

## I. Measures of Central Tendency:

-Allow us to summarize an entire data set with a single value (the midpoint).

1. Mode : The value (score) that occurs most often in a data set.

- $Mo_x$  = Sample mode

- $Mo$  = Population mode

2. Median : the point (score) which divides the data set in  $\frac{1}{2}$  : e.g.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the subjects are above the median and  $\frac{1}{2}$  are below the median.

- $Mdn_x$  = Sample Median

- $Mdn$  = Population Median

3. Mean: the arithmetic average: Directly considers every score in a distribution.

$$- \bar{X} = \frac{\sum X}{n} = \text{Sample Mean}$$

$$- \mu = \frac{\sum X}{N} = \text{Population Mean}$$

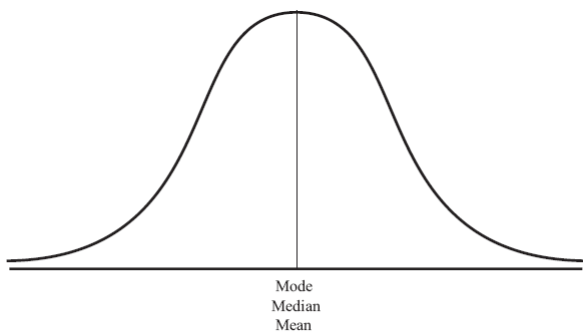
$$- n\bar{X} = \sum X$$

## II. Skewed Distributions & the 3M's

-Skewness refers to the shape of the distribution which can be influenced by extreme scores.

- Skewness is also an estimate of the deviation of the Mean, Median, and Mode.

Figure 1: Symmetrical Distribution

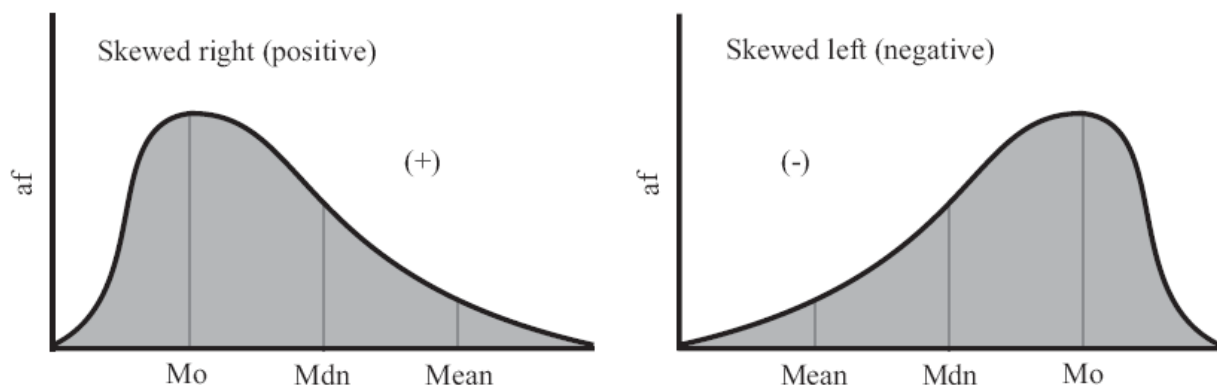


-Symmetrical Dist. = Mean, Median, Mode are all in the same location in the dist. (See Figure 1)

- Skewed Right (Positively Skewed) = Mode in peak of dist.(left of center), Median in center of distribution, Mean in right tail of distribution. (See Figure 2)

Skewed Left (Negatively Skewed) = Mode in peak of dist (right of center), Median in center of distribution, Mean in left tail of distribution. (See Figure 2)

Figure 2: Positively and Negatively Skewed Distributions





- Range for South Pole P's =  $8 - 2 = 6$

-Problems with Range, this is a summary measure that does not directly consider every value in the data set (here only the two extreme numbers; largest and smallest). Therefore, we do not know whether most of the scores occur at the extremes of the distribution or toward the center. It is a very crude measure of variability.

For example:

Zoo Penguins	South Pole Penguins	North Pole Penguins
5	2	2
5	3	5
5	4	5
5	5	5
5	5	5
5	6	5
5	7	5
5	8	8
$\Sigma X = 40$	$\Sigma X = 40$	$\Sigma X = 40$
Range = 0	Range = 6	Range = 6

III. Variance = indicates the total amount of variability (differences between scores) in a data set by directly considering every observation.

-To do this requires a point from which each observation can be compared to assess the amount they differ. The Mean can be used as a point of comparison, since it considers every observation in its calculation.

Mean Deviation =  $\Sigma(X - \bar{x})$

Zoo Penguins	X - Mean		South Pole Penguins	X - Mean		North Pole Penguins	X - Mean
5	0		2	-3		2	-3
5	0		3	-2		5	0
5	0		4	-1		5	0
5	0		5	0		5	0
5	0		5	0		5	0
5	0		6	1		5	0
5	0		7	2		5	0
5	0		8	3		8	3
$\Sigma X = 40$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean}) = 0$		$\Sigma X = 40$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean}) = 0$		$\Sigma X = 40$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean}) = 0$
Mean = 5			Mean = 5			Mean = 5	
Range = 0			Range = 6			Range = 6	

- The sum of the mean deviation for any data set is always 0. This limits the usefulness of the mean deviation for summarizing different data sets with a single point.

-If we square each deviation value then the negative values cancel out and we are left with a more meaningful value.

Zoo Penguins	X - Mean	(X - Mean) <sup>2</sup>	South Pole Penguins	X - Mean	(X - Mean) <sup>2</sup>
5	0	0	2	-3	9
5	0	0	3	-2	4
5	0	0	4	-1	1
5	0	0	5	0	0
5	0	0	5	0	0
5	0	0	6	1	1
5	0	0	7	2	4
5	0	0	8	3	9
$\Sigma X = 40$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean}) = 0$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean})^2 = 0$	$\Sigma X = 40$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean}) = 0$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean})^2 = 28$
Mean = 5			Mean = 5		
Range = 0			Range = 6		

North Pole Penguins	X - Mean	(X - Mean) <sup>2</sup>
2	-3	9
5	0	0
5	0	0
5	0	0
5	0	0
5	0	0
5	0	0
8	3	9
$\Sigma X = 40$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean}) = 0$	$\Sigma(X - \text{Mean})^2 = 18$
Mean = 5		
Range = 6		

-If we sum these values we no longer get 0, but a number that reflects the total variance for this data set, if we divide that number by N or n we get the average variance for this data set.

Definitional Population Formula  $= \sigma^2 = \frac{\Sigma (X - \bar{x})^2}{N}$

Definitional Sample Formula  $= s^2 = \frac{\Sigma (X - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$

-Note sample variance uses n-1 rather than N because it is an estimate of the population variance. Due to this reduced denominator the sample variance will always be slightly larger than the population variance.

Zoo Penguins =  $\sigma^2 = \frac{\Sigma (X - \bar{X})^2}{N} = \frac{0}{8} = 0$

$s^2 = \frac{\Sigma (X - \bar{X})^2}{n-1} = \frac{0}{8-1} = \frac{0}{7} = 0$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X})^2}{N} = \frac{28}{8} = 3.5$$

South Pole Penguins =

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1} = \frac{28}{8 - 1} = \frac{28}{7} = 4$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X})^2}{N} = \frac{18}{8} = 2.25$$

North Pole Penguins =

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1} = \frac{18}{8 - 1} = \frac{18}{7} = 2.5714$$

-gives a good idea of how we get variance but it is time consuming for large data sets, so we have developed mathematically identical (algebraically equivalent) formulas that are a little easier to calculate

Computational Formulas=

$$\text{Population Variance} = \sigma^2 = \frac{\sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2/N}{N}$$

$$\text{Sample Variance} = s^2 = \frac{\sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2/n}{n-1}$$

-Note sample variance uses n-1 rather than N because it is an estimate of the population variance. Due to this reduced denominator the sample variance will always be slightly larger than the population variance.

	Zoo Penguins	X <sup>2</sup>	South Pole Penguins	X <sup>2</sup>	North Pole Penguins	X <sup>2</sup>
	5	25	2	4	2	4
	5	25	3	9	5	25
	5	25	4	16	5	25
	5	25	5	25	5	25
	5	25	5	25	5	25
	5	25	6	36	5	25
	5	25	7	49	5	25
	5	25	8	64	8	64
ΣX	40		40		40	
ΣX <sup>2</sup>		200		228		218

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{N}}{N} = \frac{200 - \frac{(40)^2}{8}}{8} = \frac{200 - \frac{1600}{8}}{8} = \frac{200 - 200}{8} = \frac{0}{8} = 0$$

Zoo Penguins:

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n}}{n - 1} = \frac{200 - \frac{(40)^2}{8}}{8 - 1} = \frac{200 - \frac{1600}{8}}{7} = \frac{200 - 200}{7} = \frac{0}{7} = 0$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{N}}{N} = \frac{228 - \frac{(40)^2}{8}}{8} = \frac{228 - \frac{1600}{8}}{8} = \frac{228 - 200}{8} = \frac{28}{8} = 3.5$$

South Pole Penguins:

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n}}{n-1} = \frac{228 - \frac{(40)^2}{8}}{8-1} = \frac{228 - \frac{1600}{8}}{7} = \frac{228 - 200}{7} = \frac{28}{7} = 4$$


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$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{N}}{N} = \frac{218 - \frac{(40)^2}{8}}{8} = \frac{218 - \frac{1600}{8}}{8} = \frac{218 - 200}{8} = \frac{18}{8} = 2.25$$

North Pole Penguins:

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n}}{n-1} = \frac{218 - \frac{(40)^2}{8}}{8-1} = \frac{218 - \frac{1600}{8}}{7} = \frac{218 - 200}{7} = \frac{18}{7} = 2.5714$$

-Problems: This formula is the base for many other statistical formulas, however as a single summary measure it has little numerical meaning until it is converted to a standardized score.

- Right now it represents the average distance each penguin is from the mean, in squared mile units.

3. **Standard Deviation**= The square root of a variance. The standardized variance value. It provides us with a numerically meaningful measure of variance:

-The average distance each observation is from the mean.

-This value (when combined with other stats methods) allow us to infer what percentage of our observations are a certain distance from the mean.

Standard Deviation (based on computational formula of variance)

Population St. Dev. :

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{N}}{N}}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2}$$

Sample St. Dev. :

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n}}{n-1}}$$

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

-The larger the value of variance or standard deviation, relative to the numerical values of the observations, the greater the amount of variability that is present in the data set.

$$\text{Zoo Penguins : } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{N}}{N}}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sqrt{0} = 0$$

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n}}{n-1}}$$

$$s = \sqrt{s^2} = \sqrt{0} = 0$$

$$\text{South Pole Penguins : } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{N}}{N}}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sqrt{3.5} = 1.8708$$

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n}}{n-1}}$$

$$s = \sqrt{s^2} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$\text{North Pole Penguins : } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{N}}{N}}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2} = \sqrt{2.25} = 1.5$$

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum X^2 - \frac{(\sum X)^2}{n}}{n-1}}$$

$$s = \sqrt{s^2} = \sqrt{2.5714} = 1.6935$$

With respect to sample standard deviations ( $s$ ), we can say:

- Zoo penguins are an average of 0 miles from the mean number of miles walked before hallucinating
- South Pole penguins are an average of 2 miles from the mean number of miles walked before hallucinating.
- North Pole penguins are an average of 1.69 miles from the mean number miles walked before hallucinating.

- Question - How do you know when a penguin is Hallucinating?