

## Standard Score Or Z Score

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$$z = \frac{\text{value} - \text{mean}}{\text{Standard Deviation}}$$

$$\text{For Sample } Z = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{s}$$

$$\text{For Population } Z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

The z score represents the number of standard deviations that a data value falls above or below the mean.

Saying, “You can’t compare apples and oranges.”

A comparison of a relative standard similar to both can be made using Z Score with help of mean and Standard deviation

A z score, then, is actually the number of standard deviations each value is from the mean for a specific distribution.

### EXAMPLE 3-27 Test Scores

A student scored 65 on a calculus test that had a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 10; she scored 30 on a history test with a mean of 25 and a standard deviation of 5. Compare her relative positions on the two tests.

#### SOLUTION

First, find the  $z$  scores. For calculus the  $z$  score is

$$z = \frac{X - \bar{X}}{s} = \frac{65 - 50}{10} = 1.5$$

For history the  $z$  score is

$$z = \frac{30 - 25}{5} = 1.0$$

Since the  $z$  score for calculus is larger, her relative position in the calculus class is higher than her relative position in the history class.

### EXAMPLE 3–28 Test Scores

Find the  $z$  score for each test, and state which is higher.

Test A	$X = 38$	$\bar{X} = 40$	$s = 5$
Test B	$X = 94$	$\bar{X} = 100$	$s = 10$

#### SOLUTION

For test A,

$$z = \frac{X - \bar{X}}{s} = \frac{38 - 40}{5} = -0.4$$

For test B,

$$z = \frac{94 - 100}{10} = -0.6$$

The score for test A is relatively higher than the score for test B.

# Percentiles

**Percentiles** divide the data set into 100 equal groups.

Percentiles are symbolized by

$$P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots, P_{99}$$

and divide the distribution into 100 groups.



## Percentile Formula

The percentile corresponding to a given value  $X$  is computed by using the following formula:

$$\text{Percentile} = \frac{(\text{number of values below } X) + 0.5}{\text{total number of values}} \cdot 100$$

### EXAMPLE 3–30 Test Scores

A teacher gives a 20-point test to 10 students. The scores are shown here. Find the percentile rank of a score of 12.

18, 15, 12, 6, 8, 2, 3, 5, 20, 10

#### SOLUTION

Arrange the data in order from lowest to highest.

2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 18, 20

Then substitute into the formula.

$$\text{Percentile} = \frac{(\text{number of values below } X) + 0.5}{\text{total number of values}} \cdot 100$$

Since there are six values below a score of 12, the solution is

$$\text{Percentile} = \frac{6 + 0.5}{10} \cdot 100 = 65\text{th percentile}$$

Thus, a student whose score was 12 did better than 65% of the class.

(ii) find the percentile rank for a score of 6 .

## Procedure Table

### Finding a Data Value Corresponding to a Given Percentile

**Step 1** Arrange the data in order from lowest to highest.

**Step 2** Substitute into the formula

$$c = \frac{n \cdot p}{100}$$

where  $n$  = total number of values

$p$  = percentile

**Step 3A** If  $c$  is not a whole number, round up to the next whole number. Starting at the lowest value, count over to the number that corresponds to the rounded-up value.

**Step 3B** If  $c$  is a whole number, use the value halfway between the  $c$ th and  $(c + 1)$ st values when counting up from the lowest value.



Example: Find the value corresponding to the 25th percentile

of a score of 18, 15, 12, 6, 8, 2, 3, 5, 20, 10

**SOLUTION**

**Step 1** Arrange the data in order from lowest to highest.

2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 18, 20

**Step 2** Compute

$$c = \frac{n \cdot p}{100}$$

where  $n$  = total number of values

$p$  = percentile

Thus,

$$c = \frac{10 \cdot 25}{100} = 2.5$$

**Step 3** Since  $c$  is not a whole number, round it up to the next whole number; in this case,  $c = 3$ . Start at the lowest value and count over to the third value, which is 5. Hence, the value 5 corresponds to the 25th percentile.

Example: Find the value corresponding to the 60th percentile

of a score of 18, 15, 12, 6, 8, 2, 3, 5, 20, 10

**SOLUTION**

**Step 1** Arrange the data in order from lowest to highest.

2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 18, 20

**Step 2** Substitute in the formula.

$$c = \frac{n \cdot p}{100} = \frac{10 \cdot 60}{100} = 6$$

**Step 3** Since  $c$  is a whole number, use the value halfway between the  $c$  and  $c + 1$  values when counting up from the lowest value—in this case, the 6th and 7th values.

2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12, 15, 18, 20  
                                  ↑          ↖  
                                6th value  7th value

The value halfway between 10 and 12 is 11. Find it by adding the two values and dividing by 2.

$$\frac{10 + 12}{2} = 11$$

Hence, 11 corresponds to the 60th percentile. Anyone scoring 11 would have done better than 60% of the class.



Percentile for  
Grouped Data

$$P_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n \cdot N}{100} - C \right)$$

*Where  $n$  is  $n$ th percentile and  $N$  is total frequency of data ,  $C$  is cumulative frequency before percentile class*

The airborne speeds in miles per hour of 21 planes are shown.

Class	f
366-386	4
387-407	2
408-428	3
429-449	2
450-470	1
471-491	2
492-5012	3
513-533	4

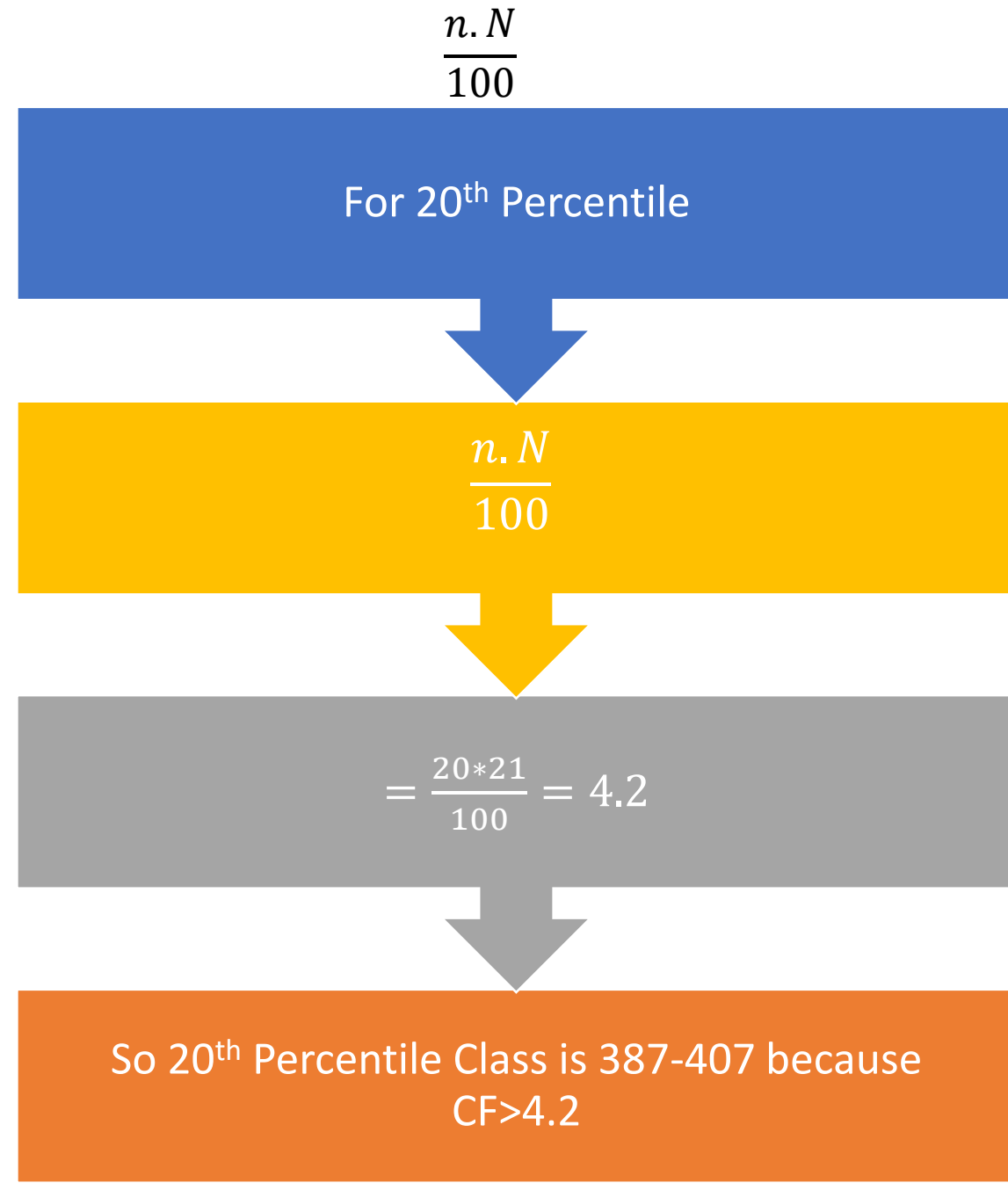
Find the Percentiles (i) 20<sup>th</sup> (ii) 45<sup>th</sup> (iii) 60<sup>th</sup> (iv) 75<sup>th</sup> (v) 9<sup>th</sup>

class	f	C.f
366-386	4	4
387-407	2	6
408-428	3	9
429-449	2	11
450-470	1	12
471-491	2	14
492-512	3	17
513-533	4	21

L	h	f	C
386.5	21	2	4

$$P_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n.N}{100} - C \right)$$

Ans  
388.6



class	f	C.f
366-386	4	4
387-407	2	6
408-428	3	9
429-449	2	11
450-470	1	12
471-491	2	14
492-512	3	17
513-533	4	21

L	h	f	C
428.5	21	2	9

$$P_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n \cdot N}{100} - C \right)$$

Ans

433.225

$$\frac{n \cdot N}{100}$$

For 45<sup>th</sup> Percentile

$$\frac{n \cdot N}{100}$$

$$= \frac{45 \cdot 21}{100} = 9.45$$

So 45<sup>th</sup> Percentile Class is 429-449 because  
CF > 9.45

class	f	C.f
366-386	4	4
387-407	2	6
408-428	3	9
429-449	2	11
450-470	1	12
471-491	2	14
492-512	3	17
513-533	4	21

L	h	f	C
491.5	21	3	14

$$P_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n \cdot N}{100} - C \right)$$

Ans  
503.75

$$\frac{n \cdot N}{100}$$

For 75<sup>th</sup> Percentile

$$\frac{n \cdot N}{100}$$

$$= \frac{75 \cdot 21}{100} = 15.75$$

So 75<sup>th</sup> Percentile Class is 492-512 because  
CF > 15.75

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366-386	4	4
387-407	2	6
408-428	3	9
429-449	2	11
450-470	1	12
471-491	2	14
492-512	3	17
513-533	4	21

L	h	f	C
366	21	4	0

$$P_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n \cdot N}{100} - C \right)$$

Ans  
375.92

$$\frac{n \cdot N}{100}$$

For 9<sup>th</sup> Percentile

$$\frac{n \cdot N}{100}$$

$$= \frac{9 \cdot 21}{100} = 1.89$$

So 75<sup>th</sup> Percentile Class is 366-386 because  
CF > 1.89



class	f	C.f
366-386	4	4
387-407	2	6
408-428	3	9
429-449	2	11
450-470	1	12
471-491	2	14
492-512	3	17
513-533	4	21

L	h	f	C
470.5	21	2	12

$$P_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n.N}{100} - C \right)$$

Ans  
476.8

$$\frac{n.N}{100}$$

For 60<sup>th</sup> Percentile

$$\frac{n.N}{100}$$

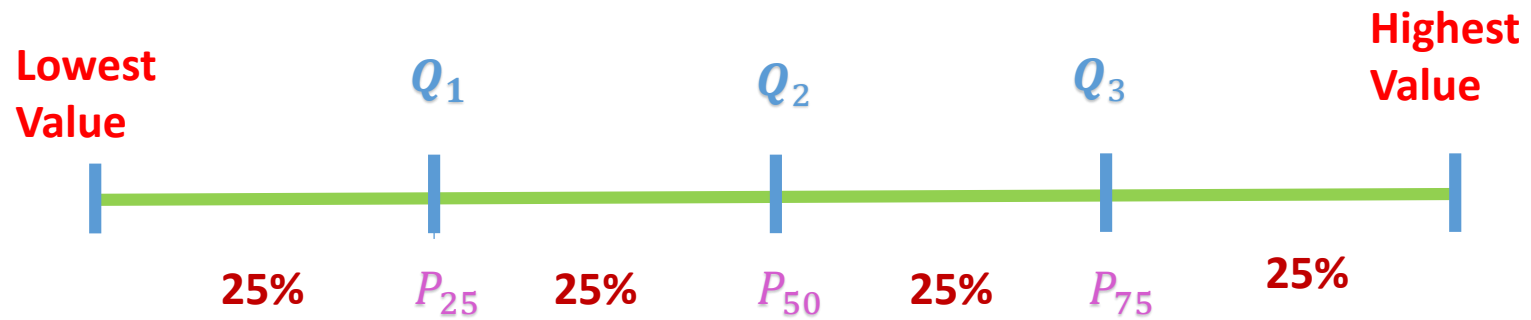
$$= \frac{60 \times 21}{100} = 12.6$$

So 60<sup>th</sup> Percentile Class is 471-491 because  
CF > 12.6

## Quartiles

Quartile Divides data  
into four equal parts

$Q_1$  ,  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$



Find  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_2$ , and  $Q_3$  for the data set 15, 13, 6, 5, 12, 50, 22, 18.

**SOLUTION**

**Step 1** Arrange the data in order from lowest to highest.

5, 6, 12, 13, 15, 18, 22, 50

**Step 2** Find the median ( $Q_2$ ).

5, 6, 12, 13, 15, 18, 22, 50

↑  
MD

$$MD = \frac{13 + 15}{2} = 14$$

**Step 3** Find the median of the data values less than 14.

5, 6, 12, 13

↑  
 $Q_1$

$$Q_1 = \frac{6 + 12}{2} = 9$$

So  $Q_1$  is 9.

**Step 4** Find the median of the data values greater than 14.

15, 18, 22, 50

↑  
 $Q_3$

$$Q_3 = \frac{18 + 22}{2} = 20$$

Here  $Q_3$  is 20. Hence,  $Q_1 = 9$ ,  $Q_2 = 14$ , and  $Q_3 = 20$ .



*Quartile For  
Grouped Data*

$$Q_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n \cdot N}{4} - C \right)$$

The airborne speeds in miles per hour of 21 planes are shown.

Class	f
366-386	4
387-407	2
408-428	3
429-449	2
450-470	1
471-491	2
492-5012	3
513-533	4

Find the Quartile (i)  $Q_1$  (ii)  $Q_2$  (iii)  $Q_3$

class	f	C.f
366-386	4	4
387-407	2	6
408-428	3	9
429-449	2	11
450-470	1	12
471-491	2	14
492-512	3	17
513-533	4	21

L	h	f	C
386.5	21	2	4

$$Q_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n \cdot N}{4} - C \right)$$

Ans

399.625

$$\frac{n \cdot N}{4}$$

For  $Q_1$

$$\frac{n \cdot N}{4}$$

$$= \frac{1 \cdot 21}{4} = 5.25$$

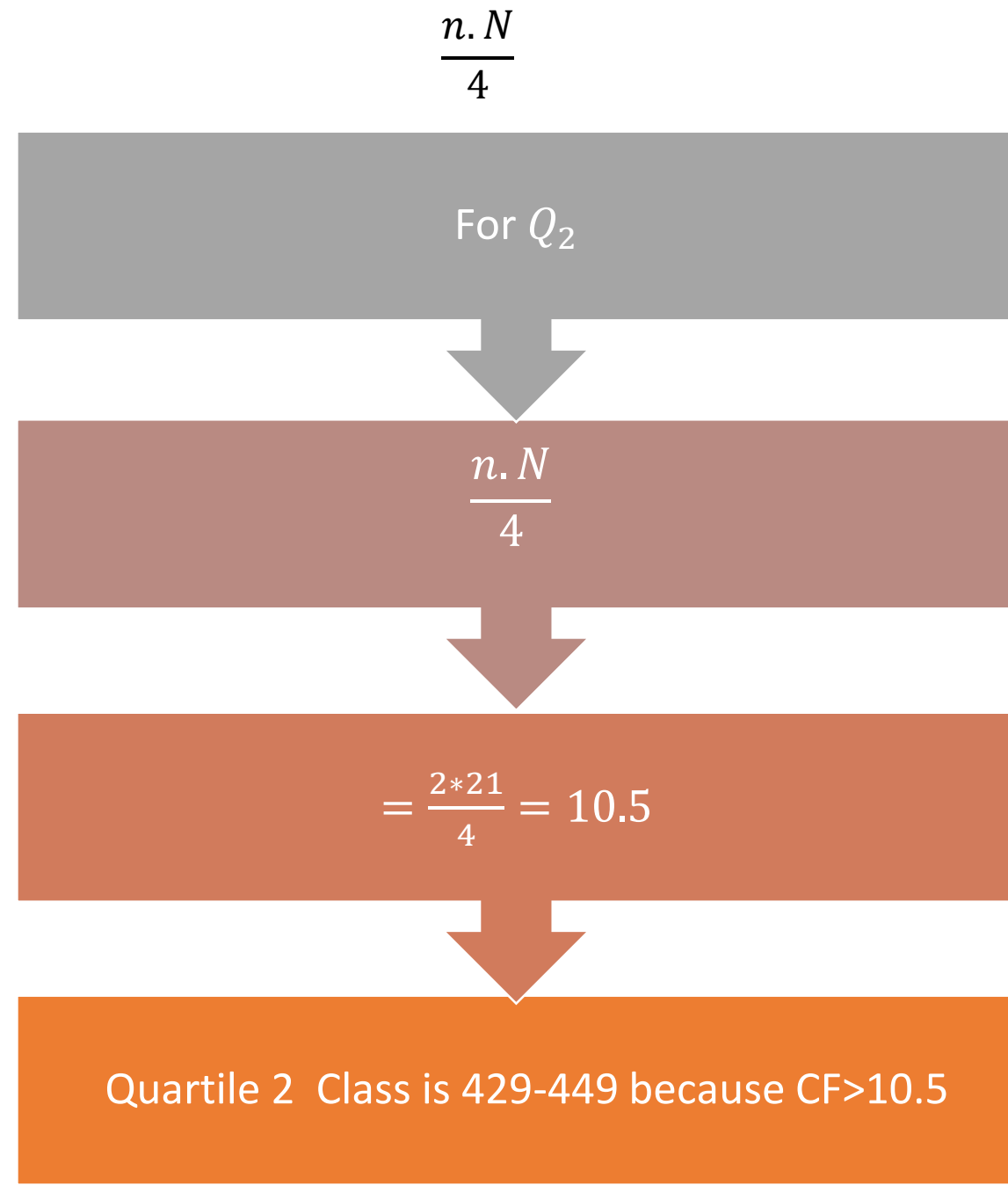
Quartile 1 Class is 387-407 because CF > 5.25

class	f	C.f
366-386	4	4
387-407	2	6
408-428	3	9
429-449	2	11
450-470	1	12
471-491	2	14
492-512	3	17
513-533	4	21

L	h	f	C
428.5	21	2	9

$$Q_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n.N}{4} - C \right)$$

Ans  
444.25



class	f	C.f
366-386	4	4
387-407	2	6
408-428	3	9
429-449	2	11
450-470	1	12
471-491	2	14
492-512	3	17
513-533	4	21

L	h	f	C
491.5	21	3	14

$$Q_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n.N}{4} - C \right)$$

Ans  
503.75

$$\frac{n.N}{4}$$

For  $Q_3$

$$\frac{n.N}{4}$$

$$= \frac{3 \times 21}{4} = 15.75$$

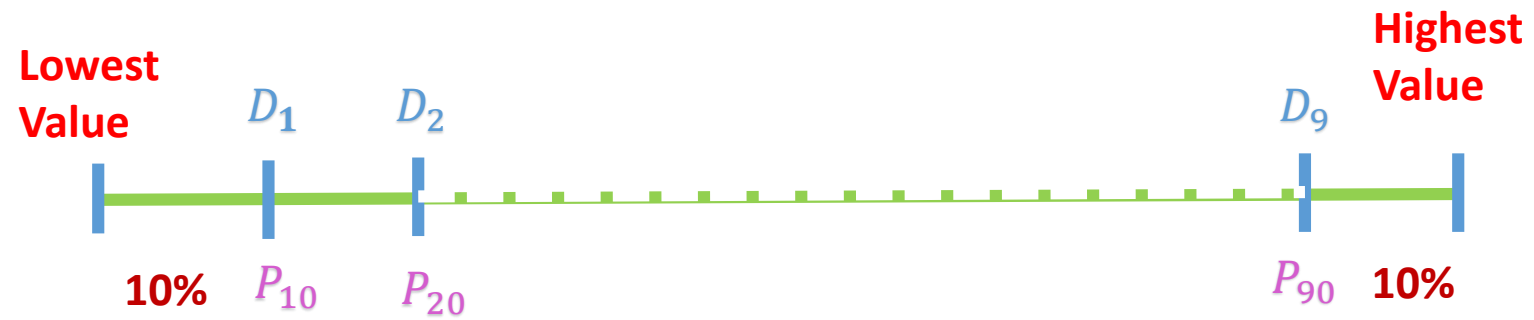
Quartile 3 Class is 492-512 because CF > 15.75



## Deciles

Decile Divides data  
into ten equal parts

$D_1, D_2 \dots D_9$





*Decile For Grouped  
Data*

$$D_n = l + \frac{h}{f_n} \left( \frac{n \cdot N}{10} - C \right)$$

The airborne speeds in miles per hour of 21 planes are shown.

Class	f
366-386	4
387-407	2
408-428	3
429-449	2
450-470	1
471-491	2
492-5012	3
513-533	4

Find the Deciles (i)  $D_1$  (ii)  $D_2$  (iii)  $D_3$