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### **SYLLABUS**

#### **UNIT-IV**

Measures of central tendency- Standard Deviation – Correlation- Simple, Partial and Multiple correlation-regression models –OLS [Ordinary Least Square] Methods.

## **UNIT-IV**

### **AVERAGE DEFINED-**

“Average is an attempt to find one single figure to describe whole of figures.”

**- Clark**

### **OBJECTIVES OF AVERAGING:-**

There are two objectives of the study of averages:

- (i) To Get Single Value that describes the characteristics of the entire group.
- (ii) To Facilitate Comparison Measures of central value.

### **REQUISITES OF A GOOD AVERAGE:-**

- (i) Easy to Understand
- (ii) Simple to Compute
- (iii) Based on all the items
- (iv) Not be Unduly Affected by Extreme Observations
- (v) Rigidly Defined
- (vi) Capable of Further Algebraic
- (vii) Sampling Stability

## MEASURES OF CENTRAL TENDENCY:-

### TYPES OF AVERAGE:-

The following are the important types of averages:

- (i) Arithmetic Mean
- (ii) Median
- (iii) Mode
- (iv) Geometric Mean
- (v) Harmonic mean

### ARITHMETIC MEAN:

- (a) Simple arithmetic Mean
- (b) Weighted Arithmetic Mean

### Simple Arithmetic Mean

#### Calculation of Simple Arithmetic Mean – Individual Observations:

The process of computing mean in case of individual observations.

**Formula for computing mean is,**

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum X}{N}$$

- (i)  $\sum X$  = is add together all the values of the variable X and obtain the total.
- (ii) N = Divide this total by the number of the observations.

### Sum No 1

The following table gives the monthly income of 10 employees in the office:

Income (Rs.): 1,780 1,760 1,690 1,750 1,840 1,920 1,100 1,810 1,050 1,950

## Calculation of Simple Arithmetic Mean – Discrete Series:

### Direct Method

Formula for computing mean is,

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum fX}{N}$$

- (i) Where f = Frequency; X = the variable in question;  $\sum f$  (or)  $N^*$  = Total number of observations.
- (ii)  $\sum fX$  - Multiply the frequency of each row with the variable and obtain the total.

### Short-cut Method

Formula for computing mean is,

$$\bar{X} = A + \frac{\sum fd}{N}$$

Where A = Assumed mean; d = (X-A); N = Total number of observations.

### Sum No 2

From the following data of the marks obtained by 60 students of a class, calculate the arithmetic mean:

<b>MARKS</b>	20	30	40	50	60	70
<b>NO. OF STIDENTS</b>	8	12	20	10	6	4

## Calculation of Simple Arithmetic Mean – Continuous Series:

Formula for computing mean is,

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum fm}{N}$$

Where m = mid-point of various classes f = The frequency of each class; N\* = Total number of frequency.

- (i) Obtain the mid-point of each class and denote it by **m**.
- (ii)  $\sum fX$  - Multiply these mid-points by the respective frequency of each class and obtain the total.
- (iii) Divide the total obtained in step (i) by the sum of frequency. by N

## Short-cut Method

Formula for computing mean is,

$$\bar{X} = A + \frac{\sum fd}{N} \times C$$

Where A = Assumed mean; d = deviation of mid points from assumed mean, (X-A); N = Total number of observations.

## Sum No 3

From the following data compute arithmetic mean by direct method:

<b>MARKS</b>	0-10	10-20	20-30	30-40	40-50	50-60
<b>NO. OF STIDENTS</b>	5	10	25	30	20	10

## Calculation of Simple Arithmetic Mean – Combined Mean:

Formula for computing mean is,

$$\bar{X}_{12} = \frac{N_1 \bar{X}_1 + N_2 \bar{X}_2}{N_1 + N_2}$$

## Sum No 4

The mean height of 25 male workers in a factory is 61 inches and the mean height of 35 female workers in the same factory is 58 inches. Find the combined mean height of 60 workers in the factory.

## Weighted Arithmetic Mean:

$$\bar{X}_w = \frac{\sum WX}{\sum W}$$

## Sum No 5

The train runs 25 miles at a speed of 30 mph., another 50 miles at a speed of 40 mph., then due to repairs of the track travels for 6 minutes at speed of 10 mph and finally covers the remaining distance of 24 miles at a speed of 24 mph. what is the average speed in miles per hour?

## MEDIAN

The median by definition refers to the middle value in a distribution. The median is what is called a positional average.

## Calculation of Median– Individual Observations:

Formula for computing median is,

$$\text{Med}^* = \text{Size of } \frac{N+1}{2} \text{ th Item}$$

## Sum No 6

From the following data of the wages of 7 workers compute the median wages:

<b>Wages (in Rs.)</b>	1100	1180	1080	1120	1200	1160	1400
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## Calculation of Median– Discrete Series:

Steps:

- (i) Arrange the data in ascending (or) descending order of magnitude.
- (ii) Find out the cumulative frequencies.
- (iii) Apply the formula: Median = Size of  $\frac{N+1}{2}$ .
- (iv) Now look at the cumulative frequency column and find that total which is either equal to  $\frac{N+1}{2}$  (or) next higher to that and determine the value of the variable corresponding to it. That gives the value of median.

### Sum No 7:

From the following data find the median:

<b>Income (Rs.)</b>	1000	1500	800	2000	2500	1800
<b>No. of Persons</b>	24	26	16	20	6	30

## Calculation of Median– Continuous Series:

Size of  $\frac{N+1}{2}$  th Item

$$\text{Median} = L + \frac{\frac{N}{2} - \text{c.f.}}{f} \times C$$

L = Lower limit of the median class.

c.f. = Cumulative frequency of the class preceding the median class

(or) sum of the frequencies of all class lower than the median class.

F = Simple frequency of the median class.

C = the class interval of the median class.

### Sum No 8:

Calculate the median for the following frequency distribution::

<b>Marks</b>	45-50	40-45	35-40	30-35	25-30	20-25
<b>No. of Students</b>	10	15	26	30	42	31

<b>Marks</b>	15-20	10-15	5-10
<b>No. of Students</b>	24	15	7

### MODE:

The mode or the modal value is that value in a series of observations which occurs with the greatest frequency.

#### Calculation of Mode– Individual Observations:

For determining mode count the number of times the various values repeat themselves and the value occurring maximum number of times is the modal value.

### Sum No 9:

Calculate the mode from the following data of the marks obtained by 10 students:

<b>SI. No.</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>Marks Obtained</b>	10	27	24	12	27	27	20	18	15	30

#### Calculation of Mode– Discrete Series:

In discrete series quite often mode can be determined just by inspection, i.e., by looking to that value of the variable around which the items are most heavily concentrated.



### Sum No 10:

Calculate the value of mode for the following data

<b>MARKS</b>	10	15	20	25	30	35	40
<b>FREQUENCY</b>	8	12	36	35	28	18	9

### Calculation of Mode– Continuous Series:

$$M_o = L + \frac{f_1 - f_0}{2f_x - f_0 - f_2} \times C$$

Where L = Lower limit of the modal class ;  $f_1$  = frequency of the modal class;  
 $f_0$  = frequency of the class preceding the modal class;  $f_2$  = frequency of the class succeeding the modal class.

$$\text{Mode} = 2 \text{ Median} - 2 \text{ Mean}$$

### Sum No 11:

Calculate mode from the following data

<b>Marks</b>	Above 0	Above 10	Above 20	Above 30	Above 40	Above 50
<b>No. of Students</b>	80	77	72	65	55	43

<b>Marks</b>	Above 60	Above 70	Above 80	Above 90	Above 100
<b>No. of Students</b>	28	16	10	8	0

## STANDARD DEVIATION

### Calculation of Standard Deviation – Individual Operations:

In case of individual operations standard deviation may be computed by applying any of the following two methods;

1. By taking deviations of the items from the actual mean
2. By taking deviations of the item from an assumed mean.

### Deviations taken from actual mean:

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

### Deviations taken from Assumed mean:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum d^2}{N} - \left(\frac{\sum d}{N}\right)^2}$$

Steps,

- (i)  $\sum d$  = Take the deviations of the items from an assumed mean.
- (ii)  $\sum d^2$  = Square these deviations and obtain the total.
- (iii) Substitute the values  $\sum d^2$ ,  $\sum d$  and N in the above formula.

### Sum No 11:

Blood serum cholesterol levels of 10 persons are as under:

240, 260, 290, 245, 255, 288, 272, 263, 277, 251

Calculate standard with the help of assumed mean.

## Calculation of Standard Deviation – Discrete Series:

Methods,

- (i) Actual mean method
- (ii) Assumed mean method
- (iii) Step deviation method

### Actual Mean Method:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum fx^2}{N}}, \text{ where } x = (X - \bar{X})$$

### Assumed Mean Method:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum fd^2}{N} - \left(\frac{\sum fd}{N}\right)^2}$$

where  $d = (X - A)$

Steps,

- (i) Take the deviations of the items from an assumed mean and denote these deviations by  $d$ ,
- (ii) Multiply these deviations by the respective frequencies and obtain the total,  $\sum fd$ .
- (iii) Obtain the square of the deviations,  $d^2$
- (iv) Multiply the squared of the deviations by the respective frequencies, and obtain the total,  $\sum fd^2$ .
- (v) Substitute the values in the above formula.

### Sum No 12:

Calculate the standard deviation from the data given below:

<b>Size of Item</b>	3.5	4.5	5.5	6.5	7.5	8.5	9.5
<b>Frequency</b>	3	7	22	60	85	32	8

### Step Deviation Method:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum fd^2}{N} - \left(\frac{\sum fd}{N}\right)^2} \times C$$

$$\text{Where, } d = \frac{(X-A)}{C}$$

### Sum No 13:

The annual salaries of a group of employees are given in the following table:

Salaries (in Rs. 000)	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80
No. of Persons	3	5	8	7	9	7	4	7

Calculate the standard deviation of the salaries.

### Calculation of Standard Deviation – Continuous Series:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum fd^2}{N} - \left(\frac{\sum fd}{N}\right)^2} \times C$$

$$\text{Where, } d = \frac{(m-A)}{C}$$

## Sum No 14:

Find the standard deviation of the following distribution:

Age	20-25	25-30	30-35	35-40	40-45	45-50
No. of Persons	170	110	80	45	40	35

Take assumed average = 32.5\*.

## Coefficient of Variation:

The corresponding relative measure is known as coefficient of variation.

$$C.V = \frac{\sigma}{\bar{X}} \times 100$$

## CORRELATION

### Definitions:

“Correlation analysis deals with the association between two (or) more variables.”

### TYPES:

1. Positive (or) negative.
2. Simple, Partial and Multiple.
3. Linear and non-linear.

### Methods of Studying Correlation:

- (i) Scatter Diagram Method'
- (ii) Graphic Method
- (iii) Karl Pearson`s Coefficient of Correlation.
- (iv) Concurrent Deviation Method.
- (v) Method of Least Squares.

## KARL PEARSON'S COEFFICIENT OF CORRELATION:

$$r = \frac{\sum xy}{N\sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

$$x = (X - \bar{X}) ; y = (Y - \bar{Y})$$

$\sigma_x$  = Standard deviation of series X

$\sigma_y$  = Standard deviation of series Y

N = Number of pairs of observations

r = The (product moment) correlation coefficient.

This method is to be applied only where deviations of items are taken from actual mean and not from assumed mean.

(or)

$$r = \frac{\sum xy}{\sqrt{\sum x^2 \times \sum y^2}}$$

$$x = (X - \bar{X}) ; y = (Y - \bar{Y})$$

Steps;

- (i) Take the deviation of X series from the mean of X and denote these deviations by  $x$
- (ii) Square these deviations and obtain the total.  $\sum x^2$
- (iii) Take the deviation of Y series from the mean of Y and denote these deviations by  $y$
- (iv) Square these deviations and obtain the total.  $\sum y^2$
- (v) Multiply the deviations of X and Y series and obtain the total.  $\sum xy$
- (vi) Substitute the values of  $\sum xy$ ,  $\sum x^2$  and  $\sum y^2$  in the above formula

## Direct Method of Finding out Correlation Coefficient:

$$(vii) \quad r = \frac{\sum X Y - (\sum X)(\sum Y)}{\sqrt{N \sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2} \sqrt{N \sum Y^2 - (\sum Y)^2}}$$

### Sum No 15:

Calculate Karl Pearson's coefficient of correlation from the following data and interpret its value:

Roll No. of Students	1	2	3	4	5
Marks in Accountancy	48	35	17	23	47
Marks in Statistics	45	20	40	25	45

## REGRESSION ANALYSIS

### DEFINITIONS;

“Regression is the measure of the average relationship between two or more variables in terms of the original units of the data”

### REGRESSION EQUATIONS

There are two regression equations

- (i) Regression Equation of Y on X
- (ii) Regression Equations of X on Y

### Regression Equation of Y on X

- Is used to describe the variations in the values of Y for given changes in X.

$$Y = a + bX$$

To determine the values of a and b, the following two normal equations are;

$$\sum Y = Na + b \sum X$$

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### Sum No 16:

From the following data obtain the two regression equations:

X.	6	2	10	4	8
Y.	9	11	5	8	7

### BOOKS REFERRED:

STATISTICAL METHODS, by S.P.GUPTA