

# RANK

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## Notation

Let  $y_1 < y_2 < \dots < y_m$  be  $m$  distinct ordered observations for the sample and  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m$  be the corresponding sum of caseweights for each value. Define

$$CC_i = \sum_{k=1}^i C_k = \text{cumulative sum of caseweights up to } y_i$$

$$W = CC_m = \sum_{k=1}^m C_k = \text{total sum of caseweights}$$

## Statistics

### Rank ( $R_i$ )

A rank is assigned to each case based on four different ways of treating ties or caseweights not equal to 1.

For every  $i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ ,

(a) if  $C_i \geq 1$

$$R_i = CC_{i-1} + 1 \quad \text{if TIES = LOW}$$

$$R_i = CC_i \quad \text{if TIES = HIGH}$$

$$R_i = CC_{i-1} + (C_i + 1)/2 \quad \text{if TIES = MEAN}$$

$$R_i = i \quad \text{if TIES = CONDENSE}$$

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(b) if  $C_i < 1$

$$R_i = CC_{i-1} \quad \text{if TIES = LOW}$$

$$R_i = CC_i \quad \text{if TIES = HIGH}$$

$$R_i = CC_{i-1} + C_i/2 \quad \text{if TIES = MEAN}$$

$$R_i = i \quad \text{if TIES = CONDENSE}$$

Note:  $CC_0 = 0$ .

### RFRACTION ( $RF$ )

Fractional rank:

$$RF_i = R_i/W, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

### PERCENT ( $P$ )

Fractional rank as a percentage:

$$P_i = \frac{R_i}{W} \times 100, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

### PROPORTION ( $F$ ): Estimate for Cumulative Proportion

The proportion is calculated for each case based on four different methods of estimating fractional rank:

$$F_i = \left(R_i - \frac{3}{8}\right) / \left(W + \frac{1}{4}\right) \quad \text{(BLOM)}$$

$$F_i = \left(R_i - \frac{1}{2}\right) / W \quad \text{(RANKIT)}$$

$$F_i = \left(R_i - \frac{1}{3}\right) / \left(W + \frac{1}{3}\right) \quad \text{(TUKEY)}$$

$$F_i = R_i / (W + 1) \quad \text{(Van der Waerden)}$$

Note:  $F_i$  will be set to SYSMIS if the calculated value of  $F_i$  by the formula is negative.

**NORMAL (a)**

Normal scores that are the Z-scores from the standard normal distribution that corresponds to the estimated cumulative proportion  $F$ . The normal score is defined by

$$a_i = \Psi(F_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

where  $\Psi$  is the inverse cumulative standard normal distribution (PROBIT).

**NITLES (K)**

Assign group membership for the requested number of groups. If  $K$  groups are requested, the  $n$ -tile ( $N_i$ ) for case  $i$  is defined by

$$N_i = \left[ \frac{R_i K}{W+1} \right] + 1$$

where  $\left[ \frac{R_i K}{W+1} \right]$  is the greatest integer that is less than or equal to  $R_i K / (W+1)$ .

**SAVAGE (S)**

Savage scores based on exponential distribution. The Savage score is calculated by

$$S_i = \begin{cases} \left\{ \left[ \frac{(1-g_{i_1})l_{i_1+1} + g_{i_2}l_{i_2+1} + \sum_{j=i_1+2}^{i_2} l_j}{C_i} \right] \right\} - 1 & i_1 + 2 \leq i_2 \\ \left\{ \left[ \frac{(1-g_{i_1})l_{i_1+1} + g_{i_2}l_{i_2+1}}{C_i} \right] \right\} - 1 & i_1 + 1 = i_2 \\ l_{i_1+1} - 1 & i_1 = i_2 \end{cases}$$

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where

$$i_1 = [CC_{i-1}], \quad i_2 = [CC_i], \quad W^* = \begin{cases} W & \text{if } W \text{ is an integer} \\ [W]+1 & \text{if } W \text{ is not an integer} \end{cases}$$
$$g_{i_1} = CC_{i-1} - i_1, \quad g_{i_2} = CC_i - i_2$$

and  $l_1, \dots, l_{W^*}$  are defined as the expected values of the order statistics from an exponential distribution; that is

$$l_j = \sum_{K=1}^j \frac{1}{W^* - K + 1}$$

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