Quantiles STAT-S520 (continued)

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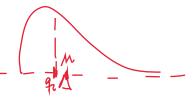
Symmetry

Let X be a continuous random variable with PDF f. If there exists a value $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$f(\theta + x) = f(\theta - x)$$

for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$, then X is a symmetric random variable and θ is its center of symmetry

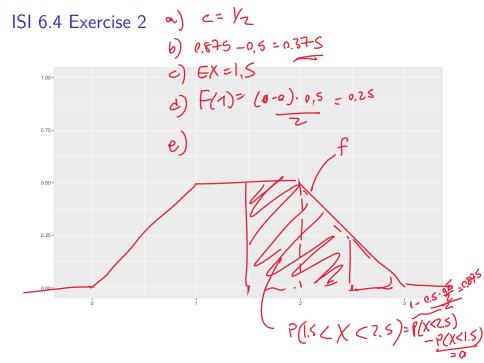
▶ If Y is not symmetric, there is not a single way to measure centrality



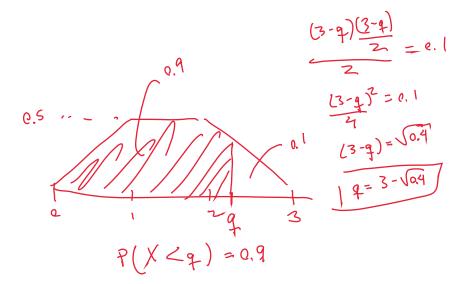
Theorem 6.1

Let X be a random variable with population median q_2 and population mean $\mu = EX$. Then

- 1. The value of c that minimizes E|X-c| is $c=q_2$
- 2. The value of c that minimizes $E(X-c)^2$ is c=EX



ISI 6.4 Exercise 2 (cont.)



ISI 6.4 Exercise 7