

Assignment 1

AI1110: Probability and Random Variables

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Question 3(c):

The marks of 10 students of a class in an examination arranged in ascending order is as follows:

13, 35, 43, 46, x , $x+4$, 55, 61, 71, 80.

If the median marks is 48, find the value of x . Hence find the mode of the given data.

Given: "data in ascending order"

(i) 13, 35, 43, 46, x , $x + 4$, 55, 61, 71, 80.

(ii) median = 48

Required:

(i) value of x .

(ii) mode of the data.

Solution:

Median(definition): it is the middle number in a sorted ordered list of number.

i.e., if n be the number of entries in given data then median of the data is:

(i) if $n = \text{odd}$, Median = $(\frac{n}{2})^{th}$ element.

(ii) if $(n = \text{even})$, Median = average of $(\frac{n}{2})^{th}$ and $(\frac{n+1}{2})^{th}$ elements.

As, Here the value of n is odd.
therefore,

$$\text{Median} = \frac{(x) + (x + 4)}{2}. \quad (1)$$

$$48 = \frac{(x) + (x + 4)}{2}. \quad (2)$$

$$48 = x + 2. \quad (3)$$

therefore, $x = 46$.

Requirement (ii) : mode of the data.

mode(definition) : it is the most repeating number in the list of numbers.

Given Data =

13, 35, 43, 46, 46, 50, 55, 61, 71, 80.

(after updating x)

and hence, the mode = 46.

Verification:

- (i) obtained value of x using median is verified in python code
- (ii) calculated value of mode is verified using C code