

Mean: Average

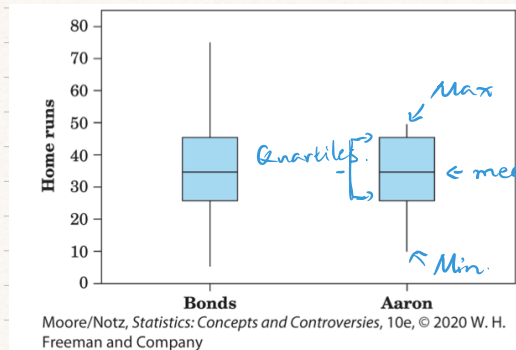
Median: Middle point of these data.

Quartile:  $\frac{1}{4}$  points. \* Quartile calculation excludes the median.

5-Number Summary: if there's odd number of data.



Boxplot:



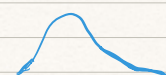
Boxplots can be drawn horizontally or vertically.

The quartiles and the extremes show indicate the variability of the entire data set.

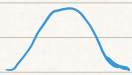
Mean: the ordinary average of the observation.

Standard Deviation: the average distance of observations from the mean.

Distribution



left-skewed  
mean < median



symmetrical  
mean = median



right-skewed  
mean > median

mean and standard deviation are strongly affected by outliers or by the long tail of a skewed distribution.

median and quartiles are less affected.

5-number summary is better than mean and standard deviation usually, except reasonably symmetric distribution that are free of outliers.

Always start with a graph of your data!

Single quantitative variable  $\Rightarrow$  histogram || stemplot

$\Rightarrow$  add numbers to describe the center and variability of the distribution

Description of center and variability  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{5-number summary} \\ \text{mean \& standard deviation} \end{array} \right.$