

## Practical 7

Using Excel 2010 to select a simple random sample (without replacement)

### Simple random sampling approach:

1. First assign a random number to each of the elements in the population.
2. Select the  $n$  elements with the smallest random numbers assigned to them.
3. Using this approach will for the most part eliminate the chance of selecting the same element twice from the population.

### Steps:

1. Open textbook on page 319.  
**Exercise:** Select a simple random sample of 30 managers from 2500 managers.
2. **Enter data:** On the computer, open the **EAI** file on ClickUP in the **Data files for Practicals** folder.
3. Type the following formula into cell D2: =rand(). This function will generate a random number between 0 and 1, WHICH WILL NOT BE THE SAME AS THE NUMBER GENERATED IN THE TEXTBOOK, BECAUSE THIS IS A RANDOM NUMBER.

D2			=	=RAND()
	A	B	C	D
1	Manager	Annual Salary	Training Program	Random numbers
2	1	55769.50	No	0.41884
3	2	50823.00	Yes	
4	3	48408.20	No	
5	4	49787.50	No	
6	5	52801.60	Yes	

4. Copy the formula in D2 to the rest of the elements in the population in cell D3: D2501, by dragging the formula down the column.

	A	B	C	D
1	Manager	Annual Salary	Training Program	Random numbers
2	1	55769.50	No	0.39757
3	2	50823.00	Yes	0.67243
4	3	48408.20	No	0.17564
5	4	49787.50	No	0.15561
6	5	52801.60	Yes	0.50606
7	6	51767.70	No	0.19933



Turn off the automatic recalculation option for the worksheet. Select **Formulas** on the **Ribbon**, select the **Calculation options** tab, and in the calculation section select **Manual**. If we had not turned off automatic recalculation, the random numbers in column D would not have appeared in ascending order. In other words, if the automatic recalculation option is not turned off when the sort operation takes place Excel will do a recalculation and a new set of random numbers will be generated.

6. To find the managers with the 30 smallest random numbers, sort the data in column A to D in ascending order by the random numbers in column D
  - i) Select any cell in the range D2: D2501
  - ii) Click the **Home** tab on the **Ribbon**
  - iii) In the **Editing** group, click **Sort and Filter**
  - iv) Choose **Sort Smallest to Largest**

**NOTE:** The simple random sample of 30 managers which you will select will **NOT** be the same as the simple random sample of managers selected in the textbook, since different random numbers are generated each time this procedure is used.

### Exercise P1 - Point estimation

1. Open your textbook on p.325 at exercise 9. Enter the 5 months of sales data on a new spread sheet. Calculate exercise 9a and b by using Excel 2010 as shown in the spread sheets below.

#### Formula sheet

	A	B	C	D
1	1	94	Point estimate of population mean:	=AVERAGE(B1:B5)
2	2	100	Point estimate of population std deviation:	=STDEV.S(B1:B5)
3	3	85		
4	4	94		
5	5	92		

#### Value sheet

	A	B	C	D
1	1	94	Point estimate of population mean:	93
2	2	100	Point estimate of population std deviation:	5.3852
3	3	85		
4	4	94		
5	5	92		

2. Do Exercise 10 on p.325 by making use of Excel 2010. Open the **Morningstar data** file on ClickUP in the **Data files for Practicals** folder. *Compare your answers with the textbook answers on p.974*

## Exercise P2 - Sampling distribution for $\bar{x}$

CUMULATIVE PROBABILITY FORMULA IN GENERAL:  $=\text{NORM.DIST}(\bar{x}, \mu, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \text{TRUE})$

SAMPLE AVERAGE FORMULA IN GENERAL:  $=\text{NORM.INV}(\text{area to the left}, \mu, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}})$

1. Open your textbook on p.337 at exercise 20. Calculate exercise 20 by using Excel 2010 as shown in the spread sheets below.

20a.  $\bar{x}$  is normally distributed with  $E(\bar{x}) = 17.5$  and  $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{50}} = 0.57$

### Formula sheet

	A	B	C
1	b.	$P(16.5 < \bar{x} < 18.5)$	$=\text{NORM.DIST}(18.5, 17.5, 0.57, \text{TRUE}) - \text{NORM.DIST}(16.5, 17.5, 0.57, \text{TRUE})$
2	c.	$P(17 < \bar{x} < 18)$	$=\text{NORM.DIST}(18, 17.5, 0.57, \text{TRUE}) - \text{NORM.DIST}(17, 17.5, 0.57, \text{TRUE})$

### Value sheet

	A	B	C
1	b.	$P(16.5 < \bar{x} < 18.5)$	0.9206
2	c.	$P(17 < \bar{x} < 18)$	0.6196

## Exercise P3 - Sampling distribution for $\bar{p}$

CUMULATIVE PROBABILITY FORMULA IN GENERAL:  $=\text{NORM.DIST}(\bar{p}, p, \sigma_{\bar{p}}, \text{TRUE})$

SAMPLE PROPORTION FORMULA IN GENERAL:  $=\text{NORM.INV}(\text{area to the left}, p, \sigma_{\bar{p}})$

$$\text{where } \sigma_{\bar{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{p(1-p)}{n}}$$

1. Open your textbook on p.344 at exercise 34. Calculate exercise 34 by using Excel 2010 as shown in the spread sheets below.

34a.  $\bar{p}$  is normally distributed because  $np = 126$  and  $n(1 - p) = 274$  – both greater than 5.  $E(\bar{p}) = 0.42$  and  $\sigma_{\bar{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{(0.42)(0.58)}{300}} = 0.0285$

### Formula sheet

	A	B	C
1	b.	$P(0.37 < \bar{p} < 0.47)$	$=\text{NORM.DIST}(0.47, 0.42, 0.0285, \text{TRUE}) - \text{NORM.DIST}(0.37, 0.42, 0.0285, \text{TRUE})$

### Value sheet

	A	B	C
1	b.	$P(0.37 < \bar{p} < 0.47)$	0.9206

- c. Larger samples will increase the probabilities.