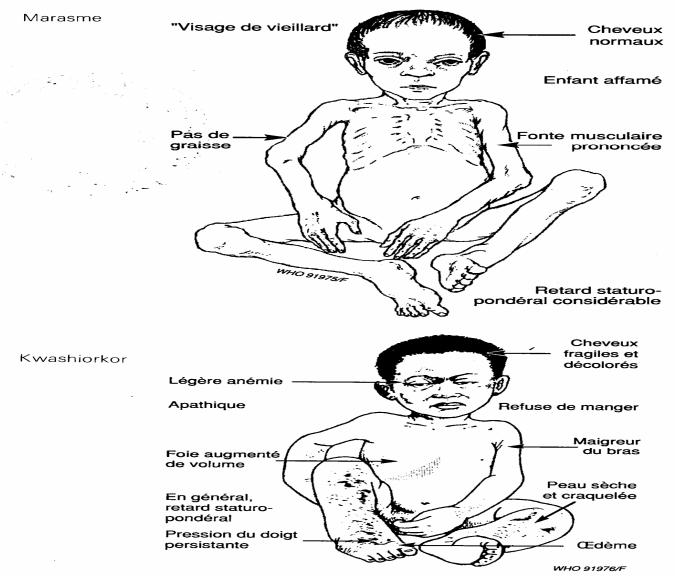
USE OF ANTHROPOMETRY FOR EVALUATION OF NUTRITIONAL STATUS IN CHILDREN

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INTRODUCTION

- EVALUATION OF NUTRITIONAL STATUS
 - IN CLINICS
 - IN THE FIELD



Source: King M. et al. Primary child care. A Manual for Health Workers. Book one. Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1978.

WHAT TOOLS?

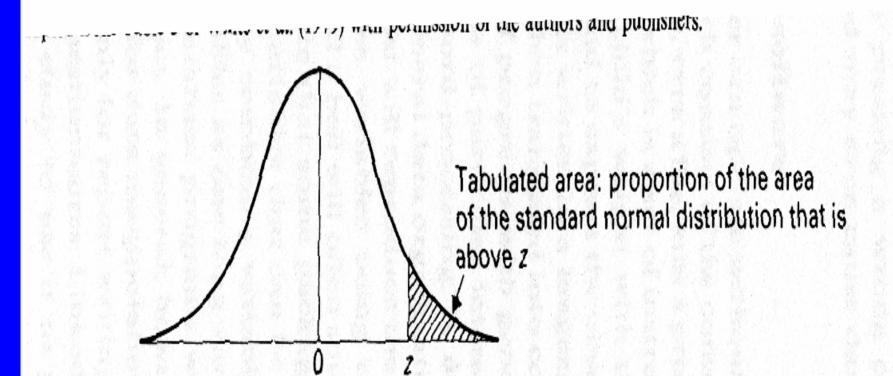
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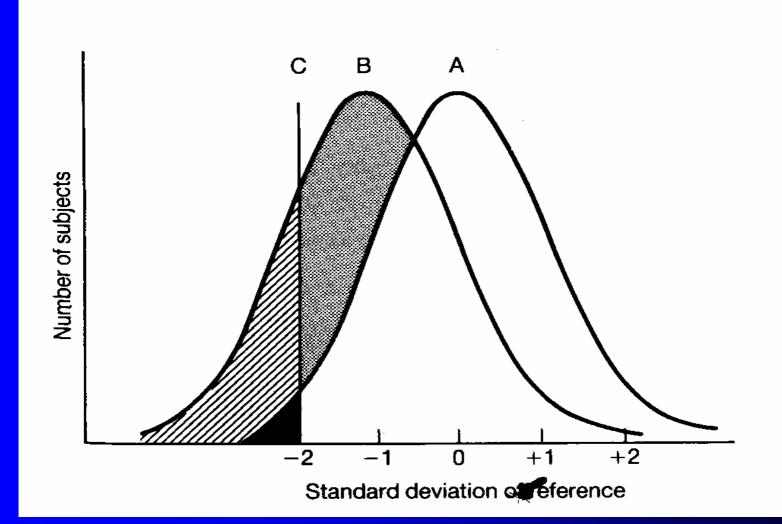
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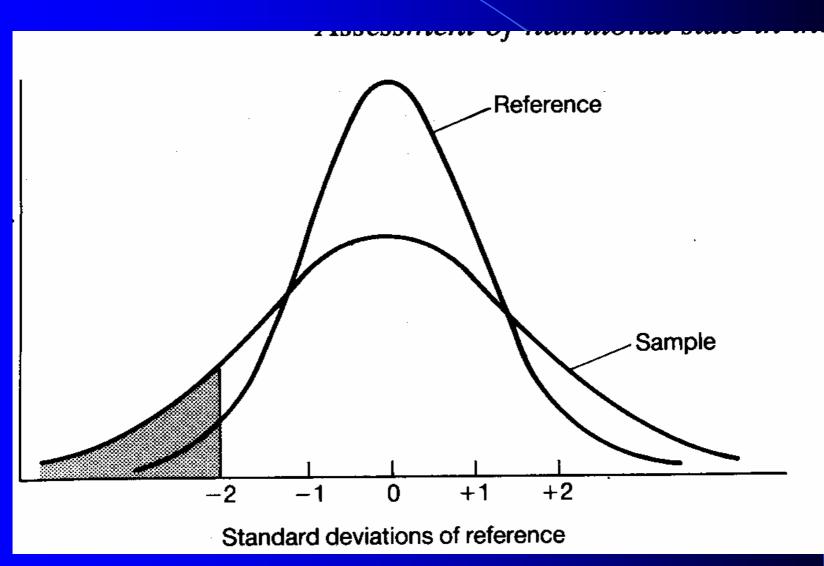
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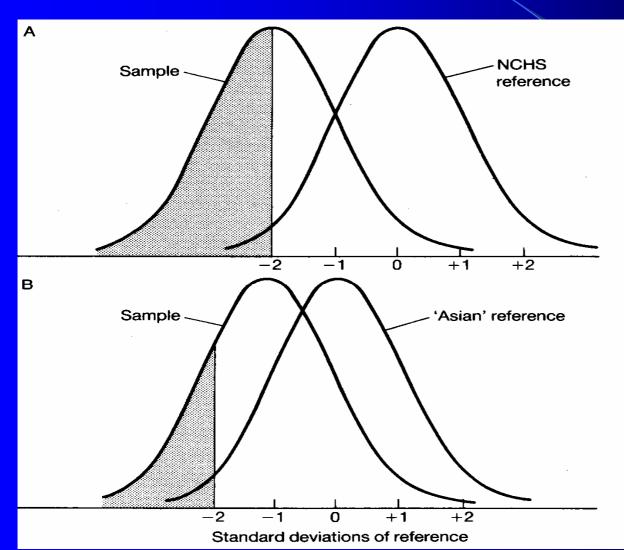
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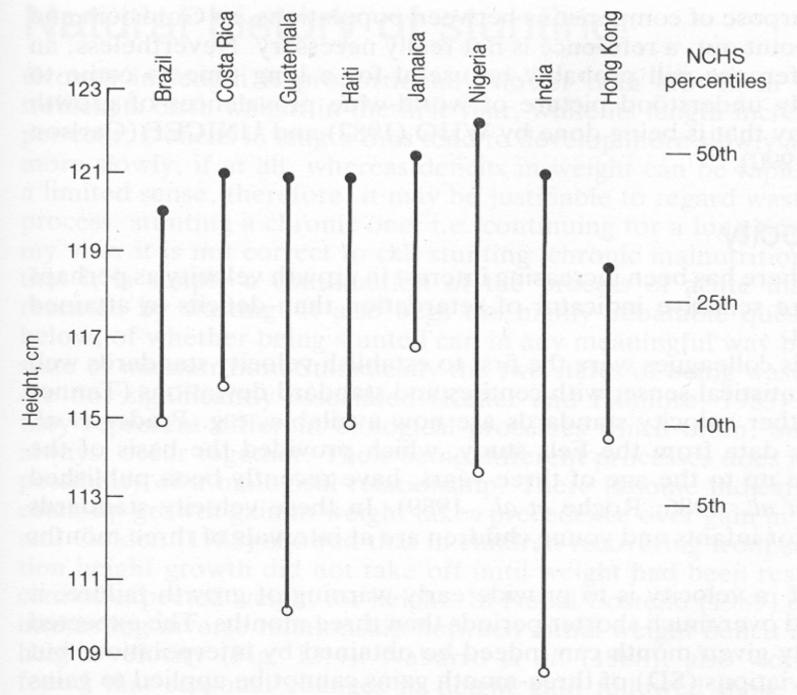


Standard deviation of reference



MEAN AND STANDARD DEVIATION AS DESCRIPTORS



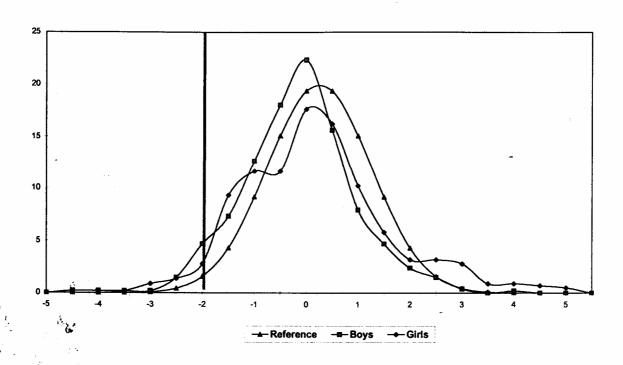


WEIGHT/AGE GOMEZ CLASSIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION	WEIGHT/WEIGHT/AGE
	%
NORMAL	> 90
GRADE I	75 – 89
GRADE II	60 – 74
GRADE III	< 60

WEIGHT for AGE Z-SCORE

Fig. 4.4.1B: Weight-for-Age Z-score, males and females 0-60 months



Weight for age

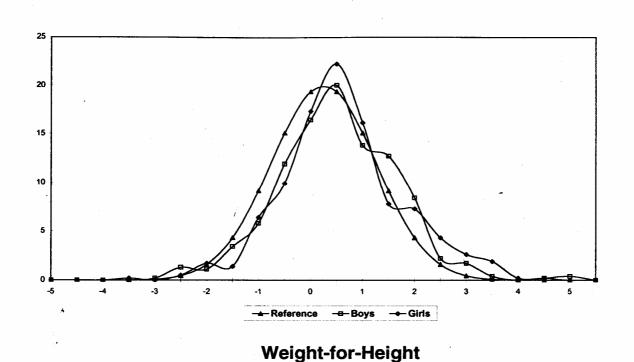
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WEIGHT for HEIGHT

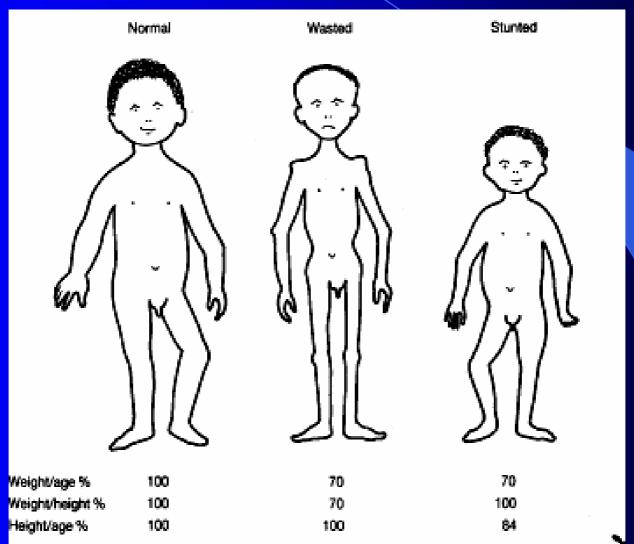
• $\sqrt[6]{6}$ W/H = 100x (W/ Wa_{NCHS}): (H/ Ha_{NCHS})²

WEIGHT for HEIGHT Z-SCORE

Fig. 4.4.1c: Weight-for-Height Z-score, males and females 0-60months



WASTING & STUNTING (Waterlow, 1992)



WATERLOW WEIGHT for HEIGHT CLASSIFICATION

T/T ₅₀	P/P ₅₀	CLASSIFICATION
%	%	
> 90	> 80	NORMAL
> 90	< 80	ACUTE PEM
< 90	> 80	CHRONIC PEM
< 90	< 80	SEVERE CHRONIC PEM

WELLCOME CLASSIFICATION

WEIGHT/AGE	OEDEMA	
% of NCHS	Present	Absent
> 80	Non nutritional	Normal
60 – 80	KWASHIORKOR	UNDERNUTRITION
< 60	KWASH- MARASMUS	MARASMUS

JELLIFFE CLASSIFICATION ARM/CIRCUMFERENCE

ARM CIRCUMFERENCE (cm)	NUTRITIONAL STATE
> 14	NORMAL
12.5 – 14	Mild-Moderate
< 12.5	SEVERE MALNUTRITION

CONCLUSION

- ANTHROPOMETRICAL PARAMETERS
 - IN CLINICS:
 - Classification based on:
 - WEIGHT for AGE
 - HEIGHT for AGE
 - CLINICS:
 - IN THE FIELD:
 - Classification based on:
 - WEIGHT for Height
 - AC or AC/CC