STDEV

STDEV returns the standard deviation of a set of values

Syntax

- 1. STDEV(Pno%, Ndim%, "ColLab\$_1",.., "ColLab\$_Ndim%")
- 2. STDEV(0, Npoints%, x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2,...)
- 3. STDEV(@ObjFn(..), Ndim%, @ObjColPar_1,.., @ObjColPar_Ndim%)
 4. STDEV(Telitab\$, Ndim%, "ColLab\$_1",.., "ColLab\$_Ndim%")

Arguments

- Pno% is the number that refers to the TeLiTab sets in the Data slot. Pno% should be an integer value or a parameter which is assigned an integer value and is the number of the TeLiTab set in the expressions' data slot.
- Npoints% is the number of points (x,y) that are given in direct definition.
- @ObjFn() refers to the Object from which data will be used.
- TeLiTab\$ refers to the string parameter that contains the TeLiTab.
- Ndim% is the number of dimensions (or columns in the table...).
- "ColLab\$_1" and @ObjColPar_1 etc refer to the columns that will be used;

Remarks

- 1. See also Telitab access for a generic description on the use of TeLiTab data
- 2. Similar to other Data analysis functions, the STDEV is a convenient way to evaluate data. Please also look at these functions for syntax
- 3. For a multi-dimensional dataset the STDEV will be determined over all columns.
- 4. The standard deviation is calculated using the "nonbiased" or "n-1" method.
- 5. STDEV uses the following formula:

SQRT(n*Sigma_X^2 - (Sigma_X)^2/(n*(n-1)))

Examples

Suppose 10 engine parts made by the same machine during a production run are collected as a random sample and measured for breaking strength. S TDEV estimates the standard deviation of breaking strengths for all the parts. The sample values are provided in the STDEV function as follows:

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SET$=
1 "Strength"
"1" 1465
"2" 1421
"3" 1457
"4" 1428
"5" 1416
"6" 1477
"7" 1422
"8" 1452
"9" 1412
"10" 1409
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STDEV(SET\$, 1, "Strength") returns 24.52

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