

Data Visualization and Interpretation

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Data visualization is a **BIG buzz word** these days, but what does it actually mean ????

At a basic level, data is just information — facts, figures, words, percentages, measurements, and observations, but it's just computerized information.

In order for you to make it useful, you need to find creative ways to make it user friendly for your audience.

This is where the art of data visualization comes in!

Data Visualization

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Data visualization is the secret art of turning data into visual graphics that people can understand (graphs, charts, info graphics, etc.).

Words may be mightier than the sword, but in a battle for our brains, visual images win every time. - Colin Ware.



Data Visualization



- Histogram
- Box plot
- Scatter plot
- Bar chart
- Heat map

Data Distribution



To understand some of the fundamental concepts of statistical analysis, it is important to appreciate the importance of the distribution of data points in the sample.

Data type and the distribution pattern of their values influence the choice of appropriate statistical tests.

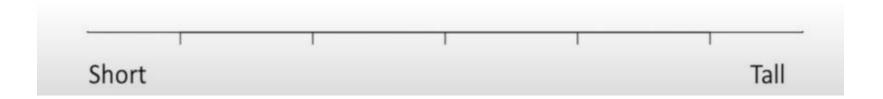
Emphasis will be placed on the normal, or Gaussian, distribution.

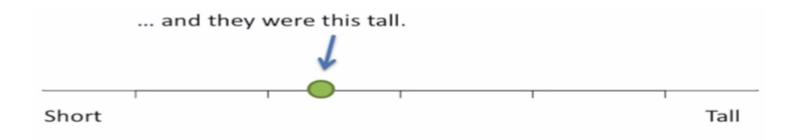
This is an important distribution to understand because the assumption of this distribution underlies the use of many common statistical tests.

Let's get an idea



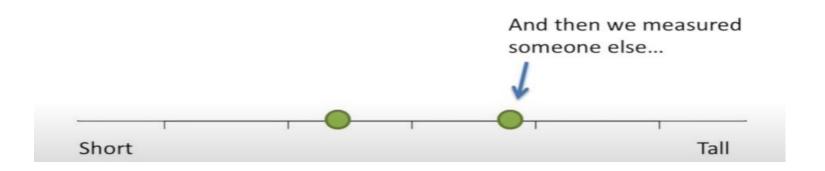
Imagine we went out and measured someone...

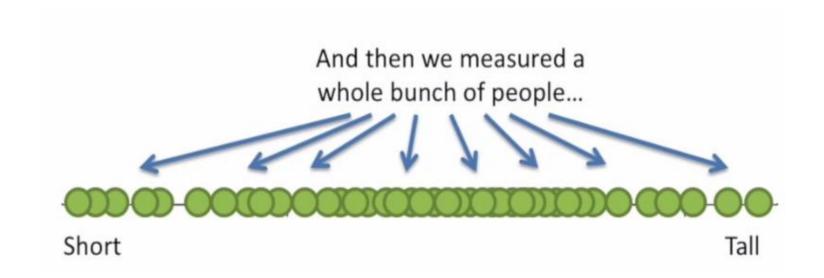




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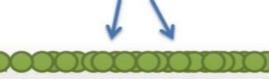




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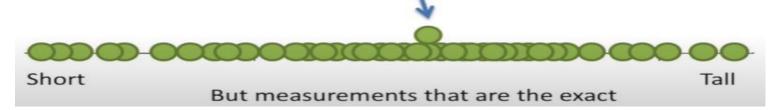


We've measured so many people that the dots overlap; some dots are completely hidden!!!



Short Tall

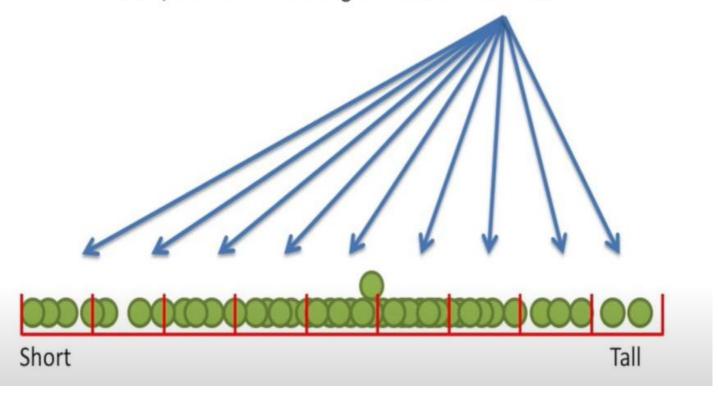
We could try to make it easier to see the hidden measurements by stacking any that are exactly the same.



Let's get an idea

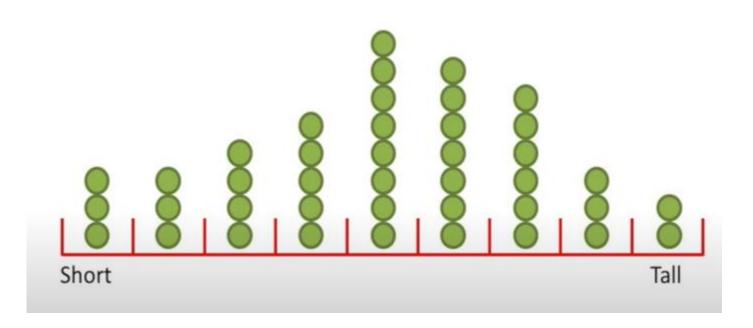


So, instead of stacking measurements that are the exact same, we divide the range of values into bins....



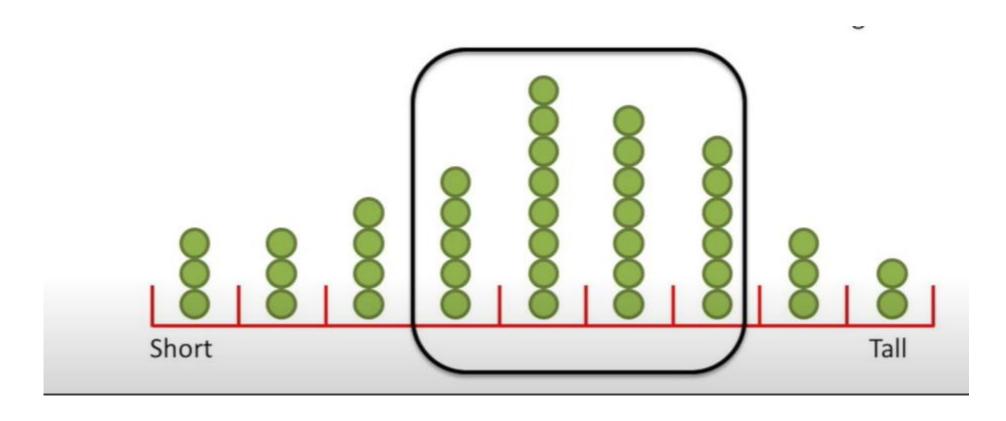
Histogram





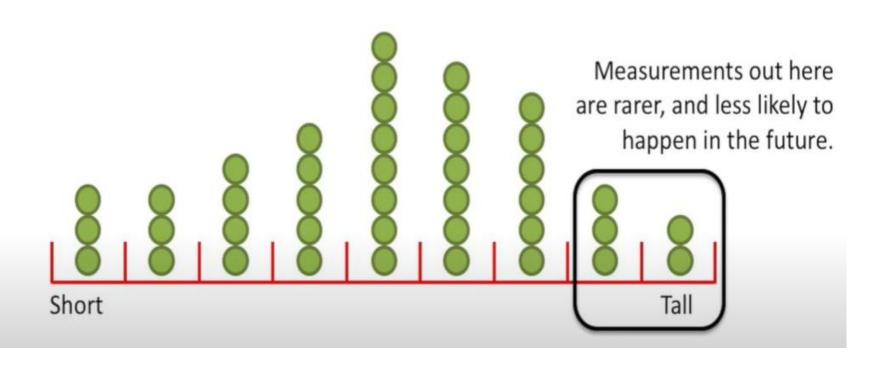
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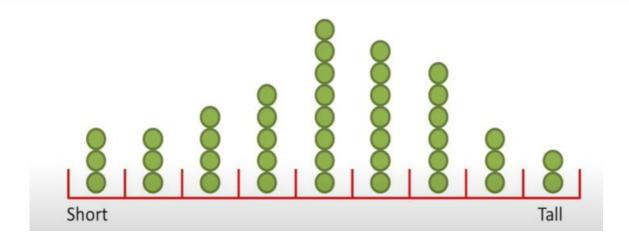


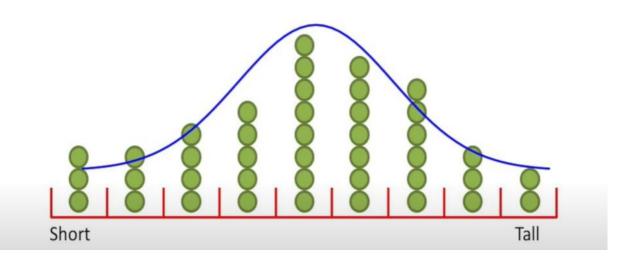
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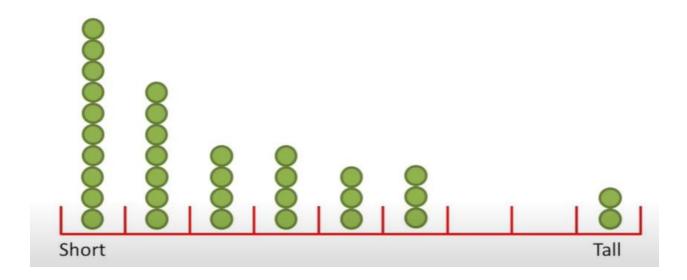
Data Distribution

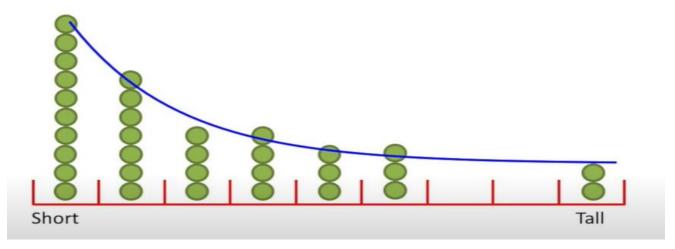






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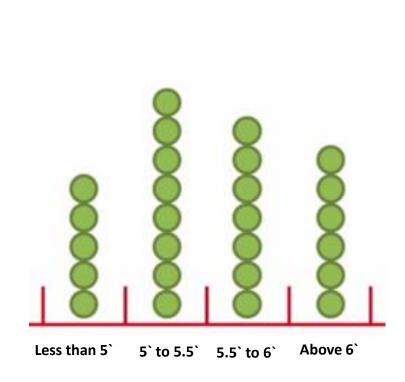






Histogram !!!!!!!!



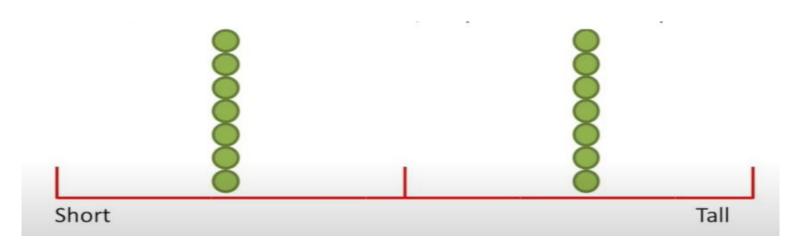


Note: Figuring out how wide to make the bins is tricky!!!!

Bin Width



If the bins are too narrow, then they are not much help

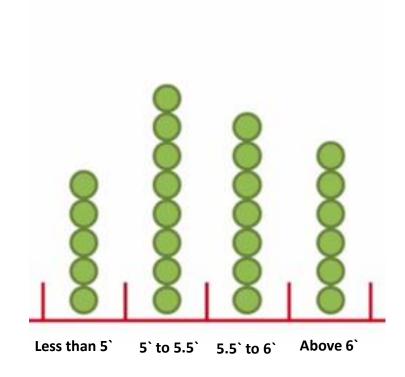


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Histogram

Histograms show the distribution of data values in a data set while highlighting the center, spread and shape of the data.

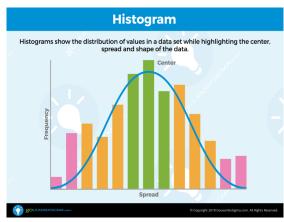
Histograms, also known as **Frequency Plots**, are a visual displays of **how much variation exists** in a process.

They highlight the center of the data measured as the mean, median and mode.

They highlight the distribution of the data measured as the range and standard deviation.

The shape of a Histogram indicates whether the distribution is normal, bi-modal, or skewed.





Histogram

A histogram is used to summarize discrete or continuous data.

In other words, it provides a <u>visual interpretation</u> of numerical data by showing the <u>number of data points</u> that fall within a specified range of values (called "bins").

It is similar to a vertical bar graph.

However, a histogram, unlike a vertical bar graph, shows no gaps between the bars.



Histogram



A histogram is a graphical display of data using bars of different heights.

In a histogram, each bar groups numbers into ranges.

Taller bars show that more data falls in that range.

A histogram displays the **shape and spread** of **continuous** sample data.

A histogram is used to summarize discrete or continuous data.

Importance of Histogram



Creating a histogram provides a visual representation of data distribution.

Histograms can display a large amount of data and the <u>frequency</u> of the data values.

The <u>median</u> and distribution of the data can be determined by a histogram.

In addition, it can show any outliers or gaps in the data.

Distributions of a Histogram



A normal distribution:

In a normal distribution, points on one side of the <u>average</u> are as likely to occur as on the other side of the average.



Distributions of a Histogram



A bimodal distribution: In a bimodal distribution, there are two peaks.

In a bimodal distribution, the data should be separated and analyzed as separate normal distributions.



Distributions of a Histogram

A right-skewed distribution: A right-skewed distribution is also called a positively skewed distribution.

In a right-skewed distribution, a large number of data values occur on the left side with a fewer number of data values on the right side.

A right-skewed distribution usually occurs when the data has a range boundary on the left-hand side of the histogram. For example, a boundary of 0.



Distributions of a Histogram

A left-skewed distribution: A left-skewed distribution is also called a negatively skewed distribution.

In a left-skewed distribution, a large number of data values occur on the right side with a fewer number of data values on the left side.

A right-skewed distribution usually occurs when the data has a range boundary on the right-hand side of the histogram. For example, a boundary such as 100.





Distributions of a Histogram

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A random distribution:

A random distribution lacks an apparent pattern and has several peaks.

In a random distribution histogram, it can be the case that different data properties were combined.

Therefore, the data should be separated and analyzed separately.



Distributions of a Histogram



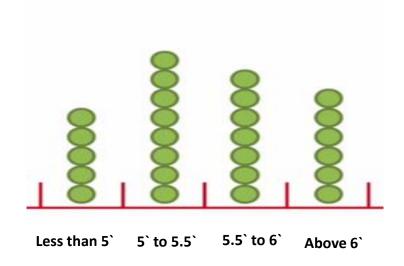
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Histogram !!!!!





Note: Figuring out how wide to make the bins is tricky!!!!

Good to have more intervals rather than fewer.

Good to have large numbers of sample points in the intervals.

Bins in Histogram

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Histograms are based on area, not height of bars.

In a histogram, it is the area of the bar that indicates the frequency of occurrences for each bin.

In statistics, the Freedman – Diaconis rule can be used to select the size of the bins to be used in a histogram

$$ext{Bin size} = 2\,rac{ ext{IQR}(x)}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$$

Equal Bins / Class Widths



Suppose we are looking at the history grades of students in 10th grade and have the classes corresponding to letter grades: A, B, C, D, F. The number of each of these grades gives us a frequency for each class:

- 7 students with an F
- 9 students with a D
- 18 students with a C
- 12 students with a B
- 4 students with an A

Frequency

To determine the relative frequency for each class we first add the total number of data points: 7 + 9 + 18 + 12 + 4 = 50. Next we, divide each frequency by this sum 50.

- 0.14 = 14% students with an F
- 0.18 = 18% students with a D
- 0.36 = 36% students with a C
- 0.24 = 24% students with a B
- 0.08 = 8% students with an A

Relative Frequency

Unequal Bin / Class Widths



Histograms are drawn with class intervals of differing widths rarely.

When the class intervals are of unequal widths, the heights of the rectangles or bars must be set equal to the densities.

Compute the density for each class, according to the formula

Density =
$$\frac{\text{Relative Frequency}}{\text{Class Width}}$$

The areas of the rectangles will then be the relative frequencies.

Parts of Histogram

The title: The title describes the information included in the histogram.

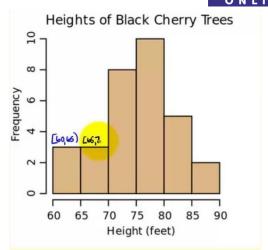
X-axis: The <u>X-axis</u> are intervals that show the **scale of values** which the measurements fall under.

Y-axis: The Y-axis shows the **number of times** that the values occurred within the intervals set by the X-axis.

The bars: The height of the bar shows the number of times that the values occurred within the interval, while the width of the bar shows the interval that is covered.

For a histogram with equal bins, the width should be the same across all bars.





Creating a Histogram

Divide the range of values into series of intervals.

Check how many values falls into each intervals.

Bins are consecutive and non-overlapping intervals of a variable.

They must be adjacent and are often of equal size.

Width of each bin may or may not be equal.

If they're equal then, the height of bins represents the frequency of data points in that range.



Example – Construct a Histogram

The weather in Los Angeles is dry most of the time, but it can be quite rainy in the winter. The rainiest month of the year is February. The following table presents the annual rainfall in Los Angeles, in inches, for each February from 1965 to 2006.

0.2	3.7	1.2	13.7	1.5	0.2	1.7
0.6	0.1	8.9	1.9	5.5	0.5	3.1
3.1	8.9	8.0	12.7	4.1	0.3	2.6
1.5	8.0	4.6	0.7	0.7	6.6	4.9
0.1	4.4	3.2	11.0	7.9	0.0	1.3
2.4	0.1	2.8	4.9	3.5	6.1	0.1



Step:1 – Prepare the Data



Arrange the values in ascending order (number of data points (n) = 42)

0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
0.3	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	1.2	1.3
1.5	1.5	1.7	1.9	2.4	2.6	2.8
3.1	3.1	3.2	3.5	3.7	4.1	4.4
4.6	4.9	4.9	5.5	6.1	6.6	7.9
8.0	8.0	8.9	8.9	11.0	12.7	13.7

Step: 2 Identify the Bin Widths



By using the Freedman – Diaconis, the bin width / class intervals can be found.

Bin Width =
$$2 \frac{IQR(x)}{\sqrt[3]{n}}$$

Find the IQR (InterQuartile Range)

$$IQR = Q_3 - Q_1$$

Quartile 1,
$$Q_1 = 0.25 (n+1) = 0.25 (43) = 10.75$$

0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
0.3	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7	1.2	1.3

$$\frac{0.6+0.7}{2}$$
 = 0.65

Step: 2 Conti...

Quartile 3,
$$Q_3 = 0.75$$
 (n+1) = 0.75 (43) = 32.25

3.1	3.1	3.2	3.5	3.7	4.1	4.4
4.6	4.9	4.9	5.5	6.1	6.6	7.9

$$\frac{5.5 + 6.1}{2} = 5.8$$

$$IQR = 5.8 - 0.65 = 5.15$$

Substitute in the formula, lets find the Bin width

$$\frac{2*5.15}{\sqrt[3]{42}} = 2.9 = (^3)$$



Step: 3 Build the Frequency Distribution Table



Class	Frequency	Relative Frequency	Density
0 – 3	21	0.5	0.1667
3 – 6	11	0.2619	0.0873
6 – 9	7	0.1667	0.0555
9 – 12	1	0.0238	0.0073
12 - 15	2	0.0476	0.0159

Sum = 42

Sum = 1

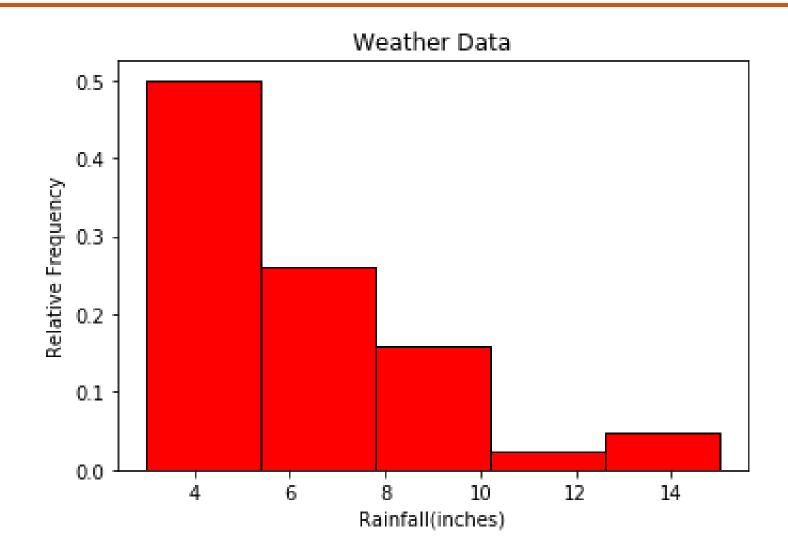
Step: 4 Find the number of Bins / Buckets

Number of bins / buckets =
$$\frac{\text{Max} - \text{Min}}{\text{Bin Width}}$$

$$\frac{15-0}{3} = 9$$



Step: 5 Plot the Histogram





Histogram

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Choose boundary points for the class intervals.

Compute the frequency and relative frequency for each class.

Compute the density for each class, according to the formula

Density =
$$\frac{\text{Relative Frequency}}{\text{Class Width}}$$

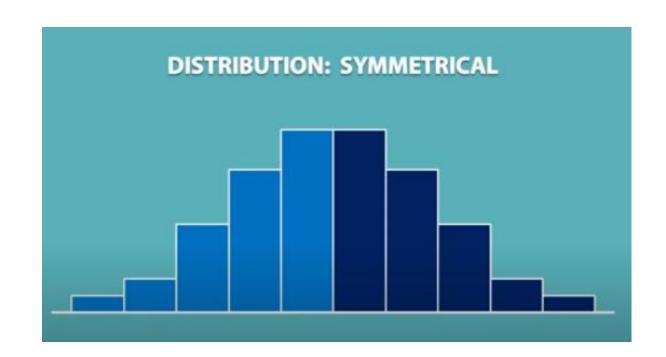
Draw a rectangle for each class. If the classes all have the same width, the heights of the rectangles may be set equal to the frequencies, the relative frequencies, or the densities.

If the classes do not all have the same width, the heights of the rectangles must be set equal to the densities.

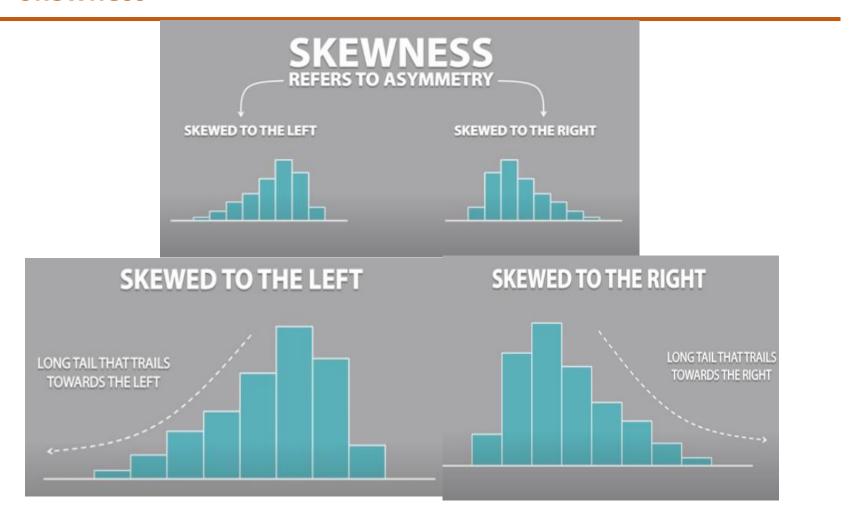
Symmetry



A distribution is said to be symmetrical if it can be divided into two equal sizes of the same shape.



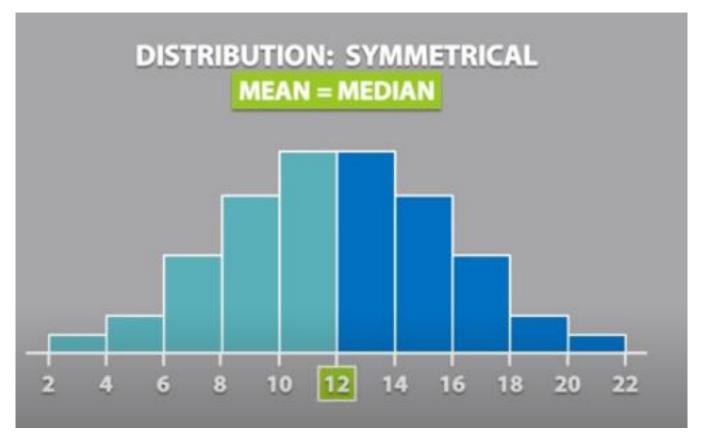
Skewness





Distribution - Symmetry

When a histogram is roughly symmetric, the mean and the median are approximately equal.

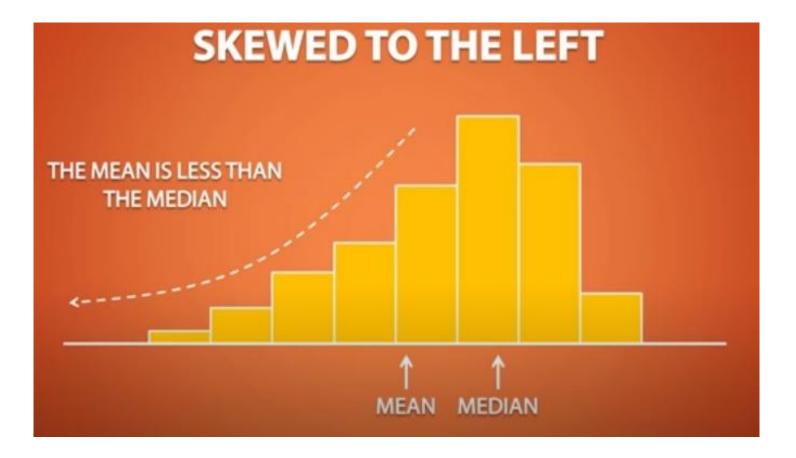




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Distribution – Left Skewed

When a histogram is left-skewed, the mean is less than the median.





Distribution – Right Skewed

When a histogram is **right-skewed**, the mean is greater than the median.

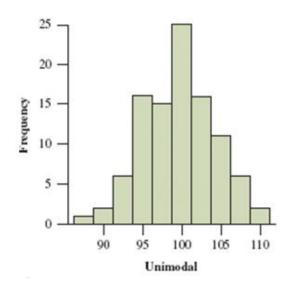


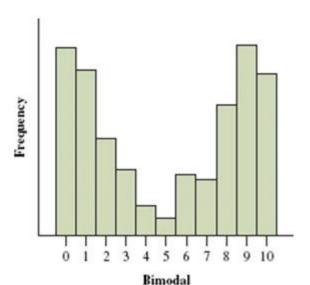


Unimodal and Bimodal Histogram

A histogram with only one peak is what we call unimodal.

If a histogram has two peaks then we say that it is bimodal.

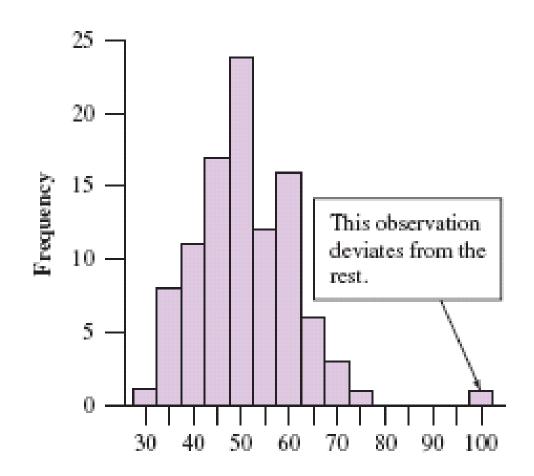






Outlier

An outlier falls far from the rest of the data.







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