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* Aim :- To obtain the variability, combined mean and combined variance.

* Experiment :- An analysis of monthly wages paid to the workers of firm "A" and "B" belonging to the same industry gives the following result :-

	Firm A	Firm B
No. of workers =	500	600
Average monthly wage =	Rs. 186	Rs. 175
Variance of distribution of wages =	81	100

(i) Which firm, "A" or "B" has a large wage bill?

(ii) In which firm, "A" or "B" is there greater variability in individual wages?

(iii) Calculate :-

(a) the average monthly wage

(b) the variance of the distribution of wages of all the workers in the firms

'A' and 'B' taken together.

* Theory & Formula :-

Variability :- Variability of a data set is determined by using coefficient of variation. Higher coefficient of variation means high variability.

$$CV = \frac{\sigma}{\bar{x}} \times 100 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Where σ = Standard Deviation
 \bar{x} = Mean

Combined Mean :- If \bar{x}_i ($i=1,2,3,4,\dots,k$) are the means of 'k' components, series of size 'n', then the mean of composite series (\bar{x}) obtained by :-

$$\bar{x} = \frac{n_1 \bar{x}_1 + n_2 \bar{x}_2 + n_3 \bar{x}_3 + \dots + n_k \bar{x}_k}{n_1 + n_2 + n_3 + \dots + n_k}$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum n_i \bar{x}_i}{\sum n_i} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Combined Variance (σ^2) :- It is given by the formula

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum n_i (\sigma_i^2 + d_i^2)}{\sum n_i} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

Where $d_i = \bar{x}_i - \bar{x}$

\bar{x} = combined mean

\bar{x}_i = Mean of i^{th} series

* Result :-

Firm A

Total wages = 93000 Rs

C.V. of distribution of wages = 4.84

Firm B

$$\text{Total wages} = \underline{105000 \text{ Rs}}$$

$$\text{C.V. of distribution of wages} = \underline{5.71}$$

$$\text{Combined mean } (\bar{X}) = \underline{180}$$

$$\text{Combined Variance } (\sigma^2) = \underline{121.36}$$

* Interpretation :-

Total Bill of firm B > Total Bill of firm A

C.V. for firm B is greater than CV for firm A.
So firm B has greater variability in individual wages.

* Calculations :-

(i) Firm - A

no. of workers (n_1) = 500

Average monthly wage (\bar{X}_1) = 186 Rs

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So Total wages} &= 500 \times 186 \\ &= 93000 \text{ Rs}\end{aligned}$$

Variance of distributed wages (σ^2) = 81

So coefficient of variation from eq. ①

$$C.V. = \frac{\sqrt{81}}{186} \times 100 = \underline{\underline{4.84}}$$

(ii) Firm - B :-

No. of workers (n_2) = 600

Average monthly wage (\bar{X}_2) = 175 Rs.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So Total wages} &= 600 \times 175 \\ &= 105000 \text{ Rs}\end{aligned}$$

variance of distributed wages (σ_2^2) = 100
So coefficient of variation from eq. ①

$$C.V. = \frac{\sqrt{100} \times 100}{175} = \underline{5.71}$$

→ Combined mean of both firms 'A' and 'B'
from eq. ②

$$\bar{X} = \frac{500 \times 186 + 600 \times 175}{500 + 600} = \underline{180}$$

→ Combined variance from eq. ③

$$d_1 = 186 - 180 = 6, \quad d_2 = 175 - 180 = -5$$

So

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{500(81 + 36) + 600(100 + 25)}{500 + 600}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{133500}{1100} = \underline{121.36}$$