

Principles of Biostatistics and Informatics

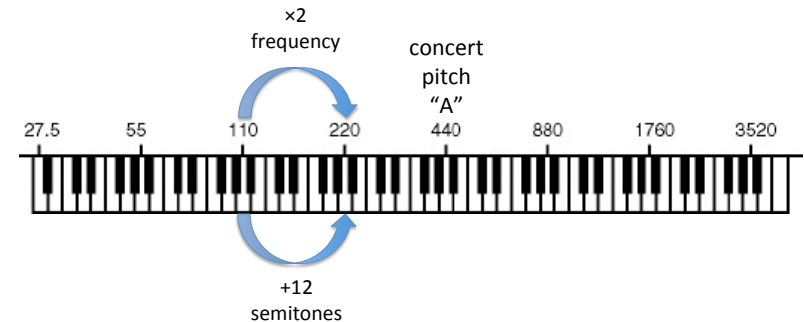
Lecture 2: Frequency Distributions

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Logarithmic Function: Example



Logarithmic Function

INTEGRAL FORM

$$y = b \cdot \log_a(x)$$

PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- base is 10 (sometimes e or 2)
- if the base is fixed this will modify the factor parameter according to the following identity:

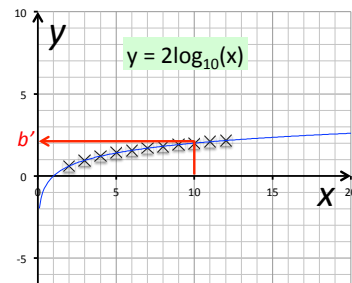
$$b \cdot \log_a(x) = b / \log_{10}(a) \cdot \log_{10}(x) = b' \cdot \log_{10}(x)$$

VARIABLES: dependent variable independent variable

$$y = b' \cdot \log_{10}(x)$$

PARAMETERS: factor parameter

if $x = 10$
then $y = b'$



„DIFFERENTIAL” FORM

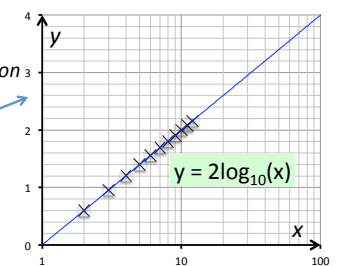
$$\Delta y \sim \Delta x / x$$

The **change** of the dependent variable is proportional to the **relative change** of the independent variable

Logarithmic Function: Linearization

graphical linearization

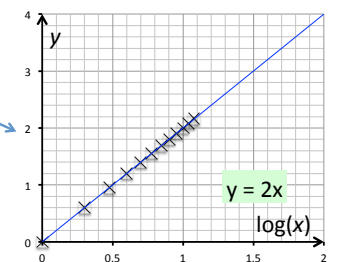
plot y on lin and x on log scales:
the relationship **looks** linear but it **is** still logarithmic function



INTEGRAL FORM

$$y = b' \cdot \log_{10}(x)$$

arithmetical linearization
plot y as a function of $\log x$:
the relationship **is** linear



Summarizing Functions

LINEAR FUNCTION

$$\Delta y \propto \Delta x$$

The **change** of the dependent variable is proportional to the **change** of the independent variable

y vs. x

EXPONENTIAL FUNCTION

$$\Delta y/y \propto \Delta x$$

The **relative change** of the dependent variable is proportional to the **change** of the independent variable

$\log y$ vs. x

Linearization

y vs. $\log x$

$\log y$ vs. $\log x$

LOGARITHMIC FUNCTION

$$\Delta y \propto \Delta x/x$$

The **change** of the dependent variable is proportional to the **relative change** of the independent variable

POWER FUNCTION

$$\Delta y/y \propto \Delta x/x$$

The **relative change** of the dependent variable is proportional to the **relative change** of the independent variable

Derivative and Integral: Example #1

x	$y = x^2$	$y' = \Delta y / \Delta x$	$y'' = \Delta(\Delta y / \Delta x) / \Delta x$
0	0		
1	1		
2	4		
3	9		
4	16		
5	25		
6	36		
7	49		
8	64		
9	81		
10	100		

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4	16	7	2
5	25	9	2
6	36	11	2
7	49	13	2
8	64	15	2
9	81	17	2
10	100	19	2

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Derivative and Integral: Example #2

time (s)	distance (m)	speed (m/s)	acceleration (m/s ²)
0	0	0	10
1	5	10	10
2	20	20	10
3	45	30	10
4	80	40	10
5	125	50	10
6	180	60	10
7	245	70	10
8	320	80	10
9	405	90	10
10	500	100	10

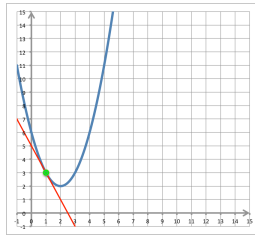
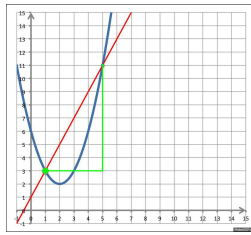
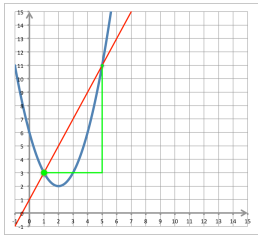
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Derivative: slope of tangent line

difference quotient:
 $\Delta y / \Delta x$
 slope of **secant** line

$$\Delta \rightarrow d$$

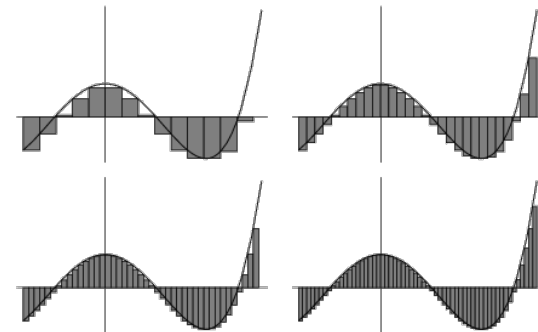
derivative:
 dy/dx
 slope of **tangent** line



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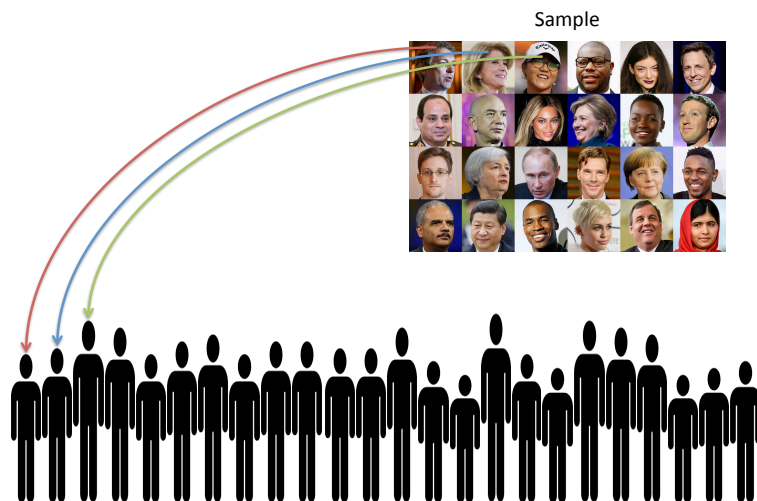
Integral: Area Under the Curve (AUC)

$$\Sigma \rightarrow \int$$

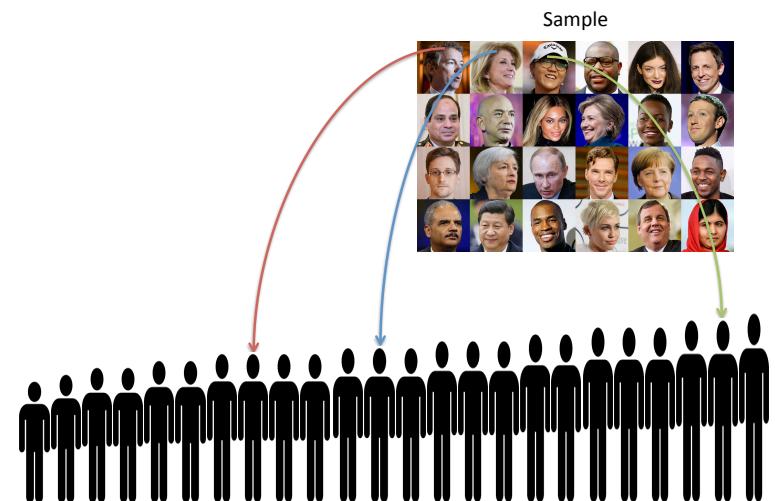


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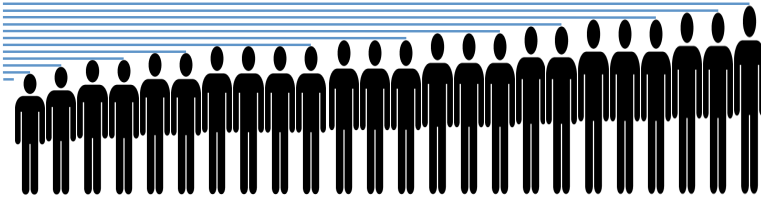
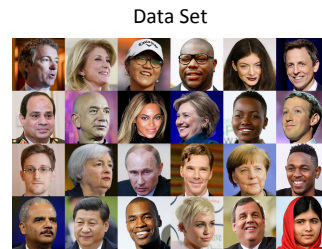
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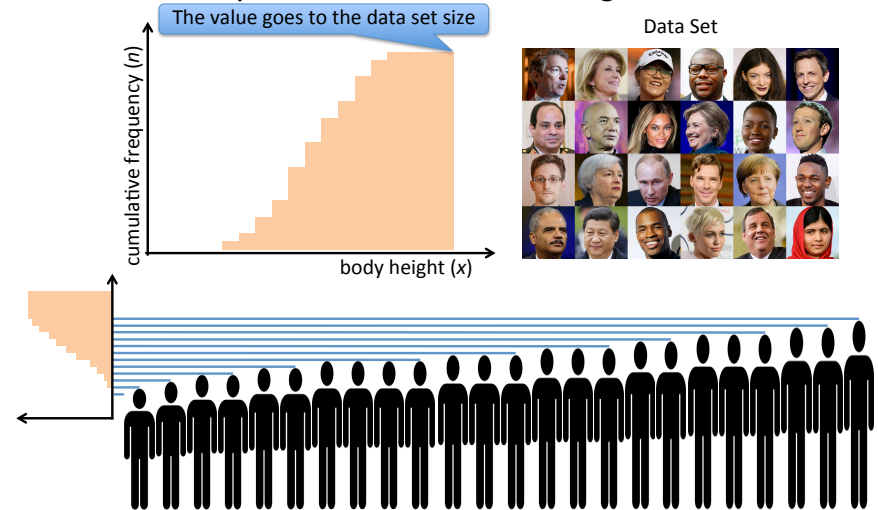


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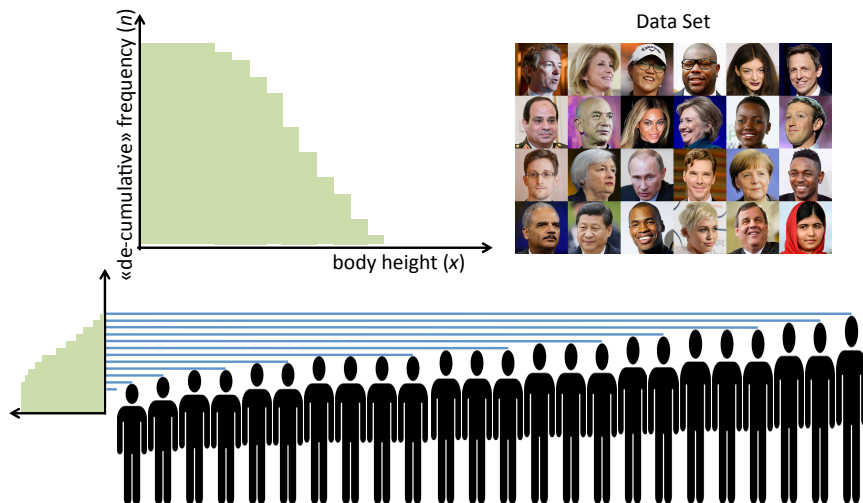
Cumulative Distribution Function

How many elements are **less** than a given x value?



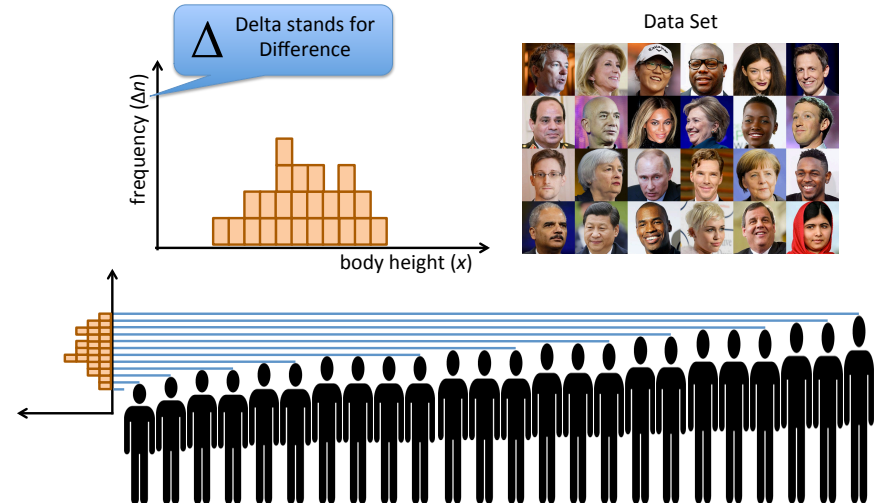
Integral Discrimination Function

How many elements are **greater** than a given x value?



Frequency Distribution Function

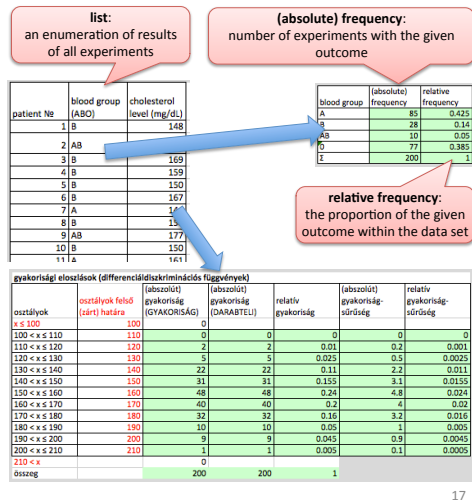
How many elements fall **within** a bin of Δx width?



Representation of Data Sets (I)

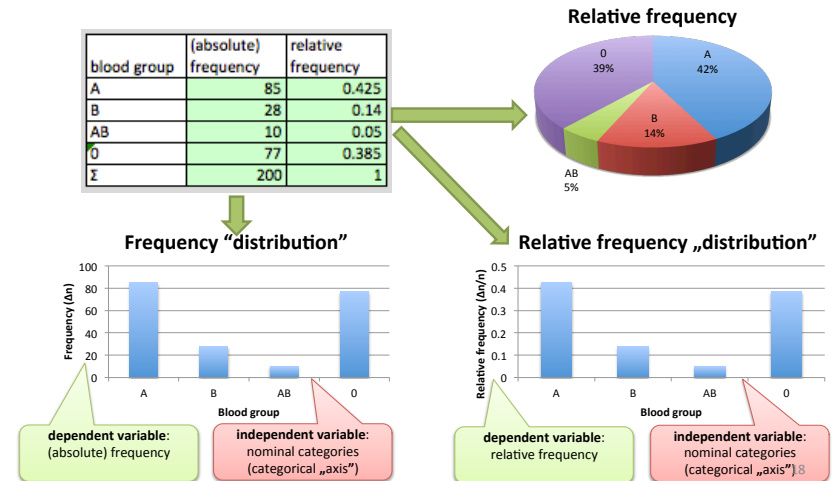
- 1) A simple list of the data
- 2) Summary of frequencies in tables

- absolute frequency (Δn) and relative frequency ($\Delta n/n$)
- categories are evident for qualitative variables [Excel: =COUNTIF() function]
- categories (bins) are created arbitrarily for quantitative variables [Excel: =FREQUENCY() function can also be used]
- frequency density ($\Delta n/\Delta x$) and relative frequency density ($[\Delta n/n]/\Delta x$)



Representation of Data Sets (II)

- 3) Representation of frequencies in case of **qualitative** variables



Representation of Data Sets (III)

- 3) Representation of frequencies in case of **quantitative** variables

