

var, v. 0.1: Compute Mean and Variance of a List of Numbers

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1 Introduction

2 Getting Started

var was written in C on a computer running Linux and should work on any standard UNIX system. However, please contact me at haubold@evolbio.mpg.de if you have any problems with the program.

- Unpack the program

```
tar -xvzf var_XXX.tgz
```

where XXX indicates the version.

- Change into the newly created directory

```
cd Var_XXX
```

and list its contents

```
ls
```

- Generate var

```
make
```

- List its options

```
./var -h
```

3 Listing

The following listing documents the driver program for var.

```
1  **** var.c ****
* Description:
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****/
6 #include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include "interface.h"
#include "eprintf.h"
```

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11 void scanFile(FILE *fp, Args *args) {
12     long n = 0;
13     long i;
14     long maxN = 1;
15     double x, mean, sx, sxx, var, diff;
16     double *arr = emalloc(maxN * sizeof(double));
17
18     while(fscanf(fp,"%lf",&x) != EOF) {
19         arr[n++] = x;
20         if(n == maxN) {
21             maxN *= 2;
22             arr = erealloc(arr, maxN * sizeof(double));
23         }
24     }
25     arr = erealloc(arr, n * sizeof(double));
26     mean = 0;
27     for(i=0;i<n;i++)
28         mean += arr[i];
29     mean /= n;
30     sx = sxx = 0.;
31     for(i=0;i<n;i++) {
32         diff = arr[i] - mean;
33         sx += diff;
34         sxx += diff * diff;
35     }
36     var = (sxx-sx*sx/n) / (n-1);
37     printf("#mean\tvar\n");
38     printf("%e\t%e\n",mean,var);
39     free(arr);
40 }
41
42 int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
43     int i;
44     char *version;
45     Args *args;
46     FILE *fp;
47
48     version = "0.1";
49     setprogname2("var");
50     args = getArgs(argc, argv);
51     if(args->v)
52         printSplash(version);
53     if(args->h || args->e)
54         printUsage(version);
55     if(args->numInputFiles == 0) {
56         fp = stdin;
57         scanFile(fp, args);
58     }else{
59         for(i=0;i<args->numInputFiles;i++) {
60             fp = efopen(args->inputFiles[i], "r");
61             scanFile(fp, args);
62             fclose(fp);
63         }
64     }

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66     free(args);
      free(progname());
      return 0;
}
```

4 Change Log

- Version 0.1 (Nov. 11, 2016)

- First running version.