

Homework:
Measures of Center & Spread

MATH 150

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Problem 1

Use R to determine the mean, median, variance, and standard deviation of the variable PREP in R's built-in USJudgeRatings data set. You can see this set with `View(USJudgeRatings)` and learn more about it with `?USJudgeRatings`.

Answer

```
View(USJudgeRatings)
```

```
mean(USJudgeRatings$PREP)
median(USJudgeRatings$PREP)
var(USJudgeRatings$PREP)
sd(USJudgeRatings$PREP)
```

- **mean:** 7.467442
- **median:** 7.7
- **variance:** 0.9089147
- **standard deviation:** 0.9533702

Problem 2

Use R to determine the mean, median, variance, and standard deviation of the variable weight in R's built-in chickwts data set.

Answer

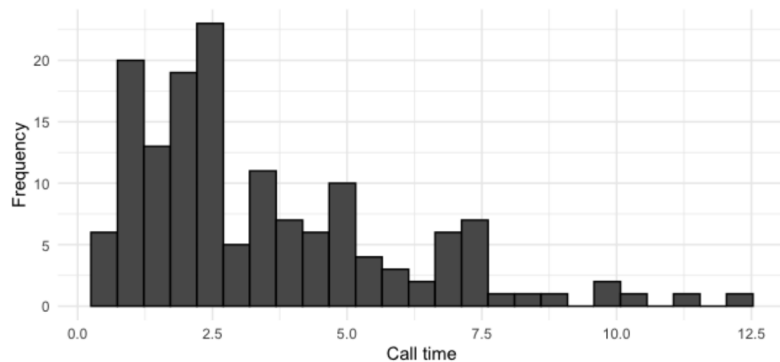
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View(chickwts)
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```
mean(chickwts$weight)
median(chickwts$weight)
var(chickwts$weight)
sd(chickwts$weight)
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- **mean:** 261.3099
- **median:** 258
- **variance:** 6095.503
- **standard deviation:** 78.0737

Problem 3

The histogram below shows the length, in minutes, of 150 calls to a tech support help line. Estimate the median and mean of this distribution.



Answer

Mean:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{mean} &= (6 \times 0.5 + 20 \times 1 + 13 \times 1.5 + 19 \times 2 + 23 \times 2.5 + 4 \times 3 + 11 \times 3.5 + 7 \times 4 + 6 \times 4.5 + 10 \times 5 + 4 \times 5.5 + 3 \times 6 + 2 \times 6.5 + 6 \times 7 + 7 \times 7.5 + 1 \times 8 + 1 \times 8.5 + 1 \times 9 + 0 \times 9.5 + 2 \times 10 + 1 \times 10.5 + 0 \times 11 + 1 \times 11.5 + 0 \times 12 + 1 \times 12.5) \div 150 \\ &= \frac{506}{150} = \mathbf{3.37} \end{aligned}$$

Median:

$$\text{median} = \mathbf{6.5}$$