

— Stratified random sampling. & SRS.

Example. Consider a population of 6 students. Suppose we know the test scores of the students to be:

Student	1	2	3	4	5	6
Score	66	59	70	83	82	71

a). Find the mean \bar{y} and variance S^2 of the population; (So $N=6$).

Solution: Denote the population by $U = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ and the score of each student (unit) by y_i ($i=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$). Then the population mean is the average of all y_i 's ($i \in U$):

$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i = \frac{1}{6} (66 + 59 + 70 + 83 + 82 + 71) = 71.83$$

the population variance:

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \frac{1}{5} [(66 - 71.83)^2 + (59 - 71.83)^2 + \dots + (71 - 71.83)^2] = 86.17.$$

b). How many SRS's of size 4 are possible?

Solution: By definition, a simple random sample of size 4 is subset of U with 4 elements. Therefore, there are $\binom{6}{4} = \binom{6}{2} = 15$ possible SRS of size 4.

c). List all possible SRS's. For each, find the sample mean \bar{y} .

Calculate the variance of \bar{y} .

*. (i) Recall for an SRS_n^U of size n , the prob. that u is selected is $\frac{1}{\binom{N}{n}}$.

(ii) The variance of the sample mean \bar{y} under simple random sampling is.

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}) = (1 - \frac{n}{N}) \cdot \frac{S^2}{n}, \text{ where } S^2 \text{ is population variance.}$$

Solution :

Sample	corresponding y_i 's.	probability	sample mean $\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$
$\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$	$\{66, 59, 70, 83\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	69.5
$\{1, 2, 3, 5\}$	$\{66, 59, 70, 82\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	69.25
$\{1, 2, 3, 6\}$	$\{66, 59, 70, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	66.5
$\{1, 2, 4, 5\}$	$\{66, 59, 83, 82\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	72.5
$\{1, 2, 4, 6\}$	$\{66, 59, 83, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	69.75
$\{1, 2, 5, 6\}$	$\{66, 59, 82, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	69.5
$\{1, 3, 4, 5\}$	$\{66, 70, 83, 82\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	75.25
$\{1, 3, 4, 6\}$	$\{66, 70, 83, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	72.5
$\{1, 3, 5, 6\}$	$\{66, 70, 82, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	72.25
$\{1, 4, 5, 6\}$	$\{66, 83, 82, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	75.5
$\{2, 3, 4, 5\}$	$\{59, 70, 83, 82\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	73.5
$\{2, 3, 4, 6\}$	$\{59, 70, 83, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	70.75
$\{2, 3, 5, 6\}$	$\{59, 70, 82, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	70.5
$\{2, 4, 5, 6\}$	$\{59, 83, 82, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	73.75
$\{3, 4, 5, 6\}$	$\{70, 83, 82, 71\}$	$\frac{1}{15}$	76.5

The variance of \bar{y} can be calculated in two ways.

Way 1: $\frac{1}{15} (69.5 - 71.83)^2 + \frac{1}{15} (69.25 - 71.83)^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{15} (76.5 - 71.83)^2 = 7.18$

Way 2: $\text{Var}(\bar{y}) = (1 - \frac{n}{N}) \cdot \frac{S^2}{n} = (1 - \frac{4}{6}) \times \frac{86.17}{4} = 7.18.$

d). Now let stratum 1 consist of students 1-3, and stratum 2 consist of students 4-6. How many stratified random samples of size 4 are possible in which 2 students are selected from each stratum?

Solution: First select two students from the first stratum — $\binom{3}{2} = 3$ ways.

Then select two from the second stratum — $\binom{3}{2} = 3$ ways.

In total there are $\binom{3}{1} \times \binom{3}{1} = 3 \times 3 = 9$ possible samples.

- e) List the possible stratified samples. Which of the samples from (c) cannot occur with the stratified design?

(Generally, Note this is not ^{simply} the average of \bar{y}_h 's corresponding to the 3rd column!)

Solution:

Sample from stratum 1	Sample from stratum 2	sample	sample mean $\hat{\bar{y}}$
{1, 2}	{4, 5}	{1, 2, 4, 5}	72.5
{1, 2}	{4, 6}	{1, 2, 4, 6}	69.75
{1, 2}	{5, 6}	{1, 2, 5, 6}	69.5
{1, 3}	{4, 5}	{1, 3, 4, 5}	75.25
{1, 3}	{4, 6}	{1, 3, 4, 6}	72.5
{1, 3}	{5, 6}	{1, 3, 5, 6}	72.25
{2, 3}	{4, 5}	{2, 3, 4, 5}	73.5
{2, 3}	{4, 6}	{2, 3, 4, 6}	70.75
{2, 3}	{5, 6}	{2, 3, 5, 6}	70.5

Compared with the table (c), we know that samples {1, 2, 3, 4}, {1, 2, 3, 5}, {1, 2, 3, 6}, {1, 4, 5, 6}, {2, 4, 5, 6}, {3, 4, 5, 6} do not occur here.

- f). Find the sample mean $\hat{\bar{y}}$ based on the stratified sampling for each possible sample listed in e). Find its variance $\text{Var}(\hat{\bar{y}})$ and compare it with $\text{Var}(\bar{y})$ calculated in c).

Solution: The sample mean is calculated in this way: First calculate

the sample mean for 1st stratum \bar{y}_1 , and sample mean for 2nd stratum \bar{y}_2 ;

then $\hat{\bar{y}} = \frac{N_1}{N} \bar{y}_1 + \frac{N_2}{N} \bar{y}_2$, where N_h is the number of units in stratum h .

The numbers are filled in the last column of the table in (e).

Again $\text{Var}(\hat{\bar{y}})$ can be calculated in two ways:

- (i). Use last column of the table in (e). Since each sample occurs with probability $\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{9}$, $E(\hat{\bar{y}}) = \frac{1}{9} (72.5 + 69.75 + \dots + 70.5) = 71.83$.

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\bar{y}}) = \frac{1}{9} (72.5 - 71.83)^2 + \frac{1}{9} (69.75 - 71.83)^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{9} (70.5 - 71.83)^2 = 3.14$$

- (ii) Use formula. $\text{Var}(\hat{\bar{y}}) = \frac{1}{N^2} \sum_{h=1}^H N_h^2 \left(\frac{1}{N_h} - \frac{1}{N} \right) S_h^2 = \frac{1}{9} \left[\left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \times \frac{1}{2} [(66-65)^2 + (59-65)^2 + (70-65)^2] + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right) \times \frac{1}{2} [(83-78.67)^2 + (82-78.67)^2 + (71-78.67)^2] \right] = 3.14$