

# Chapter 8. Introduction to Statistics.

8.1

Population: consists of all units of interest.

Sample: consists of observed units collected from the population.

It is used to make statements about the population.

Statistics: Any function of a sample.

Simple random sampling: is a sampling design where units are collected from the entire population independently of each other, all being equally likely to be sampled.

8.2. Simple descriptive statistics.

Mean:  $\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n} = \mu = E(X)$ .

Unbiased: A statistic is unbiased if its expected value is the parameter which it estimates.

Notation:  $\mu$  = population mean.

$\bar{X}$  = sample mean, estimator of  $\mu$ .

$\sigma$  = population standard deviation.

$s$  = sample standard deviation, estimator of  $\sigma$ .

$\sigma^2$  = population variance.

$s^2$  = sample variance, estimator of  $\sigma^2$ .

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i)^2 - n \cdot \bar{X}^2}{n-1}$$

$$s = \sqrt{s^2}.$$

Standard error of any statistic is its standard deviation, and that we can often only estimate.

$$\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot (\text{Var}(X_1) + \text{Var}(X_2) + \dots + \text{Var}(X_n))$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \cdot (\underbrace{\delta^2 + \dots + \delta^2}_n)$$

$$= \frac{\delta^2}{n}$$

$$\text{Therefore, } \delta(\bar{X}) = \sqrt{\text{Var}(\bar{X})} = \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{n}}$$

We can only estimate  $\delta$  with  $s$ .

if  $X$  is Bernoulli,  
then  $\delta = \sqrt{p(1-p)}$