

**Effect of some common operations on the dispersion of a data set**

To create a dynamic worksheet for students to explore the effect of the following two operations on the dispersion of a data set:

- (1) Adding a common constant to each item of the set of data; and
- (2) Multiplying each item of the set of data by a common constant.

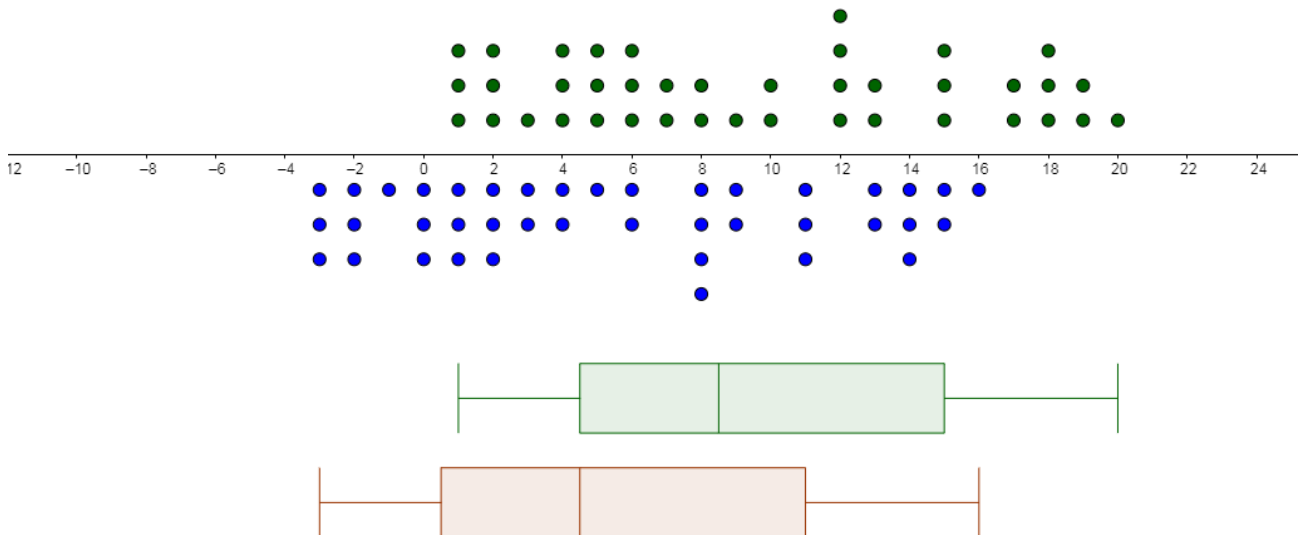
Show data is multiplied by 1 times

Show data is added with -4




Standard Deviation: 5.98, Inter-Quartile Range: 10.5

Update data set



Create objects on the Spreadsheet window and graphic window as follows:

Steps	Objects to be created	Action
1.	A set of randomly generated data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Select “Spreadsheet” in “View” menu over the tool bar</li> <li>◆ In a cell of the spreadsheet, e.g. cell A1, type “=randombetween(0,20)” and copy this cell to 10 cells vertically (e.g. A1 to A40)</li> </ul>
2.	The measures of dispersion and the graphs of representation of the data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ In a cell below the data set, say A42, type “=SD[A1:A40]” to calculate the standard deviation of the data set</li> <li>◆ In another cell, say A43, type “=Q3[A1:A40] - Q1[A1:A40]” to calculate the interquartile range of the data set</li> <li>◆ In another cell, say A44, type “=DotPlot[A1:A40,false,1]” to output the dot plot of the data set</li> <li>◆ In another cell, say A45, type “=BoxPlot[-7, 1, A1:A10]” to output the box-and-whisker diagram of the data set</li> </ul>

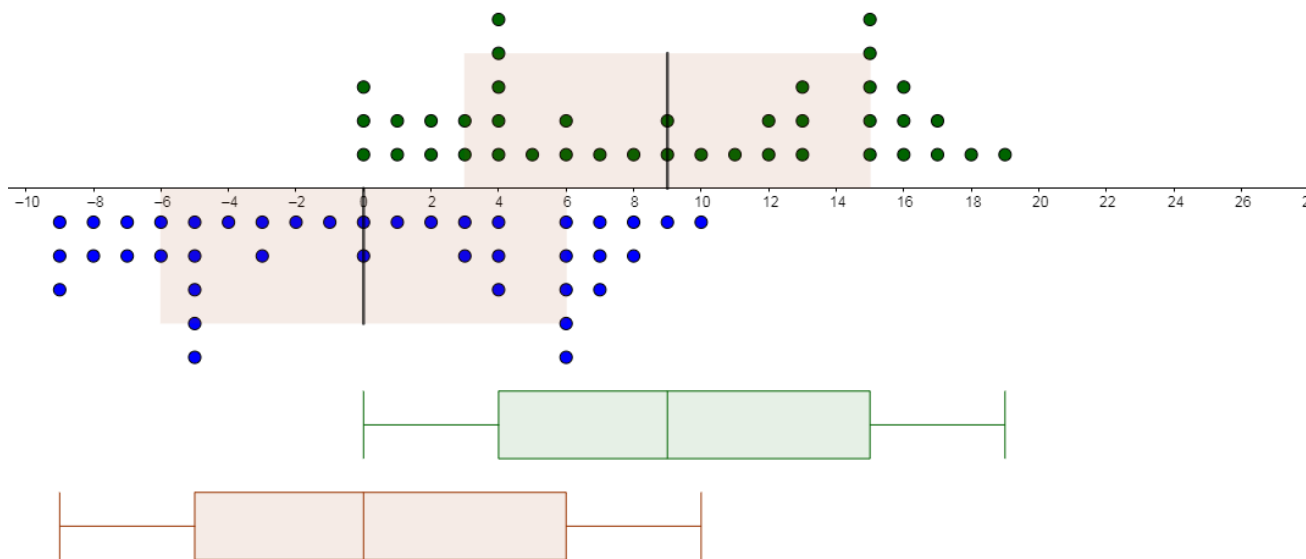
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3.	The new data sets and the measures of dispersion under the operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Create a slider in the graphic window and rename it as <math>p</math>, setting its interval from -15 to 15</li> <li>◆ Create another slider and rename it as <math>q</math>, setting its interval from 0 to 5</li> <li>◆ In cell B1, type “=A1+p”</li> <li>◆ In cell C1, type “=A1*q”</li> <li>◆ Copy B1 and C1 to cells from B1 to B40 and C1 to C40</li> <li>◆ Copy cells between A42 and A45 to respective cells in column B and column C</li> <li>◆ In cells B44 and C44, change the last parameter in the bracket of the function DotPlot to -1. i.e. “DotPlot[B1:B40,false,-1]”, “DotPlot[C1:C40,false,-1]”</li> <li>◆ In cells B45 and C45, change the first parameter in the bracket of the function BoxPlot to -10. i.e. “=BoxPlot[-10, 4, B1:B40]”, “=BoxPlot[-10, 4, C1:C40]”</li> </ul>
4.	Check boxes to show/hide individual effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Create text boxes to show the measures of dispersion on each set of the data</li> <li>◆ Create check boxes “a” and “b” to show/hide the information of the two data sets of column B and C with toggle.</li> <li>◆ Right Click checkbox a, in “Settings”, go to “On Update” menu</li> <li>◆ Type “If(a==true,SetValue(b,false))” and press OK</li> <li>◆ Right Click checkbox b, in “Settings”, go to “On Update” menu</li> <li>◆ Type “If(b==true,SetValue(a,false))” and press OK</li> </ul>
5.	Button to refresh the data set	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Select  “Button” and type “Update data set”</li> <li>◆ In “Object Properties”, go to “On click” under “Scripting” menu</li> <li>◆ Type “UpdateConstruction[.]” and press OK</li> </ul>

Extension

Show data set x is by 1 times (data set z) ●


Show data set x is added with -9 (data set y)  $\sigma_x = 6.02, \sigma_y = 6.02, \text{Inter-QuartileRange} = 11$  Update data set x

Show  $\bar{x} \pm \sigma_x$  and  $\bar{y} \pm \sigma_y$  or  $\bar{x} \pm \sigma_x$  and  $\bar{z} \pm \sigma_z$   $\bar{x} = 9$   $\bar{y} = 0$



1. Add region of  $\bar{x} \pm \sigma_x$ ,  $\bar{y} \pm \sigma_y$  and  $\bar{z} \pm \sigma_z$

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1.	Checkbox and text of “ $\bar{x} \pm \sigma_x$ , $\bar{y} \pm \sigma_y$ and $\bar{z} \pm \sigma_z$ ”,	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Create a Checkbox “c” with no Caption</li> <li>◆ Create a Text Object <span style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 2px;">ABC</span></li> <li>◆ In “Settings” of the Text Object, go to “Text” and select “LaTex formula” and enter  <math>\text{\texttt{\textbackslash text\{Show \}\bar\{x\}\pm\sigma\{\_x\}\text\{ and \}}}</math>  <math>\text{\texttt{\textbackslash bar\{y\}\pm\sigma\{\_y\}\text\{ or \}\bar\{x\}\pm\sigma\{\_x\}}}</math>  <math>\text{\texttt{\textbackslash text\{and \}\bar\{z\}\pm\sigma\{\_z\}}}</math></li> <li>◆ Change Text Object showing “Standard Deviation and IQR” with <math>\sigma_x = 6.02, \sigma_y = 6.02, \text{Inter-QuartileRange} = 11</math> by going to “Settings”, “Text” then select “LaTex formula” and enter  <math>\text{\texttt{\sigma\{\_x\}=A42,\sigma\{\_y\}=B42, Inter-Quartile Range=B43}}</math></li> <li>◆ Change similar cases as well.</li> </ul>
2.	Mean and Polygon showing the area of “ $\bar{x} \pm \sigma_x$ , $\bar{y} \pm \sigma_y$ and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Select “Algebra” View</li> <li>◆ Type “<math>\text{\texttt{barx = mean(A1:A40)}}</math> to create mean for data set x.</li> </ul>

Steps	Objects to be created	Action
	$\bar{z} \pm \sigma_z$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Create 4 points A, B, C, D by typing “A=(barx - A42,0)”, “B=(barx + A42,0)”, “C=(barx - A42,4)”and “D=(barx + A42,4)”</li> <li>◆ Select “Polygon” tool  and points A,B, C and D.</li> <li>◆ Hide A, B, C, D and segments created by “Polygon” tool.</li> <li>◆ Repeat with Data Set y and z. (e.g. create bary, barz, H,I,J,K and P,Q,R,S.</li> </ul> <p>Show <math>\bar{x}</math>, <math>\bar{y}</math> and <math>\bar{z}</math>”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Create Text Objects with “LaTex Formula” e.g.  <math>\backslash\text{bar}\{x\} = \text{barx}</math></li> <li>◆ Set Show/Hide condition accordingly</li> </ul>
3.	Hide/Show polygons upon selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Select the polygon of <math>\bar{x} \pm \sigma_x</math>, in “Settings”, go to “Advanced” in “Condition to Show Object”, type “c”</li> <li>◆ Select the polygon of <math>\bar{y} \pm \sigma_y</math>, in “Settings”, go to “Advanced” in “Condition to Show Object”, type “a &amp;&amp; c”</li> <li>◆ Select the Polygon of <math>\bar{z} \pm \sigma_z</math>, in “Settings”, go to “Advanced” in “Condition to Show Object”, type “b &amp;&amp; c”</li> </ul>

2. Show segment of  $\bar{x}$ ,  $\bar{y}$  and  $\bar{z}$

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1.	Segment of “ $\bar{x}$ , $\bar{y}$ and $\bar{z}$ ”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Select “Algebra” View</li> <li>◆ Type “segment((barx,0),(barx,4))”, “segment((bary0),(bary,-4))”, “segment((barz,0),(barz,4))”</li> </ul>
2.	Hide/Show polygons upon selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Select segment of <math>\bar{x}</math>, <math>\bar{y}</math> and <math>\bar{z}</math> and set appropriate “Condition to Show Object” under “Advanced” in respective “Settings”.</li> <li>◆ e.g. Select segment of <math>\bar{y}</math>, in “Settings”, go to “Advanced” in “Condition to Show Object”, type “a &amp;&amp; c”</li> </ul>