

# Exploring data collections

## Descriptive statistics


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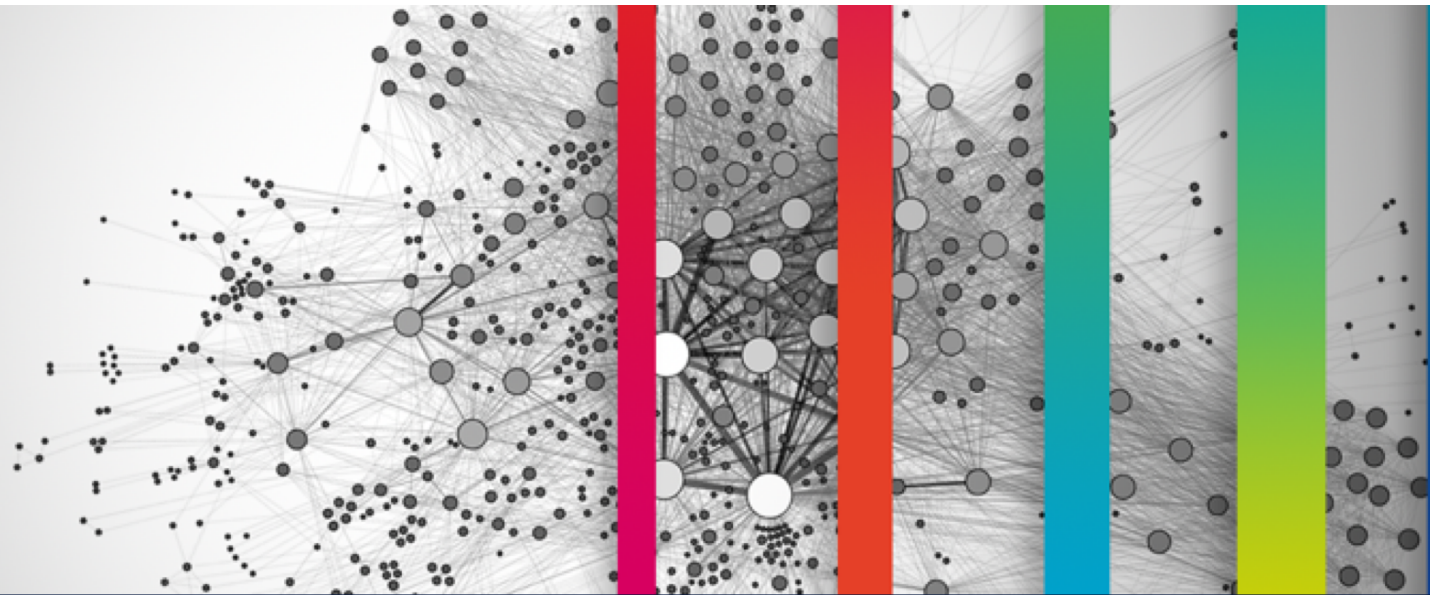
# DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

Helps to simplify large amounts of data in a sensible way

- A simple way to describe the data
- Presenting quantitative descriptions in a manageable form

Main steps

- **Data preparation:** generate statistically valid descriptions
- **Descriptive statistics:** Generate different statistics to
  - Describe and summarize the data concisely
  - Evaluate different ways to visualize them



# PREPARING DATA

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**Obtaining the data:** Read from a file or obtained by scraping the web

**Parsing the data:** Format the data which can be in plain text, fixed columns, CSV, XML, HTML, etc.

**Cleaning the data:** A simple strategy is to remove or ignore incomplete records

**Building data structures:** A data structure that lends itself to the analysis we are interested in.

Databases provide a mapping from keys to values, so they serve as dictionaries

# ANALYSING INCOME ACCORDING TO GENDER

## Financial parameters related to the US population\*

- **Features:** Age, sex, marital, country, income, education, occupation, capital gain, etc.
- **Question:** Are men more likely to become high-income professionals than women, i.e., to receive an income of over \$50,000 per year?
- **Preparing data collections**
  - Read and check the data
  - Represent the data, for instance using a tabular data structure with features (columns) and records (rows)
  - Group the data

\* UCI's Machine Learning Repository : <https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Adult>

# READ & CHECK DATA

```
import pandas as pd

file = open('Desktop/adult.data', 'r')
def chr_int(a):
    if a.isdigit(): return int(a)
    else: return 0

data = []
for line in file:
    data1 = line.split(',')
    if len(data1) == 15:
        data.append([chr_int(data1[0]), data1[1],
                    chr_int(data1[2]), data1[3],
                    chr_int(data1[4]), data1[5], data1[6], data1[7], data1[8], data1[9],
                    chr_int(data1[10]),
                    chr_int(data1[11]),
                    chr_int(data1[12]), data1[13], data1[14]
                    ])

print data[1:2]
```

# REPRESENT & GROUP DATA

```
df = pd.DataFrame(data)
df.columns = [ 'age', 'type_employer', 'fnlwgt', 'education', 'education_num',
               'marital', 'occupation', 'relationship', 'race', 'sex',
               'capital_gain', 'capital_loss', 'hr_per_week', 'country', 'income' ]
df.shape
```

```
counts = df.groupby('country').size()
print counts.head()

m1 = df[(df.sex == 'Male')]
m11 = df[(df.sex == 'Male') & (df.income== '>50K\n')]

fm = df[(df.sex == 'Female')]
fm1 = df[(df.sex == 'Female') & (df.income== '>50K\n')]

m11.describe()
```

# EXPLORATORY DATA ANALYSIS

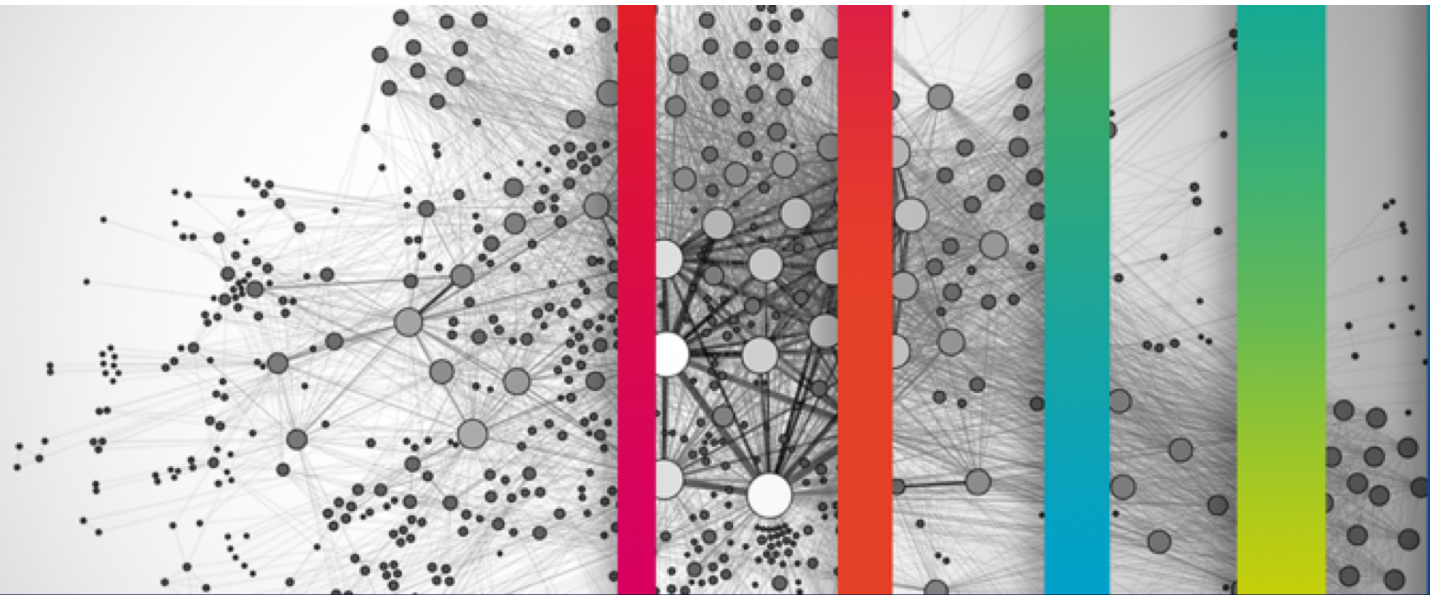
Measurements and categories represent a sample distribution of a variable:

- which approximately represents the population distribution of the variable
- to make tentative assumptions about the population distribution

Different *techniques*:

- **Summarizing the data**
- **Data distributions**
- **Outlier treatment**
- **Kernel density**





# SUMMARIZING DATA

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## Categorical data:

- A simple tabulation of the frequency of each category is the best non-graphical exploration for data analysis
- For example, we can ask ourselves what is the proportion of high-income professionals in our database

## A quantitative variable:

- The characteristics of the population distribution of a quantitative variable are its mean, deviation, histograms, outliers, etc.
- Exploratory data analysis is a way to make preliminary assessments about the population distribution

# SUMMARIZING DATA

```
df1 = df[(df.income == '>50K\n')]\n\nprint 'The rate of people with high income is: ',\n      str( int(len(df1)/float(len(df))*100) ) + '%.'\n\nprint 'The rate of men with high income is: ',\n      str( int(len(m11)/float(len(m1))*100) ) + '%.'\n\nprint 'The rate of women with high income is: ',\n      str( int(len(fm1)/float(len(fm))*100) ) + '%.'
```

```
print 'The average age of men is: ', m1['age'].mean()\n\nprint 'The average age of women is: ', fm['age'].mean()\n\nprint 'The average age of high-income men is: ', m11['age'].mean()\n\nprint 'The average age of high-income women is: ', fm1['age'].mean()
```

# SUMMARIZING DATA

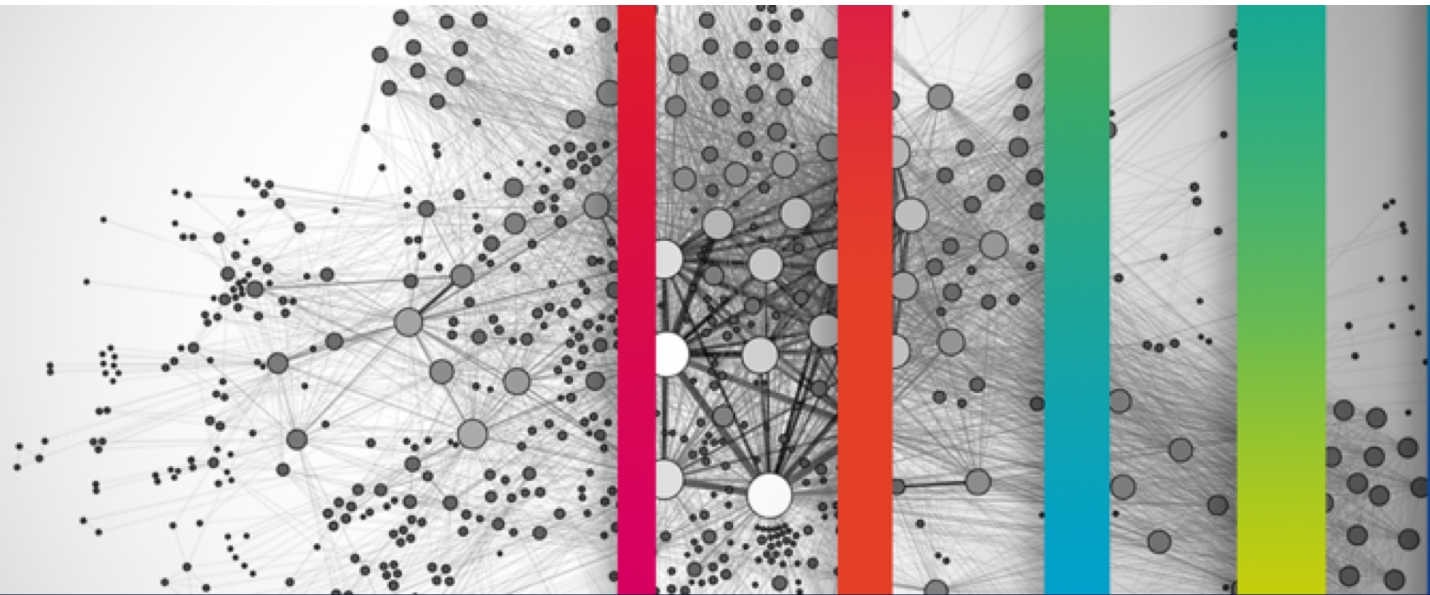
```
ml_mu = ml['age'].mean()
fm_mu = fm['age'].mean()
ml_var = ml['age'].var()
fm_var = fm['age'].var()
ml_std = ml['age'].std()
fm_std = fm['age'].std()

print "Statistics of age for men: mu:", \
      ml_mu, "var:", ml_var, "std:", ml_std

print "Statistics of age for women: mu:", \
      fm_mu, "var:", fm_var, "std:", fm_std

ml_median = ml['age'].median()
fm_median = fm['age'].median()
print "Median age per men and women: ", ml_median, fm_median

ml_median_age = ml1['age'].median()
fm_median_age = fm1['age'].median()
print "Median age per men and women with high-income: ", \
      ml_median_age, fm_median_age
```



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*Summarizing data by just looking at their mean, median, and variance can be dangerous*

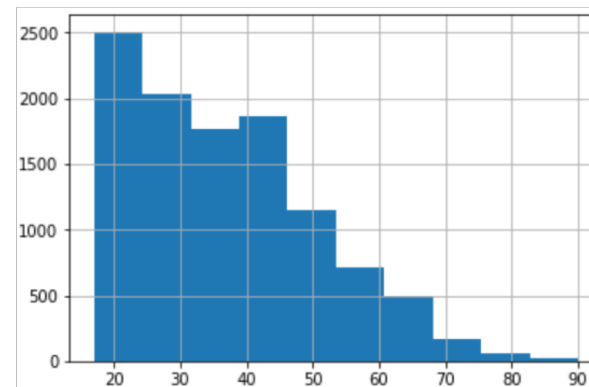
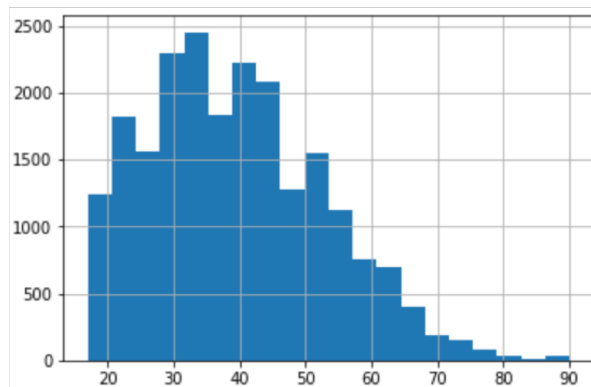
- Validate the data by inspecting them
- Very different data can be described by the same statistics

→ An histogram is a graph that shows the frequency of each value

# DATA DISTRIBUTIONS

```
ml_age = ml['age']  
ml_age.hist(density = 0, histtype = 'stepfilled', bins = 20)
```

```
fm_age = fm['age']  
fm_age.hist(density = 0, histtype = 'stepfilled', bins = 10)
```

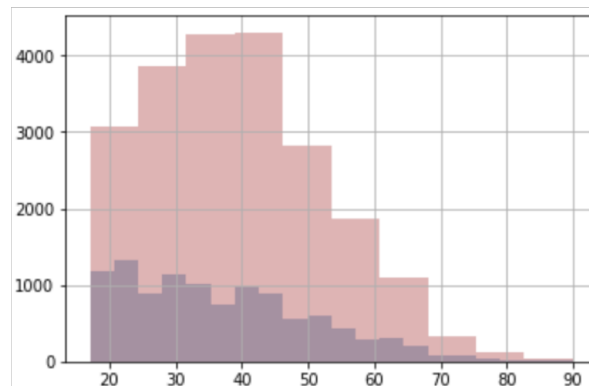


# DATA DISTRIBUTIONS

```
import seaborn as sns

fm_age.hist(density = 0, histtype = 'stepfilled',
            alpha = .5, bins = 20)

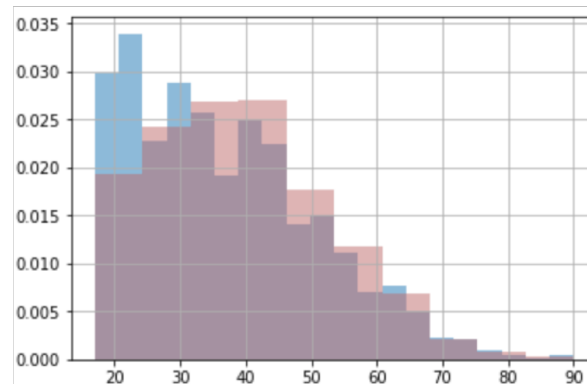
ml_age.hist(density = 0, histtype = 'stepfilled',
            alpha = .5,
            color = sns.desaturate("indianred", .75), bins = 10)
```





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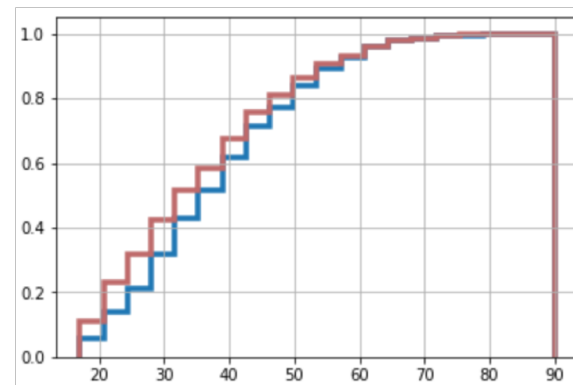
```
fm_age.hist(density = 1, histtype = 'stepfilled',  
            alpha = .5, bins = 20)  
  
ml_age.hist(density = 1, histtype = 'stepfilled',  
            alpha = .5,  
            color = sns.desaturate("indianred", .75), bins = 10)
```

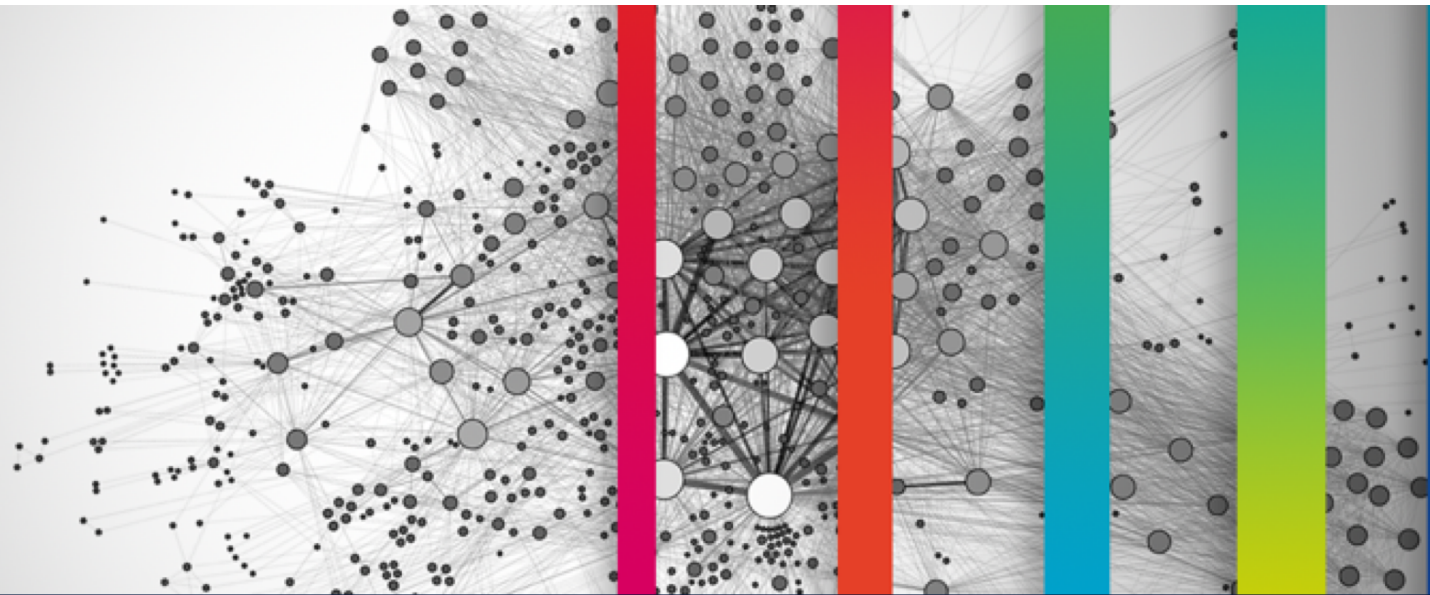


# DATA DISTRIBUTIONS

```
ml_age.hist(density = 1, histtype = 'step',  
            cumulative = True, linewidth = 3.5,  
            bins = 20)  
  
fm_age.hist(density = 1, histtype = 'step',  
            cumulative = True, linewidth = 3.5,  
            color = sns.desaturate("indianred", .75), bins = 20)
```

- The Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF) describes the probability that a real-valued random variable  $X$  with a given probability distribution will be found to have a value less than or equal to  $x$





# OUTLIERS

# OUTLIER TREATMENT

Outliers are data samples with a value that is far from the central tendency

Different rules can be defined to detect outliers:

- Computing samples that are far from the median
- Computing samples whose values exceed the mean by 2 or 3 standard deviations

# OUTLIER TREATMENT

```
df2 = df.drop(df.index[
    (df.income == '>50K\n') &
    (df['age'] > df['age'].median() + 35) &
    (df['age'] > df['age'].median() - 15)
])

ml1_age = ml1['age']
fm1_age = fm1['age']

ml2_age = ml1_age.drop(ml1_age.index[
    (ml1_age > df['age'].median() + 35) &
    (ml1_age > df['age'].median() - 15)
])

fm2_age = fm1_age.drop(fm1_age.index[
    (fm1_age > df['age'].median() + 35) &
    (fm1_age > df['age'].median() - 15)
])
```

# OUTLIER TREATMENT

```
mu2m1 = m12_age.mean()
std2m1 = m12_age.std()
md2m1 = m12_age.median()

mu2fm = fm2_age.mean()
std2fm = fm2_age.std()
md2fm = fm2_age.median()

print "Men statistics:"
print "Mean:", mu2m1, "Std:", std2m1
print "Median:", md2m1
print "Min:", m12_age.min(), "Max:", m12_age.max()

print "Women statistics:"
print "Mean:", mu2fm, "Std:", std2fm
print "Median:", md2fm
print "Min:", fm2_age.min(), "Max:", fm2_age.max()
```

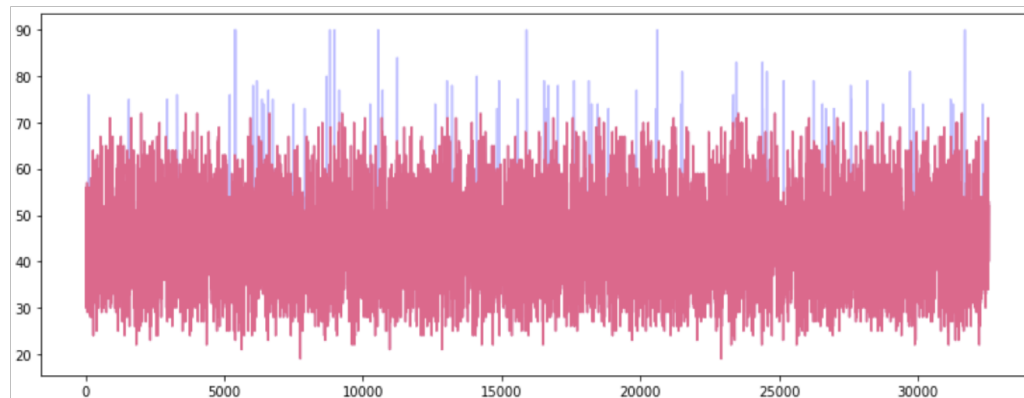
# OUTLIER TREATMENT

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

plt.figure(figsize = (13.4, 5))

df.age[(df.income == '>50K\n')].plot(alpha = .25, color = 'blue')

df2.age[(df2.income == '>50K\n')].plot(alpha = .45, color = 'red')
```



# OUTLIER TREATMENT

```
print 'The mean difference with outliers is: %4.2f. '\
      % (m1_age.mean() - fm_age.mean())

print 'The mean difference without outliers is: %4.2f. '\
      % (m12_age.mean() - fm2_age.mean())
```

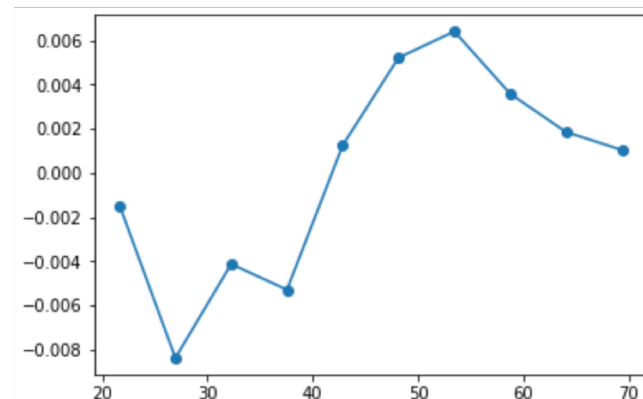


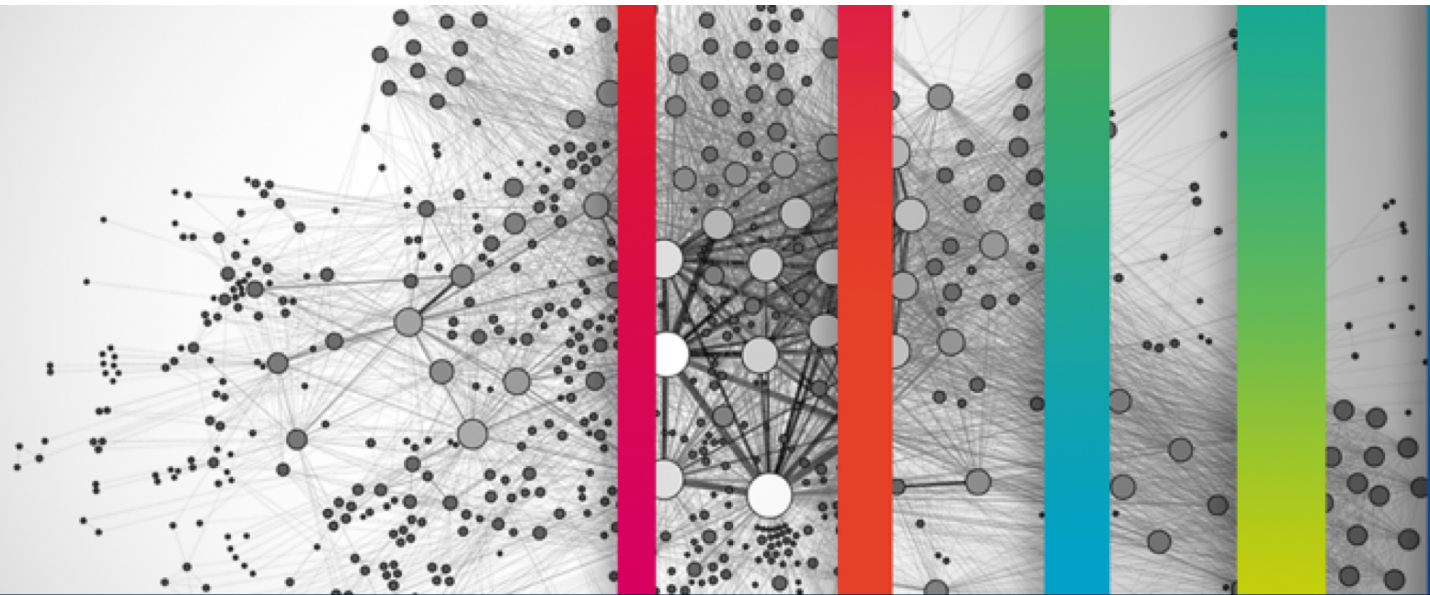
# OUTLIER TREATMENT

```
(countx, divisionx) = np.histogram(ml2_age, density = True)
(county, divisiony) = np.histogram(fm2_age, density = True)

val = [(divisionx[i] + divisionx[i+1])/2
        for i in range(len(divisionx) - 1)]

plt.plot(val, countx - county, 'o-')
```





# ESTIMATIONS

# MEASURING ASYMMETRY

Skewness is a statistic that measures the asymmetry of the set of  $n$  data samples:

$$g(X) = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^3}{\sigma^3}$$

- Negative deviation indicates that the distribution “skews left” (it extends further to the left than to the right)
- One can easily see that the skewness for a normal distribution is zero, and any symmetric data must have a skewness of zero

# MEASURING ASYMMETRY

```
def skewness(x):
    res = 0
    m = x.mean()
    s = x.std()
    for i in x:
        res += (i-m) * (i-m) * (i-m)
    res /= (len(x) * s * s * s)
    return res

print "Skewness of the male population = ", skewness(ml2_age)
print "Skewness of the female population is = ", skewness(fm2_age)
```

# MEASURING ASYMMETRY

The Pearson's median skewness coefficient is a more robust alternative to the skewness coefficient:

$$g(X) = 3(\mu - \mu_{12})\sigma$$

```
def pearson(x):  
    return 3*(x.mean() - x.median())*x.std()  
  
print "Pearson's coefficient of the male population = ",\  
      pearson(ml2_age)  
  
print "Pearson's coefficient of the female population = ",\  
      pearson(fm2_age)
```

# KERNEL DENSITY

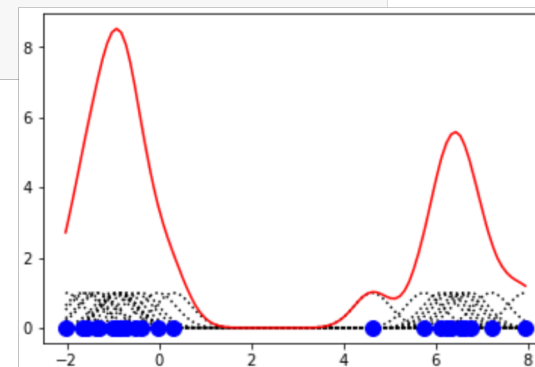
Estimate the distribution non-parametrically (i.e., making no assumptions about the form of the underlying distribution) using kernel density estimation:

- We are interested in a continuous representation of the data
- For instance, a Gaussian kernel to generate the density around the data

# KERNEL DENSITY

```
x1 = np.random.normal(-1, 0.5, 15)
x2 = np.random.normal(6, 1, 10)
y = np.r_[x1, x2] # r_ translates slice objects
                  # to concatenation along the first axis
x = np.linspace(min(y), max(y), 100)
s = 0.4 # Smoothing parameter

# Calculate the kernels
from scipy.stats import norm
kernels = np.transpose([norm.pdf(x, yi, s) for yi in y])
plt.plot(x, kernels, 'k:')
plt.plot(x, kernels.sum(1), 'r')
plt.plot(y, np.zeros(len(y)), 'bo', ms = 10)
```

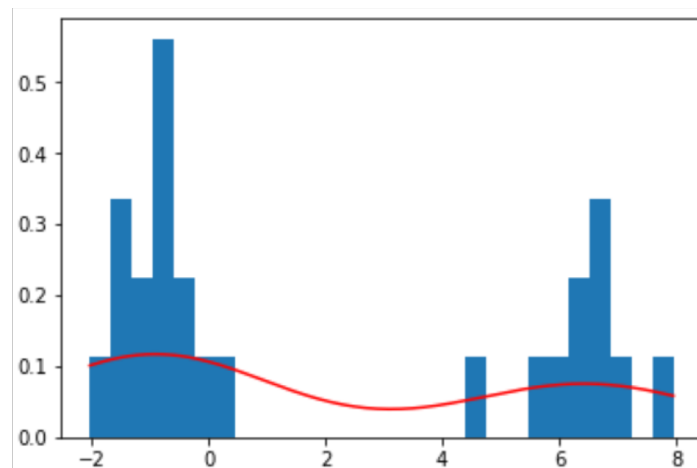


# KERNEL DENSITY

```
from scipy.stats import kde

density = kde.gaussian_kde(y)
xgrid = np.linspace(x.min(), x.max(), 200)

plt.hist(y, bins = 28, density = True)
plt.plot(xgrid, density(xgrid), 'r-')
```





# ESTIMATION

Use estimates to approximate the values of unknown parameters of a dataset:

- **Estimated mean, variance, and standard score:** Point estimators that are single numerical estimates of parameters of a population
- **Covariance, Pearson's correlation and Spearman's rank correlation:** Variables of data can express relations

# ESTIMATED MEAN

Given a dataset as a series of values,  $\{x_i\}$ , the sample mean is an estimator

- For instance for the dataset  $\{0.33, -1.76, 2.34, 0.56, 0.89\}$ , the sample mean is 0.472
- Two ways:
  - Remove outliers and then calculate the sample mean
  - Use the sample median as an estimator of the mean of the distribution

# ESTIMATED MEAN

If there are no outliers, the sample mean minimizes the following mean squared error:

$$MSE(X) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2$$

```
NTs = 200
err = 0.0; mu = 0.0; var = 1.0; NPs = 1000

for i in range(NTs):
    x = np.random.normal(mu, var, NPs)
    err += (x.mean()-mu)**2
print "MSE: ", err/NTs
```

# ESTIMATED VARIANCE

Given a dataset as a series of values,  $\{x_i\}$ , we can use the sample variance as an estimator

- For **large** samples:

$$\bar{\sigma}^2(X) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

- For **small** samples:

$$\bar{\sigma}^2(X) = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

# STANDARD SCORE

Normalize data:

- Avoid data that come in different units
- Even data that come in the same units can still belong to different distributions

Given a dataset as a series of values,  $\{x_i\}$ , we convert the data to standard scores by:

$$z_i = \frac{(x_i - \mu)}{\sigma}$$

$Z$  is dimensionless and its distribution has a mean of 0 and variance of 1

# COVARIANCE

When two datasets  $X, Y$  share the same tendency, we speak about covariance:

- Let us center the data with respect to their mean:

$$dx_i = x_i - \mu_X$$

$$dy_i = y_i - \mu_Y$$

- The covariance is defined as the mean of the following products:

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n dx_i dy_i$$

where  $n$  is the length of both sets

# PEARSON'S CORRELATION

The Pearson's correlation is always between  $-1$  and  $+1$ , where the magnitude depends on the degree of correlation:

$$\rho = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i - \mu_X}{\sigma_X} \frac{y_i - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

- If the Pearson's correlation is  $1$  (or  $-1$ ), it means that the variables are perfectly correlated; this means that one variable can predict the other very well
- Having  $\rho = 0$ , does not necessarily mean that the variables are not correlated! Pearson's correlation captures correlations of first order, but not nonlinear correlations

# SPEARMAN'S RANK CORRELATION

Use the ranks of the sorted sample data, instead of the values themselves:

- It computes the correlation between the ranks of the data
- It comes as a solution to the robustness problem of Pearson's correlation when the data contain outliers

For example:

- $X = [ 10, 20, 30, 40, 1000 ]$ ,  $Y = [ -70, -1000, -50, -10, -20 ]$
- $R_X = [ 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0 ]$ ,  $R_Y = [ 2.0, 1.0, 3.0, 5.0, 4.0 ]$



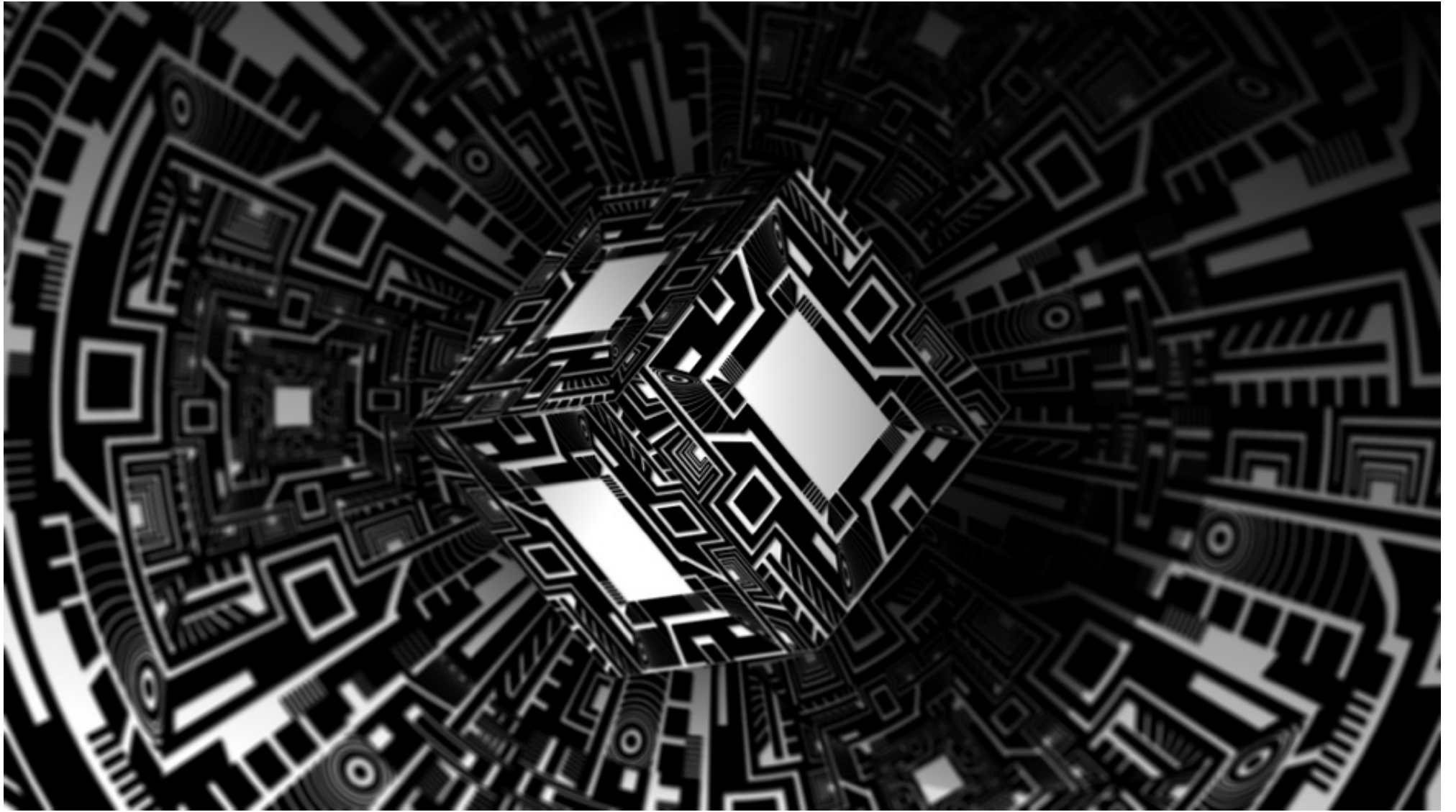
# FINAL REMARKS

We have familiarized with the basic concepts and procedures of descriptive statistics to explore a dataset:

- Central measures of tendency such as the sample mean and median
- Variability measures such as the variance and standard deviation
- Measures can be affected by outliers

We obtain a continuous representation of the sample distribution using the kernel density

We estimate the correlation and the covariance of datasets using Pearson's and the Spearman's rank correlations



# CONTINUOUS DISTRIBUTION

- Continuous distributions are distributions that are defined by a continuous function:

- Exponential distributions describe the inter-arrival time between events

$$PDF(x) = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n (x_i - \mu^3)}{\sigma^3}$$

- Normal distributions (Gaussian distributions) represent many real phenomena such as economic, natural, social, and others

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\sum_{i=0}^n (x_i - \mu^3)}{\sigma^3}$$