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AP Stats

Unit 01 – Univariate Data Day 3 Notes

Measures of Center, Measures of Spread, Outliers, Linear Transformations, and Comparing Distributions

The following data are travel times for fifteen people to get to work: 20 30 10 40 25 20 10 60 15 40 5 30 12 10 10

Rewrite the numbers in order from least to greatest:

Make a dotplot of the data for a visual representation:



Comparing the Mean and Median:

The mean and median of a roughly symmetric distribution are close together. If the distribution is exactly symmetric, the mean and median are exactly the same. In a skewed distribution the mean is usually farther out in the long tail than its median. If the outliers were to increase, it would increase the mean but the median would stay the same.

Given the data set of: 1, 3, 4, 4, 8 find the standard deviation by hand.

Standard deviation/1 variable statistics in calculator:

1.2 Describing Distributions with Numbers

When you first encounter a dataset, it is a good habit to study a graphical display and estimate the SOCS. However, for a more detailed understanding of data, we must calculate numeric summaries of the center and spread. <u>Note</u>: Be sure you understand how the following measures are calculated before relying on the TI to do the mechanics for you.

The most common measures of center for a dataset are **mean** (\bar{x}) and **median** (Q2). The most common measures of spread/variability for a dataset are **range** (max-min), **interquartile range "IQR"** (Q3-Q1), and **standard deviation** (s_x).

Calculating Numeric Summaries

The calculation of each of these measures, especially the standard deviation, can be quite tedious. Thankfully, the TI can automate those calculations for us. Like plotting data, the calculator requires that you enter the dataset before it can report a numeric summary. If you haven't done so already, enter the Bonds and Aaron data into STAT Edit... L1 and L2, respectively.



WHICH MEASURE OF CENTER/SPREAD DO YOU USE?

Reasonably Symmetric/No Outliers	Strongly Skewed or has Outliers				
	Reasonably Symmetric/No Outliers				

Determine if there are outliers from the problem on the previous page. Outliers:

Ex. The follow data compares the amount of text messages that males and females send in two days:

Males	127	44	28	83	0	6	78	6	5	213	73	20	214	28	11
Females	112	203	102	54	379	305	179	24	127	65	41	27	298	0	130
Question															

Does the data give convincing evidence that the females text more than males?

1. Create a side by side box plot comparing the two data sets

2. Calculate the one-variable stats

	Mean	SD	Min	Q1	Median	Q3	Max	IQR
Male								
Female								

- 3. Which "center of spread" test should best be used to describe this data and why?
- 4. Finally compare SOCS to determine of the data is proof that females text more.

The following data represents the number of people who ran for senior class president in the past 10 years:

1, 5, 3, 2, 4, 4, 2, 2, 1, 3

1. Create a box plot and calculate mean and standard deviation for this data.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20

- 2. Now let's say that we add 10 to each number. What would this do to the box plot? Compare this box plot, mean, and standard deviation with the one above (graph on same number line above)
- 3. Go back to the original data and multiply each number by 3. What would this do to the box plot? Compare this box plot, mean, and standard deviation with the ones above (graph on the same number line above).

WHAT DO YOU NOTICE?

Resistance:

Resistant measures:

Non-resistant measures: