

Measure of central tendency and its types

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⊞ Geometric and Harmonic mean for ungroup and group data. Its uses and applications

Measure of dispersion and its types

⊞ Range for absolute and relative measure (ungroup and group)

Geometric Mean

- ✦ The geometric mean is useful in finding the average change of percentages, ratios, indexes, or growth rates over time. It has a wide application in business and economics because we are often interested in finding the percentage changes in sales, salaries, or economic figures, such as the Gross Domestic Product, which compound or build on each other.

Defination

✚ The geometric mean of a set of n positive numbers is defined as the n th root of the product of n values. The formula for the geometric mean is written:

✚ For ungroup

$$G.M = \sqrt[n]{x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdot x_3 \dots x_n}$$

$$G.M = \text{anti log} \left[\frac{1}{n} \left\{ \sum \log x_i \right\} \right]$$

✚ Further study See book Chapter 3 page 77

✚ For group

$$G.M = \textit{anti} \log \left[\frac{1}{\sum f} \left\{ \sum f \log x_i \right\} \right]$$

For Ungroup data

Percentage rise in population	Population at the end of year x_i	$\log x_i$
15	115	2.0607
25	125	2.0969
5	95	1.9777
		6.1353

$$\begin{aligned} \text{G.M} &= \text{Antilog } \frac{\sum \log x_i}{n} \\ &= \text{Antilog } \frac{(6.1353)}{3} \\ &= \text{Antilog } (2.0451) \\ &= 110.9 \end{aligned}$$

For Group Data

Marks	Mid point (x_i)	f_i	$\log x_i$	$f_i \log x_i$
4-8	6	6	0.7782	4.6692
8-12	10	10	1.0000	10.0000
12-16	14	38	1.1461	20.6298
16-20	18	30	1.2553	37.6590
20-24	22	15	1.3424	20.1360
24-28	26	12	1.4150	16.800
28-32	30	10	1.4771	14.7710
32-36	34	6	1.5315	9.1890
36-40	38	2	1.5798	3.1596
Total		N = 109		137.1936

$$\begin{aligned} \text{G.M.} &= \text{Antilog} \left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n f_i \log x_i}{N} \right] \\ &= \text{Antilog} \left[\frac{137.1936}{109} \right] = \text{Antilog} [1.2587] \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{G. M.} = 18.14$$

Harmonic Mean

⊞ Harmonic mean is $H.M = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{x}}$ the reciprocal of arithmetic mean and reciprocal of its values.

⊞ Formula

⊞ for ungroup
$$H.M = \frac{n}{\sum \frac{1}{x}}$$

⊞ for group
$$H.M = \frac{\sum f}{\sum \left(\frac{f}{x}\right)}$$

Example for Ungroup data

Truck Number	1	2	3	4
Km. driven	40	50	60	75

x	$1/x$
40	0.02500
50	0.02000
60	0.01677
75	0.01333
	0.07500

$$H.M = \frac{N}{\sum 1/x}$$
$$H.M = \frac{4}{0.07500}$$
$$H.M = 53.33 \text{ Km.}$$

Example for Group data

Class Interval	11 -- 15	16 -- 20	21 -- 25	26 -- 30	31 -- 35
Frequencies	15	20	60	150	15

Class Interval	x	f	f/x
11 - 15	13	15	1.153846154
16 - 20	18	20	1.111111111
21 - 25	23	60	2.608695652
26 - 30	28	150	5.357142857
31 - 35	33	15	0.454545455
		260	10.68534

$x = \text{Midpoint}$

$$x = \frac{L.C.L + U.C.L}{2}$$
 e.g $x = \frac{11 + 15}{2} = 13$

$$M.M = \frac{N}{\sum f/x}$$

$$M.M = \frac{260}{10.68534} = 24.3$$



Measures of Dispersion

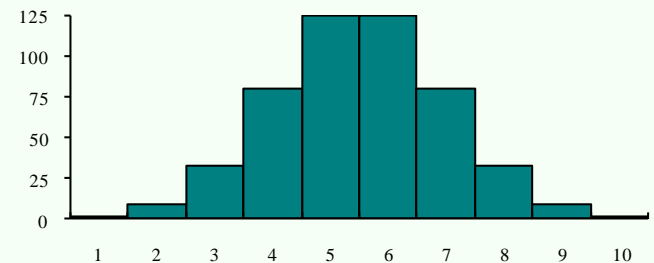
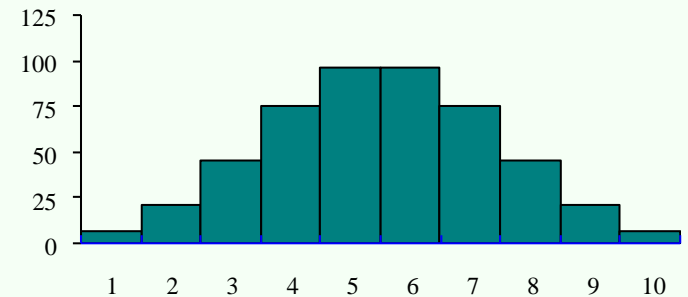


Definition

- ✚ *Measures of dispersion* are descriptive statistics that describe how similar a set of scores are to each other
 - ✚ The more similar the scores are to each other, the lower the measure of dispersion will be
 - ✚ The less similar the scores are to each other, the higher the measure of dispersion will be
 - ✚ In general, the more spread out a distribution is, the larger the measure of dispersion will be

Measures of Dispersion

- Which of the distributions of scores has the larger dispersion?
- The upper distribution has more dispersion because the scores are more spread out
 - That is, they are less similar to each other



Types of dispersion

- ⊞ Absolute Measure of dispersion
- ⊞ Relative measure of dispersion

Absloute Measure of dispersion

- ⊞ Range
- ⊞ The semi-interquartile range (SIR) or Quartile Deviation(Q.D)
- ⊞ Mean Deviation (M.D)
- ⊞ Standard deviation

Relative measure of dispersion

- ⊠ Co-efficient of Range
- ⊠ Co-efficient of Quartile Deviation(Q.D)
- ⊠ Co-efficient of Mean Deviation (M.D)
- ⊠ Co-efficient of Standard deviation
- ⊠ Variance

The Range

- ✚ The *range* is defined as the difference between the largest score in the set of data and the smallest score in the set of data, $X_L - X_S$
- ✚ What is the range of the following data:
4 8 1 6 6 2 9 3 6 9
- ✚ The largest score (X_L) is 9; the smallest score (X_S) is 1; the range is $X_L - X_S = 9 - 1 = 8$

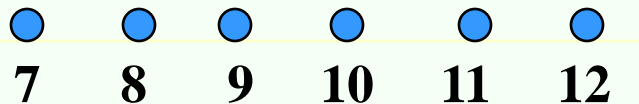
The Range

- **Measure of Variation**
- **Difference Between Largest & Smallest Observations:**

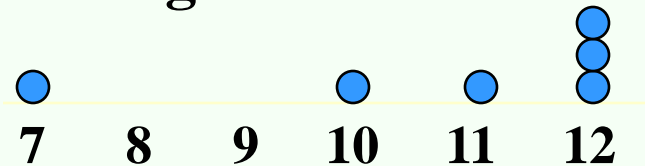
$$\text{Range} = X_{\text{Largest}} - X_{\text{Smallest}}$$

- **Ignores How Data Are Distributed:**

$$\text{Range} = 12 - 7 = 5$$



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Data Range

42	26	32	34	57
38	58	37	56	30
33	40	36	47	49
50	40	33	31	40
52	28	23	35	25
30	56	32	26	50
55	30	58	64	52
48	33	43	46	32
61	31	39	46	60
74	37	29	43	54

Range = Largest - Smallest
= 74 - 23
= 51

Smallest

Largest

Estimate Range from Grouped Data

Employee \$ contributed to profit sharing plan			Frequency f
\$50	Up To	\$55	4
55	Up To	\$60	7
60	Up To	65	9
65	Up To	70	22
70	Up To	75	40
75	Up To	80	24
80	Up To	85	15
85	Up To	90	9
Total			130

Estimated Range	=	Upper Limit of the Highest Class	-	Lower Limit of the Lowest Class
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Estimated Range	=	\$90	-	\$50	= \$40
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When To Use the Range

- ✚ The range is used when
 - ✚ you have ordinal data or
 - ✚ you are presenting your results to people with little or no knowledge of statistics
- ✚ The range is rarely used in scientific work as it is fairly insensitive
 - ✚ It depends on only two scores in the set of data, X_L and X_S
 - ✚ Two very different sets of data can have the same range:
1 1 1 1 9 vs 1 3 5 7 9

The Semi-Interquartile Range

- ✦ The *semi-interquartile range* (or *SIR*) is defined as the difference of the first and third quartiles divided by two
 - ✦ The first quartile is the 25th percentile
 - ✦ The third quartile is the 75th percentile
- ✦ $SIR = (Q_3 - Q_1) / 2$

SIR Example

- What is the SIR for the data to the right?
- 25 % of the scores are below 5
 - 5 is the first quartile
- 25 % of the scores are above 25
 - 25 is the third quartile
- $SIR = (Q_3 - Q_1) / 2 = (25 - 5) / 2 = 10$

2	
4	
6	← 5 = 25 th %tile
8	
10	
12	
14	
20	
30	← 25 = 75 th %tile
60	

When To Use the SIR

- ✚ The SIR is often used with skewed data as it is insensitive to the extreme scores