TABLE 1

Scale	Basic Empirical Operations	Mathematical Group Structure	Permissible Statistics (invariantive)
Nominal	Determination of equality	Permutation group $x' = f(x)$ $f(x)$ means any one-to-one substitution	Number of cases Mode Contingency correlation
Ordinal	Determination of greater or less	Isotonic group $x' = f(x)$ $f(x)$ means any monotonic increasing function	Median Percentiles
INTERVAL	Determination of equality of intervals or differences	General linear group $x'=ax+b$.	Mean Standard deviation Rank-order correlation Product-moment correlation
RATIO	Determination of equality of ratios	Similarity group $x' = ax$	Coefficient of variation