

MM 217 Formulae

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1 Descriptive Statistics

1.1 Measures of central tendency

Mean If $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ are data points then the mean is given by

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} \quad (1)$$

R Command: `mean(data)`

Median It is the value which divides the data in half. Let n denote the number of data points then if

- n =even, then

$$\tilde{x} = x_{\frac{n}{2}} + x_{\frac{n+2}{2}} \quad (2)$$

- n =odd, the

$$\tilde{x} = x_{\frac{n+1}{2}} \quad (3)$$

R command: `median(data)`

Mode Data point with the highest frequency.

R command: `mode(data)`

Variance Variance is σ^2 and standard deviation is σ .

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1} \quad (4)$$

Between one sigma limits of a normal distribution 67% of the data is contained.

R command: `sd(data)`

1.2 Graphical Methods

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1.3 Correlation Coefficient

Consider two data sets $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ and $\{y_1, \dots, y_n\}$. Covariance and correlation coefficient are defined as,

$$Cov(x, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) \times \frac{1}{n-1} \quad (5)$$

$$Corr(x, y) = \frac{Cov(x, y)}{\sqrt{Var(x)Var(y)}} \quad (6)$$

- $-1 \leq Corr(x, y) \leq 1$
- $Corr(x, y) = 1 \implies$ perfect linear relationship with positive slope.
- $Corr(x, y) = -1 \implies$ perfect linear relationship with negative slope.
- Intermediate values indicate different extent of linearity in the two variables.

R command: `cov(x,y)` and `cor(x,y)`.

2 Probability