1. Problem

From a very large population, a small sample of measurements was taken.

Please calculate the average absolute deviation using the following formula:

$$\mathsf{AAD} = \frac{\sum |x - \bar{x}|}{n}$$

Solution

We fill out the table column by column.

X	$X - \bar{X}$	$ x-ar{x} $
126	2.8	2.8
126	2.8	2.8
129	5.8	5.8
123	-0.200000000000003	0.2
112	-11.2	11.2
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$\sum x = 616$ $\bar{x} = 123.2$		$\sum x - \bar{x} = 22.8$

We are ready for the formula.

$$s = \frac{\sum |x - \bar{x}|}{n}$$

$$=\frac{22.8}{5}$$

2. Problem

From a very large population, a small sample of measurements was taken.

Please calculate the (Bessel corrected) sample standard deviation using the following formula:

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

Solution

We fill out the table column by column.

X	$X - \bar{X}$	$(x-\bar{x})^2$
175	-1	1
175	-1	1
179	3	9
174	-2	4
177	1	1
======	=======	=======
$\sum x = 880$ $\bar{x} = 176$		$\sum (x - \bar{x})^2 = 16$

We are ready for the formula.

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1}}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{16}{5 - 1}}$$
$$= \sqrt{4}$$
$$= \boxed{2}$$