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 = 42.136. This means i = 7. We know n = 8. Determine the percentile ℓ .

$$\ell = \frac{7}{8}$$

$$\ell = 0.875$$

So, the percentile rank is 0.875, or 87.5th percentile.

(b) We are given $\ell = 0.125$. 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.

$$i = (8)(0.125)$$

$$i = 1$$

Determine the x associated with i = 1.

$$x = 40.011$$

- (c) The mean: $\bar{x} = \frac{332.219}{8} = 41.527$
- (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=8 and so n is even.

$$\text{median} = \frac{x_4 + x_5}{2} = \frac{41.802 + 41.832}{2}$$

So, median = 41.817

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 = 44.723. This means i = 42. We know n = 81. Determine the percentile ℓ .

$$\ell = \frac{42}{81}$$

$$\ell = 0.519$$

So, the percentile rank is 0.519, or 51.9th percentile.

(b) We are given $\ell = 0.111$. 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.

$$i = (81)(0.111)$$

$$i = 9$$

Determine the x associated with i = 9.

$$x = 44.028$$

- (c) The mean: $\bar{x} = \frac{3627.606}{81} = \boxed{44.785}$
- (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=81 and so n is odd.

median =
$$x_{(81+1)/2}$$
, = x_{41}

So, median = 44.723.