

# **Experiment 10:**

## **Illustrate the descriptive statistics using `summary()` in R**

- ▶ Aim: To generate the statistical measurements for a given dataset using `summary()` method in R.

## Exp. 10: Descriptive statistics using summary() in R

### What is meant by Descriptive Statistics?

- ▶ A descriptive statistic is a summary statistic that quantitatively describes or summarizes features from a collection of information.
- ▶ They help describe, show or summarize data in a meaningful way such that, for example, patterns might emerge from the data.

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- ▶ Descriptive statistics do not, however, allow us to make conclusions beyond the data we have analyzed or reach conclusions regarding any hypotheses we might have made.
- ▶ They are simply a way to describe our data.

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- ▶ Descriptive statistics are very important because if we simply presented our raw data it would be hard to visualize what the data was showing, especially if there was a lot of it.
- ▶ Descriptive statistics therefore enables us to present the data in a more meaningful way, which allows simpler interpretation of the data.

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- ▶ Typically, there are two general types of statistics that are used to describe data:
  - **Measures of central tendency:** these are ways of describing the central position of a frequency distribution for a group of data.
  - The most common measures of central tendency are the **arithmetic mean, the median, and the mode.**

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- **Measures of spread:** These are ways of summarizing a group of data by describing how spread out the scores are.
- Measures of spread include the **range, quantiles and the interquartile range, variance and standard deviation.**

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- ▶ Inbuilt datasets in R can be accessed by using:

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>data()
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<pre>&gt; data(mtcars)</pre>	<pre>#Load the dataset into current workspace</pre>
<pre>&gt; print(mtcars)</pre>	<pre>#Display the contents of dataset</pre>
<pre>&gt; head(mtcars)</pre>	<pre># First 6 records can be displayed(default)</pre>
<pre>&gt; head(mtcars,10)</pre>	<pre># First 10 records can be displayed</pre>
<pre>&gt; tail(mtcars)</pre>	<pre># Last 6 records can be displayed</pre>

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- ▶ The descriptive statistic measures can be obtained by using the functions like `mean()`, `median()`, `range()`, `sd()`, `quantile()`, etc..
  - Ex:
    - `mean(iris$Sepal.Length)`
    - `mean(iris$Sepal.Width)`
    - `quantile(iris$Petal.Width)`



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- ▶ R comes with an inbuilt function **`summary()`**, that calculates basic summary statistics for all numerical features in a `data.frame`.
- ▶ Eg.
  - `summary(iris)`

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- ▶ Generating and observing the summary statistics of all features with respect to different classes will convey more information.

- Eg.

- `summary(iris[1:50,])`      #Setosa
- `summary(iris[51:100,])`      #Versicolor
- `summary(iris[101:150,])`      #Virginica