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Supply Chain Analytics

Week 4: Descriptive Analytics in Supply Chains (SCs)

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INVENTORY MANAGEMENT

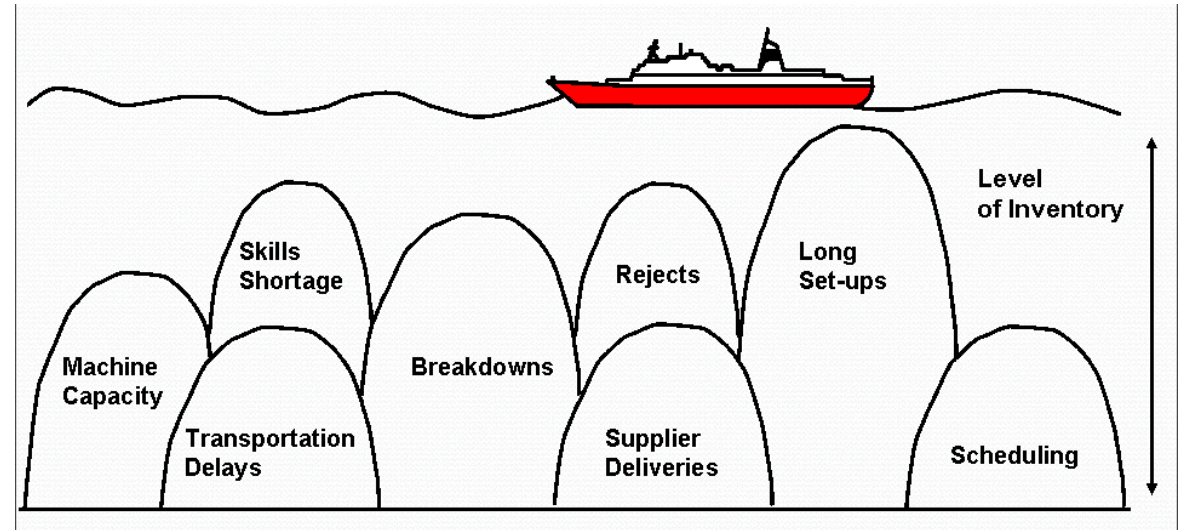
Inventory is another name for **materials** and is any material that a firm holds in order **to satisfy customer demand**.

When the raw materials are processed, but are not yet completely finished, they are called ***work in progress***.

- Inventory costs money!
- The money could have been invested elsewhere.
- However, inventory cannot be wiped to zero.



Inventory covers issues



Opportunity cost (lost on carrying inventories)

This is the amount of money the firm would have earned if the money were invested elsewhere other than in inventory.



Sustainability Concerns (associated with carrying inventories)

Change of customer tastes
and preferences

Power and resources used
to carry inventories

Example (from the fashion world):

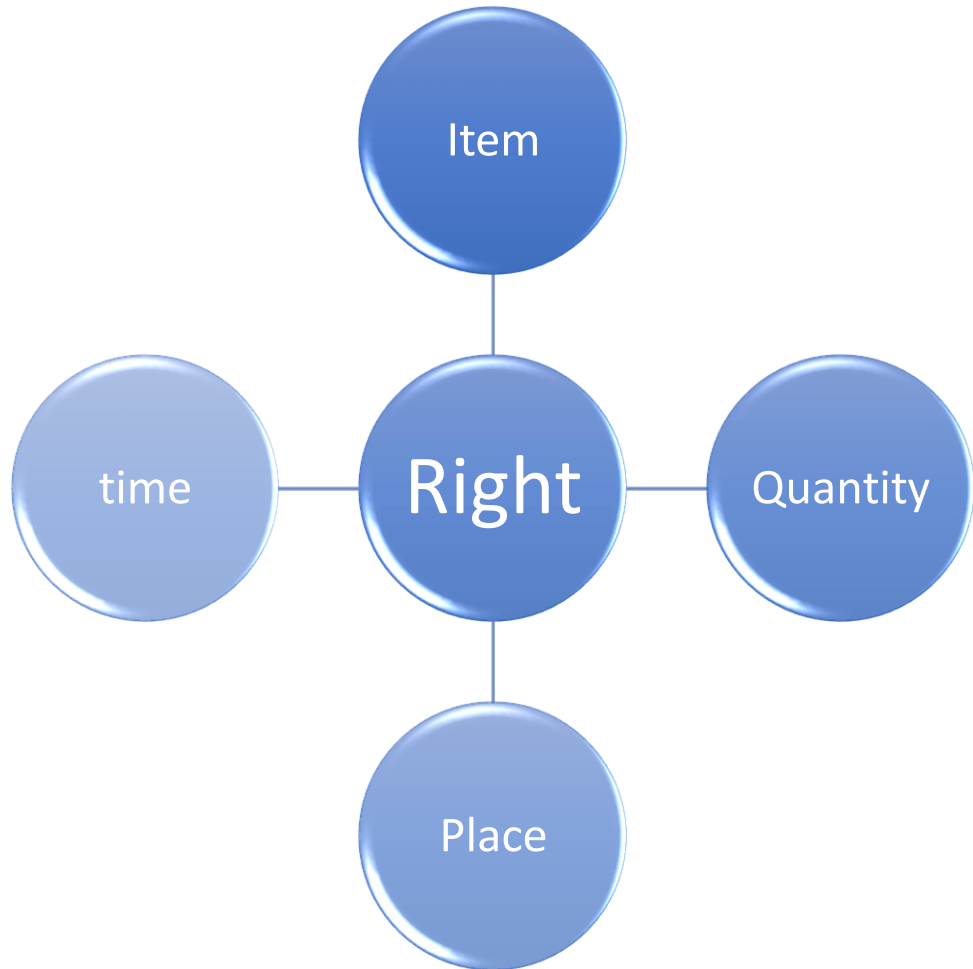
In 2018, Burberry burned down \$37m worth
unsold goods



Key Concepts

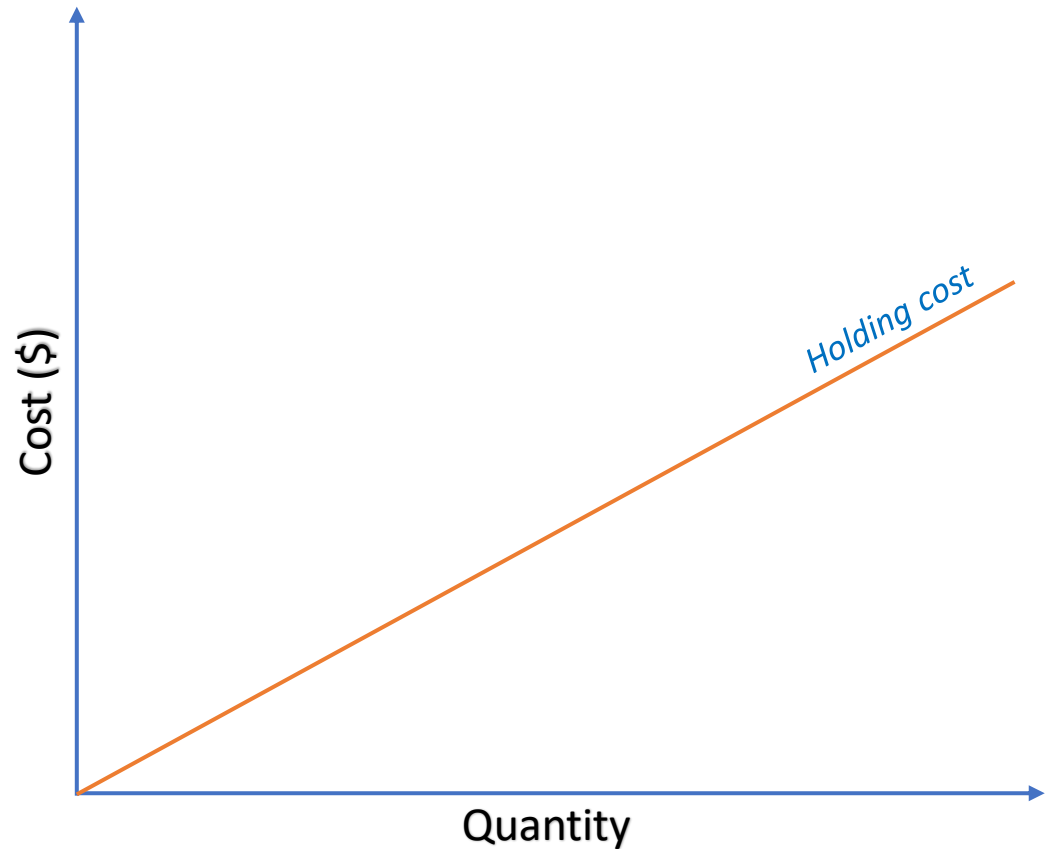
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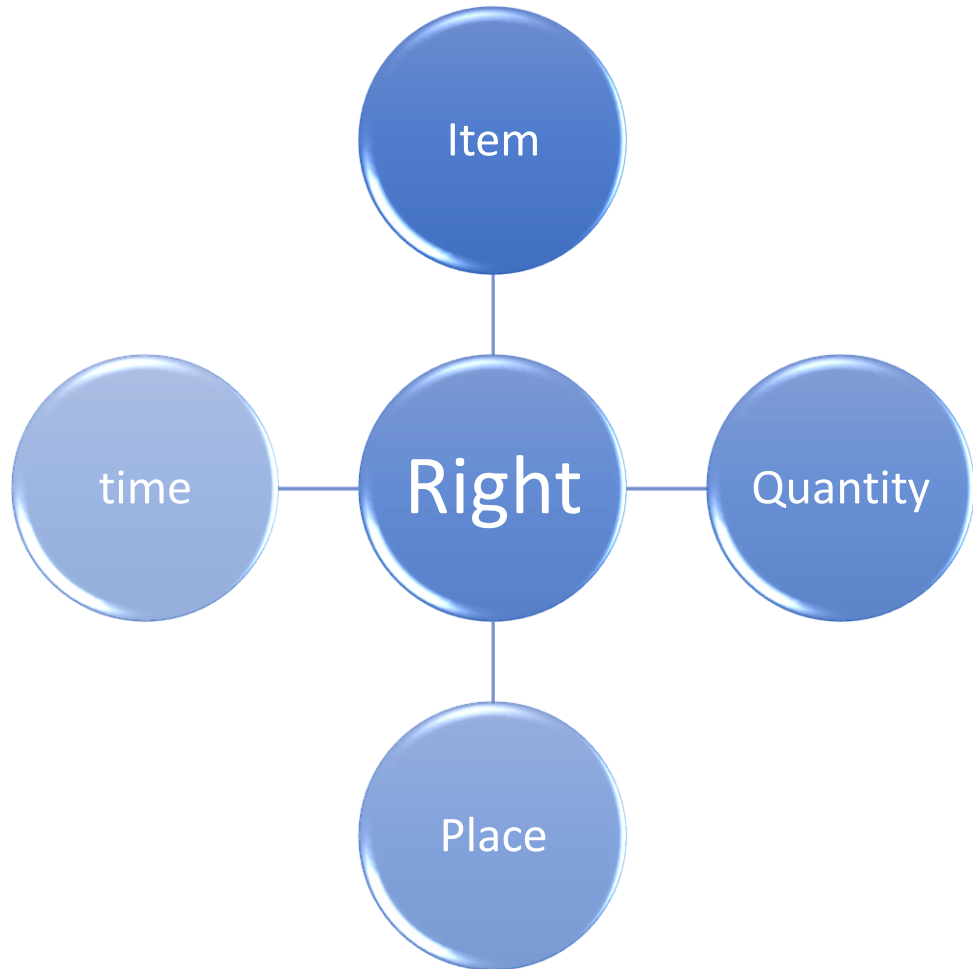
Key Concepts

- Holding cost: calculated by days
 - Storage
 - Insurance
 - Tax
 - Maintenance
 - Obsolescence
 - Opportunity costs



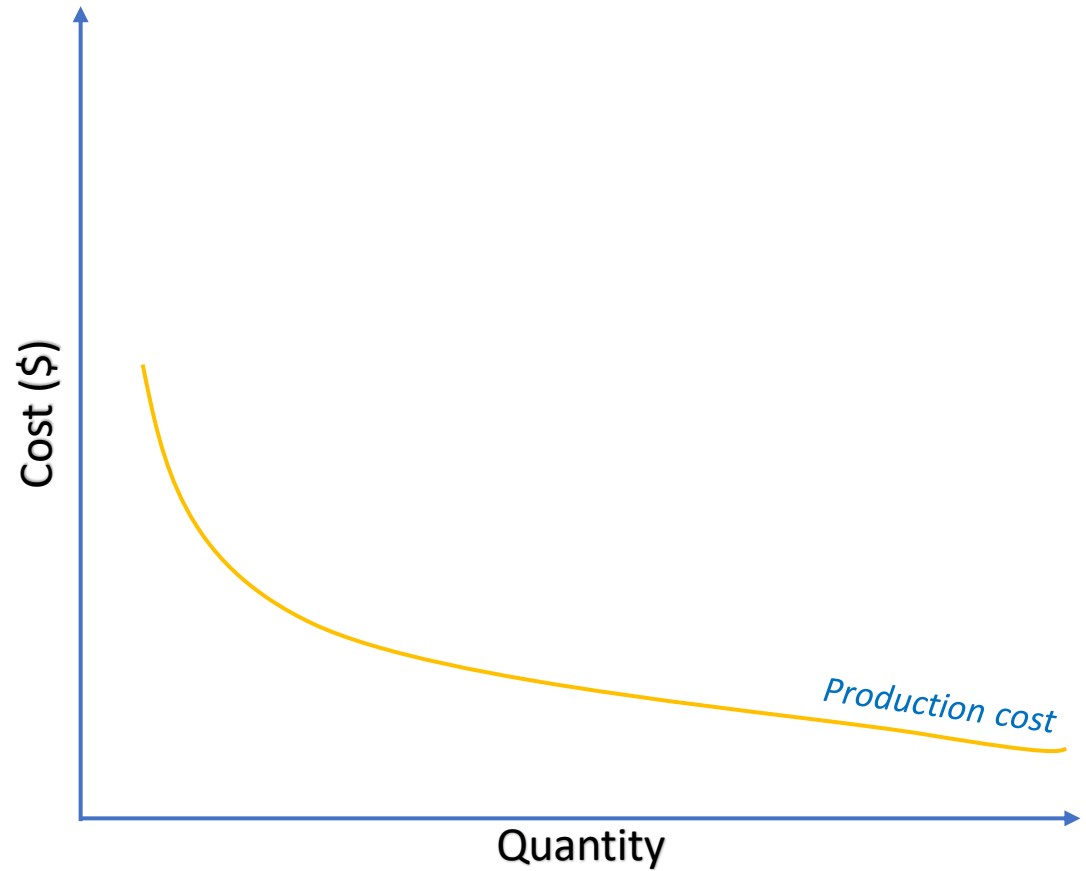
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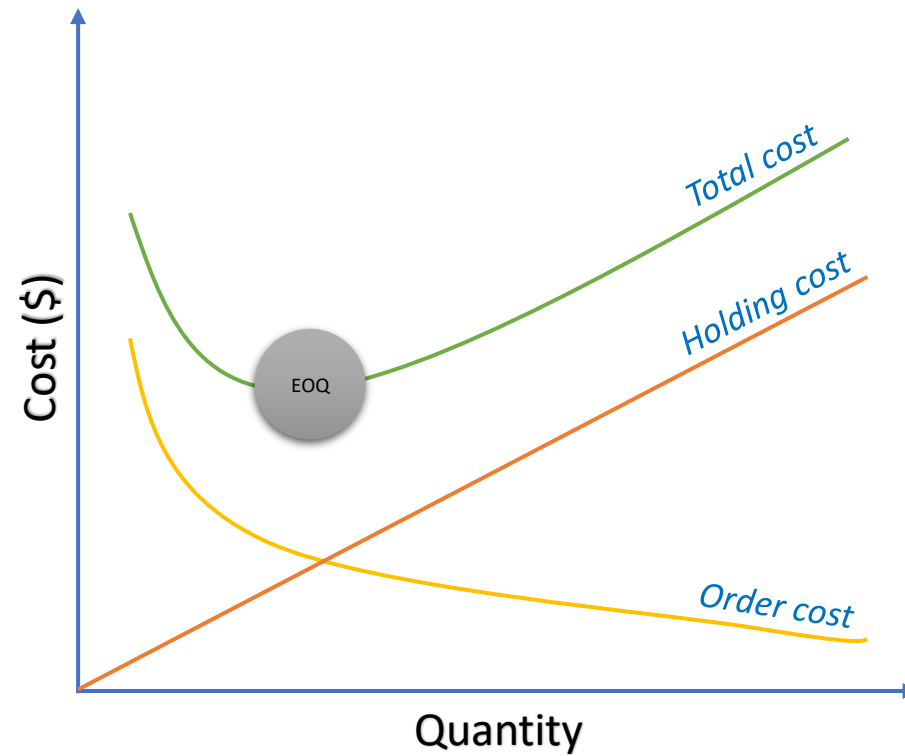
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 - Fixed cost
 - Variable cost



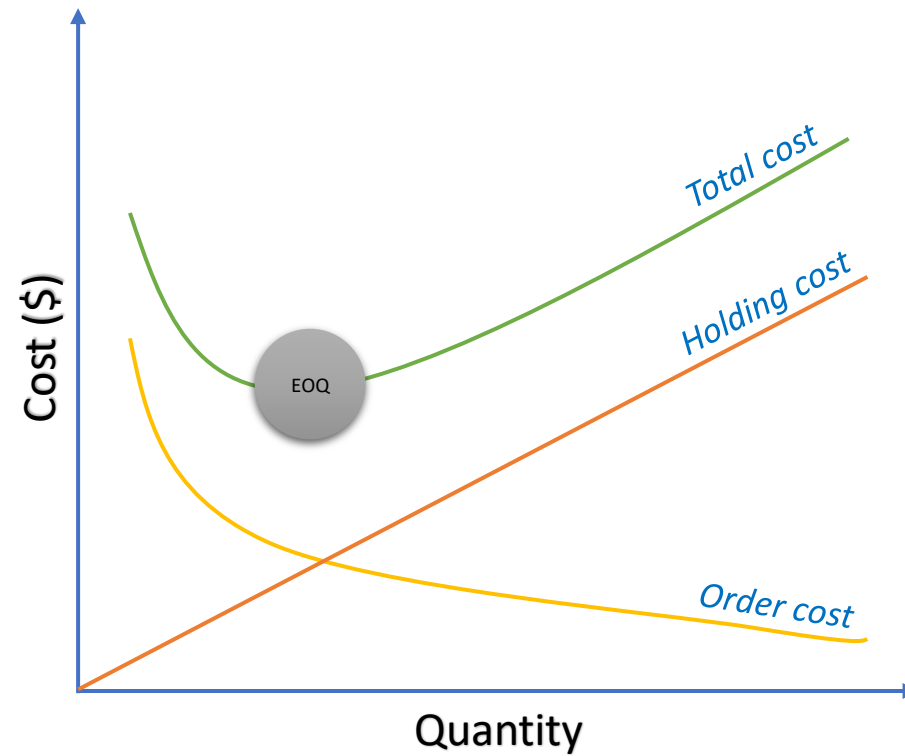
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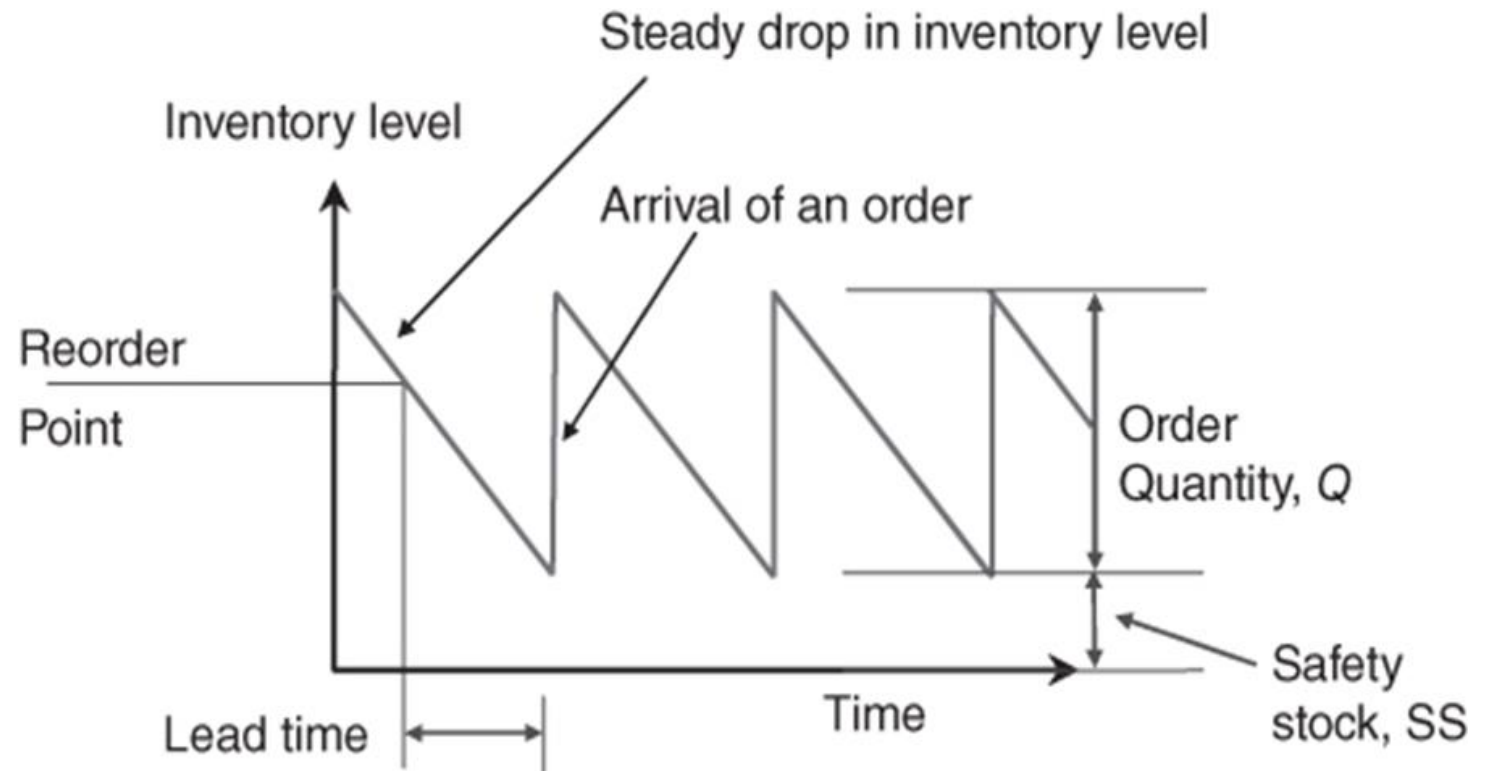


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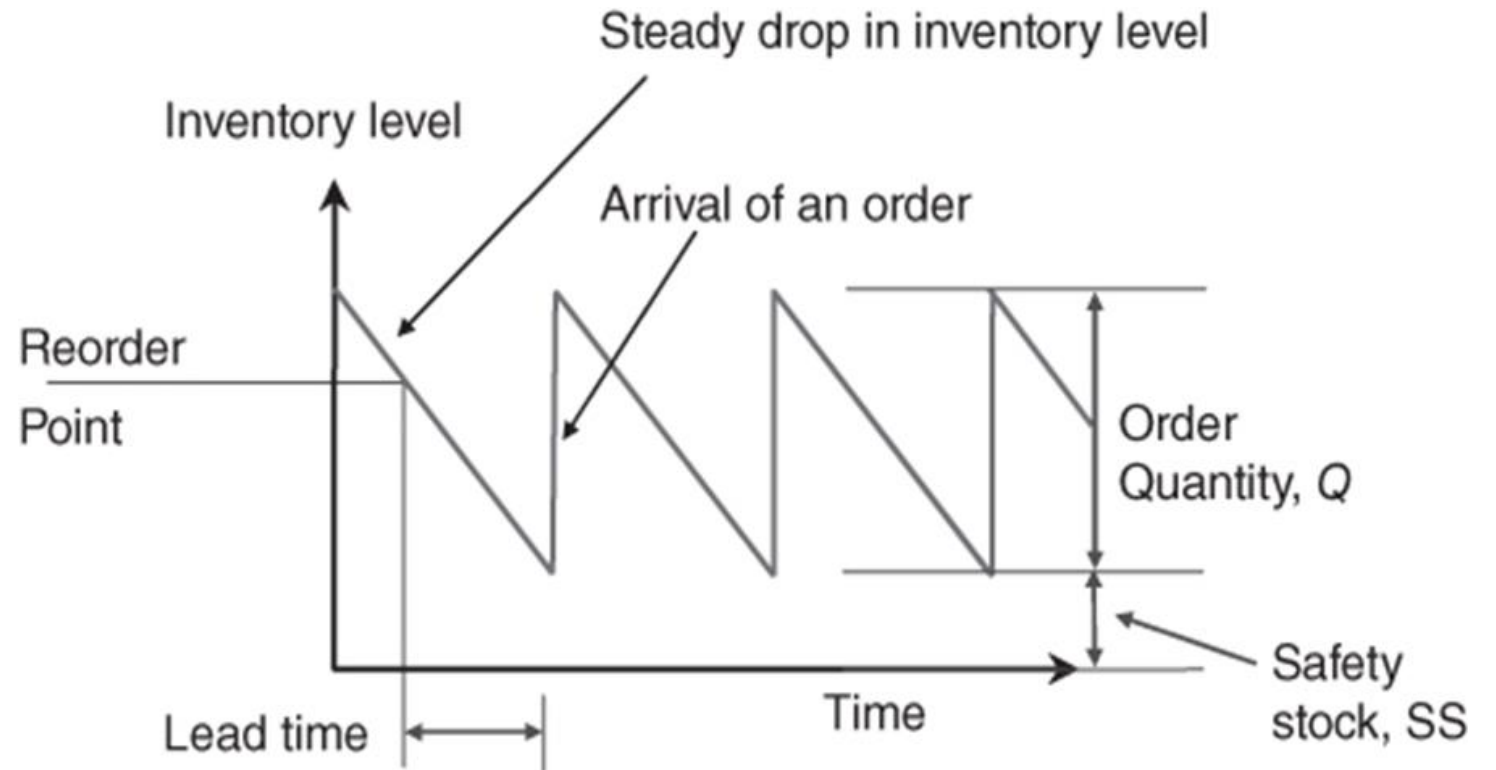


Basic Definitions



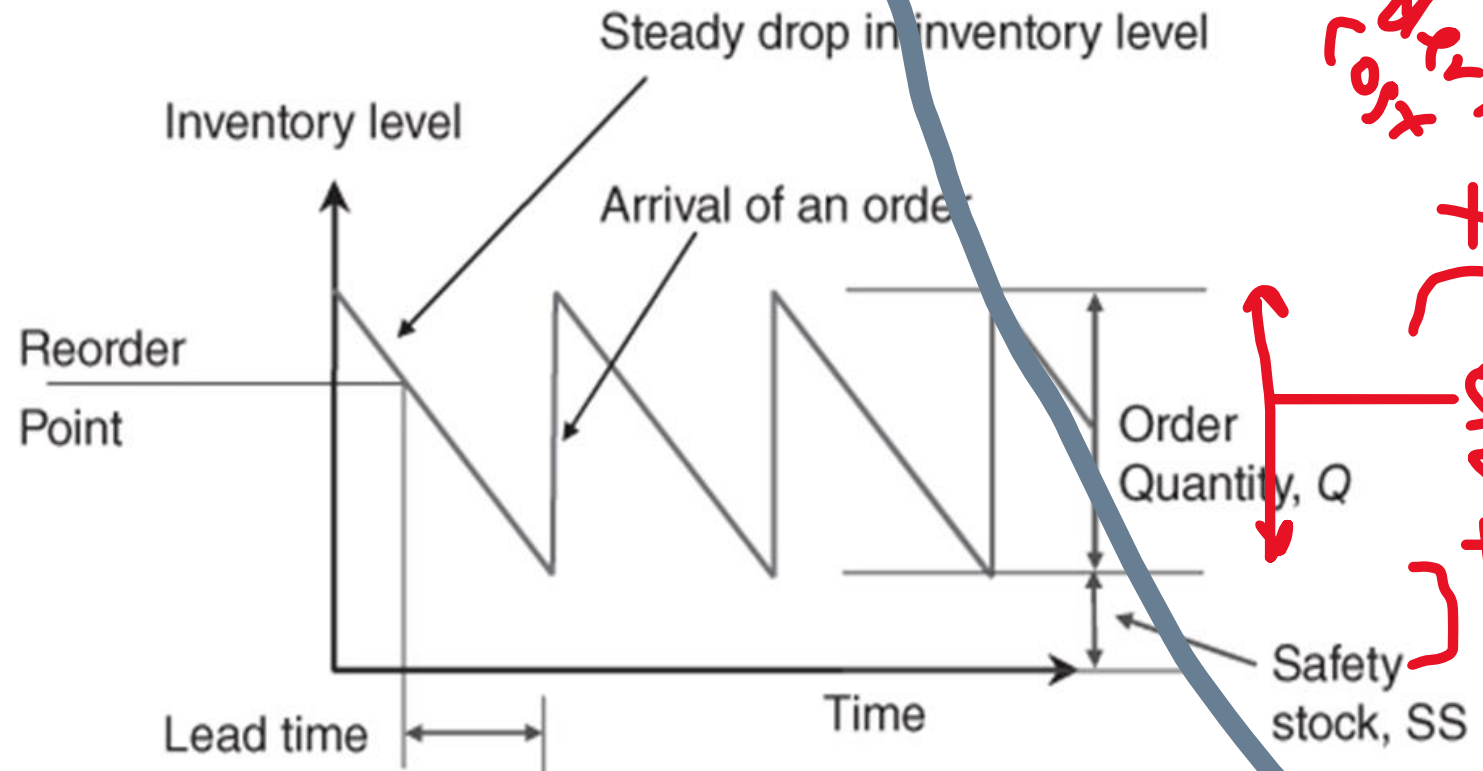
Total cost of inventory

- **Average inventory level** $= (SS + Q + SS) / 2 = SS + Q/2$
- And **the annual holding cost** $= (SS + Q/2)H$
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- Total annual cost (TAC) =
- Purchase cost + Holding cost + Order processing cost =
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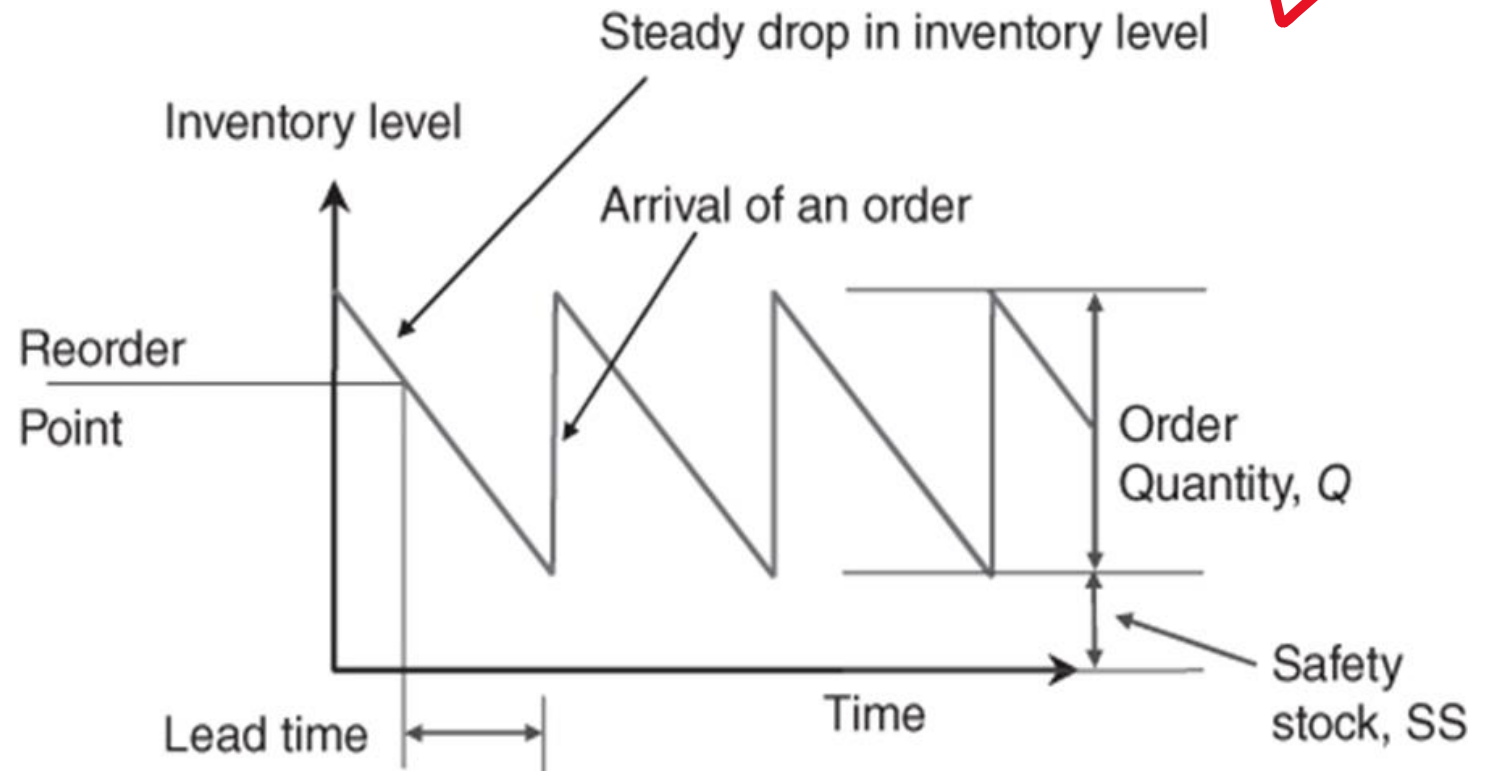
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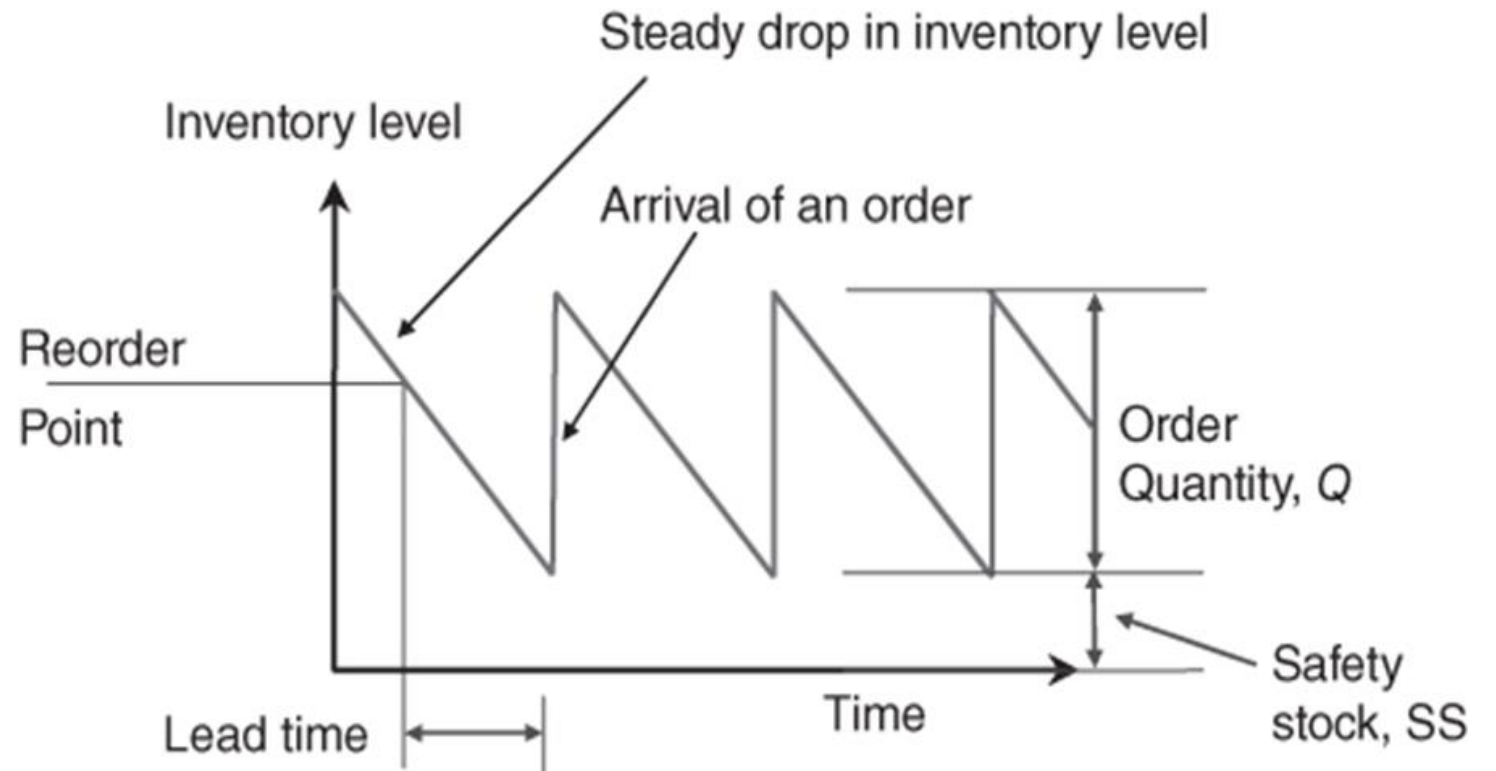


$2 \times \frac{Q}{2} \times H + \frac{D}{Q} \times S + (SS + \frac{Q}{2}) \times P$

Total cost of inventory



Safety Stock Formula (Simple Version)



Safety stock

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\text{maximum daily sales} \times \text{maximum days of lead time}) \\ &\quad - (\text{average daily sales} \times \text{average days of lead time}) \end{aligned}$$





Safety Stock (Buffer)

This is the amount of inventory **stocked by the system in case of unforeseen events arising**. For example, late **deliveries**, or a sudden increase in **demand**.

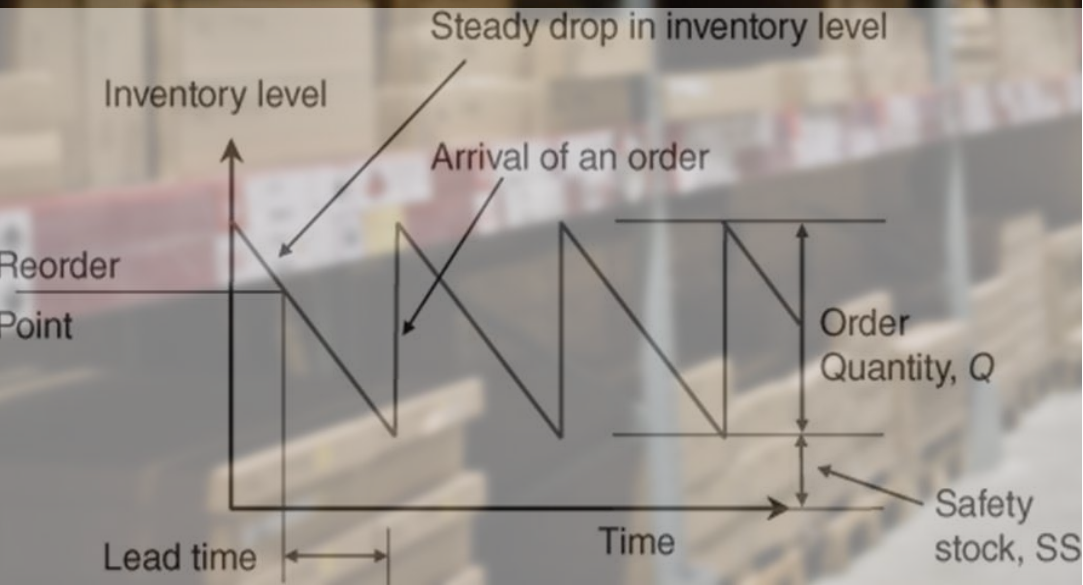
Other reasons for maintaining safety stock include:

A safeguard against issues such as **poor quality**, production problems and transportation problems.

The root reason for safety stock could be described as variation – variation of **demand**, variation of **lead time**, variation of **production rate**, etc.

If there was no variation, firms would not need safety stock.

Safety stock costs – unused inventory!



An Important KPI: Inventory Turnover

Inventory turnover=

(cost of all goods sold)/(value of average inventory)

PROBLEM

The YouRace Company builds racing cars. In 2022, the **total cost of cars sold** was \$3 million. Its total inventory holding changed throughout the year, but **the average inventory holding** was worth \$250,000.

At the end of 2023, it implemented just-in-time principles to improve its inventory performance. In 2023, its sales increased and **the cost of cars was** \$4.5 million, while **the average inventory holding** was \$300 000. Has the KPI improved?

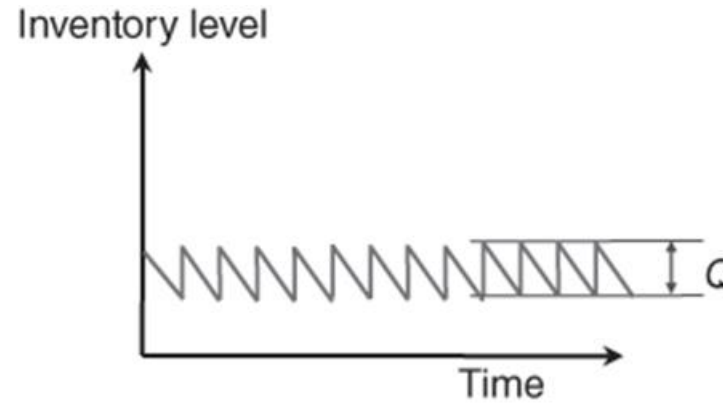
Answer:

- Inventory turnover in 2022 = $3,000,000 / 250,000 = 12$
- Inventory turnover in 2023 = $4,500,000 / 300,000 = 15$

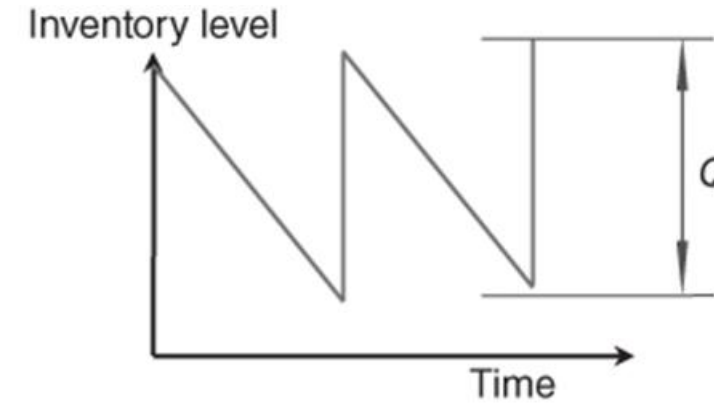


Economic Order Quantity (EOQ)

To minimise the total annual cost, there is a best order quantity, known as the **economic order quantity (EOQ)**, as depicted in the diagram.



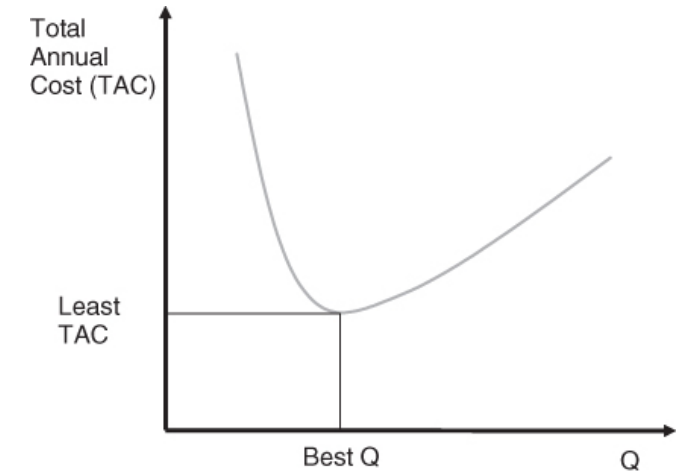
Small order quantity



Large order quantity

$$EOQ = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times S}{H}}$$

EOQ = The square root ($\sqrt{}$) of 2x (annual demand in units, multiplied by order cost per purchase order), divided by annual holding cost per unit



EOQ

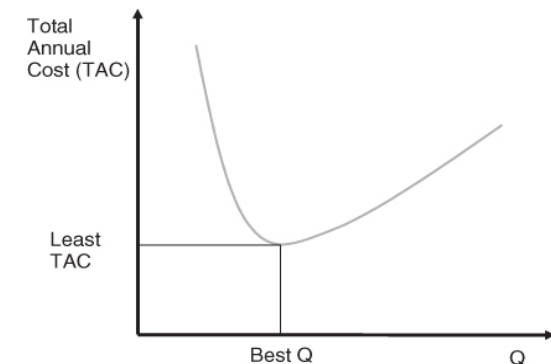
It is straightforward to derive the EOQ formula. Differentiating the expression for TAC and setting to zero for minimisation:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d(TAC)}{dQ} &= 0, \\ \Rightarrow \frac{d\left(p \times D + \left(SS + \frac{Q}{2}\right)H + \frac{D}{Q}S\right)}{dQ} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{H}{2} - \frac{D \times S}{Q^2} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Assuming that the purchasing cost is constant (no bulk discounts). We also assume that the safety stock remains fixed as order quantity is changed:

$$\Rightarrow Q = \sqrt{\frac{2DS}{H}}$$

$$EOQ = \sqrt{\frac{2 \times D \times S}{H}}$$



EOQ

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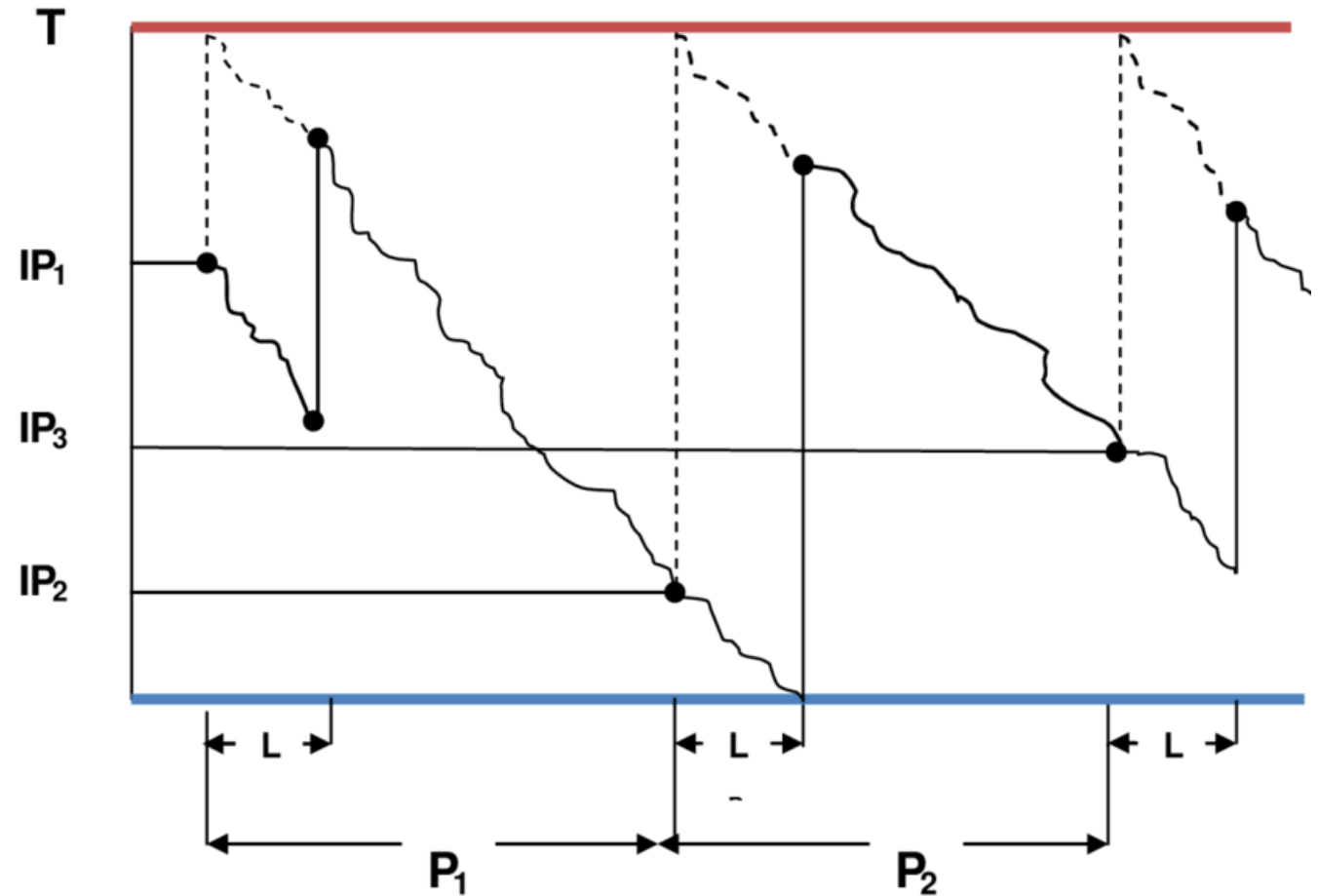
$$\begin{aligned}EOQ &= \sqrt{\frac{2DS}{H}} \\&= \sqrt{\frac{2 \times 1200 \times 25}{50}} \\&= 34.64 \\&\approx 35\end{aligned}$$

To minimise its annual inventory costs, Fine Garments should request 35 leather jackets each time it places an order with its supplier.

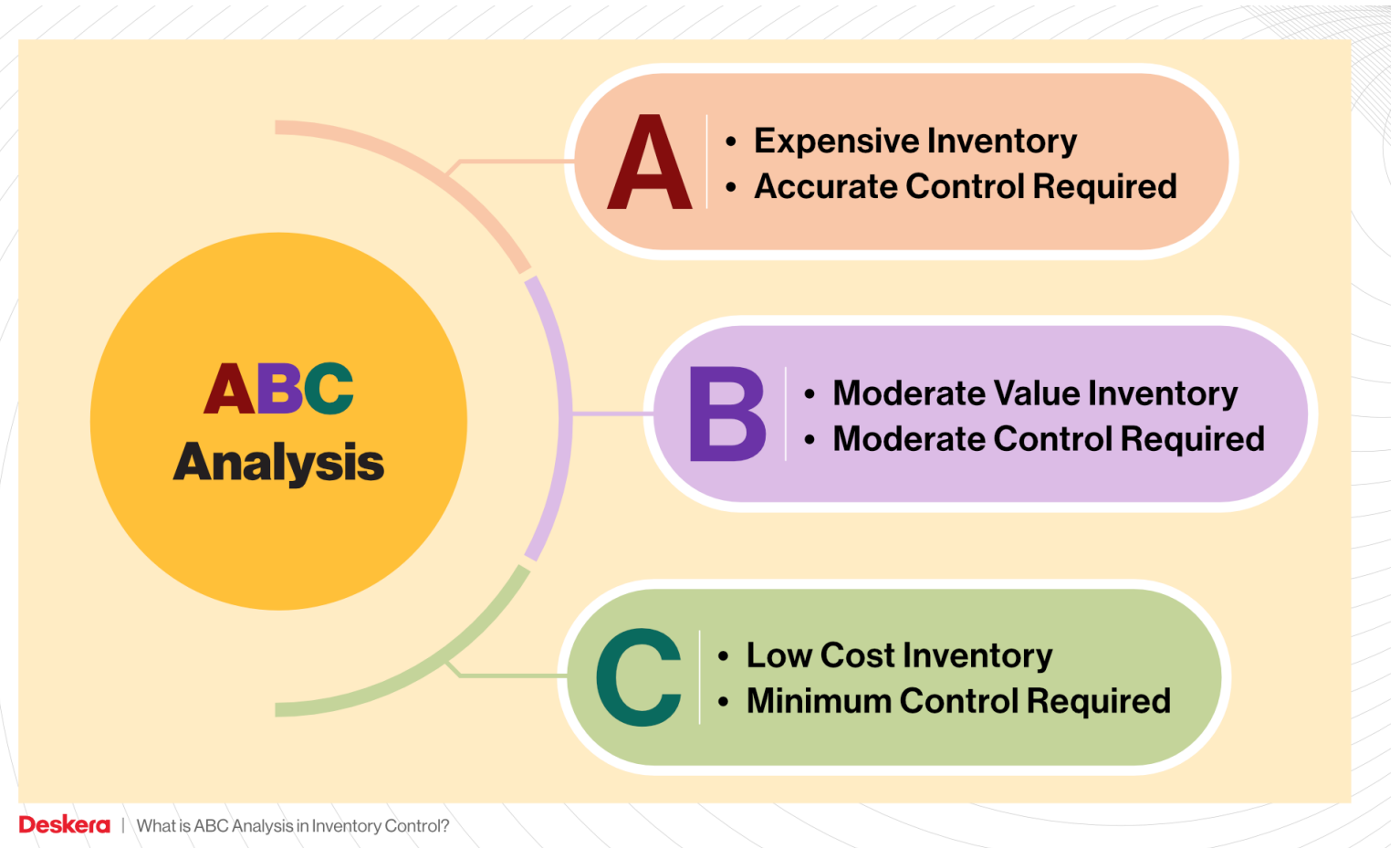
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PERIODIC INVENTORY SYSTEM

The diagram illustrates the Periodic Inventory System across three accounting periods. Each period is separated by a vertical dashed line. Above each period is the label "ACCOUNTING PERIOD 1", "ACCOUNTING PERIOD 2", and "ACCOUNTING PERIOD 3" respectively. A blue arrow points from the end of one period to the start of the next. Below each period is a document icon representing an inventory count, with the text "Count Inventory" underneath it.



ABC analysis



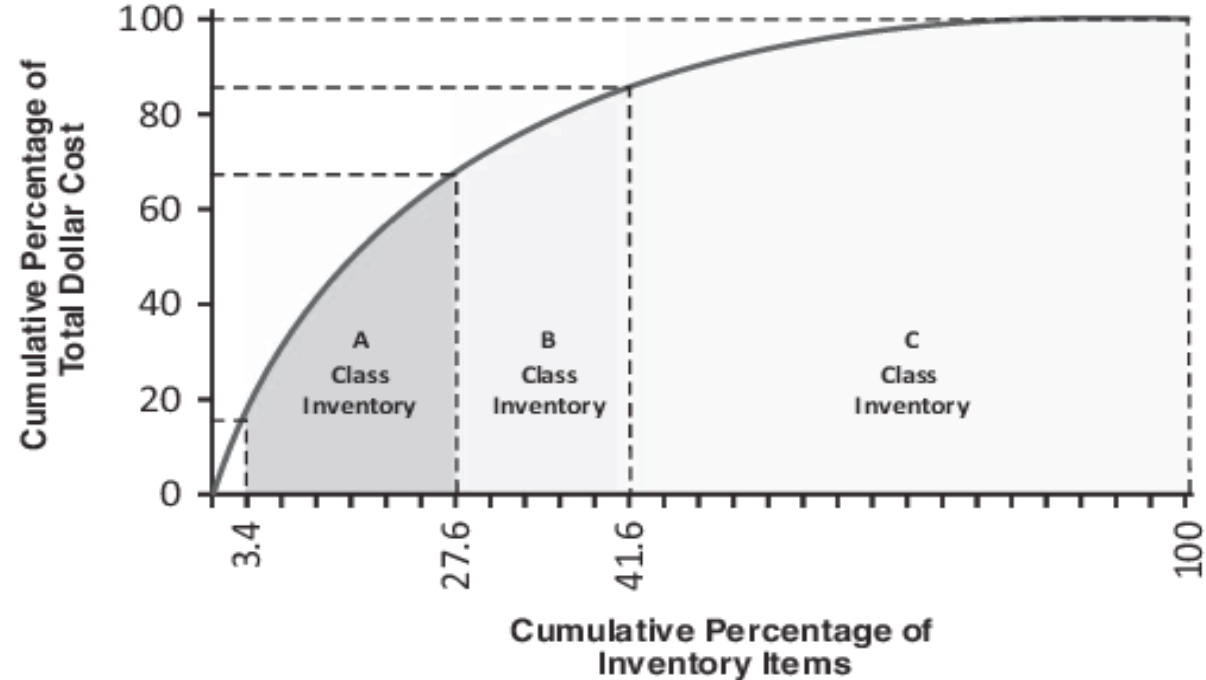
ABC analysis

This is derived from the 'Pareto' or '80/20' rule

Most firms have far too many inventory items to manage. They often use a tool called [ABC analysis](#) to separate out the most important items so that more attention can be focused on those items.

ABC analysis is based on the principle that out of the myriad items an inventory manager needs to handle, there are only a few that account for most of the inventory expenses.

- A: Engine major parts, transmission systems, fuel injection system
- B: Windshield wipers, air conditioning compressors, exterior mirrors, floor mats, mudguards, roof racks
- C: Screws, basic tools, gloves, cleaning solvents, toilet tissues, printer papers, tapes



ABC analysis

It can be seen that the top two items (# 373 and # 539) account for just over 65% of the expense.

'A' items may be controlled closely, using the reorder point system; the less demanding periodic system may be used for 'B' items; and 'C' items may be blanket purchased once or twice in a year.

Item	Annual Expenses	Percentage of Total	Classifications
373	46,335	45.77%	A
539	19,611	19.37%	A
455	8007	7.91%	B
769	6181	6.11%	B
441	5526	5.46%	B
65	5503	5.44%	B
205	3278	3.24%	C
401	3063	3.03%	C
352	2845	2.81%	C
543	603	0.60%	C
454	179	0.18%	C
432	111	0.11%	C
Total	101,242	100.00%	



INVENTORY REDUCTION PRINCIPLES

- Pool inventory

This is the case in inventory centralisation where demand from different locations is combined, or in delayed product differentiation where demand for different products is combined, or by using common components where demands for different components are combined.

- Reduce variation

Recall that the reason for holding safety stock is variation. Variation of lead time, variation of demand, variation of supply, variation of quality, all contribute to safety stock.

- Just-in-time inventory system (JIT)

JIT is as much a philosophy as it is a technique and emphasises on removing inventory with the goal of zero inventory.



Last week, we learnt Data Importing, Integrating, and Cleaning

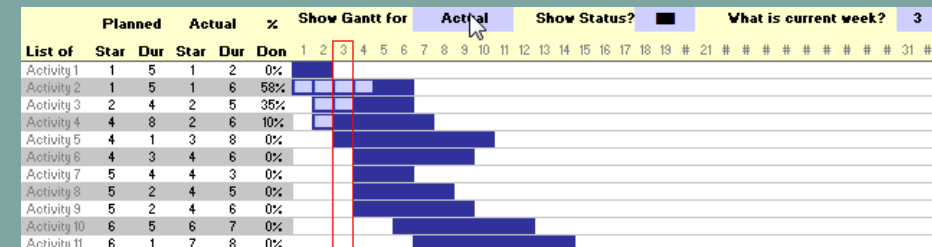
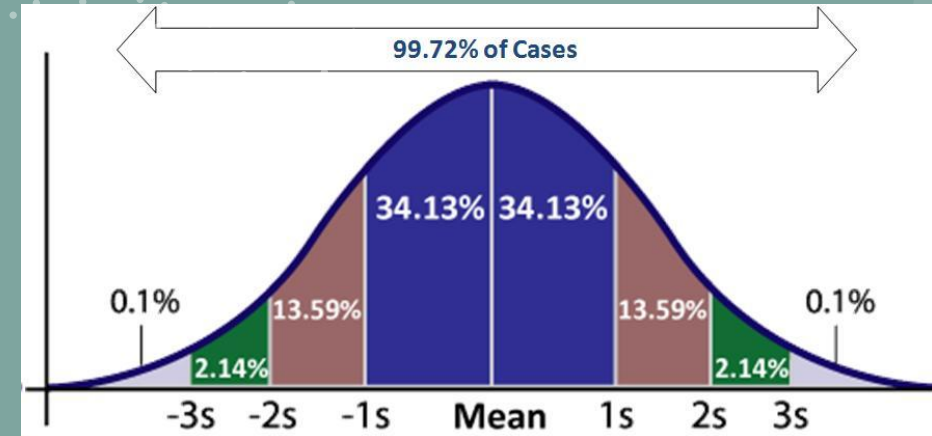
This week, we will learn how to extract information from this cleaned data. This helps us understand what is going on in our dataset (describing information). Describing such information facilitates data driven decision making and is called **Descriptive Analytics**.

After data importing, integrating, and cleaning, we have the following types of analytics to do:

- Descriptive Analytics
 - Diagnostic Analytics
 - Predictive Analytics
 - And Prescriptive Analytics
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Descriptive Analytics

- Descriptive analysis is the simplest and most common way of using data in supply chains.
- **It answers the “what happened” type of questions.**
- It analyses numerical data and shows the mean, deviation, percentage and frequency of data.



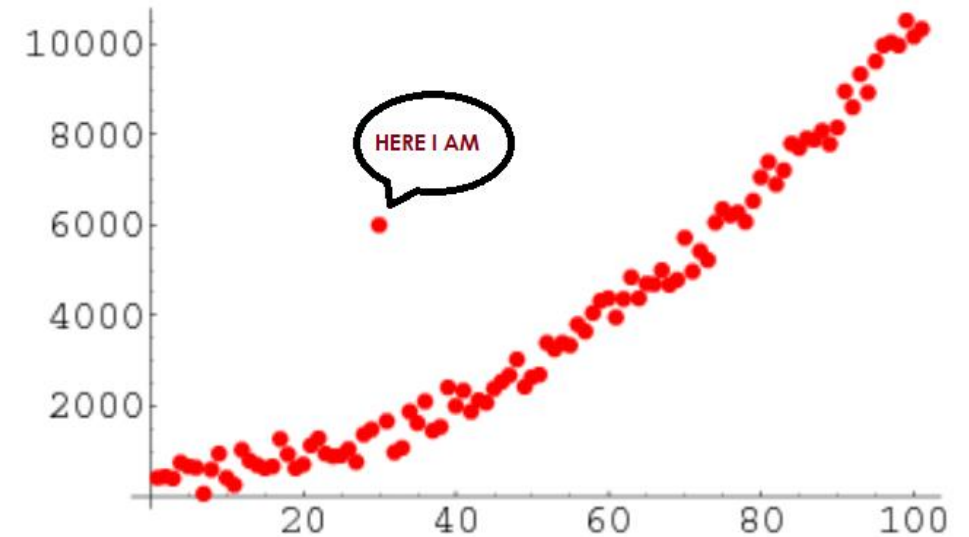
Descriptive Analytics: Advantages and Limitation

- It can be applied in day-to-day operations
- Its application doesn't necessarily require an extensive knowledge of analytics
- It points out errors and data outliers

Limitations

- It doesn't look beyond the surface of data
- It can be misleading

(e.g. tissue usage or average supplier delivery time in 2020)



Types of Descriptive Analytics

There are four major types of descriptive analytics:

- Measures of Frequency

IQ	Number
118 – 125	4
126 – 133	6
134 – 142	4
143 – 149	1
150 – 157	2

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Number of points	Frequency
1-5	6
6-10	9
11-15	12
16-20	8
21-25	3
26-30	2

How to Calculate Class Width i...
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Score	Tally	Frequency
1	/	1
2	/	1
3	///	3
4	/	1
5	////	4
6	####	5

Class interval	Tally marks	Frequency	Cumulative frequency
60-75	II	2	2
75-90	IIII	4	6
90-105	IIII	6	12
105-120	II	2	14
120-135	IIII	6	20
135-150	IIII	4	24

What is Cumulative Frequency ...
aplustopper.com

Class height (in cm)	Frequency	Cumulative Frequency
180 - 190	12	a
190 - 200	b	26
200 - 210	10	c
210 - 220	d	49
220 - 230	e	66
230 - 240	2	f
Total	g	100

FindingoutUnknownEntriesfro...
kwiznet.com

class interval	frequency
25 – 30	25
30 – 35	34
35 – 40	50
40 – 45	42
45 – 50	38
50 – 55	14

Find the mode of following fre...
vedantu.com

Category	Frequency
10-19	0
20-29	1
30-39	3
40-49	7
50-59	9
60-69	12
70-79	7
80-89	3
90-99	1
	43

How to create a ranged freque...
stackoverflow.com

Interval	Frequency
40 – 49	7
50 – 59	25
60 – 69	85
70 – 79	95
80 – 89	94
90 - 100	10
Total	316

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Class	Frequency
0-5	1
6-10	2
11-15	4
16-20	0
21-25	3
26-30	5
31-36	6

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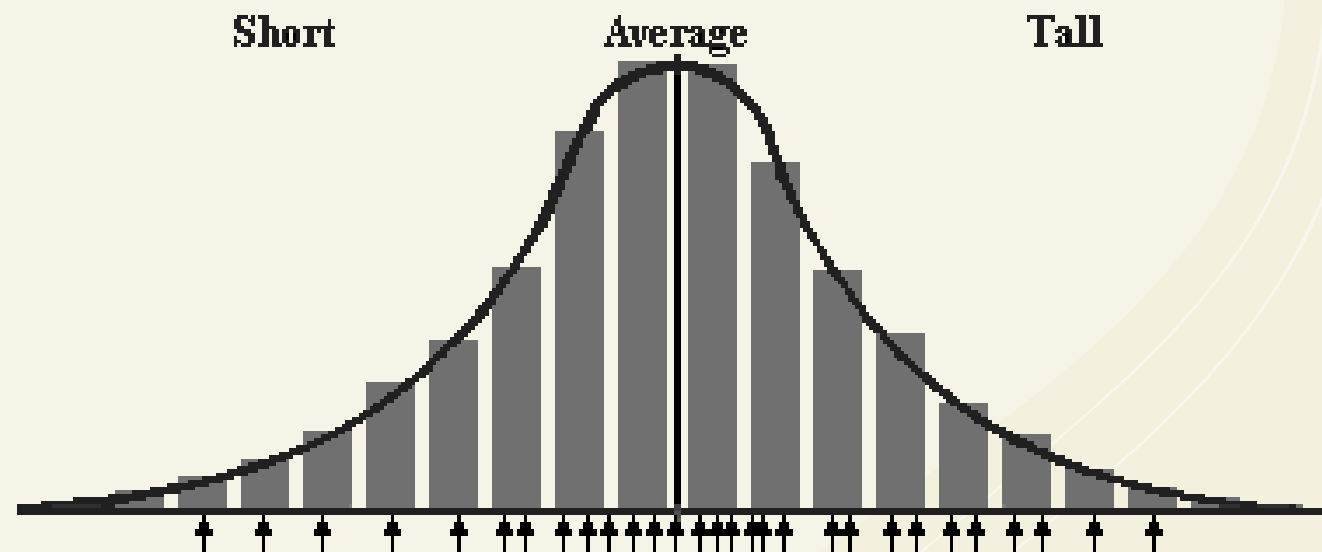
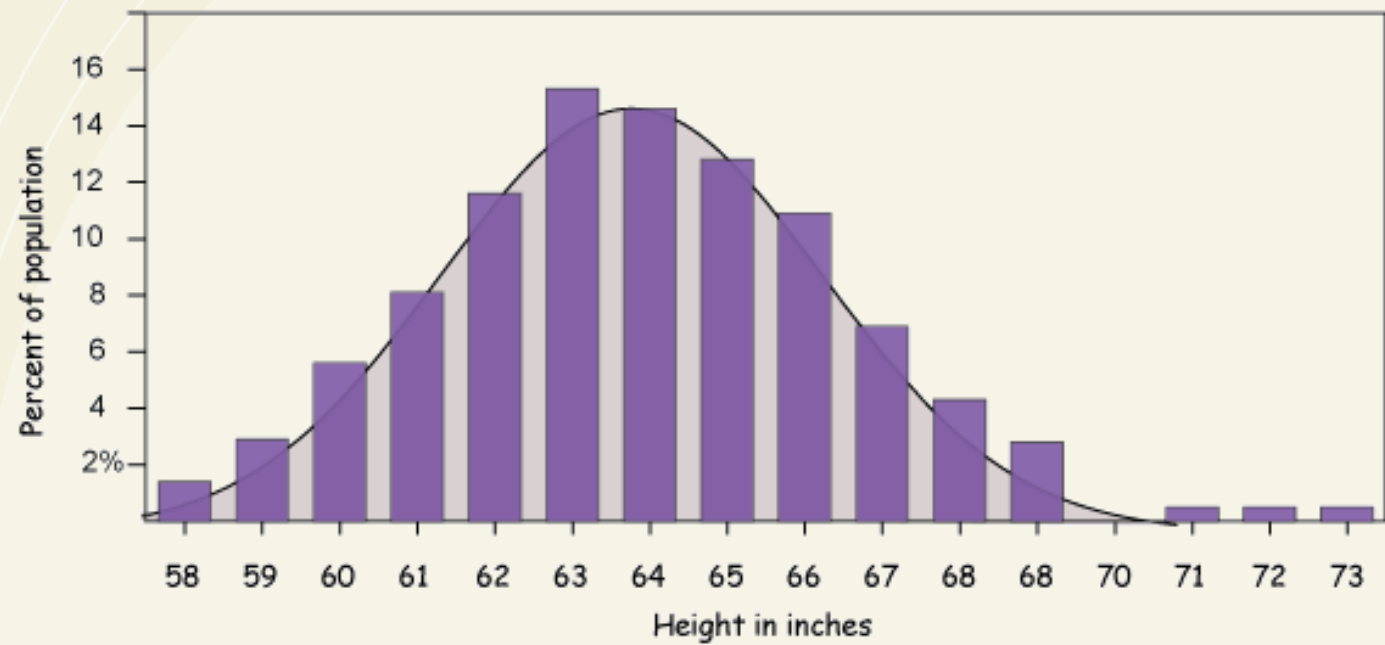
Score	Frequency
6	2
7	3
8	7
9	7
10	1

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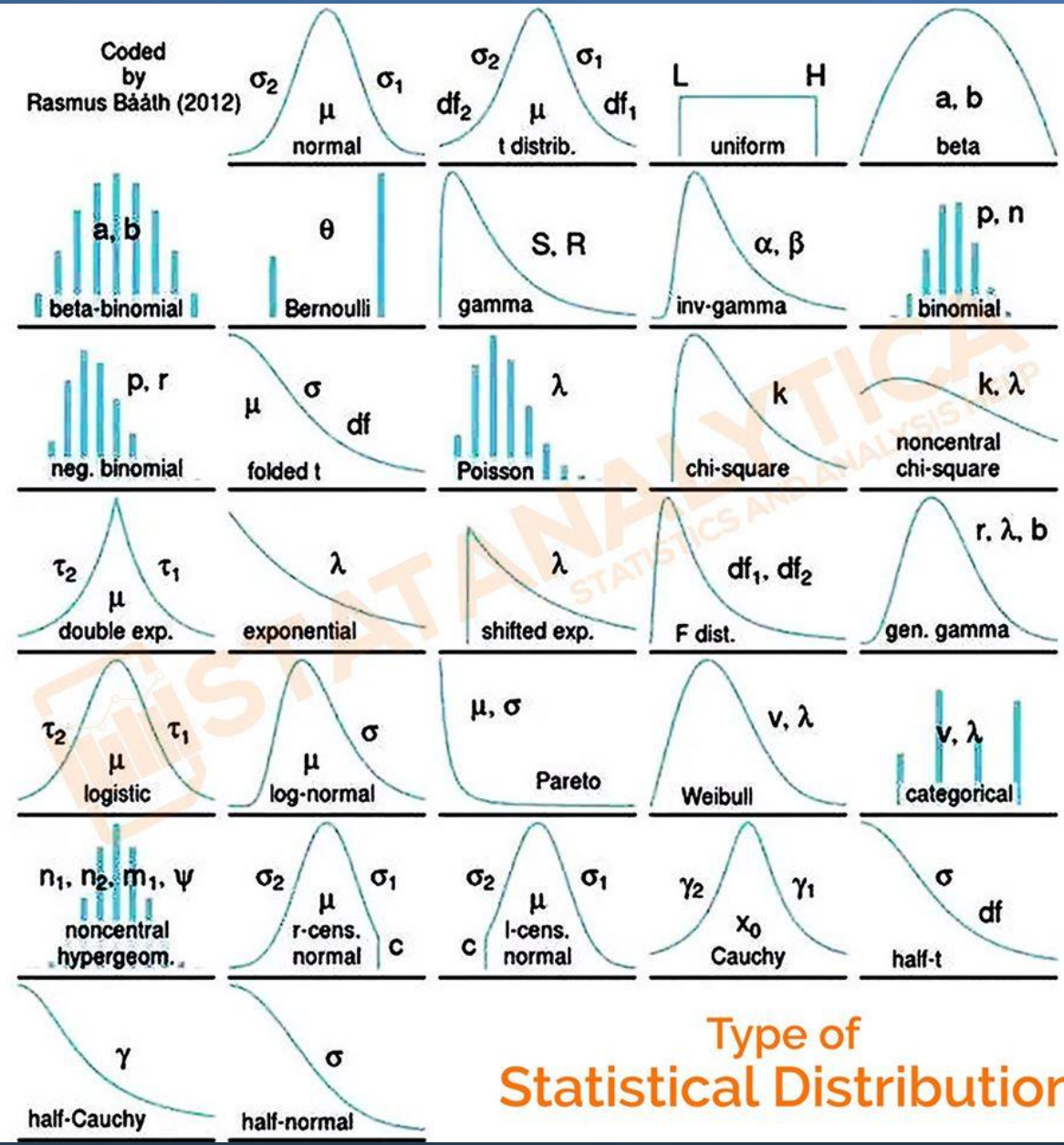
class interval	frequency	Relative Frequency
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0 - 20	4	=4/15 0.27



What is a normal
distribution?



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Type of Statistical Distribution

Types of Descriptive analytics

- There are four major types of descriptive analytics:
 - Measures of Frequency
 - Measures of Central Tendency



Measure of Central Tendency

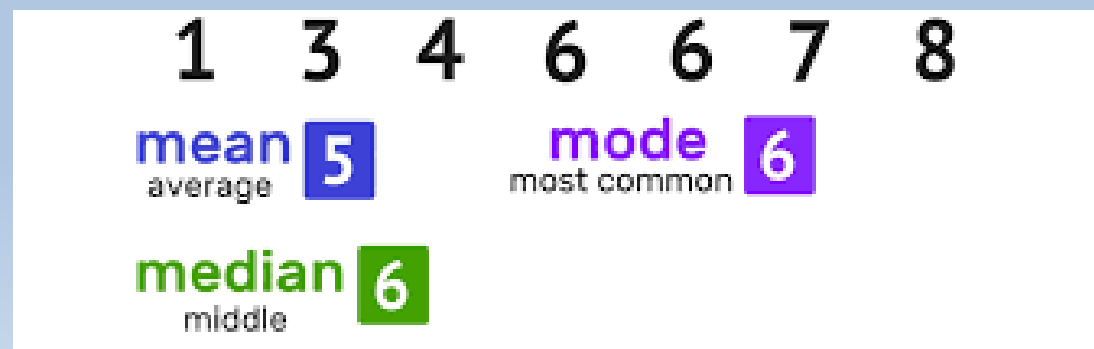
- Mean is the average: $\bar{X} = (\sum x)/n$

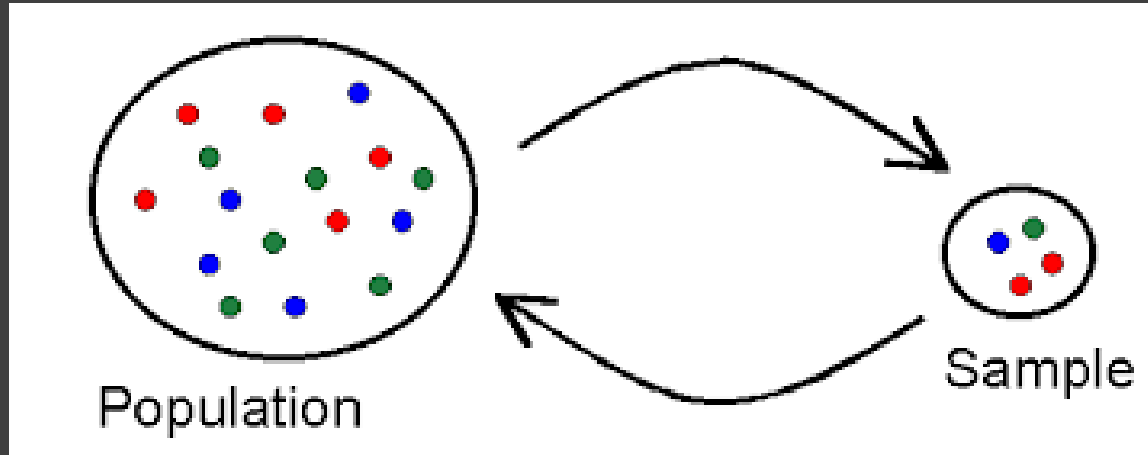
Mean activity duration: $(1+3+4+6+6+7+8)/7$

- Median is the middle number: arrange from the smallest to the largest, then select the middle one
- Mode is the most repeated value

Mean is the best measure of central tendency as it considers all the data values

Weighted mean: Weighted mean is values that have different weightings assigned to them. $\bar{x} = \frac{\sum(x*w)}{\sum w}$





Population Mean	Sample Mean
$\mu = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N x_i}{N}$ <p>N = number of items in the population</p>	$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$ <p>n = number of items in the sample</p>

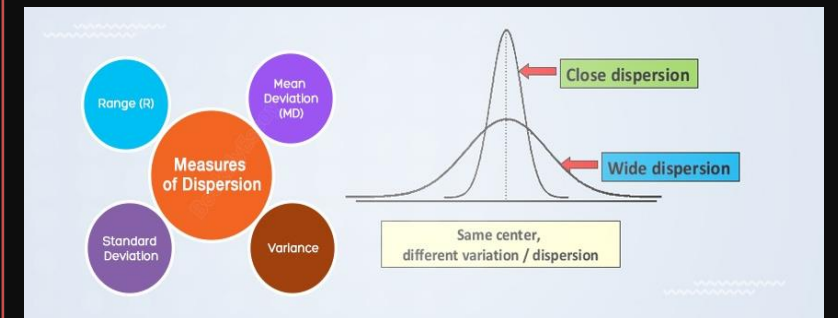
Measures of Central Tendency

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$$\text{variance} = \sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$$

$$\text{standard deviation } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}}$$





Measures of Dispersion or Variation

Range, Variance(σ^2), Standard Deviation (σ)

How can measures such as 'variance' and 'standard deviation' help?

Examples:

- Average suppliers' delays is 3 weeks
- Average school kids height is 110 cm
- Average working hours of employees is 38 hours

Measures of Dispersion or Variation

AGES OF STUDENTS

11,13,13,14,14,15,15,15,15,16,16,18

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Range} &= \text{highest} - \text{lowest} \\ &= 18 - 11\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Range} = 7$$

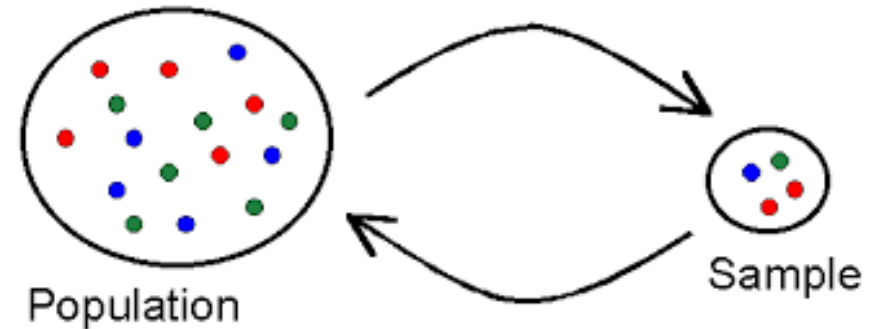
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Measures of Dispersion or Variation

- Variance(σ^2)

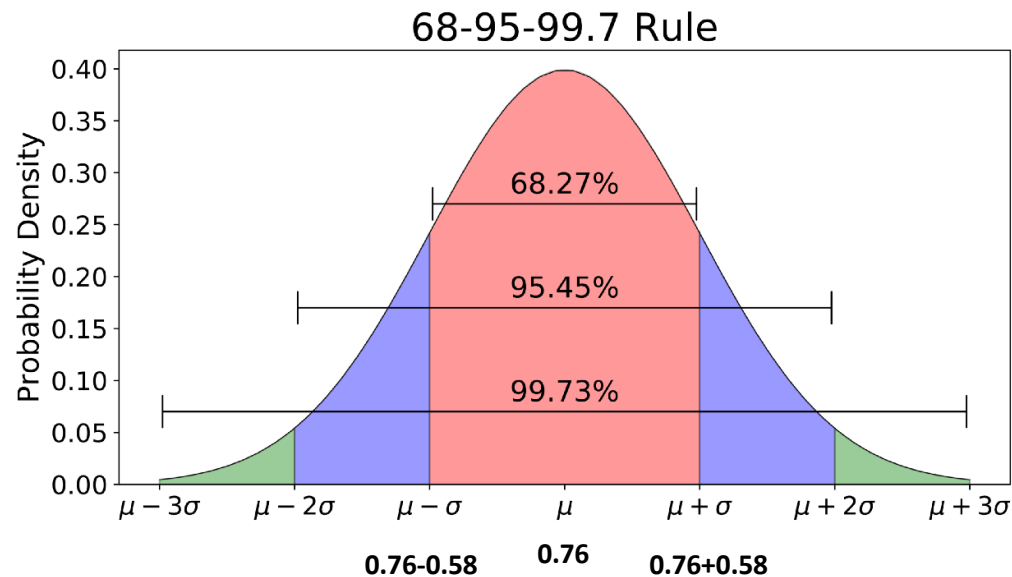
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Sample SD

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 \bar{x} → Sample mean
 x → Each of the values of the data

Activity

For product #38







- ☐ Which store has the highest average starting inventory of product 38
- ☐ Which store has the lowest average starting inventory of product 38
- ☐ What is the range of average average starting inventory
- ☐ What is the average starting inventory of product 38 in all stores
- ☐ Find the variance of the starting inventories
- ☐ Find the standard deviation of the values

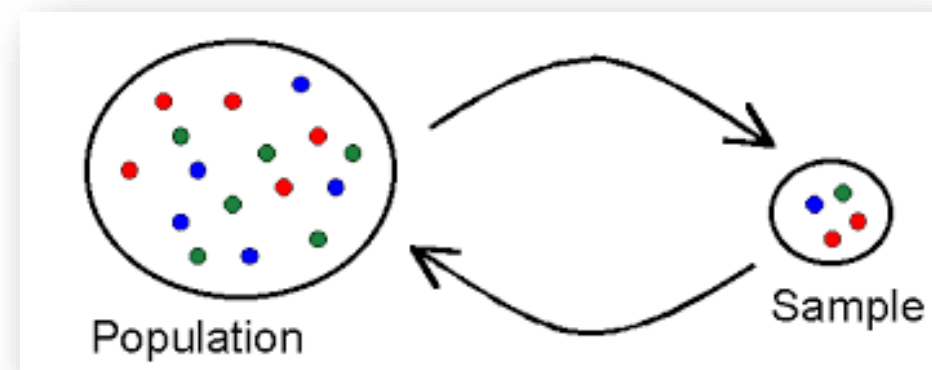
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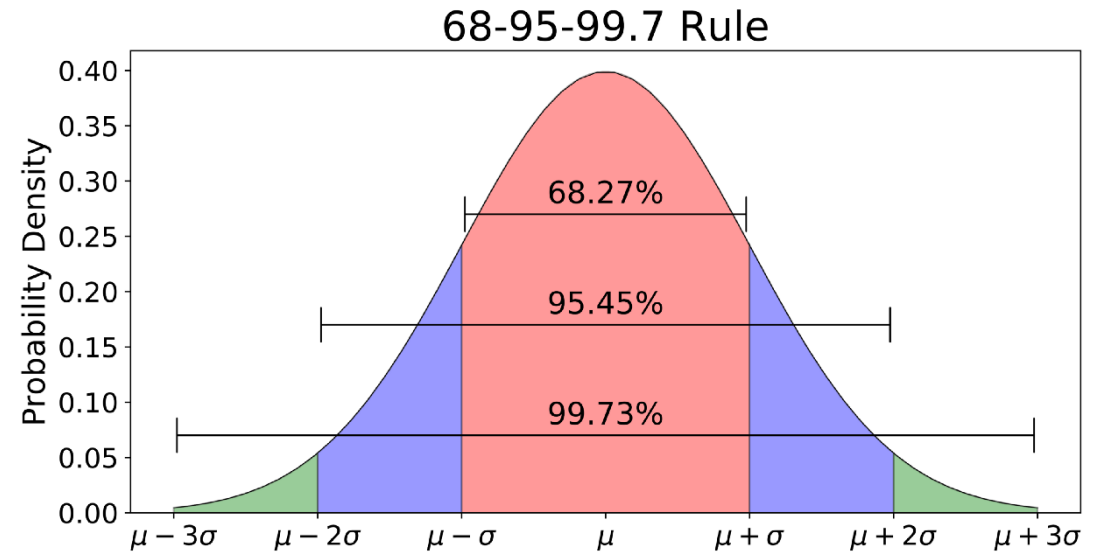
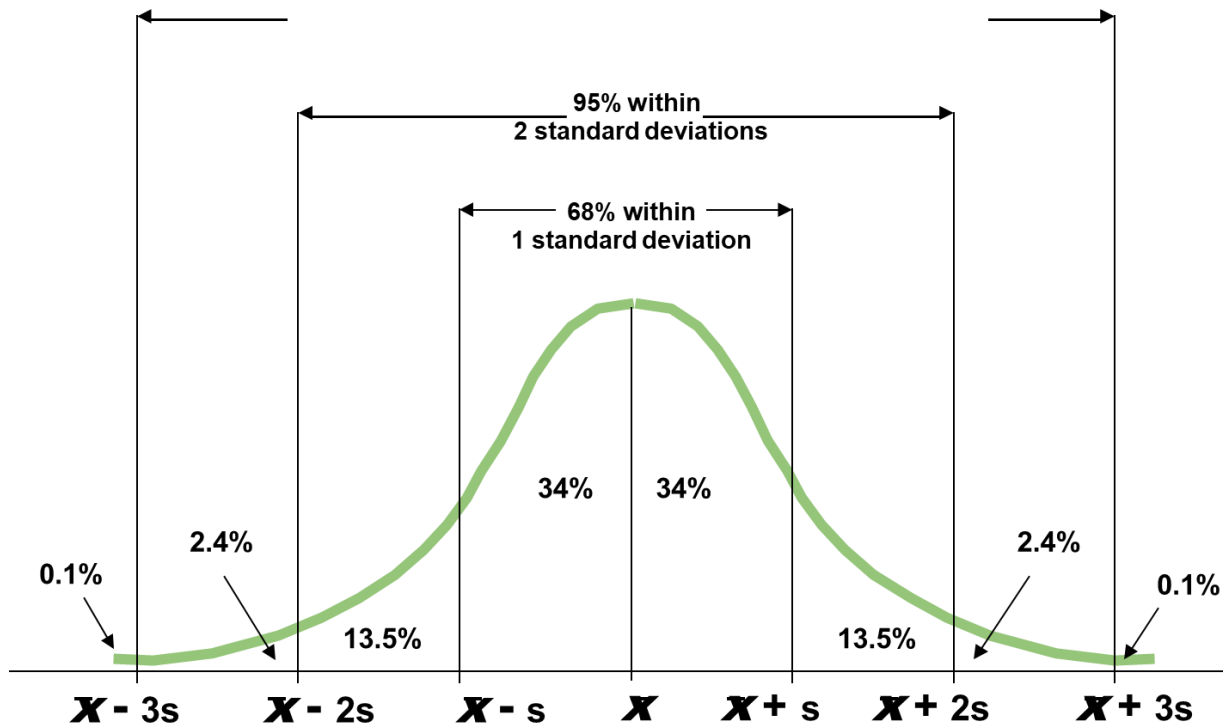
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1	=var		
2	 VAR.P		Ca
3	 VAR.S		
4	 VARA		
5	 VARPA		



In a Normal Distribution:

How many percent of your values do you expect to be in the distance of one standard deviation from the mean?



Types of Descriptive Analytics

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- Measures of Central Tendency
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- Measures of Position

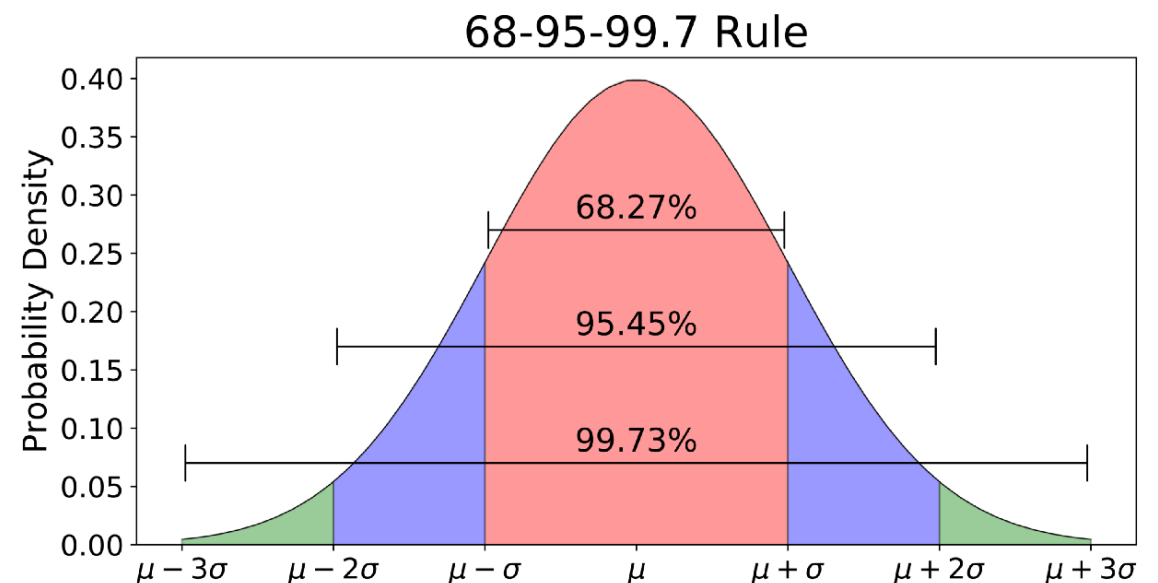
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Example:

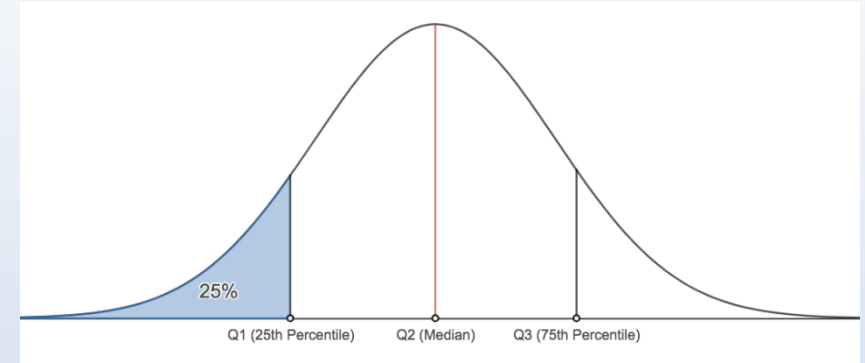
A manager of a store is requesting for promotion or extra budget due to their relatively high sales, you need to be able to find out how well they are doing.

You want to offer some extra payments to employees and want to have a solid base for that extra payment. How would you distribute your limited budget?

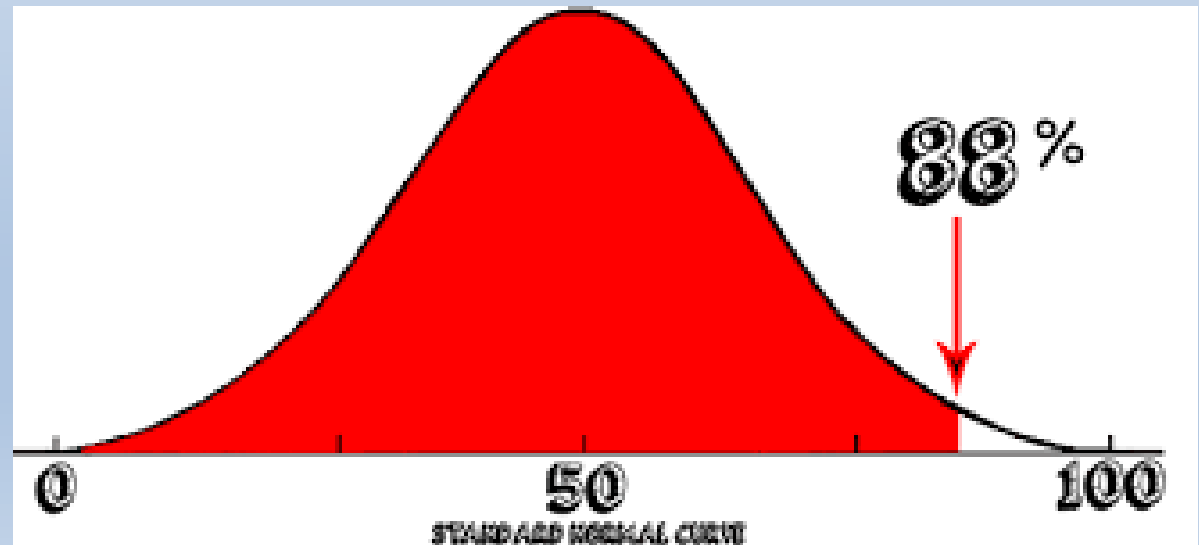
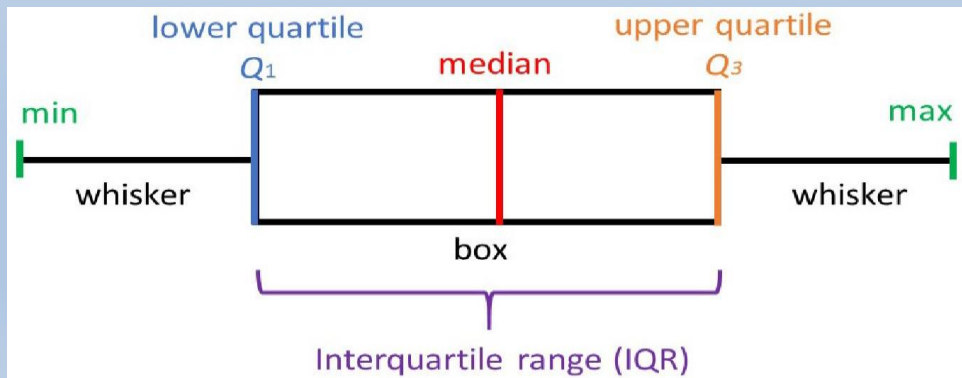
$$Z_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{s}$$



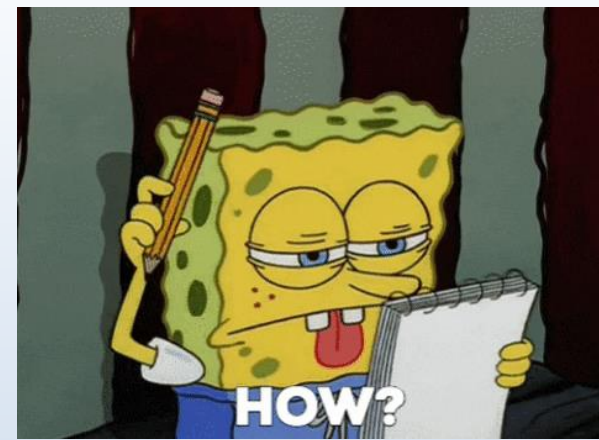
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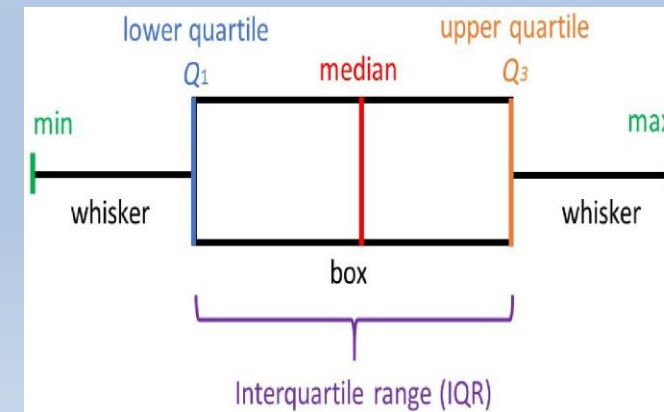
- Percentile Ranks, Quartile Ranks
- Describes how scores fall in relation to one another.
- Use this when you need to compare scores to a normalised score (e.g., a national norm)



Activity



1. Create a table showing different quartiles using **“QUARTILE.INC”** function
2. Find the Median
3. Do this in Excel Insert>Insert Statistics Chart>then choose Box-and-Whisker Plot.



1 3 4 6 6 7 8

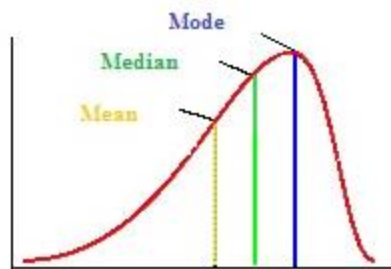
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average

mode 6
most common

median 6
middle

range 7
largest - smallest

Left-Skewed

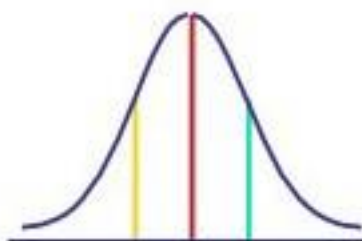


Left-Skewed (Negative Skewness)

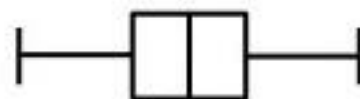
Q1 Q2 Q3



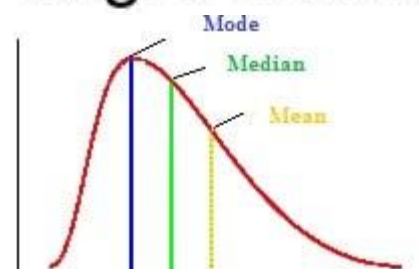
Symmetric



Q1 Q2 Q3

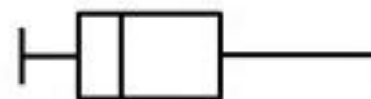


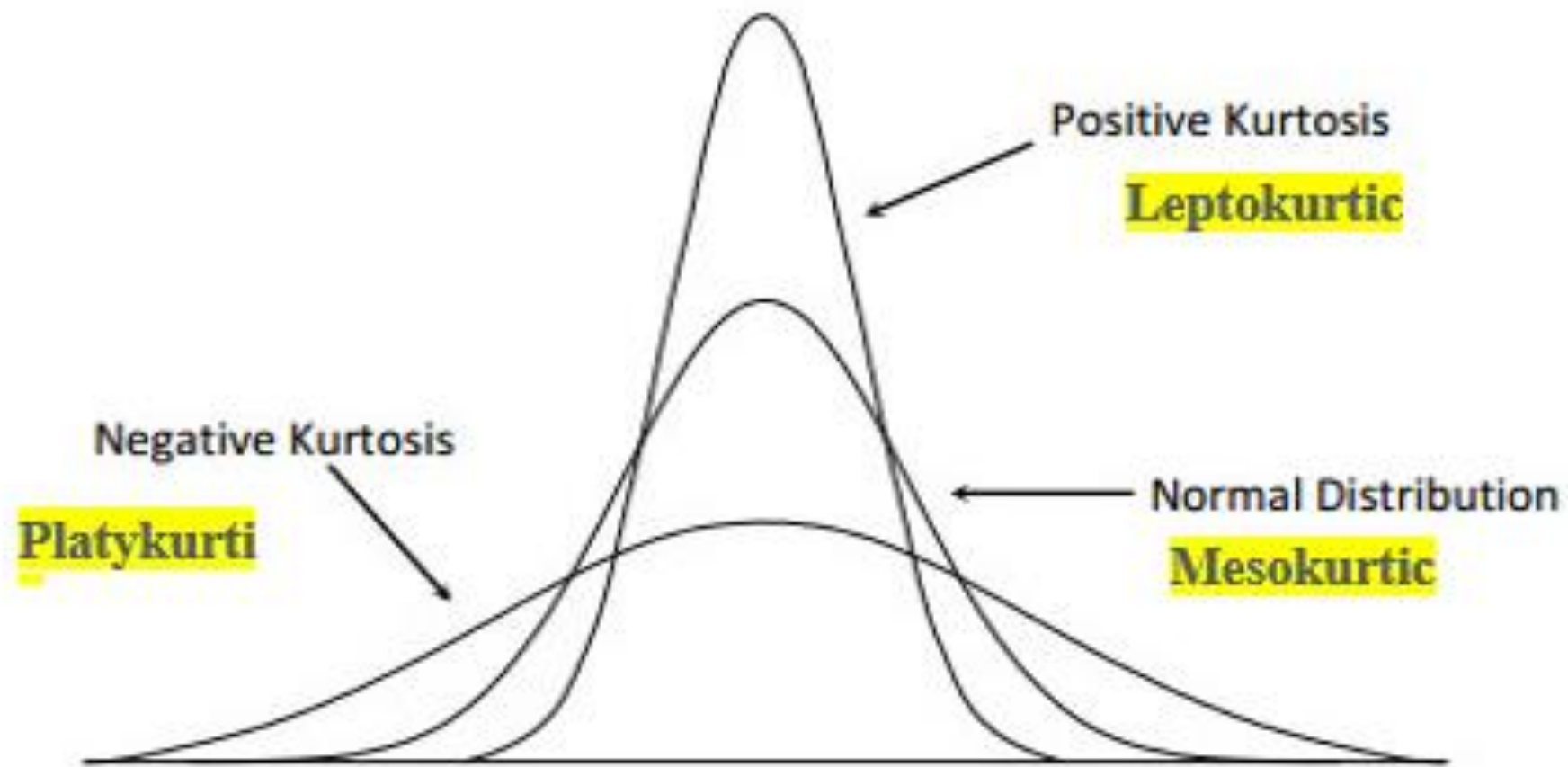
Right-Skewed



Right-Skewed (Positive Skewness)

Q1 Q2 Q3





Activity

- ☐ What is the average of starting inventories for different stores
- ☐ What is the data range
- ☐ What is the standard deviation
- ☐ What is the normal range which includes almost 68% of data
- ☐ What are the max and min
- ☐ What is the skewness of data

