

What is Variance?

Variance is a measure of how much the data points **differ from the average (mean)** value.

It shows how **spread out** the values are in a dataset.

Example Student Marks

Let's compare marks of two classes:

Class A (Low Variance)

Student	Marks
A1	69
A2	70
A3	71

- x_i : each data value
- μ : mean
- N : number of data points

• It's the **average of the squared differences** from the mean.

- Mean = $(69 + 70 + 71) / 3 = 70$
- All marks are **close to the mean**
- **Low Variance**

Class B (High Variance)

Student	Marks
B1	50
B2	70
B3	90

- Mean = $(50 + 70 + 90) / 3 = 70$
- Marks are **spread far from the mean**
- **High Variance**

$$\text{Variance} = \frac{1}{N} \sum (x_i - \mu)^2$$

What is Standard Deviation?

Standard Deviation (SD) is the **square root of variance**.

It tells you **how much the data varies from the mean** in the **original units** (like marks, rupees, etc.).

$$\text{Standard Deviation} = \sqrt{\text{Variance}}$$

Example: score={10,20,30,40,50}

◆ Step 1: Calculate the Mean (μ)

$$\text{Mean} = \frac{10 + 20 + 30 + 40 + 50}{5} = \frac{150}{5} = 30$$

✓ So, the average score is **30**.

◆ Step 2: Find Deviations from the Mean

Score (X)	Deviation (X - μ)	Squared Deviation ((X - μ) ²)
10	10 - 30 = -20	(-20) ² = 400
20	20 - 30 = -10	(-10) ² = 100
30	30 - 30 = 0	0 ² = 0
40	40 - 30 = 10	10 ² = 100
50	50 - 30 = 20	20 ² = 400

- **Mean** is the average score: 30
 - **Variance** shows the average of the squared differences from the mean: 200
 - **Standard Deviation** is the square root of variance: ≈ 14.14
 - A **low standard deviation** means scores are tightly clustered around the mean.
 - A **high standard deviation** means the scores are more spread out.
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◆ Step 3: Calculate Variance (σ^2)

$$\text{Variance} = \frac{\sum (X - \mu)^2}{N} = \frac{400 + 100 + 0 + 100 + 400}{5} = \frac{1000}{5} = 200$$

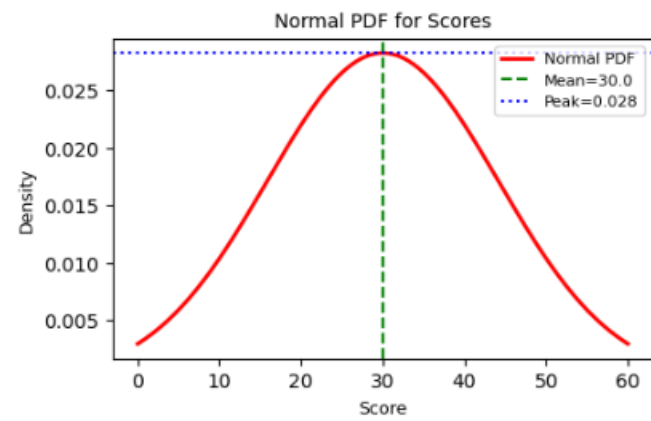
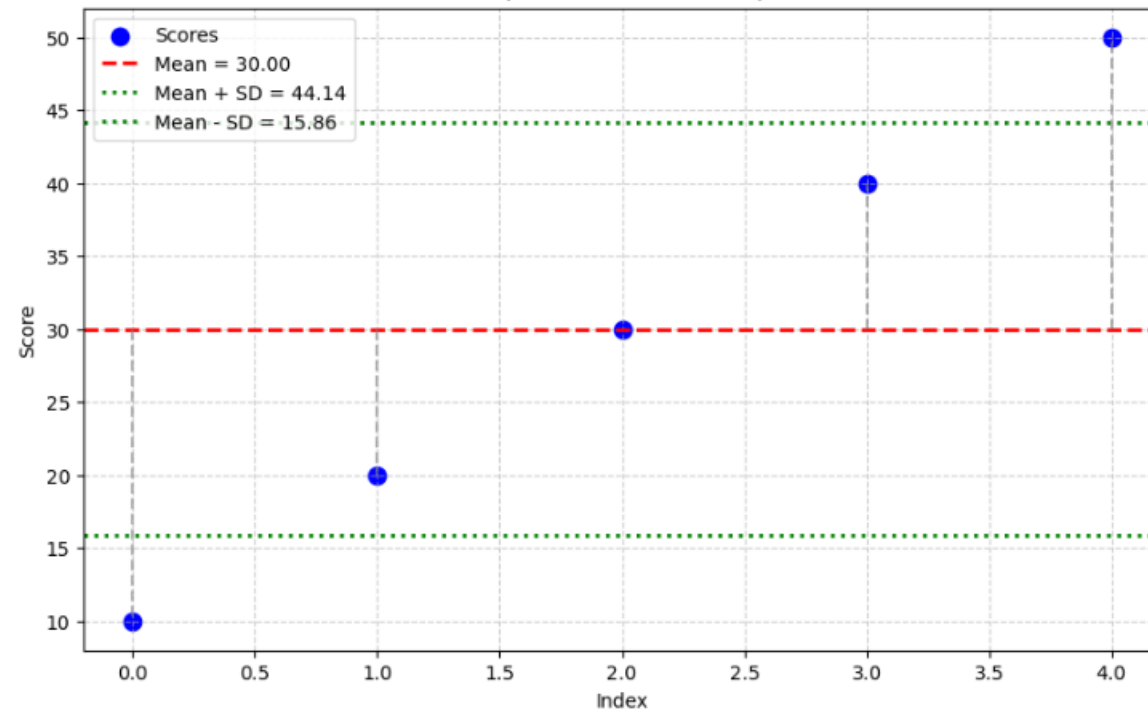
✦ Variance tells us how **spread out** the data is (in squared units).

◆ Step 4: Calculate Standard Deviation (σ)

$$\text{Standard Deviation} = \sqrt{\text{Variance}} = \sqrt{200} \approx 14.14$$

✦ This means, on average, each score is about **14.14 points away** from the mean.

Variance and Standard Deviation
Mean=30.00, Variance=200.00, SD=14.14



Percentile

- A percentile is a number that tells us what percentage of the data lies below that value.
- It helps us understand where a particular data point stands in the dataset.

Dataset:[12, 18, 25, 26, 30, 34, 40, 45, 50]

Number of elements, $n = 9$

$$position = (n - 1) * q$$

Where:

- n is the number of elements
 - q is the desired quantile (e.g., 0.25, 0.5, 0.75)
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Step-by-Step Example

Q1 (25th percentile):

- $Position = (9 - 1) * 0.25 = 2.0 \rightarrow index2$
 - Value at index 2 = **25.0**
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Q2 (50th percentile / Median):

- $Position = (9 - 1) * 0.50 = 4.0 \rightarrow index4$
 - Value at index 4 = **30.0**
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Q3 (75th percentile):

- $Position = (9 - 1) * 0.75 = 6.0 \rightarrow index6$
- Value at index 6 = **40.0**

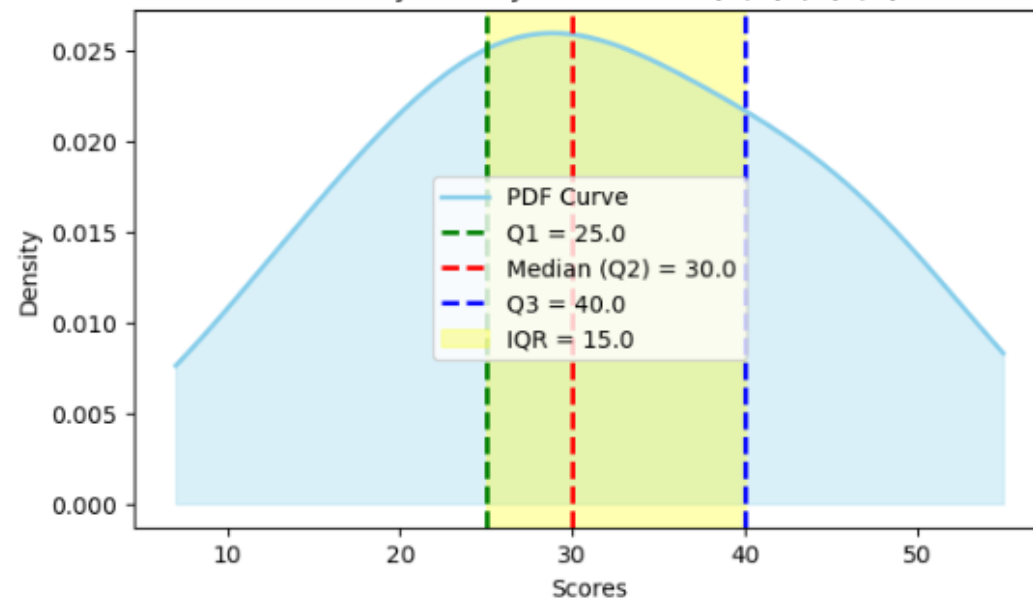
$$IQR = Q3 - Q1 = 40.0 - 25.0 = 15.0$$

$$Lower\ Bound = Q1 - 1.5 \times IQR = 25.0 - 1.5 \times 15.0 = 25.0 - 22.5 = ** 2.5 **$$

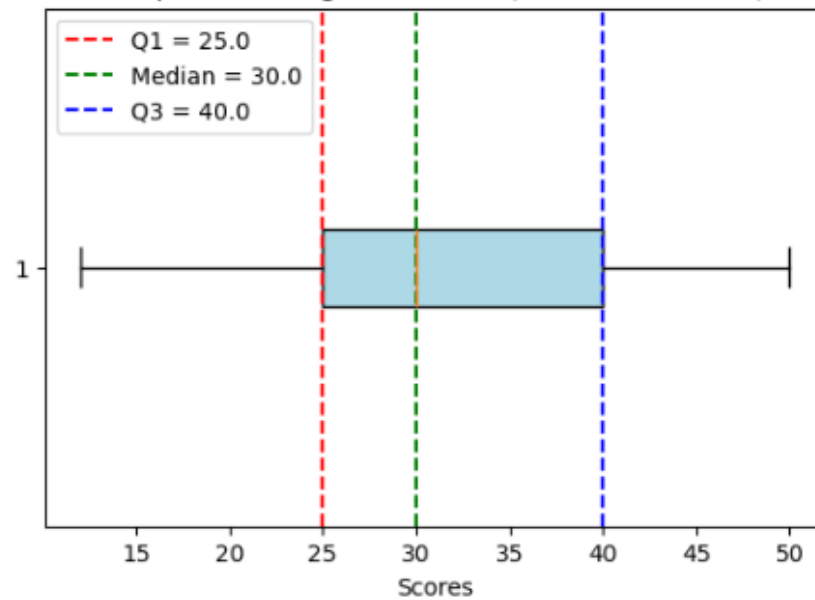
$$Upper\ Bound = Q3 + 1.5 \times IQR = 40.0 + 1.5 \times 15.0 = 40.0 + 22.5 = ** 62.5 **$$

Metric	Value
Q1	25.0
Q2 (Median)	30.0
Q3	40.0
IQR	15.0
Lower Bound	2.5
Upper Bound	62.5

Probability Density Curve with IQR, Q1, Q2, Q3



Boxplot Showing Percentiles (Inclusive Method)



Scaling

Scaling is the process of transforming features (variables) so they fit into a specific range or distribution.

1. Standardization (Z-score Scaling)

- **Definition:** Rescales data so it has mean = 0 and standard deviation = 1.
- **Formula:**

$$Zscore = \frac{X - \bar{x}}{s}$$

- **Example:**
Data: [10, 20, 30]
 - Mean (\bar{x}) = 20, Std (s) \approx 8.16
 - Transformed: [-1.22, 0, +1.22]

Z-Score Standardization

- **Formula:** $(X - \mu) / \sigma$
- **Range:** Not fixed (can be negative, >1 , or < -1).
- Typically: most values lie between **-3 and +3** (for normal data).



Z-Score and Probability Examples

We'll explore how to calculate:

- Z-scores
 - Probabilities from Z-scores
 - Number of values above or below a certain score in a dataset
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Dataset Used:

Student	Score
A	60
B	70
C	80
D	90
E	100

Example 1: How many values are **below 80**?

Step 1: Z-score for $X = 80$

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{80 - 80}{14.14} = 0$$



Step 2: Z-table Probability

$$P(Z \leq 0) = 0.5$$



This means **50%** of values are less than 80.



Step 3: Apply to Dataset

$$0.5 \times 5 = 2.5 \approx 2 \text{ or } 3 \text{ values}$$



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Example 2: How many values are **greater than 90**?



Step 1: Z-score for $X = 90$

$$Z = \frac{90 - 80}{14.14} \approx 0.71$$



Step 2: Z-table Probability

$$P(Z < 0.71) \approx 0.7611$$

$$P(Z > 0.71) = 1 - 0.7611 = 0.2389$$

So **23.89%** of values are greater than 90.

Step 3: Apply to Dataset

$$0.2389 \times 5 = 1.1945 \approx 1 \text{ value}$$

