

# Ch 2.4

**Measures of Central Tendency** - are numbers used to represent the middle of the data.

1. **Mean** - (average) the sum of the numbers dividing by how many in the set of data.

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum x}{n}$$

2. **Median** - is the number in the middle when the data is placed in numerical order or average of the 2 middles.

3. **Mode** - the number(s) that appear the most often in the data set. M

**bimodal** - has 2 modes

**multimodal** - has more than 2 modes.

4. **Midrange** - average of the highest and lowest scores.  $(H + L) \div 2$

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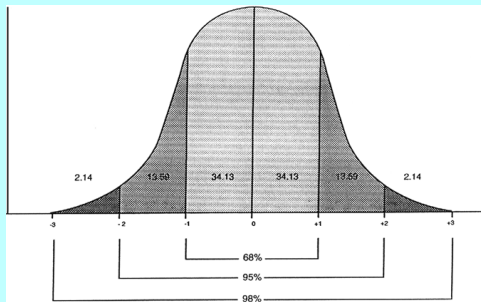
Ex1a) Find the measures of central tendency:

15, 22, 19, 8, 32, 28, 5, 36, 14, 20

Ex1b) 88, 95, 74, 85, 92, 88, 98, 92, 59

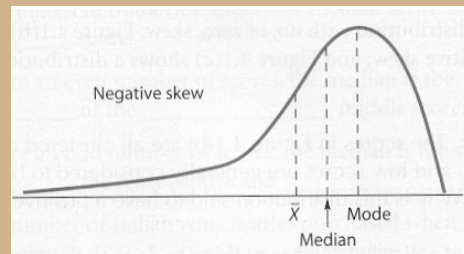
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If the mean, median, and mode are the same, then the set of data represents a **normal distribution**.



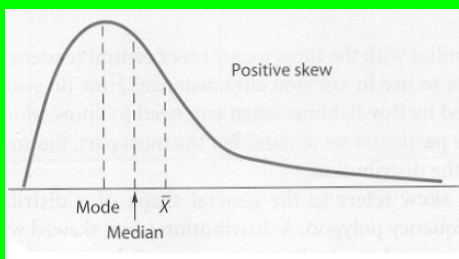
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A score is pulling the average down. Example someone took a zero on their test.



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A score is pulling the average of the data set to the right. Example someone gets an A+ and most people got a C.



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- 1 Find the mean for the following set of data:

16, 8, 35, 2, 22, 10, 31, 50, 13, 35, 56, 28

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- 2 What is the median of the data set:

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- 3 What is the mode?

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- 4 What is the midrange?

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Ex 2) Measures of Central Tendency for frequency tables.

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum(f \cdot x)}{\sum f}$$

$\Sigma$  = sum  
f = frequency  
x = midpoint from each class

	classes	frequency	midpoint	f · x
1	70 - 89	36		
2	90 - 109	48		
3	110 - 129	84		
4	130 - 149	39		
5	150 - 169	33		
6	170 - 189	18		

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- 1 What is the mean for the following set of data?  
Round to the nearest tenth.

classes	frequency
0-2	20
3-5	14
6-8	15
9-11	2
12-14	1

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Ex3) Weighted Mean-  $\frac{\sum(w \cdot x)}{\sum w}$

\* don't convert % to decimals in formula

Your grades are weighted: homework is 25%  
tests and quizzes are 75%

Ex 3a)hwk: 98 A tests and quizzes 84 C+

Ex3b) Semester grades are weighted. Quarter 1  
40%, Quarter 2 40%, and Final is 20%.

Qtr 1: 78 C-, Qtr 2: 89 B, Final 72 D

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- 1 Find the weighted mean if you have 92 % for homework and 85 % for test and quizzes for your stats class.

Round to the nearest ones position.

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