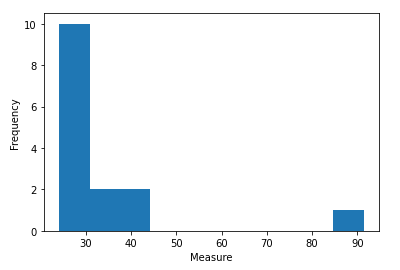
**Topics: Descriptive Statistics and Probability**

1. Look at the data given below. Plot the data, find the outliers and find out

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| **Name of company** | **Measure X** |
| Allied Signal | 24.23% |
| Bankers Trust | 25.53% |
| General Mills | 25.41% |
| ITT Industries | 24.14% |
| J.P.Morgan & Co. | 29.62% |
| Lehman Brothers | 28.25% |
| Marriott | 25.81% |
| MCI | 24.39% |
| Merrill Lynch | 40.26% |
| Microsoft | 32.95% |
| Morgan Stanley | 91.36% |
| Sun Microsystems | 25.99% |
| Travelers | 39.42% |
| US Airways | 26.71% |
| Warner-Lambert | 35.00% |



OUTLIERS: Q1=0.1102 Q3=0.4938

**Mean (Measure.X) = 0.332**

**Sd (Measure.X) = 0.1685315**

**Var (Measure.X) = 0.02840**



Answer the following three questions based on the box-plot above.

1. What is inter-quartile range of this dataset? (please approximate the numbers) In one line, explain what this value implies.

**Ans :** IQR=7 This indicates most of the data points in this distribution lies in this range.

1. What can we say about the skewness of this dataset?

**Ans:** Data is right skewed

1. If it was found that the data point with the value 25 is actually 2.5, how would the new box-plot be affected?

**Ans:**



Answer the following three questions based on the histogram above.

1. Where would the mode of this dataset lie?

**Ans: Mode lies at 20**

1. Comment on the skewness of the dataset.

**Ans : Data is right skewed**

1. Suppose that the above histogram and the box-plot in question 2 are plotted for the same dataset. Explain how these graphs complement each other in providing information about any dataset.

**Ans :** Both the plots gives positively skewed data distribution and both have outliers at 25

1. AT&T was running commercials in 1990 aimed at luring back customers who had switched to one of the other long-distance phone service providers. One such commercial shows a businessman trying to reach Phoenix and mistakenly getting Fiji, where a half-naked native on a beach responds incomprehensibly in Polynesian. When asked about this advertisement, AT&T admitted that the portrayed incident did not actually take place but added that this was an enactment of something that “could happen.” Suppose that one in 200 long-distance telephone calls is misdirected. What is the probability that at least one in five attempted telephone calls reaches the wrong number? (Assume independence of attempts.)

**ANS:**

Probability of one wrong number out of 200 calls

P(Wrong Num) = 1/200 = 0.005

Probability of not wrong number: 1 - P(Wrong Num) =1- 0.005 = 0.995

Probability of at least one out of five is a wrong number

= 1 – (1 – P(Wrong Num))^5

= 1 – (1- 0.005)^5

= 1 – 0.975

= 0.024 = 2.4%

1. Returns on a certain business venture, to the nearest $1,000, are known to follow the following probability distribution.

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| x | P(x) |
| -2,000 | 0.1 |
| -1,000 | 0.1 |
| 0 | 0.2 |
| 1000 | 0.2 |
| 2000 | 0.3 |
| 3000 | 0.1 |

1. What is the most likely monetary outcome of the business venture?

**Ans:**

1. Is the venture likely to be successful? Explain

**Ans:** If the venture can maintain for long term business then eventually it will be successful since the probability of non-negative return is higher than 0.50 and the expected value for return is a positive number ($800)

(𝑃(𝑋 ≥ 0) = 𝑃(0) + 𝑃($1000) + 𝑃($2000) + 𝑃($3000) = 0.20 + 0.20 + 0.30 + 0.10= 0.80)

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(Expected value for business return = −$2000 ∗ 0.10 − $1000 ∗ 0.10 + 0 + $1000 ∗ 0.20 + $2000 ∗ 0.30+ $3000 ∗ 0.10 = $800 )

1. What is the long-term average earning of business ventures of this kind? Explain
2. What is the good measure of the risk involved in a venture of this kind? Compute this measure