

IMD0033 - Probabilidade

Aula 13 - Variáveis

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Agenda

- Variables in statistics
- Quantitative and qualitative variables
- Scale of measurements (nominal, ordinal, interval, ratio)

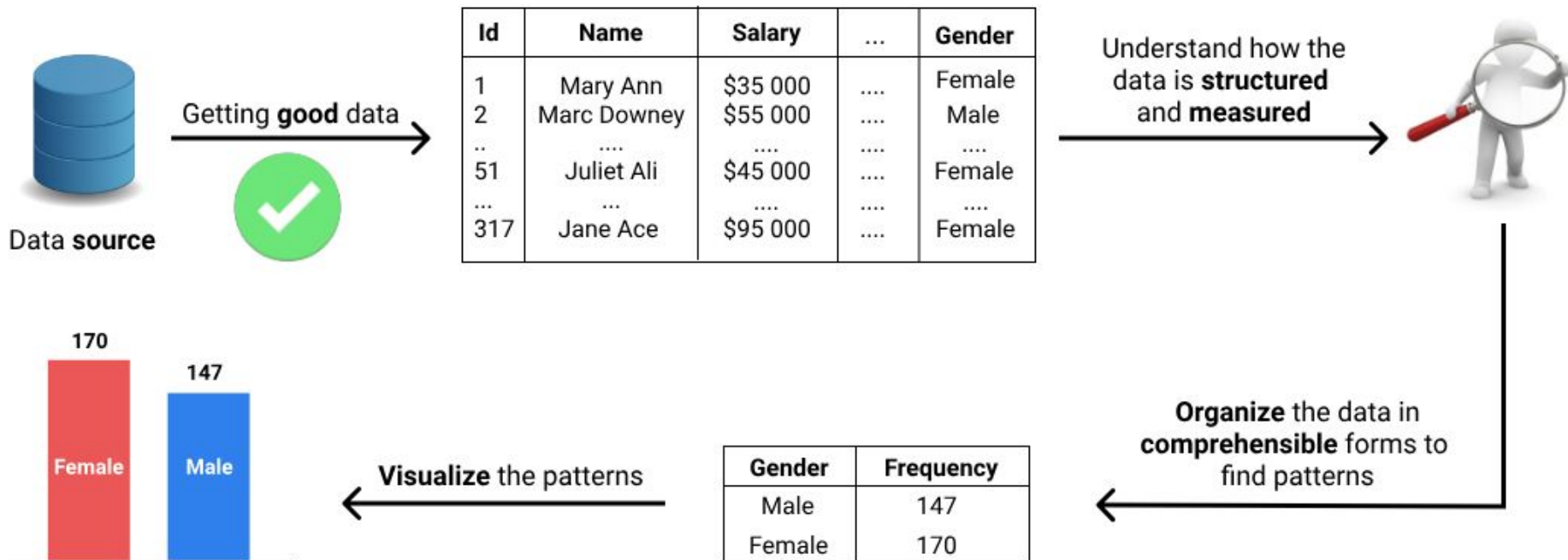
Atualizar o repositório

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git clone https://github.com/ivanovitchm/imd0033_2019_1.git
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git pull
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PREVIOUSLY ON...



Introduction

| | Name | Team | Pos | Height | Weight | BMI | Birth_Place | Birthdate |
|-----|-------------------|------|-----|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|-------------------|
| 39 | Crystal Langhorne | SEA | F/C | 188 | 84.0 | 23.766410 | US | October 27, 1986 |
| 52 | Érika de Souza | SAN | C | 196 | 86.0 | 22.386506 | BR | September 3, 1982 |
| 102 | Nia Coffey | SAN | F | 185 | 77.0 | 22.498174 | US | May 21, 1995 |

The properties with varying values we call **variables**

Quantitative and Qualitative Variables

| | Quantitative variables | Qualitative variables |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Describe quantities | YES | NO |
| Describe qualities | NO | YES |
| Use numbers | YES | YES |
| The numbers are actual quantities | YES | NO |
| Use words | YES | YES |
| The words express a quantity | YES | NO |

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|------------|-------------|
| Height | Name |
| BMI | Team |
| Age | Pos |
| Birth_Data | Birth_Place |
| Weight | College |

Scale of Measurements

The system of rules that define how each variable is measured is called **scale of measurement**

| | Team | Height |
|--|------|--------|
| We can tell whether two individuals are different | YES | YES |
| We can tell the size of the difference | NO | YES |
| We can tell the direction of the difference | NO | YES |

- Nominal
- Ordinal
- Interval
- Ratio

Nominal Scale

| | Nominal |
|--|------------|
| We can tell whether two individuals are different | YES |
| We can tell the direction of the difference | NO |
| We can tell the size of the difference | NO |
| We can measure quantitative variables | NO |
| We can measure qualitative variables | YES |

| | Name | Team | Pos | Birth_Place | College |
|---|-----------------|------|-----|-------------|----------------|
| 0 | Aerial Powers | DAL | F | US | Michigan State |
| 1 | Alana Beard | LA | G/F | US | Duke |
| 2 | Alex Bentley | CON | G | US | Penn State |
| 3 | Alex Montgomery | SAN | G/F | US | Georgia Tech |
| 4 | Alexis Jones | MIN | G | US | Baylor |

Ordinal Scale (ranking)

| | Nominal | Ordinal |
|--|---------|---------|
| We can tell whether two individuals are different | YES | YES |
| We can tell the direction of the difference | NO | YES |
| We can tell the size of the difference | NO | NO |
| We can measure quantitative variables | NO | YES |
| We can measure qualitative variables | YES | NO |

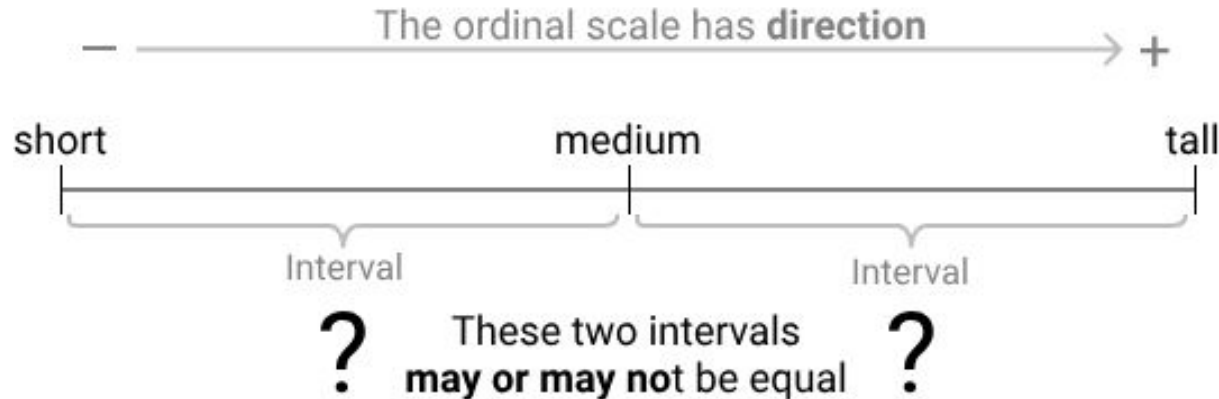
| | Height | Height_labels |
|---|--------|---------------|
| 0 | 183 | tall |
| 1 | 185 | tall |
| 2 | 170 | short |
| 3 | 185 | tall |
| 4 | 175 | medium |

Nominal or Ordinal??

| | Height_labels | College | Games Played | Experience |
|---|---------------|----------------|--------------|------------|
| 0 | tall | Michigan State | 8 | 2 |
| 1 | tall | Duke | 30 | 12 |
| 2 | short | Penn State | 26 | 4 |
| 3 | tall | Georgia Tech | 31 | 6 |
| 4 | medium | Baylor | 24 | R |

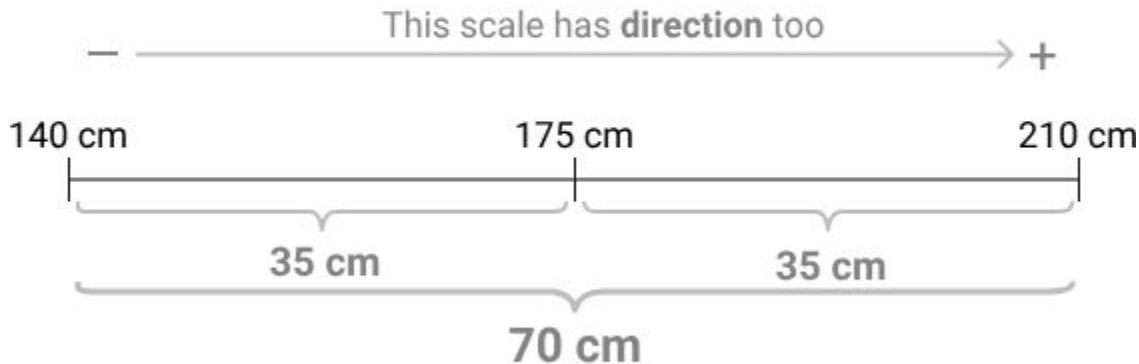
The interval and ratio scales

The height variable measured
on an **ordinal scale**



The interval and ratio scales

The height variable measured
on a scale that uses **real numbers**



We know the value of each interval, which means **we can compute the size of the difference** between any two points.

| | Nominal | Ordinal | Interval | Ratio |
|--|---------|---------|----------|-------|
| We can tell whether two individuals are different | YES | YES | YES | YES |
| We can tell the direction of the difference | NO | YES | YES | YES |
| We can tell the size of the difference | NO | NO | YES | YES |
| We can measure quantitative variables | NO | YES | YES | YES |
| We can measure qualitative variables | YES | NO | NO | NO |

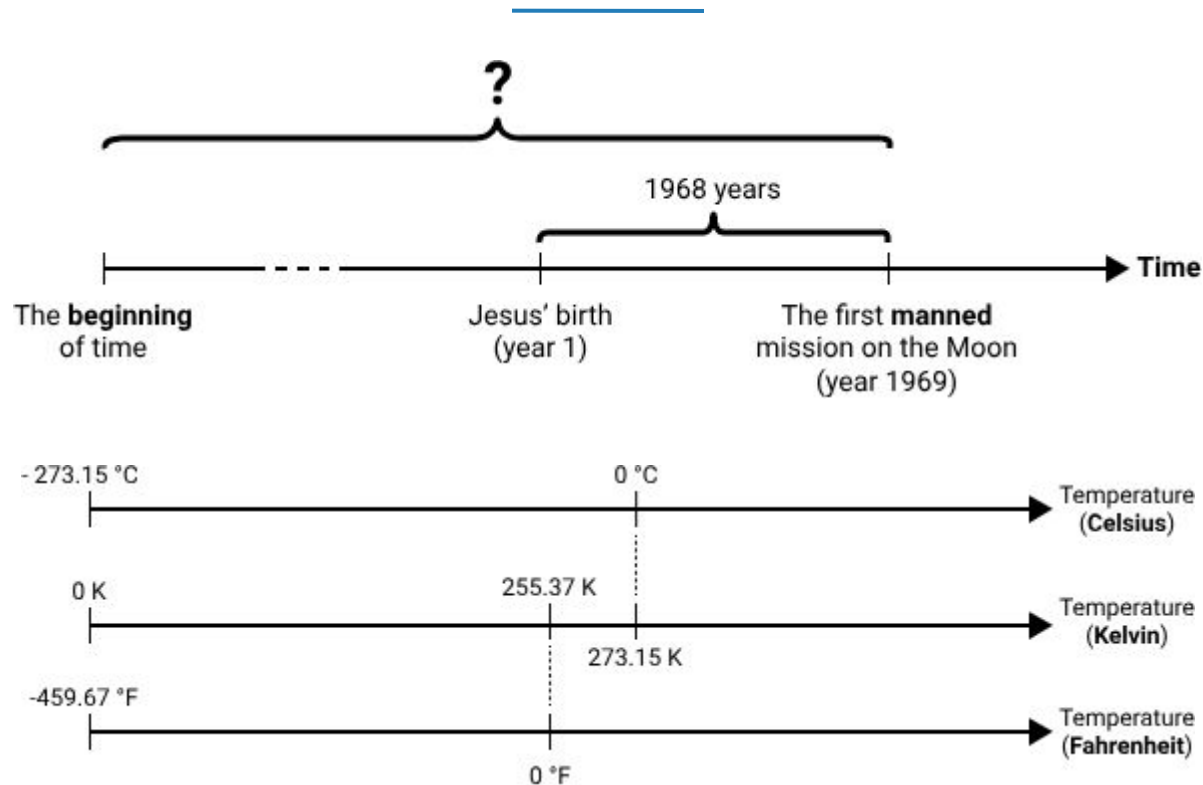
The difference between ratio and interval scales

What sets apart ratio scales from interval scales is the nature of the zero point.

| _ | Name | Weight | Weight_deviation |
|-----|---------------------|--------|------------------|
| 35 | Clarissa dos Santos | 89.0 | 10.021127 |
| 3 | Alex Montgomery | 84.0 | 5.021127 |
| 111 | Renee Montgomery | 63.0 | -15.978873 |
| 85 | Layshia Clarendon | 64.0 | -14.978873 |
| 128 | Sugar Rodgers | 75.0 | -3.978873 |

| | Interval | Ratio |
|--|----------|-------|
| Well-defined intervals | YES | YES |
| The zero point indicates the absence of a quantity | NO | YES |
| Difference measured in terms of distance | YES | YES |
| Difference measured in terms of ratios | NO | YES |

Common Examples of Interval Scales



Discrete and Continuous Variable

| _ | Name | Weight | PTS |
|-----|---------------------|--------|-----|
| 77 | Kayla Thornton | 86.0 | 32 |
| 16 | Asia Taylor | 76.0 | 31 |
| 80 | Kia Vaughn | 90.0 | 134 |
| 137 | Tierra Ruffin-Pratt | 83.0 | 225 |
| 12 | Amanda Zahui B. | 113.0 | 51 |

