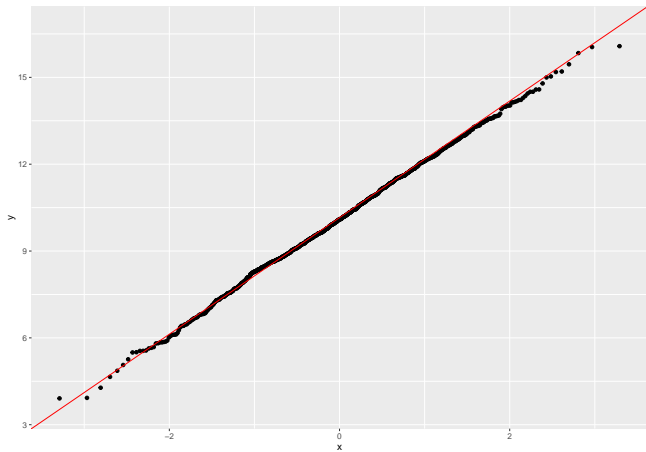
## q-q plots

Lets see what happens when you define the distribution parameters

```
x <- rnorm(1000, mean=10, sd = 2)
p1 <- ggplot(mapping = aes(sample = x)) + geom_qq() +
  geom_qq_line(color = 'red')
```

# q-q plots

p1



# q-q plots

Get the data used to draw the plot

```
df1 <- ggplot_build(p1)$data[[2]]
df1
```

##		x	y	slope	intercept	PANEL	group	colour	linewidth	line
## 1		-3.290527	3.52676	2.01425	10.1547	1	-1	red	0.5	
## 2		3.290527	16.78265	2.01425	10.1547	1	-1	red	0.5	
##		alpha								
## 1		NA								
## 2		NA								

# q-q plots

Calculate the slope

```
slope <- diff(df1$y)/diff(df1$x)
slope
## [1] 2.01425
```

Intercept

```
df1$y[1] - slope*df1$x[1]
## [1] 10.1547
```



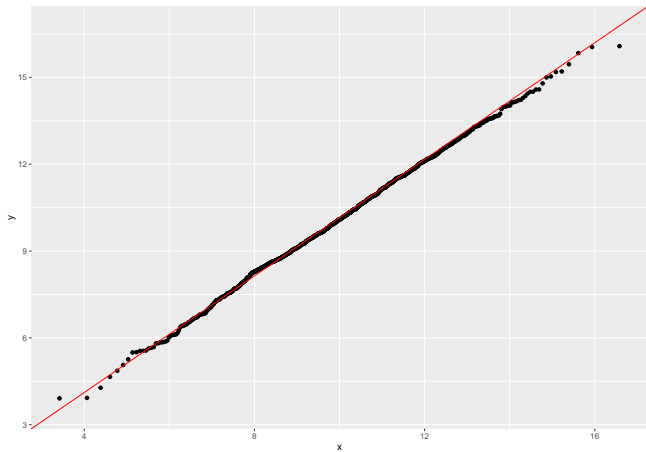
## q-q plots

Define the right scale for theoretical distribution

```
p1 <- ggplot(mapping = aes(sample = x)) +  
  geom_qq(dparams = list(mean = 10, sd = 2)) +  
  geom_qq_line(color = 'red', dparams = list(mean = 10, sd = 2))
```

# q-q plots

p1



## q-q plots

Calculate the slope

```
df1 <- ggplot_build(p1)$data[[2]]  
  
slope <- diff(df1$y)/diff(df1$x)  
slope  
## [1] 1.007125
```

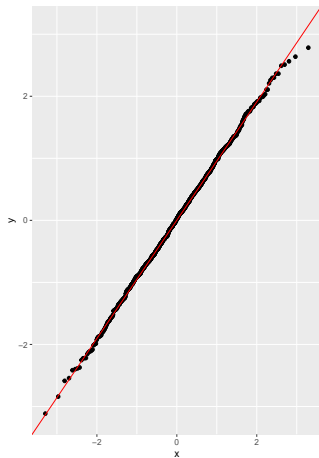
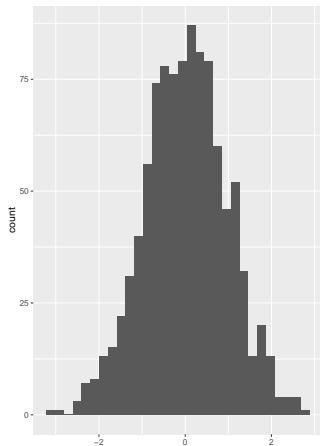
Intercept

```
df1$y[1] - slope*df1$x[1]  
## [1] 0.08345323
```

# q-q plots

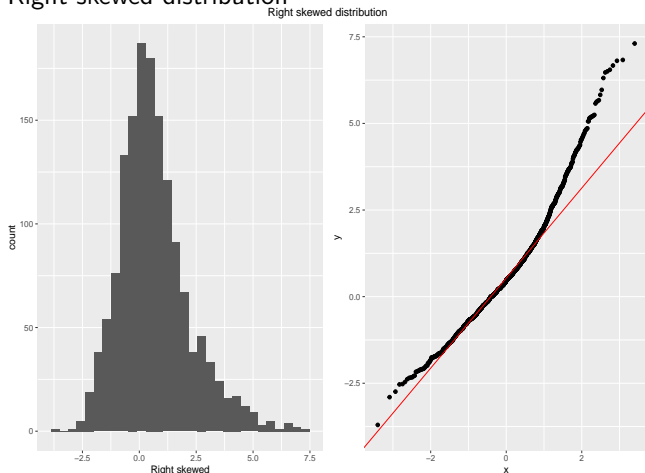
## Normal distribution

Symmetric distribution



# q-q plots

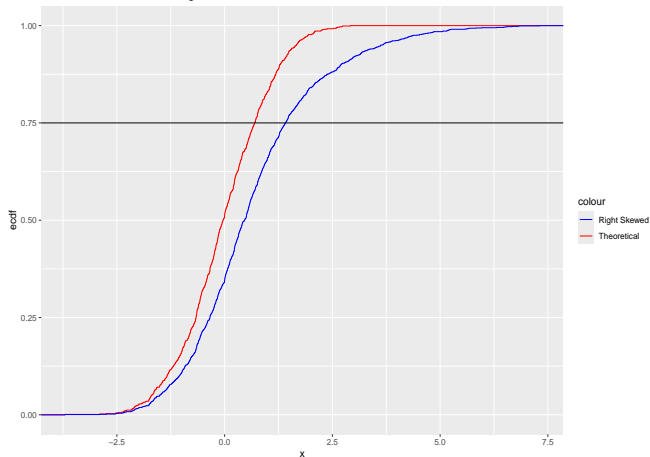
## Right skewed distribution



# q-q plots

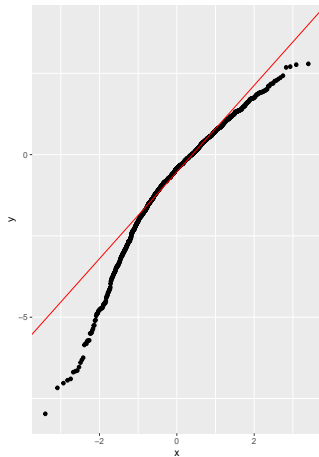
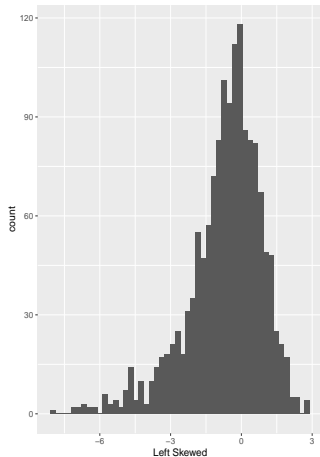
## eCDF for Right skewed and Theoretical distributions

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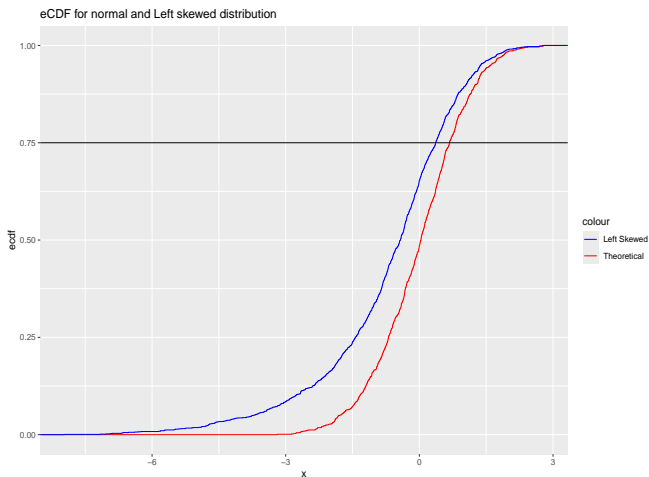
# q-q plots

Left skewed distribution



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## eCDF for left skewed distribution





## q-q plots

- Right skewed distribution: The points' upward trend shows that the sample quantiles are much greater than the theoretical quantiles.
- Left skewed distribution: The sample quantiles are going to be much lower than the theoretical quantiles.

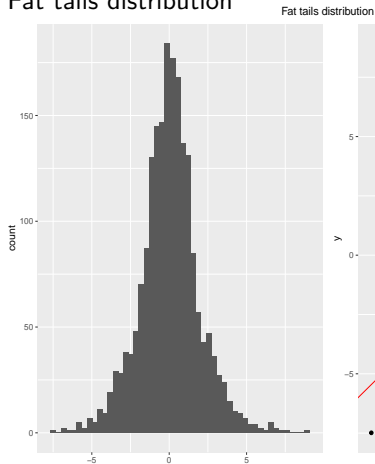
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## Heavy tail (Fat tail)

- Fat tail means that compared to the normal distribution there is more data located at the extremes of the distribution and less data in the center of the distribution.
- In terms of quantiles this means that the first quantile is much less than the first theoretical quantile and the last quantile is greater than the last theoretical quantile

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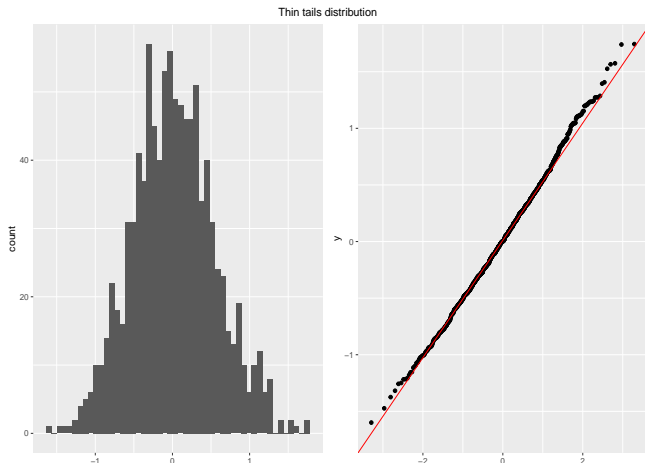
## Fat tails distribution



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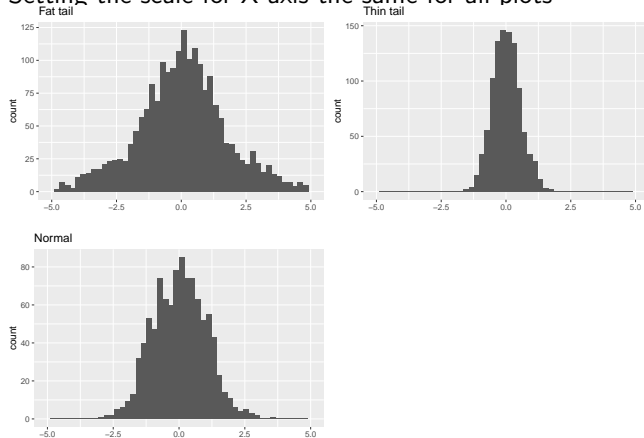
## Thin tails distribution

With thin tails distribution you have less data in the tails than it should be compared to the normal distribution



# q-q plots

Setting the scale for X axis the same for all plots



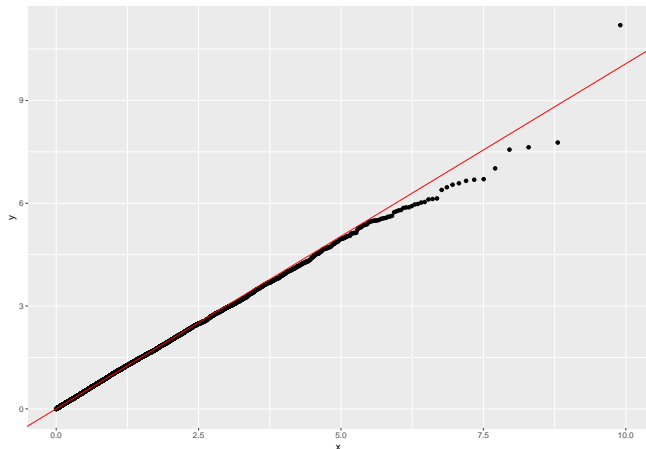
## q-q plots

- By default the Q-Q plot is constructed with normal distribution as a theoretical distribution
- However you can use any distribution that is available in R
- Or provide your own distribution with parameters

# q-q plots

q-q plot for exponential distribution

```
x_exp <- rexp(10000)
ggplot(mapping = aes(sample = x_exp)) + geom_qq(distribution = stats::qexp)
  geom_qq_line(color = 'red', distribution = stats::qexp)
```



# q-q plots

## Budget

```
ggplot(movies, aes(sample = budget_adjusted)) +  
  geom_qq(distribution = stats::qexp) +  
  geom_qq_line(color = 'red', distribution = stats::qexp)
```

