1. Solution

Let x represent a datum of interest. Let i represent that datum's index. Let ℓ represent that datum's percentile. Let n represent the sample size (number of measurements). In general,

$$\ell = \frac{i}{n}$$

(a) We are given x = 72.781. This means i = 8. We know n = 11. Determine the percentile ℓ .

$$\ell = \frac{8}{11}$$

$$\ell = 0.727$$

So, the percentile rank is 0.727, or 72.7th percentile.

(b) We are given $\ell = 0.909$. We can use algebra to solve for *i*.

$$\ell = \frac{i}{n}$$

Multiply both sides by n.

$$n\cdot(\ell)=n\cdot\left(\frac{i}{n}\right)$$

Simplify both sides.

$$n\ell = i$$

To make me happy, switch the sides.

$$i = n\ell$$

Now, we can evaluate i.

$$i = (11)(0.909)$$

$$i = 10$$

Determine the x associated with i = 10.

- (c) The mean: $\bar{x} = \frac{796.853}{11} = \boxed{72.441}$
- (d) If n is odd, then median is $x_{i=\frac{n+1}{2}}$, the value of x when $i=\frac{n+1}{2}$. Otherwise, if n is even, the median is mean of $x_{i=\frac{n}{2}}$ and $x_{i=\frac{n}{2}+1}$. In this case, n=11 and so n is odd.

median =
$$x_{(11+1)/2} = x_6$$

So, median = 72.503.

2. Solution

Let x represent a datum of interest. Let i represent that datum's index. Let ℓ represent that datum's percentile. Let n represent the sample size (number of measurements). In general,

$$\ell = \frac{i}{n}$$

(a) We are given x = 81.786. This means i = 26. We know n = 42. Determine the percentile ℓ .

$$\ell = \frac{26}{42}$$

$$\ell = 0.619$$

So, the percentile rank is 0.619, or 61.9th percentile.

(b) We are given $\ell = 0.81$. We can use algebra to solve for *i*.

$$\ell = \frac{i}{n}$$

Multiply both sides by n.

$$n\cdot(\ell)=n\cdot\left(\frac{i}{n}\right)$$

Simplify both sides.

$$n\ell = i$$

To make me happy, switch the sides.

$$i = n\ell$$

Now, we can evaluate i.

$$i = (42)(0.81)$$

$$i = 34$$

Determine the x associated with i = 34.

- (c) The mean: $\bar{x} = \frac{3425.536}{42} = 81.56$
- (d) If n is odd, then median is $x_{i=\frac{n+1}{2}}$, the value of x when $i=\frac{n+1}{2}$. Otherwise, if n is even, the median is mean of $x_{i=\frac{n}{2}}$ and $x_{i=\frac{n}{2}+1}$. In this case, n=42 and so n is even.

$$\text{median} = \frac{x_{21} + x_{22}}{2} = \frac{81.474 + 81.541}{2}$$

So, median = 81.5075