

METHOD 2: STANDARD DEVIATION

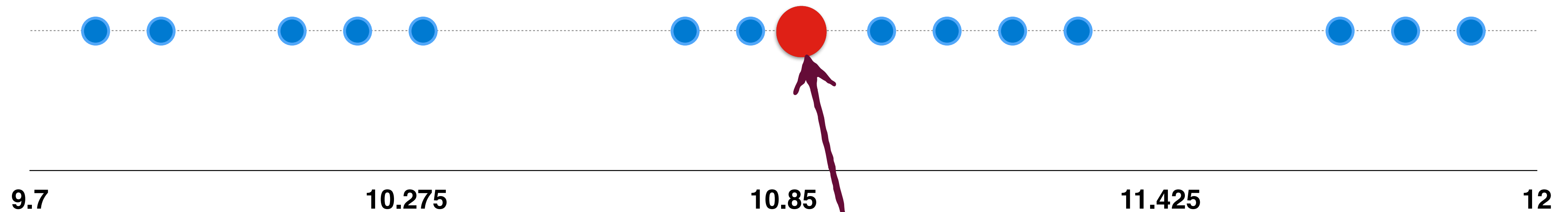
THE STANDARD DEVIATION IS A
MEASURE OF DEVIATION FROM
THE MEAN

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THE IDEA IS TO MEASURE **HOW FAR AWAY** EACH POINT IS FROM THE **MEAN** VALUE

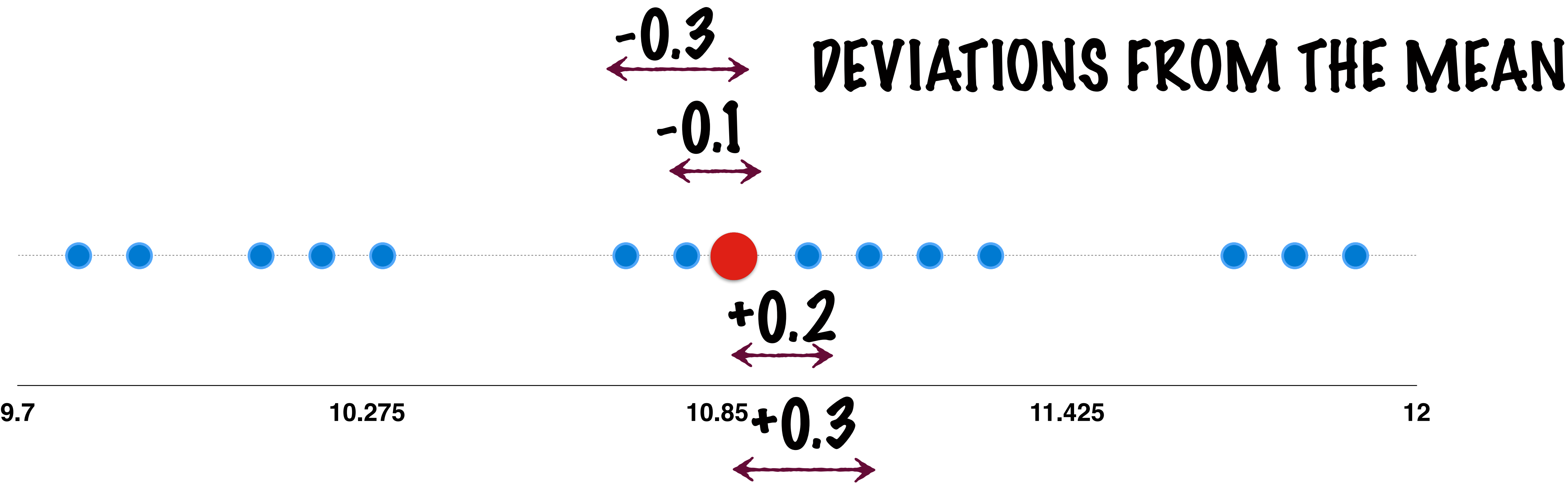
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HERE IS A DATASET



MEAN

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IF YOU CALCULATED ALL SUCH DEVIATIONS

-1.1	-1.1	-1	-0.8	-0.8	-0.7	-0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	1
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DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN

-1.1	-1.1	-1	-0.8	-0.8	-0.7	-0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	1
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THESE NUMBERS REPRESENT
HOW FAR THE DATASET VARIES
FROM THE MEAN

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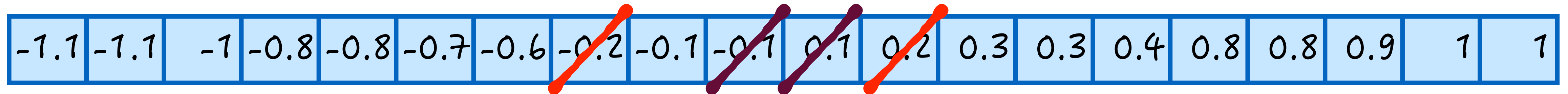
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IF WE CAN FIND 1 NUMBER TO
SUMMARIZE THEM, THAT
WOULD DESCRIBE THE "SPREAD"

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DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN



OPTION 1: MEAN OF THE DEVIATIONS

THIS ISN'T REALLY A GREAT OPTION AS
THE DEVIATIONS WILL CANCEL EACH
OTHER OUT WHEN THEY ARE ADDED

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DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN

-1.1	-1.1	-1	-0.8	-0.8	-0.7	-0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	1
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OPTION 2: MEAN OF ABSOLUTE VALUE
OF THE DEVIATIONS

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DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN

1.1	1.1	1	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.6	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	1
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OPTION 2: MEAN OF ABSOLUTE VALUE
OF THE DEVIATIONS

THIS CAN WORK BUT THERE IS AN
EVEN BETTER OPTION

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DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN

-1.1	-1.1	-1	-0.8	-0.8	-0.7	-0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.8	0.9	1	1
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OPTION 3: MEAN OF SQUARES OF THE
DEVIATIONS

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DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN

1.1^2	1.1^2	1^2	0.8^2	0.8^2	0.7^2	0.6^2	0.2^2	0.1^2	0.1^2	0.1^2	0.2^2	0.3^2	0.3^2	0.4^2	0.8^2	0.8^2	0.9^2	1^2	1^2
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OPTION 3: MEAN OF SQUARES OF THE DEVIATIONS

THIS IS A STANDARD
MEASURE OF THE "SPREAD"

VARIANCE

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DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN

1.1^2	1.1^2	1^2	0.8^2	0.8^2	0.7^2	0.6^2	0.2^2	0.1^2	0.1^2	0.1^2	0.2^2	0.3^2	0.3^2	0.4^2	0.8^2	0.8^2	0.9^2	1^2	1^2
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VARIANCE

WHY IS THE **VARIANCE** BETTER THAN
JUST THE MEAN OF **ABSOLUTE VALUES**?

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WHY IS THE VARIANCE BETTER THAN JUST THE MEAN OF ABSOLUTE VALUES?

1. VARIANCE IS MORE SENSITIVE

IF THE DEVIATIONS WERE

MEAN OF ABSOLUTE VALUES

VARIANCE

-2, 4

$$(2 + 4) / 2 = 3$$

$$(2^2 + 4^2) / 2 = 10$$

-3, 3

$$(3 + 3) / 2 = 3$$

$$((-3)^2 + 3^2) / 2 = 9$$

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WHY IS THE VARIANCE BETTER THAN JUST THE
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2. **VARIANCE** DOES NOT RELY
ON CONDITIONAL FUNCTIONS

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WHY IS THE VARIANCE BETTER THAN JUST THE
MEAN OF ABSOLUTE VALUES?

3. **VARIANCE** HAS MANY COOL
MATHEMATICAL PROPERTIES EX:
NORMAL DISTRIBUTIONS HEAVILY
RELY ON THE VARIANCE

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WHY IS THE VARIANCE BETTER THAN JUST THE
MEAN OF ABSOLUTE VALUES?

4. **UNLIKE IQR** VARIANCE IS
SENSITIVE TO **OUTLIERS**

SIMILAR TO HOW THE MEAN IS MORE
SENSITIVE TO OUTLIERS THAN MEDIAN

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VARIANCE IS A VERY GOOD
MEASURE OF THE SPREAD

BUT IT'S NOT OF THE SAME ORDER
AS THE DATASET OR THE MEAN

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YOU CANNOT USE IT TO SAY

THE DATA VARIES MOSTLY BETWEEN

$\text{MEAN} - X, \text{MEAN} + X$

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STANDARD DEVIATION = **SQRT**(VARIANCE)

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

MEAN

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DEVIATION
FROM MEAN

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AVERAGE OF
SQUARES OF
DEVIATIONS

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STANDARD DEVIATION = SQRT(VARIANCE)

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VARIANCE

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