Class 10: Topic 9: Measures of Spread

Held: Wednesday, 13 February 2008

Summary: We consider another way to look at distributions of data: How spread out (or close together) are the data. Along the way, we consider three standard measures of spread: range, interquartile range (IQR), and standard deviation.

Notes:

- I’ve added a link to the data sets to the class web, so that those of you who want to try to work from home can more easily do so.
- I’ll try to talk less today so that you have more time for lab.
- I mentioned the other day that color choice is important because some people are color blind in some ways. I’ll note that this morning I re-verified my partial color blindness.
- Preparation for Wednesday: Overview and Preliminaries for Topic 10.

- Preparation: Overview and Preliminaries 1-3 for Topic 9.
- Handouts: R notes on activity 9.
- Due: Activities 8-9, 8-17, 8-18, 8-22, 8-23.

Overview:

- Beyond centers and shape: Spread.