

Exercise: You are given the following dataset representing students' scores in a Statistics exam:

Data = [45, 48, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 65, 68, 70, 72, 75, 78, 80]

Discretize the data into 3 bins using the following two methods:

- Equal Width Binning
- Equal Frequency Binning **For each binning method:**
- ❖ Sort the values in each bin in ascending order.
- ❖ Apply data smoothing using the following techniques:
 - Smoothing by Mean
 - Smoothing by Median
 - Smoothing by Boundaries

Solution

Discretizing:

1. **Equal Width Binning:** Range = $80 - 45 = 35 \rightarrow 35 / 3 = 11.67 \approx 12$
 Bin 1: {45, 57} \rightarrow [45, 48, 52, 54, 56, 58]
 Bin 2: {58, 70} \rightarrow [60, 62, 65, 68, 70, 72]
 Bin 3: {71, 83} \rightarrow [75, 78, 80]
 2. **Equal Frequency Binning:** $15/3 = 5 \rightarrow$ so five values per bin
 Bin 1: [45, 48, 52, 54, 56]
 Bin 2: [58, 60, 62, 65, 68]
 Bin 3: [70, 72, 75, 78, 80]
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Smoothing:

1. **By Mean:** equal Frequency
 - Bin 1: $(45 + 48 + 52 + 54 + 56) / 5 = 51 \rightarrow$ Bin 1: [51, 51, 51, 51, 51]
 - Bin 2: $(58 + 60 + 62 + 65 + 68) / 5 = 62.6 \rightarrow$ Bin 2: [62.6, 62.6, 62.6, 62.6, 62.6]
 - Bin 3: $(70 + 72 + 75 + 78 + 80) / 5 = 75 \rightarrow$ Bin 3: [75, 75, 75, 75, 75]

Equal width:

- Bin 1 : $(45+48+52+54+56+58)/6 \rightarrow$ bin1 : [52,52,52,52,52,52]
 - Bin 2 : $(60+62+65+68+70+72)/6 \rightarrow$ bin2 : [66,66,66,66,66,66]
 - Bin 3 : $(75+78+80)/3 \rightarrow$ bin 3 : [78,78,78]
2. **By Median:** equal Frequency
 - Bin 1 median = 52 \rightarrow Bin 1: [52, 52, 52, 52, 52]
 - Bin 2 median = 62 \rightarrow Bin 1: [62, 62, 62, 62, 62]
 - Bin 3 median = 75 \rightarrow Bin 1: [75, 75, 75, 75, 75]

Equal width:

Bin 1 median $(52+45)/2$ → bin 1: [53,53,53,53,53,53]

Bin 2 median $(65+68)/2$ → bin 2: [66,66,66,66,66,66]

Bin 3 median (78) → bin3: [78,78,78]

3. By Boundaries: equal Frequency

- Bin 1: min = 45, max = 56 → Bin 1: [45, 45, 56, 56, 56]
- Bin 2: min = 58, max = 68 → Bin 1: [58, 58, 58, 68, 68]
- Bin 3: min = 70 , max = 80 → Bin 1: [70, 70, 80, 80, 80]

Equal width:

Bin 1: min = 45, max = 58 → bin 1: [45,45,58,58,58,58]

Bin 2: min = 60, max = 72 → bin 2 : [60,60,60,72,72,72]

Bin 3: min = 75, max = 80 → bin 2 : [75,80,80]