

Biostatistics

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Numerical Presentation Numerical Description

Measures of Central Tendency Measures of Dispersion

This include:

Presentation of data by

1. Graph and or



3. Calculation or numerical summaries, such as Frequency, Average, Mean, Median, Mode Percentages

Biostatistics consist of

- 1-Collection of data.
- 2-Presentation of data
- **3-.Estimation of data**





-this approach might not be enough,
-comparisons between one set of data & another
-summarize data by one more step further.
-presenting a set of data by a
single Numerical value

Numerical Presentation Numerical Description

1-Measures of Central Tendency 2-Measures of Dispersion

Example

The following data representing age (years) of 50 patients with diabetes Mellitus collected from Al Karak Hospital during march 2023

68, 62, 62, 66, 68, 65, 64, 71,77, 74, <u>20</u>, 33, 38. 42, 47. 50,55, 56, 60 72, 80 74, 75, 74, 77,80, 81, 89, 86, 85, 83,72, 70, 71, 79, 76, 77, 80, 90, <u>97,</u> 94, 90,65, .60, 67, 63 88, 84, 84, 87

An important thing is the type of the variable concerned.

The central value as representative value in a set of data

1-Measures of central tendencies (Location) . A value around which the data has a tendency to congregate (come together)or cluster

2-Measures of Dispersion, scatter around average A value which measures the degree to which the data are or are not, spread out -single Numerical value. ??

Are we using largest value ?As a single NumberrepresentationAre we using lowest value ?

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1- Mean

2- Median

3- Mode

4- weighted mean

the choice of the most appropriate measure depends crucially on the type of data involved

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Mode (Mo)

Measures of C T 1- Mean 2- Median 3- Mode

- Most frequently occurring value in a set of observation
 - 5 1, 3, 2, 6, 7, 10 5 **?????** Or

So

- the value of observation which has
 - the highest frequency in a set of observation.
 - 1 5 1, 3, 1, 2, 6, 7, 10 5 ????
- Mode is the only measure of central tendency that can be used for qualitative data ???
- is not practically useful with the metric continuous data where no two value may be the same,
- If the observation all having different value
 - 5 1, 3, 2, 6, 7, 10 ?????

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there is **no Mode** 5 1 3 2 6.

We might have one Mode 5, 1, 2, 3, 1, 6 uni modal

We might have more than one Mode

 5, 1, 3, 5 7, 3, 6, 2 Two Mode
 Bimodal

 5, 1, 3, 5, 7, 3, 6, 2, 1 Three Mode
 Tri modal



Characteristics of Mode

Advantages and Disadvantages

1-Requires no calculation just counting 2- It may not exist (No Mode) 3-It is not necessarily be unique there may be one mode unimodal more than one mode in a set of data Bimodal, Tri modal

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4 -Mode is not practically useful with the <u>metric continuous</u> data

<u>Median (Md)</u>

Measures of C T 1- Mean <mark>2- Median</mark> 3- Mode

It is the middle value in ordered data (from the lowest to the highest values). -Divided the observations into two halves .

So

- 1/2 of observation their <u>values</u> less than the value of median
- 1/2 of observation their values More than the value of median
- Median is located the center of data by count and disregards the size .
- Median is thus a measure of centrals

Steps in calculating the median

1- Arrange the value.

From the lowest to the highest value .

Exam. marks

50 10 90 20 40 10 20 40 50 90

2- Find the Median position by this formula

$$\frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{5+1}{2} = 3^{rd}$$

Calculate the <u>value</u> of the third observation = 40 marks .

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Odd No. we have just one median position . Even No. we have two median position or two median values Median value =Average of the two values



Median located (position) between the 3rd and 4th. Median value =Average of the two (3rd and 4th) values

$$Md = \frac{40 + 50}{2} = 45$$

Characteristics

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skewness											
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Characteristics of the Median It is always existed . *It is always unique, there is one and only one Md .

It is not affected by two extremes, not sensitive by two extremities.

Not affected by skewness in the distribution or

Not affected by presence of outliers

It is discard a lot of information

because it ignores most of the values apart from those in the center of distribution



Arithmetic Mean

Measures of C T 1- Mean 2- Median 3- Mode

- more commonly known as_average
- -it is an arithmetic average of a set of observation
 <u>obtained</u> by
- Adding the values of all observation together .
- Dividing the sum by No. of observation in sample .
- It represent the center of data according to the size of the values.
- Example :
- following are the scores of five students

40 50 90 10 20
$$\overline{X} = \frac{\Sigma X}{N}$$

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Σ = sigma = summation .X = value of observationN = No. of observation



= is the sum of value of all observation divided by the total No. of observation

Characteristics of the Mean

Advantages and disadvantages

- Relatively easy to handle
- It is always exist
- It is always unique,

there is one and only one Mean

It takes into account every item in a set of data

It uses all of the information in the data set.

affected by skewness in the in the data set

affected by presence of outliers

>it can not be used with the ordinal data ???

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It is affected by the two extremes by a very small or a very large value .
It is sensitive to the extremes
1 2 3 4 5 mean = 3
1 2 3 4 50 mean = 12
1 2 3 4 500 mean = 102

> this may produce a mean that is not very representative of the general mass of data another disadvantage ,
 > it can not be used with the ordinal data ??? (ordinal data are not real numbers, so they cannot be added or divided)

Weighted mean

It is the average measure of a No. of means, when we take into consideration the frequencies of each mean . It is used when some values of observation more important in some sense than others .

$$W.mean = \frac{W_{1}\overline{X}_{1} + W_{2}\overline{X}_{2} + W_{3}\overline{X}_{3} + \dots + W_{k}\overline{X}_{k}}{W_{1} + W_{2} + W_{3}\overline{X}_{3} + \dots + W_{k}\overline{X}_{k}}$$



$$W.mean = \frac{5 \times 13 + 10 \times 14 + 15 \times 13.5}{5 + 10 + 15} = \frac{407.5}{30} = 13.5 \ gm/100 \ ml$$

<u>65+140+202.5</u>= 4<u>07.5</u> =13.58 5+10+15 30

Central Tendency In Grouped Data

× Age (year)	F	M.P.	(M.P.)F	Cum. F	%
20-29	2	24.5	24.5 2 = 49	2	4
30-39	8	34.5	34.5 8 = 276	10	16
40-49	5	44.5	44.5 5 = 222.5	15	10
50-59	14	54.5	54.5 14 = 763	29	28
60-69	15	64.5	64.5 15 = 967.5	44	30
70-79	6	74.5	74.5 6 = 447	50	12
total	50				100

 \sum (M.P.)F = 2725

2725/50 = 54.5

×

years

Choosing the most appropriate measure

(Mean, Median or mode)

How do you chose the most appropriate measure of location in a given set of data ??

The main thing is to remember is that

mean can not be use with the ordinal data(because they are not real numbers

the median can be use for both ordinal & metric data.



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when the later (metric data) is skewed Or when there is outlier the median is more representative of data than the mean



	Mode	Median	Mean
Nominal	Yes	Νο	No
Ordinal	Yes	Yes	No
Metric discrete	Yes	Yes if distribution is markedly skewed	yes
Metric continuous	Νο	Yes if distribution is markedly skewed	yes



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1-Measures of central tendencies (Location)

- 75, 75, 75, 75, 75, 75, Mean = ????
- 75, 70, 75. 80, 85. Mean = ????
- **60, 65, 55, 70, 75, 75, ,70, 80**, **Mean**= ????

$$\overline{X} = \sum_{N} \Sigma X$$
2-Measures of Dispersion, N

The central value as 1-Measures of central tendencies 2-Measures of Dispersion,

Measures of Dispersion (Measures of Variation) (Measures of Scattering) measures of spread