Distributions and outliers

EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS IN POWER BI



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What are distributions?

Definition: set of all possible values of the variable and the associated frequencies.



What are distributions?

Continuous

Age	Frequency
18	7
19	11
20	13
21	19
22	12

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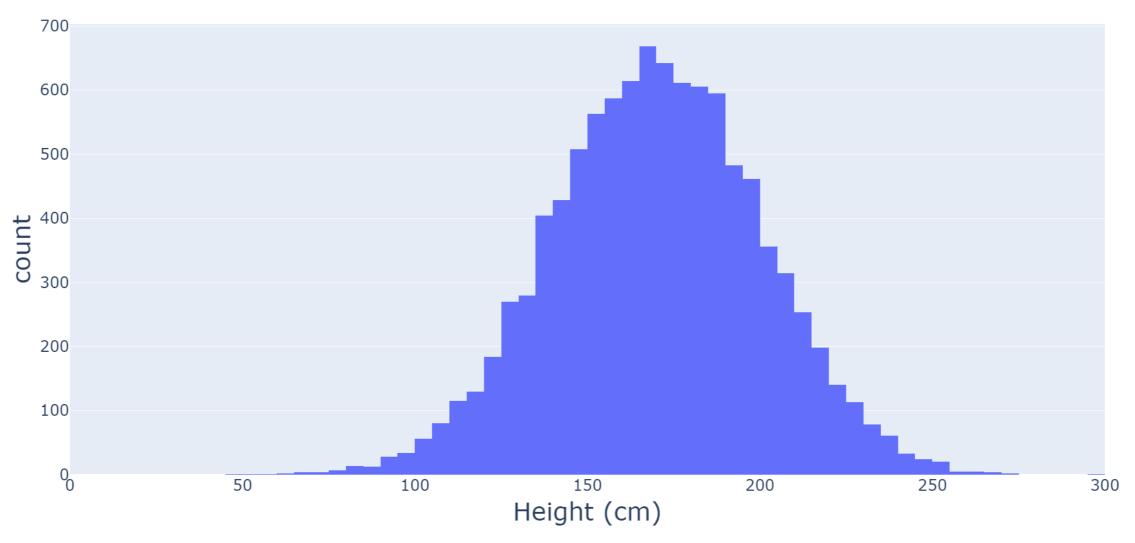
Continuous

Age	Frequency
18	7
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Categorical

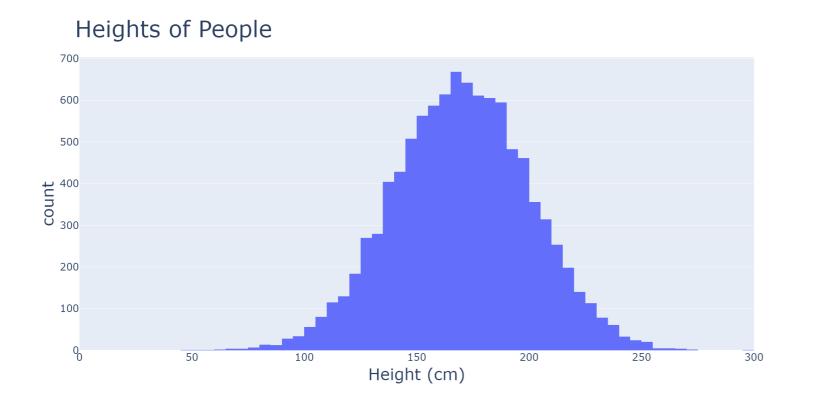
Hair Color	Frequency
Blonde	30
Brown	50
Black	40
Red	20
Grey	20

What are histograms?

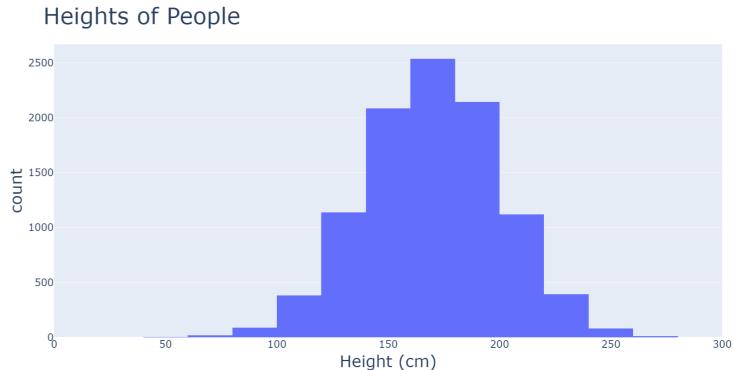


What are histogram? - bins

Histogram with 100 bins

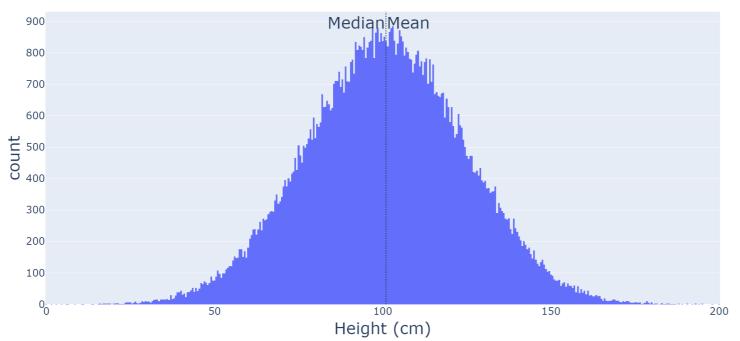


Histogram with 20 bins

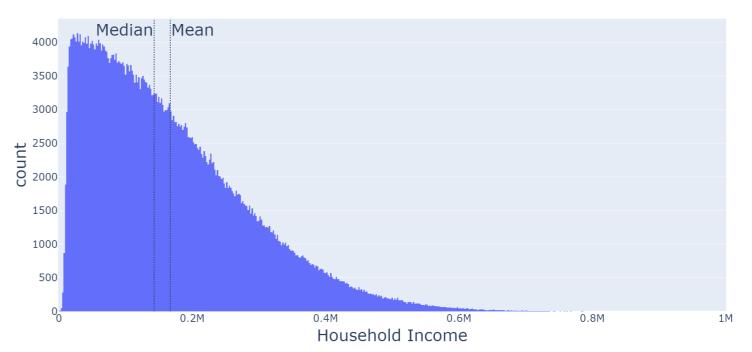


Reading histograms - centrality and skewness





Household Income



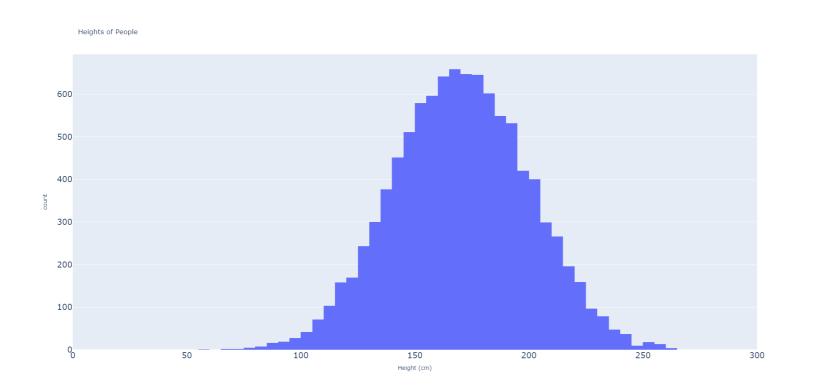
Normal distribution

Right-skewed distribution

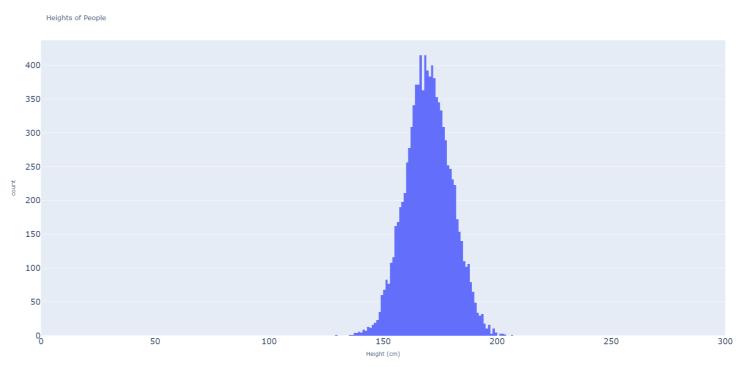


Reading histograms - spread

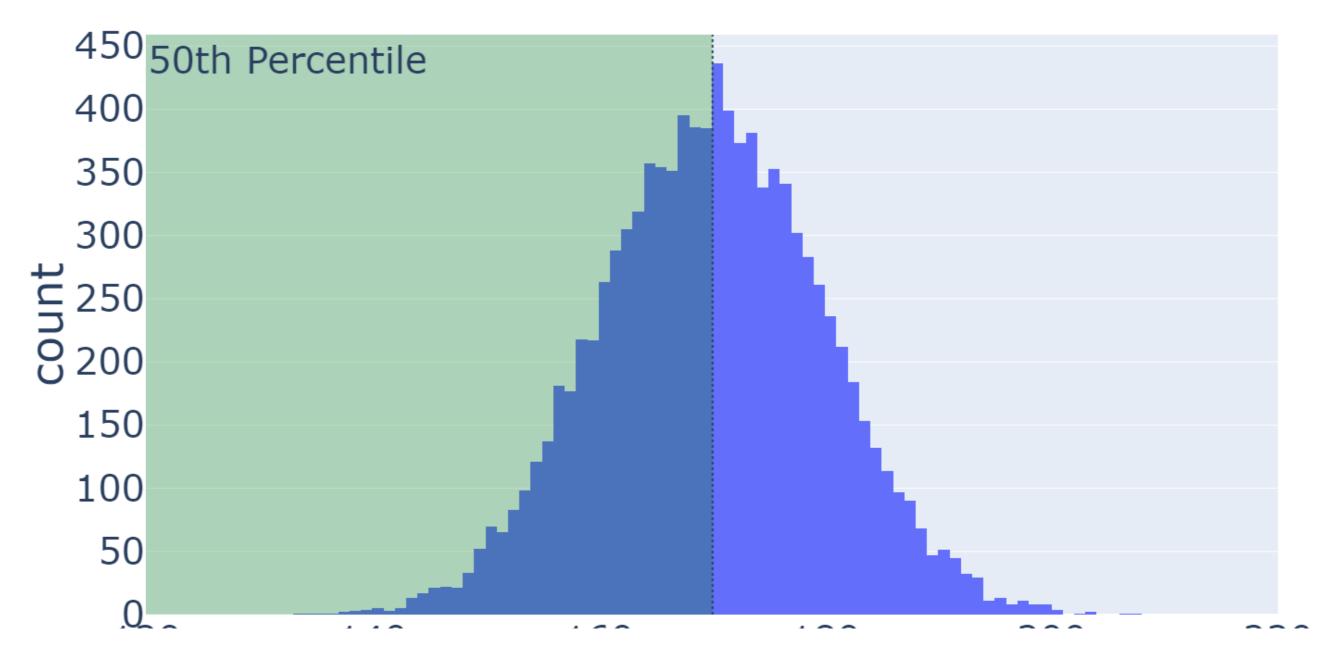
Larger standard deviation



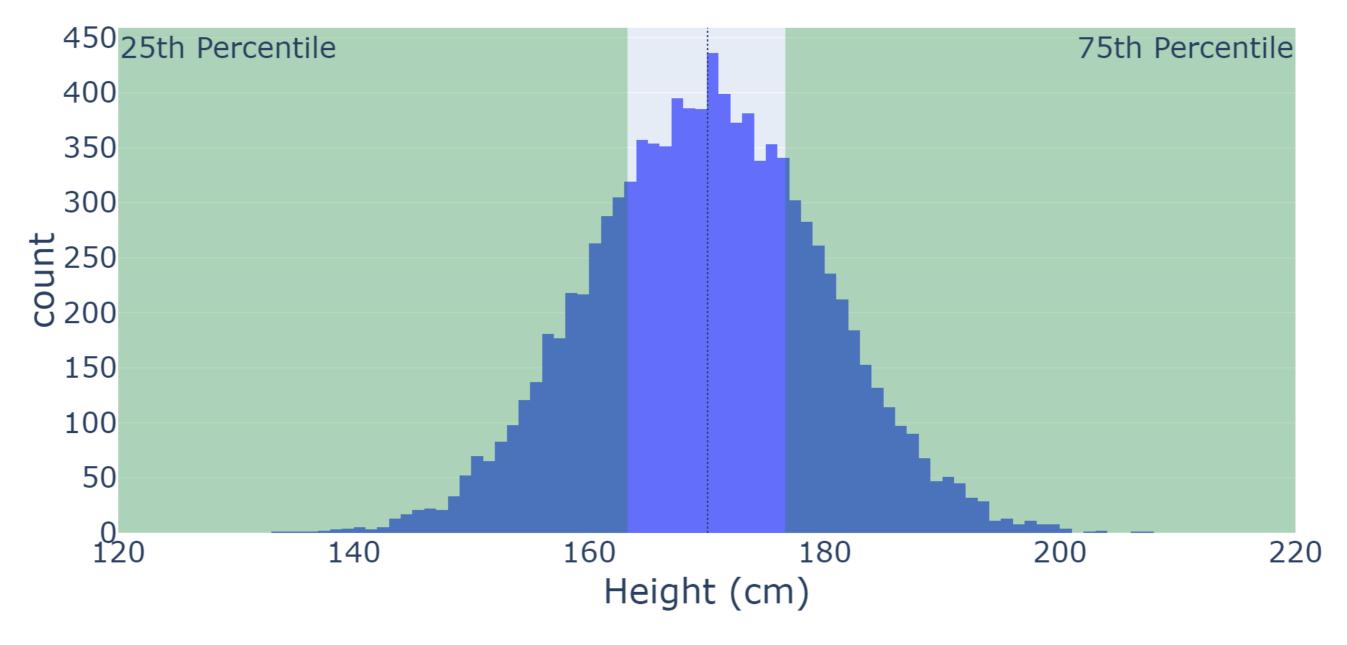
Smaller standard deviation



Reading histograms - percentiles

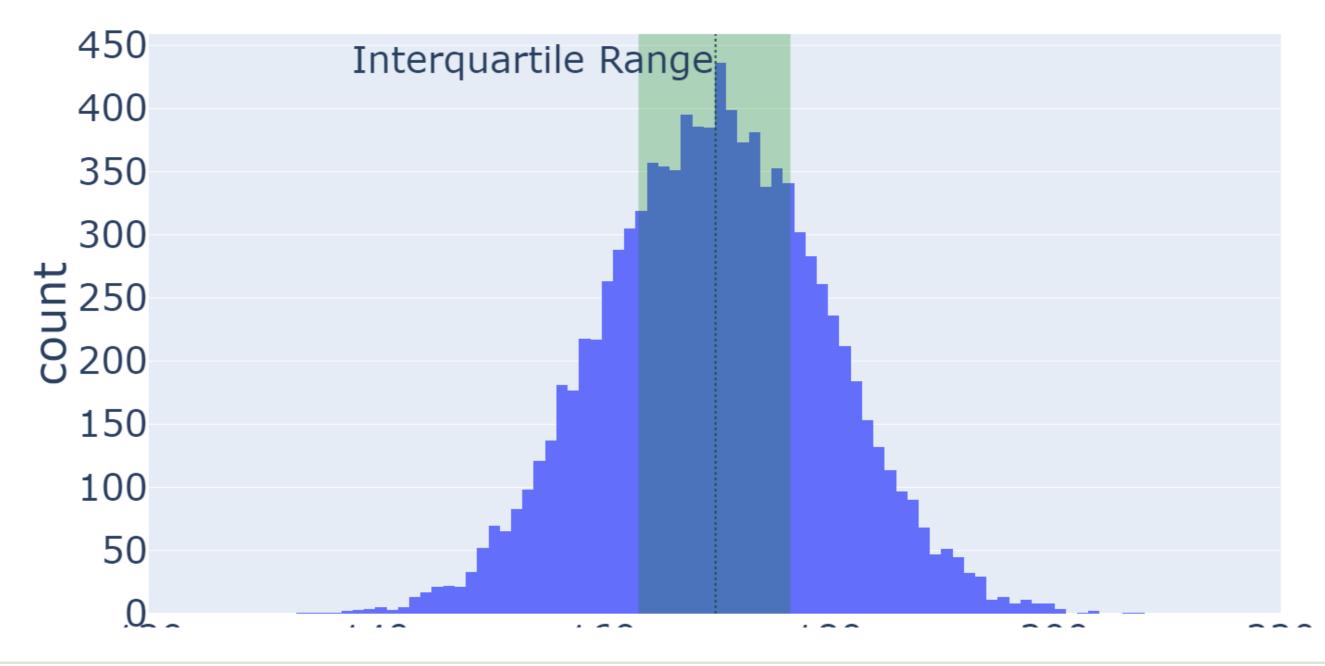


Reading histograms - 25th & 75th percentiles



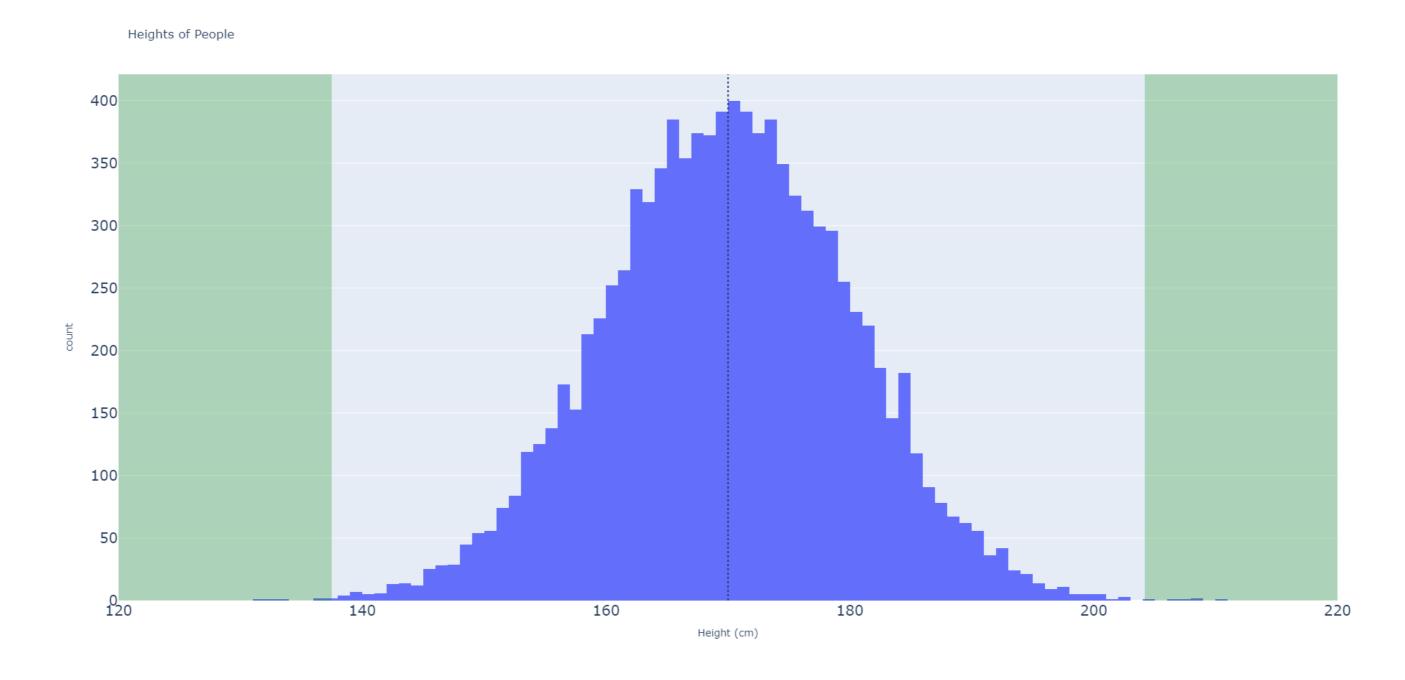


Reading histograms - interquartile range





What is an outlier?





Finding outliers

Using standard deviation

$$lower = -3 * SD$$

$$upper = 3 * SD$$

Outlier when

$$value < lower \ {\tt OR} \ value > upper$$

Interquartile Range (IQR)

$$lower = 25 percentile - (1.5*IQR)$$

$$upper = 75 percentile + (1.5 * IQR)$$

Outlier when

 $value < lower \ {\tt OR} \ value > upper$

Addressing outliers

- 1. Remove observations
- 2. Imputation

Winsorizing

IF value < 5th percentile **THEN** value = 5th percentile

IF value > 95th percentile **THEN** value = 95th percentile

Let's practice!

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Histograms and outliers in AirBnB listings

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