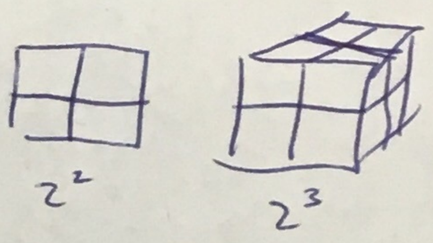
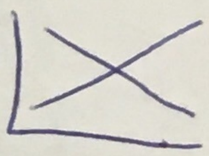
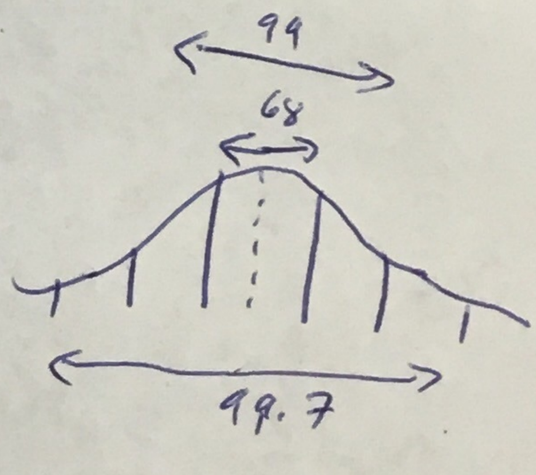
Statistics: Basic Definitions

Thing	Description	Formula
Standard deviation	$\sqrt{\text{variance}}$	$\sqrt{\frac{\Sigma(\text{point}-\text{mean})^2}{n-1}}$
Variance	analysis of spread from mean	$\frac{\Sigma(\text{point}-\text{mean})^2}{n-1}$
Confidence interval	the range of values that let you be some % certain that the real value falls in there for some measure	depends on significance level, std dev, sample size
Factor Design	Investigate effect of 2 or more independent variables on one dependent variable	 2^2 2^3 each IV is a "factor" each factor has "levels"
Interaction Effects	Is response additive or not? Test with ANOVA and regression	Use visualization: look for nonparallel lines 
(Main effect)	effect of IV on DV averaged across other IVs	
Tests for Normality	K-squared	
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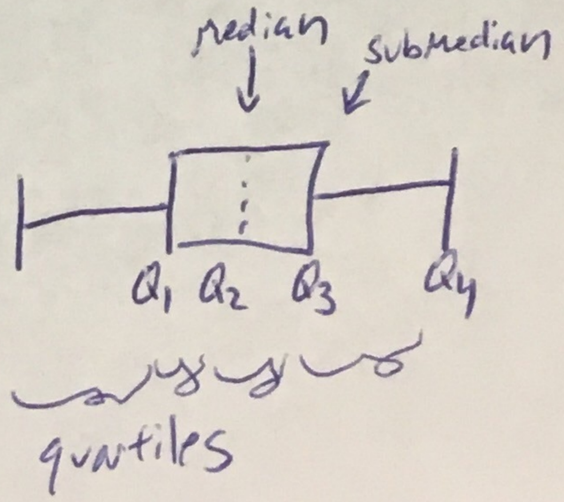
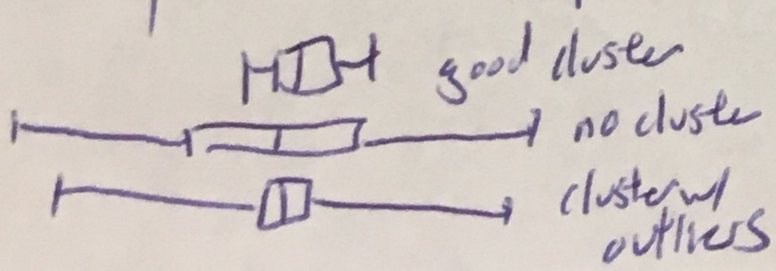
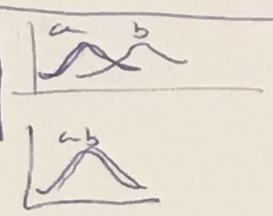
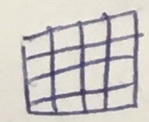
Calculating Outliers	IQR: width of box ($Q_3 - Q_1$)	
	outlier is any point more than 1.5 x IQR from Q_1 or Q_3	
Box + Whisker	based on medians	
	whiskers show spread	
		

Statistics: Significance Tests

Test	Assumptions	Use	
t-test	normal distribution Variance of populations are same (student) or ~~different~~ (welch) ~~unknown~~ different	tell if 2 sets are significantly different	
Z-test	normal distribution population variances are known large sample size (>30) know std dev	tell if 2 sets are significantly different	if small sample, or unknown variance use a t-test
Chi-~~S~~squared	Chi-squared distribution Variables are categorical (nonparametric)	tell if there is an association between ~~multiple~~ two variables (e.g. job type and residence area	
ANOVA	independence normal distributions Variances same across groups	generalize t-test to more than 2 groups; test 3 or more means for significance	limits false positives 
Mann-Whitney U test	nonparametric (does not have to be normal) independent samples	2 populations, test for significant difference	almost as good as t-test on normal dist. For dependent samples, use Wilcoxon Signed rank
Spearman's Rank correlation coefficient	non parametric both continuous and discrete variables	rank correlation: statistical dependence between the ranking of two variables	pearson assumes linear; spearman just measures monotonicity

F-test | F-distribution
Compare fits to find best Model; usually after least-squares fit

ANOVA

$F = \frac{\text{explained variance}}{\text{unexplained variance}}$ | this is used inside an ANOVA, or that a regression is a good fit