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From the following data find out which product is more stable prices.

prices of product A (Rs)	20	22	19	23	16
prices of product B (Rs)	10	20	18	12	15

Solution:

Assume product A as 'x',
product B as 'y'.

$$\bar{x}_A = \frac{100}{5} = 20 ; \bar{y}_B = \frac{75}{5} = 15$$



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x	$x - \bar{x}$ where $\bar{x} = 20$	$(x - \bar{x})^2$	y	$y - \bar{y}$ where $\bar{y} = 15$	$(y - \bar{y})^2$
20	0	0	10	-5	25
22	+2	4	20	5	25
19	-1	1	18	3	9
23	3	9	12	-3	9
16	-4	16	15	0	0

$$\frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n} = \frac{30}{5} = 6$$

$$\frac{\sum (y - \bar{y})^2}{n} = \frac{68}{5} = 13.6$$

For x :

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{30}{5}} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\sigma_x = 2.449$$

$$C.V = \frac{\sigma_x}{\bar{x}_A} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{2.449}{20} \times 100 = 12.245$$

$$\text{Coefficient of variation} = 12.245$$

$$\text{For } y: \sigma_y = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (y - \bar{y})^2}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{68}{5}} = \sqrt{13.6}$$

$$\sigma_y = 3.687$$

$$C.V = \frac{\sigma_y}{\bar{y}_B} \times 100 = \frac{3.687}{15} \times 100 = 24.58$$

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∴ product B is more stable prices than product A.

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Solution:

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x	f	$d = x - A$ $A = 6.5$	fd	fd^2
3.5	3	-3	-9	27
4.5	7	-2	-14	28
5.5	22	-1	-22	44
6.5	60	0	0	0
7.5	85	1	85	85
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$$\begin{aligned}\text{Mean, } \bar{x} &= A + \frac{\sum fd}{N} \\ &= 6.5 + \frac{128}{217} \\ &= 7.0899\end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{x} = 7.0899$$

Since mean is in fraction, we use the following formula to calculate S.D.

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= \sqrt{\frac{\sum fd^2}{N} - \left[\frac{\sum fd}{N}\right]^2} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{362}{217} - \left[\frac{128}{217}\right]^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1.668 - [0.589]^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1.668 - 0.346} \\ &= \sqrt{1.322} = 1.1490\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Standard deviation, } \sigma = 1.1490$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Coefficient of variation} &= \frac{\sigma}{\bar{x}} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{1.1490}{7.0899} \times 100 \\ &= 16.2062\end{aligned}$$

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