

④ outliers

16, 48, 57, 59, 66 → what is outlier?

An outlier is a value that is unusually far from most of the other values in your dataset.

Ex: Every one earns 25k - 40k per month...
and one person earns 5cr.

→ That 5cr guy? outlier.

Ex: Ages of students :- 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 99.

→ 99 is clearly an outlier.

→ Why outlier is matter in ML?

outliers can

- ① Skew mean
- ② Break linear regression
- ③ Confuse distance based models (KNN, K-means)
- ④ Cause poor generalization.

Not all outliers are bad.

Sometimes they are valuable signals.

(fraud detection, anomaly detection)

→ Types of outliers :-

① Global outliers :- Far away from all values.

Ex:- Income = 20k, 25k, 25k, 24k, 1CR

② Contextual outliers :- outliers depends on the context.

Ex:- Temperature = Summer $\rightarrow 45^{\circ}\text{C}$ (Normal)
Winter $\rightarrow 45^{\circ}\text{C}$ (outlier)

③ collective outliers :- A group of abnormal points.

Ex:- Sudden spike in website traffic at midnight.

→ How to detect outlier ?

① visual :- Box plot, Scatter plot, Histogram.

② ZQR method :- lower Bound = $Q_1 - 1.5 (ZQR)$
upper bound = $Q_3 + 1.5 (ZQR)$

If the value $< [\text{lower bound}]$

If the value $> [\text{upper bound}] \rightarrow \underline{\text{outlier}}$

ZQR Example :-

10, 12, 14, 15, 18, 20, 100

↓
 Q_1

↓
20

$$\Rightarrow Q_1 = 12$$

$$Q_3 = 20$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IQR} &= 20 - 12 \\ &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{① Upper Bound} &= 20 + 1.5(8) \\ &= 32 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{② Lower Bound} &= 12 - 1.5(8) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, 100 is an outlier.