



Finding median and range

Example 1

Given a list of numbers 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 3.

Find (a) the median (b) the range

(a) Arrange starting with the smallest = 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8
 Match up to get the median.
 Two numbers 4 and 6 are in the middle.

Find the average of the two middle numbers 4 and 6 = $(\frac{4+6}{2}) = \frac{10}{2} = 5$

The median is 5.

(b) The difference between the largest and the smallest number in the given list is the Range. Range = 8 - 2 = 6

Example 2

The median of 7 consecutive integers is -2.

(a) Which are the integers (b) Find their range.

(a) Show the median (M) of 7 integers

Next, complete the set as $\{-5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1\}$

(b) Their range is (1) - (-5) = 1 + 5 or 6

Exercise 8:6

Find the median and the range of the following.

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| 1. 20, 30, 60, 40, 50 | 6. 3, 3, 7, 8, 4, 5, 7, 8 |
| 2. 5, 4, 5, 6, 7, 2 | 7. 19, 20, 13, 14, 16, 15, 21 |
| 3. -2, 4, 2, 0, 3, 2, 4 | 8. 30, 40, 50, 30, 40, 60, 70, 30 |
| 4. -1, 0, 1, 2, 4, -3 | 9. 33, 38, 34, 36, 37, 35 |
| 5. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 7, 8, 5 | |
10. The median of 5 consecutive positive integers is +6.
 (i) What are the numbers? (ii) Find their range.
11. The median of 7 consecutive negative integers is -8.
 (i) What are the numbers? (ii) Find their range.
12. The median of 7 consecutive integers is 8. If the smallest is 5, what is their range?
13. The range of consecutive integers is 6. The smallest number is -2, what is the median of the numbers?