

SLU04 - Basic Stats with Pandas

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1. Introduction

Motivation

- How to make sense of thousands or millions of data points in your data set?
- How to summarize the data?
- How to deal with outliers?

Overview

Objective: learn how to use pandas to obtain simple statistics of datasets.

We will cover:

- Minimum, maximum, argmin, argmax
- Mode
- Mean & median
- Standard deviation
- Skewness & Kurtosis
- Quantiles
- Outliers & how to deal with them

2. Topic Explanation

Descriptive Statistics

Inspecting the distribution of the data

Outlier detection



Dataset: legos



```
In [2]: lego = pd.read_csv('data/sets.csv')
```

In [3]: lego.head() # let's have a look at the first lines of the dataframe

Out[3]:

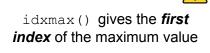
	set_num	name	year	theme_id	num_parts
0	00-1	Weetabix Castle	1970	414	471
1	0011-2	Town Mini-Figures	1978	84	12
2	0011-3	Castle 2 for 1 Bonus Offer	1987	199	2
3	0012-1	Space Mini-Figures	1979	143	12
4	0013-1	Space Mini-Figures	1979	143	12

set_num	Unique set ID.
name	The name of the set.
year	Year the set was published.
theme_id	Unique ID for the theme used for the set (from themes.csv).
num_parts	The number of parts included in the set.

Maximum & minimum

- What are the maximum and minimum values for the number of parts?
- Which sets do these values correspond to?

```
In [6]: lego.num_parts.max()
Out[6]: 5922
In [7]: lego.num_parts.idxmax()
Out[7]: 170
```



```
In [10]: lego.num_parts.idxmin()
Out[10]: 1683
In [11]: lego.num_parts.min()
Out[11]: -1
```



Maximum & minimum

Basic Statistics can help us finding data problems.

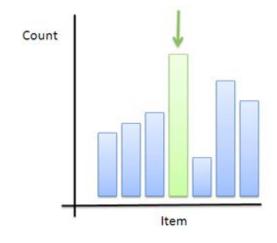
• Are there more than one set with -1 parts?

In [12]:	<pre>lego.loc[lego.num_parts == lego.num_parts.min()]</pre>									
Out[12]:	set_num		name		theme_id	num_parts				
	1683	240-1	Wooden Storage Box Large, Empty	1967	383	-1				
	6545	66392-1	Duplo Cars Super Pack 3 in 1 (5816, 5817, 5818)	2012	506	-1				
	11645	Vancouver-1	LEGO Store Grand Opening Exclusive Set, Oakrid	2012	408	-1				

Mode

• What is the year that had more sets published?

The **mode** is the most frequently appearing value in a population or sample.



Mean

What is the average number of parts in the sets of legos?

```
In [16]: lego.num_parts.mean()
Out[16]: 162.3043701799486
```

The **mean** is the sum all the all of the observations and dividing by the number of observations.

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$$

Median

First, arrange the observations in an ascending order.

If the number of observations (n) is odd: the median is the value at position

$$\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)$$

If the number of observations (n) is even:

- 1. Find the value at position $\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$
- 2. Find the value at position $\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)$
- 3. Find the average of the two values to get the median.

Median

```
In [17]: pd.Series([1,
                    3, # <--- ok, this one is easy
                    5]
                  ).median()
Out[17]: 3.0
In [18]: pd.Series([1,
                    2, # <--- both 2 and 3 are in "the middle", as there are only 4
                    3, # <--- so the median will split the difference!
                    4,
                  ).median()
```

Out[18]: 2.5

Mean vs Median

• What is the average number of parts in the sets of legos?

```
In [16]: lego.num_parts.mean()
Out[16]: 162.3043701799486

In [19]: lego.num_parts.median()
Out[19]: 45.0
```



Mean vs Median

```
In [22]: s = pd.read csv('data/student income.csv', header=None)[0]
In [23]: print('The mean income of students is %0.1f' % s.mean())
         print('The median income of students is %0.1f' % s.median())
         The mean income of students is
                                         600.0
         The median income of students is 625.0
In [24]: rich mc money = pd.Series([10000]) # <--- Wooooow!
         s = s.append(rich mc money)
In [25]: print('The mean income of students is %0.1f' % s.mean())
         print('The median income of students is %0.1f' % s.median())
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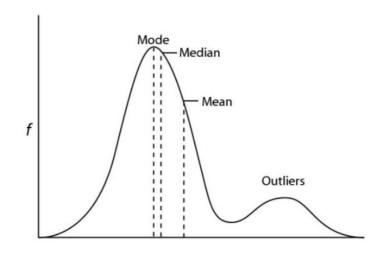
The mean income of students is 903.2 The median income of students is 630.0





Mean vs Median

- The median may be a better indicator of the most typical value if a set of scores has an outlier.
- With skewed distributions the median is not as strongly influenced by the skewed values when compared with the mean.

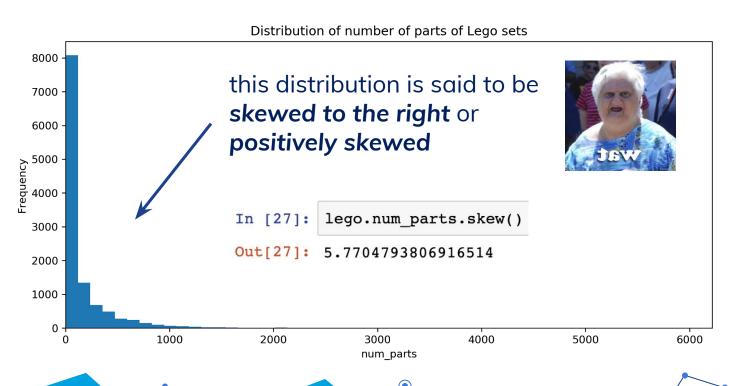


Descriptive Statistics

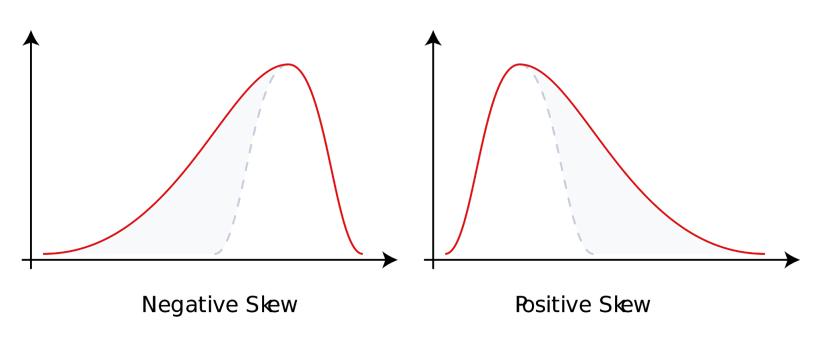
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Outlier detection

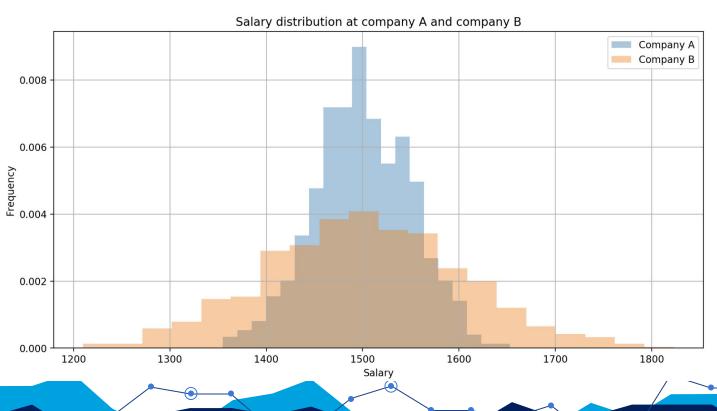
Skewness



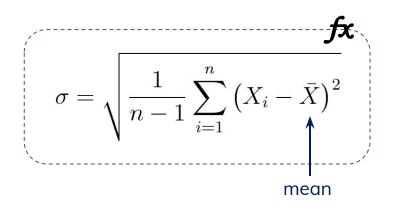
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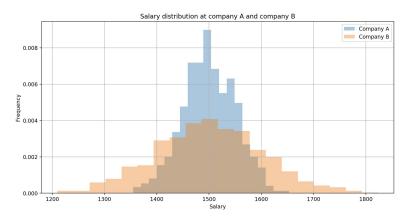


Standard deviation



Standard deviation

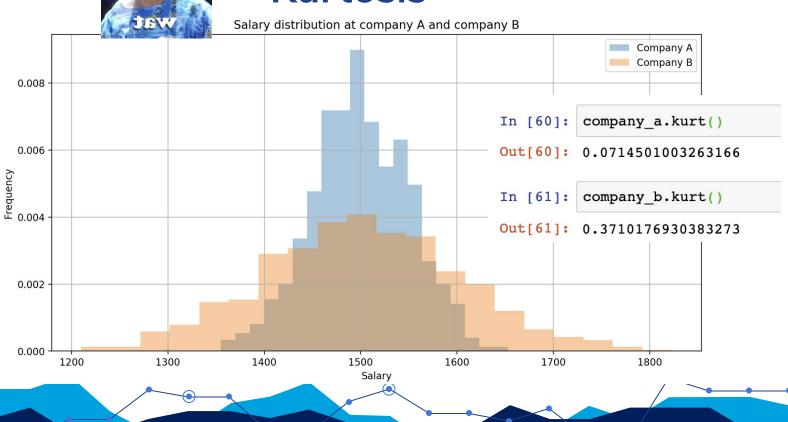




Company A has a mean of 1499.9 and a standard deviation of 49.7 Company B has a mean of 1500.3 and a standard deviation of 101.8

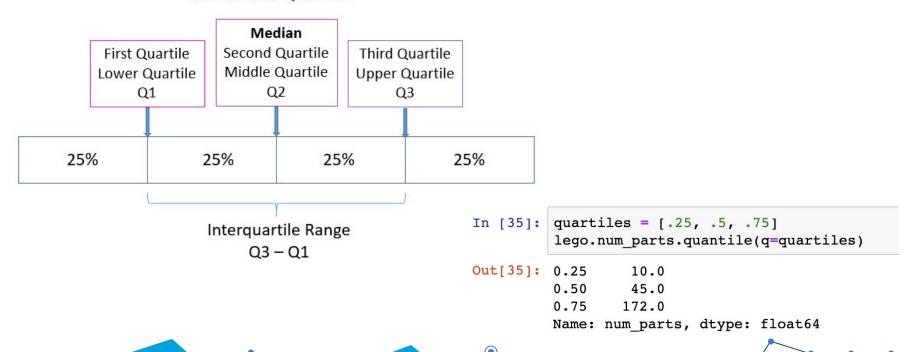


Kurtosis



Quantiles

Median and Quartiles



Descriptive Statistics

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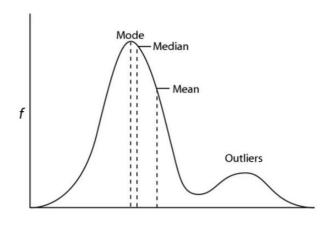
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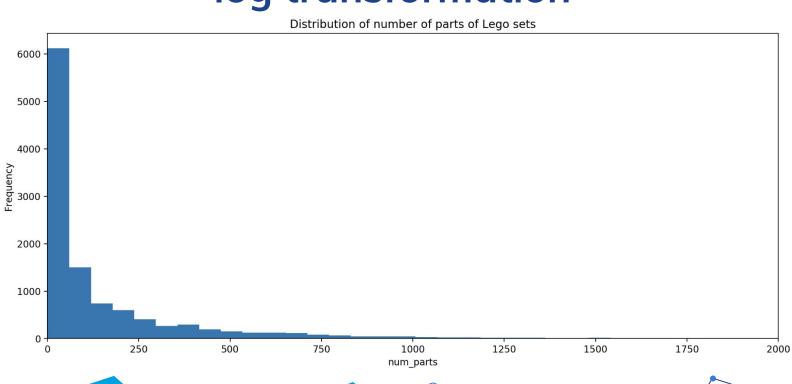
Dealing with outliers

A few strategies to deal with **outliers** are the following:

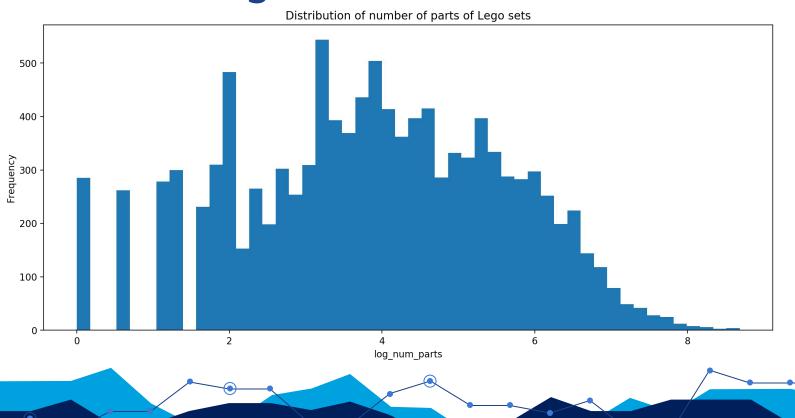
- · do nothing;
- drop instances with outliers;
- drop column with outliers;
- impute values;
- binning;
- transforming data: e.g. log transformation.



log transformation



log transformation





3. Recap

Recap

```
lego.num_parts.describe()
In [37]:
Out[37]:
         count
                  11670.000000
                    162.304370
         mean
                     330.224172
         std
         min
                       0.000000
         25%
                      10.000000
         50%
                      45.000000
         75%
                    172.000000
                   5922.000000
         max
         Name: num parts, dtype: float64
```

