Important formulas

Variance: step by step

1)

implies a list of every observation

$$Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, \dots Y_n$$

where n is the total sample size

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1}$$

2)The mean called & is the mean of the observations (all the "Y_is"). It is often written



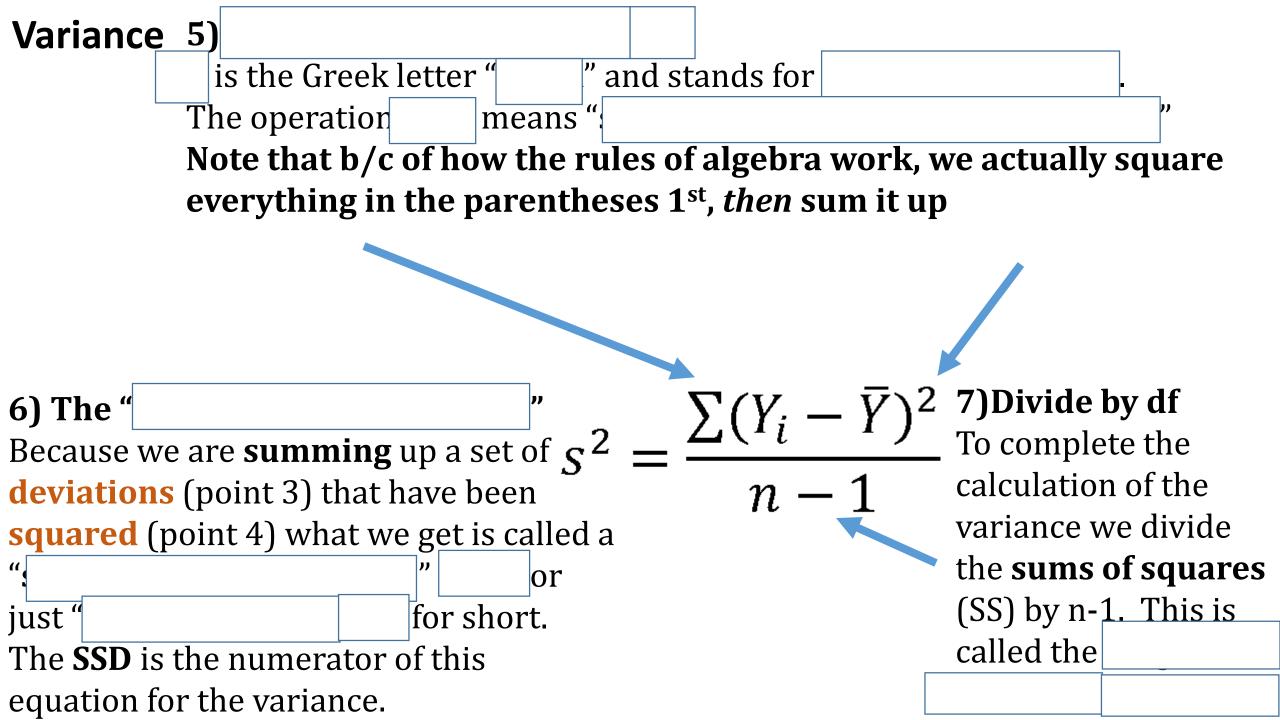
implies a list of (Y_i) from which the

These are the "

Of each

Yi from the mean Y.bar.

This is the "deviation" in



The (s²) looks complicate but it is actually a bit like the **mean**. It involves a **summation** as the numerator and has the **sample size (n)** on the denominator (minus 1 to get the).

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1}$$

The SD is "standardized" relative to the mean because taking the square root of the variance undoes the ".

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1}}$$