Mean Standard Deviation Method For Score Normalization

The Soil and Water Conservation department exam was held in multiple shifts from 14th to 16th Jul'24. When an examination is conducted in multiple shifts for the same syllabus, in spite of all efforts there are chances of variation in the difficulty level of the questions in various sessions. Thus the score obtained by the candidates of same calibre is likely to vary. In order to equalize the variation in the difficulty level of question papers a process called statistical normalization of marks is resorted to universally.

Normalization of scores ensures that the marks accurately reflect the candidates' performance relative to the difficulty of the exam in every Shift. The mathematical process of normalization leads to increase or decrease of marks.

$$\widehat{M}_{ij} = \frac{\overline{M}_t^g - M_q^g}{\overline{M}_{ti} - M_{iq}} \left(M_{ij} - M_{iq} \right) + M_q^{gm}$$

 \widehat{M}_{ii} = Normalized marks of jth candidate in the ith shift.

 \overline{M}_t^g = is the average marks of the top 0.1% of the candidates considering all shifts (No. of candidates will be rounded-up)

 M_q^g = is the sum of mean and standard deviation marks of the candidates in the paper considering all shifts.

 \overline{M}_{ti} = is the average marks of the top 0.1% of the candidates in the ith shift (No. of candidates will be rounded-up)

 M_{iq} = is the sum of mean marks and standard deviation of the ith shift

 M_{ij} = is the actual marks obtained by the jth candidate in ith shift.

 M_q^{gm} = is the sum of mean marks of candidates in the shift having maximum mean and standard deviation of marks of candidates in the examination considering all shifts.

Below is the shift summary for the Soil and Water Conservation department exam held from 14th to 16th July 2024 basis which normalization has been carried out

| Date_Shift | Number of total candidates per shift | Mean Value per Shift | Standard Deviation Value per shift | Average of 0.1% Topper per shift (\overline{M}_{ti}) | Sum of Mean & Standard deviation per shift (<i>M_{iq}</i>) |
|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| 14 th July 2024 Shift 2 | 4382 | 91.97798 | 27.30376 | 164 | 119.28174 |
| 14 th July 2024 Shift 3 | 4411 | 90.21095 | 29.96715 | 166.3 | 120.1781 |
| 15 th July 2024 Shift 1 | 4440 | 74.18592 | 27.29808 | 149.1 | 101.484 |
| 15 th July 2024 Shift 2 | 4410 | 75.69399 | 26.55534 | 144.4 | 102.24933 |
| 15 th July 2024 Shift 3 | 4351 | 74.71604 | 27.70435 | 149.8 | 102.42039 |
| 16 th July 2024 Shift 1 | 4430 | 75.60959 | 27.93138 | 152.1 | 103.54097 |
| 16 th July 2024 Shift 2 | 4490 | 89.45278 | 29.51986 | 157.8 | 118.97264 |
| 16 th July 2024 Shift 3 | 4541 | 77.31777 | 27.23177 | 151 | 104.54954 |

The normalization formula has some constant value for all the shifts and then mention the calculate constants

 \overline{M}_t^g = is the average marks of the top 0.1% of the candidates considering all shifts = 161.27778

 M_q^g = is the sum of mean and standard deviation marks of the candidates in the paper considering all shifts = 110.05568

 M_{ij} = is the actual marks obtained after objections

 M_q^{gm} = is the sum of mean marks of candidates in the shift having maximum mean and standard deviation of marks of candidates in the examination considering all shifts. = 120.89004

Example 1: Calculating Normalizes score of a candidate obtained 105 Marks after objections in 16th July Shift 2

$$\begin{split} \widehat{M}_{ij} &= \frac{\overline{M}_t^g - M_q^g}{\overline{M}_{ti} - M_{iq}} \left(M_{ij} - M_{iq} \right) + M_q^{gm} \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= \frac{161.27778 - 110.05568}{157.8 - 118.97264} * (105 - 118.97264) + 120.89004 \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= \frac{51.2221}{38.82736} * (-13.97264) + 120.89004 \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= 1.31923 * (-13.97264) + 120.89004 \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= -18.43308 + 120.89004 \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= 102.45696 \end{split}$$

Example 2: Calculating Normalizes score of a candidate obtained 105 Marks after objections in 16th July Shift 3

$$\begin{split} \widehat{M}_{ij} &= \frac{\overline{M}_t^g - M_q^g}{\overline{M}_{ti} - M_{iq}} \left(M_{ij} - M_{iq} \right) + M_q^{gm} \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= \frac{161.27778 - 110.05568}{151 - 104.54954} * (105 - 104.54954) + 120.89004 \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= \frac{51.2221}{46.45046} * (0.45046) + 120.89004 \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= 1.10273 * (0.45046) + 120.89004 \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= 0.49673 + 120.89004 \\ \widehat{M}_{ij} &= 121.38677 \end{split}$$