

PhD Coursework- Jan 2025 Batch

Research Methodology & Computer Application (PPD-101)

(Common for Ph.D. Scholars)

Assignment-3

Unit.4 Methods of Data Collection, Unit.5 Processing & Analysis of Data

- Q.1 What do you mean by Data? Differentiate between primary and secondary data.
- Q.2 Write a short note on:
 - (i) Observation Method
 - (ii) Interview Method
 - (iii) Questionnaires & Schedules
 - (iv) Collection of Secondary Data
 - (v) Case Study Method
 - (vi) Characteristics of Good Measure
- Q.3 Differentiate between:
 - (i) Qualitative Vs Quantitative Data
 - (ii) Obtrusive Vs Unobtrusive Methods
 - (iii) Survey Vs Experiments
 - (iv) Participatory methods Vs Community Meetings
 - (v) Laboratory Vs Field Research
 - (vi) Interview Vs Questionnaire
- Q.4 What are different ways of observation? Give examples in each category.
- Q.5 Describe how you might use a survey method to answer a research question. What might be some limitations of this approach?
- Q.6 Describe how you might use public records to answer a research question. What might be some limitations of this approach?
- Q.7 Discuss the importance of interview as a method of data collection.
- Q.8 Discuss general rules for selecting data collection methods.
- Q.9 What do you mean by Data Processing? Discuss in detail different steps involved in data processing with examples.
- Q.10 Define and Differentiate Mean, Median and Mode. Give their merits and demerits.
- Q.11 Write a descriptive note on:
 - (i) Central Tendency
 - (ii) Dispersion
 - (iii) Standard Deviation



- (iv) Variance & Coefficient of Variation
- (v) Pearson's Correlation Coefficient
- (vi) Regression Analysis
- Q.12 Distinguish 'data processing' from 'data analysis'.
- Q.13 What is "Coding of Data"
- Q.14 Enlist different necessary precautions during data processing & analysis.
- Q.15 What do you mean by Data Analysis? Discuss different types of data analysis.
- Q.16 The number of days that children were missing from school due to sickness in one year was recorded.

Number of days off sick	1 – 5	6 – 10	11 – 15	16 – 20	21 – 25
Frequency	12	11	10	4	3

- (a) Estimate the mean
- (b) Estimate the median.
- (c) Find the modal class.

ANS: Mean= 9.925 days, Median= 9.36 days, Modal Class= 1-5 Days

Q.17 Find the variance and standard deviation for the following data:

No. of order	f	
10 – 12	4	
13 – 15	12	
16 – 18	20	
19 – 21	14	
Total	n = 50	

ANS: Variance= 7.5820, Standard Deviation= 2.75

Q.18 Calculate the Chi-square value for the following data of incidences of water-borne diseases in three tropical regions.



	India	Equador	South America	Total
Typhoid	31	14	45	90
Cholera	2	5	53	60
Diarrhoea	53	45	2	100
	86	64	100	250

ANS: Chi-square value= 125.516

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