

(2) Descriptive Statistics

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Outlines

- Numerical variables
 - Descriptive statistics
 - Plots
- Categorical variables
 - Descriptive statistics
 - Plots

Expected outcomes

- Familiarize with common descriptive statistics and plots for numerical and categorical variables

Numerical variables

Central Tendency

- Mean
- Median
- Mode

$$X = 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5$$

$$\text{Mean} = \bar{X} = \frac{\sum X}{n} = \frac{27}{9} = 3$$

$$\text{Location of median} = \frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{9+1}{2} = 5\text{th number}$$

$$\text{Median} = 3$$

$$\text{Mode} = \text{most frequent value} = 3$$

Dispersion

- Range
- Inter-quartile range
- Variance
- Standard deviation

$$X = \underline{1}, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, \underline{5}$$

$$\text{Range} = \text{Maximum value} - \text{Minimum value} = 5 - 1 = 4$$

$$X = 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5$$

Interquartile range (IQR) = Quartile 3 (Q_3) – Quartile 1 (Q_1)

$$\text{Location of } Q_1 = \frac{n+1}{4} = 2.5 = 2\text{nd and } 3\text{rd numbers} = (2, 2)$$

$$\text{Location of } Q_3 = \frac{3}{4}(n+1) = 7.5 = 7\text{th and } 8\text{th numbers} = (4, 4)$$

$$Q_1 = \frac{(2+2)}{2} = 2 \text{ and } Q_3 = \frac{(4+4)}{2} = 4$$

$$\text{IQR} = Q_3 - Q_1 = 4 - 2 = 2$$

$$X = 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4, 4, 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Sample variance} &= s^2 \\ &= \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1} \\ &= \frac{(1 - 3)^2 + (2 - 3)^2 + \dots + (5 - 3)^2}{9 - 1} \\ &= \frac{12}{8} = 1.5\end{aligned}$$

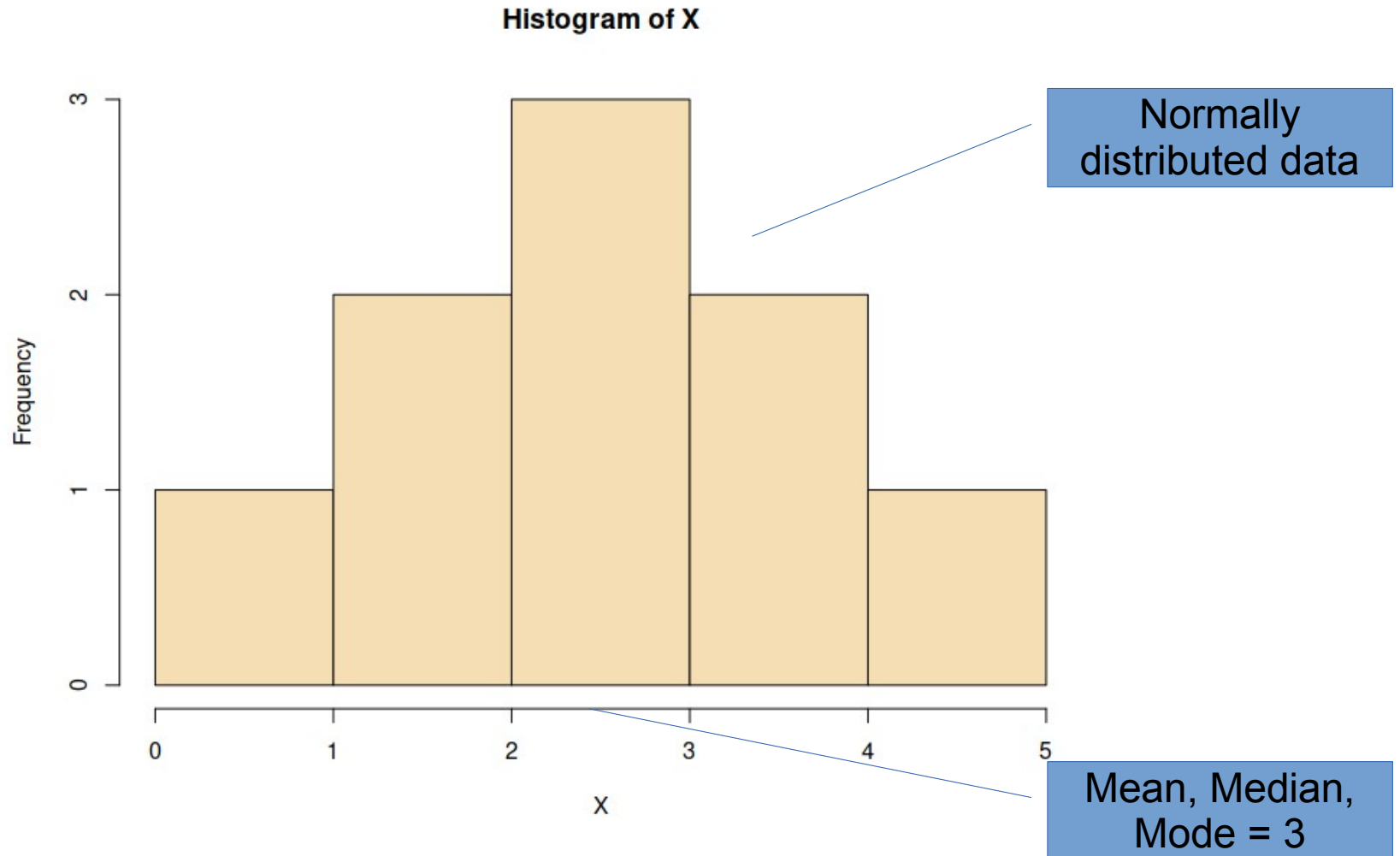
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$$\begin{aligned}\text{Sample standard deviation} &= s \\ &= \sqrt{\text{Sample variance}} \\ &= \sqrt{s^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1.5} = 1.2\end{aligned}$$

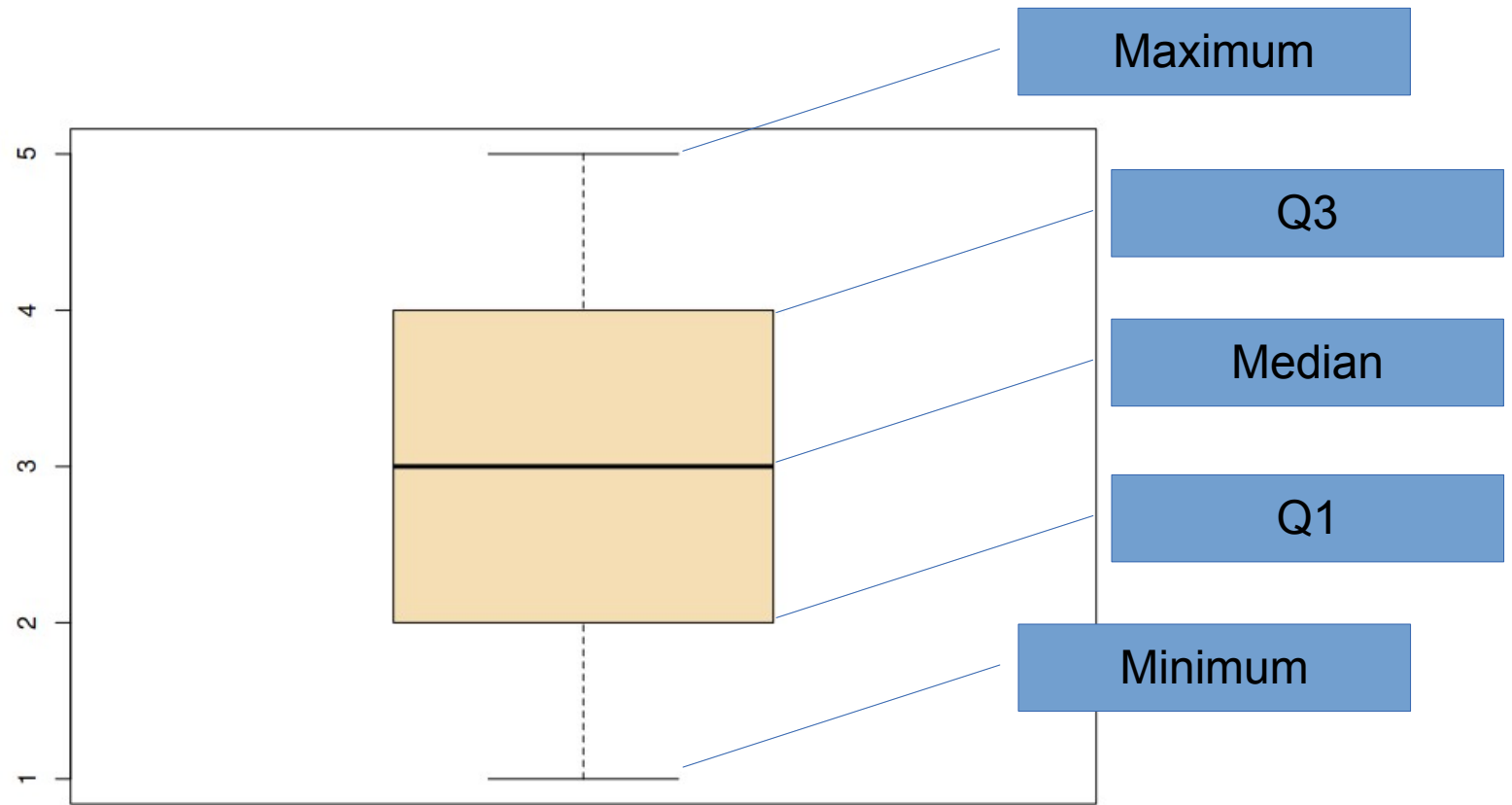
Plots

- One variable:
 - Histogram
 - Box-and-whisker plot
- Two variables:
 - Scatter plot

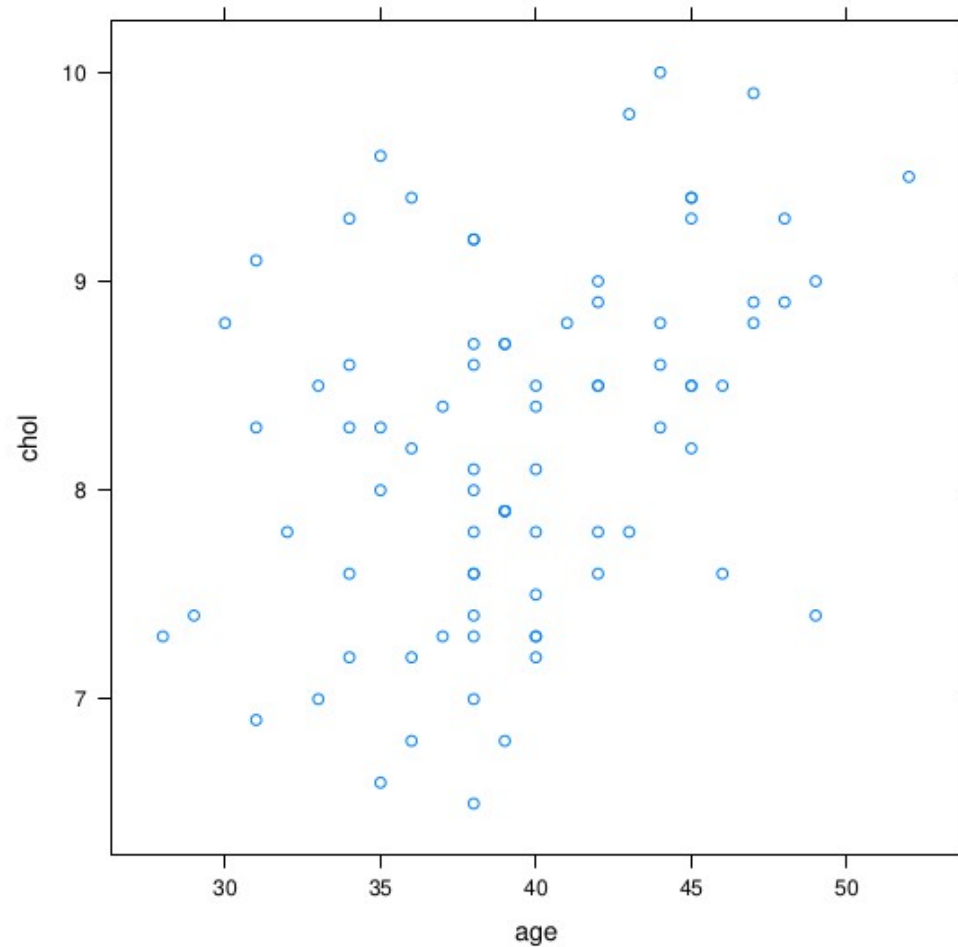
Plots: Histogram



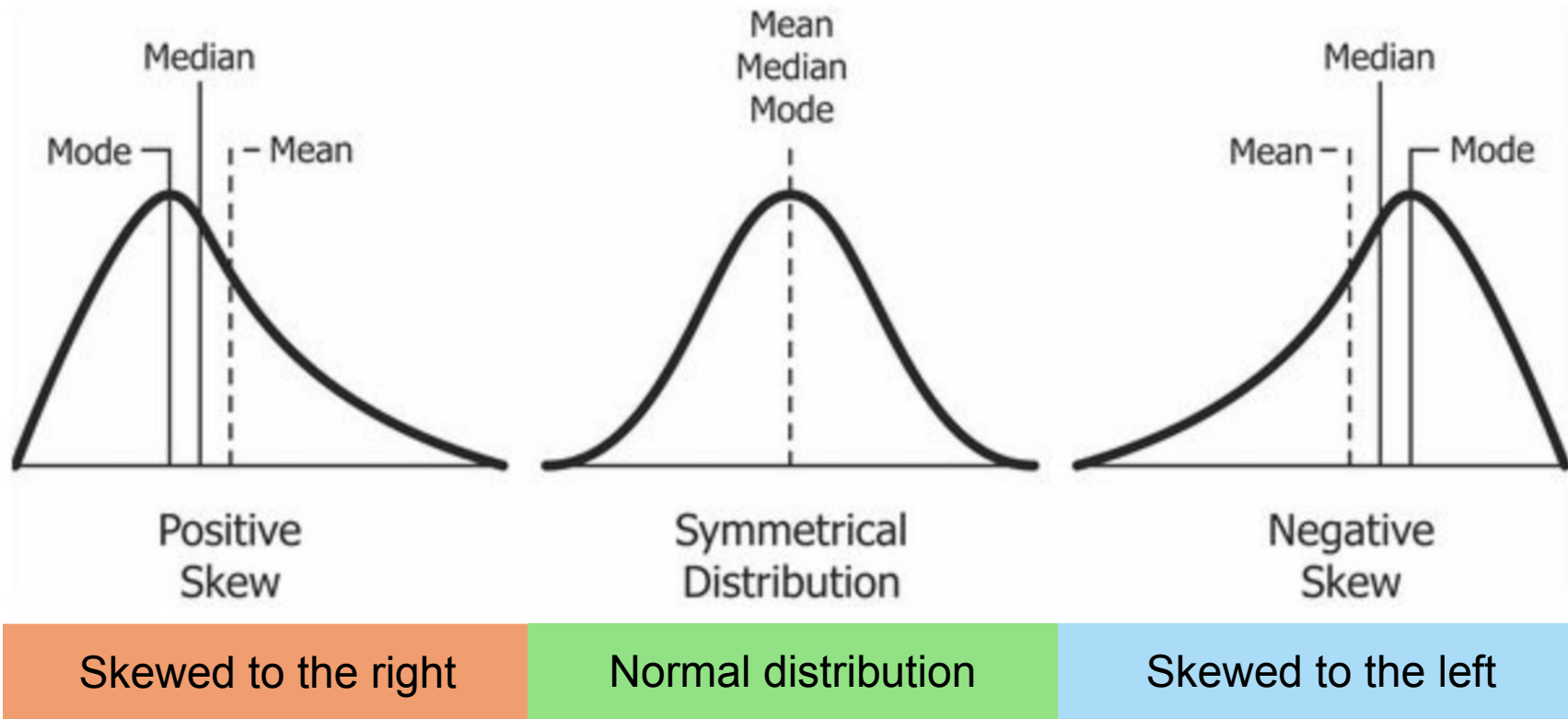
Plots: Boxplot



Plots: Scatter Plot



Skewness



Source: Diva Jain, <https://codeburst.io/2-important-statistics-terms-you-need-to-know-in-data-science-skewness-and-kurtosis-388fef94eeaa>

Implication

- When data is not normally distributed – use median (IQR) in place of mean (SD)

Categorical variables

Count and proportion

Count = n per category

Proportion = $p = \frac{n \text{ per category}}{n}$

Percentage = $\frac{n \text{ per category}}{n} \times 100\% = p \times 100\%$

Count and proportion

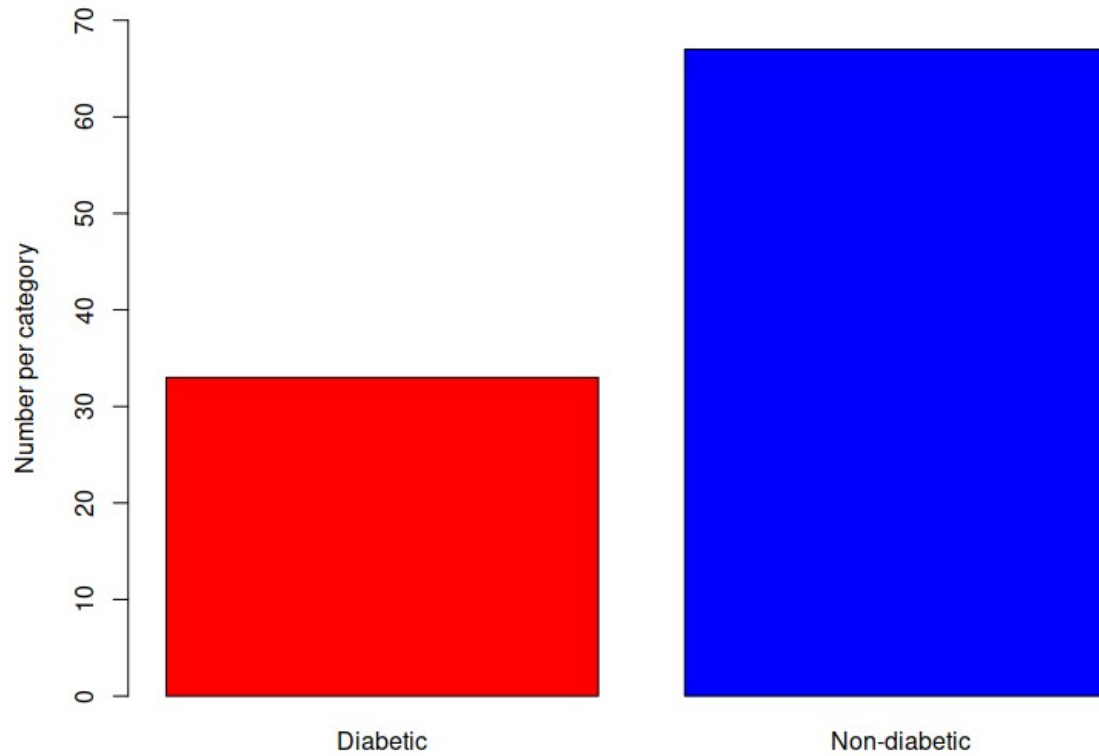
Variable	Category	n	p	%
<i>Gender</i>	<i>Male</i>	40	0.4	40.0%
	<i>Female</i>	60	0.6	60.0%
<i>Diabetic</i>	<i>Yes</i>	33	0.33	33.0%
	<i>No</i>	67	0.67	67.0%

Cross-tabulation table

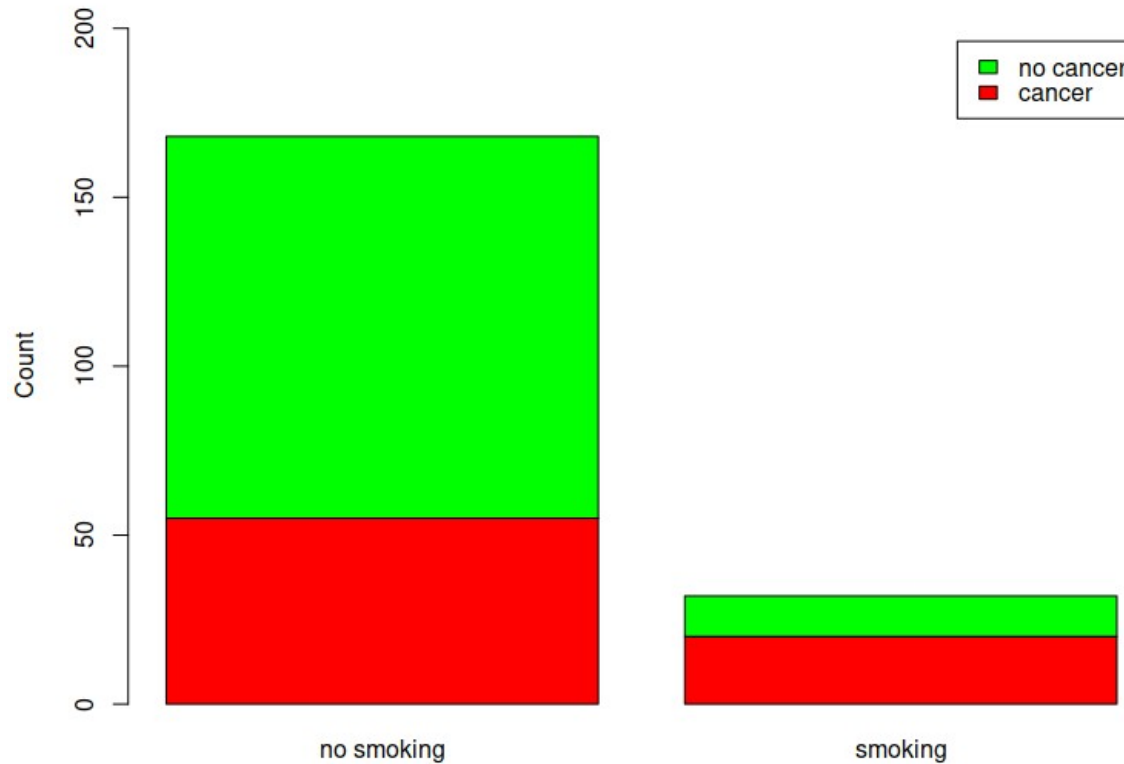
- Between two categorical variables

Smoking	Lung Cancer	
	Yes	No
Yes	20 (62.5%)	12 (37.5%)
No	55 (32.7%)	113 (67.3%)

Plots: Bar Chart



Plots: Stacked Bar Chart



Descriptive in Journal

Table 1: Patient demographics ($n = 95$).

Variables		Drug X ($n = 45$) n (%)	Placebo ($n = 50$) n (%)	Total n (%)
Age (years) ^a		45.3 (2.6)	47.8 (3.2)	46.5 (3.0)
Gender	Male	25 (55.6)	25 (50.0)	50 (52.6)
	Female	20 (44.4)	25 (50.0)	45 (47.4)
BMI groups	Underweight (BMI < 18.5 kg/m ²)	10 (22.2)	11 (24.0)	21 (22.1)
	Normal (BMI 18.5 to 24.9 kg/m ²)	12 (26.7)	13 (28.0)	25 (26.3)
	Overweight (BMI ≥ 25 kg/m ²)	23 (51.1)	26 (48.0)	49 (51.6)

^a Mean (SD)

Quiz

- For numerical variable:
 - List measures of central tendency
 - List measures of dispersion
 - Describe suitable plots
 - Describe “skewness” in relation to mean and median
- For categorical variable:
 - Describe suitable statistics
 - Describe suitable data presentation

Thank You

Plots: Histogram Extra

Raw SBP data, n = 300

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Tabulate

Group	SBP	Frequency
1	[-Inf,105)	6
2	[105,110)	19
3	[110,115)	47
4	[115,120)	78
5	[120,125)	81
6	[125,130)	42
7	[130,135)	23
8	[135,140)	4

Plots: Histogram Extra

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8	$[135, 140)$	4

Plot

Histogram of SBP

