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UE19CS203 – STATISTICS FOR DATA SCIENCE

Unit-1 - Introduction to Data Science

QUESTION BANK – SOLVED

Summary Statistics

Exercises for Section 1.2 [Text Book Exercise– Pg. No. [23 – 25]]

1. A sample of 100 adult women was taken, and each was asked how many children she had. The results were as follow

Children	0	1	2	3	4	5
Number of women	27	22	30	12	7	2

- Find the sample mean number of children.
- Find the sample standard deviation of the number of children.
- Find the sample median of the number of children.
- What is the first quartile of the number of children?
- What proportion of the women had more than the mean number of children?
- For what proportion of the women was the number of children more than one standard deviation greater than the mean?
- For what proportion of the women was the number of children within one standard deviation of the mean?

[Text Book Exercise – Section 1.2 – Q. No.10 – Pg. No. 24]

Solution:

- Find the sample mean number of children.

Sample Size (n) = 100

$$\begin{aligned}\sum x &= 27(0) + 22(1) + 30(2) + 12(3) + 7(4) + 2(5) \\ &= 156 \\ \therefore \bar{x} &= \sum x / n = 156 / 100 = 1.56\end{aligned}$$

- b. Find the sample standard deviation of the number of children.

$$\begin{aligned}\sum x^2 &= 27(0^2) + 22(1^2) + 30(2^2) + 12(3^2) + \\ &742 + 252 = 412 \\ s^2 &= \frac{1}{n-1} \left(\sum x^2 - n\bar{x}^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{99} [412 - 100(1.56^2)] \\ &= 1.7034 \\ s &= \sqrt{s^2} = \sqrt{1.7034} = 1.3052\end{aligned}$$

- c. Find the sample median of the number of children.

Position for median = $(n+1)(.5) = (101)(.5) = 50.5$
The sample median is the average of the 50th and 51st value.
 $x_{50} = 2; x_{51} = 2; \therefore \text{Median} = 2$

- d. What is the first quartile of the number of children?

Position for 1st quartile = $(n+1)(.25) = (101)(.25) = 25.25$
The sample median is the average of the 25th and 26th value.
 $x_{25} = 0; x_{26} = 0; \therefore \text{1st quartile} = 0$

- e. What proportion of the women had more than the mean number of children?

$(30+12+7+2)$ women had more than the mean number of children.
 $\therefore \text{proportion} = 51/100 = 51\%$

- f. For what proportion of the women was the number of children more than one standard deviation greater than the mean?

$\bar{x} + s = 1.56 + 1.3052 = 2.8652$
 $(12+7+2)$ women had more than 2.86 children.
 $\therefore \text{proportion} = 21/100 = 21\%$

- g. For what proportion of the women was the number of children within one standard deviation of the mean?

$$\bar{x} - s = 1.56 - 1.3052 = 0.2548$$

(22+30) women had between 0.2548 and more than 2.86 children. $\therefore \text{proportion} = 52/100 = 52\%$

2. In a sample of 20 men, the mean height was 178 cm. In a sample of 30 women, the mean height was 164 cm. What was the mean height for both groups put together?

[Text Book Exercise – Section 1.2 – Q. No.11 – Pg. No. 24]

Solution:

The total height of the 20 men is $20 \times 178 = 3560$.

The total height of the 30 women is $30 \times 164 = 4920$.

The total height of all 50 people is $3560 + 4920 = 8480$.

There are $20 + 30 = 50$ people in total.

Therefore the mean height for both groups put together is $8480/50 = 169.6$ cm.

3. Quartiles divide a sample into four nearly equal pieces. In general, a sample of size n can be broken into k nearly equal pieces by using the cutpoints $(i/k)(n+1)$ for $i = 1, \dots, k - 1$. Consider the following ordered sample:

2 18 23 41 44 46 49 61 62 74 76 79 82 89 92 95

[Text Book Exercise – Section 1.2 – Q. No.15 – Pg. No. 24]

- a. Tertiles divide a sample into thirds. Find the tertiles of this sample.

Solution:

The tertiles are 45 and 77.5.

- b. Quintiles divide a sample into fifths. Find the quintiles of this sample.

Solution:

The quintiles are 32, 47.5, 75, and 85.5.

4. Find a sample size for which the median will always equal one of the values in the sample.

[Text Book Exercise – Section 1.2 – Q. No.4 – Pg. No. 23]

Solution:

The sample size can be any odd number

- 5. Is it possible for the standard deviation of a list of numbers to equal 0? If so, give an example. If not, explain why not.**

[Text Book Exercise – Section 1.2 – Q. No.7 – Pg. No. 23]

Solution:

Yes. If all the numbers on the list are the same, the standard deviation will equal 0.