Statistics 211 In-Class Assessments

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Consider doing inference on a population mean μ based on a random sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n .

- 1. From a Bayesian perspective, we could estimate μ with a credible interval. What is the definition of a 95% credible interval for μ ?
 - (a) The interval between the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the posterior distribution for μ .
 - (b) The interval between the 2.5th and 97.5th percentiles of the sampling distribution of \bar{x} .
- 2. Suppose we compute a 95% credible interval for μ of [a, b]. Is the following statement true or false: The probability that $a < \mu < b$ equals 0.95.
 - (a) True
 - (b) False
- 3. Suppose we compute a 95% confidence interval for μ of [c,d]. Is the following statement true or false: The probability that $c < \mu < d$ equals 0.95.
 - (a) True
 - (b) False