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☆ Calculation of Mean in Discrete Series : Direct Method

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum fx}{\sum f} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\sum fx}{N}$$

Example :

Q. Describe the mean of these - discrete series :

Size of Term: 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
Frequency : 5 8 9 12 6 6 4

Solution:-

Size of Term (x)	Frequency	fx
6	5	30
7	8	56
8	9	72
9	12	108
10	6	60
11	6	66
12	4	48
	N or $\sum f = 50$	$\sum fx = 440$

Mean, $\bar{x} = \frac{\sum f \cdot x}{\sum f} = \frac{440}{50} = 88.$

• Short-Cut Method : —

$$\left[\bar{x} = D + \frac{\sum f \cdot d_m}{N} \right] \text{ or } \left[\bar{x} = A + \frac{\sum f \cdot d_s}{\sum f} \right]$$

Q. Describe average height of students in these frequency distribution:

Height (in Inch)	No. of Students
64	1
65	6
66	10
67	22
68	21
69	17
70	14
71	5
72	3
73	1

Solution:

Height x	No. of Students f	Deviation $(x - 68) d_n$	$f d_n$
64	1	-4	-4
65	6	-3	-18
66	10	-2	-20
67	22	-1	-22
68	21	0	0
69	17	1	17
70	14	2	28
71	5	3	15
72	3	4	12
73	1	5	5
	$\Sigma f = 100$		$\Sigma f d_n =$ $-64 + 77$ $= 13$

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \mu + \frac{\Sigma f d_n}{\Sigma f} \\ &= 68 + \frac{13}{100} \\ &= 68 + .13 \\ &= 68.13 \text{ inches.}\end{aligned}$$