

this numerical measure of time: center & spread

AMS 7  
12 Apr  
17

next time: the normal curve

variable types: ①

ex. litter size in foxes

19-19

hwk 1  
new due  
date: 11:55 pm  
on wed  
19 Apr 17

# pups
4
7
3
4
⋮

1 row for each litter  
 $n = 10 + 1$

hist? quant., discrete, ratio

mean? yes

yes

gaps between possible values represent impossibility

~~aphids on clover~~

Aphids
14
36
⋮
⋮

1 row for each clover  
 $n = 424$  hist? yes  
plant

quant., discrete, ratio

mean? yes

phosphorus conc. (y)

8.42  
9.08  
}

n = 130

1 row  
for each  
leaf

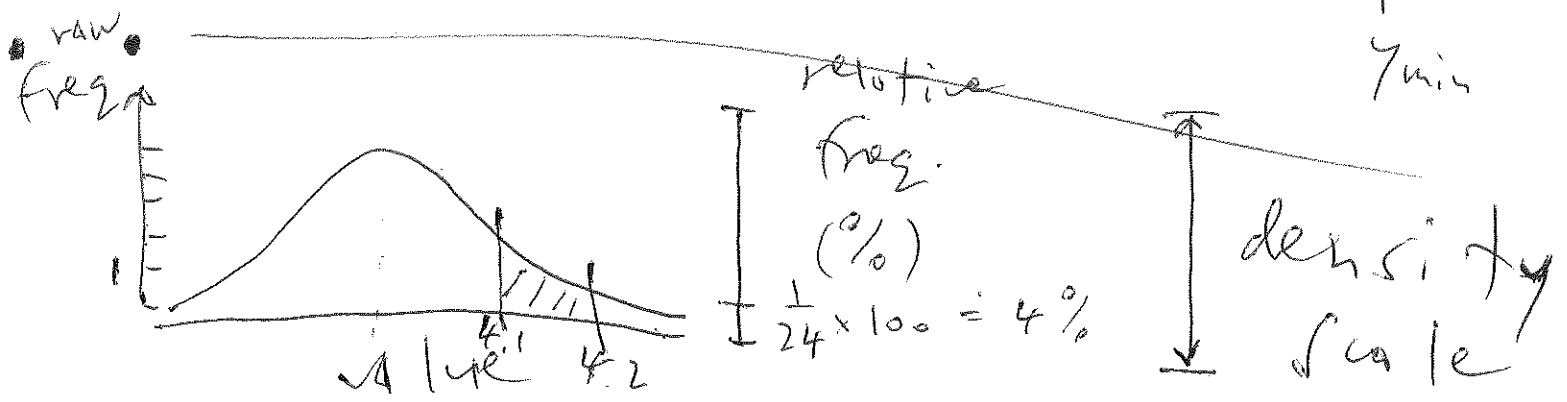
quant.

(conceptually)  
continuous,  
ratio

mean? yes!

hist? yes

$$\frac{y_{max} - y_{min}}{\# \text{ bars}} = \text{bar width}$$



convention: unless otherwise noted,  
all hist. in this class will be  
drawn on the density scale

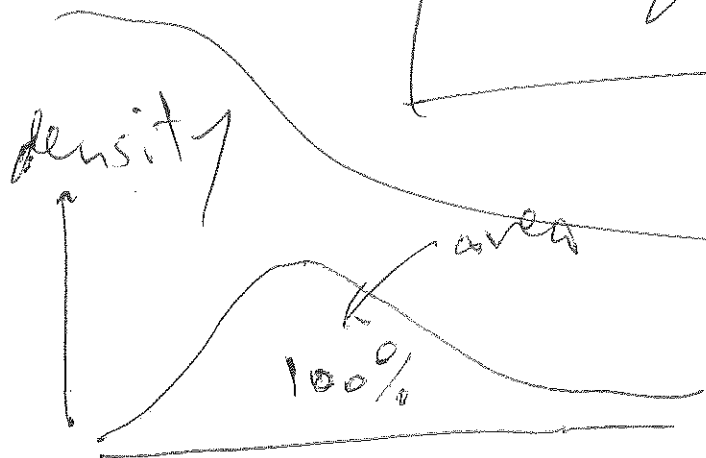
density scale

chosen so that

relative frequency

=

area under hist. (curve)



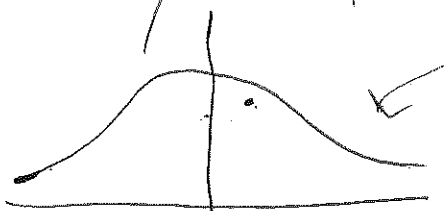
with hist. on density scale, total area under curve

= 1

= 100%

### histogram shapes

Symmetric



psychology

point of symmetry = mode

symmetry

unimodal

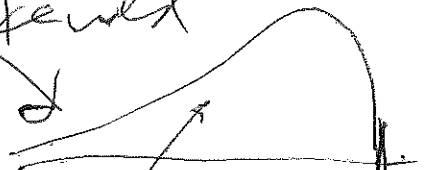


\$0 Trump

income

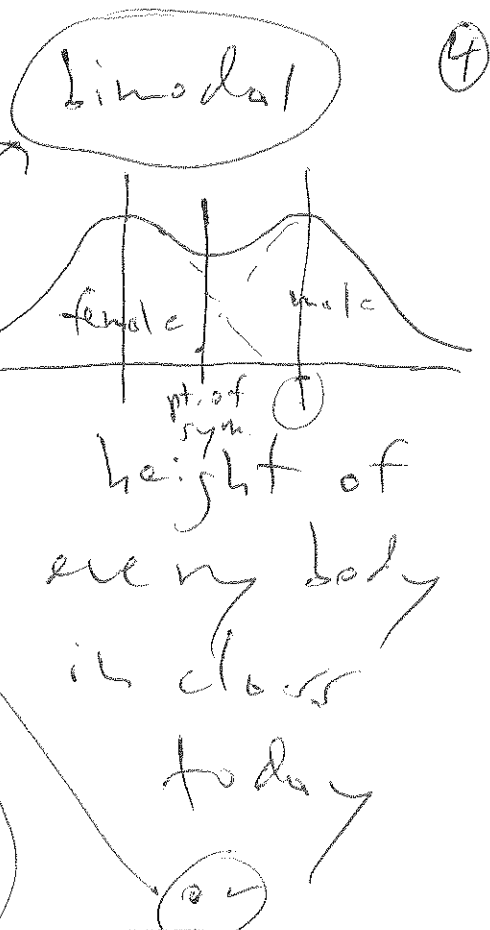
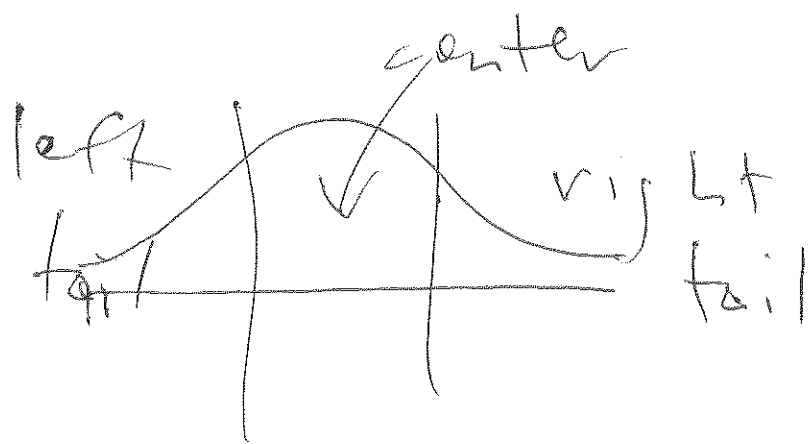
long right-hand tail

asymmetric = skewed



midterm scores

long left-hand tail



mode = point of highest frequency

quantitative (numerical) measures of center of a distribution

multimodal

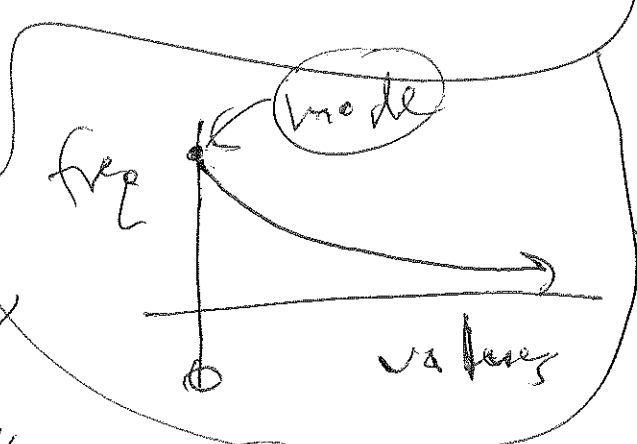
mean (better of the)

wing length (cm)

4.4
3.6
i
3.9

n = 24

mean = ?



mode = not necessarily central, but always typical in terms of freq.

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variable

$y$

generic data set

(5)

$y_1$

$y_2$

$\vdots$

$\vdots$

$y_n$

subscript

$n = \text{sample size} = 24$

$y_{24}$

mean

$\bar{y}$

$$= \frac{y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n}{n}$$

" $y$ -bar"

$$= \frac{1}{n} (y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n)$$

Summation notation

largest index

capital sigma

(expand out the sum)

$\sum$

$y_i$

$$= y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n$$

$i=1$

smallest index (subscript)

the sum, as  $i$  runs from 1 to  $n$ , of

index of summation

$i, j, k$

summation  
notation  
tutorial  
(web  
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string)

Sample  
mean  
of  
variable

$\bar{y}$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$$

in  
this  
data  
set

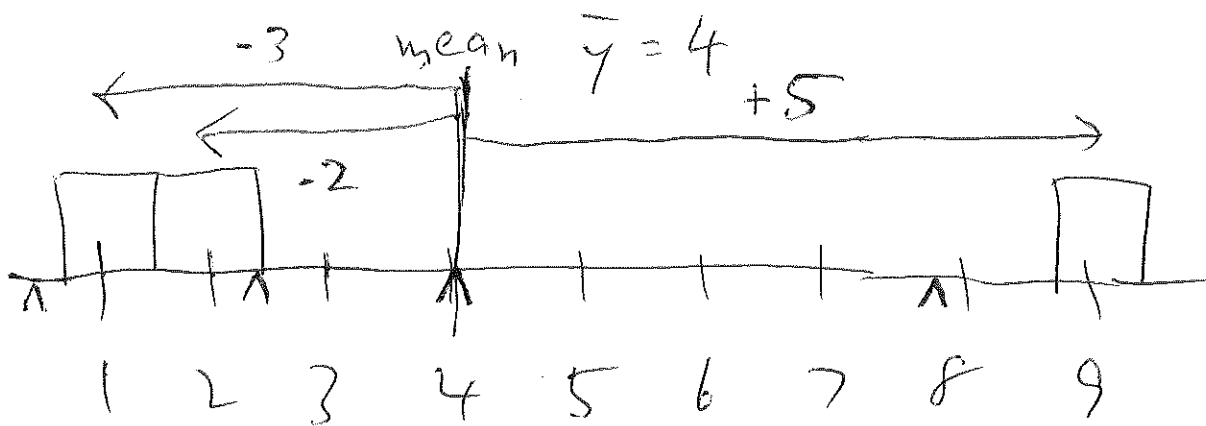
$$\bar{y} = \frac{95.0}{24}$$

$$\approx 3.96 \text{ cm}$$

graphical  
interpretation  
of the mean

$$y_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad n=3$$

fake  
data  
set



mean = balance point

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[\bar{y} = 4]{\text{subtract}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 4 = -3 \\ 2 - 4 = -2 \\ \vdots \\ 9 - 4 = +5 \end{bmatrix}_{n=3}$$

mean

Theorem:

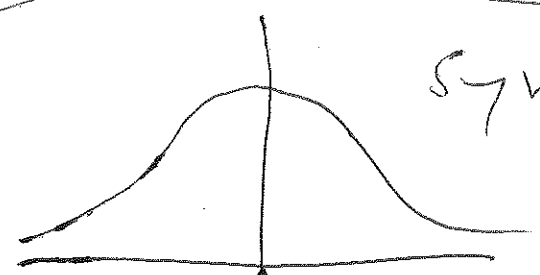
let

$$= \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - \bar{y} \\ y_2 - \bar{y} \\ \vdots \\ y_n - \bar{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

n be any positive integer & let

$y_1, \dots, y_n$  be any

real numbers; then  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y}) = 0$



Symmetric & unimodal

point of symmetry

= mode = mean =