Describing Data: Graphical

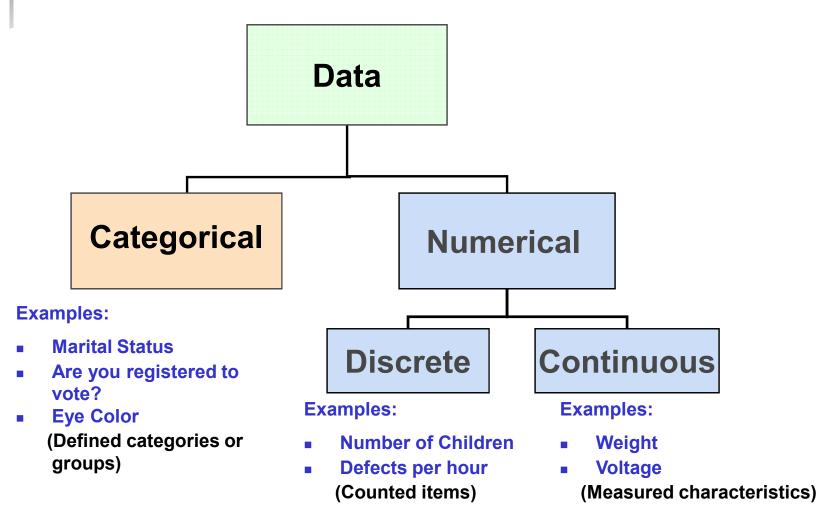


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Types of Data





Measurement Levels

Differences between measurements, true zero exists

Ratio Data



Quantitative Data

Differences between measurements but no true zero

Interval Data



Ordered Categories (rankings, order, or scaling)

Ordinal Data



Qualitative Data

Categories (no ordering or direction)

Nominal Data



Graphical Presentation of Data

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Techniques reviewed in this chapter:

Categorical Variables

- Frequency distribution
- Bar chart
- Pie chart

Numerical Variables

- Line chart
- Frequency distribution
- Histogram and ogive
- Stem-and-leaf display



The Frequency Distribution Table

Summarize data by category

Example: Hospital Patients by Unit

| Hospital Unit | Number of Patients |
|----------------|--------------------|
| Cardiac Care | 1,052 |
| Emergency | 2,245 |
| Intensive Care | 340 |
| Maternity | 552 |
| Surgery | 4,630 |

(Variables are categorical)



Bar and Pie Charts

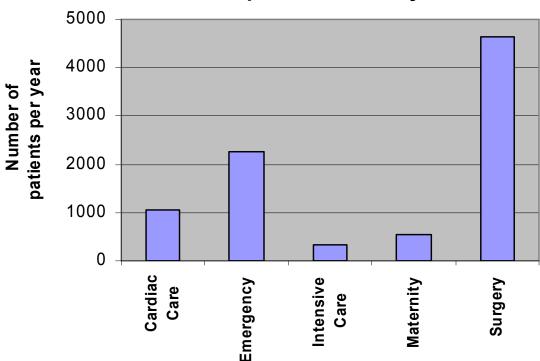
- Bar charts and Pie charts are often used for qualitative (category) data
- Height of bar or size of pie slice shows the frequency or percentage for each category



Bar Chart Example

| Hospital Unit | Number of Patients | | |
|------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| Cardiac Care | 1,052 | | |
| Emergency | 2,245 | | |
| Intensive Care | 340 | | |
| Maternity | 552 | | |
| Surgery | 4,630 | | |

Hospital Patients by Unit





Pie Chart Example

| Hospital Unit | Number of Patients | % of Total | Hospital Patients by Unit |
|------------------|--------------------|---|------------------------------|
| Cardiac Care | 1,052 | 11.93 | Tiospital Latterits by Offic |
| Emergency | 2,245 | 25.46 | Cardiac Care |
| Intensive Care | 340 | 3.86 | 12% |
| Maternity | 552 | 6.26 | |
| Surgery | 4,630 | 52.50 | |
| | | | Surgery 53% Intensive Ca |
| | | (Percenta are round the neares percent) | ed to Maternity |

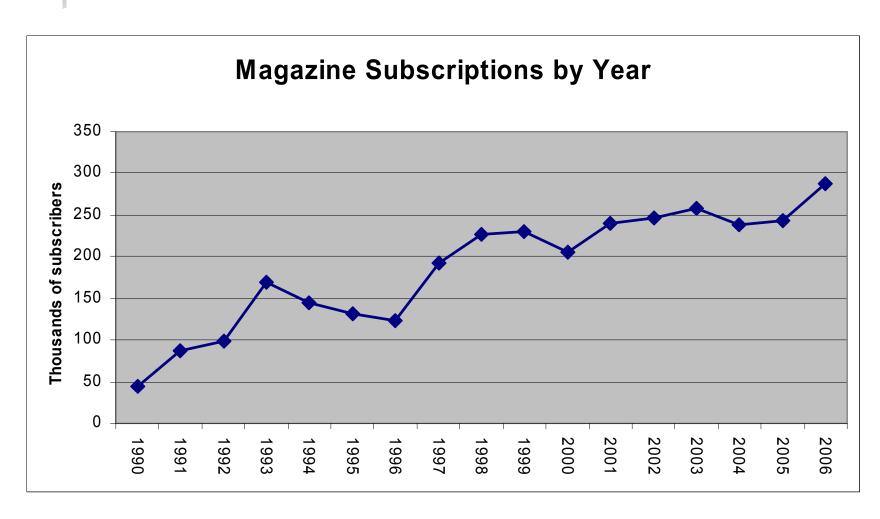


Graphs for Time-Series Data

- A line chart (time-series plot) is used to show the values of a variable over time
- Time is measured on the horizontal axis
- The variable of interest is measured on the vertical axis

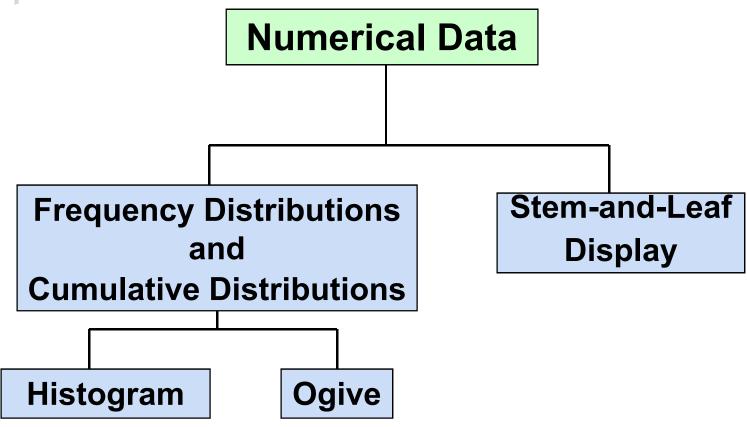


Line Chart Example





Graphs to Describe Numerical Variables





Frequency Distributions

What is a Frequency Distribution?

- A frequency distribution is a list or a table ...
- containing class groupings (categories or ranges within which the data fall) ...
- and the corresponding frequencies with which data fall within each class or category



Class Intervals and Class Boundaries

- Each class grouping has the same width
- Determine the width of each interval by

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w = interval \ width = \frac{largest \ number - smallest \ number}{number \ of \ desired \ intervals}
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- Use at least 5 but no more than 15-20 intervals
- Intervals never overlap
- Round up the interval width to get desirable interval endpoints



Frequency Distribution Example

Example: A manufacturer of insulation randomly selects 20 winter days and records the daily high temperature

24, 35, 17, 21, 24, 37, 26, 46, 58, 30,

32, 13, 12, 38, 41, 43, 44, 27, 53, 27



Frequency Distribution Example

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- Sort raw data in ascending order:
 12, 13, 17, 21, 24, 24, 26, 27, 27, 30, 32, 35, 37, 38, 41, 43, 44, 46, 53, 58
- Find range: 58 12 = 46
- Select number of classes: 5 (usually between 5 and 15)
- Compute interval width: 10 (46/5 then round up)
- Determine interval boundaries: 10 but less than 20, 20 but less than 30, ..., 60 but less than 70
- Count observations & assign to classes



Frequency Distribution Example

(continued)

Data in ordered array:

12, 13, 17, 21, 24, 24, 26, 27, 27, 30, 32, 35, 37, 38, 41, 43, 44, 46, 53, 58

| Interval | Frequency | Relative Frequency | Percentage |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------|
| 10 but less than 20 | 3 | .15 | 15 |
| 20 but less than 30 | 6 | .30 | 30 |
| 30 but less than 40 | 5 | .25 | 25 |
| 40 but less than 50 | 4 | .20 | 20 |
| 50 but less than 60 | 2 | .10 | 10 |
| Total | 20 | 1.00 | 100 |



Histogram

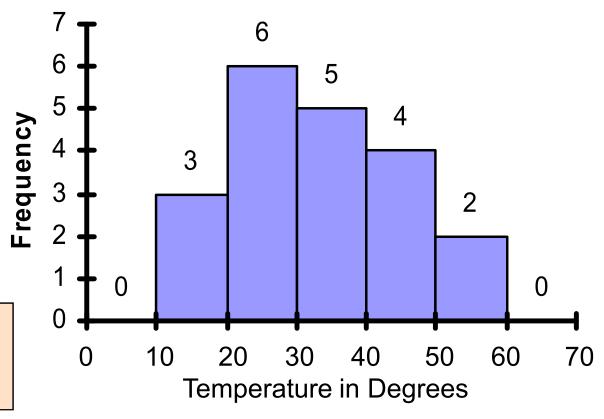
- A graph of the data in a frequency distribution is called a histogram
- The interval endpoints are shown on the horizontal axis
- the vertical axis is either frequency, relative frequency, or percentage
- Bars of the appropriate heights are used to represent the number of observations within each class



Histogram Example

| Interval | Frequency |
|---------------------|-----------|
| 10 but less than 20 | 3 |
| 20 but less than 30 | 6 |
| 30 but less than 40 | 5 |
| 40 but less than 50 | 4 |
| 50 but less than 60 | 2 |

Histogram: Daily High Temperature



(No gaps between bars)



The Cumulative Frequency Distribuiton

Data in ordered array:

12, 13, 17, 21, 24, 24, 26, 27, 27, 30, 32, 35, 37, 38, 41, 43, 44, 46, 53, 58

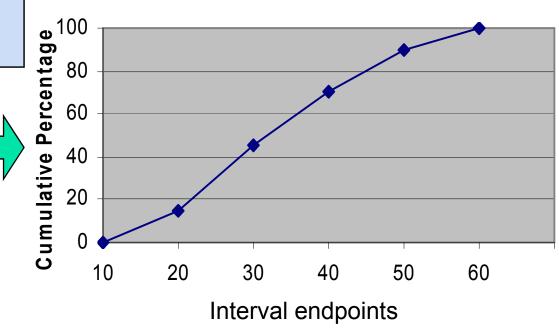
| Class | Frequency | Percentage | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percentage |
|---------------------|-----------|------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 10 but less than 20 | 3 | 15 | 3 | 15 |
| 20 but less than 30 | 6 | 30 | 9 | 45 |
| 30 but less than 40 | 5 | 25 | 14 | 70 |
| 40 but less than 50 | 4 | 20 | 18 | 90 |
| 50 but less than 60 | 2 | 10 | 20 | 100 |
| Total | 20 | 100 | | |



The Ogive Graphing Cumulative Frequencies

| Interval | Upper interval endpoint | Cumulative Percentage |
|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Less than 10 | 10 | 0 |
| 10 but less than 20 | 20 | 15 |
| 20 but less than 30 | 30 | 45 |
| 30 but less than 40 | 40 | 70 |
| 40 but less than 50 | 50 | 90 |
| 50 but less than 60 | 60 | 100 |

Ogive: Daily High Temperature





Stem-and-Leaf Diagram

 A simple way to see distribution details in a data set

METHOD: Separate the sorted data series into leading digits (the stem) and the trailing digits (the leaves)



Example

Data in ordered array:

21, 24, 24, 26, 27, 27, 30, 32, 38, 41

Here, use the 10's digit for the stem unit:

| | Stem | Leaf |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------|
| 21 is shown as —— | → 2 | 1 |
| 38 is shown as —— | → 3 | 8 |
| | | |
| | | |



Example

(continued)

Data in ordered array:

21, 24, 24, 26, 27, 27, 30, 32, 38, 41

Completed stem-and-leaf diagram:

| Stem | Leaves | | | | | |
|------|--------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| 3 | 0 | 2 | 8 | | | |
| 4 | 1 | | | | | |



Data Presentation Errors

(continued)

- Unequal histogram interval widths
- Compressing or distorting the vertical axis
- Providing no zero point on the vertical axis
- Failing to provide a relative basis in comparing data between groups





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