

SOME BASIC DEFINITIONS AND TERMINOLOGIES

DATA

The first step statistics deal with is the collection of numerical data. Statistical data may be classified into two types:

- 1: Primary/ Raw/ Ungrouped Data.
- 2: Secondary/ Grouped Data.

Data which are collected for the first time for a specific purpose and are original in nature are known as Primary data while those used in an investigation after doing some arrangements/tabulation is called Grouped data.

Before defining further classification of data let's recall some concepts of basic algebra for generalization.

VARIABLE

Notation used to represent any value of some same collection of objects (sets). Commonly we use x, y, z for denoting a variable. (something that can vary/change)

e.g: $\mathbb{R} \rightarrow$ Set of real numbers

If we want to represent \mathbb{R} with a single notation, we write $x \in \mathbb{R}$

(x is a member of \mathbb{R} / x belongs to set of Real numbers)

CLASSIFICATION:

Variable.

Dependent

Velocity depends
on distance covered
per time

Independent

Time.

We can further divide them into two.

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Discrete
↓

Countable like 1, 2, 3

But sometimes uncountable things are also discrete.
for example: hair on our head.

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Continuous
↓

Measurable

like real numbers
we have infinite many real nos
b/w 0 and 1

Therefore, we can further classify our data into two:

DATA



DISCRETE

CONTINUOUS

Data describe by discrete variable is called Discrete while data describe by continuous variable is called Continuous.

For example, number of students in class is discrete while height or weight of students is continuous data.

Task

in next 10 minutes, CR of section D and F will tell me their **smart** samples of students of their sections for the data of their academic record (CGPA) in 1st year. Remaining students will classify their data

PRESENTATION OF DATA

There are two methods which may be used for the presentation of data.

1: Frequency Distribution

2: Graphical Representation

Frequency Distribution is statistical table which shows the arrangements of data according to its size with their corresponding number of values side by side while Graphical Representation is some graphs showing data.

STEPS FOR CONSTRUCTING FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION

1: Determine number of classes:

There is no hard and fast rule for this. The number of classes actually depends on the size of data. Therefore, we should select them with our judgement.

2: Determine class width:

$$h = \frac{\max.\text{value} - \min.\text{value}}{\text{No. of classes}} = \frac{\text{Range}}{m}$$

3: Decide starting limit for 1st class and end limit for last class:

Starting point should be minimum value or some value less than min. value and end limit must be maximum value or some value greater than max. value.

Tip: choose integers for limits in case of discrete data and one point less (greater) in case of continuous data.

Note: for next class u have to add h in lower limit of ur 1st class.

Construct a frequency distribution of weights of 50 students of a college, then find mid-values and class boundaries.

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| 114 | 120 | 103 | 110 | 124 | 135 | 132 | 125 | 124 | 119 | 116 |
| 105 | 122 | 125 | 145 | 87 | 136 | 117 | 117 | 131 | 119 | 134 |
| 104 | 102 | 109 | 126 | 119 | 131 | 127 | 146 | 122 | 120 | 118 |
| 114 | 119 | 129 | 124 | 99 | 92 | 120 | 143 | 138 | 119 | 118 |
| 96 | 140 | 126 | 121 | 95 | 112 | | | | | |

Solution:

Maximum value = 146

Minimum value = 87

Range = 59

Let us take 8 classes, then $h = \frac{59}{8} = 7.375 = 8$ and we construct a frequency table

| <i>Class Intervals</i> | <i>Tally Marks</i> | <i>Frequency</i> |
|----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 85 - 92 | // | 2 |
| 93 - 100 | /// | 3 |
| 101 - 108 | //// | 4 |
| 109 - 116 | /// / | 6 |
| 117 - 124 | /// // // //// | 19 |
| 125 - 132 | /// // | 8 |
| 133 - 140 | /// | 5 |
| 141 - 148 | /// | 3 |
| | <i>Total</i> | 50 |

Class Boundaries: For class boundaries find

upper limit of 1st class - lower limit of 2nd class

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Add this value in upper limit of each class and subtract in lower limit for getting class boundaries.

Note: no ratta of add/subtract 0.5