

## Measures of spread / dispersion

- ① Variance
- ② Standard deviation

### \* Mean-deviation

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 & & 0 & & & & \\
 & \text{1 unit} & \uparrow & \text{1 unit} & \text{2 unit} & & \\
 1, & 2, & 3, & 4, & 5 & & \\
 & \text{2 unit} & \uparrow & & & & \\
 & & \text{mean} & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2 + 1 + 0 + 1 + 2}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6}{5} = 1.2$$

→ On an avg each of the data is 1.2 units away from mean value

\* Variance — The average of the squared differences from the mean.

Population Variance

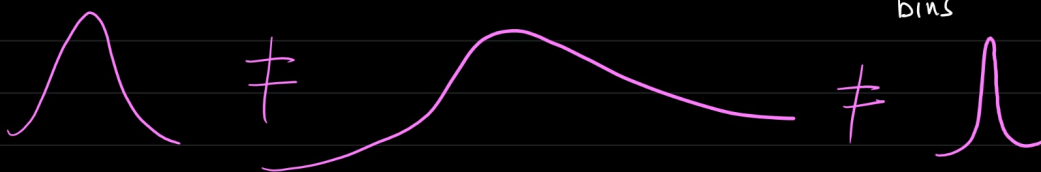
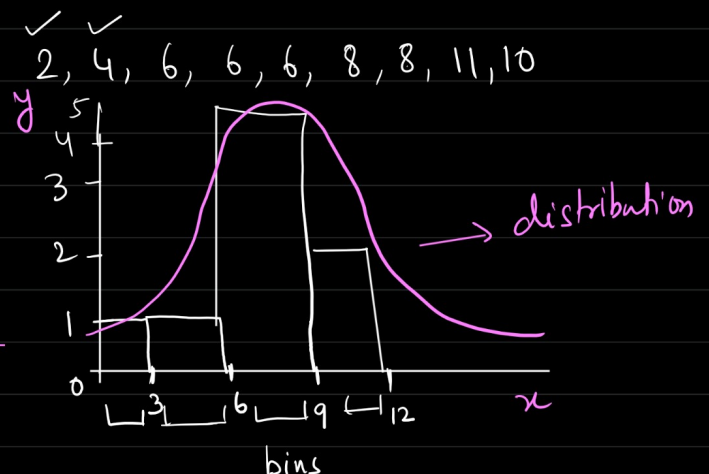
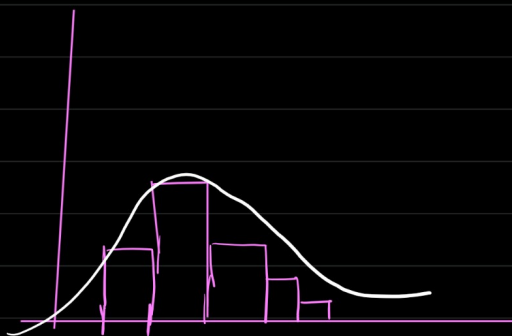
$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^2}{N}$$

population mean

Sample variance

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$$

sample mean



data =  $\{1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4\}$

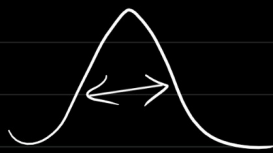
### How to Calculate Variance

- Calculate mean
- for each no in data, Subtract the mean and the no
- Square of difference
- Calculate the avg of square of difference.

$x$	$\bar{x}$	$x - \bar{x}$	$(x - \bar{x})^2$
1	2.83	-1.83	3.34
2	2.83	-0.83	0.68
3	2.83	0.17	0.03
3	2.83	0.17	0.03
4	2.83	1.17	1.37
4	2.83	1.17	1.37
<hr/> 2.83			<hr/> 6.82

$$s^2 = \frac{6.82}{n-1} = \frac{6.82}{5} = \underline{\underline{1.37}}$$

Variance  $\uparrow$  Spread  $\uparrow$



 Spread  $\downarrow$  Var  $\downarrow$

### \* Standard deviation

Standard deviation is a measure of how spread out numbers are.

↳ Square root of Variance

$$s = \sqrt{\text{var}}$$

$$\text{Std} \Rightarrow \sqrt{1.37} = 1.17$$

$$\text{Std dev of Population} \Rightarrow \sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}_p}$$

$$\text{Std dev of Sample} \Rightarrow s = \sqrt{\text{Var}_s}$$

✓ 1, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4

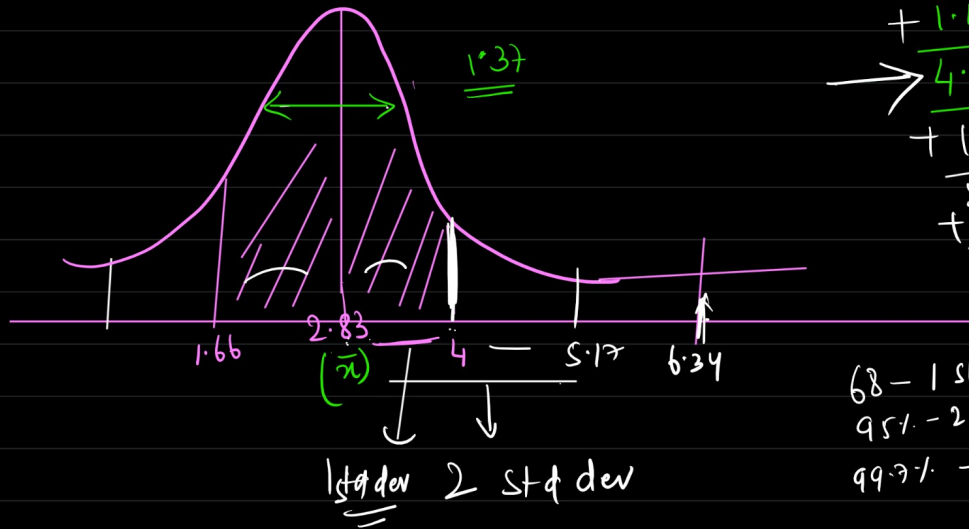
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var = 1.37 ✓

std dev = 1.17

Standard way of knowing where your data lies

$$\begin{array}{r} 2.83 \\ - 1.17 \\ \hline 1.66 \end{array}$$



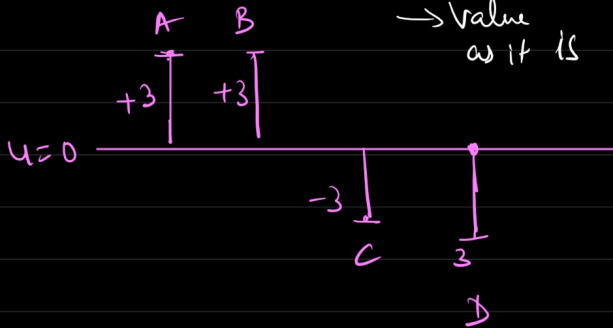
$$\begin{array}{r} 2.83 \\ + 1.17 \\ \hline 4.00 \\ + 1.17 \\ \hline 5.17 \\ + 1.17 \\ \hline 6.34 \end{array}$$

68 - 1 std  
95% - 2 std  
99.7% - 3 std

\* Variance →

$$\text{Var}_p = \sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - M)^2}{n}$$

Why Square?



$x - M$

$$\frac{+3 + 3 + (-3) + (-3)}{4} = 0$$

↓  
+ve and -ve are negating each other

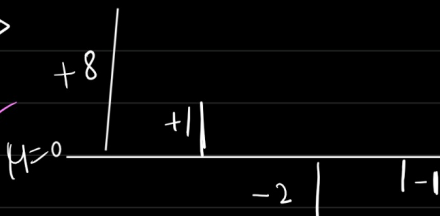
absolute value

$$\rightarrow \frac{|3| + |3| + |-3| + |-3|}{4} = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$

mean deviation



$$\rightarrow \frac{|+8| + |+1| + |-2| + |-1|}{4} = \frac{12}{4} = 3$$



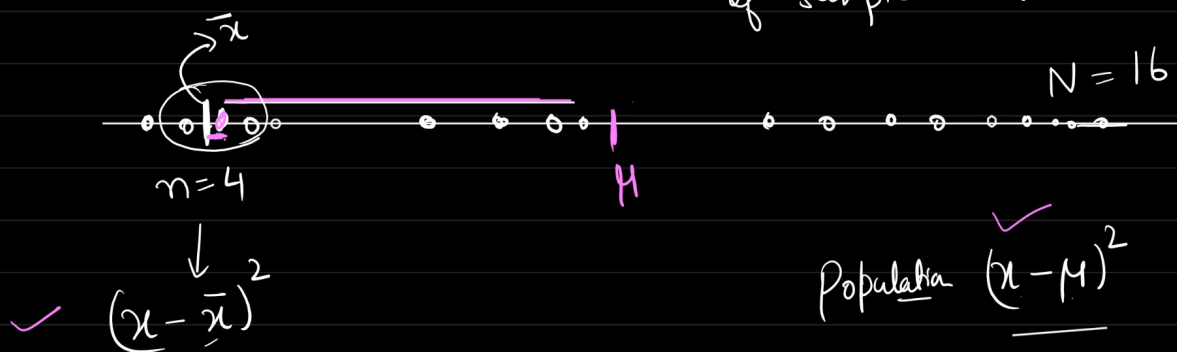
$$\sqrt{\frac{3^2 + 3^2 + (-3)^2 + (-3)^2}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{36}{4}} = 3$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{8^2 + 1^2 + (-2)^2 + (-1)^2}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{64 + 1 + 4 + 1}{4}} = \sqrt{\frac{70}{4}} = 4.184$$

\* Variance<sub>sample</sub> =  $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$  Bessel correction  $\rightarrow$  why?

We use  $n-1$  rather than  $n$  is because sample variance will be unbiased estimator

We are estimating variance of population using variance of sample



$$(x - \mu)^2 > (x - \bar{x})^2 = \text{var.}$$

$$\textcircled{2} = \frac{\textcircled{10}}{\textcircled{5}} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$$

$$n \rightarrow n-1$$

$$\Rightarrow s^2 = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n-1} \rightarrow \text{smaller}$$

In most of the cases you are reducing numeration