STA130 W2

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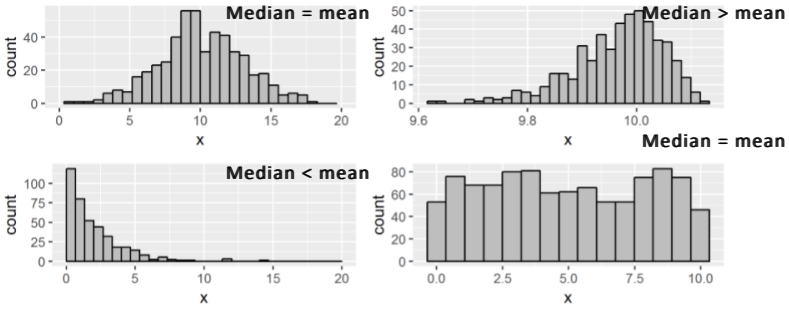
Typical Value:
The **mean** is a common way to measure the **center of a distribution** of numerical data.
- The average
- Captures the contribution of **extreme values**

The **median** is another way to measure the **center** of a numerical variable.
- The value such that **50%** of the data are less than and 50% are greater than it.
- Rank the values from smallest to largest
- Less affected by extreme values

*When its **bimodal**, neither of them are good value
The **mode** is the most **frequent** value in a dataset
- Not necessary in the center, but better for talking about the shape
- **Not typical value**



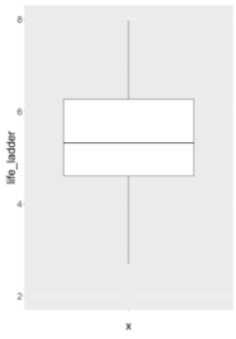
Numerical summaries of **the spread of a distribution:**
The **variance** is roughly **the average squared distance** from the mean.
The **standard deviation** is the **square root of the variance**.
- Unlike the variance, it is measured **in the same units as the data** so is easier to interpret.
- Small standard deviation/variance means that on average the data is **close to the mean**
- Large standard deviation means **further away from the mean**(more spread out)

Visualizing **summary of center / spread: boxplots:**

```
ggplot(data=happinessdata_2017,
       aes(x=" ", y=life_ladder)) +
  geom_boxplot()
```

A boxplot summarizes the distribution of a quantitative (numerical) variable using **five statistics**, while also plotting **unusual observations** (outliers).

- Line in the middle of the box: **median**
- Edges of the box:
  - Lower edge: **first quartile** - the value such that 25% of the data values are less than it (Q_1)
  - Upper edge: **third quartile** - the value such that 25% of the data values are less than it (Q_3)
- Length of the box: **Inter-Quartile Range (IQR)**, $Q_3 - Q_1$ - a measure of how spread out the data are
- Whiskers on the box extend to the most extreme value that is outside the box but within $1.5 \times IQR$
- Plot points beyond the whiskers (outliers). These points are farther than $1.5 \times IQR$ from the box (i.e. lower than $Q_1 - 1.5 \times IQR$ or higher than $Q_3 + 1.5 \times IQR$)



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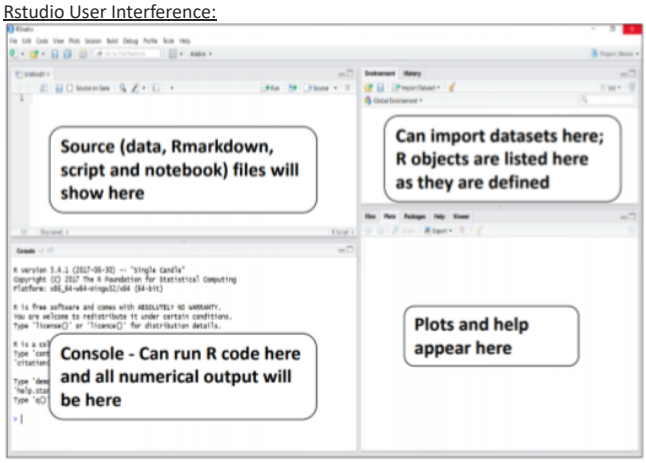
Compare distributions of a quantitative variable **across groups:**
*Association between a **categorical(x)** and a **numerical(y)** variables

```
ggplot(data=happinessdata_2017,
       aes(x=continent, y=life_ladder)) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  coord_flip()
```

If a distribution is **symmetrical**:
- The median will be in the **middle** of the box
- The whiskers will be the **same length**

Rstudio User Interference:



Use console (bottom left window) as a calculator:
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Saving R objects:
R lets you **save data** by storing it inside an "R object"
An **R object** is a name that you can use to call up stored data

```
x <- 1
x
## [1] 1
```

When you create an object, it will be **listed in the environment pane** (top right)

Atomic vectors:
Vectors are the simplest data structure in R.
Make an atomic vector by **grouping some values of data together** with c()
The **c() function** combines elements of one type into a vector
A 6-sided die:

```
die <- c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6) die
## [1] 1 2 3 4 5 6
is.vector(die)
## [1] TRUE
length(die)
## [1] 6
```

Types of variables in R:

Variable Type	Description
Double (`dbl`)	Numbers (with or without decimals)
Integer (`int`)	Integers only (no decimals)
Character (`chr`)	Words, surrounded by quotation marks (e.g. names of students in STA130)
Logical (`lgl`)	TRUE or FALSE
Factor (`fct`)	Looks like "character" type, but can only take values from a pre-specified list (e.g. continents)

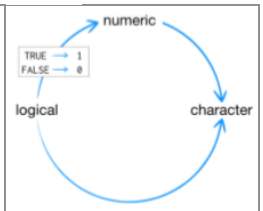
Each atomic vector can store only **one** type of data
Use **is.** functions (e.g. is.numeric(), is.character()) to check the **data type** of a vector

Logicals:

	Operator	Syntax	Example
Comparisons	equal	==	`> 2==3` `[1] FALSE`
Comparisons	not equal	!=	`> 2!=3` `[1] TRUE`
Comparisons	less than (less than or equal to)	< (<=)	`> 2<3` `[1] TRUE`
Comparisons	greater than (greater than or equal to)	> (>=)	`> 2>=3` `[1] FALSE`
Logical Operators	not	!	`> !(2==3)` `[1] TRUE`
Logical Operators	and	&	`>(2<3)&(2<=3)` `[1] TRUE`

or	|	>(2<3) | (2>3) [1] TRUE

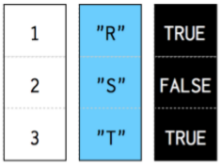
Coercion:
R switches between data types automatically for certain operations.
I.e. sum(c(TRUE, FALSE)) becomes sum(c(1,0)) which counts the number of values of TRUE in a vector



Command	Output
3 + "2"	Error
c(1, "2")	"1""2"
c(TRUE, "FALSE")	"TRUE""FALSE"
sum(c(TRUE, TRUE, TRUE))	3
sum(c(FALSE, FALSE, FALSE))	0
sum(c(10 == 5*2, 2 != 3, 2 <= 1.5*2))	3

Data Frames:
An R data frame is used for storing data sets (similar to Excel spreadsheets)
- rows: individual observations/records
- columns: variables Each column of a data frame can contain a different type of data

Within a column, every cell must be the **same type of data**.



Access/create data frames in R:
1-Download & open a package to access a data frame which is included in the package
2-Import a data frame from an external file (e.g. Excel file) and save it as a **dataframe** object in R
- Using the **read_csv()** or **read excel()** functions, as with the happiness data last week

Aer you have loaded it, you can view a data frame in RStudio by clicking on the data frame name in the Environment tab (top right corner)

Built-in functions:

```
round(-2.718282, digits = 2)
## [1] -2.72
abs(-2.718282)
## [1] 2.718282
data <- c(1,2,3,4,5,6)
```

```
length(data)
## [1] 6
mean(data)
## [1] 3.5
median(data)
## [1] 3.5
round(sd(data), digits = 1)
## [1] 1.9
```

Built-in **help** documentation on R functions: Type ?round in the R console window

```
glimpse(AutoClaims)
## Observations: 6,773
## Variables: 5
## $ STATE  <fct> STATE 14, STATE 15, STATE 15, STATE 15, STATE 15, STATE...
## $ CLASS  <fct> C6 , C6 , C11, F6 , F6 , F6 , C11, C6 , C11, C11, C6 , ...
## $ GENDER <fct> M, M, M, F, M, M, M, M, M, M, M, M, M, F, F, F, M, F...
## $ AGE    <int> 97, 96, 95, 95, 95, 95, 94, 94, 93, 93, 93, 93, 92, 92,...
## $ PAID   <dbl> 1134.44, 3761.24, 7842.31, 2384.67, 650.00, 391.12, 377...
```

fct: factors
int: integers
dbl: doubles

Using the **summarise**(in tidyverse) function:

```
summarise(AutoClaims, mean = mean(PAID),
                      median = median(PAID),
                      sd = sd(PAID),
                      min = min(PAID),
                      max = max(PAID))
```

Columns in our summary table
PAID is the $ value of the claim

```
##      mean   median      sd  min   max
## 1 1853.035 1001.7 2646.909 9.5 60000
```

*1 output, grouped data

Using the **group_by** function with summarise:
AutoClaims_grpGender <- group_by(AutoClaims, GENDER) *what variable to group by

summarise(AutoClaims_grpGender, n = n(), mean = mean(PAID), median = median(PAID), sd = sd(PAID))	1 row per group

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 5
##   GENDER    n   mean  median  sd
##   <fct>   <int>   <dbl>  <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 F      2582    1864.   963. 2761.
## 2 M      4191    1847.  1032. 2575.
```

x1 = sum(PAID > 5000)) x2 = sum(PAID > 5000) / n) x3 = mean(PAID > 5000))	X1: The number of people with claims larger than 5K X2 & X3: The proportion of people with claims larger than 5K

Vocabulary/ terms:
- Mean, average
- Median
- Standard deviation
- Variance
- Boxplot
- Interquartile range
- Quartile
- Outlier
- R object
- Vector
- Types of variables: e.g. character, numeric, logical
- Data frame
- Summary table, summary statistics
- Proportion