

Statistics - ICS Part 1 Statistics Chapter 4 Short Questions Preparation

Q1. Define dispersion, mean deviation and standard deviation.

Ans 1: By dispersion, we mean the extent to which the values are spread out from the average.

Ans 2: The mean deviation is defined as the average of absolute deviations of the values from an average mean or median.

Ans 3: The standard deviation is the positive square root of the mean of the squared deviations of the values from their mean.

Q2. Define variance.

Ans 1: Variance of the observation is defined as mean of squares of deviation of all the observation from the mean.

Q3. Why standard deviation is preferred over mean deviation.

Ans 1: The mean deviation treats both positive and negative values as positive. It is not capable of algebraic manipulation due to the absolute values. On the other hand, the standard deviation has a definite mathematical meaning and is perfectly adaptable to algebraic treatment.

Q4. Describe the four characteristics of a distribution.

Ans 1: 1- The central value in the distribution around which the observations tend to lie.

Ans 2: 2- The dispersion of the distribution, i.e. the extent to which the observations are spread out from the central value.

Ans 3: 3- The shape of the distribution, i.e. whether the distribution is symmetrical or skewed.

Ans 4: 4- The peakedness or flatness of the distribution which is measured relative to the normal distribution.

Q5. If $\text{Var}(X) = 16$ then find variance of $3x$ and $3x - 10$

Ans 1: $\text{Var}(3x) = 9 \text{Var}(X) = 9(16) = 144$

Ans 2: $\text{Var}(3x - 10) = 9 \text{Var}(X) = 144$

Q6. If $S.D=3$ of set of data then what will be in the variance?

Ans 1: variance $= (S.D)^2 = (3)^2 = 9$

Q7. Define absolute dispersion.

Ans 1: The actual variation or dispersion determined by measured of dispersion is called absolute dispersion.

Q8. Give names of any four methods for calculating dispersion.

Ans 1: 1- The range

Ans 2: 2- Teh semi interquartile range or the quartile deviation

Ans 3: 3- The mean deviation or the average deviation

Ans 4: 4- The standard deviation

Q9. Define moments.

Ans 1: Moments are the arithmetic mean of the power to which the deviation. are raised.

Q10. When a distribution is symmetrical?

Ans 1: When the values equidistant from mean have equal frequencies then the distribution is called symmetrical.
