

Applied Data Analytics

Statistics — Dispersion & concentration

Dispersion based on absolute deviations

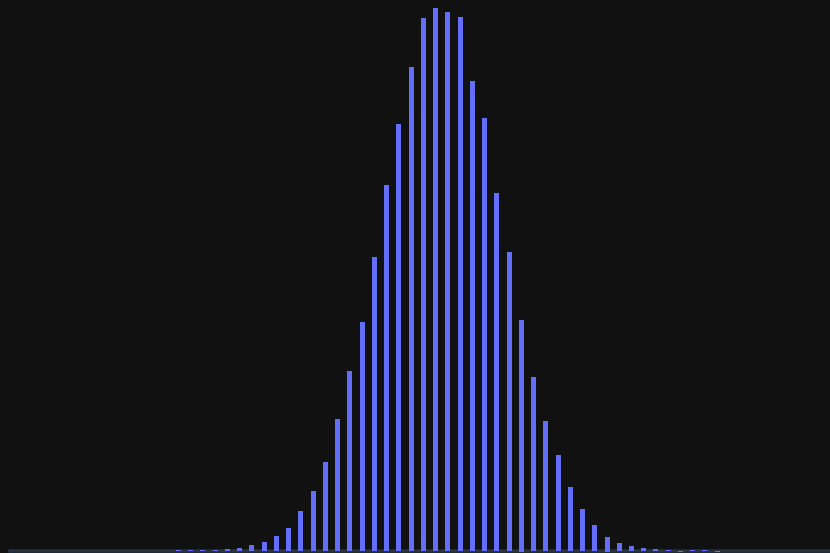
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Distributions

Dispersion

■ Small

■ Large

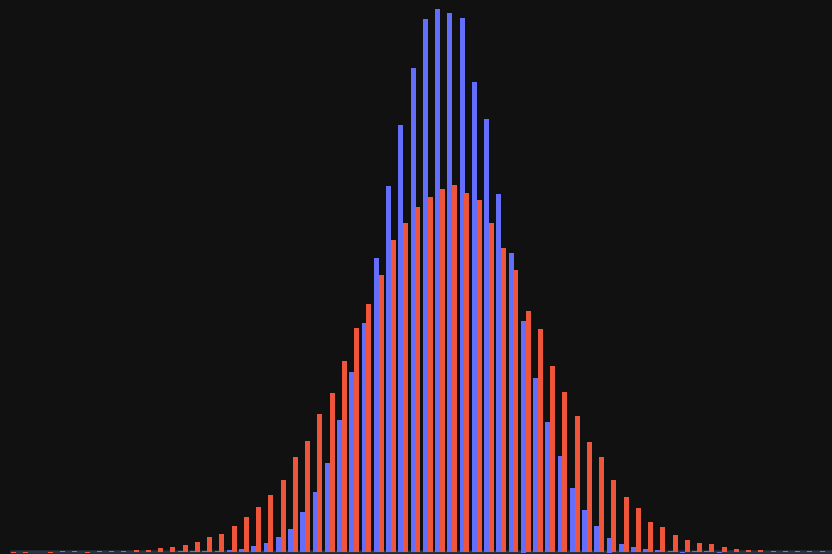


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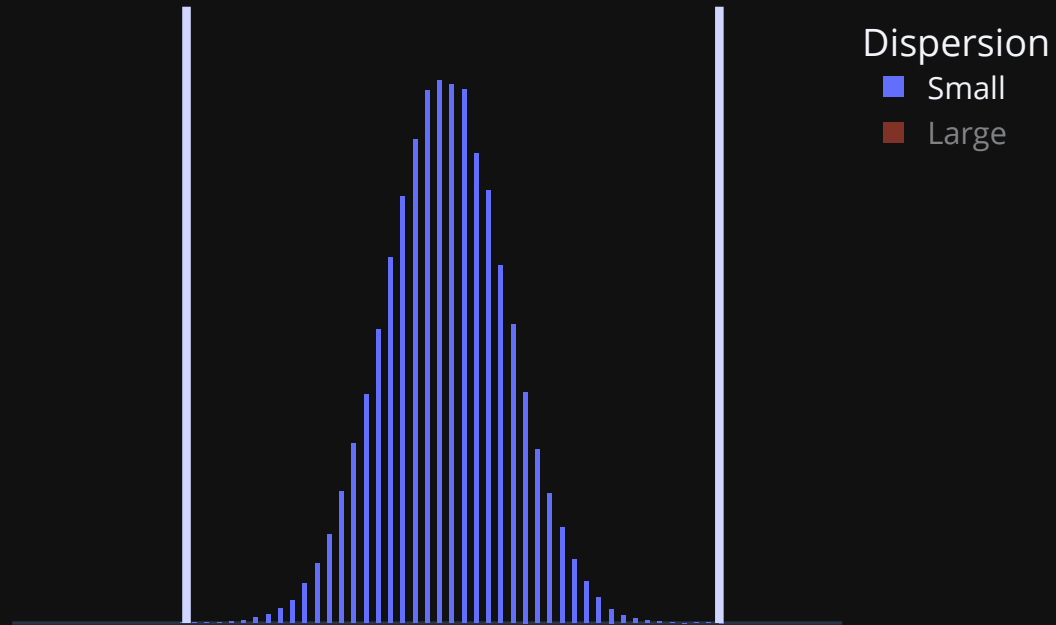
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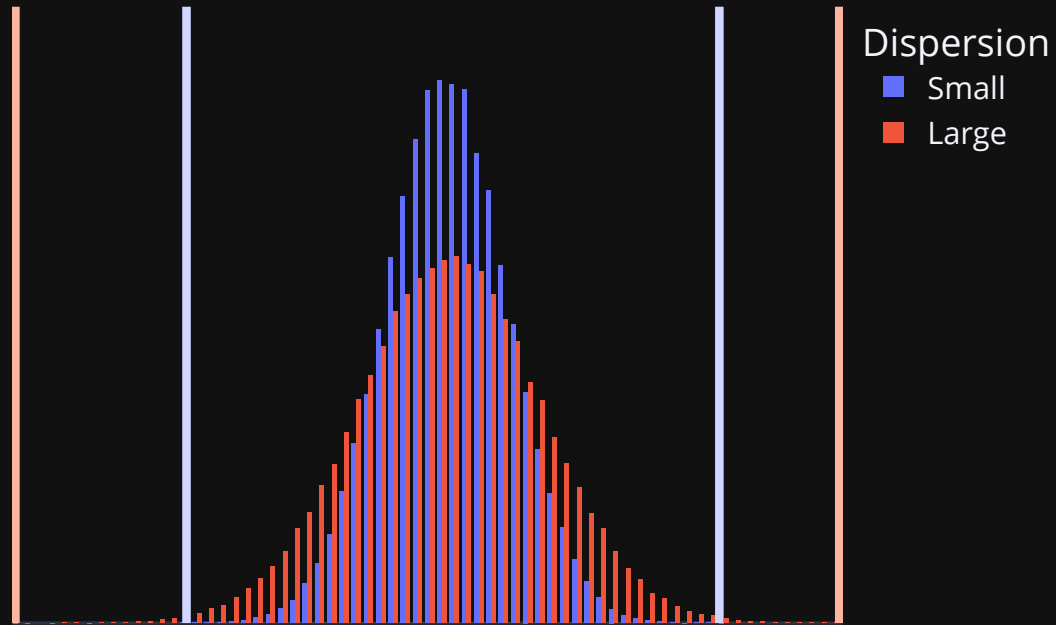
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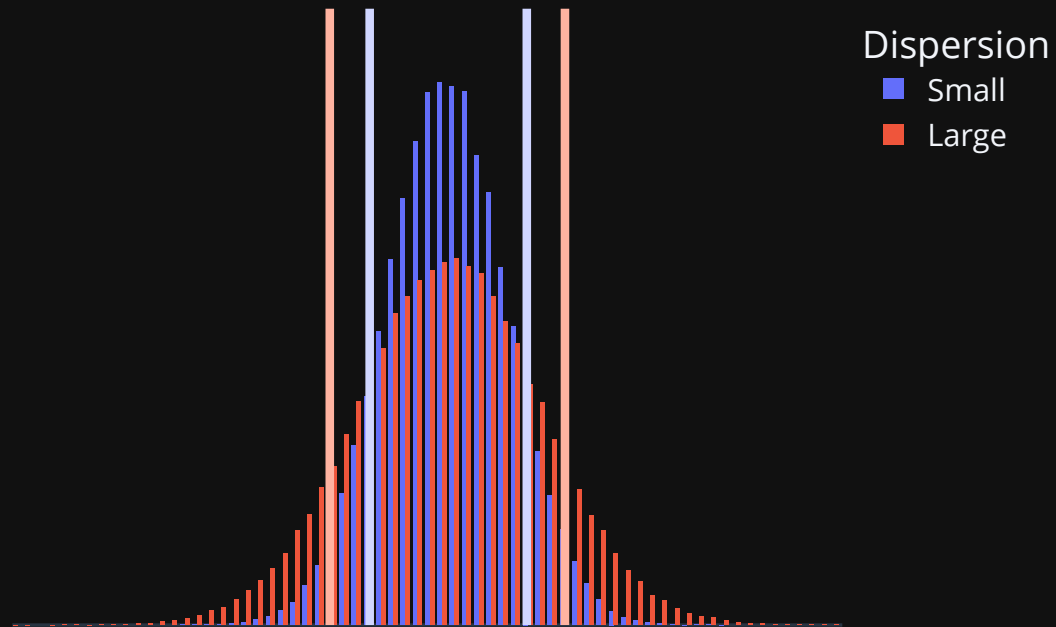
Distributions with Minimum and Maximum



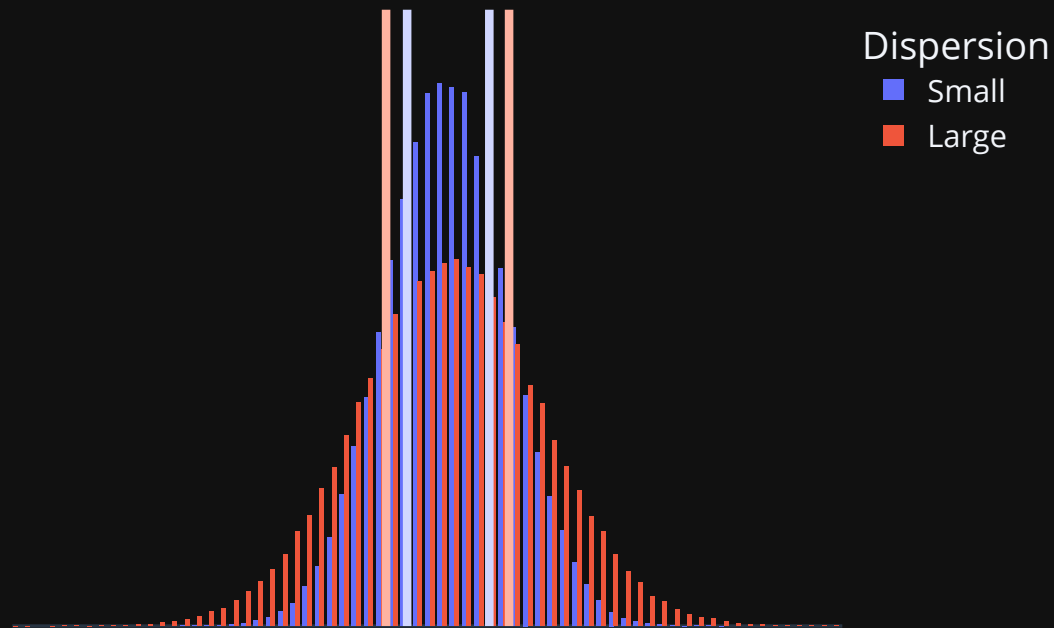
Distributions with Minimum and Maximum



Distributions with 10th and 90th Percentiles



Distributions with 1st and 3rd quartiles



Ranges

- **Range:** difference between the maximum and minimum values
- **Interdecile range:** difference between the 90th and 10th percentiles
- **Interquartile range:** difference between the 75th and 25th percentiles
- For ratio scales with strictly positive values, ratios between quantiles can be useful statistics, too

Describe a DataFrame

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df.describe().round(2)
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Dispersion	count	mean	std	min	25%	50%	75%	max
Small	100000	0	1	-4.27	-0.67	-0	0.67	4.43
Large	100000	-0.01	1.5	-7.07	-1.01	-0	1	6.39

Mean absolute deviation

$$s_{\text{MAD}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - x_{\text{MED}}|$$

Mean absolute deviation

A	$ A - 4 $	B	$ B - 3 $
2	2	1	2
4	0	3	0
6	2	8	5
MAD	1.33	MAD	2.33