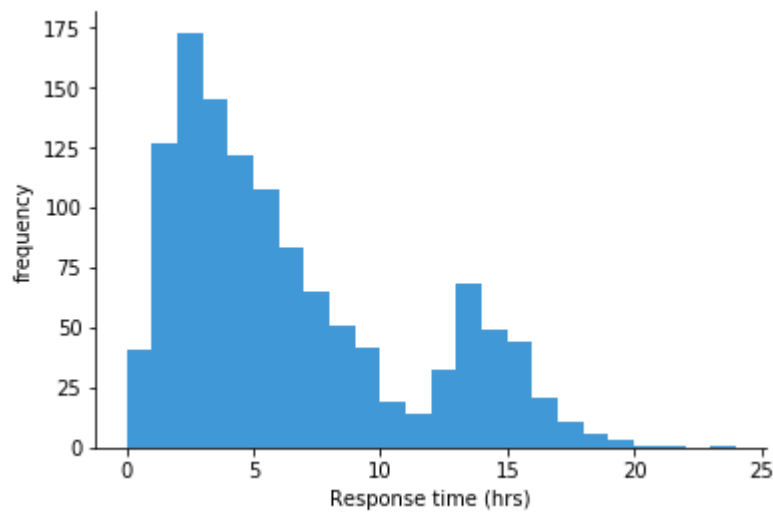


# Histogram

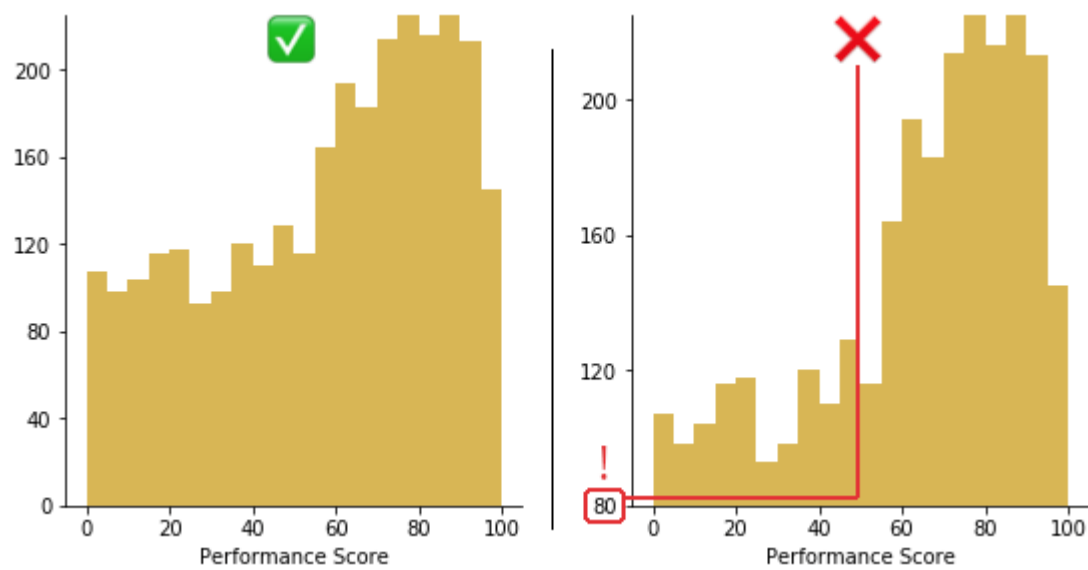
- Plots values as a series of bars
- Each Bar covers an interval of values --> Bins, Class
- Bar height indicate the frequency of the data that falls in that Bin



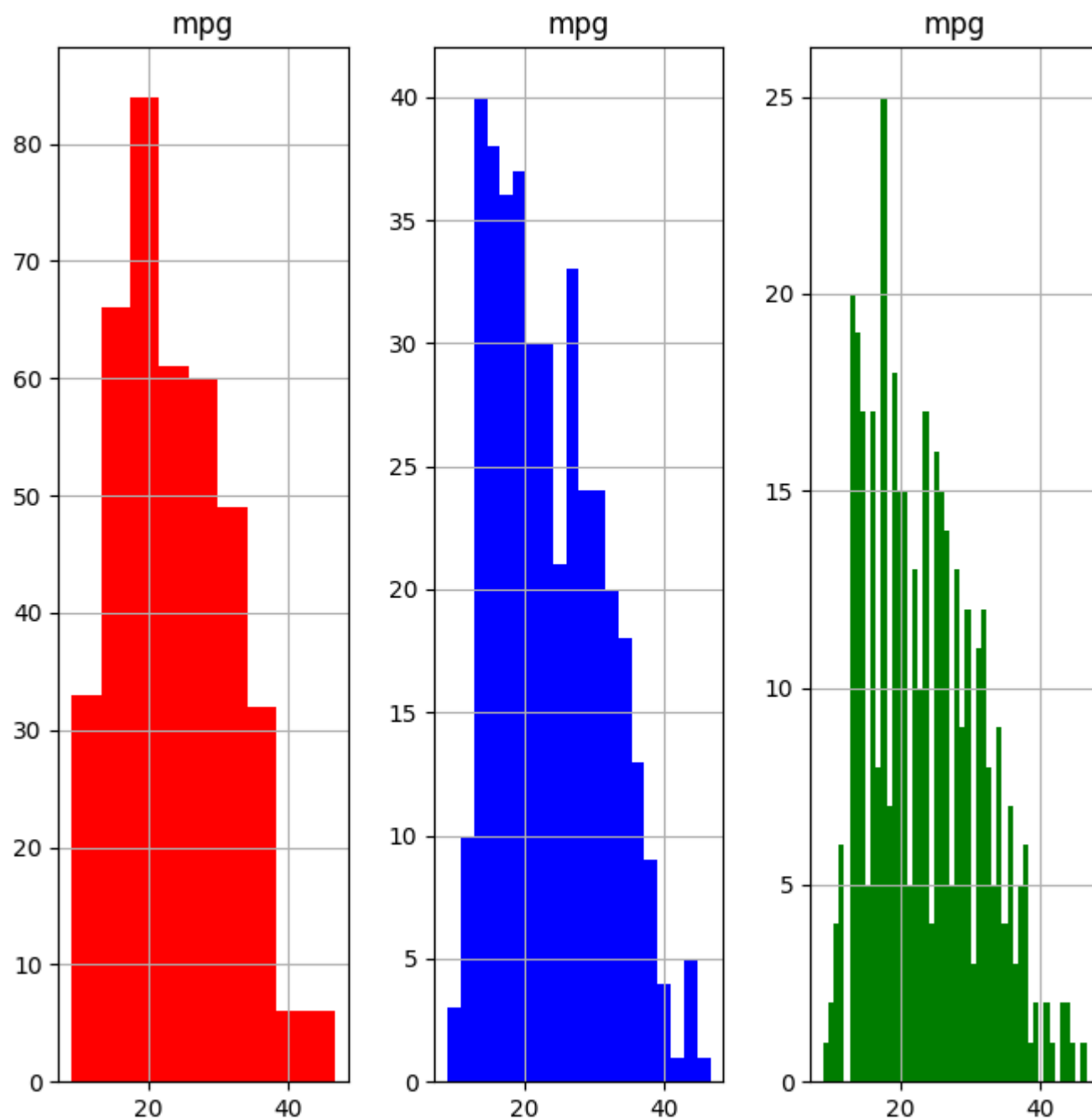
- The mean and standard deviation, often makes us miss the fact there were these two peaks that can effect the conclusions and statistics inference we get

## Best practices for histograms plots

- Using Zero valued baseline

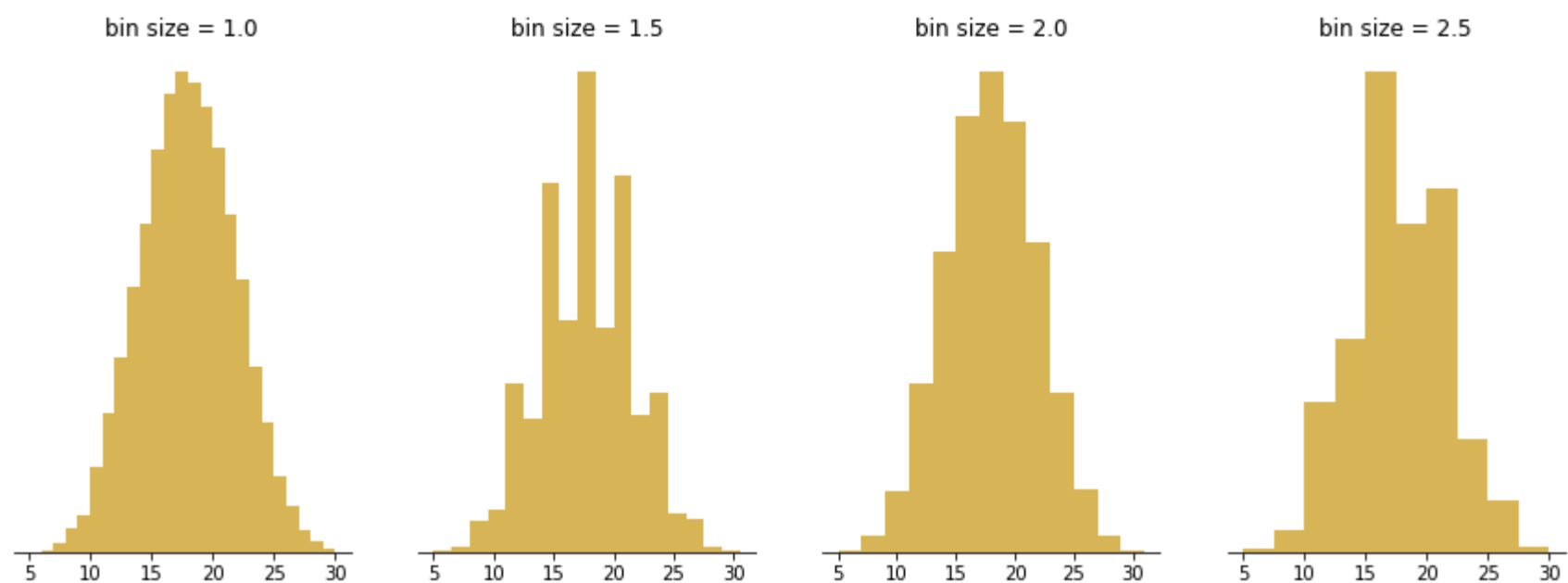


- The right number of bins, It also have a relation with the size of the bins
  - too many bins will make the distribution look rough plus a lot of noise
  - few bins the histogram will lack details and makes us miss patterns and peaks



- The right bin boundaries --> 0 5 10 15 20 is much more interpretable than 0 3.7 7.4 11.1

**caution** : If you got a fractional interval  $[0, 2, 5, 5, 7.5]$  and your observations are integers 0->2.5 can fit 0-1-2 but 2.5->5 will only fit 3-4, This can make your histogram looks bumpy



Ref : [histogram guide Article](#)

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