

From the Graph: $n_{\text{bins}} = 5$

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$$N_1 (v = 2 \text{ m/s}) = 2 \quad i = 1$$

$$N_2 (v = 4 \text{ m/s}) = 4 \quad i = 2$$

$$N_3 (v = 6 \text{ m/s}) = 5 \quad i = 3$$

$$N_4 (v = 8 \text{ m/s}) = 3 \quad i = 4$$

$$N_5 (v = 10 \text{ m/s}) = 1 \quad i = 5$$

a.) Most Probable Speed, v_{mp} , is the speed where the distribution is maximum:

$$\underline{v_{\text{mp}} = 6 \text{ m/s}}$$

b.) Average Speed:

$$v_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{bin}}} v_i N_i \quad N = 2 + 4 + 5 + 3 + 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{15} \left\{ (2 \text{ m/s})(2) + (4 \text{ m/s})(4) + (6 \text{ m/s})(5) + (8 \text{ m/s})(3) + (10 \text{ m/s})(1) \right\}$$

$$\underline{v_{\text{avg}} = 5.6 \text{ m/s}}$$

c.) RMS Speed:

$$v_{\text{rms}} = \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{n_{\text{bin}}} v_i^2 N_i \right]^{1/2}$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{15} \left\{ (2 \text{ m/s})^2(2) + (4 \text{ m/s})^2(4) + (6 \text{ m/s})^2(5) + (8 \text{ m/s})^2(3) + (10 \text{ m/s})^2(1) \right\} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\underline{v_{\text{rms}} = 6.02 \text{ m/s}}$$