Correlation coefficient

r is the variable used for the correlation coefficient 07 October 2019

r is a value between -1 and 1

-14r41 and r can be any decumal value between - 1 and -1







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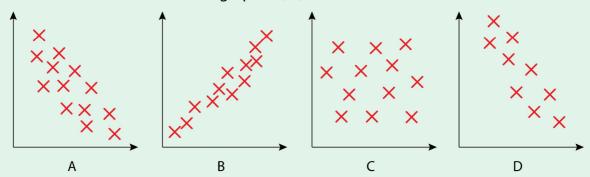
Representing Data



Section 13.6 Measuring correlation –

Example 1

Shown below are four scatter graphs A, B, C and D.



Here are six correlation coefficients (i.e. values for r)

 $0.2, \quad -0.8, \quad -0.2, \quad 0, \quad 0.9, \quad -0.6$

Choose the most likely correlation coefficient from these to match the scatter graphs A, B, C and D above.

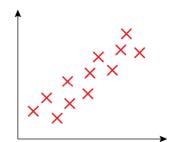
1. Describe in two words the correlation shown opposite. Which of these numbers is the most likely to represent this correlation?

-0.8,

0.9,

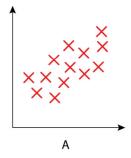
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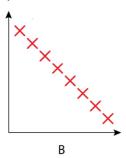
0.1, 0.7

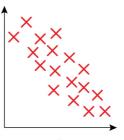


Exercise 13.6

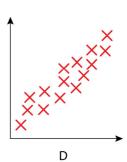
2. Four scatter graphs A, B, C and D are shown below.







C



Match one of the following numbers with each of the graphs above so that it best represents the correlation:

0.1,

-0.4,

1,

−1,

0.6

-0.8,

8.0

3. Draw a separate scatter graph that might represent each of the following correlation coefficients:

(i) 1

(ii) -0.9 (iii) 0.5 (iv) 0

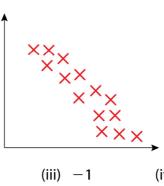


- **4.** Which one of these numbers represents 'strong negative correlation'?
- (ii) -0.1
- (iii) 1
- (iv) -0.9 (v) -0.5



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5. Which of these correlation coefficients best represents the correlation shown in the given diagram?



- (i) 0.8
- (ii) -0.8
- (iii) −1
- (iv) 0.5

- **6.** Which of these correlation coefficients shows the strongest correlation?
 - (i) 0.7
- (ii) -0.2 (iii) -1
- (iv) 0.9

- **7.** Which of these correlation coefficients shows the weakest correlation?
 - (i) -0.8
- (ii) 0.1
- (iii) −1
- (iv) 0.9



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- **8.** Match one of these correlation coefficients to each of the descriptions below:
 - 0.9,
- -0.1,
- **−1**,
- -0.8
- 0, 0.2
- (i) Strong positive correlation
- (ii) Strong negative correlation
- (iii) No correlation
- (iv) Perfect negative correlation
- (v) Very weak negative correlation
- (vi) Very weak positive correlation

Answers 13.6

- 1. Strong positive; 0.7
- **2.** A: 0.1; B: −1; C: −0.4; D: 0.8
- **4.** -0.9
- **5.** −0.8
- **6.** −1
- **7.** 0.1
- (i) 0.9 (ii) -0.8 (iii) 0 (iv) -1 (v) -0.1 (vi) 0.2**8.** (i) 0.9