

Principles of Computer Science II

Collections

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Lecture 6



Simple Statistics

```
1 def main():
2     sum = 0.0
3     count = 0
4     xStr = input(" Enter a number (<Enter> to quit) >> ")
5     while xStr != "":
6         x = eval(xStr)
7         sum = sum + x
8         count = count + 1
9         xStr = input(" Enter a number (<Enter> to quit) >> ")
10    print( "\nThe average of the numbers is", sum / count)
11
12 main()
```



Simple Statistics: Observations

- ▶ The program itself does not keep track of the numbers that were entered – it only keeps a running total.
- ▶ We want to extend the program to compute not only the mean, but also the median and standard deviation.

Median

The median is the data value that splits the data into equal-sized parts.

Standard Deviation

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(\bar{x} - x_i)^2}{n - 1}}$$



Simple Statistics: Extensions

- ▶ We need to keep track of all the values inserted by the user
- ▶ We do not know how many variables the user will provide.



Lists

- ▶ Python provides List to store sequences of values
- ▶ Lists in python are dynamic.
 - ▶ They grow/shrink on demand.
- ▶ Lists are mutable
 - ▶ Values can change on demand
 - ▶ Data type of individual items can change



Lists: Basic Examples

```
1 lst = [1,5,15,7]
2 print(lst)
3
4 lst[2] = 22
5 lst
6
7 lst[1] = Hello
8 lst
9
10 zeroes = [0] * 5
11 zeronos = [0,1] * 3
12 zeronos.append(2)
```



Lists: Operators

Operator	Meaning
seq + seq	Concatenation
seq * integer	Repetition
seq[]	Indexing
len(seq)	Length
sec[:]	Slicing
for var in sec:	Iteration
(expr) in sec	Membership (boolean)



Lists: Basic Examples

```
1 lst = lst + [22, 3]
2 len(lst)
3
4 15 in lst
5 3 in lst
6
7 sum = 0
8 for x in zeronos:
9     sum += x
10 print(sum)
11
12 X = zeronos
13 zeronos.append(2)
14
15 Y = lst[1:3]
16 Z = lst[3:-1]
17 K = lst[1:-3]
```



Lists: Methods

Method	Meaning
seq.append(x)	Add element x to end of list.
seq.sort()	Sort (order) the list. A comparison function may be passed as a parameter.
seq.reverse()	Reverse the list.
seq.index(x)	Returns index of first occurrence of x.
seq.insert(i, x)	Insert x into list at index i.
seq.count(x)	Returns the number of occurrences of x in list.
seq.remove(x)	Deletes the first occurrence of x in list.
seq.pop(i)	Deletes the ith element of the list and returns its value.



Lists: Basic Examples

```
1 lst = [3, 1, 4, 1, 5, 9]
2 lst.append(2)
3 lst
4
5 lst.sort()
6 lst
7
8 lst.reverse()
9
10 lst.index(4)
11
12 lst.insert(4, "Hello")
13
14 lst.count(1)
15
16 lst.remove(1)
17
18 lst.pop(3)
```



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2 x = input('Enter a number: ')
3 while x >= 0:
4     nums.append(x)
5     x = input('Enter a number: ')
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```

```
1 def mean(nums):
2     sum = 0.0
3     for num in nums:
4         sum = sum + num
5     return sum / len(nums)
```



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- ▶ Do we re-compute the mean?
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```
1 def stdDev(nums, xbar):
2     sumDevSq = 0.0
3     for num in nums:
4         dev = xbar - num
5         sumDevSq = sumDevSq + dev * dev
6     return sqrt(sumDevSq / (len(nums) - 1))
```



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- ▶ How do we compute the median?
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```
1 def median(nums):
2     nums.sort()
3     size = len(nums)
4     midPos = size / 2
5     if size % 2 == 0:
6         median = (nums[midPos] + nums[midPos-1]) / 2.0
7     else:
8         median = nums[midPos]
9     return median
```



Simple Statistics: New Version

```
1 def main():
2     print( ' This program computes mean, median and
3           standard deviation.  ' )
4
5     data = getNumbers()
6     xbar = mean(data)
7     std = stdDev(data, xbar)
8
9     print('\nThe mean is ', xbar)
10    print('The standard deviation is ', std)
11    print('The median is ', med)
```



Range

- ▶ **range** creates a list of numbers in a specified range
- ▶ **range([start,] stop[, step])**
- ▶ When step is given, it specifies the increment (or decrement).

```
1 range(5)
2
3 range(5, 10)
4
5 range(0, 10, 2)
6
7 for i in range(0, len(lst), 2):
8     print lst[i]
```



Zippping Lists

```
1 lst = [1,5,15,7]
2 zeroes = [0,1] * 3
3
4 k = zip(lst, zeroes)
5
6 for (i,j) in k:
7     print (i,j)
```



Tuples

```
1 data = [("julius", 3),  
2 ("maria", 2),  
3 ("alice", 4)]  
4  
5 for (n, a) in data:  
6     print("I met %s %s times" % (n, a))  
7  
8 data.sort()
```

