

Measures of Central Tendency



① Arithmetic Mean (\bar{x})

(a) Simple AM (\bar{x})

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be n number of observations then

$$\text{Simple mean } (\bar{x}) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n}$$

(b) Weighted mean (\bar{x})

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be n number of observations with f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n their corresponding frequencies then,

of observations corresponding frequencies then,
 Weighted AM (\bar{x}) = $\frac{1}{\sum f_i} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f_i$

where $\sum f_i = N = \text{Total frequency}$

Ex: $x: (8, 1, 6)$

$f: 3, 2, 5$

x	f	xf
8	3	24
1	2	2
6	5	30
$N = \sum f = 10$		$\sum xf = 56$

$$\Rightarrow n = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^3 x_i = 8 + 1 + 6 = 15$$

$$\therefore \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i = \frac{15}{3} = 5 \text{ (am)}$$

\therefore Weighted mean

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{x} &= \frac{\sum xf}{N} \\ &= \frac{1}{10} \times 56 \\ &= 5.6 \text{ (am)} \end{aligned}$$

Properties

(1) If all observations are same, then mean is the same value.

Proof let $x = c$ for all value of x

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then simple mean, $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n c$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \times nc = c \quad \underline{\text{(proved)}}$$

② If all observations are repeated same no. of times \Rightarrow simple AM = weighted AM.

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be n number of observations with corresponding frequencies

f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n such that $f_1 = f_2 = \dots = f_n = k$ (const)

$$\therefore N = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i = \sum_{i=1}^n k = nk \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\therefore \text{Weighted AM} \quad \bar{x} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i f_i$$
$$= \frac{1}{nk} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i k$$

$$= \frac{k}{nk} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

--- simple mean

$$= \frac{\sum x_i}{n} = \text{simple mean}$$

③ Sum of deviation of obs from its mean is 0.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) - \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \bar{x} \right)$$

from ①

$$\begin{aligned} \sum (x_i - \bar{x}) &= n\bar{x} - n\bar{x} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

proved

we know
 $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i$
 $\sum x_i = n\bar{x}$
 ①

④ AM is dependent on change in both origin and scale

In other words, if all observations are changed by same amount or same proportion or both, then its AM will change by same amount and same proportion.

Proof

all obs x is increased by 'a' (the origin) and ~~change~~ multiplied by 'b' (the scale) then it can

by 'b' (the slope) then it can be written as $y_i = a + bx_i$

$$\text{Now } \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i)$$

$$\text{or, } \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (a + bx_i)$$

$$\text{or, } \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a + \frac{b}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\text{or, } \bar{y} = \frac{na}{n} + b \bar{x}$$

$$\text{or, } \bar{y} = a + b \bar{x}$$

Proved

Prop's

Sum of squares of deviation of obs from its mean is least.

ie $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - A)^2$ is min when $A = \bar{x}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - A)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left[(x_i - \bar{x}) + (\bar{x} - A) \right]^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + 2(x_i - \bar{x})(\bar{x} - A) + (\bar{x} - A)^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ (x_i - \bar{x}) + 2(x_i - \bar{x})(\bar{x} - A) + (\bar{x} - A)^2 \right\}$$

$$= \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + 2(\bar{x} - A) \sum (x_i - \bar{x}) + \sum (\bar{x} - A)^2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - A)^2 = \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + n(\bar{x} - A)^2$$

(zero or positive)

$$n(\bar{x} - A)^2 = 0 \quad (\text{min value})$$

$$\bar{x} - A = 0$$

$$\bar{x} = A$$

the $\sum (x_i - A)^2$ is minimized

Geometric Mean

a) ^{simple} GM $(\bar{x}_g) = (x_1 \cdot x_2 \cdots x_n)^{1/n}$

$$= \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{1/n}$$

(b) ^{weighted} GM $(\bar{x}_g) = \left(x_1^{f_1} \cdot x_2^{f_2} \cdot x_3^{f_3} \cdots x_n^{f_n} \right)^{1/N}$

($\frac{m}{n}$ f_i $\sqrt[n]{x_i}$)

$$= \left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{1/n}$$

1. if all obs are same, then gm is same value.

2. Gm of ratio of obs = ratio of their Gm
ie $Gm(x/y) = \frac{Gm \text{ of } x}{Gm \text{ of } y}$

proof: $Gm(x/y) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n (x_i/y_i) \right)^{1/n}$

$$= \frac{\left(\prod_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^{1/n}}{\left(\prod_{i=1}^n y_i \right)^{1/n}}$$

$$= \frac{Gm \text{ of } x}{Gm \text{ of } y} \quad (\text{proved})$$

3. log of Gm is arithmetic mean of log of observation

$$\text{ie } \log(Gm) = \frac{1}{n} \sum \log(x)$$

Harmonic Mean

(a) simple HM, $\bar{x}_h = \frac{n}{\frac{1}{x_1} + \frac{1}{x_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{x_n}}$

$$= \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n 1/x_i}$$

(b) weighted HM, $\bar{x}_h = \frac{\sum f_i}{\frac{f_1}{x_1} + \frac{f_2}{x_2} + \dots + \frac{f_n}{x_n}}$

$$\bar{x}_h = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n f_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{f_i}{x_i}}$$

Properties of AM, GM and HM

(1) $AM \geq GM \geq HM$

(2) $AM \times HM = (GM)^2$

or, $GM = \sqrt{AM \times HM}$

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Find the missing frequencies in the following frequency distribution when AM = 11.09.

Class limits	9.3-9.7	9.8-10.2	10.3-10.7	10.8-11.2	11.3-11.7
frequency	2	5	f_3	f_4	14
Class limit frequency	11.8-12.2	12.3-12.7	12.8-13.2	Total frequency = 60	
	6	3	1		

Solution

Class limits	Frequency (f)	Class mark (x)	xf
9.3-9.7	2	9.5	19
⋮	5	10	50
⋮	f_3	10.5	$10.5 f_3$
⋮	f_4	11	$11 f_4$
⋮	14	11.5	161
⋮	6	12	72
⋮	3	12.5	37.5
12.8-13.2	1	13	13
	$N = \sum f = 60$		

we have

$$\text{Total frequency } \sum f = N = 60$$

$$\text{or, } 31 + f_3 + f_4 = 60$$

$$\boxed{f_3 + f_4 = 29} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\text{And, Am } \bar{x} = \frac{1}{N} \sum x_i f_i$$

$$11.09 = \frac{1}{60} \times (352.5 + 10.5f_3 + 11f_4)$$

$$11.09 \times 60 = 352.5 + 10.5f_3 + 11f_4$$

$$10.5f_3 + 11f_4 = 312.9$$

$$\text{—————} \quad (2)$$

$$11f_3 + 11f_4 = 319 \quad (3)$$

Solving (2) and (3)

$$10.5f_3 + 11f_4 = 312.9$$

$$11f_3 + 11f_4 = 319.0$$

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$$\hline -0.5f_3 = -6.1$$

$$f_3 = \frac{6.1}{0.5} = \frac{61}{5} = 12.2 \approx 12$$

$$\therefore f_3 \approx 12$$

$$\therefore f_4 = 29 - 12 = 17 \text{ (ans)}$$

$$2u + 5x = 17$$

$$\bar{x} = 3$$

$$\text{or, } 2u = 17 - 5x$$

$$u = \frac{17 - 5x}{2}$$

$$u = \left(\frac{17}{2}\right) - \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)x$$

$$\bar{u} = \frac{17}{2} - \frac{5}{2}\bar{x}$$

$$\bar{u} = \frac{17}{2} - \frac{5}{2} \times 3 = \underline{\underline{\text{ans}}}$$