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Chapter 18

Statistics

18.1 Basic Concepts

Statistics mainly study how to collect, organize, summarize, and interpret data. It is a branch of mathematics that deals with the collection, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data. It is used to answer questions about the data and to make decisions based on the data.

Population and Sample

In statistics, a population is the entire group of individuals that we are studying, and the units that form a population are called individuals or elements. A sample is a subset of the population. The number of elements in a sample is called the sample size. For example: select 20 of the 4,000 senior high school mathematics UEC exam papers and record their scores:

72	80	96	20	42
75	60	92	18	53
82	77	53	29	34
57	79	82	90	41

Here, the population is the 4,000 scores, each of which is an element of the population. The sample is the 20 scores, the sample size is 20.

Census and Sample Survey

The way of surveying can be divided into two types: census and sample survey. A census is a survey in which every element of the population is included in the sample. For example: national census. The data collected in a census is more accurate and reliable, but it is very expensive and time-consuming.

A sample survey is a survey in which only a part of the population is included in the sample. Researchers can use a sample survey to estimate the characteristics of the population. For example: a light bulb manufacturer produces a lot of light bulbs, thus it is impossible to test every single light bulb. The manufacturer can randomly select a sample of light bulbs and test them.

18.2 Data Processing

Data that are collected must be processed before they can be analyzed.

Frequency Distribution

When the possible values of a dataset are not too many, we can use a frequency distribution table to organize the data. The frequency distribution table is a table that shows the frequency of each value in a dataset. The frequency of a value is the number of times that value appears in the dataset.

When there are too many possible values, we must group the values into classes. Before grouping the values, we must first determine the range of the values, aka the difference between the largest and smallest values, then determine the number of classes. The number of classes should be determined according to the purpose of the study and the identity of the data. After classifying the data, the range of each group is called the class interval. Typically, the class interval is the same for all classes, and must be greater than the number of classes divided by the range of the data. After the number and interval of the classes are determined, we can arrange the frequency of each class in a frequency distribution table.

Take 100 sample from a population of some kind of component, their weight (in g), are as below:

1.36	1.49	1.43	1.41	1.37	1.40
1.32	1.42	1.47	1.39	1.41	1.36
1.40	1.34	1.42	1.42	1.45	1.35
1.42	1.39	1.44	1.42	1.39	1.42
1.42	1.30	1.34	1.42	1.37	1.36
1.37	1.34	1.37	1.37	1.44	1.45
1.32	1.48	1.40	1.45	1.39	1.46
1.39	1.53	1.36	1.48	1.40	1.39
1.38	1.40	1.36	1.45	1.50	1.43
1.38	1.43	1.41	1.48	1.39	1.45

1.37	1.37	1.39	1.45	1.31	1.41
1.44	1.44	1.42	1.47	1.35	1.36
1.39	1.40	1.38	1.35	1.38	1.43
1.42	1.42	1.42	1.40	1.41	1.37
1.46	1.36	1.37	1.27	1.37	1.38
1.42	1.34	1.43	1.42	1.41	1.41
1.44	1.48	1.55	1.39		

In the dataset above, the minimum value is 1.27 and the maximum value is 1.55.

∴ The range of the data is $1.55 - 1.27 = 0.28$.

If we classify the data into 10 classes, then the class interval must be greater than $\frac{0.28}{10} = 0.028$. Thus, we can use a class interval of 0.03.

Let the lower limit of the first class be 1.27, then the lower limit of the second class is $1.27 + 0.03 = 1.30$.

Since all the values in the dataset are of 2 decimal places, the upper limit of the first class is should be 1.29. By the same logic, we can get all the classes: 1.27 – 1.29, 1.30 – 1.32, ..., 1.54 – 1.56.

Now we can arrange the data into the frequency distribution table:

Weight $m(g)$	Frequency
1.27 – 1.29	1
1.30 – 1.32	4
1.33 – 1.35	7
1.36 – 1.38	22
1.39 – 1.41	24
1.42 – 1.44	24
1.45 – 1.47	10
1.48 – 1.50	6
1.51 – 1.53	1
1.54 – 1.56	1

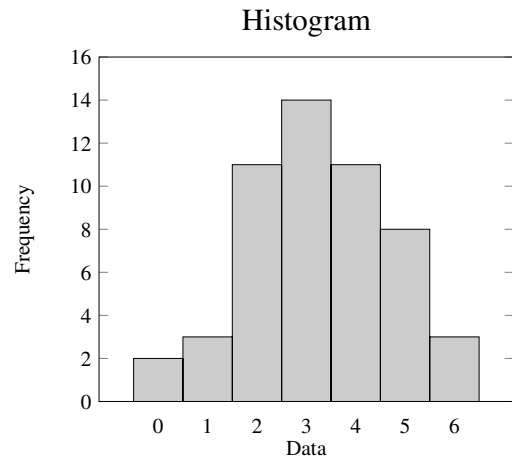
In the example above, we assume that the weight of the components is accurate to 2 decimal places. Hence, if a component has a weight of 1.443g, it is rounded to 1.44g, thus it belongs to the class 1.42 – 1.44. Hence, the actual range of the first class 1.27 – 1.29 is $1.265 \leq m < 1.295$, written as $1.265 - 1.295$, while 1.265 and 1.295 are the boundaries of the first class, 1.265 is the lower boundary and 1.295 is the upper boundary. The mean of the lower boundary and upper boundary of a class is called the class midpoint. For example, the class midpoint of the first class is $\frac{1.265+1.295}{2} = 1.28$.

When we are analyzing the data data that have been classified into classes, the midpoint of each class is used as the representative value of the class. Thus, we should try our best

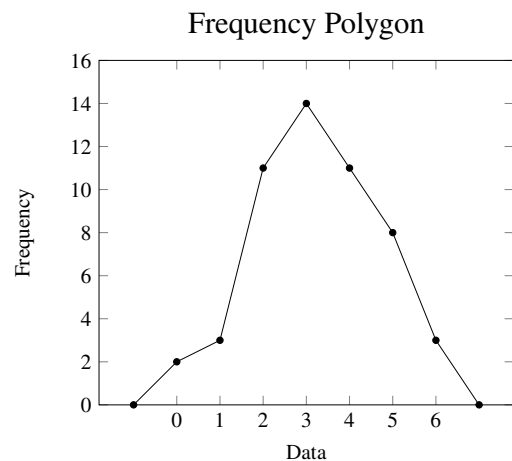
to make the data-intensive place the group midpoint when choosing the class interval and boundaries, so that the data can be analyzed more precisely.

The distribution of frequency can be represented by a histogram or a frequency polygon.

The histogram is a row of continuous bars, the bottom side of each bar on the x-axis. For unclassified data, the bottom side of each bar is marked with the values, while the height of each bar is the frequency of the corresponding value. For classified data, the bottom side of each bar is marked with the boundaries of the corresponding class, while the area of each bar must be proportional to the frequency of the corresponding class. When the class interval of each class is the same, we can use the frequency of each class as the height of the bar.



The frequency polygon is a continuous line graph, the x-axis is the midpoint of each class, and the y-axis is the frequency of each class. To draw a frequency polygon, we plot each point, including the point before the first class and the point after the last class that uses 0 as their frequency, and then connect the points with a continuous line.





18.2.1 Practice 1

There are 105 students in a senior 3 art and commerce class. In a mock exam of UEC, their scores for Mathematics subject are as follows:

35	88	67	32	38	34	45
78	54	58	69	21	90	78
74	43	42	35	57	34	77
89	66	74	71	44	56	48
33	24	73	63	51	59	49
34	55	52	75	72	62	62
44	48	73	49	57	67	80
70	66	54	32	29	35	37
47	41	51	36	46	55	53
60	53	62	39	35	48	42
71	63	70	33	45	42	44
61	59	67	30	42	43	89
96	82	47	63	54	34	45
45	87	28	34	29	77	64
64	50	48	75	33	56	84

- (a) Find the range of the data.

Sol.

Max value = 96

Min value = 21

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Range} &= 96 - 21 \\ &= 75\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Group the data into 10 classes, draw a frequency distribution table, and find the upper and lower boundary and midpoint of each class.

Sol.

$$\text{Range} = 75$$

$$\text{Number of classes} = 10$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Class width} &= \frac{75}{10} \\ &= 7.5 \\ &\approx 8\end{aligned}$$

Score	Lower	Upper	Mid	Freq.
21 - 28	20.5	28.5	24.5	3
29 - 36	28.5	36.5	32.5	18
37 - 44	36.5	44.5	40.5	13
45 - 52	44.5	52.5	48.5	17
53 - 60	52.5	60.5	56.5	15
61 - 68	60.5	68.5	64.5	14
69 - 76	68.5	76.5	72.5	12
77 - 84	76.5	84.5	80.5	7
85 - 92	84.5	92.5	88.5	5
93 - 100	92.5	100.5	96.5	1

- (c) Construct a histogram and frequency polygon.

Sol.



Cumulative Frequency Distribution

Summing up the frequency of each class, we obtain the cumulative frequency distribution. Use the upper boundary of each class as the x-axis, and the cumulative frequency as the y-axis, we can draw the cumulative frequency distribution by plotting each point including the point before the first class that uses 0 as its frequency and connect them together. If we split the x-axis and the highest point of the curve into 100 equal

parts, we get the percentage of the cumulative frequency distribution.

18.2.2 Practice 2

There are 155 students in a senior 3 art and commerce class, and the frequency distribution table of their average marks is shown below:

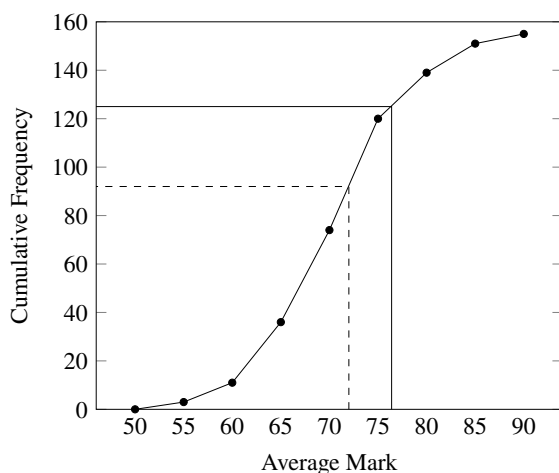
Average Mark	Frequency
50 - 55	3
55 - 60	8
60 - 65	25
65 - 70	38
70 - 75	46
75 - 80	19
80 - 85	12
85 - 90	4

- (a) Make a cumulative frequency distribution table and draw a cumulative frequency polygon.

Sol.

Avg	Freq.	Lower Than	Cumm. Freq.
50 - 55	3	55	3
55 - 60	8	60	11
60 - 65	25	65	36
65 - 70	38	70	74
70 - 75	46	75	120
75 - 80	19	80	139
80 - 85	12	85	151
85 - 90	4	90	155

Cumulative Frequency Polygon of Distribution of Average Mark



- (b) If the average mark of a student is 72, find his rank in the class.

Sol.

In the graph above, we can see that there are approximately 92 students who have an average mark lower than 72. Therefore, the rank of the student is $155 - 92 = 63$.

- (c) If the top 20% of the class are to be awarded a certificate, find the minimum average mark required for the certificate.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Top } 20\% &= 20\% \times 155 \\ &= 31\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, students with an average mark corresponding to cumulative frequency higher than 124 will be awarded a certificate.

In the graph above, The minimum average mark required for the certificate is 76.

18.2.3 Exercise 18.2

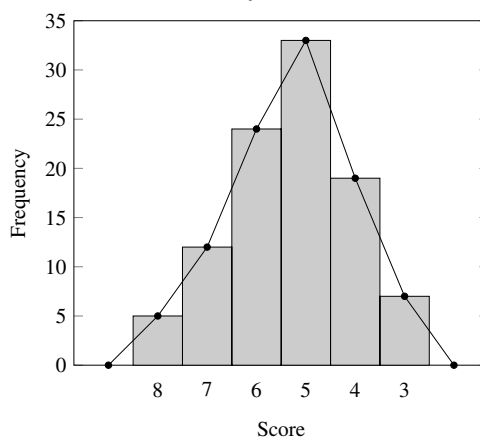
1. A company performed an ability test on 100 job seekers and the results are shown in the following table:

Score	8	7	6	5	4	3
Frequency	5	12	24	33	19	7

Construct a histogram and a frequency polygon for the data above.

Sol.

Histogram and Frequency Polygon of Ability Test Score



2. Take 120 ears of rice from a rice field, the length of each ear is measured (in cm) and the results are as fol-

lowing:

6.5	6.4	6.7	5.8	5.9	5.9
5.2	4.0	5.4	4.6	5.8	5.5
6.0	6.5	5.1	6.2	5.4	5.0
5.0	6.8	6.0	5.0	5.7	6.0
5.5	6.8	6.0	6.3	5.5	5.0
6.4	5.8	5.9	5.7	6.8	6.6
6.0	6.4	5.7	7.4	6.0	5.4
6.5	6.0	6.8	5.3	6.4	5.7
6.7	6.2	5.6	6.0	6.7	6.7
6.0	5.5	6.2	6.1	5.3	6.2
5.8	5.3	7.0	6.0	6.0	5.9
5.4	6.0	5.2	6.0	6.3	5.7
6.8	6.1	4.5	5.4	6.3	6.9
4.9	5.1	5.6	5.9	6.1	6.5
6.6	5.7	5.8	5.8	6.2	6.3
6.5	5.3	5.9	5.5	5.8	6.3
5.2	6.0	7.0	6.4	5.8	6.3
6.0	6.3	5.6	6.8	6.6	4.7
5.7	5.7	5.6	6.3	6.0	5.8
6.3	7.5	6.2	6.4	7.0	6.5

(a) Find the range of the dataset.

Sol.

Min value = 4.0

Max value = 7.5

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Range} &= 7.5 - 4.0 \\ &= 3.5\end{aligned}$$

(b) Group the data into 12 classes, make a frequency distribution table, find the upper and lower boundaries and midpoint of each class, and calculate the cumulative frequency.

Sol.

$$\text{Range} = 3.5$$

$$\text{Number of classes} = 12$$

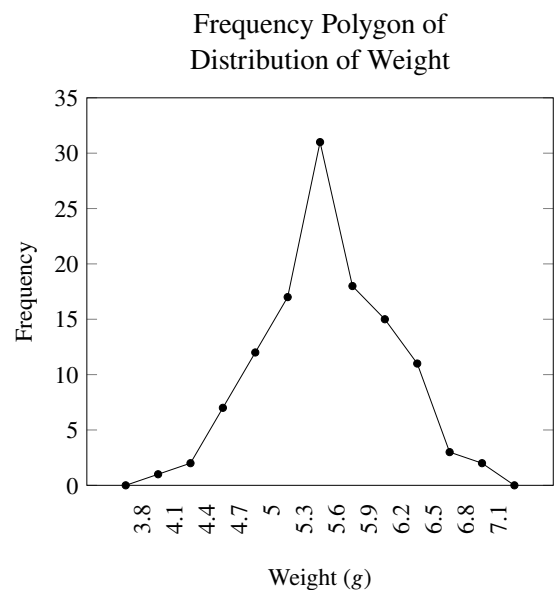
$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \text{Class width} &= \frac{3.5}{12} \\ &= \frac{3.5}{12} \\ &\approx 0.3\end{aligned}$$

Weight	Lower	Upper	Mid	Freq.
4.0 - 4.2	3.95	4.25	4.10	1
4.3 - 4.5	4.25	4.55	4.40	1
4.6 - 4.8	4.55	4.85	4.70	2
4.9 - 5.1	4.85	5.15	5.00	7
5.2 - 5.4	5.15	5.45	5.30	12
5.5 - 5.7	5.45	5.75	5.60	17
5.8 - 6.0	5.75	6.05	5.90	31
6.1 - 6.3	6.05	6.35	6.20	18
6.4 - 6.6	6.35	6.65	6.50	15
6.7 - 6.9	6.65	6.95	6.80	11
7.0 - 7.2	6.95	7.25	7.10	3
7.3 - 7.5	7.25	7.55	7.40	2

Weight	Freq.	Lower Than	Cum. Freq.
4.0 - 4.3	1	4.3	1
4.3 - 4.6	1	4.6	2
4.6 - 4.9	2	4.9	4
4.9 - 5.2	7	5.2	11
5.2 - 5.5	12	5.5	23
5.5 - 5.8	17	5.8	40
5.8 - 6.1	31	6.1	71
6.1 - 6.4	18	6.4	89
6.4 - 6.7	15	6.7	104
6.7 - 7.0	11	7.0	115
7.0 - 7.3	3	7.3	118
7.3 - 7.6	2	7.6	120

(c) Construct a frequency polygon.

Sol.



(d) Construct a cumulative frequency polygon.

Sol.



- (e) Find the percentage of the ears of rice whose length is greater than 6cm .

Sol.

In the diagram above, there are approximately $120 - 66 = 54$ ears of rice whose length is greater than 6cm , which is about $\frac{54}{120} \times 100\% = 45\%$ of the total number of ears of rice.

3. The table below shows the weight distribution of 90 babies (in kg):

Weight	Frequency
1.5 - 2.0	2
2.0 - 2.5	4
2.5 - 3.0	13
3.0 - 3.5	32
3.5 - 4.0	28
4.0 - 4.5	10
4.5 - 5.0	1

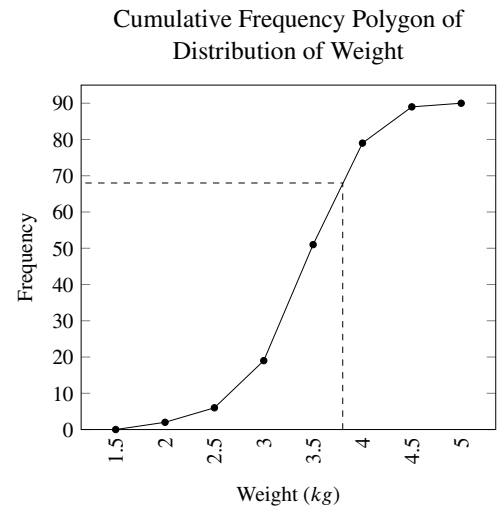
- (a) Make a cumulative frequency table.

Sol.

Weight	Freq.	Less than	Cum. Freq.
1.5 - 2.0	2	2.0	2
2.0 - 2.5	4	2.5	6
2.5 - 3.0	13	3.0	19
3.0 - 3.5	32	3.5	51
3.5 - 4.0	28	4.0	79
4.0 - 4.5	10	4.5	89
4.5 - 5.0	1	5.0	90

- (b) Construct a cumulative frequency polygon.

Sol.



- (c) Find the percentage of babies whose weight is greater than 3.8kg .

Sol.

In the diagram above, there are approximately $90 - 68 = 22$ babies whose weight is greater than 3.8kg , which is about $\frac{22}{90} \times 100\% = 24.44\%$ of the total number of babies.

4. The table below shows the average score distribution of 50 students in a class:

Average Score	Frequency
50.0 - 59.9	4
60.0 - 69.9	9
70.0 - 79.9	23
80.0 - 89.9	12
90.0 - 99.9	2

- (a) Make a cumulative frequency table and draw a cumulative frequency polygon.

Sol.

Average Score	Freq.	Less than	Cum. Freq.
50.0 - 59.9	4	60	4
60.0 - 69.9	9	70	13
70.0 - 79.9	23	80	36
80.0 - 89.9	12	90	48
90.0 - 99.9	2	100	50



- (b) A student get an average score of 74, find his rank in the class.

Sol.

In the diagram above, there are approximately 22 students whose average score is less than 74, which means that the student is ranked $50 - 22 = 28$.

- (c) Find the average score of the student who is ranked 20.

Sol.

In the diagram above, the student who is ranked 20 has an average score of about 77.

- (d) Find the percentage of students whose average score is greater than 85.

Sol.

In the diagram above, there are approximately $50 - 42 = 8$ students whose average score is greater than 85, which is about $\frac{8}{50} \times 100\% = 16\%$ of the total number of students.

5. The table below shows the score distribution of 1200 students in UEC accounting exam:

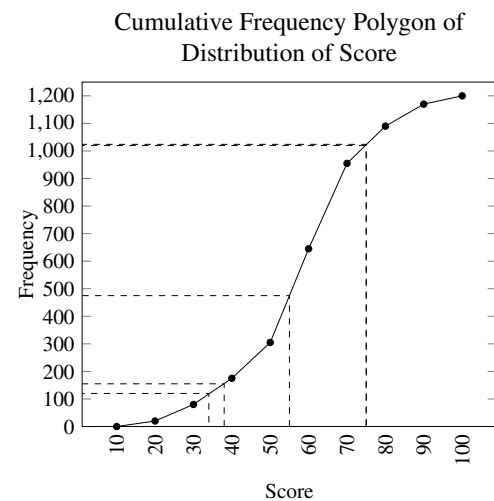
Score	Number of Students
10 - 19	20
20 - 29	60
30 - 39	95
40 - 49	130
50 - 59	340
60 - 69	310
70 - 79	135
80 - 89	80
90 - 99	30

Examinees are categorised into 4 groups based on their score: *Excellent*, *Good*, *Pass*, and *Fail*.

- (a) Make a cumulative frequency table and draw a cumulative frequency polygon.

Sol.

Score	Freq.	Less than	Cum. Freq.
10 - 19	20	20	20
20 - 29	60	80	80
30 - 39	95	175	175
40 - 49	130	305	305
50 - 59	340	645	645
60 - 69	310	955	955
70 - 79	135	1090	1090
80 - 89	80	1170	1170
90 - 99	30	1200	1200



- (b) If the passing score is 38, find the percentage of students who pass the exam.

Sol.

In the diagram above, there are approximately $1200 - 155 = 1045$ students whose score is greater or equal to 38, which is about $\frac{1045}{1200} \times 100\% = 86.67\%$ of the total number of students.

- (c) Assume that the minimum score to be categorised as *Excellent* and *Good* is 75 and 55 respectively, find the percentage of students who are categorised as *Excellent* and *Good* respectively.

Sol.

In the diagram above, there are approximately $1200 - 1024 = 176$ students whose score is greater or equal to 75, which is about $\frac{176}{1200} \times 100\% = 14.67\%$ of the total number of students who are categorised as *Excellent*.

Also, there are approximately $1024 - 475 = 549$ students whose score is greater or equal to 55, which is about $\frac{549}{1200} \times 100\% = 45.75\%$ of the total number of students who are categorised as *Good*.

- (d) Find the passing mark if the percentage of students who pass the exam is 90%.

Sol.

If the percentage of students who pass the exam is 90%, then the number of students who pass the exam is 90% of 1200 students, which is 1080 students. That means, there are $1200 - 1080 = 120$ students who fail the exam.

In the diagram above, the passing mark is about 34 given that there are 120 students who fail the exam.

- (e) Find the minimum mark of a student who is categorised as *Excellent* if the percentage of students who are categorised as *Excellent* is 15%.

Sol.

If the percentage of students who are categorised as *Excellent* is 15%, then the number of students who are categorised as *Excellent* is 15% of 1200 students, which is 180 students. That means, there are $1200 - 180 = 1020$ students who are not categorised as *Excellent*.

In the diagram above, the minimum mark of a student who is categorised as *Excellent* is about 75 given that there are 1020 students who are not categorised as *Excellent*.

18.3 Central Tendency

Central tendency is a measure of the central position of a distribution, or a single value that attempts to describe a set of data. The most common measures of central tendency are the mean, median, and mode.

Mean

Mean is also known as arithmetic mean. For n values x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , the mean is defined as

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n} \\ &= \frac{\sum x_i}{n}\end{aligned}$$

For data whose possible values are x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , and their respective frequencies are f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n , the mean is de-

fined as

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{x_1 f_1 + x_2 f_2 + \dots + x_n f_n}{f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_n} \\ &= \frac{\sum f_i x_i}{\sum f_i}\end{aligned}$$

For grouped data, we take the mean of each class as the representative value x_i of the class.

Weighted Mean

In some scenario, weighted mean is better than the mean to describe the data.

When calculating the arithmetic mean, each value is given equal weight. However, in some cases, each value in a dataset may not be equally important. For example, the importance of the mark of a student for each subject is weighted according to the number of classes of the subject in a week. Hence, when calculating the average mark of the student, each mark must be multiplied by a value that represents the importance of the subject, and that value is called the weight. The weighted mean is defined as

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + \dots + w_n x_n}{w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_n} \\ &= \frac{\sum w_i x_i}{\sum w_i}\end{aligned}$$

where x_i are the values and w_i are the weights of x_i .

18.3.1 Practice 3

1. Find the mean of 34, 50, 24, 32, 53, 30, 62, 27.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{30 + 50 + 24 + 32 + 53 + 30 + 62 + 27}{8} \\ &= \frac{312}{8} \\ &= 39\end{aligned}$$

2. There are three workshop *A*, *B*, and *C* in a factory. Workshop *A* has 10 workers, their wages are \$35 per day, workshop *B* has 30 workers, their wages are \$45 per day, and workshop *C* has 15 workers, their wages are \$55 per day. Find the mean of the wages of the workers in the factory.

Sol.

Let the wages of workers be x_1 , and the amount of workers be f_1 .

x_1	f_1	$x_1 f_1$
35	10	350
45	30	1350
55	15	825
	$\sum f_i = 55$	$\sum f_i x_i = 2525$

\therefore Average wages of workers in the factory is $\frac{2525}{55} = \$45.91$.

3. A school appoints students to participate in a Math competition. During the competition, candidates must answer 25 questions within an hour. The table below shows the distribution of frequency of the number of questions that those candidates answer correctly:

Answered Correctly	Frequency
1 - 5	3
6 - 10	12
11 - 15	7
16 - 20	8
21 - 25	5

Complete the following table, and find the mean of the number of questions that those candidates answer correctly.

Ans. Correctly	Freq. f_i	Midpoint x_i	$f_i x_i$
1 - 5			
6 - 10			
11 - 15			
16 - 20			
21 - 25			

Sol.

Ans. Correctly	Freq. f_i	Midpoint x_i	$f_i x_i$
1 - 5	3	3	9
6 - 10	12	8	96
11 - 15	7	13	91
16 - 20	8	18	144
21 - 25	5	23	115
	$\sum f_i = 35$	$\sum f_i x_i = 455$	

\therefore The mean of the number of questions that those candidates answer correctly is $\frac{455}{35} = 13$.

18.3.2 Exercise 18.3a

1. Take a sample of 20 from a batch of machine parts, their weight (in g) are as follows:

210	208	200	205	202	218
206	214	215	207	195	207
218	192	202	216	185	227
187	215				

Find the mean weight of these machine parts.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{210 + 208 + 200 + \dots + 215}{20} \\ &= \frac{4129}{20} \\ &= 206.45\end{aligned}$$

2. Given that the mean of a dataset 4, -3, 2, k , 5, 8 is 10, find the value of k .

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{4 + (-3) + 2 + k + 5 + 8}{6} &= 10 \\ 16 + k &= 60 \\ k &= 44\end{aligned}$$

3. Given that the mean of x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 is 40, and the mean of y_1, y_2, y_3 is 15. Find the mean after combining these two datasets.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{x_1 + \dots + x_5}{5} &= 40 \\ x_1 + \dots + x_5 &= 200\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3} &= 15 \\ y_1 + y_2 + y_3 &= 45\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{xy} &= \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + y_3}{8} \\ &= \frac{245}{8} \\ &= 30.63\end{aligned}$$

4. A school have 2 senior 3 classes: A and B . In a Chinese language test, the average mark of 49 students in A class is 72, while the average mark for 45 students

in class *B* is 68. Find the average mark of all students in these two class combined.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{72 \times 49 + 68 \times 45}{49 + 45} \\ &= \frac{3528 + 3060}{94} \\ &= \frac{6588}{94} \\ &= 70.09\end{aligned}$$

5. Given that the mean for 8 values are 5. The mean increased by 1.4 after adding two values: x and $3x$. Find the value of x .

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{8 \times 5 + x + 3x}{8 + 2} &= 5 + 1.4 \\ \frac{40 + 4x}{10} &= 6.4 \\ 40 + 4x &= 64 \\ 4x &= 24 \\ x &= 6\end{aligned}$$

6. Throwing 6 coin at the same time and record the number of heads. After throwing 100 times, we get the following frequency distribution table:

Number of Heads	Frequency
0	2
1	10
2	24
3	35
4	22
5	6
6	1

Find the mean of the number of heads for each throw.

Sol.

Let the number of heads be x_i and the frequency be f_i .

x_i	f_i	$x_i f_i$
0	2	0
1	10	10
2	24	48
3	35	105
4	22	88
5	6	30
6	1	6
	$\sum f_i = 100$	$\sum x_i f_i = 287$

\therefore The mean of the number of heads for each throw is $\frac{287}{100} = 2.87$.

7. The table below shows the score distribution of 66 students in a Chinese language test:

Score	Frequency
31 - 40	6
41 - 50	12
51 - 60	15
61 - 70	15
71 - 80	8
81 - 90	6
91 - 100	4

Find their mark in average.

Score	Mid x_1	Freq. f_1	$x_1 f_1$
31 - 40	35.5	6	213
41 - 50	45.5	12	546
51 - 60	55.5	15	832.5
61 - 70	65.5	15	982.5
71 - 80	75.5	8	604
81 - 90	85.5	6	513
91 - 100	95.5	4	382
		$\sum f_1 = 66$	$\sum x_1 f_1 = 4073$

\therefore The mark in average is $\frac{4073}{66} = 61.71$.

8. Below are the number of classes and marks for each subject of a junior student:

Subject	Number of Classes	Average Mark
Chinese	7	75
Malay	7	73
English	7	65
Mathematics	7	82
Science	5	86
History	3	73
Geography	3	87

- (a) Find his mark in average.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{75 + 73 + 65 + 82 + 86 + 73 + 87}{7} \\ &= \frac{541}{7} \\ &= 77.29\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Use the number of classes as the weight to find his average mark.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{75 \times 7 + 73 \times 7 + \dots + 87 \times 3}{7 + 7 + 7 + 7 + 5 + 3 + 3} \\ &= \frac{525 + 511 + 455 + 574 + 430 + 219 + 261}{39} \\ &= \frac{2975}{39} \\ &= 76.28\end{aligned}$$

9. The weight of 60 junior 2 students in a school are as follows:

Weight (kg)	Frequency
54 - 56	10
57 - 59	20
60 - 62	x
63 - 65	8
66 - 68	4
69 - 71	y

Given that the mean weight of these students is 60.1 kg, find the value of x and y .

Sol.

$$\text{Total weight} = 60.1 \times 60 = 3606$$

Wght (kg)	M. x_1	Freq. f_1	$x_1 f_1$
54 - 56	55	10	550
57 - 59	58	20	1160
60 - 62	61	x	$61x$
63 - 65	64	8	512
66 - 68	67	4	268
69 - 71	70	y	$70y$
		$\sum f_1 = 60$	$\sum x_1 f_1 = 3606$

$$\begin{cases} 10 + 20 + x + 8 + 4 + y = 60 & (1) \\ 550 + 1160 + 61x + 512 + 268 + 70y = 3606 & (2) \end{cases}$$

$$(1) : 42 + x + y = 60$$

$$x + y = 18$$

$$(2) : 61x + 70y = 1116$$

$$(1) \times 61 : 61x + 61y = 1098$$

$$(2) - (1) : 9y = 18$$

$$y = 2$$

$$\text{From (1) : } x = 16$$

Median

The median is the middle value of a sorted dataset. The number of values must be equal for both side of the median.

If the number of values is n , when n is odd, the median is the number in $\frac{n+1}{2}$ position.

When n is even, the median is the mean of the number in $\frac{n}{2}$ and $\frac{n}{2} + 1$ position.

For grouped data, we can make a cumulative frequency polygon, and the median is the value corresponding to 50% of the percentage of the cumulative frequency.

Let n be the number of values in the dataset, aka $\sum f_1$,

L_m be the lower boundaries of the group of the median,

C_m be the range of the group of the median,

f_m be the frequency of the group of the median,

F_m be the cum. frequency of the group of the median,

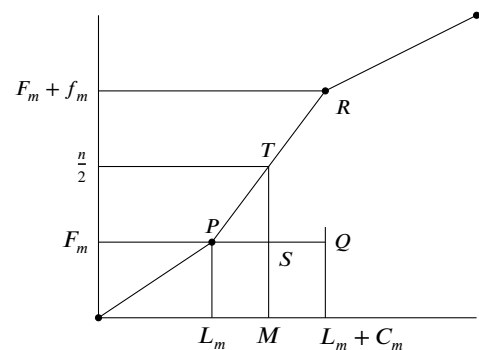


Diagram above shows a part of a cumulative frequency polygon, where R is the point corresponding to the group containing the median, P is the point corresponding to the group before the group containing the median, and M is the median. Since $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle PST$,

$$\therefore \frac{PS}{PQ} = \frac{ST}{QR}$$

$$\text{That is, } \frac{M - L_m}{C_m} = \frac{\frac{n}{2} - F_m}{f_m}$$

We get the following after simplifying the equation:

$$M = L_m + \left(\frac{\frac{n}{2} - F_m}{f_m} \right) C_m$$

18.3.3 Practice 4

1. 10 workers in a factory made the same type of product in a day, the number of products made are as follows:

15 17 14 10 15
19 17 16 14 12

Find the median of the number of products made by these 10 workers.

Sol.

Sort the dataset:

10 12 14 14 15 15 16 17 17 19

The median is the mean of the number in $\frac{10}{2} = 5$ and $\frac{10}{2} + 1 = 6$ position, which is $\frac{15+15}{2} = 15$.

2. The table below shows the result of a right eye vision test for 49 students in a class:

Vision	Number of Students
0.2	2
0.3	3
0.4	4
0.5	3
0.6	4
0.8	9
1.0	9
1.2	10
1.5	5

Find the median of the right eye vision of these students.

Sol.

Vision	Number of Students	Cum. Frequency
0.2	2	2
0.3	3	5
0.4	4	9
0.5	3	12
0.6	4	16
0.8	9	25
1.0	9	34
1.2	10	44
1.5	5	49

Since $n = 49$ is odd, the median is the number in the $\frac{49+1}{2} = 25$ position, which is 0.8.

3. The table below shows time distribution of 21 students browsing the Internet:

Time (hours)	Number of Students
1.1 - 1.3	4
1.4 - 1.6	3
1.7 - 1.9	5
2.0 - 2.2	4
2.3 - 2.5	5

Find the median of the time distribution of these students.

Sol.

Time	Freq.	Cum. Freq.
1.1 - 1.3	4	4
1.4 - 1.6	3	7
1.7 - 1.9	5	12
2.0 - 2.2	4	16
2.3 - 2.5	5	21

The median is the number in the $\frac{21}{2} = 10.5$ position, which is 1.7 - 1.9. $C_m = 0.3$, $L_m = 1.65$, and $f_m = 5$, $F_m = 7$.

$$\therefore \text{Mean} = 1.65 + \frac{10.5 - 7}{5} \times 0.3 = 1.86$$

18.3.4 Exercise 18.3b

1. During a gymnastic competition, there are four judges scoring the performance of each contestant, and the median of these four scores are taken as the final score of the contestant. Given that the scores given by four judges are 9.5, 9.4, 9.8, and 9.4 respectively, find the final score of the contestant.

Sol.

Sort the scores:

9.4 9.4 9.5 9.8

The median is the mean of the number in $\frac{4}{2} = 2$ and $\frac{4}{2} + 1 = 3$ position, which is $\frac{9.4+9.5}{2} = 9.45$.

2. Following are the weight of 15 boys with same age:

36 35 33 37 35
42 40 38 38 39
40 41 36 38 37

- (a) Find the median of these 15 boys.

Sol.

Sort the data:

33 35 35 36 36 37 37 38 38 38
39 40 41 42 43

The median is the mean of the number in $\frac{15+1}{2} = 8$ position, which is 38.

- (b) Group the data using pattern 33–35, 35–37, ..., 41–43. Then, find the median.

Sol.

Weight (kg)	Frequency	Cum. Frequency
33 - 35	1	1
35 - 37	4	5
37 - 39	5	10
39 - 41	2	12
41 - 43	2	14
43 - 45	1	15

The median is the number in the $\frac{15}{2} = 7.5$ position. $C_m = 2$, $L_m = 37$, $f_m = 5$, and $F_m = 5$.

$$\therefore \text{Median} = 37 + \frac{7.5 - 5}{5} \times 2 = 38$$

3. The table below shows the score distribution of a group of pupils in a minor test:

Score	Number of Pupils
5	4
10	2
15	3
20	x
25	4

Assume that the median is 15, find the possibility value of x .

Sol.

Score	Freq.	Cum. Freq.
5	4	4
10	2	6
15	3	9
20	x	$9 + x$
25	4	$13 + x$

$$\frac{13 + x + 1}{2} \leq 9$$

$$14 + x \leq 18$$

$$x \leq 4$$

$$\therefore 0 \leq x \leq 4$$

Therefore, the possibility values of x are 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4.

4. The following table shows the income of employees in a company:

Income (\$)	Number of Employees
1000 - 2000	11
2000 - 3000	17
3000 - 4000	20
4000 - 5000	10
5000 - 6000	2

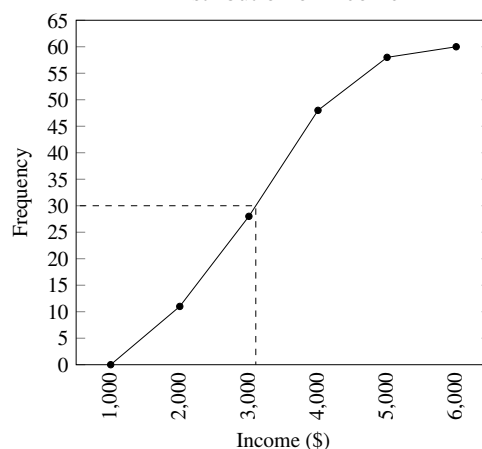
- (a) Find the median of their income using cumulative frequency polygon.

Sol.

Income (\$)	Freq.	Cum. Freq.
1000 - 2000	11	11
2000 - 3000	17	28
3000 - 4000	20	48
4000 - 5000	10	58
5000 - 6000	2	60

The median is the number in $\frac{60}{2} = 30$ position.

Cumulative Frequency Polygon of Distribution of Income



Therefore, the median of their income is \$3100.

- (b) Find the median of their income using formula and compare the result with (a).

Sol.

The median is the number in the $\frac{60}{2} = 30$ position, which is 3000 – 4000. $C_m = 1000$, $L_m = 3000$, and $f_m = 20$, $F_m = 28$.

$$\therefore \text{Median} = 3000 + \frac{30 - 28}{20} \times 1000 = 3100$$

Therefore, the median of their income is \$3100, which is the same as (a).

5. The table below shows the distribution of height of 20 students:

Height (cm)	Number of Students
120 - 130	3
130 - 140	4
140 - 150	x
150 - 160	5
160 - 170	6

Find:

- (a) The value of x .

Sol.

$$x + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 = 20$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 20 - 18 \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) The median of their height.

Sol.

Height (cm)	Freq.	Cum. Freq.
120 - 130	3	3
130 - 140	4	7
140 - 150	2	9
150 - 160	5	14
160 - 170	6	20

The median is the number in $\frac{20}{2} = 10$ position, which is 150–160. $C_m = 10$, $L_m = 150$, $f_m = 5$, and $F_m = 9$.

$$\therefore \text{Median} = 150 + \frac{10 - 9}{5} \times 10 = 152$$

Therefore, the median of their height is 152cm.

6. The table below shows the distribution of wages of workers in a factory:

Wages \$	Number of Workers
40 - 49	4
50 - 59	14
60 - 69	5
70 - 79	x
80 - 89	2

Given that the median is 63.5, find the value of x .

Sol.

Wages \$	Freq.	Cum. Freq.
40 - 49	4	4
50 - 59	14	18
60 - 69	5	23
70 - 79	x	$23 + x$
80 - 89	2	$25 + x$

63.5 is in between 60 – 69, which is in the $\frac{25+x}{2}$ position. $C_m = 10$, $L_m = 59.5$, $f_m = 5$, $F_m = 18$.

$$59.5 + \frac{\frac{25+x}{2} - 18}{5} \times 10 = 63.5$$

$$\frac{\frac{25+x}{2} - 18}{5} \times 10 = 4$$

$$\frac{\frac{25+x}{2} - 18}{5} = 0.4$$

$$\frac{25+x}{2} - 18 = 2$$

$$\frac{25+x}{2} = 20$$

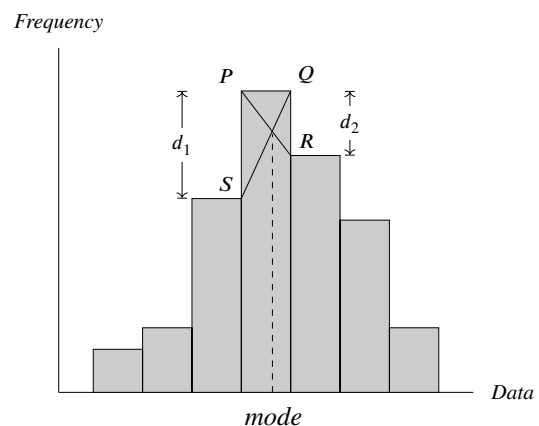
$$25 + x = 40$$

$$x = 15$$

Mode

In a set of data, the mode is the value that occurs most frequently. There can be more than one mode in a set of data. If all the values in a dataset occur with the same frequency, then there is no mode for the data.

For grouped data, the mode is the class that has the highest frequency, and there can be more than one mode. Besides that, the mode can also be estimated using histogram. The method is as follows:



The diagram above shows a histogram of a set of data. The class corresponding to the highest rectangle is the mode of the data, and the mode is the x-value of the intersection point of PR and QS .

Unlike median, the formula of mode can be derived from similar triangles. Let:

L be the lower boundaries of the modal class

C be the range of the modal class

d_1 be the difference between the lower boundary of the modal class and the lower boundary of the class immediately before the modal class

d_2 be the difference between the lower boundary of the modal class and the lower boundary of the class immediately after the modal class

then

$$mode = L + \left(\frac{d_1}{d_1 + d_2} \right) C$$

18.3.5 Practice 5

The following table shows the distribution of the score of 36 students in a Mathematics exam:

Score	Number of Students
20 - 29	2
30 - 39	6
40 - 49	10
50 - 59	12
60 - 69	3
70 - 79	2
80 - 89	1

- (a) Find the modal class.

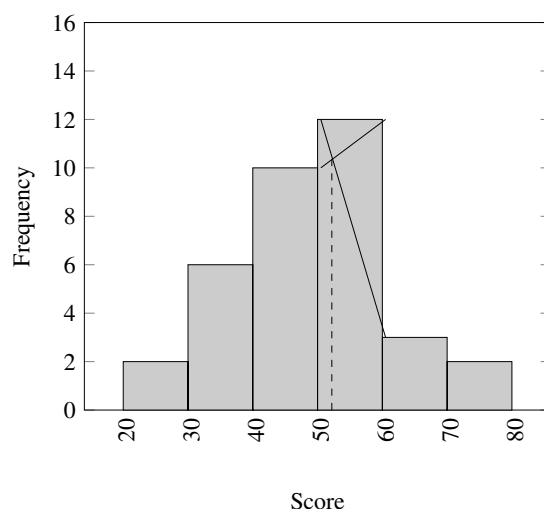
Sol.

The modal class is 50 – 59, which has the highest frequency of 12.

- (b) Find the mode of score of the students using histogram.

Sol.

Histogram of
Distribution of Mathematics Score



The mode of score of the students is approximately 51.5.

- (c) Find the mode of score of the students using formula.

Sol.

$L = 49.5$, $C = 10$, $d_1 = 12 - 10 = 2$, $d_2 = 12 - 3 = 9$.

$$\therefore Mode = 49.5 + \left(\frac{2}{2 + 9} \right) 10 = 51.32$$

Comparing mean, median and mode

Generally, the mean, median and mode of a set of data are all different, and they are used to describe the data in different ways.

18.3.6 Exercise 18.3c

1. Find the mode of the following data:

- (a) 3 4 3 2 4 5 5 5 4 4

Sol.

The mode is 4, which has the highest frequency of 4.

- (b) 7 6 8 8 5 6 6 9 8 5

Sol.

The mode is 6 and 8, which has the highest frequency of 3.

- (c) 1.0 1.1 1.0 0.9 0.8 1.2 1.0 0.9 1.1 1.0

Sol.

The mode is 1.0, which has the highest frequency of 4.

2. In the sport competition of a high school, the scores of 17 athletes participating in men's high jump are as follows:

Scores (m)	Number of Athletes
1.50	2
1.60	3
1.65	2
1.70	3
1.75	4
1.80	1
1.85	1
1.90	1

Find the mean, median and mode of their scores.

Sol.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Mean} &= \frac{1.50 \times 2 + 1.60 \times 3 + \dots + 1.90 \times 1}{17} \\
 &= \frac{3 + 4.8 + 3.3 + 5.1 + 7 + 1.8 + 1.85 + 1.9}{17} \\
 &= \frac{28.75}{17} \\
 &= 1.69m
 \end{aligned}$$

Scores (m)	No. of Athletes	Cum. Frequency
1.50	2	2
1.60	3	5
1.65	2	7
1.70	3	10
1.75	4	14
1.80	1	15
1.85	1	16
1.90	1	17

The median is the number at $\frac{17+1}{2} = 9$ th position, which is 1.70m.

The mode is 1.75m, which has the highest frequency of 4.

3. In a Mathematics competition, the scores and the number of students who obtained the scores are as follows:

Scores (%)	Number of Students
10 - 19	20
20 - 29	60
30 - 39	80
40 - 49	40
50 - 59	10

Find the modal class and the mode.

Sol.

The modal class is 30 – 39, which has the highest frequency of 80.

$$L = 29.5, C = 10, d_1 = 80 - 60 = 20, d_2 = 80 - 40 = 40.$$

$$\therefore \text{Mode} = 29.5 + \left(\frac{20}{20 + 40} \right) 10 = 32.83$$

4. Given that the mean of a dataset 3, 5, 8, 6, 8, 10, 5, 3, x, y is 6,

(a) Prove that $x + y = 12$

Proof.

$$\frac{3 + 5 + 8 + 6 + 8 + 10 + 5 + 3 + x + y}{10} = 6$$

$$48 + x + y = 60$$

$$x + y = 12$$

(b) With that, if

i. $x = y$

ii. $x < y$

Find the mode of the dataset.

5. The mean of a set of data 13, 5, 5, n, 5, 10, 10, 11, 9, n^2 is 7.4,

(a) Find the possible values of n.

(b) With that, If

i. $n > 0$

ii. $n < 0$

Find the median of the dataset.

6. The following table shows the distribution of scores of a group of students in a competition:

Scores	Number of Students
0	3
1	x
2	4
3	6
4	2

(a) Assume that the mode is 1, find the minimum value of x.

(b) Assume that the median is 2, find the maximum value of x.

(c) Assume that the mean is 1.95, find the value of x.

7. Given that the mode, median and mean of 5 positive integers are 9, 8, and 7.6 respectively, find these 5 numbers.

8. The following table shows the amount of sales of a brand of shoes in a month:

Shoes Number	Amount of Sales
5	4
6	10
7	11
8	18
9	2

- (a) Find the mean, median, and mode.
- (b) Which of the following central tendency represents the data best? Why?
9. In between 54 examinees in an exam, 15 of them come from cities, 39 of them come from suburbs. Below are the frequency distribution table of their scores:

Scores	City	Suburb
12 - 23	0	1
23 - 34	0	0
34 - 45	0	5
45 - 56	1	6
56 - 67	3	5
67 - 78	4	13
78 - 89	6	4
89 - 100	1	5

- (a) Find the mean, median, and mode of the scores of the examinees from cities and suburbs respectively.
- (b) Find the mean, median, and mode of the scores of all the examinees.
10. The following table shows the distribution of scores of a group of students in a Chinese language test:

Scores x	Number of Students
$40 < x \leq 50$	12
$50 < x \leq 60$	30
$60 < x \leq 70$	35
$70 < x \leq 80$	25
$80 < x \leq 90$	10
$9 < x \leq 100$	3

Find:

- (a) Mean.
- (b) Modal class and mode.
- (c) Median.

18.4 Measures of Dispersion

The measures of dispersion can be used to describe the spread of the data.

When we're describing a set of data, if we only use the mean, the information provided by the dataset is not enough. For example, given the mean, median, and mode of the average marks of four students in a Mathematics test are all 70 marks, we can't tell the difference between the four students. Their marks might be similar (e.g. 68, 72, 70, 70) or they might be very different (e.g. 100, 40, 70, 70). The latter case is obviously more spread out than the former case.

The most common measures of dispersion are range, interquartile range, quartile deviation, standard deviation, mean deviation, variance, and standard deviation.

Range

The range of a set of data is the difference between the largest and the smallest value in the dataset.

For grouped data, the range is the difference between the upper limit of the highest class and the lower limit of the lowest class.

Quartile, Interquartile Range, and Quartile Deviation

Quartiles are three value Q_1 , Q_2 , and Q_3 that divide a dataset into four equal parts. Q_2 is the median of the dataset. Q_1 and Q_3 are the medians of the two halves of the dataset, called the lower quartile and the upper quartile respectively.

Assume that the number of data in a sorted dataset is n . If n is odd, then

When n is even, split the dataset into two halves, with $n/2$ data in each half.

When n is odd, split the data into two halves after removing the median, with $(n - 1)/2$ data in each half.

The median of the lower half is Q_1 and the median of the upper half is Q_3 .

For grouped data, we can make a cumulative frequency polygon. In the percentage of the polygon,

25% of the data is below Q_1 .

50% of the data is below Q_2 .

75% of the data is below Q_3 .

Using the same method of deriving the formula for median, we can derive the formula for upper and lower quartiles.

Let

n be the number of data in the dataset, aka $\sum f_i$

L_k be the lower boundaries of the class of Q_k

C_k be the class range of the class of Q_k

f_k be the frequency of the class of Q_k

F_k be the cumulative frequency of the class of Q_k

then

$$Q_1 = L_1 + \left(\frac{\frac{n}{4} - F_1}{f_1} \right) C_1$$

$$Q_2 = L_2 + \left(\frac{\frac{3n}{4} - F_2}{f_2} \right) C_2$$

The difference between the upper and lower quartiles is called the interquartile range. That is,

$$\text{Interquartile range} = Q_3 - Q_1$$

The quartile deviation is the interquartile range divided by 2, written as $Q.D.$, that is,

$$Q.D. = \frac{Q_3 - Q_1}{2}$$

Since the interquartile range and the quartile deviation are not affected by the outliers, they are more robust than the range, and are more suitable for representing the spread of the data.

18.4.1 Practice 6

- Find the range, quartiles and interquartile range of the following data:

(a) 4 8 7 3 3 9 6 5 1 1 2

(b) 7 6 8 8 5 6 1 9 8

(c) 1.0 1.1 1.5 0.7 0.8 1.2 1.4 0.9
1.6 1.3

(d) 3 4 7 2 4 6 5 8

- The table below shows the cumulative frequency distribution table of the heights of 60 students:

Height (cm)	Cumulative Frequency
150-155	3
155-160	10
160-165	22
165-170	37
170-175	51
175-180	58
180-185	60

- Find the interquartile range of the heights of the students from the cumulative frequency polygon.
- Find the interquartile range of the heights of the students using formula.

18.4.2 Exercise 18.4a

- Following are the sales of televisions of a shop in 11 days:

4 9 0 1 3 4 2 5 7 2 3

Find:

- The range.
- The quartiles and interquartile range.

- Given a set of data: 1.2, 1.0, 1.1, 1.3, 1.5, 1.7, 1.2, 1.0.

Find:

- The range.
- The quartiles and interquartile deviation.

- The distribution of scores of Mathematics test of 100 senior 1 students from a high school are as follows:

Scores	Number of Students
30 - 40	3
40 - 50	4
50 - 60	13
60 - 70	22
70 - 80	30
80 - 90	23
90 - 100	5

Find the interquartile deviation of the scores.

Mean Deviation

Let the mean of a set of data x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be \bar{x} , $|x_i - \bar{x}|$ is the difference between the i th data and the mean, the mean of these n differences are called the mean deviation, and can be

used to calculate the measure of dispersion of the data. That is,

$$\text{Mean Deviation} = \frac{\sum |x_i - \bar{x}|}{n}$$

If the possible value given data are x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , their frequencies are f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n , respectively, then the mean deviation can be calculated as follows:

$$\text{Mean Deviation} = \frac{\sum |x_i - \bar{x}| f_i}{\sum f_i}$$

For grouped data, we take the midpoints of the classes as the representative value x_i .

18.4.3 Practice 7

Complete the following table, and find the mean and mean deviation of the data.

Lim.	Freq. f_i	Mid. x_i	$f_i x_i$	$ x_i - \bar{x} $	$ x_i - \bar{x} f_i$
50 - 54	2				
55 - 59	3				
60 - 64	6				
65 - 69	9				

18.4.4 Exercise 18.4b

1. Find the mean deviation of the following dataset:

(a) 7 10 9 12 4 11 3

(b) 58 65 38 76 43

(c) 45.0 46.5 47.0 48.0 48.7 48.9 49.5
50.4

2. The table below shows the frequency of the number of questions answered correctly by 26 students in a Mathematics minor test:

Num. of Corr. Ans. Ques.	Num. of Stud.
1	0
2	1
3	1
4	1
5	6
6	8
7	6
8	1
9	1
10	1

Find the mean deviation for the number of questions answered correctly.

3. Following are the test scores of 36 students:

77 60 52 73 60 50 70 60 52
68 59 50 72 59 48 66 58 46
60 48 34 61 55 40 62 55 42
63 55 43 65 56 45 65 57 46

- Group the dataset above according to the pattern [34 - 38), [38 - 42), [42 - 46), ..., then make a frequency distribution table.
- Find the mean from the frequency distribution table.
- Find the mean deviation from the frequency distribution table.

Variance

Let the mean of a set of data x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be \bar{x} , $(x_i - \bar{x})^2$ be the square of the difference between the i^{th} data and the mean, the square of the mean of these n differences are called the variance, written as σ^2 , that is,

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n}$$

The square root of the variance is called the standard deviation, written as σ , that is,

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

If the possible values of given data are x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , their frequencies are f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n , respectively, then

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 f_i}{\sum f_i}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 f_i}{\sum f_i}}$$

For grouped data, we take the midpoints of the classes as the representative value x_i .

The above formula are a bit complicated, so we can sim-

plify the formula:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2 &= \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 f_i}{\sum f_i} \\ &= \frac{\sum x_i^2 f_i - 2\bar{x} \sum x_i f_i + \sum \bar{x}^2 f_i}{\sum f_i} \\ &= \frac{\sum x_i^2 f_i}{\sum f_i} - 2\bar{x} + \bar{x}^2 \\ &= \frac{\sum x_i^2 f_i}{\sum f_i} - \bar{x}^2\end{aligned}$$

Hence, when the frequency of value x_i is f_i , Then

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2 &= \frac{\sum x_i^2 f_i}{\sum f_i} - \bar{x}^2 \\ \sigma &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum x_i^2 f_i}{\sum f_i} - \bar{x}^2}\end{aligned}$$

When all the frequencies f_i are equal to 1, then

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2 &= \frac{\sum x_i^2}{n} - \bar{x}^2 \\ \sigma &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum x_i^2}{n} - \bar{x}^2}\end{aligned}$$

Compared to mean deviation, the variance and standard deviation do not contain absolute value, so it is more convenient to use them. Furthermore, the variance and standard deviation are more sensitive to the difference between the data and the mean, so they are more commonly used in daily life.

18.4.5 Practice 8

- Measuring the height of 10 plant seedlings (in *cm*) in a lab, we get the following data:

12 6 15 3 12 6 21 15 15 18 12

Find the standard deviation of the height of the plant seedlings.

- Complete the following table, then find the standard deviation.

(a)

x_i	f_i	$x_i f_i$	$x_i^2 f_i$
3	30		
5	35		
7	28		

Limit	f_i	$Mid.x_i$	$x_i f_i$	$x_i^2 f_i$
150 - 154	5			
155 - 159	8			
160 - 164	10			
165 - 169	7			
170 - 174	6			
175 - 179	4			

18.4.6 Exercise 18.4c

- Find the variance and standard deviation of the following dataset:

(a) 3 6 3 8

(b) 3 3 4 5 10

(c) 2 9 10 10 12 2 10 9

- Find the variance and standard deviation of the data:

(a)

Values	Frequency
6	35
5	36
4	30

(b)

Values	Frequency
60	4
70	6
80	2
90	5
100	1

- Given two sets of data:

A	B
9.9	10.3
10.3	10
9.8	9.5
10.1	10.4
10.4	10.5
10	9.4
9.8	9.8
9.7	10.1

Find the mean and variance of these two sets of data respectively, and state which set of data is more spread out.

- Given the Chinese language test scores of two groups of students are as follows:

Group A	Group B
76	82
90	84
84	85
86	89
81	79
87	80
86	91
82	89
85	79
83	74

Find the mean and standard deviation of these two sets of data respectively, and state which set of data is more centered.

5. The table below shows the height distribution of all students of the same grade:

Height (cm)	Frequency
145 - 149	10
150 - 154	36
155 - 159	193
160 - 164	205
165 - 169	240
170 - 174	83
175 - 179	33

Find the mean and standard deviation of the height of all students of the same grade.

6. Following are the weight distribution of 100 students in a school:

Weight (kg)	Number of Students
45 - 47	3
48 - 50	16
51 - 53	20
54 - 56	32
57 - 59	15
60 - 62	10
63 - 65	4

Find the variance and standard deviation.

7. Given the sum of 10 values is 400, and the sum of their square is 16400. Find the mean and standard deviation of these 10 values.
8. Given 30 values x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{30} , the mean of these values is 5, and the standard deviation is 2. Find $\sum_{i=1}^{30} x_i$ and $\sum_{i=1}^{30} x_i^2$.

9. The mean of 5 values is 10, and it remains the same after adding p to dataset.

- (a) Find the value of p .
- (b) If the sum of square of 5 original values is 558, find the variance of the 6 values after adding p .

10. Given that the mean of 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15, x , y is 13, standard deviation is $\sqrt{102}$, find the value of x and y .

18.5 Coefficient of Variation

Generally speaking, when we want to compare the variability of two or more sets of data, only comparing the standard deviation of each group is not enough. If the properties or the units of the data are different, the standard deviation of each group must not be comparable. For example, if we want to know whether the deviation of the height of students in a class is larger than that of the weight of students in the same class, we need a relative metric as the standard of comparison, and the coefficient of variation is such a metric. For a non-negative set of value, the definition of coefficient of variation is as follows:

$$CV = \frac{\sigma}{\bar{x}} \times 100\%$$

From the definition, we can see that the coefficient of variation the standard deviation when the mean is 1. Thus, when the coefficient of variation is large, it means that the variability of the data is large, and vice versa.

18.5.1 Practice 9

In a minor test, the full mark of Chinese language test for senior 2 students is 100, its average mark is 70, and the standard deviation is 10, while the full mark of Mathematics test is 70, its average mark is 40, and the standard deviation is 8. Compare the variability of the two tests.

18.5.2 Exercise 18.5

1. The statistics of the height and width of grade 1 students in a primary school are as follows:

	Mean	Standard Deviation
Height (cm)	115.87	4.86
Width (cm)	19.39	2.16

Compare the variability of the height and width of the students.

2. The table below shows the first semester Mathematics exam average mark and standard deviation of five junior 1 classes in a school:

Class	Average Mark	Standard Deviation
A	62	11
B	74	9
C	65	10
D	70	7
E	53	8

Which class has the smallest coefficient of variation?

3. The table below shows the Mathematics exam results of two groups of students *A* and *B*:

Group	Marks				
A	60	98	76	84	52
B	88	58	90	69	78

- (a) Find the average mark of each group.
 (b) Find the standard deviation of each group.
 (c) Find the coefficient of variation of each group.
4. The table below shows the price of papayas and grapes per kilogram in the first half of the year (in \$):

Month	Papaya	Grapes
January	3.50	20.00
February	3.00	22.00
March	2.50	24.00
April	3.20	23.00
May	3.60	18.00
June	2.80	21.00

- (a) Find the average price and standard deviation of papayas and grapes respectively in the first half of the year.
 (b) Which fruit has greater variability in price?
5. The table below shows the distribution of annual average marks of two classes of students *A* and *B*:

Marks Range	Class A	Class B
40 - 49	3	4
50 - 59	4	10
60 - 69	10	17
70 - 79	16	14
80 - 89	12	1

Find the coefficient of variation of annual average marks of each class respectively.

18.6 Correlation and Correlation Coefficient

Correlation

In statistics, correlation is a statistical measure of the degree to which two or more variables move in relation to each other. For example, the correlation between the height and weight of a person, the correlation between the price of a stock and the volume of the stock traded.

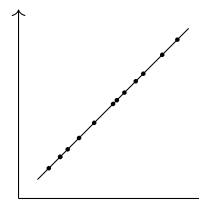
Scatter Plot

A scatter plot is a type of mathematical diagram to show the relationship between two variables. Let two groups of data be x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n and y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n , respectively. The scatter plot of the two groups of data is a graph of the points $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$.

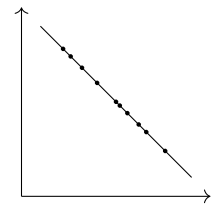
Linear Correlation

If the scatter plot of two groups of data can be approximated by a straight line, then the two groups of data are said to be linearly correlated. According to the trend of the two groups of data, the correlation can be positive, negative, or zero. For example, the weight of a higher person is usually larger, so the correlation between the weight and height of a person is positive. The sales of a product are usually lower when the price of the product is higher, so the correlation between the price of a product and the volume of the product sold is negative. If there is no relationship between the two groups of data, then it is considered zero correlation.

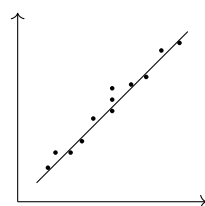
Below are the possible cases of linear correlation:



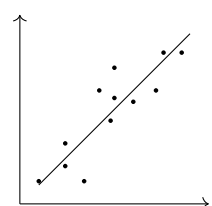
Perfect Positive Correlation



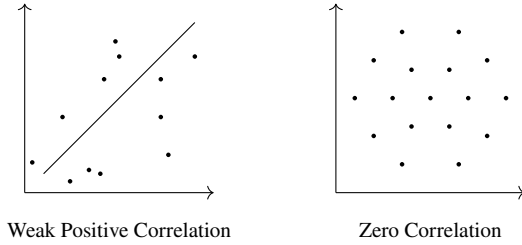
Perfect Negative Correlation



Strong Positive Correlation



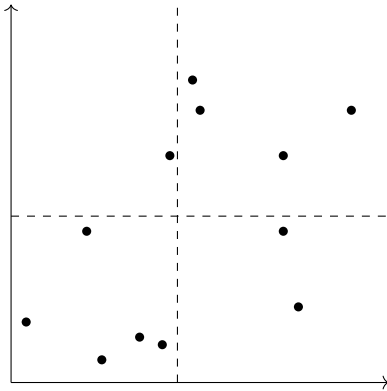
Moderate Positive Correlation



1. If every single point in the scatter plot is on the line of best fit, then it's a perfect positive correlation. If the slope of the line of best fit is positive, then it's a positive correlation. If the slope of the line of best fit is negative, then it's a negative correlation.
2. If the points in the scatter plot are scattered around the line of best fit with non-zero slope, then the closer the points are to the line of best fit, the stronger the correlation is.
3. If the points in the scatter plot are scattered evenly around the whole plot with no obvious pattern, then there is no correlation between the two variables, aka zero correlation.

Correlation Coefficient

Telling the correlation between two variables by looking at the scatter plot is not a very accurate way. To accurately measure the correlation between two sets of data, we need to use a coefficient that can distinguish the strength of the correlation.



Let the mean value of two sets of data be x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n and y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n be \bar{x} and \bar{y} respectively. Draw two lines $x = \bar{x}$ and $y = \bar{y}$ on the scatter plot of the two sets of data, splitting the plot into four quadrants, as shown in the figure above. Now the origin of the plot is at (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) . If a point (x_i, y_i) is in the first or the third quadrant, then $(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ is positive. As discussed in the previous section, if the correlation is positive, the points are scattering around the line of best fit with positive slope. Therefore, the points are more

likely to be in the first or the third quadrant. That means, there are more positive value of $(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ than negative value, therefore the value of $\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ is positive. The higher the correlation is, the more points are in the first or the third quadrant, the higher the positive value of $\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ is.

On the other hand, if a point (x_i, y_i) is in the second or the fourth quadrant, then $(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ is negative, which means there are more negative value of $(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ than positive value, therefore the value of $\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ is negative. Similarly, the higher the correlation is, the lower the negative value of $\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ is.

Hence, the value and the sign of $\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ can be used to measure the correlation between two sets of data. The value of $\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ will be affected by the measurement unit of the data. To make the value of $\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$ independent of the measurement unit, we define the correlation coefficient of two sets of data x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n and y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n as:

$$r = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}$$

The value of r is always between -1 and 1 . If $r = 0$, then there is no correlation between the two sets of data. If $r > 0$, then the correlation is positive. If $r < 0$, then the correlation is negative. The absolute value of r is the strength of the correlation, and is generally divided as follows:

1. $|r| = 1$: perfect correlation
2. $0 < |r| < 0.3$: weak correlation
3. $0.3 \leq |r| < 0.7$: moderate correlation
4. $0.7 \leq |r| \leq 1$: strong correlation

Dividing both the denominator and the numerator of the formula of r by the number of data points n , then the numerator is the mean value of $(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$, and the denominator is the product of the standard deviation of x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n and y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n . Similar to the standard deviation, there is an easier way to calculate the correlation coefficient:

$$r = \frac{\frac{\sum x_i y_i}{n} - \bar{x} \bar{y}}{\sqrt{(\frac{\sum x_i^2}{n} - \bar{x}^2)(\frac{\sum y_i^2}{n} - \bar{y}^2)}}$$

18.6.1 Practice 10

1. The table below shows the height (in *cm*) and weight (in *kg*) of 15 10-year-old children:

Height	Weight
126	41
130	42
110	38
123	36
118	33
130	45
127	34
124	35
116	30
112	32
113	31
121	40
115	34
120	35
118	33

Calculate the correlation coefficient of the height and the weight of the 15 children, and determine on the strength of the correlation.

- In order to study the relationship between the systolic blood pressure (in $mmHg$) and the age (in *year*) of human, a medical school collected the data of 13 male patients:

Age	Systolic Blood Pressure
51	130
22	141
23	124
31	126
33	117
49	135
58	143
53	138
44	132
55	143
42	133
45	115
25	147

18.6.2 Exercise 18.6

- The table below shows the value of fixed assets and total assets (in 10 thousand dollar) of 10 enterprises of the same industry:

No. of Enterprise	Fixed Assets	Total Assets
1	200	638
2	314	605
3	318	524
4	409	815
5	415	913
6	502	928
7	910	1019
8	1022	1219
9	1210	1516
10	1225	1624

- Construct a scatter diagram of the data.
- Calculate the mean value of fixed assets and total assets respectively.
- Find the correlation coefficient of the fixed assets and the total assets, and determine on the strength of the correlation.

- The table shows the marks of Mathematics and Economics of 15 students:

Mathematics	Economics
83	79
50	61
62	70
90	86
68	69
61	68
58	62
62	80
71	70
63	74
72	77
54	54
64	77
48	50
81	92

- Construct a scatter diagram of the data.
- Find the correlation coefficient of the marks of Mathematics and the Economics, and determine on the strength of the correlation.

- The table below shows the marks of 16 students in the Chinese language minor test. The paper was split into two sections: Vernacular and Classical Chinese and their full marks were 60 and 40 respectively.

Vernacular Chinese	Classical Chinese
43	30
50	21
38	20
45	19
58	15
47	18
32	30
36	28
38	26
51	30
44	29
28	29
49	22
42	32
46	33
35	25

- Construct a scatter diagram of the data.
- Find the correlation coefficient of the marks of Vernacular Chinese and the Classical Chinese, and determine on the strength of the correlation.

4. Below shows the the service costs and values of properties sold by a property broker in 5 trades:

Service Costs (in \$100)	Value of Prop. (in \$10k)
16.5	3.9
17.4	4.2
16.8	4.1
17.9	4.5
18.4	4.8

Find the correlation coefficient of the service costs and the values of properties in these 5 trades, and determine on the strength of the correlation.

5. The table below shows the degree of labor mechanization and labor productivity:

Mechanization Degree (%)	Productivity (\$/pax)
40	800
45	880
50	1010
55	1034
60	980
65	1030
70	1077
75	1344
80	1460

- Construct a scatter diagram of the data.
- Find the correlation coefficient of the degree of labor mechanization and the labor productivity, and determine on the strength of the correlation.

6. Below are the sales (in million) and the net profit rate (%) of 10 department store:

Company	Sales	Net Profit Rate
A	18.4	15.3
B	16.5	14.8
C	14.6	13.6
D	23.3	14.3
E	35.6	12.9
F	24.2	14.6
G	33.6	13.8
H	44.5	13.7
I	26.8	13.5
J	31.9	14.2

- Construct a scatter diagram of the data.
- Find the correlation coefficient of the sales and the net profit rate, and determine on the strength of the correlation.

18.7 Statistical Index

Index

In statistics, an index is a number that measures the changes in a figure from one point in time to another. There is a wide range of applications of an index, such as the price index which represents the changes in prices, the production index which represents the changes in production, and the wage index which represents the changes in salaries and wages. There are also other indices such as the living index, foreign exchange index, population index, stock market index, etc.

The index is a kind of relative number. The standard period that is used for comparison when calculating the index is called the base period. As the case may be, the base period can be a year or a month. The index of the base period is usually a number that is easier to be remembered and compared, such as 100, 500, or 1000, and the chosen number must be able to represent the changes in the figure. We will use 100 as our base period index. The period that is used for comparison to the base period is called the current period. Let Q_0 be the base period index and Q_1 be the current period index. The index of the current period is calculated by the following formula:

$$I = \frac{Q_1}{Q_0} \times 100$$

where 100 is the base period index.

Price Relative

The price relative is a simple index that compares the prices of products in different periods. Let P_0 be the price of a product in the base period and P_1 be the price of the same product in the current period. The price relative of the current period is calculated by the following formula:

$$I = \frac{P_1}{P_0} \times 100$$

18.7.1 Practice 11

The table below shows the net profits (in million) of a company from 2010 to 2014. Use the year 2010 as the base period and calculate the index of the net profit of the company in each year.

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Net Profit	700	621	584.1	720.5	800

Exercise 18.7a

- The prices of white sugar in 2011, 2012, and 2013 are \$2.10, \$2.30, and \$2.50 respectively. Use the year 2011 and 2012 as the base period and calculate the price relative of the year 2013.
- The prices of a food product in 2011, 2013, and 2015 are \$3.40, \$3.75, and \$3.90 respectively. Use the year 2011 as the base period and calculate the price relative of the year 2013 and 2015.
- The number of new students of a school from 2011 to 2015 are as follows:

Year	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
New Stud.	182	150	120	104	94

Use the year 2011 as the base period and calculate the index of the number of new students in each year.

- The table below shows the price of terraced houses (in \$10k) of a place in from 2010 to 2014:

Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Price	32.0	35.5	43.4	51.0	60.0

Use the year 2010 as the base period and calculate the index of the price of terraced houses in each year.

- The table below shows the price relative of three products A, B, and C when using different years as the base period and the current period:

Current Period	Base Period	A	B	C
2010	2005	160	x	170
2015	2005	140	190	y
2015	2010	z	210	150

Find the value of x , y , and z .

Composite Index

The composite index is the mean value of indices of different figures. Since the importance of each figure might be different, the weight of each index is used to represent the importance of each figure, and the acquired weighted mean is called the composite index.

Let the simple index of n figures of the same base period and the same current period be x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n , and their respective weights be w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n . The composite index is calculated by the following formula:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{I} &= \frac{w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + \dots + w_nx_n}{w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_n} \\ &= \frac{\sum w_ix_i}{\sum w_i} \end{aligned}$$

If the study object is some product, where x_i is the price relative to the i^{th} product, then its weighted mean is called the price index. If the study object is the daily living expenses, then its weighted mean is called the living consumption index.

Practice 12

The table below shows the prices and weights of sneakers of three brands in 2012 and 2015:

Sneakers	Unit Price		Weight
	2012	2015	
A	230	233	5
B	225	228	3
C	215	221	2

- Use the year 2012 as the base period and calculate the price relative of each brand in 2015.
- Use the year 2012 as the base period and calculate the price index of sneakers in 2015.

Exercise 18.7b

- Using 2012 as the base period, the price relatives of foods, gases and clothes in 2014 are 111, 105, and 106 respectively, and their weights are 5, 1, and 2 respectively. Calculate the composite index of the three consumer items in 2014.
- The table below shows the price of each primary food in 2015 (with 2005 as the base period). Find the price index in 2015.

Food	Price Relative	Weight
Meat	130	15
Fish	150	14
Vegetable	200	10
Rice	110	20
Cooking Oil	120	8
Beverage	150	7
Fruit	160	6

- The weight and unit price of 3 kind of materials bought by a factory are as follows:

Material	Weight (ton)	Unit Price (\$)	
		2010	2014
A	20	0.62	0.71
B	50	2.05	2.09
C	60	0.80	0.85

Using 2010 as the base period, 2014 as the current period,

- Find the composite index of the unit prices of the three materials without considering the weights (i.e. the weights are all 1).
 - Using the weight of each material as the weight, find the composite index of the unit prices of the three materials.
- The table below shows three indices and their weights. If their composite index is 103, find the value of x .

Index	90	$11x$	120
Weight	x	4	6

- The table below shows the price relative and weight of three products with 2013 as the base period and 2015 as the current period. Given that the price of item A in 2013 and 2015 are \$20 and \$25 respectively, the price of item B is twice the price of item A .

Item	Price Relative	Weight
A	r	2
B	t	1
C	120	3

- Find the value of r and t .
 - Using 2013 as the base period, find the price index in 2015.
- The table below shows the price relative and weight of 5 products with 2012 as the base period and 2014 as the current period:

Item	Price Relative	Weight
A	125	2
B	120	$3x$
C	110	2
D	130	x
E	115	2

Given that the price index in 2014 is 120,

- Find the value of x .
 - Assume that the price of item A in 2014 is RM30, find the price of the item in 2012.
- The table below shows the price, price relative and weight of 4 products in 2012 and 2014:

Item	Price (\$)		Price Relative	Weight
	2012	2014		
A	12	y	150	1
B	x	24	120	2
C	14	28	z	3
D	10	13	130	4

where the base period of the price relative is 2012, and the current period is 2014.

- Find the value of x , y and z .
 - Using 2012 as the base period, find the price index in 2014.
- The table below shows the price of two products in 2005 and 2015:

Item	Price (\$)		Price Relative
	2005	2015	
A	30	x	2
B	50	$x + 10$	3

18.8 Revision Exercise 18

1. The length of 60 cotton fibers (in *mm*) in a laboratory are as follows:

82 202 352 321 25 293 293 86
 28 206 323 355 357 33 325 113
 233 294 50 296 115 236 357 326
 52 301 140 328 238 358 58 255
 143 360 340 302 370 343 260 303
 59 146 60 263 170 175 348 305
 380 346 61 305 264 383 62 306
 195 350 265 385

- Use 21*mm* as the lower limit and 40*mm* as the class range, construct a frequency distribution table.
 - Construct a histogram and a frequency polygon.
 - Construct a cumulative frequency table and a cumulative frequency polygon.
 - Using the cumulative frequency polygon, find the percentage of fibers whose length is greater than 150*mm*.
 - Find the interquartile range.
2. Find the mean, median, range, quartile deviation, and mean deviation of the data 8, 10, 9, 12, 4, 4, 2.
3. The weight (in *kg*) of 16 babies are as follows:

8 9 10 9 8 7 9 10
 9 8 8 9 10 9 8 7

Find the mean, median, mode, range, quartile deviation, mean deviation, and standard deviation of their weights.

4. The table below shows the score distribution of business study minor test of senior 3 students in a high school:

Marks	No. of Students
0-9	7
10-19	21
20-29	32
30-39	27
40-49	13

- Construct a cumulative frequency distribution table.

- Construct a cumulative frequency polygon.
- Find the median and the interquartile range from the cumulative frequency polygon.
- Find the percentage of students who scored higher or equal to 45 marks.
- Assume that the passing score is 15 marks. Find the percentage of students who failed the test.

5. The burning time (in *s*) of 10 rocket boosters are as follows:

50.7 54.9 54.3 44.8 42.2
 69.0 55.4 66.1 48.1 34.5

Find the range, variance and standard deviation of the burning time.

6. The table below shows the scores of 30 rounds of game scored by someone:

Score	0	1	2	3	4
Times	5	3	4	$x + 1$	7

Find:

- The value of x .
- The mean and standard deviation of the scores.

7. The table below shows the distribution of scores of a minor test of students in a class:

Score	No. of Students
$0 < x \leq 5$	8
$5 < x \leq 10$	1
$10 < x \leq 15$	9
$15 < x \leq 20$	7
$20 < x \leq 25$	11
$25 < x \leq 30$	4

Find:

- Range
- Median
- Mode

8. Below are the distribution of scores of business study exam of 40 students in a class:

Score	No. of Students
46 - 54	4
54 - 62	9
62 - 70	10
70 - 78	8
78 - 86	6
86 - 94	3

Find:

- (a) Mean
- (b) Median
- (c) Mode
- (d) Variance

9. The table below shows the frequency distribution of the life of 500 light bulbs:

Life (in <i>hr</i>)	No. of Bulbs
800 - 850	35
850 - 900	127
900 - 950	185
950 - 1000	103
1000 - 1050	42
1050 - 1100	8

Find:

- (a) The mean and standard deviation of the life of the light bulbs.
- (b) Mean deviation.
- (c) Median.
- (d) Quartile deviation.

10. Assume that the mean value of data $2, x + 1, 5, 2x + 1, 8, 2x - 3$ is 4,

- (a) Find the value of x .
- (b) With that, find the standard deviation of the data.

11. The mean and mode of a set of data $2, 5, 3, 11, 9, 2, 11, p, q$ are 6 and 3 respectively, $p > q$. Find

- (a) The value of p and q
- (b) Median
- (c) Standard deviation

12. Given that the mean value of $x, x + 1, 2x - 3, 5, y, 8$ is 6. After eliminating y , the mean value of the remaining data is 3.8.

- (a) Find the value of x and y .

- (b) With that, find the variance of the original 6 data.

13. Given the sum of the square of 10 numbers is 400, and their mean value is 5. If a number 8 is eliminated from the data set, find the mean value and variance of the remaining data.

14. There are two female chorus groups *A* and *B*, each of which has 5 members. Their heights (in *cm*) are as follows:

Group A	170	162	159	160	155
Group B	180	165	150	154	160

- (a) Find the mean and standard deviation of the heights of the members of the two groups.
- (b) Which group has a lower height variance?

15. The table below shows scores of maths exam of three classes:

Class	Avg. Marks	Std. Deviation	No. of Stud.
A	36.8	5.2	32
B	30.3	12.4	36
C	38.8	10.3	32

- (a) In between class *A*, *B* and *C*, which class has the most consistent performance? Why?
- (b) Find the average marks and standard deviation of these three classes combined.

16. The score given by six judges to a gymnast are as follows:

7 5 9 7 8 6

Find the following of the gymnast:

- (a) Mean
- (b) Standard deviation
- (c) Correlation Coefficient

17. In an IQ test, the average score of 10 students is 114, and the scores of 9 of them are as follows:

101 125 118 118 128 106
115 99 118 109

Find:

- (a) The IQ of the 10th student.

- (b) The correlation coefficient of the IQ of the 10 students.

18. Given that the data of the weight of two groups of girls (in *kg*) are as follows:

	Mean	Std. Dev.
1 years old	10.90	1.24
5 years old	19.00	2.11

Compare the strength of correlation of the weight of these girls.

19. The production output and production cost of a factory in the first half of this year are as follows:

Month	1	2	3	4	5	6
Output (in 1k tons)	2	3	1	4	3	5
Cost (in \$1k)	9	11	7	13	11	15

20. The marks of Chinese exam and Maths exam of 16 senior students in a school are as follows:

Chinese	Maths
82	59
79	63
76	99
63	67
56	61
67	82
69	82
81	77
77	75
73	74
58	67
64	79
68	75
72	65
75	64
80	66
83	68

- (a) Construct a scatter diagram of the data.
 (b) Find the correlation coefficient of the two exams, and determine the strength of correlation.

21. The table below shows the prices of a product (in \$) in 2005, 2010, and 2015:

Year	2005	2010	2015
Price	4	6	x

- (a) Assume that the percentage of price increase from 2005 to 2010 is the same as that from 2010 to 2015, find the value of x .

- (b) Find the price relative in 2015 with respect to 2005.

22. The price data of primary food of a city with 2013 as base period and 2014 as current period are as follows:

Food	Price Relative	Weight
Meat	105	8
Fish	111	7
Vegetables	98	5
Rice & Noodles	103	10
Cooking Oil	100	3
Beverage	107	2
Fruits	99	2

Find the price index in 2014.

23. The price relative of daily expenses of people in a place with respect to last year and their relative consumption are as follows:

Daily Expenses	Price Relative	Consumption Relative
Clothing	120	23
Food	117	40
Housing	132	19
Transportation	130	18

Using the relative consumption as weight, find the composite price index of daily expenses.

24. The table below shows the spending of a company in 4 different projects in 3 consecutive years:

Project	Year			A	B
	2012	2013	2014		
Salaries	x	20,000	30,000	150	P
Stationery	5,000	y	7,000	120	140
Repair	4,000	5000	z	125	150
Miscellaneous	8,000	Q	15,000	R	R

Given that A is the index where 2012 is the base period and 2013 is the current period; B is the index where 2012 is the base period and 2014 is the current period. Find the value of x , y , z , P , Q , and R .

Chapter 19

Permutations and Combinations

Permutations and combinations are the foundation of probability and statistics. In our daily life, we often need to calculate the number of ways of completing a task. These calculations are based on two basic principles: addition principle and multiplication principle.

19.1 Addition and Multiplication Principles

Theorem 1. Addition Principle

If there are n methods of doing a task, the first method can be done in m_1 ways, the second method can be done in m_2 ways, ..., the n th methods can be done in m_n ways, and they are mutually exclusive, which means the task can be done in whatever way using whatever method, then the total number of ways of doing the task is

$$m_1 + m_2 + \cdots + m_n$$

Theorem 2. Multiplication Principle

If there are n steps in doing a task, the first step can be done in m_1 ways, the second step can be done in m_2 ways, ..., the n th steps can be done in m_n ways, then the total number of ways of doing the task is

$$m_1 \times m_2 \times \cdots \times m_n$$

19.1.1 Practice 1

1. There are 2 Math reference books, 3 novels, and 4 storybooks of idioms. Xiao Hua wants to choose one book from each category. How many ways can he choose?

2. Travelling from A to B can be done by bus or train. There are 4 buses and 3 trains. How many ways are there to travel from A to B ?

19.1.2 Practice 19.1

1. During the eve of a festival, there are 3 trains, 4 buses, and 4 trains from Johor Bahru to Pinang. How many ways are there to travel from Johor Bahru to Pinang during the day?
2. One has 5 shirts and 6 pants, how many ways can he dress up?
3. There are 4 airlines A , B , C , and D that provide flights from Kuala Lumpur to Bangkok: A provides 3 flights per day, B provides 2 flights per day, C and D provides 1 flight per day. How many choices are there to travel from Kuala Lumpur to Bangkok?
4. How many set meal combinations are there if there are 6 type of main dishes, 5 type of drinks, and 2 type of desserts?
5. There are 4 doors in a classroom, student A and student B can enter the classroom through any door. How many ways are there for student A and student B to enter the classroom?
6. A friendly match is held between 2 ping pong teams, each team has to send 3 players, and each player has to play games with all the other players on the other team. How many games have to be played?
7. Matching 8 clothes of different colors with 5 different skirts, how many ways are there to dress up? If the above dresses are paired with 4 pairs of shoes of different colors, how many ways are there to dress up?

19.2 Permutations and Permutation Formula

Practice 2

How many ways are there to arrange the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 into a two digit number with no repeated digits?

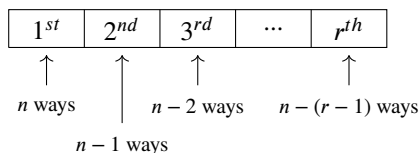
Sol.

First step: choose one of the 4 numbers as the first digit, there are 4 ways to do so.

Second step: choose one of the remaining 3 numbers as the second digit, there are 3 ways to do so.

According to the multiplication principle, the total number of ways to arrange the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 into a two digit number with no repeated digits is $4 \times 3 = 12$.

If there are n elements, we want to pick r elements from them and arrange them in a sequence, how many ways are there to do so? This question can be treated as there are r empty boxes, which means this requires r steps to complete.



First step: Choose one element from n elements and put it in the first box, then there are n ways to do so.

Second step: Choose one element from $n - 1$ elements and put it in the second box, then there are $n - 1$ ways to do so.

Third step: Choose one element from $n - 2$ elements and put it in the third box, then there are $n - 2$ ways to do so.

So on and so forth, when $r - 1$ boxes are filled, the last box r can only be filled with one of the remaining $n - (r - 1)$ elements, so there are $n - (r - 1)$ ways to do so. According to the multiplication principle, the total number of ways to fill in r boxes is

$$n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots (n - r + 1)$$

Therefore, there are $n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots (n - r + 1)$ ways to arrange r elements, and this denoted as ${}_nP_r$, ${}_nP_r$, or P_r^n .

$${}_nP_r = n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots (n - r + 1)$$

Where $r \leq n$, $n \in N$, $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$. This formula is called the permutation formula.

When $r = n$, aka a full permutation, the formula becomes

$${}_nP_n = n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1$$

Therefore, the permutation of all n elements is equal to the products of natural numbers from 1 to n . This is called the factorial of n , denoted as $n!$.

$$\begin{aligned} n! &= {}_nP_n \\ &= n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 \end{aligned}$$

Using factorial, the permutation formula can be trans-

form into the following:

$$\begin{aligned} {}_nP_r &= n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots (n - r + 1) \\ &= \frac{n(n - 1)(n - 2) \cdots (n - r + 1)(n - r) \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{(n - r) \cdots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n - r)!} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the permutation formula can be written as

$${}_nP_r = \frac{n!}{(n - r)!}$$

Note: $0!$ is defined as 1 to make the formula work when $n = r$.

19.2.1 Practice 3

1. Find the value of ${}_7P_3$ and $5!$.
2. Calculate ${}_{10}P_3 + {}_8P_4$.
3. If $100({}_nP_2) = {}_{2n}P_3$, find the value of n .

19.2.2 Exercise 19.2a

1. Write down all the permutations of 3 elements in 4 elements A, B, C, D .
2. Calculate:
 - (a) ${}_{15}P_4$
 - (b) ${}_{100}P_3$
 - (c) $7!$
 - (d) $\frac{8!}{5!}$
3. Calculate the following:
 - (a) $\frac{11! - 10!}{10! - 9!}$
 - (b) $\frac{7! - 6! - 5!}{5!}$
 - (c) $\frac{13! - 12!}{(12)^2 10!}$
 - (d) $\frac{5({}_8P_3)}{2({}_6P_2)}$
 - (e) $\frac{{}_9P_3 + {}_9P_4}{{}_9P_3}$
 - (f) $\frac{{}_nP_{12} 12 - {}_nP_{12} 11}{{}_nP_{10} 10}$
4. Simplify the following:
 - (a) $\frac{(n+1)!}{(n-1)!}$
 - (b) $\frac{(20-r)!}{(18-r)!}$
5. Find the value of n or r of the following expressions:
 - (a) $\frac{(n+1)!}{n!} = 42$

- (b) $127({}_2P_3) = {}_2P_4$
- (c) $18({}_{n-1}P_2) = {}_nP_4$
- (d) ${}_{2n+1}P_4 = 132({}_nP_n3)$
- (e) $4({}_{10}P_{r-1}) = {}_{10}P_r$
- (f) $6({}_9P_{r-2}) = {}_9P_r$

Practice 4

- How many 3 digit numbers with no repeated digits can be formed using the digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5?
- How many 3 digit numbers with no repeated digits can be formed using the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4?

Practice 5

- There are 50 seats and 50 students in a class. How many ways can the students be seated in the class?
- Person *A* and *B* has two choose two adjacent seats in a row of 5 chairs. How many ways can they be seated?
- 4 boys and 2 girls are standing in a row to take a photo. Assume that the two girls has to stand next to each other, how many ways can they be arranged?

Exercise 19.2b

- Assume that there is no repeated digits, how many 5 digit numbers can be formed using the digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5?
- How many ways are there to arrange the flags of 10 ASEAN members in a row?
- 7 novel stories are to be compiled into a book. The sortest story must be placed at the beginning of the book, while the longest story must be placed at the end. How many ways can the stories be arranged?
- Ten students are to be arranged in a row. Two of the tallest students must be placed at the beginning of the row. How many ways can the students be arranged?
- There are nine programmes in a literature festival. If one of the programmes is to be placed at the middle or at the end, how many ways can the programmes be arranged?
- How many permutations of the letters in the word *EQUATION* are there? if the letter *E* and *N* are to be placed at the beginning and at the end respectively, how many ways can the letters be arranged?

- There are 4 mobile phones that are to be registered a mobile phone number. Chosen 7 phone numbers for pairing, how many ways can the mobile phones be paired with the phone numbers?
- There are 4 passengers sitting inside a 6 seats SUV. How many ways can the passengers be seated in the SUV?
- A ping pong coach wants to choose 3 players from a total of 5 players to be the first single, second single and third single respectively. If an elite player has to be chosen as the first or the second single, how many ways can the players be chosen?
- 8 chairs are to be arranged in two rows of 4 chairs each, in order to provide a place for 8 people to sit. If 3 out of the 8 people are to be seated in the first row, how many ways can the chairs be arranged?
- How many permutations of the 5 different letters in the word *TRIANGLE* are there? If the beginning and the end of the word are consonants, how many ways can the letters be arranged?
- All the letters in the word *FANCIES* are to be arranged. If the vowels are to be arranged at even positions, how many ways can the letters be arranged?
- Rearranging all the letters in the word *NUMERIACAL*, how many ways can the letters be arranged? if all vowels are to be put together, how many ways can the letters be arranged?
- Examinations of 7 subjects are to be arranged in a row of 7 days, with one subject at a day. If two of which cannot be arranged to be held on two consecutive days, how many ways can the examinations of these 7 subjects be arranged?
- From 5 numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, how many ways can the following numbers with no repeated digits be formed:
 - (a) 5 digits odd numbers
 - (b) 5 digits even numbers
- If the digits are not repeated, from the numbers 0 to 5, how many ways can the 6 digits odd numbers be formed?
- From the 8 numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, how many 5 digits numbers can be formed such that their digits are not repeated and can be divided by 25?

18. From the 6 numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, how many 4 digits numbers can be formed such that their digits are not repeated and can be divided by 4?

19.3 Circular Permutations

In the permutation we have discussed in the previous section, all the elements are arranged in a row. This kind of permutation is called *linear permutation*. Its identity is that it has a beginning and an end. The permutations we are going to discuss in this section are arranged on a closed curve line. This kind of permutation is called *circular permutation*. The identity of circular permutation is that it has no beginning and no end.

For this, we will use an example to explain the concept of circular permutation.

Four people are to be seated in a circle. How many ways can they be seated?

Sol.

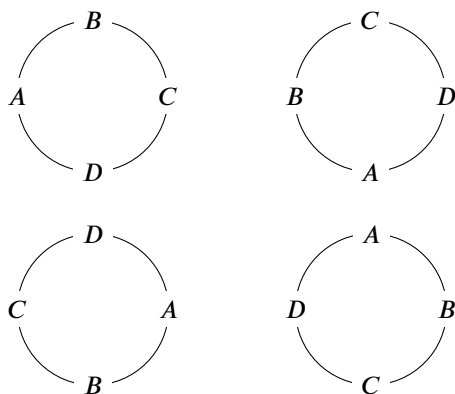
Let these four people be A , B , C and D respectively.

If these people are arranged in a row, there are $4!$ ways to arrange them.

Let's take a look at the arrangements below:

A	B	C	D
B	C	D	A
C	D	A	B
D	A	B	C

You'll notice that the arrangements above are all the same if being arranged on a circle, and the only difference is the position of the first person.



From the above example, each circular permutation is corresponded to 4 linear permutations. Given that the permutation of 4 people arranging in a row has $4!$ ways, so there are $\frac{4!}{4} = 3! = 6$ ways to arrange these four people in a circle.

If we generalize the above example, we can get the following formula:

1. The formula of circular permutation of n elements:

$$\frac{{}_nP_n}{n} = \frac{n!}{n} = (n-1)!$$

2. The formula of circular permutation of r elements from n elements ($r \leq n$):

$$\frac{{}_nP_r}{r} = \frac{n!}{r(n-r)!}$$

19.3.1 Practice 6

- Choose 5 people from 6 males and 5 females to be seated in a circle. How many ways can they be seated?
- 6 males and 4 females are to be seated around a circular table. If females can't seat beside each other, how many ways can they be seated?

19.3.2 Exercise 19.3

- 8 people are to be seated in a circle. How many ways can they be seated?
- 10 children are to be arranged in a circle. How many ways can they be arranged? If a child must be seated in the primary position, how many ways can they be arranged?
- 6 people are to be formed into a circle. If two people must seat together, how many ways can they be arranged?
- 4 males and 3 females are to be seated around a circular table. If none of the females can seat together, how many ways can they be seated?
- 4 pairs of couples and one child are to be seated around a circular table. If the couples must sit together, how many ways can they be seated?
- A family of 7 people are sitting together around a circular table for a dinner. If the grandfather, grandmother, father and mother must sit together, of which the grandfather and the grandmother, the father and the mother must sit together, how many ways can they be seated?
- If a linear permutation of n people is 6 times of a circular permutation of n people, find these two permutations.

19.4 Full Permutations of Inexactly Distinct Elements

In all the previous questions of permutations, the given elements are all distinct. However, in some cases, there are some elements that are the same, this kind of permutation are considered as *permutations with repetition*. Let's discuss the following example:

For a full permutation of three elements a , a , and b , how many ways can they be arranged?

Let's treat the identical elements a as two different elements a_1 and a_2 , there will be $3!$ ways to arrange these three different elements a_1 , a_2 , and b , as listed below:

a_1	a_2	b	a_2	a_1	b
a_1	b	a_2	a_2	b	a_1
b	a_1	a_2	b	a_2	a_1

In the three rows above, for each row, the position of b is fixed, a_1 and a_2 has $2! = 2$ ways to be arranged.

If we change a_1 and a_2 above back to a , then the two different arrangements of a_1 and a_2 will be counted as one arrangement of a . Hence, there are only $\frac{3!}{2!} = 3$ ways for full permutation of three elements a , a , and b .

Generalize the above example, given n elements, where there are n_1 elements a_1 , n_2 elements a_2 , ..., n_k elements a_k , where $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k = n$, then the number of full permutations of these n elements is:

$$\frac{n!}{n_1!n_2! \dots n_k!}$$

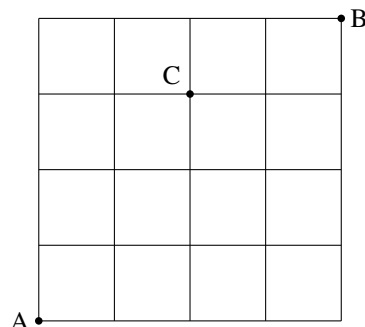
19.4.1 Practice 7

- Giving 9 children 2 pens, 3 ball-point pens, 4 pencils, how many ways can they be given if each child must be given one pen?
- Find the full permutation of the letters in the word *EXPESSION*.

19.4.2 Exercise 19.4

- How many 8 digit numbers can be formed using 8 digits 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 5?
- Arranging all the letters in the word *MALAYSIA*, how many ways can they be arranged such that the three "A"s are not totally together?
- Arranging all the letters in the word *MATHEMATICAL*, how many ways can they be arranged such that the three "A"s are not totally together?

- The diagram below shows a city with 5 north-west roads and 5 south-east roads, where each road shares the same length.



- How many shortest paths are there from A through C to B?
 - How many shortest paths are there from A to B without passing through C?
- Arranging all the letters in the word *GEOMETRIC*, find the number of permutations such that the following conditions are satisfied:
 - No limitation on the arrangement of the letters.
 - All the vowels must be together.
 - None of the vowels are adjacent to each other.

19.5 Permutations with Repetition

If the elements can be chosen more than once, arranging r elements from n elements is called *permutation with repetition* of r elements from n elements.

Given n distinct elements, each element can be chosen more than once, then there are n ways to choose the first element, n ways to choose the second element, ..., n ways to choose the r th element. According to the multiplication rule, its permutations are:

$$n \times n \times \dots \times n = n^r$$

19.5.1 Practice 8

- How many ways are there to shoot 3 balls into 6 baskets?
- If all the digits can be used more than once, how many 3 digit numbers can be formed using the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4?

Exercise 19.5

1. The office documents of a company are coded with a combination of two of the first four letters of the alphabet A, B, C, D . If each letter can be used more than once, how many different codes can be formed?
2. There are eight paths from A to B. How many ways are there to go from A to B and then back to A?
3. A four digit number is to be formed with 4 numbers 3, 4, 5, 7, how many ways can it be formed such that its thousand digit and hundred digit are the same?
4. A basketball match has two possible result, either team A wins or team B wins. How many possible results are there if there are 10 matches?
5. A restaurant has introduced 7 sets of special dishes for lunch. There are 3 people come for lunch, each person orders one dish. How many different combinations of dishes can be ordered?
6. A building is assigned one security guard every night. If the security company has three assignable guards, how many different ways of assignments are there for a week?
7. A football match has three possible results, either team A wins, team B wins or the match is a draw. How many possible results are there if there are 8 matches?
8. A school is going to hold a trilingual speech competition. The rule stated that each class can only send one representative for each language. If there are 40 students in a class, how many different combinations of students can be chosen for the competition?
9. How many 6 digits odd number can be formed using the digitis 0, 1, 2, ..., 5 if each digit can be used more than once?

10. When there are only 7 digits, there are 8 ways to choose the first digit (2 - 10), 10 ways to choose the rest of the digits (0 - 10). Hence, there are 8×10^6 phone numbers. When there are 8 digits, there are 8 ways to choose the first digit, 10 ways to choose the rest of the digits. Hence, there are 8×10^7 phone numbers. Hence, there are:

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11. The phone number format of a country is going from 7 digits to 8 digits. but the leading digit cannot be 0 or 1. How many new phone numbers will be formed after the change?

Sol.

When there are only 7 digits, there are 8 ways to choose the first digit (2 - 10), 10 ways to choose the rest of the digits (0 - 10). Hence, there are 8×10^6 phone numbers. When there are 8 digits, there are 8 ways to choose the first digit, 10 ways to choose the rest of the digits. Hence, there are 8×10^7 phone numbers. Hence, there are:

$$\begin{aligned} 8 \times 10^7 - 8 \times 10^6 &= 80,000,000 - 8,000,000 \\ &= 72,000,000 \end{aligned}$$

new phone numbers.

19.6 Combinations and Combination Formula

Grouping r elements from n elements ($r \leq n$) without considering the order of the elements is called *combination* of r elements from n elements. The number of combinations of r elements from n elements is denoted by nC_r , ${}_nC_r$, or $\binom{n}{r}$.

Take for example: taking two elements from three distinct element a, b, c to form a group. Below are the combinations of any two elements from a, b, c :

Permutations	ab	ba	ac	ca	bc	cb
Combinations	ab		ac		bc	

It can be considered as two steps:

First, combine any two elements from the three distinct elements to form a group. There are ${}_3C_2$ possible combinations.

Second, make full permutations for each combination. There are $2!$ possible permutations for each combination.

According to the multiplication rule,

$$\begin{aligned} {}_3P_2 &= {}_3C_2 \times 2! \\ \therefore {}_3C_2 &= \frac{{}_3P_2}{2!} \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Generalizing the above example, there are two steps to find the combinations of r elements from n elements:

First, combine any r elements from the n elements to form a group. There are ${}_nC_r$ possible combinations.

Second, make full permutations for each combination. There are $r!$ possible permutations for each combination.

According to the multiplication rule,

$$\begin{aligned} {}_nP_r &= {}_nC_r \times r! \\ \therefore {}_nC_r &= \frac{{}_nP_r}{r!} \\ &= \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}, \quad r \leq n \end{aligned}$$

According to the definition ${}_nC_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}$,

$$\begin{aligned} {}_nC_{n-r} &= \frac{n!}{(n-(n-r))!(n-r)!} \\ &= \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!} \\ &= {}_nC_r \end{aligned}$$

That is,

$${}_nC_r = {}_nC_{n-r}$$

Note that:

1. If $r = n$, then ${}_nC_n = \frac{n!}{0!n!} = 1$.
2. If $r = 0$, then ${}_nC_0 = \frac{n!}{n!0!} = 1$.

19.6.1 Practice 9

1. There are six main cities in a country, each city has roads connecting to the other five cities. How many roads are there connecting the six cities?
2. There are 5 people in 4 cars, each car must have at least one person. How many ways are there to distribute the 5 people into 4 cars?

19.6.2 Practice 10

There are 4 different books. With the following criteria, how many ways are there to distribute the books?

1. Distribute evenly to two people.
2. Separate evenly into two piles.

19.6.3 Exercise 19.6

1. Find the value of n and r of the following expressions:

$$(a) {}_{16}C_{r+3} = {}_{16}C_{7-r}$$

$$(b) {}_{30}C_r = {}_{30}C_{r+2}$$

$$(c) {}_nC_8 = {}_nC_7$$

Sol.

$${}_nC_8 = {}_nC_7$$

$${}_nC_r = {}_nC_{n-r}$$

$$r = 8$$

$$n - r = 7$$

$$n - 8 = 7$$

$$n = 15$$

2. Assume that $3({}_nC_4) = 5({}_{n-1}C_5)$, find the value of ${}_nC_9$.
3. There are 17 teams participating in a football competition. If each team plays against every other team, how many matches are there?
4. How many diagonal lines can be drawn in a convex nonagon?
5. There are 6 students on duty in a class, 1 student is in charge of cleaning the whiteboard, one is in charge of cleaning the rubbish bin, 2 students are in charge of sweeping the floor and 2 students are in charge of arranging the desks. How many ways are there to distribute the 6 students into the 4 jobs?
6. 4 people are to be chosen from 5 couples, where each couple cannot be chosen together. How many ways are there to choose the 4 people?
7. Three signal flags are to be chosen from 6 flags, one of which is red, two of which are yellow and the rest are blue. How many ways are there to choose the 3 flags?
8. A delegation with 6 members is to be formed from 9 students who major in Mathematics and 4 students who major in Education. With the following criteria, how many ways are there to form the delegation?
 - (a) There are exactly two students who major in Education.
 - (b) There are at least two students who major in Education.
9. Separate 14 students evenly into 2 groups, how many ways are there to do so? How many ways are there to separate these 14 students evenly into two classrooms?

19.7 Revision Exercise 19

1. Evaluate the following:

- (a) $\frac{7!}{3!4!} + \frac{7!}{2!5!}$
 (b) $\frac{{}^{11}P_5 + {}^{11}P_4}{{}^{12}P_5 + {}^{12}P_4}$
- If $\frac{(n+6)!}{(n+4)!} = 18(n+1)$, find the value of n .
 - Assume that ${}_{2n}C_3 : {}_nC_2 = 44 : 3$, find the value of n .
 - All the letters from the word *TRIANGLE* are to be arranged. How many ways of arrangements are there such that the vowels are all separated from each other?
 - One vowel and one consonant are to be chosen from the word *TRIANGLE* to form a word. How many ways are there to do so?
 - A basketball coach wants to choose two vanguards from four shooters, one center from two tall players, and two defender from four ball handlers. How many ways are there to form a team?
 - A committee must be formed by one lawyer, two engineers and two doctors chosen from 3 lawyers, 6 engineers and 7 doctors. How many ways are there to form the committee?
 - There is one of each note of the following value: \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100. How many distinct values of currency can be made from these notes?
 - There are 4 different history books, 5 different geography books and 3 different literature books on the shelf. If they are to be arranged in a row, how many ways are there to arrange them such that books of the same subject are arranged together?
 - 6 characters from 10 different characters A, B, C, D, E , and 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 are to be chosen to form a password. How many password can be formed such that there are no repeated characters and the password does not start with 0?
 - How many 7 digit even numbers can be formed from full permutations of the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6? How many multiple of 10 are there in these numbers?
 - How many permutations of all the characters in the word "fei li wu shi, fei li wu ting" are there?
 - How many ways are there to arrange all the letters in the word *ARRANGEMENT*?
 - Arranging 5 cups with different color and 5 canned juices with different flavour into a circle, how many ways are there to do so such that all the canned juices are not next to each other?
 - In a box of Chinese chess, there are 1 general, 2 advisors, 2 elephants, 2 horses, 2 chariots, 2 cannons and 5 soldiers of red color. Now we arrange these 16 pieces into a circle:
 - All the pieces of the same type are arranged together.
 - All the pieces of the same type are symmetrically arranged on one diameter.
 - If there is no repeated digits, how many odd numbers in between 4000 and 9000 can be formed from the digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9?
 - How many 4 digit numbers with 2 repeated digits are there if the digits are chosen from 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 while the digits can be chosen more than once?
 - From the class committee of 10 members, at least 2 members, at most 8 members are to be chosen as representatives to attend a forum. How many ways are there to choose the representatives?
 - A team of at least 2 engineers and 1 technician is to be formed from 5 engineers and 4 technicians. How many ways are there to form the team?
 - 9 different books are to be distributed to 3 people A, B and C . With the following conditions, how many ways are there to distribute the books?
 - Each people get 3 books.
 - A gets 2 books, B gets 3 books, C gets 4 books.
 - One people get 2 books, one people get 3 books and one people get 4 books.
 - Separated into 3 groups, each group has 3 books.

Chapter 20

Bionomial Theorem

20.1 Bionomial Theorem when n is a Natural Number

Back in junior high school, we have learnt

$$(a + b)^1 = a + b$$

$$(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$(a + b)^3 = a^3 + 3a^2b + 3ab^2 + b^3$$

Now, let's discuss the expansion of $(a + b)^4$.

$$(a + b)^4 = (a + b)(a + b)(a + b)(a + b)$$

Each term in the expansion of $(a + b)^4$ is the product of one letter taken from each of the four brackets, that is to say, the expansion of should contain the following terms: a^4 , a^3b , a^2b^2 , ab^3 , b^4 .

Using the knowledge of permutation and combination, we can get the coefficient of each term in the expansion:

In the 4 brackets, if no b is chosen, then there are 4P_0 ways to do so, therefore the coefficient of a^4 is 4P_0 .

In the 4 brackets, if 1 b is chosen, then there are 4P_1 ways to do so, therefore the coefficient of a^3b is 4P_1 .

In the 4 brackets, if 2 b is chosen, then there are 4P_2 ways to do so, therefore the coefficient of a^2b^2 is 4P_2 .

In the 4 brackets, if 3 b is chosen, then there are 4P_3 ways to do so, therefore the coefficient of ab^3 is 4P_3 .

In the 4 brackets, if all 4 b is chosen, then there are 4P_4 ways to do so, therefore the coefficient of b^4 is 4P_4 .

Therefore, $(a + b)^4 = {}_4C_0a^4 + {}_4C_1a^3b + {}_4C_2a^2b^2 + {}_4C_3ab^3 + {}_4C_4b^4$.

Generalize the above expansion, we have the following formula:

$$(a + b)^n = {}_nC_0a^n + {}_nC_1a^{n-1}b + \cdots + {}_nC_{n-r}ab^{n-r} + \cdots + {}_nC_nb^n$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

This formula is called the *Bionomial Theorem*, the polynomial in the right hand side is called the *Bionomial Expansion* of $(a + b)^n$, of which ${}_nC_0, {}_nC_1, \cdots, {}_nC_n$ are called the *Bionomial Coefficients*.

By looking at the formula above, we can know that,

1. The sum of the indices of a and b in each term is equal to the binomial expression, the index of a decreases by 1 from n to 0, while the index of b increases by 1 from 0 to n .
2. The bionomial expansion has $n + 1$ terms, that is to say, it has one term more than the exponent of the binomial expression.
3. Since ${}_nC_r = {}_nC_{n-r}$, therefore ${}_nC_0 = {}_nC_n, {}_nC_1 = {}_nC_{n-1}, \cdots, {}_nC_2 = {}_nC_{n-2}, \cdots$.

Bionomial expression can also be calculated by the following table:

$(a+b)^0$						1				
$(a+b)^1$						1	1			
$(a+b)^2$						1	2	1		
$(a+b)^3$						1	3	3	1	
$(a+b)^4$					1	4	6	4	1	
$(a+b)^5$				1	5	10	10	5	1	
										\vdots

In the table above, for each row, except the beginning and the end being 1, all numbers except 1 are the sum of the two numbers above it, aka ${}_nC_{n+1}r = {}_nC_nr - 1 + {}_nC_nr$.

In bionomial theorem, let $a = 1$, $b = x$, then we get the following formula:

$$(1 + x)^n = 1 + {}_nC_n1x + {}_nC_n2x^2 + \cdots + {}_nC_nrx^r + \cdots + x^n$$

20.1.1 Practice 1

Expand the following expression:

1. $(1 + x)^7$
2. $(2 + 3x)^5$

20.1.2 Exercise 20.1

Expand the following expression (1 to 9):

1. $(m + n)^7$
2. $(3 + 2x)^4$
3. $(x - 3)^5$
4. $(x + y^2)^6$

$$5. \left(2 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^5$$

$$6. \left(\frac{x}{3} + \frac{2}{x}\right)^4$$

$$7. \left(x - \sqrt[3]{x^2}\right)^3$$

$$8. \left(\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^6$$

$$9. (1 + x + x^2)^3$$

$$10. \text{ Calculate } (1 + \sqrt{x})^5 + (1 - \sqrt{x})^5.$$

20.2 General Form of Binomial Expansion

In the binomial expansion,

$$(a + b)^n = {}_nC_0 a^n + {}_nC_1 a^{n-1} b + \cdots + {}_nC_{n-r} a b^{n-r} + \cdots + {}_nC_n b^n$$

The $(r + 1)$ th term is

$$T_{r+1} = {}_nC_r a^{n-r} b^r$$

This is the general form of binomial expansion.

20.2.1 Practice 2

Find the fourth term of $(x^3 + 2x)^7$ after expanding it in descending power of x .

20.2.2 Exercise 20.2

- Find the coefficient of the fourth term of $(x + 1)^9$ after expanding it in descending power of x .
- Find the third term of $(3x + 2)^5$ after expanding it in ascending power of x .
- Find the middle term of $\left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2}\right)^{10}$ after expanding it in ascending order of x .
- Find the coefficient of x^2 in $(2 - 3x)^7$.
- Find the constant term of $\left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{10}$.
- Find the coefficient of $\frac{1}{x^5}$ in the expansion of $\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right)^9$.
- Find the coefficient of x^4 in the expansion of $\left(2x + \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}}\right)^8$.

20.3 Revision Exercise 20

- Find the expansion of $(1 - 2x)^5$.
- Expand $\left(2\sqrt{x} - \frac{1}{x}\right)^6$.
- Find the eighth term of the binomial expression $\left(\frac{3x^2}{2} - \frac{1}{3x}\right)^{11}$.
- Find the middle term of $\left(x + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}\right)^8$ after expanding it in descending power of x .
- Find the coefficient of x^{-12} in the expansion of the binomial expression $\left(x^3 - \frac{1}{x}\right)^{24}$.
- If the coefficient of x^4 in the expansion of the binomial expression $(1 + ax)^5$ is 80, find the value of a .
- Given that the coefficient of the second, third, and fourth term if the expansion of $(1 + x)^n$ after expanding it in ascending power of x form an arithmetic progression, find the value of n .
- Find the fourth term of $\left(px + \frac{q}{x}\right)^n$ after expanding it in descending power of x . If this is a constant term, find the value of n .

Chapter 21

Probability

In our daily life, a lot of stuff will yield certain results in certain conditions or situations. For example, by throwing a stone into the sky, the stone will fall down to the ground; the pure water will boil at 100°C . However, in some cases, there may be more than one possible result in a certain situation. For example, when we throw a coin into the air, it may land on the head or the tail, and the result is unpredictable. Nonetheless, if we do the experiment many times under the same conditions, we'll find certain patterns in the result after some analysis.

In order to find the pattern of a coin landing on the head, there are a lot of people who've conducted thousands of coin-tossing experiments, and here are the results:

Experimenter	Tosses (n)	Heads (m)	Freq. $\left(\frac{m}{n}\right)$
De Morgan	2048	1061	0.5181
Buffon	4048	2048	0.5059
Feller	10000	4979	0.4979
Pearson	12000	6019	0.5016
Pearson	24000	12012	0.5005

From the results, we can see that when the number of tosses is large enough, the frequency $\frac{m}{n}$ of the coin landing on the head (m) will always be close to 0.5.

From that, we can see two obvious facts about this experiment:

1. Contingency: The result cannot be predicted in advance.
2. Inevitability: The results of the same experiment being conducted numerous times show a statistical regularity.

Probability theory is a branch of mathematics that studies statistical regularity in a mathematical way. In this chapter, we'll study the basic concepts of probability theory.

21.1 Sample Space and Events

Every possible results of a trial is called a *sample point* of the trial, and the set of all possible results is called the *sample space* of the trial, typically denoted by S . Take coin-tossing as an example, there are two possible results: head and tail. If we denote head by H and tail by T , then the sample space of the coin-tossing experiment is $S = \{H, T\}$.

Although there are only two sample points in the coin-tossing experiment, there may be infinite sample points in some trials. For example, choose a number between 0 and 1, there will be an infinite amount of sample points, e.g. 0.1, 0.12, 0.145, etc.

Practice 1

1. Write down the sample space of throwing two coins once.
2. Write down the sample space of rolling a die once.
3. Select any number from 0, 1, ..., 9, and write down its sample space.
4. Write down the sample space of throwing a coin three times.

Within a trial, the set of a few sample points, that is, a subset of the sample space S , is called an *event* of the trial, and is usually denoted by capital letters A , B , C , etc. The sample space S in itself is also an event that will surely happen, and is called the *sure event*. Empty set \emptyset is also an event that will never happen, and is called the *impossible event* or *null event*. When an event only contains one sample point, that is, there is only one element of S in the event, it is called a *simple event*.

For example, in the trial of throwing a dice for the dice points, the sure event $S = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$, showing a dice points of 7 is an impossible event, and its denoted as \emptyset . The event of showing any of the dice points from 1 to 6 is a simple event.

Take another example, draw a card from a deck of 52 poker cards, there are 52 possible results. Hence, the sample space of this trial is a set of 52 elements, and any event is a subset of the sample space. Below are some example of events in this sample space:

1. The card drawn is a number 11 (impossible event)
2. The card drawn is a red heart 3 (simple event)
3. The card drawn is a number 9 (event with 4 elements)

4. The card drawn is a black spade (event with 13 elements)
5. The card drawn is not a club 5 (event with 51 elements)

Since the events are expressed as sets, listed below are some set operations used to describe relationships between events:

Let A and B be two events, then:

1. $A \cup B$ means that at least one of the events A and B will happen.
2. $A \cap B$ means that both events A and B will happen.
3. A' means that the event A will not happen.

21.1.1 Practice 2

Express the following events in set notation (1 to 4):

1. Throwing a dice, event A = "showing a prime number dice points".
2. Throwing three dices, event B = "total dice points less than 6".
3. Tossing two coins once, event K = "showing exactly one head", event L = "showing at least one head", event M = "showing at most one head".
4. Tossing a coin three times:
 - (a) D = "get at least two heads".
 - (b) E = "the number of heads is lesser than the number of tails".

21.1.2 Exercise 12.1

1. Choose any two letters from the letters K, O, T, A , find:
 - (a) The sample space S .
 - (b) Event A = "one letter is a vowel, the other is a consonant".
 - (c) Event B = "both letters are vowels".
 - (d) Event C = "at least one letter is a vowel".
2. Throwing two dices, find the event where the sum of the dice points is a multiple of 3.
3. Throwing three dices, find the event where the sum of the dice points is 15.

4. Choose any two letters from the letters A, B, C, D, E to form a row, find:

- (a) The sample space S .
- (b) Event M = "there are exactly one vowel".

5. Throwing three coins, find:

- (a) The sample space S .
- (b) Event A = "all coins show heads".
- (c) Event B = "two coins show heads, one coin shows tail".
- (d) Event C = "at least two coin shows heads".

6. Throwing two dices, express the following events in set notation:

- (a) A = "the dice points of two dices are equal".
- (b) B = "The dice points of one dice is twice the dice points of another".
- (c) C = "The sum of the dice points is a multiple of 5 or 6".

21.2 Definition of Probability

In this section, we'll cover two definitions of probability, the classical and the statistical definition.

Classical Definition of Probability

Doing a trial numerous times in the same conditions, the frequency of an event will show a certain regularity. Let's discuss the following example of dice-tossing:

Tossing a dice multiple time and recording the numbers of time of getting 1 dice point and the total number of tosses, we get the following results:

Tosses (n)	No. of 1 dice points (m)	Frequency ($\frac{m}{n}$)
1000	174	0.1740
2000	350	0.1750
3000	499	0.1663
4000	673	0.1683
5000	837	0.1674
6000	999	0.1665

From the table, we can see that as the number of tosses increases, the frequency of getting 1 dice point keep approaching a constant value of $\frac{1}{6} = 0.1667$.

When performing a large amount of repeated trials, the frequency of an event A ($\frac{m}{n}$) always approaches a constant

value. This constant value is called the *probability* of event A , and denoted as $P(A)$. This is the statistical definition of probability.

Since the occurrence of an event will never exceed the total number of trials, its frequency will always be a number between 0 and 1, that is, $0 \leq \frac{m}{n} \leq 1$. Hence, according to the statistical definition of probability, for any event A , its probability $0 \leq P(A) \leq 1$.

A sure event S will always happen in every trial, so $P(S) = 1$. For an impossible event \emptyset , no matter how many trials we do, its occurrence will always be 0, so $P(\emptyset) = 0$.

Classical Definition of Probability

Assume that a trial satisfies the following conditions:

1. The outcome of the trial is finite.
2. The probability of each outcome is equal.

This kind of trial model is called a *classical probabilistic model*.

Let S be the sample space of the trial that contains n equally probable, A is an event that contains m outcomes, then the probability of event A is:

$$P(A) = \frac{m}{n} = \frac{n(A)}{n(S)}$$

This is the classical definition of probability.

Practice 3

1. Randomly draw two cards from a deck of 52 poker cards, find the probability of two "K" cards.

2. Between all students in a class, there are 13 students with type A blood, 10 students with type B blood, 2 students with type AB blood, and 15 students with type O blood. If we randomly choose 4 students, find the probability of the following event:

- (a) 2 type A blood, 2 type B blood
- (b) 2 type A blood, 1 type AB blood, 1 type O blood
- (c) 1 for each type of blood.

3. Casually arranging all the letters in the word *GERMANY*, find the probability of the following event:

- (a) 5 adjacent consonants
- (b) 5 non-adjacent consonants

21.2.1 Exercise 21.2

1. A bag contains 9 balls, of which 2 are white, 3 are red, and 4 are yellow. Randomly drawing one ball, find the probability of the following event:

- (a) The ball drawn is red
- (b) The ball drawn is not red
- (c) The ball drawn is yellow

21.3 Addition Rule

21.4 Multiplication Rule

21.5 Mathematical Expectation

21.6 Normal Distribution