

# Mean and Variance

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1 Janet and John wanted to compare their daily journey times to work, so they each kept a record of their journey times for a few weeks.

(i) Janet's daily journey times,  $x$  minutes, for a period of 25 days, were summarised by  $\Sigma x = 2120$  and  $\Sigma x^2 = 180044$ . Calculate the mean and standard deviation of Janet's journey times. [3]

(ii) John's journey times had a mean of 79.7 minutes and a standard deviation of 6.22 minutes. Describe briefly, in everyday terms, how Janet and John's journey times compare. [2]

7 At a primary school 20 boys and 25 girls did a test. The boys' scores,  $b$ , are summarised by

$$\Sigma b = 466, \quad \Sigma b^2 = 11\,834.$$

The mean of the girls' scores is 21.88 and the standard deviation of the girls' scores is 7.929, correct to 3 decimal places.

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(i) Find the mean of the boys' scores. [1]

(ii) Find the standard deviation of the boys' scores. [3]

(iii) Find the mean score of all 45 students. [2]

(iv) Find the standard deviation of the scores of all 45 students. [4]

3 A student measured the temperature,  $t$  °C, of a liquid to the nearest 0.1 °C on 12 occasions. For each measurement he then calculated  $x = t - 60$ . The values of  $x$  are given in the stem-and-leaf diagram below.

Values of  $x$

1	3 6
2	2 4 5
3	1 1 3 5
4	0 1
5	0

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(i) Calculate the mean of the temperatures. [4]

(ii) Calculate the standard deviation of the temperatures. [3]

1 The times,  $x$  seconds, for 80 athletes to run 100 metres were coded using the relation  $y = x - 11$ . The values of  $y$  are summarised by  $\Sigma y = 35.2$  and  $\Sigma y^2 = 175.08$ . Find

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(i) the mean and variance of  $y$ , [3]

(ii) the mean and variance of  $x$ . [2]

# Mean + variance (cont)

2 A student carried out a statistics survey in a supermarket. At a checkout she recorded how many items each customer had in their shopping basket. The table below gives her results.

Number of items in the basket	4	5	6	7	8	9
Number of customers with that number of items	2	7	9	11	2	5

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- (i) Calculate the mean and standard deviation of the number of items the customers had in their shopping baskets. [5]
- (ii) At the checkout each customer was given two free items. State the mean and the standard deviation of the total number of items the customers now had. [2]

## Coding

6 A class of 20 students takes a test. The score,  $x$ , for each student was recorded by the teacher. The results are summarised by

$$\Sigma(x - 10) = 208 \quad \text{and} \quad \Sigma(x - 10)^2 = 2716.$$

- (i) Calculate the standard deviation of the 20 scores. [3]
- (ii) Show that  $\Sigma x^2 = 8876$ . [3]
- (iii) Two other students took the test later. Their scores were 18 and 16. Find the mean and standard deviation of all 22 scores. [4]

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7 In a science experiment, each of 12 students measured the volume of gas,  $x \text{ cm}^3$ , in a particular chemical experiment. The results can be summarised by

$$\Sigma(x - 50) = 614, \quad \Sigma(x - 50)^2 = 32\,826.$$

- (i) Find the mean and standard deviation of the volumes of gas measured by the 12 students. [4]
- (ii) Find the value of  $\Sigma x^2$ . [4]

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4 A mathematics student has been asked to calculate some properties of the volumes,  $x \text{ cm}^3$ , of a sample of 8 solid objects. To make the calculations easier he decides to subtract  $200 \text{ cm}^3$  from each volume. His results can be summarised as

$$\Sigma(x - 200) = 17\,000, \quad \Sigma(x - 200)^2 = 86\,000\,000.$$

- (i) Find the mean volume of the 8 solid objects. [2]
- (ii) Find the standard deviation of the volumes of the 8 solid objects. [3]
- (iii) Calculate the value of  $\Sigma(x - 300)$ . [2]

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