

MEASURES OF A VARIATION

EXERCISE - 5

1) Explain what is meant by central tendency of data. What are the common measures of central tendency?

A measure of central tendency is a summary measure that attempts to describe a whole set of data with a single value that represents the middle or centre of its distribution.

The common measures of central tendency are

1. Arithmetic mean
2. Arithmetic median
3. Arithmetic mode.

2. Discuss mean, median & mode & discuss their merits and demerits.

Arithmetic mean.

It is obtained by dividing the sum of observations by no of observations.

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum X}{n}$$

Means

- Easy to understand & to calculate
- it is rigidly defined

Demerits

- Affected by extreme values (either low or high)
- it cannot be obtained even if a single value is missing.

Arithmetic Median

it is a positional average and referred to the middle value in a distribution.

It divides the series into two halves by first arranging the items in ascending / descending order &.

Magnitude then locating the middle value

The no of observations = N

If N is an odd $\left(\frac{N+1}{2}\right)^{th}$ item

If N is an even $\left(\frac{N}{2}\right)^{th}$ & $\left(\frac{N}{2} + 1\right)^{th}$ item

4. Define Geometric Mean & Harmonic Mean & mention their uses.

n.m

n.m is a set of N values of the same type is the n^{th} root of product of numbers.

If $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$ denote a given set of n observations

thus the geometric mean is given by

$$G.M = (x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdot \dots \cdot x_n)^{1/n}$$

if f is the frequency

$$G.M = (x_1^{f_1} \cdot x_2^{f_2} \cdot \dots \cdot x_n^{f_n})^{1/n}$$

It is used in finance to calc. average growth rates and is referred to as the compounded annual growth rate.

Harmonic mean

It is defined as the reciprocal of the Arithmetic mean of the reciprocal of the given values.

$$H.M = \frac{n}{\frac{1}{x_1} + \frac{1}{x_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{x_n}}$$

it is used to find multiplicative as opposed to additive relationships b/w functions without having to worry about common denominators.

Arithmetic Mean

Merits

- it is not affected by extreme values
- it can be easily watched even if the diff intervals in the series are unequal

Demerits

- it doesn't take into account the relative value of item in the series.

Arithmetic mode

it refers to the most frequently occurring value in the data set.

$$\text{Mode} = l + \left(\frac{f_1 - f_0}{2f_1 - f_0 - f_2} \right) \times c$$

Merits

- it is comparatively easy to understand
- it can be found graphically

Demerits

- it is not suitable for further mathematical calculations.
- it is an unstable measure as it is affected to more by sampling fluctuations

6. Define Quartiles of distribution.

In a sample or dataset, the quartiles divide the data into four groups with equal no. of observations.

In a probability distribution, the quartile divide the distribution's range into four intervals with equal probability.

7. State the empirical relationship b/w the averages.

Ans: If the mode of frequency distribution cannot be determined, it can be approximately evaluated by the following empirical Relationship.

$$\text{Mode} = 3 \text{ Median} - 2 \text{ Mean}$$

$$\text{Mean} - \text{Mode} = 3 \text{ Mean} - 3 \text{ Median}$$

Q) The weekly wages of 10 workers are 25, 30, 32, 40, 41, 47, 48, 50, 55, 65. Find the average wage per week.

$$\text{Avg} = \frac{25 + 30 + 32 + 40 + 41 + 47 + 48 + 50 + 55 + 65}{10}$$

$$10$$

$$= 43.3$$

Q) The following are the weights of 30 college students in kg. find the arithmetic mean.

49 52 44 55 46 49 41 48 54
50 40 42 39 52 48 39 45
37 44 48 41 47 38 46 49
52 49 50 51 44

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ans: } & 49 + 52 + 44 + 40 + 41 + 42 + 47 + 38 + \\ & 55 + 52 + 46 + 46 + 48 + 45 + 39 + 52 + 41 + \\ & 45 + 49 + 48 + 37 + 50 + 54 + 44 + 57 + \\ \hline \Sigma &= 50 + 48 + 44 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 46.5$$

Q) Find the A.M from the following data.

Weights in (kgs) : 35 40 45 50 55 60

No. of men : 12 18 24 16 6 4

Ans)	ΣC	f	ΣCf	$\Sigma f = 80$
	35	12	420	$\Sigma Af = 3590$
	40	18	720	
	45	24	1080	A.M = $\frac{\Sigma Af}{\Sigma f}$
	50	16	800	
	55	6	330	
	60	4	240	
		<u>80</u>	<u>3590</u>	$= \frac{3590}{80} = 44.875$

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Q. find the A.M from the following frequency distribution

Age: 20-25 25-30 30-35 35-40 40-45 45-50

No. persons: 110 110 80 45 40 35

Age.	f	Mid. C.	fx
20-25	110	22.5	2475
25-30	110	27.5	3025
30-35	80	32.5	2600
35-40	45	37.5	1687.5
40-45	40	42.5	1700
45-50	35	47.5	1662.5
	<u>420</u>		<u>13230</u>

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Q. find the A.M from the following frequency distribution

1-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71-80
3	7	13	17	23	27	18	12
					81-90	91-100	
					6	4	

<u>Class</u>	<u>f</u>	<u>fx</u>	<u>fx²</u>
5-10.5	3	5.5	16.5
10.5-20.5	7	15.5	108.5
20.5-30.5	12	25.5	331.5
30.5-40.5	17	35.5	603.5
40.5-50.5	23	45.5	1046.5
50.5-60.5	27	55.5	1498.5
60.5-70.5	18	65.5	1179
70.5-80.5	12	75.5	906
80.5-90.5	6	85.5	513
90.5-100.5	4	95.5	382
	<u>130</u>		<u>6585</u>

$$A.M = \frac{\sum fx}{\sum f} = \frac{6585}{130} = 50.65$$

Q. find the A.M for the following distribution.

<u>Marks</u>	<u>No of Students</u>
Below 10	5
10-20	12
20-30	25
30-40	45
40-50	70
50-60	80
60-70	88
70-80	92
80-90	96
90-100	100

<u>Months</u>	<u>No of students</u>	<u>mid 11</u>	<u>mid 21</u>	<u>211</u>
0-10	5	5	5	25
10-20	12	15	15	180
20-30	25	25	25	625
30-40	45	35	35	1575
40-50	70	45	45	3150
50-60	80	70	55	4400
60-70	88	80	65	5720
70-80	92	88	75	6900
80-90	96	92	85	8160
90-100	100	96	95	9500
	<u>613</u>	<u>613</u>		<u>40235</u>

$$\text{AM: } \frac{\text{Total}}{\text{EP}} = \frac{40235}{613} = \underline{\underline{65.63}}$$