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## Distribution of grades and percentile norms of students of physical education for locomotor competence

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### Abstract

**Study Aim:** The aim of the study was to construct distribution of Grades and Percentile Norms of Students of Physical Education for Locomotor Competence.

**Material and Methods:** The research study included seventy-five (N=75) female subjects, ages 18 to 25, from the Guru Nanak Dev University's Department of Physical Education in Amritsar, Punjab, India. The Locomotor competence (viz., Speed ability & Jumping ability), Object control competence (viz., Dribbling ability & Throwing ability) and Balance competence were taken into consideration for this study.

**Statistical Analysis:** The normality of the data was checked by using the Shapiro-Wilk (SW) Test of Normality. Under the data analysis, exploration of data was made with descriptive statistics and graphical analysis. Distribution of Grades under Normal Distribution was used, further it was sorted into five grades i.e., Very Poor, Poor, Average, Good and Excellent.

**Results:** In Speed Ability: - The Rating above 10.972 was very poor, 10.972-10.466 was poor, 10.466-9.454 was average, 9.454-8.948 was good whereas, rating below 8.948 was excellent. In Jumping Ability: - The Rating below 1.305 was very poor, 1.305-1.385 was poor, 1.385-1.545 was average, 1.545-1.625 was good whereas, rating above 1.625 was excellent. In Dribbling Ability: - The Rating above 36.457 was very poor, 36.457-32.521 was poor, 32.521-24.649 was average, 24.649-20.713 was good whereas, rating below 20.713 was excellent. In Throwing Ability: - The Rating below 2.138 was very poor, 2.138-2.695 was poor, 2.695-3.809 was average, 3.809-4.366 was good whereas, rating above 4.366 was excellent. In Balance: - The Rating below 7.594 was very poor, 7.594-12.196 was poor, 12.196-21.4 was average, 21.4-26.002 was good whereas, rating above 26.002 was excellent.

**Keywords:** Norms, locomotor competence, object control competence, balance competence

### Introduction

The transition from secondary school to university is often accompanied by unhealthy behaviour changes such as decreasing physical activity and increasing sedentary behaviour [1, 2]. According to Keating's review [3], 40-50% of college students are physically inactive. A more recent study in Czech university students reported that only 9% met the criterion of 10,000 steps every day [4]. Concerning sedentary behaviour, a UK study revealed that university students spent eight hours per day on sedentary activities such as studying, watching television, gaming, computer activities, sitting and talking, shopping and hanging out [5]. A great body of literature points out that higher physical activity levels are associated with lower health risks (incl. overweight and obesity related diseases) [6, 7]. To counteract the negative effects of physical inactivity and promote health, the WHO recommends at least 150 min of at least moderate or 75 min of vigorous physical activity per week, complemented by strength training twice a week [8]. Regarding the total PA, which includes light-intensity PA like walking, the highest health-gains are reported to be occurring at 3,000 metabolic equivalent of task- (MET-) min/week [9].

### Materials and Methods

The research study included seventy-five (N=75) female subjects, ages 18 to 25, from the Guru Nanak Dev University's Department of Physical Education in Amritsar, Punjab, India.

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The following motor competence abilities were taken into consideration for this study:

Motor Competence:

1. Locomotor Competence:
  - Speed Ability
  - Jumping Ability
2. Object Control Competence:
  - Dribbling Ability
  - Throwing Ability
3. Balance Competence

Shapiro-Wilk (SW) Test of Normality.

- Under the data analysis, exploration of data was made with descriptive statistics and graphical analysis.
- Distribution of Grades under Normal Distribution was used, further it was sorted into five grades i.e.,
  1. Very Poor
  2. Poor
  3. Average
  4. Good
  5. Excellent

**Statistical Analysis**

- The normality of the data was checked by using the

**Results**

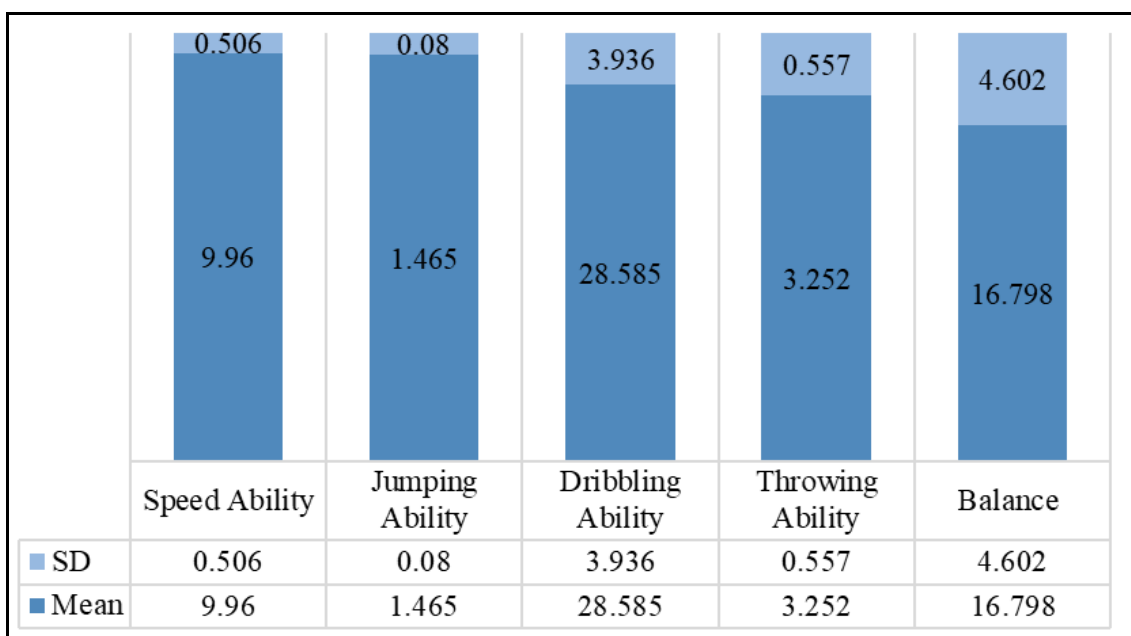
**Table 1:** Descriptive statistics of subjects for Locomotor competence (viz., Speed ability & Jumping ability), Object control competence (viz., Dribbling ability & Throwing ability) and Balance competence.

Sr. No.	Physical Fitness	Mean (X) & Standard Deviation (SD)		Max.	Min.
		Mean	SD		
1.	Speed Ability	9.960	0.506	10.9	9.22
2.	Jumping Ability	1.465	0.080	1.60	1.32
3.	Dribbling Ability	28.585	3.936	34.76	18.90
4.	Throwing Ability	3.252	0.557	4.32	2.15
5.	Balance	16.798	4.602	24.56	7.13

1. **In Speed Ability:** The Mean (X) & Standard Deviation (SD) counts was 9.960 and 0.506 respectively, whereas the maximum and minimum counts was 10.9 and 9.22 reciprocally.
2. **In Jumping Ability:** The Mean (X) & Standard Deviation (SD) counts was 1.465 and 0.080 respectively, whereas the maximum and minimum counts was 1.60 and 1.32 reciprocally.
3. **In Dribbling Ability:** The Mean (X) & Standard Deviation (SD) counts was 28.585 and 3.936

respectively, whereas the maximum and minimum counts was 34.76 and 18.90 reciprocally.

4. **In Throwing Ability:** The Mean (X) & Standard Deviation (SD) counts was 3.252 and 0.557 respectively, whereas the maximum and minimum counts was 4.32 and 2.15 reciprocally.
5. **In Balance Ability:** The Mean (X) & Standard Deviation (SD) counts was 16.798 and 4.602 respectively, whereas the maximum and minimum counts was 24.56 and 7.13 reciprocally.

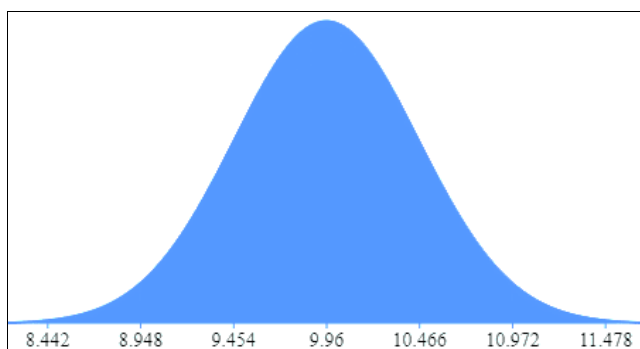


**Fig 1:** Graphical illustration of subjects for Locomotor competence (viz., Speed ability & Jumping ability), Object control competence (viz., Dribbling ability & Throwing ability) and Balance competence.

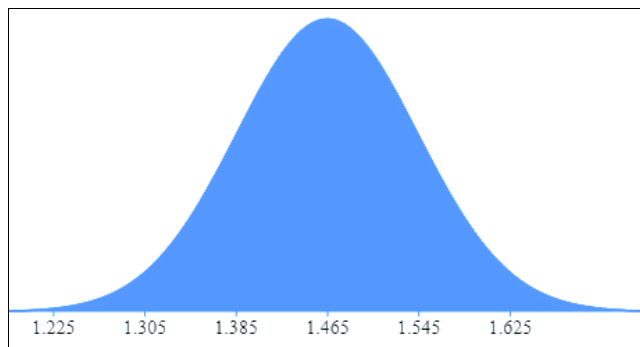
**Table 2:** Distribution of grades of subjects for Locomotor competence (viz., Speed ability & Jumping ability), Object control competence (viz., Dribbling ability & Throwing ability) and Balance competence.

Motor Competence		Very Poor	Poor	Average	Good	Excellent
Locomotor Competence	Speed Ability	Rating Above 10.972	10.972-10.466	10.466-9.454	9.454-8.948	Below 8.948
	Jumping Ability	Rating Below 1.305	1.305-1.385	1.385-1.545	1.545-1.625	Above 1.625
Object Control Competence	Dribbling Ability	Rating Above 36.457	36.457-32.521	32.521-24.649	24.649-20.713	Below 20.713
	Throwing Ability	Rating Below 2.138	2.138-2.695	2.695-3.809	3.809-4.366	Above 4.366
Balance Competence	Balance	Rating Below 7.594	7.594-12.196	12.196-21.4	21.4-26.002	Above 26.002

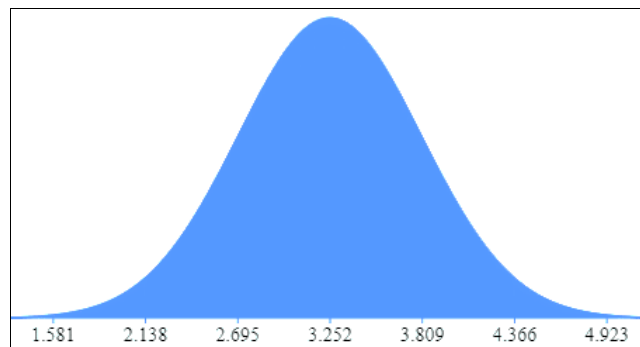
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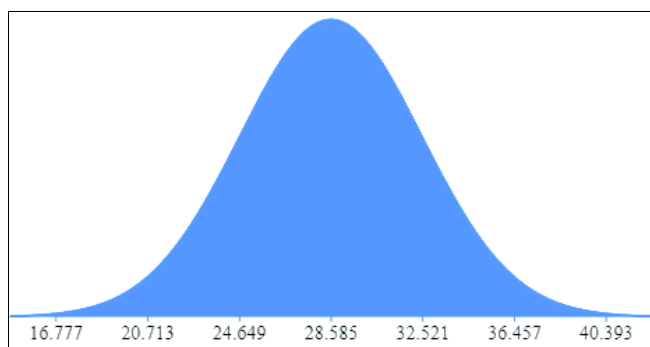
**Fig 2:** Area Under the normal distribution of subjects for Speed Ability



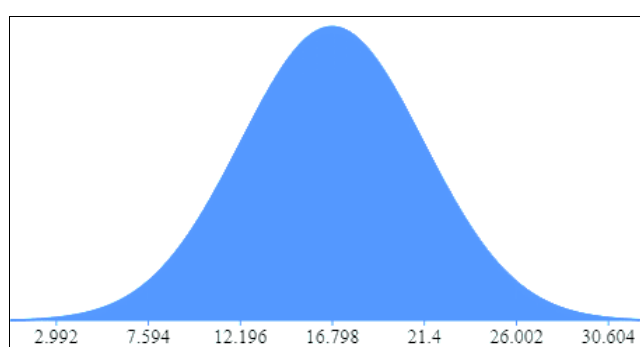
**Fig 3:** Area Under the normal distribution of subjects for Jumping Ability



**Fig 5:** Area Under the normal distribution of subjects for Throwing Ability



**Fig 4:** Area Under the normal distribution of subjects for Dribbling Ability



**Fig 6:** Area Under the normal distribution of subjects for Balance

**Table 3:** Percentile norms of subjects for Locomotor competence (viz., Speed ability & Jumping ability), Object control competence (viz., Dribbling ability & Throwing ability) and Balance competence.

Percentile	Speed Ability	Jumping Ability	Dribbling Ability	Throwing Ability	Balance
10th	9.32	1.354	22.326	2.654	9.31
15th	9.39	1.38	23.76	2.67	12.25
20th	9.418	1.39	24.702	2.776	13.272
25th	9.45	1.39	27.155	2.87	13.605
30th	9.49	1.42	27.74	2.89	13.972
35th	9.519	1.42	28.115	2.9	15.073
40th	9.596	1.43	28.724	2.972	15.51
45th	9.841	1.443	28.994	3.07	16.359
50th	10.13	1.47	29.16	3.15	17.55
55th	10.258	1.49	29.78	3.167	18.747
60th	10.31	1.498	30.104	3.206	19.364
65th	10.321	1.52	30.762	3.432	19.545
70th	10.404	1.52	30.89	3.628	20.024
75th	10.43	1.53	31.61	3.77	20.62
80th	10.482	1.542	31.93	3.89	20.858
85th	10.508	1.56	32.172	3.899	21.311
90th	10.54	1.57	32.722	4.12	21.826

- In Speed Ability: -The 10<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.32, 15<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.39, 20<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.418, 25<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.45, 30<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.49, 35<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.519, 40<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.596, 45<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.841, 45<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.841, 50<sup>th</sup> percentile is 10.13, 55<sup>th</sup> percentile is 10.258, 60<sup>th</sup> percentile is 10.31, 65<sup>th</sup> percentile is 10.321, 70<sup>th</sup> percentile is 10.404, 75<sup>th</sup> percentile is 10.43, 80<sup>th</sup> percentile 10.482, 85<sup>th</sup> percentile 10.508 and 90<sup>th</sup> percentile is 10.54.
- In Jumping Ability: -The 10<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.354, 15<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.38, 20<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.39, 25<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.39, 30<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.42, 35<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.42, 40<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.43, 45<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.443, 50<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.47, 55<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.49, 60<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.498, 65<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.52, 70<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.52, 75<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.53, 80<sup>th</sup> percentile 1.542, 85<sup>th</sup> percentile 1.56 and 90<sup>th</sup> percentile is 1.57.
- In Dribbling Ability: -The 10<sup>th</sup> percentile is 22.326, 15<sup>th</sup> percentile is 23.76, 20<sup>th</sup> percentile is 24.702, 25<sup>th</sup> percentile is 27.155, 30<sup>th</sup> percentile is 27.74, 35<sup>th</sup> percentile is 28.115, 40<sup>th</sup> percentile is 28.724, 45<sup>th</sup> percentile is 28.994, 50<sup>th</sup> percentile is 29.16, 55<sup>th</sup> percentile is 29.78, 60<sup>th</sup> percentile is 30.104, 65<sup>th</sup> percentile is 30.762, 70<sup>th</sup> percentile is 30.89, 75<sup>th</sup> percentile is 31.61, 80<sup>th</sup> percentile 31.93, 85<sup>th</sup> percentile 32.172 and 90<sup>th</sup> percentile is 32.722.
- In Throwing Ability: -The 10<sup>th</sup> percentile is 2.654, 15<sup>th</sup> percentile is 2.67, 20<sup>th</sup> percentile is 2.776, 25<sup>th</sup> percentile is 2.87, 30<sup>th</sup> percentile is 2.89, 35<sup>th</sup> percentile is 2.9, 40<sup>th</sup> percentile is 2.972, 45<sup>th</sup> percentile is 3.07, 50<sup>th</sup> percentile is 3.15, 55<sup>th</sup> percentile is 3.167, 60<sup>th</sup> percentile is 3.206, 65<sup>th</sup> percentile is 3.432, 70<sup>th</sup> percentile is 3.628, 75<sup>th</sup> percentile is 3.77, 80<sup>th</sup> percentile 3.89, 85<sup>th</sup> percentile 3.899 and 90<sup>th</sup> percentile is 4.12.
- In Balance: -The 10<sup>th</sup> percentile is 9.31, 15<sup>th</sup> percentile is 12.25, 20<sup>th</sup> percentile is 13.271, 25<sup>th</sup> percentile is 13.605, 30<sup>th</sup> percentile is 13.972, 35<sup>th</sup> percentile is 15.073, 40<sup>th</sup> percentile is 15.51, 45<sup>th</sup> percentile is 16.359, 50<sup>th</sup> percentile is 17.55, 55<sup>th</sup> percentile is 18.747, 60<sup>th</sup> percentile is 19.364, 65<sup>th</sup> percentile is 19.545, 70<sup>th</sup> percentile is 20.024, 75<sup>th</sup> percentile is 20.62, 80<sup>th</sup> percentile 20.858, 85<sup>th</sup> percentile 21.311 and 90<sup>th</sup> percentile is 21.826.

### Swot analysis

**Table 4:** SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) analysis.

Sr. No.	Swot	Inferences
1.	Strengths	The results of this study can help players, coaches, trainers, instructors, physical education teachers, and others with the following attributes, among others. Motor Competence: 1. Locomotor Competence: • Speed Ability • Jumping Ability 2. Object Control Competence: • Dribbling Ability • Throwing Ability 3. Balance Competence
2.	Weaknesses	Because the diversity of the athletes was limited, it is not viable to extrapolate the results to other sporting situations.
3.	Opportunities	Research may also help develop the foundation for scientific training regimens for different sports.
4.	Threats	If the researcher had considered other variables including interest, attitude, teamwork, home environment, genetic makeup, socioeconomic level, culture, religion, educational background, and nutrition, the study would have been jeopardized.

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### Conflict of Interest

The authors declare no conflicts of interest.

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