

Welcome to STAT 201!

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Idea behind the course

Imagine:

A radio station wants to know the median age of their listeners.

You survey some listeners, calculate the median, and present the number.

What's the problem with this?

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Science: present results *and communicate uncertainty / evidence*.

Question:

What aspects of uncertainty might you present with your results?

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This course is about **providing evidence behind your calculated results**, especially by **communicating uncertainty** in your numeric estimates.

- univariate samples
- calculating mean, proportion, quantile, etc. to *infer* about a population.
- Two-group comparisons leads to more advanced courses (like STAT 301)

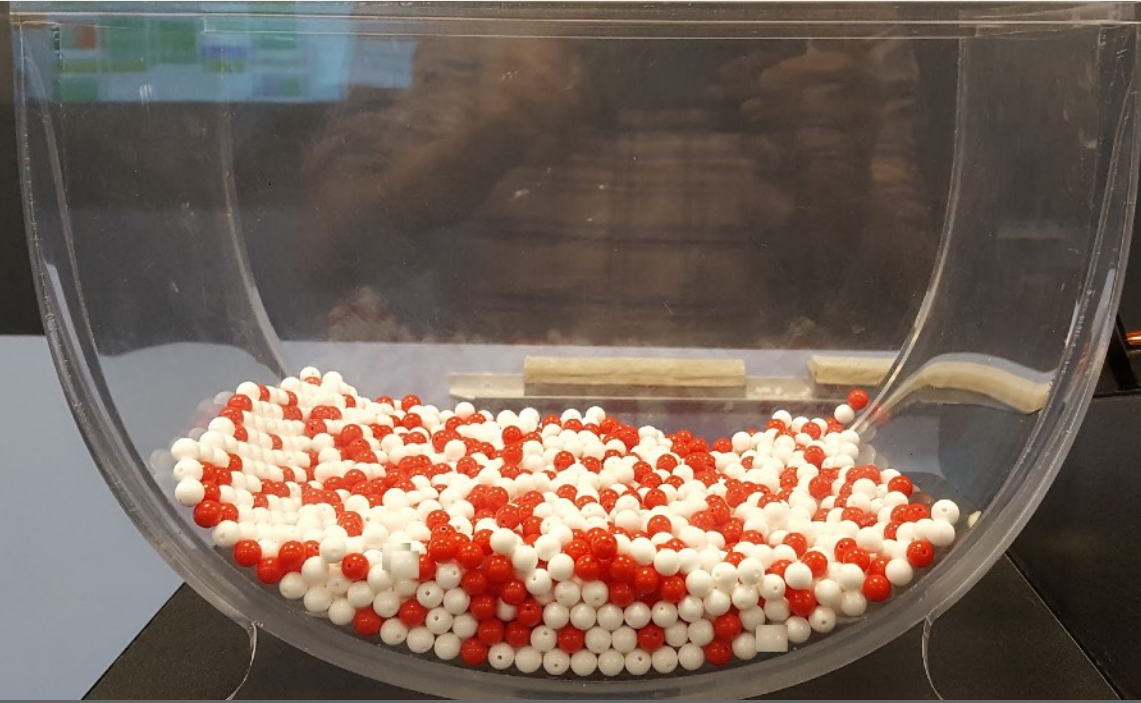
This Week: Sampling

Population



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Population



Population parameter: *proportion of red beads*

Sampling



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Sample

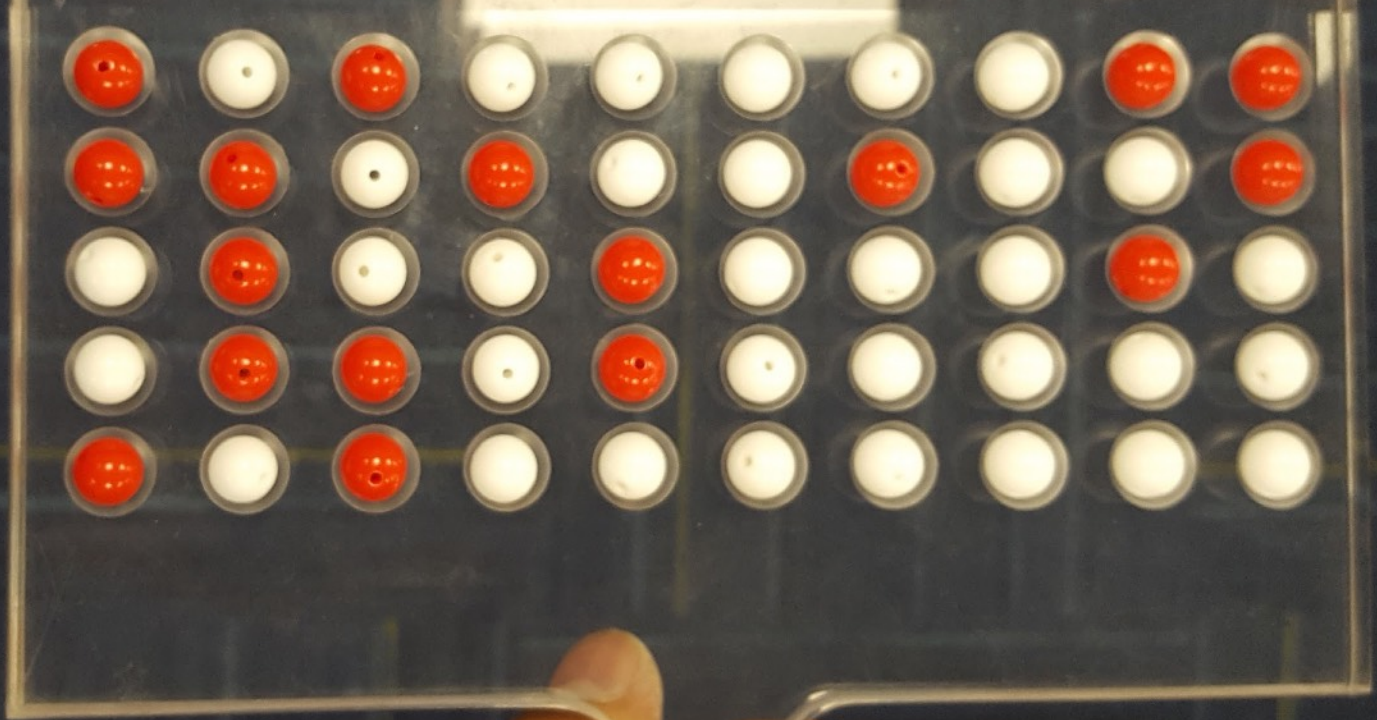
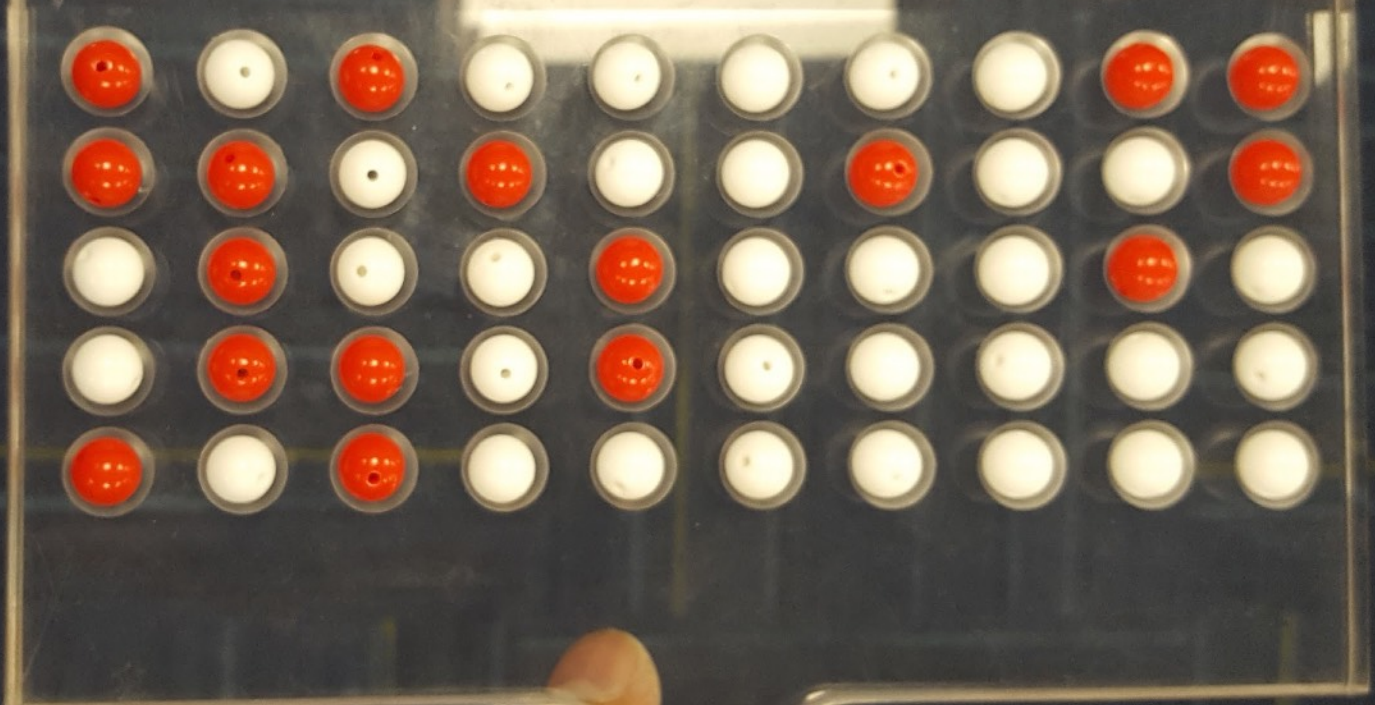


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Sample



Point Estimate = $17 / 50 = 0.34$

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Observation

Point Estimate = $17 / 50 = 0.34$

Worksheet 1

I'll demonstrate concepts by working through Worksheet 1 (access through canvas for now until we get jupyterhub set up).