Summary Statistics

Categorical Variables

Frequency table

Туре	Frequency
Action	32
Adventure	1
Animation	12
Comedy	27
Drama	21
Fantasy	2
Horror	17
Romance	11
Thriller	13
Total	136

Relative frequency table

Туре	Rel. Freq.
Action	0.235
Adventure	0.007
Animation	0.088
Comedy	0.199
Drama	0.154
Fantasy	0.015
Horror	0.125
Romance	0.081
Thriller	0.096
Total	1

Quantitative Variables

Measures of Center

Mean

Formula:
$$\overline{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

Interpretation: center of mass

Resistant?

Median

Formula:

- if n is odd, then find the center value
- if n is even, then find the average of the two center values

Interpretation: center value (50th percentile)

Resistant?

Outliers

When using statistics that are not resistant to outliers:

- 1. Check whether there was a data recording error
- 2. If there wasn't, check whether the outlier is part of the target population.
- 3. If it is, run analysis with and without the outlier. Report both analyses and on their differences.

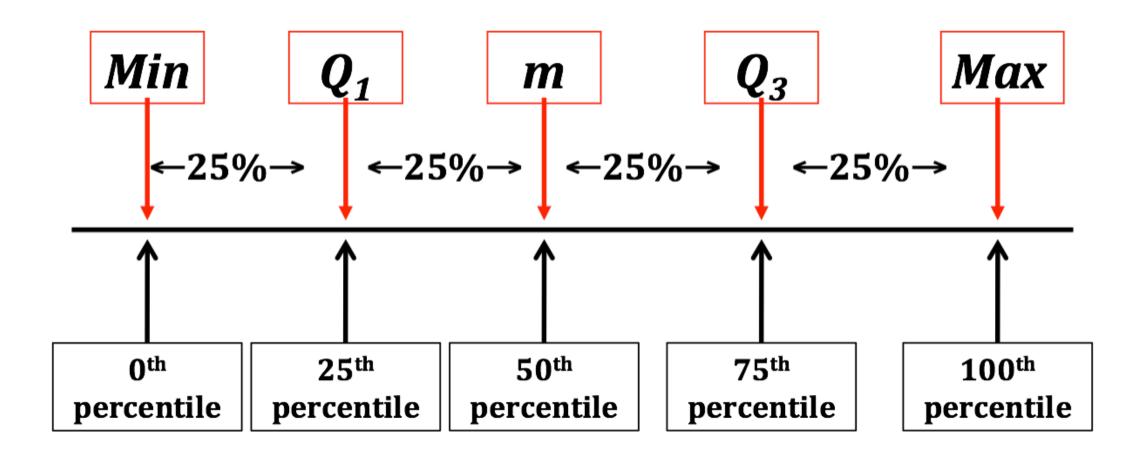
Other Measures of Location

Percentiles

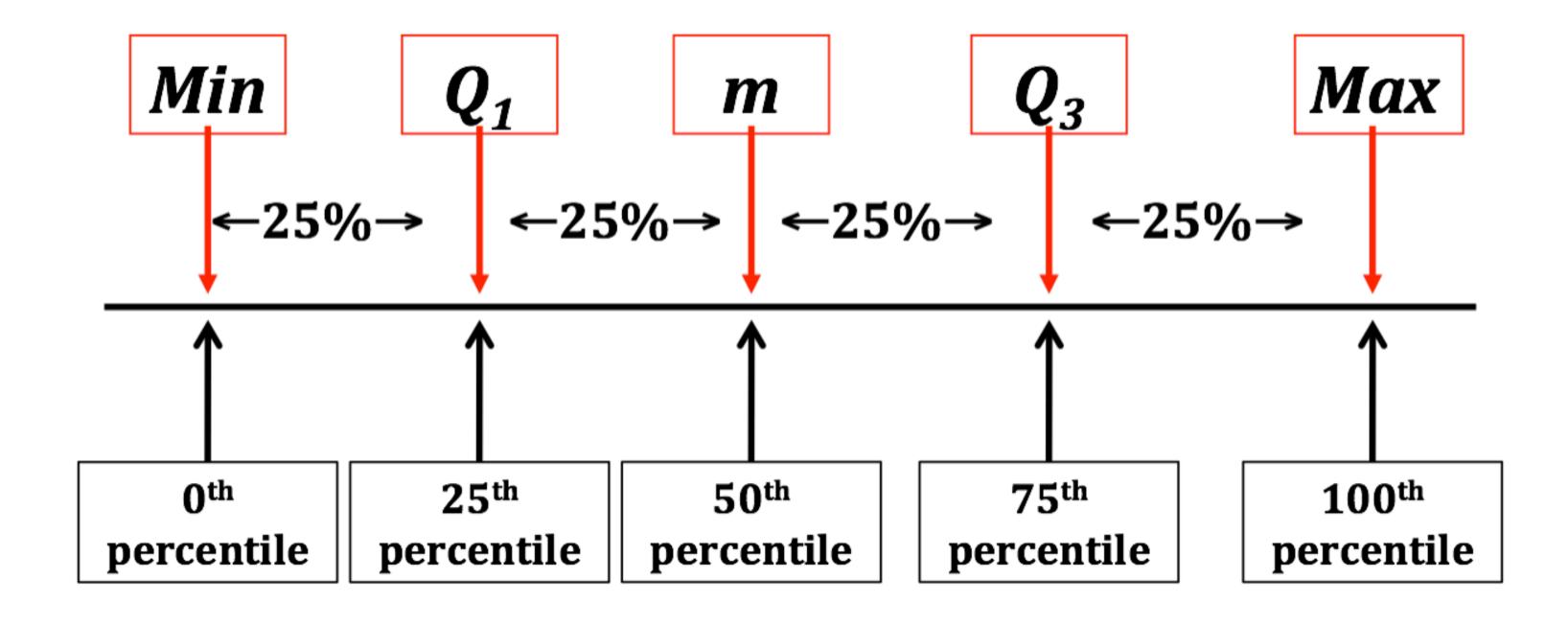
The $p^{ ext{th}}$ percentile is the value that is greater than p% of the data.

Quartiles

Quartiles divide the ordered data into four equal parts.

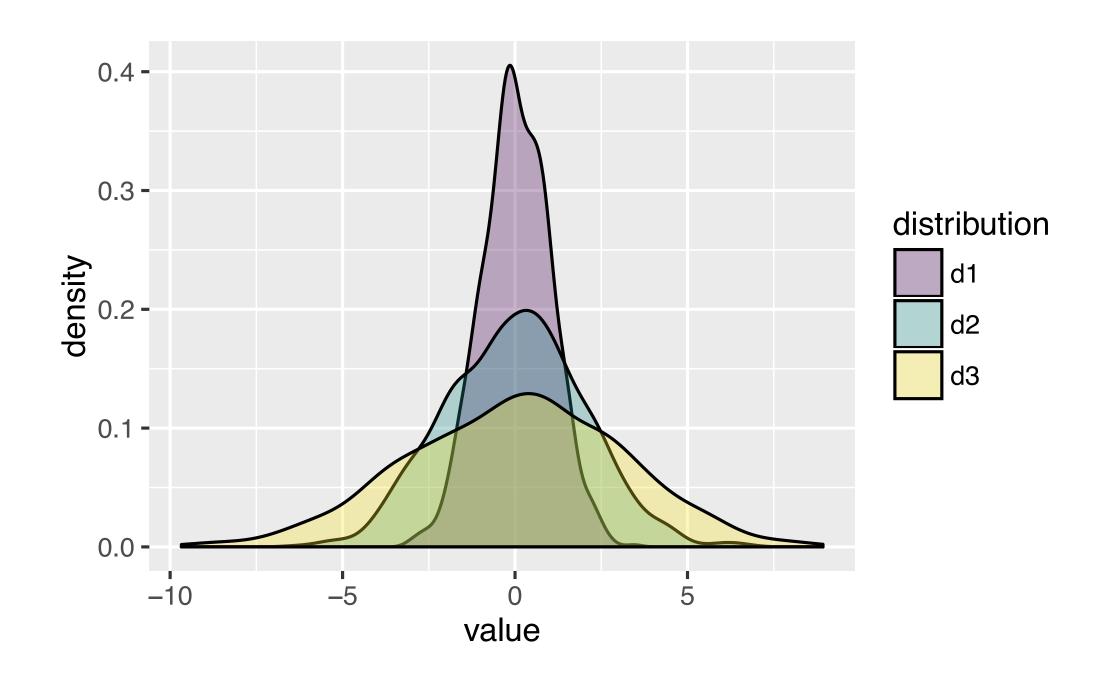


Five number summary



Measures of Spread

Why we need to measure the spread



Standard deviation

Formula:
$$s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1}\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \overline{x})^2}$$

Interpretation: "average" distance a typical value falls from the mean

Resistant?

95% rule

If a distribution is approximately symmetric and bell shaped, approximately 95% of the data values fall within two standard deviations of the mean.

Interquartile range (IQR)

Formula: $Q_3 - Q_1$

Interpretation: spread of the central 50% of the values

Resistant?

Range

Formula: max - min

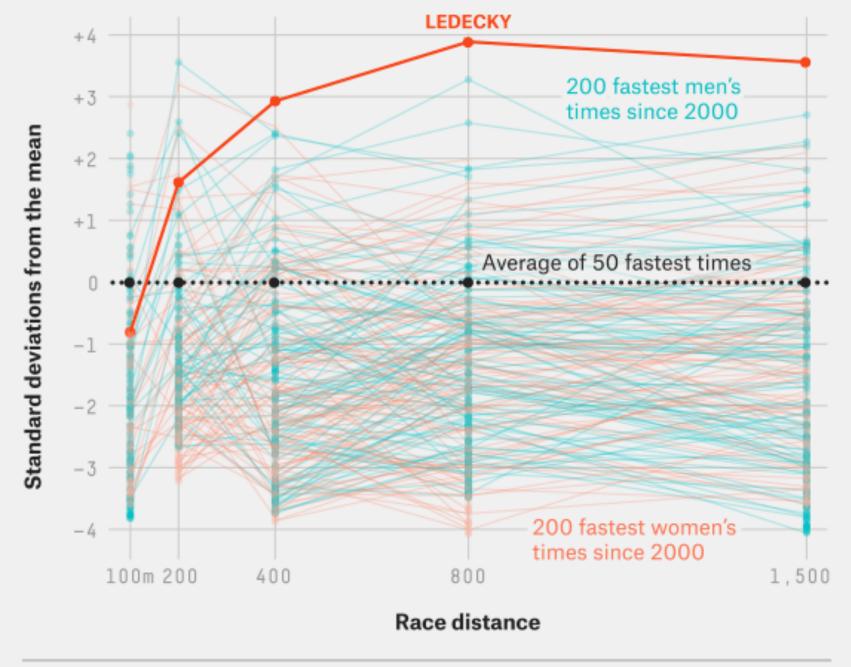
Interpretation: distance between the extremes

Resistant?

Standardization

The most dominant swimmer this century

Standard deviations of the fastest 200 men and women's times at each distance since 2000 from the average of the best times of the top 50 swimmers





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Why use "standard deviations" from the mean on the y-axis?

Standardized values

The <u>z-score</u> is the number of standard deviations a value fall from the mean

For samples:
$$z = \frac{x - \overline{x}}{s}$$

For populations:
$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

Properties of z-scores

- unitless
- $-z < 0 \rightarrow$ data value is below the mean
- $-z > 0 \rightarrow$ data value is above the mean
- The larger the z-score, the more unusual the data value

Properties of z-scores

- All observations are on the same scale
 - mean 0
 - standard deviation 1
- Standardizing does not change shape of the distribution
 - shifts location (by subtracting off mean)
 - rescales distribution (by dividing by the standard deviation)

Example

The average score on the ACT English exam is 21.0 with a standard deviation of 4.0.

The average score on the SAT Verbal exam is 520 with a standard deviation of 100.

If Ann scores a 27 on the ACT English exam and Denise scores a 770 on the SAT Verbal exam, who has the better score?

Example

The average score on the ACT Math exam is 20.7 with a standard deviation of 4.1.

The average score on the SAT Math exam is 510 with a standard deviation of 100.

If Jim scores a 15 on the ACT Math exam and Dwight scores a 340 on the SAT Math exam, who has the better score?