

Statistics Ch2.Q3 Solutions

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1. **Given:** A is the mean of n values, say x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , that is $A = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$.

A new set of values is given by y_1, \dots, y_n , where $y_i = a.x_i + b$. Let \bar{y} be the mean of the y_i 's.

$$\bar{y} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{n} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n a.x_i + b}{n} = \frac{a \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + n.b}{n} = a \cdot \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} + b = a.A + b$$

Thus the mean of the new values is $\boxed{a.A + b}$.

2. **Given:** B is the standard deviation of n values, say x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , that is $B = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - A)^2}{n-1}}$, where A is the mean of x_i 's.

A new set of values is given by y_1, \dots, y_n , where $y_i = a.x_i + b$. Let s be the standard deviation of the y_i 's. From 1, we know mean of y_i 's $= \bar{y} = a.A + b$.

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}{n-1}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (a.x_i + b - a.A - b)^2}{n-1}} = \sqrt{\frac{a^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - A)^2}{n-1}} = |a| \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - A)^2}{n-1}} = |a|.B$$

Thus the standard deviation of the new values is $\boxed{|a|.B}$.