Topic: Histograms and Cumulative Frequency



Topic/Skill	Definition/Tips	Example
1. Histograms	Definition/Tips A visual way to display frequency data using bars. Bars can be unequal in width. Histograms show frequency density on the y-axis, not frequency. Frequency Density = $\frac{Frequency}{Class \ Width}$ Height(cm) Frequency $0 < h \le 10$ 8 $10 < h \le 30$ 6 $30 < h \le 45$ 15 $45 < h \le 70$ 5	Frequency Density (FD) $8 \div 5 = 1.6$ $6 \div 20 = 0.3$ $15 \div 15 = 1$ $5 \div 25 = 0.2$
2. Interpreting Histograms	The area of the bar is proportional to the frequency of that class interval. Frequency = Freq Density × Class Width	A histogram shows information about the heights of a number of plants. 4 plants were less than 5cm tall. Find the number of plants more than 5cm tall.
3. Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Frequency is a running total . Age Frequency $0 < a \le 10$ 15 $10 < a \le 40$ 35 $40 < a \le 50$ 10	Above 5cm: $1.2 \times 10 + 2.4 \times 15 = 12 + 36 = 48$ Cumulative Frequency 15 $15 + 35 = 50$ $50 + 10 = 60$
4. Cumulative Frequency Diagram	A cumulative frequency diagram is a curve that goes up . It looks a little like a stretched-out S shape . Plot the cumulative frequencies at the endpoint of each interval.	40- 30- CF 20- 10- 0 10 20 30 40 50 Height

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5. Quartiles from Cumulative Frequency Diagram	Lower Quartile (Q1): 25% of the data is less than the lower quartile. Median (Q2): 50% of the data is less than the median. Upper Quartile (Q3): 75% of the data is less than the upper quartile. Interquartile Range (IQR): represents the middle 50% of the data.	40- 30 - CF 20 - Value of UQ taken from 33rd = 37 Value of Medidan taken from 22rd = 30 Value of LQ taken from 11th = 18 10 20 30 40 50 Height IQR = 37 - 18 = 19
6. Hypothesis	A statement that might be true, which can be tested.	Hypothesis: 'Large dogs are better at catching tennis balls than small dogs'. We can test this hypothesis by having hundreds of different sized dogs try to catch tennis balls.

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