

### 3.3 Position of a data point within the Group <sup>①</sup>

We seek to define the location of any given data point within that data point's Group

This tells us how to compare different data points

**Ex** Amongst their gender who is taller?  
a man @ 73" or a woman @ 68"

To answer this question we introduce the

**Z-score**

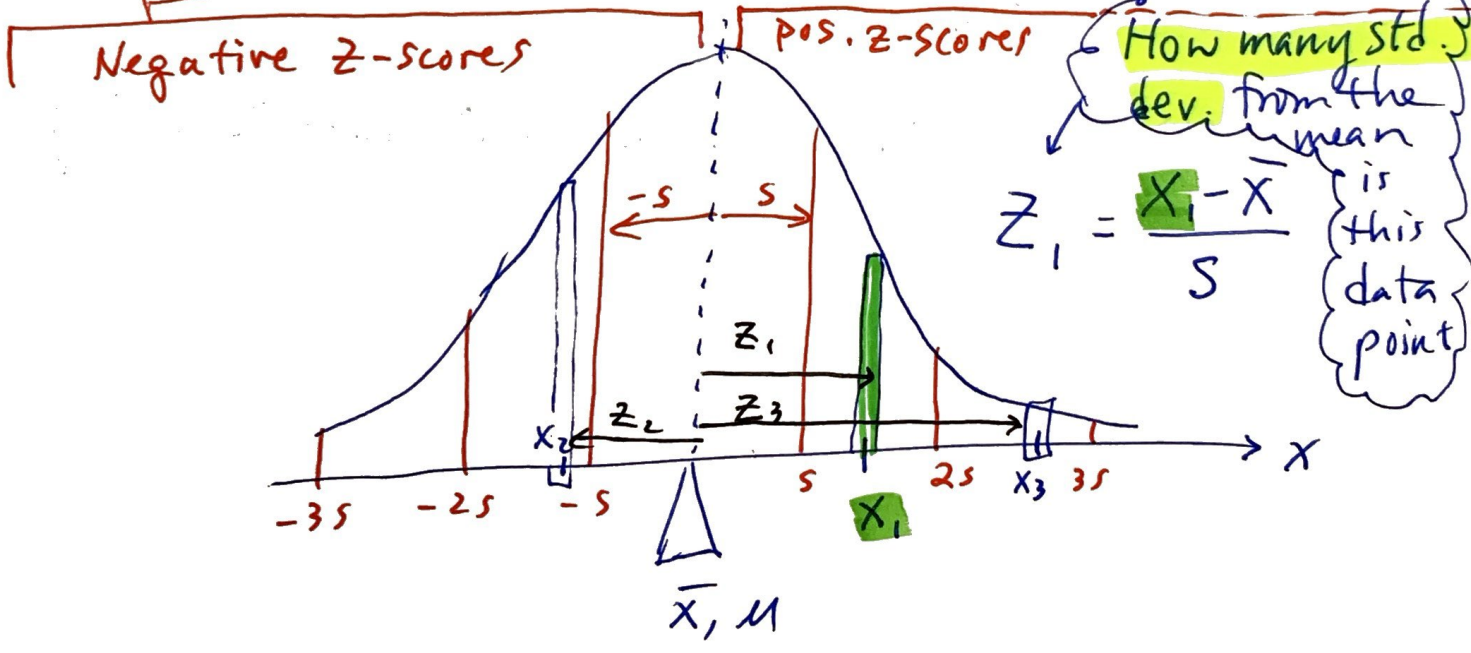
$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

population census

and

$$z = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{s}$$

sample from a population



EX

Statisticians found that in a pop of college men the average height is 69.4 inches with a std. deviation of 3.1 inches

For college women the mean is 63.8 in and a std. dev. of 2.8 inches

Q: who is taller within their gender group: a 73" male or a 68" female?

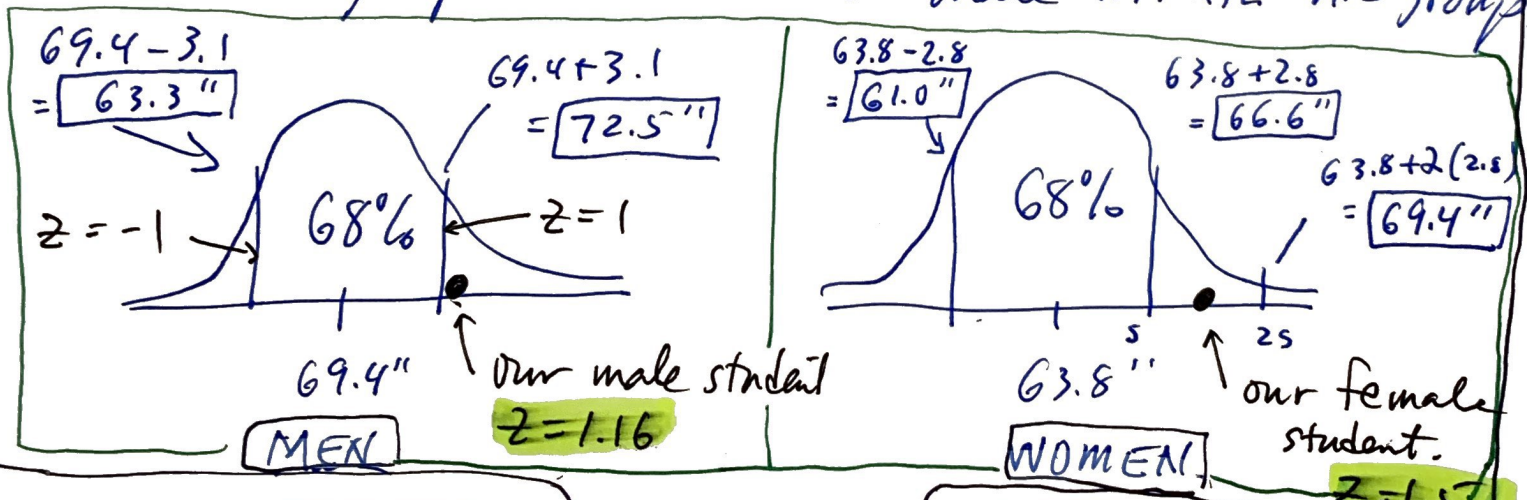
We can assume these groups has a unimodal and symmetric distribution thus allowing us to use z-score

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

The 73" male:  $z = \frac{73 - 69.4}{3.1} = \underline{1.16}$  std. dev from the mean

The 68" female:  $z = \frac{68 - 63.8}{2.8} = \underline{1.50}$

Conclusion The 68" woman is taller within her group vs. the 73" male within his group





Ex (cont.)

Q: Is a 75" man unusual?

i.e. is the z score of this man larger than 2?

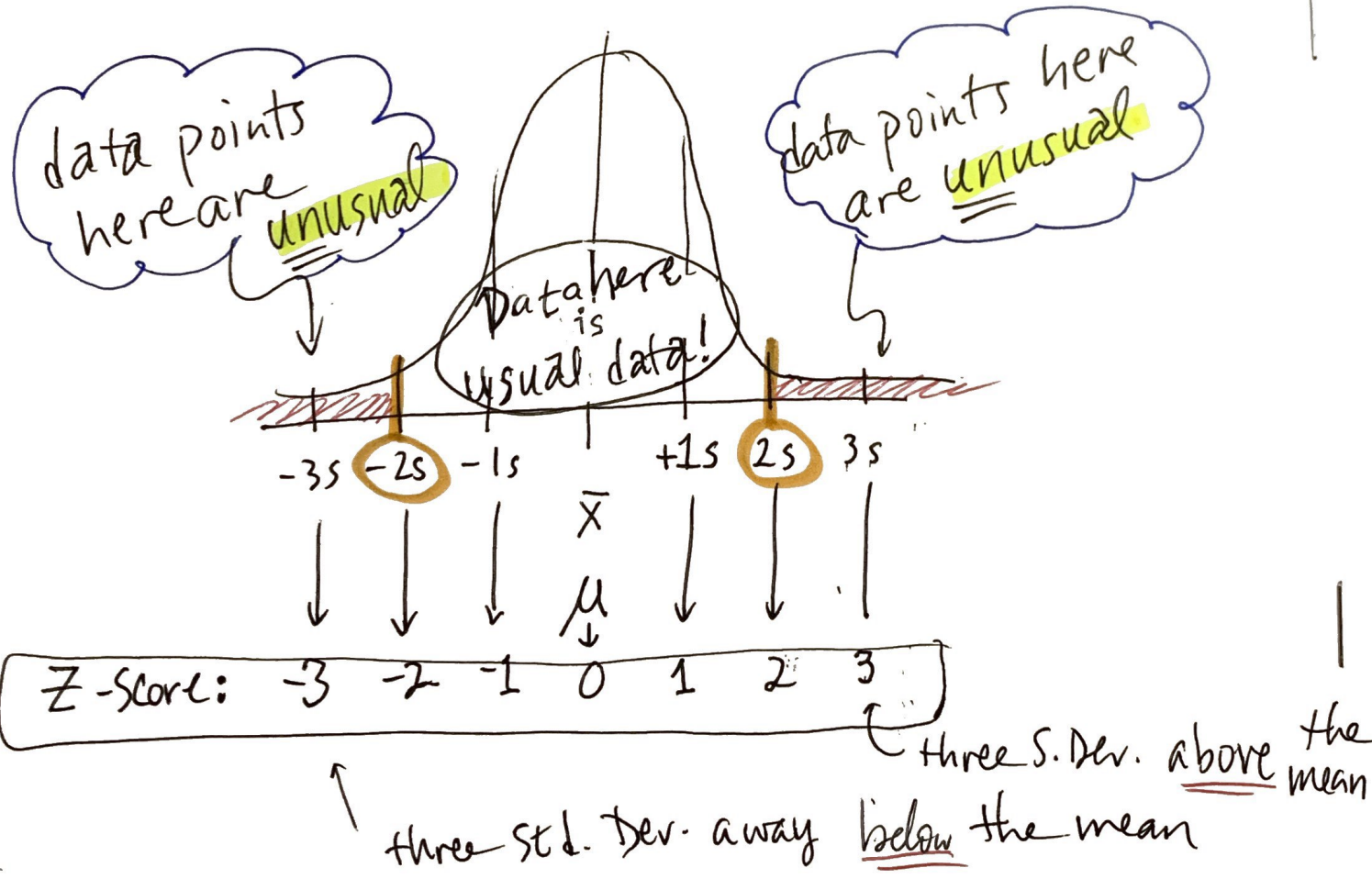
$$z = \frac{75 - 69.4}{3.1} = \underline{1.8} \quad \underline{\text{Not Unusual}}$$

Q: Is a 54" woman unusual?

$$z = \frac{54 - 63.8}{2.8} = \underline{-3.5} \quad \underline{\text{very unusual}}$$

Unusual

Recall unusual is  $\pm 2s$  or beyond; this means that z-scores beyond  $\pm 2$  are unusual



# \* Quartiles

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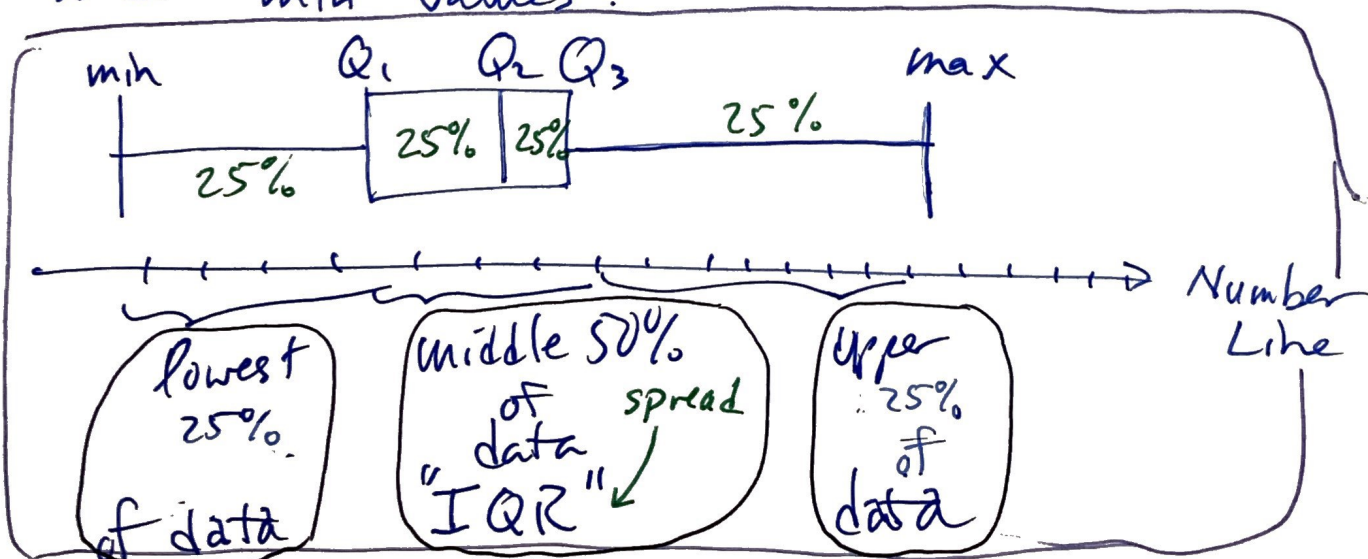
## Def

The 1<sup>st</sup> Quartile,  $Q_1$ , is a data point that separates the lowest 25% of the data from the upper 75% of the data.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Quartile,  $Q_2$ , is a data point that separates the lowest 50% of data from the upper 50% of data. (aka median)

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Quartile,  $Q_3$ , is that data point that separates the lower 75% from the upper 25% of the data.

\* Box-Plot. A rectangle whose edges are at  $Q_1$  &  $Q_3$  and that has "whiskers" that extend from these edges to the max and min values.





Def/ The **IQR** is called the **Inter Quartile Range**

$IQR = Q_3 - Q_1$  Contains 50% of the middle data

\* **5-number Summary**

min \_\_\_\_\_

Q<sub>1</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

median \_\_\_\_\_

Q<sub>3</sub> \_\_\_\_\_

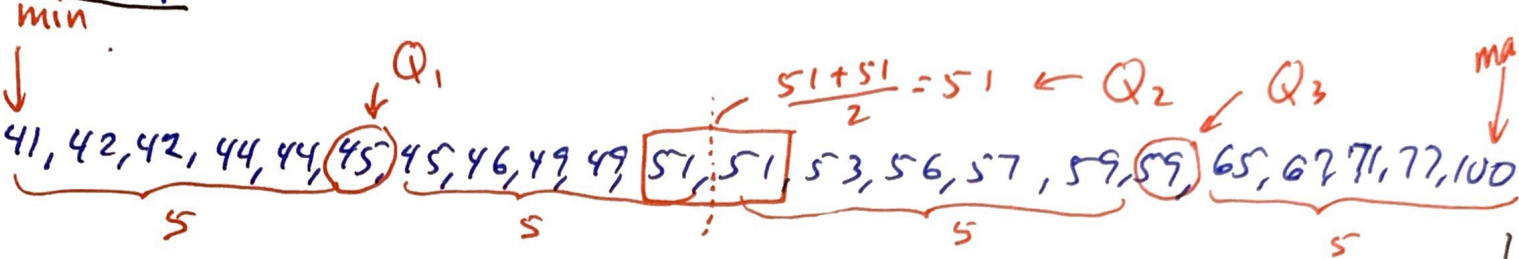
max \_\_\_\_\_

The **IQR** is a measure of spread. It is effective for not only unimodal and symmetric data distributions but also unimodal and skewed data.

**EX** Build a box plot for the follow data

• Raw: 65, 67, 71, 57, 51, 49, 44, 41, 59, 49, 42, 56, 45, 77

• Order: 44, 42, 45, 46, 100, 59, 53, 51 N=22

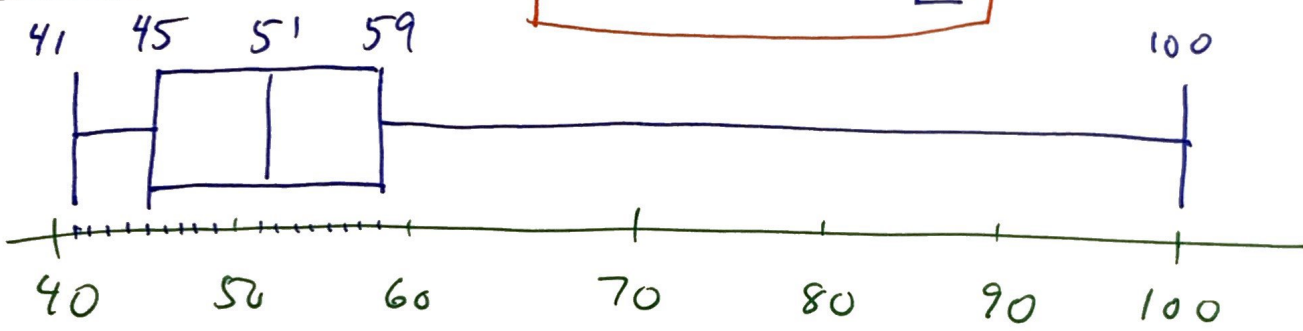


• 5 number Summary

min	41
Q <sub>1</sub>	45
Q <sub>2</sub>	51
Q <sub>3</sub>	59
max	100

• Box Plot

$IQR = 59 - 45 = 14$

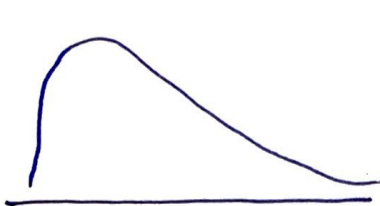


spread of data set is the IQR for non-sym data sets.

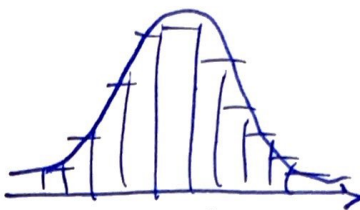
• Stat disk: enter data → data → explore data  
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 Box-Plot

# ⊕ Box-Plot vs. Histogram Distribution

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skewed right

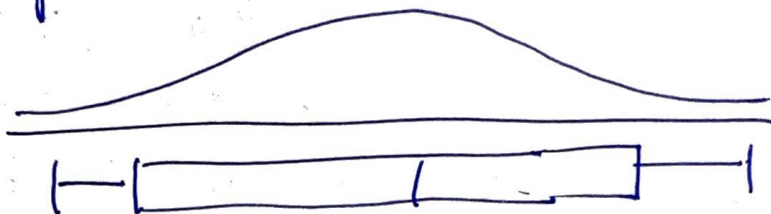


symmetrical

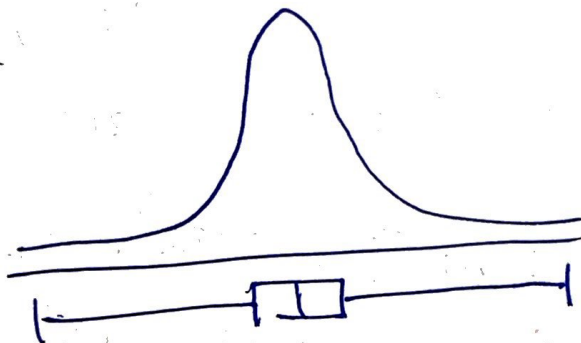


skewed left

- wide data spread



- narrow spread





EX

Consider the data set (pre-ordered)

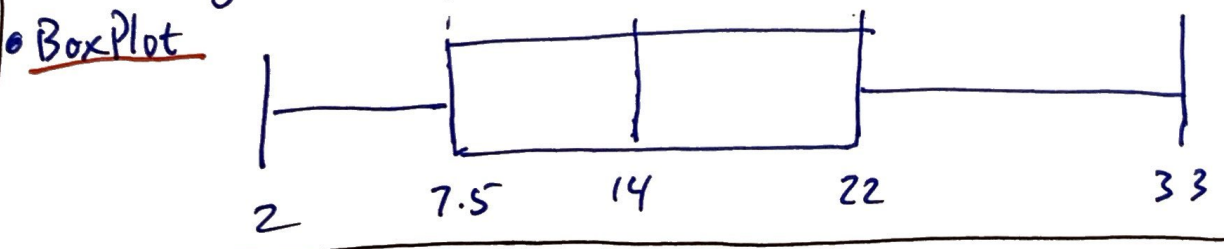
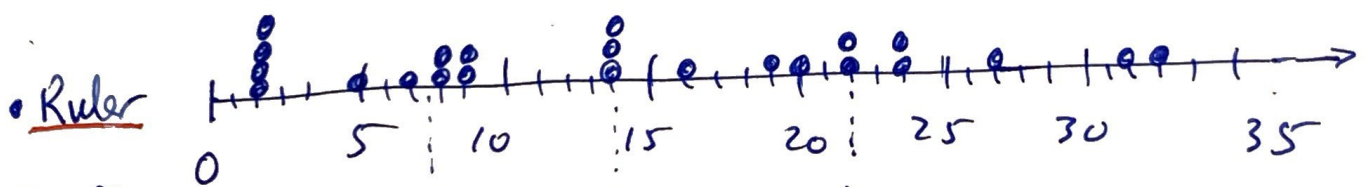
2	2	2	2	5	7	8	8	9	9	14	14
14	16	19	20	21	22	22	24	24	27	32	33

N = 24

Construct a Dot Plot (see below)

- 5 # Summary:
  - min : 2
  - $Q_1 : \frac{7+8}{2} = 7.5$
  - $Q_2 : \frac{14+14}{2} = 14$
  - $Q_3 : \frac{22+22}{2} = 22$
  - max : 33

• Dot Plot (not nec'y)  
 mode = 2      median = 14



- statdisk
  - col in col 1 of data editor
  - data → box plot → select col 1

- Box Plot for traditional
- Modified Box Plot for outlier display



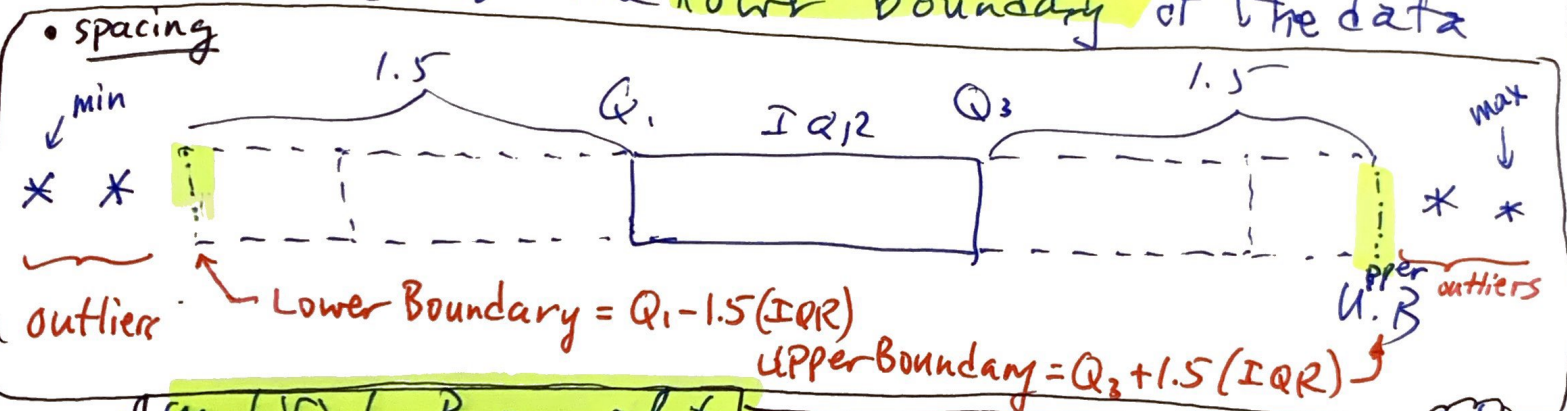
**Outliers** An outlier is a data point that stands apart from the data set.

- outliers may be erroneous: correct or ignore
- outliers may be a fact: explain or ignore (but tell the reader why).

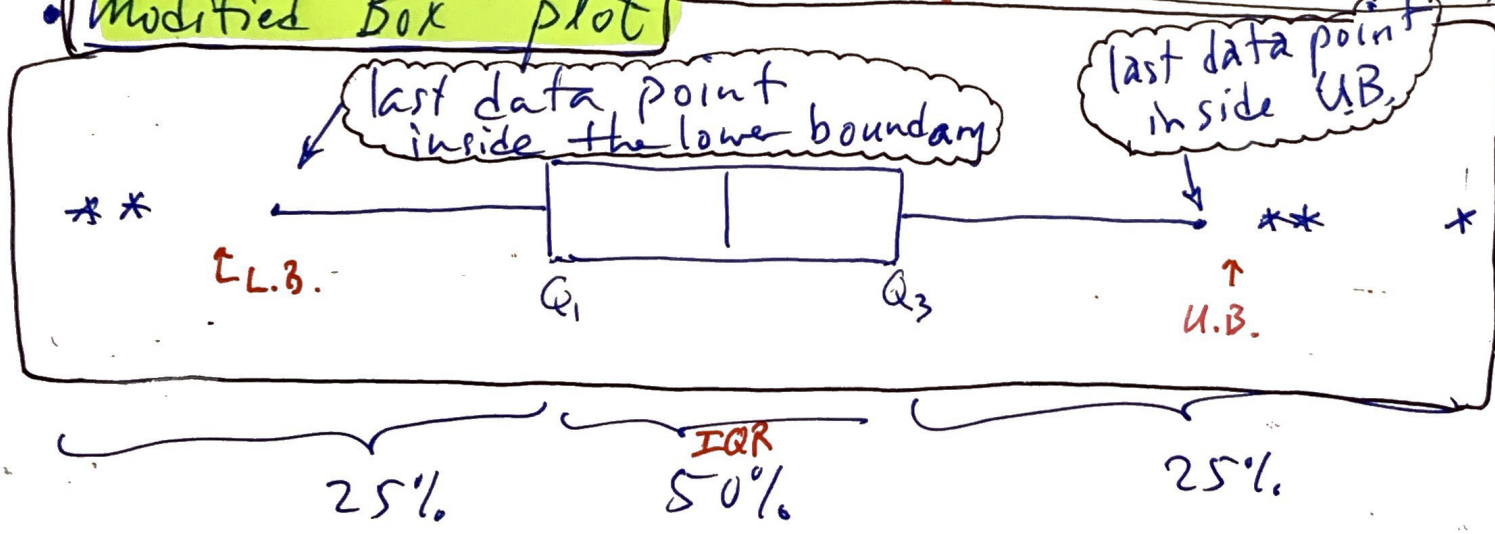
- We identify outliers as being points that are **1.5 IQR's** above  $Q_3$ , this is called the **Upper Boundary**

-OR-

- Points that are **1.5 IQR's** below  $Q_1$ , this is called the **lower boundary** of the data



**Modified Box plot**



# EX Modified Box Plot

ordered data

$Q_1$   
 41, 42, 42, 44, 45, 45, 46, 49, 49, 51, 51, 53, 56, 57, 59, 59, 65, 67, 71, 90, 100  
 $Q_2$   
 $N = 21$

## 5 # Summary

min : 41

$Q_1 : (45+45)/2 = 45$

$Q_2 : 51$

$Q_3 : (59+65)/2 = 62$

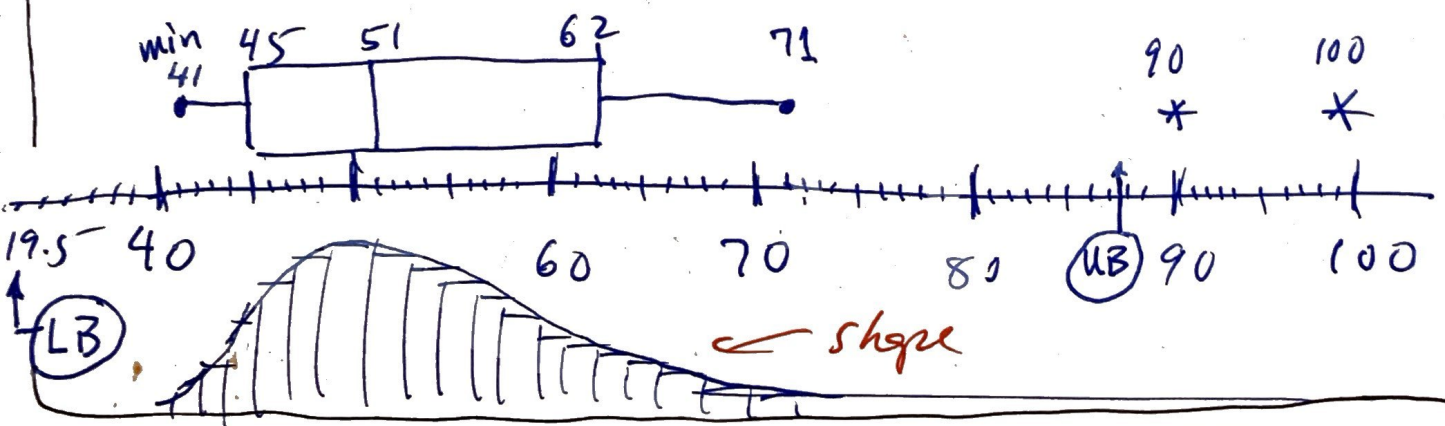
max : 100

$IQR = 62 - 45 = 17$

Lower Boundary :  $Q_1 - 1.5 IQR$   
 $= 45 - 1.5(17)$   
 $= 19.5$

Upper Boundary :  $Q_3 + 1.5 IQR$   
 $= 62 + 1.5(17)$   
 $= 87.5$

## modified Box Plot w/ ruler





# \* Percentiles

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Quartiles divide the data into quarters.

We may desire more refined details

**Ex** what data point divides the upper  $\frac{1}{3}$  from the lower  $\frac{2}{3}$ ?

• We use percentiles for this task.

**Def** Given a number  $p$  between 1 and 99, the  $p^{\text{th}}$  percentile separates the lowest  $p\%$  from the upper  $(100-p)\%$ .

$p^{\text{th}}$  percentile

## Procedure

### Finding the $p^{\text{th}}$ %

1. order the data set, count the data
2. Find the Locator  $L$ , that point to the data value in the data set.

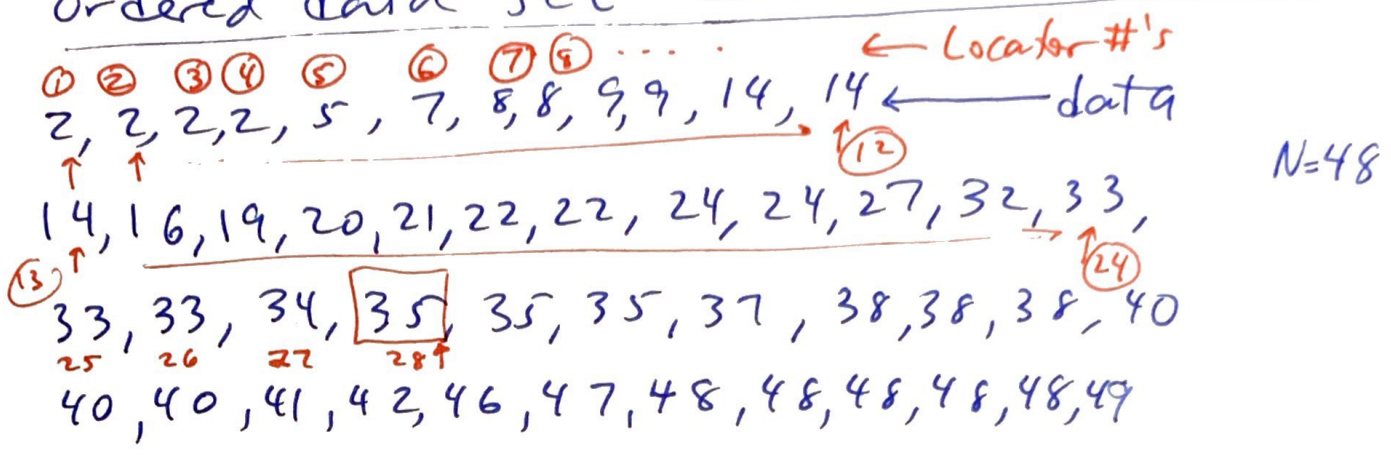
$$L = \left( \frac{p}{100} \right) \cdot n$$

Locator or, in  
Comp. Sci, pointer.

3. • If  $L$  is a whole # then the  $p^{\text{th}}$  % is the average of the  $L$  and  $L+1$  location

• If  $L$  is not a whole number then round-up to get the Location.

EX Find the 58<sup>th</sup> percentile from the ordered data set below



1. Order data (done)

2. Locator of 58<sup>th</sup> percentile:  $L = \left(\frac{58}{100}\right) 48 = \underline{\underline{27.8}}$

3. Round up to 28

4. Count over from the lowest to the 28<sup>th</sup> data point: Here the 28<sup>th</sup> data point is 35

5. State Results:

"The data value 35 separates the lower 58<sup>th</sup> % of data from the upper 42%."

((Statdisk has no percentile support))  
• graphically (Dot Plot with 58<sup>th</sup>%)

