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# Summation



## The Summation Notation (page 186)

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$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$$

where  $\Sigma$  (capital Greek letter sigma) is the summation notation

$X_i$  is the value of the variable for the  $i^{\text{th}}$  observation

(the expression to the right of  $\Sigma$  is the term of the summation)

$i$  (letter below  $\Sigma$ , left of = sign) is the index of the summation

$1$  (number below  $\Sigma$ , right of = sign) is the lower limit of summation

$n$  (number above  $\Sigma$ ) is the upper limit of summation

Index set = collection of consecutive integers from lower limit  
to upper limit of summation

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## Expansion of the Summation Notation

- The terms of the sum are determined by successively replacing the index in the term of the summation by the elements in the index set.

Examples:

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 X_i = X_1 + X_2 + X_3$$

$$\sum_{i=2}^3 X^i = X^2 + X^3$$

$$\sum_{j=2}^3 X^j = X^2 + X^3$$

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## Example 6.1. (pages 186-187)

The weights in pounds of the five students are as follows: 110, 90, 105, 120, and 115. Express the formula for the total weight of these students using the summation notation.

*Solution:* Let  $X$  = weight of a student in pounds  
 $n$  = 5 students

$X_1$  represents the weight of the first student = 110 lbs.

$X_2$  represents the weight of the second student = 90 lbs.

$X_3$  represents the weight of the third student = 105 lbs.

$X_4$  represents the weight of the fourth student = 120 lbs.

$X_5$  represents the weight of the fifth student = 115 lbs.

We express the formula for the total weight of the 5 students in a compact manner using the summation notation as  $\sum_{i=1}^5 X_i$ . This notation means

$$\sum_{i=1}^5 X_i = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4 + X_5 = 110 + 90 + 105 + 120 + 115 = 540 \text{ lbs.}$$

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## Some Notes on Summation (page 187)

- (1) The index may be any letter, but the letters  $i$ ,  $j$ , and  $k$  are the most commonly used. Example:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \sum_{j=1}^n X_j$$

- (2) The lower limit of the summation may start with any integer smaller than the upper limit. Example:

$$\sum_{k=3}^6 X_k = X_3 + X_4 + X_5 + X_6$$

- (3) The index will not necessarily appear as a subscript in the term of the summation. Example:

$$\sum_{i=1}^5 i = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5$$

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## Example 6.2 (page 187)

b) Find  $\sum_{j=1}^3 Y_j^2$  when  $Y_1 = 2$ ,  $Y_2 = 5$ ,  $Y_3 = -2$

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 Y_j^2 = Y_1^2 + Y_2^2 + Y_3^2 = 2^2 + 5^2 + (-2)^2 = 33$$

c) Evaluate  $\sum_{x=1}^4 X$ .

$$\sum_{x=1}^4 X = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 = 10$$

e) Find  $\sum_{i=1}^3 (X_i - i)$  when  $X_1 = 3$ ,  $X_2 = 5$ ,  $X_3 = 7$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^3 (X_i - i) &= (X_1 - 1) + (X_2 - 2) + (X_3 - 3) \\ &= (3 - 1) + (5 - 2) + (7 - 3) = 9 \end{aligned}$$

g) Find  $\sum_{i=1}^3 X_i Y_i$   
when  $X_1 = 2$ ,  $X_2 = 1$ ,  $X_3 = 4$ ,  $Y_1 = 1$ ,  $Y_2 = 3$ ,  $Y_3 = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^3 X_i Y_i &= X_1 Y_1 + X_2 Y_2 + X_3 Y_3 \\ &= (2)(1) + (1)(3) + (4)(-1) = 1 \end{aligned}$$

h) Find  $\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 X_i\right)\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 Y_i\right)$   
when  $X_1 = 2$ ,  $X_2 = 1$ ,  $X_3 = 4$ ,  $Y_1 = 1$ ,  $Y_2 = 3$ ,  $Y_3 = -1$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 X_i\right)\left(\sum_{i=1}^3 Y_i\right) &= (X_1 + X_2 + X_3)(Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3) \\ &= (2+1+4)(1+3+(-1)) = 21 \end{aligned}$$

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## Exercise #1 (page 191)

$i$	1	2	3	4	5
$X_i$	2	3	4	5	6
$Y_i$	1	4	2	3	5

Given the data above, find the following:

e)  $\sum_{i=1}^5 X_i^2$

f)  $\left(\sum_{i=1}^5 X_i\right)^2$

g)  $\sum_{i=1}^5 (X_i - Y_i)^2$

h)  $\sum_{i=3}^5 (X_i - 1)$

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## Exercise

Write the expansion of the following summation:

a)  $\sum_{i=3}^6 \frac{Z_i}{Y_i}$

d)  $\sum_{i=2}^4 \sqrt{i}$

b)  $\frac{\sum_{i=3}^6 Z_i}{\sum_{i=3}^6 Y_i}$

e)  $\sum_{j=1}^3 3X_j^j$

c)  $\sum_{k=0}^3 (Y_j^k - Y_k)$

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## Additional Notes on Summation (page 190-191)

$$(1) \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \neq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^2$$

$$(2) \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i + Y_i)^2 \neq \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2$$

$$(3) \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i \neq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i \right)$$

$$(4) \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i}{Y_i} \neq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i}$$

$$(5) \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{X_i} \neq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}$$

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## Some Properties of Summation (pages 188-189)

- (1) The summation of the sum (or difference) of two or more terms equals the sum (or difference) of the individual summations. For example,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i + Y_i + Z_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i + \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - Y_i - Z_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i$$


- (2) The summation of the product of a constant,  $c$ , with  $X_i$ , equals the product of the constant with the summation of  $X_i$ , i.e.,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n cX_i = c \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

- (3) The summation of a constant,  $c$ , with index set =  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , equals the product of  $n$  and  $c$ , i.e.,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c = nc$$

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## Example

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{j=1}^6 (X_j + 2)^2 &= \sum_{j=1}^6 (X_j^2 + 4X_j + 4) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^6 X_j^2 + \sum_{j=1}^6 4X_j + \sum_{j=1}^6 4 \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^6 X_j^2 + 4 \sum_{j=1}^6 X_j + (6)(4) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^6 X_j^2 + 4 \sum_{j=1}^6 X_j + 24\end{aligned}$$

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## Assignment: (page 192)

**Exercise #2 a – d.**

**Exercise #3d.** Define  $\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n}$  and  $\bar{Y} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i}{n}$ . This is called the sample mean.

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