

Review

IMGD 2905

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- **Quantitative** – instrumented game
- **Qualitative** – subjective evaluation

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- **Game** (instrumented)
- **Data** (collected from *players*)
- **Extracted data** (e.g., from scripts)
- **Analysis**
 - Statistics, Charts, Tests
- **Dissemination**
 - Report
 - Talk

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- **Population** – all members of group pertaining to study
- **Sample** – part of population selected for analysis

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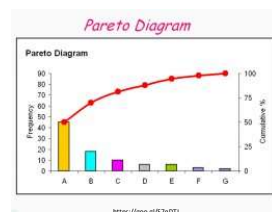
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- **Probability sampling** - sampling considering likelihood of selection
 - Consider likelihood as part of population

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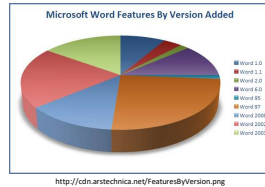
- Bar chart, arranged most to least frequent
- Line showing cumulative percent
- Helps identify most common, relative amounts



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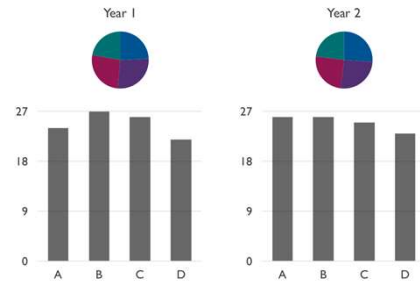
When should you *not* use pie chart?

- When too many slices

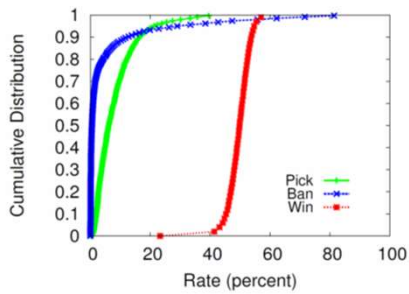


When should you *not* use pie chart?

- (Often) when comparing pies

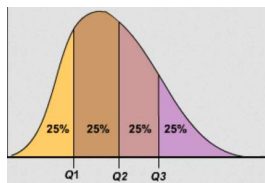


Which Measure of Central Tendency to Use? Why?



What are Quartiles?

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Three values that divide population into four equal groups



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1. Compute mean
2. Compute how far each sample value is from mean. Square this.
3. Add these up.
4. Divide by number of samples.

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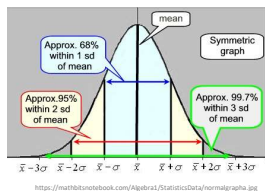
- “The ‘average’ of how far each sample point is from the mean”

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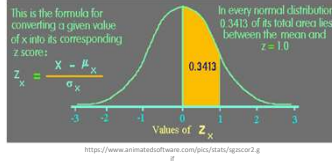


- Between 40-60?
 - About 950 (95%)
- How many points are between 40-60?
 - About 700 (68%)
- How many points are between 20-80?
 - Nearly all (99.7%), so only about 3 outside

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 $(10 - 50) / 10 = -4.0$

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- A set of all possible outcomes of an experiment or observation
- e.g., coin: events {heads, tails}
- e.g., picking champion in LoL: events {Darius, Leona, Fizz, ...} (all possible Champions listed)

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- Classical (**theory**)
 - e.g., equal likelihood d6, so $P(1) = 1/6^{\text{th}}$
- Empirical (by **measurement/observation**)
 - Probability of 1 min service rate at DD by observing service rates for 1 hour
- Subjective (**hunch** – sometimes guided by a bit of theory)
 - Probability of Iceland winning World Cup by deep analysis of teams and competition

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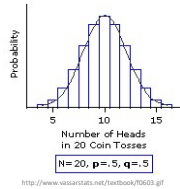
$$\begin{aligned} P(K') \times P(K' | K') \times P(K' | K'K') \\ &= 3/5 \times 2/4 \times 1/3 \\ &= 6/60 \\ &= 1/10 \end{aligned}$$



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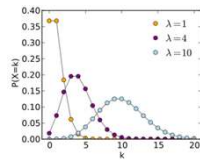
- Experiment consists of n independent, identical trials
- Each trial results in only success or failure (probability p for success for each)
- Random variable of interest (X) is number of successes in n trials



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1. Interval (e.g., time) with units
2. Probability of event same for all interval units
3. Number of events in one unit independent of others
4. Events occur singly (not simultaneously)

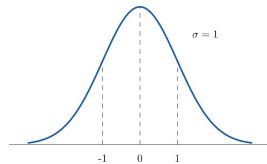


Phrase people use is "random arrivals"

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- Normal distribution
- Mean $\mu = 0$
- Std dev $\sigma = 1$



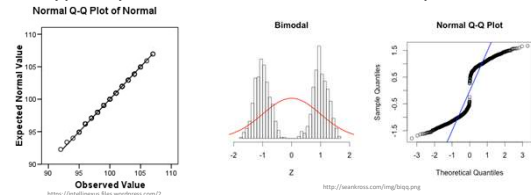
What is the Probability Distribution for number of heads?

- For flipping one coin?
 - Square
- For flipping two coins?

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- Scatter chart showing **quantiles** (percentiles) of one distribution versus **quantiles** (percentiles) of another
- Typically with a horizontal line “fit” to points



How to read? → On line, distributions are similar

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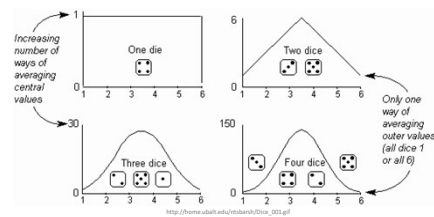
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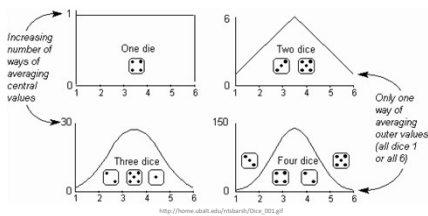
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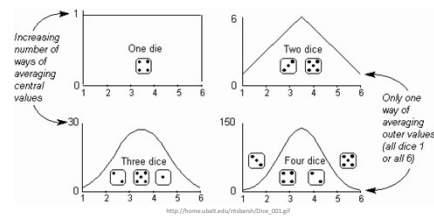
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- **No**

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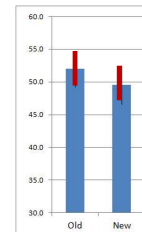
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 - Confidence (1- α)
 - Standard error (number of items in sample) (standard deviation)

$$\bar{X} \pm t \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

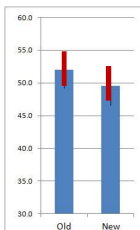
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- Large overlap
- No statistically significant difference (at given α level)

Helpful hint: ignore sample means. Think about population means for Old and New