

STT 3850 Midterm Study Guide

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Statistics

Characterizing a set of data (3 S's)

- Shape: how the data is distributed
- Low outliers make a dataset skewed to the Right
- High outliers make a dataset skewed to the Left
- Normal distributions have fairly even outliers on either side

Center: Where the data is centered around

- Normal: If the dataset has a normal distribution (shape) this can be calculated using the `mean($data)` function.
- Skewed (left or right): The mean will be misrepresent the center. Calculate a skewed center using `median($data)`.

Spread: How far the data differs from the center

- Normal: If the dataset has a normal distribution, then the standard deviation applies to both sides of the data and so it represents the spread.
- Skewed (left or right): If the dataset is skewed on either side, the deviation above and below the center will not be the same, so you must calculate it using `IQR($data)` for the interquartile range.

Hypothesis testing (5 step procedure)

1. Specify the Null and ALternative hypothesis
 - Null hypothesis notated as $H_0 : M = value$ or $\bar{M}_1 - \bar{M}_2 = 0$
 - Alternative hypothesis notated as $H_A : M \neq 0$

The Null hypothesis is assumed to be true, and you can either find evidence to support the alternative hypothesis or fail to find evidence to support the null hypothesis. 2.

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