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Data Preprocessing

Level - 01

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Standard Deviation, Variance

Variance

The **expected deviation** between values in a given data set. **Measures the spread** of each number from the mean value of the data set.

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1}$$

Standard Deviation

Gives an indication of **the actual far of a group of samples from their mean.** and is the square root of the variance.

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{N - 1}}$$

\bar{x} : Mean

N : Number of samples

x : Sample (i)

Different STD values

STD = 0.5



STD = 3



Variance Vs STD

- The **standard deviation** shows the position of each value from the mean.
- However, a variance is indicated in larger units such as meters squared while the standard deviation is expressed in original units such as meters.
- Variance is used to “**check outliers**” by squaring each value.

$100^2 = 10000$ not like 100 !!!

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Solution:

1- calculate the mean:

$$\frac{(0.15 - 0.09 + 0.10 + 0.06)}{4} = 0.055$$

So, The arithmetic mean of returns is **5.5%**.

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2- calculate the STD:

$$SD = \sqrt{\frac{(0.15 - 0.055)^2 + (-0.09 - 0.055)^2 + (0.10 - 0.055)^2 + (0.06 - 0.055)^2}{3}} = 0.1034$$

The standard deviation of returns is **10.34%**.

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Thus, the investor now knows that his returns change by about
“10%” per month.

The information can be used to adjust and improve the investor's
attitude to risk.

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Thank You!

Do you have any questions?

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