

Day 1: Standard Deviation

Objective

In this challenge, we practice calculating *standard deviation*. Check out the *Tutorial* tab for learning materials and an instructional video!

Task

Given an array, *arr*, of *n* integers, calculate and print the standard deviation. Your answer should be in decimal form, rounded to a scale of **1** decimal place (i.e., **12.3** format). An error margin of ± 0.1 will be tolerated for the standard deviation.

Example

arr = [2, 5, 2, 7, 4]

The sum of the array values is **20** and there are **5** elements. The mean is **4.0**. Subtract the mean from each element, square each result, and take their sum.

$$(2 - 4)^2 = 4$$

$$(5 - 4)^2 = 1$$

$$(2 - 4)^2 = 4$$

$$(7 - 4)^2 = 9$$

$$(4 - 4)^2 = 0$$

Their sum is 18. Take the square root of $\frac{18}{5}$ to get **1.7**, the standard deviation.

Function Description

Complete the *stdDev* function in the editor below.

stdDev has the following parameters:

- *int arr[n]*: an array of integers

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- *float*: the standard deviation to 1 place after the decimal

Input Format

The first line contains an integer, *n*, denoting the size of arr.

The second line contains *n* space-separated integers that describe *arr*.

Constraints

- $5 \leq n \leq 100$
- $0 < arr[i] \leq 10^5$

Output Format

Print the *standard deviation* on a new line, rounded to a scale of **1** decimal place (i.e., **12.3** format).

Sample Input

STDIN	Function
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5	arr[] size n = 5
10 40 30 50 20	arr =[10, 40, 30, 50, 20]

Sample Output

14.1

Explanation

First, find the *mean*:

$$\mu = \frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} arr[i]}{n} = 30.0$$

Next, calculate the squared distance from the mean, $(arr[i] - \mu)^2$, for each $arr[i]$:

- 1. $(arr[0] - \mu)^2 = (10 - 30)^2 = 400$
- 2. $(arr[1] - \mu)^2 = (40 - 30)^2 = 100$
- 3. $(arr[2] - \mu)^2 = (30 - 30)^2 = 0$
- 4. $(arr[3] - \mu)^2 = (50 - 30)^2 = 400$
- 5. $(arr[4] - \mu)^2 = (20 - 30)^2 = 100$

Now compute $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (arr[i] - \mu)^2 = 400 + 100 + 0 + 400 + 100 = 1000$, so:

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (arr[i] - \mu)^2}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{1000}{5}} = \sqrt{200} = 14.1421356$$