

# Measure of Variability

Measure of variability is also known as measure of dispersion and used to describe variability in a sample or population. In statistics, there are three common measures of variability.

## ② Range

It is given measure of how to spread apart values in sample <sup>set</sup> or data set.

$$\text{Range} = \text{max value} - \text{min value}$$

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data = np.array([4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 8])
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range = data.max() - data.min()
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print(range) → 4.
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How to find range in any file.

~~range = y-column~~

`range = (dataframe.columnname).max() - (dataframe.columnname).min()`

## ③ Variance

It simply describes how much a random variable differs from expected value and it is also computed as square of deviation.

$$S^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n [(x_i - \bar{x})^2 \div n]$$

In these formula,  $n$  represent total data points,  $\bar{x}$  represent mean of data points and  $x_i$  represent individual data points.

### (c) Dispersion

It is measure of dispersion of set of data from its mean

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2}$$

$\mu$  = population mean.

$\bar{x}$  = sample mean

Dataset A

① Calculate the population mean ( $\mu$ ) of Dataset A.

$$(4 + 5 + 5 + 5 + 6 + 6 + 6 + 6 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 8) / 12$$
$$\text{mean } (\mu) = 6$$

② Calculate the deviation of the individual values from the mean by subtracting the mean from each value in the dataset.

$$-2, -1, -1, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 2$$

③ Square each individual deviation value.

$$4, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 4$$

④ Calculate the mean of the squared deviation values.

$$(4 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 0 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 4) / 12$$
$$= \frac{14}{12} = 1.166\bar{6}$$
$$= 1.17$$

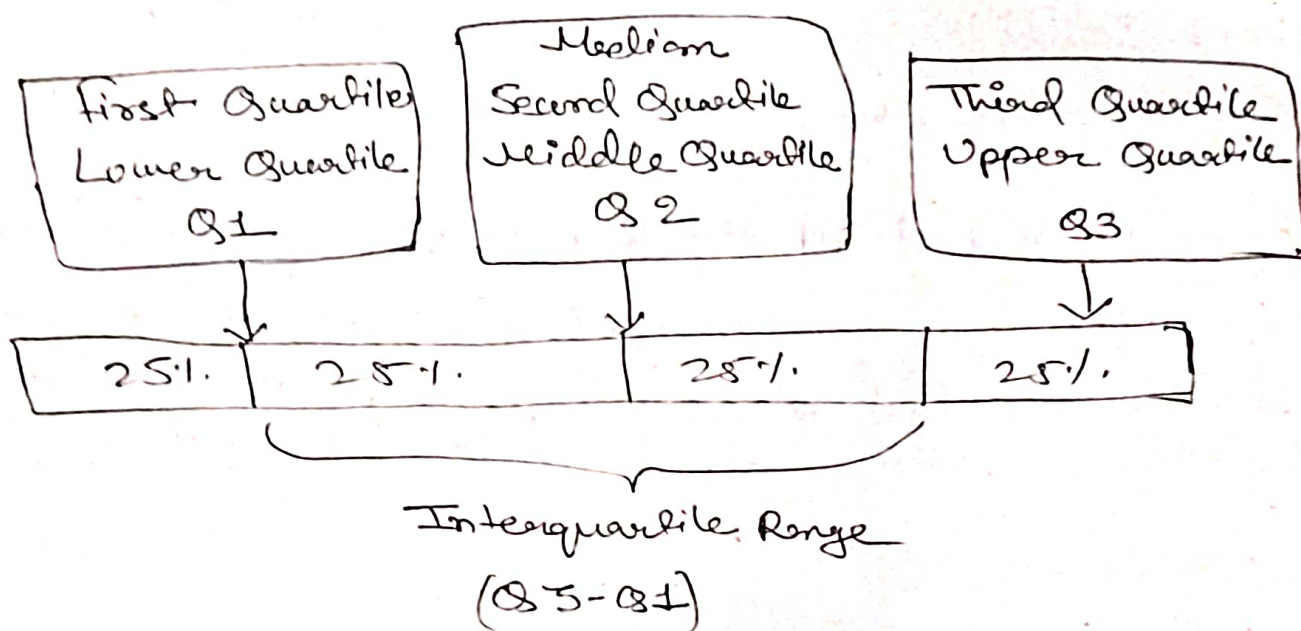
$$\text{Variance } \sigma^2 = 1.17$$

⑤ Calculate the square root of the variance, standard deviation  $\sigma = \sqrt{1.17} = 1.08$



# Quartile ..

## Median and Quartiles



## Interquartile range..

The interquartile range (IQR) is the difference between the upper (Q3) and lower (Q1) quartiles, and describes the middle 50% of values when ordered from lowest to highest.

The IQR is often seen as a better measure of spread than the range.

The IQR for Dataset A is = 2

$$\begin{aligned} \text{IQR} &= Q3 - Q1 \\ &= 17 - 15 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

`data = np.array([4, 5, 5, 5, 6, 6, 6, 6, 7, 7, 7, 8])`

`q1 = np.percentile(data, 25)`

`q2 = np.percentile(data, 50)`

`q3 = np.percentile(data, 75)`

`IQR = q3 - q1`

`print(IQR)`

`2.0`

`IQR = q3 - q2`

`= 1.0`