

# **DESCRIPTION OF DATA**

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# LECTURE **OBJECTIVES**



#### By the end of this lecture, I am able to:

- Able to understand how to summarize the data
- Able to understand how to measure the variability of the data.
- Able to use and interpret appropriately the different summary and variability measures

# Investigation



Tabulation Diagrams Graphs

#### Descriptive Statistics

Measures of Location Measures of Dispersion Measures of Skewness & Kurtosis

#### Inferential Statistics

Estimation Testing Point estimate Interval estimate Hypothesis

# Inferential statistics

Univariate analysis

Multivariate analysis

# Summary & Variability Measures



# Measures of Central Tendency

A statistical measure that identifies a single score as representative for an entire distribution. The goal of central tendency is to find the single score that is most typical or most representative of the entire group.

#### Three common measures of central tendency:

The Mean sum/total (average)

The Median middle number of all data The Mode

most frequent value

# The Mean

Calculate the mean of the following data: 15432

Sum the scores (ΣX): 1 + 5 + 4 + 3 + 2 = 15

Divide the sum ( $\Sigma$ X = 15) by the number of scores (N = 5): 15 / 5 = 3

Mean affected by extreme value = X = 3

# Mean (Arithmetic Mean)

#### The most common measure of central tendency

Affected by extreme values (outliers)\*

extreme value mean for example is the student mark is between 10-12 out there is 4 student get full mark or the opposite if there is 3 student get zero in the exam



# The Median

The median is simply another name for the 50th percentile

It is the score in the middle; half of the scores are larger than the median and half of the scores are smaller than the median

#### Calculate the Median

Conceptually, it is easy to calculate the median

Sort the data from highest to lowest

Find the score in the middle

middle = (N + 1) / 2If N, the number of scores is even, the median is the average of the middle two scores

#### Median Examples

#### Example 1:

• What is the median of the following scores: 24 18 19 42 16 12

Our notes.

Sort the scores: 42 24 19 18 16 12

Determine the middle score: middle = (N + 1) / 2 = (6 + 1) / 2 = 3.5

Median = average of 3rd and 4th scores: (19 + 18) / 2 = 18.5 -first we arrange the number from high to low -N= sample size -here the median because the sample size is double (even) we take the average of the middle two numbers 'the median not affected by extreme values'

#### Example 2:

• What is the median of the following scores: 10 8 14 15 7 3 3 8 12 10 9

Sort the scores: 15 14 12 10 10 9 8 8 7 3 3 Determine the middle score: middle = (N + 1) / 2 = (11 + 1) / 2 = 6Middle score = median = 9 the only difference here is that the sample size is single (odd) so after we rearrange them we take the middle one

## Median

In an ordered array, the median is the "middle" number

If n or N is odd, the median is the middle number

If n or N is even, the median is the average of the two middle numbers (example if n=42 then the median is the <u>average</u> of the 21st and 22nd values)



Not affected by extreme values

# Measures of Central Tendency



# The Shape of Distributions

#### **Symmetrical**

shift to one side

Skewed

Depending on whether there are more frequencies at one end of the distribution than the other.

#### Symmetrical Distributions

A distribution is symmetrical if the frequencies at the right and left tails of the distribution are identical, so that if it is divided into two halves, each will be the mirror image of the other.

In a symmetrical distribution the mean, median, and mode are identical.



Bell-Shaped (also known as symmetric" or "normal")

#### Skewed:

Few extreme values on one side of the distribution or on the other.

- Positively skewed distributions: distributions which have few extremely high values 1. (Mean>Median)
- Negatively skewed distributions: distributions which have few extremely low 2. values(Mean<Median)

Our notes. Doctors notes.

#### Skewed

\*as you go to the right the number increase

• positively (skewed to the right)

it tails off toward larger values

pic1:for example the mark of medicine only 5% of the student will get A+ but the majority will be less than that ,the PIC reflet the majority of student in the left(less number)and the student who get high mark on the right

negatively (skewed to the left)

#### it tails off toward smaller values

pic2 :for example the student mark in research course the majority of the student get A A+ so they will be on the right of the chart



# Choosing a Measure of Central tendency

IF variable is **Nominal** like gender

IF variable is **Ordinal** 

IF variable is Interval-Ratio and distribution is **Symmetrical** 

Mode

Mode or Median (or both)

Mode, Median or Mean

IF variable is Interval-Ratio and distribution is **Skewed** 

Mode or Median

#### Example

(1) 7,8,9,10,11 n=5, $\ge x=45$ , x = 45/5=9(2) 3,4,9,12,15 n=5, $\ge x=45$ ,  $\overline{x} = 45/5=9$ (3) 1,5,9,13,17 n=5, $\ge x=45$ ,  $\overline{x} = 45/5=9$ S.D. : (1) 1.58 (2) 4.74 (3) 6.32

### **Measures of Dispersion**

Measures of dispersion summarize differences in the data, how the numbers differ from one another.

Series I: 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 70 No variability Series II: 66 67 68 69 70 70 71 72 73 74 Small variability Series III: 1 19 50 60 70 80 90 100 110 120 High variability

# Measures of Variability

A single summary figure that describes the spread of observations within a distribution.



#### Variability Example: Range

Marks of students:

52, 76, **100**, 36, 86, 96, 20, **15**, 57, 64, 64, 80, 82, 83, 30, 31, 31, 32, 37, 38, 38, 40, 40, 41, 42, 47, 48, 63, 63, 72, 79, 70, 71, 89

Range: 100-15 = 85 **Quartiles** 





#### Interquartile Range

The interquartile range is Q3-Q1

50% of the observations in the distribution are in the inter quartile range.

The following figure shows the interaction between the quartiles, the median and the interquartile range.



## **Percentiles and Quartiles**

Maximum is 100th percentile: 100% of values lie at or below the maximum

Median is 50th percentile: 50% of values lie at or below the median

Any percentile can be calculated. But the most common are 25th (1st Quartile) and 75th (3rd Quartile)

## Locating Percentiles in a Frequency Distribution

A percentile is a score below which a specific percentage of the distribution falls(the median is the 50th percentile.

The 75th percentile is a score below which 75% of the cases fall.

The median is the 50th percentile: 50% of the cases fall below it

Another type of percentile :The quartile lower quartile is 25th percentile and the upper quartile is the 75th percentile



#### Variance

Deviations of each observation from the mean, then averaging the sum of squares of these deviations.

#### **Standard Deviation**

" ROOT- MEANS-SQUARE-DEVIATIONS"

To "undo" the squaring of difference scores, take the square root of the variance.

Return to original units rather than squared units.

# **Quantifying Uncertainty**

Standard deviation: measures the variation of a variable in the sample. -Technically,

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \overline{x})^2}$$

#### Example

N = 6

Data: X = {6, 10, 5, 4, 9, 8};

2	X	$X - \overline{X}$	$(X-\overline{X})^2$
	6	-1	1
	10	3	9
	5	-2	4
	4	-3	9
	9	2	4
	8	1	1
0	al: 42		Total: 28

Mean:  $\overline{X} = \frac{\sum X}{N} = \frac{42}{6} = 7$ Variance:  $s^{2} = \frac{\sum (\overline{X} - X)^{2}}{N} = \frac{28}{6} = 4.67$ Standard Deviation:

$$s = \sqrt{s^2} = \sqrt{4.67} = 2.16$$

Interpretation: All 6 values on average are deviating by 2.16. On average each student is different from other by 2.16.

# Calculation of Variance & Standard Deviation

Using the deviation & computational method to calculate the variance and standard deviation

# Calculation of Variance & Standard Deviation

Example

#### 3,4,4,4,6,7,7,8,8,9 Given n=10; Sum= 60; Mean = 6



#### **Descriptive Statistics**





#### Variable: Age

Anderson-Darling Normality Test				
A-Squared: P-Value:	0.962 0.014			
Mean StDev Variance Skewness Kurtosis N	36.4500 15.7356 247.608 0.679626 8.51E-02 60			
Minimum 1st Quartile Median 3rd Quartile Maximum	11.0000 25.0000 31.5000 46.7500 79.0000			
95% Confidence Int 32.3851	erval for Mu 40.5149			
95% Confidence Interval for Sigma				
13.3380	19.1921			
95% Confidence Interval for Median				
28.0000	42.0000			

Golden notes

# WHICH MEASURE TO USE ?

DISTRIBUTION OF DATA IS SYMMETRICAL ----> USE MEAN & S.D.,

DISTRIBUTION OF DATA IS SKEWED ----> USE MEDIAN & QUARTILES

