

Sampling Distribution & Confidence Interval Estimation

Topics

- Sampling Distribution + Central Limit Theorem
- Normal Approximation of the Binomial

Sampling Distribution

Suppose we have a population of size $N = 9$, consisting 9 proteins with amino acid length : 80, 100, 90, 120, 140, 110, 150, 160, 130

Sampling distribution: distribution of sample means

Construct sampling distribution of the sample mean, \bar{x}

Based on sample size $n = 2$ drawing from the population.

Sampling Distribution

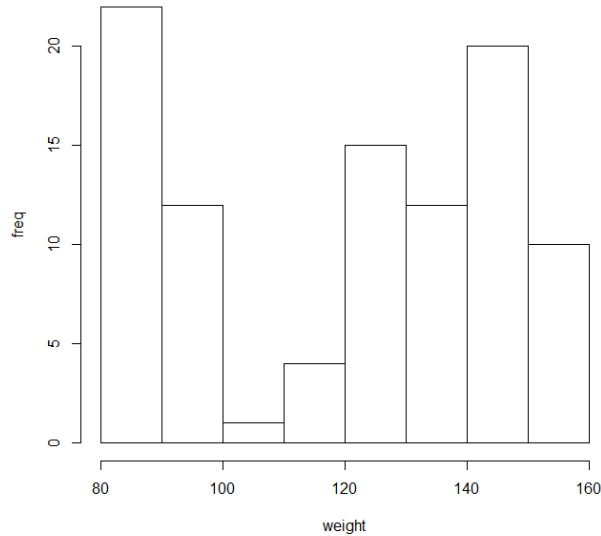
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80, 100	90
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80, 140	110
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150, 130	140
160, 130	145

Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

Histogram of x



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120	4
140	12
110	1
150	20
160	10
130	15

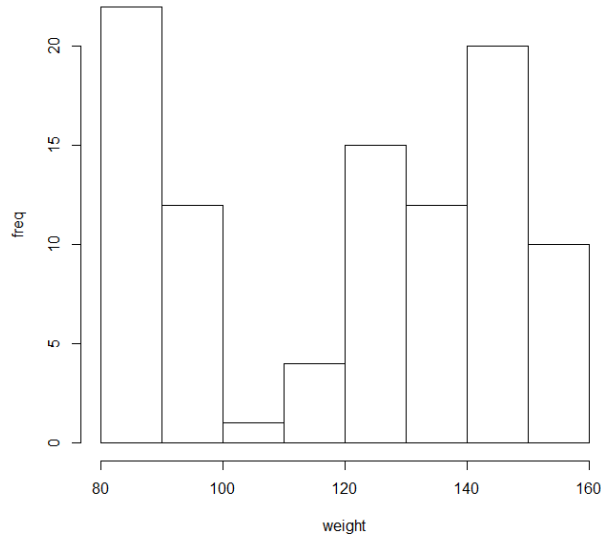
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80, 100, 90, 120, 140, 110, 150, 160, 130

How would you enter these numbers into a vector in R?

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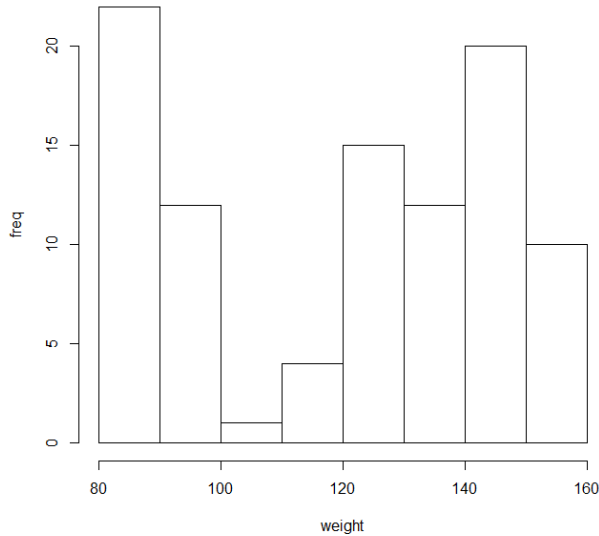
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x<-

```
c(rep(80,20),rep(100,12),rep(90,2),rep(120,4),rep(140,12),rep(110,1),rep(150,20),  
rep(160,10),rep(130,15))
```


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Now, you can sample 10 individuals from this population and find the mean

```
>sample(x,10,replace=TRUE)
```

```
[1] 80 100 100 130 150 80 150 80 140 140
```

```
>mean(sample(x,10,replace=TRUE))
```

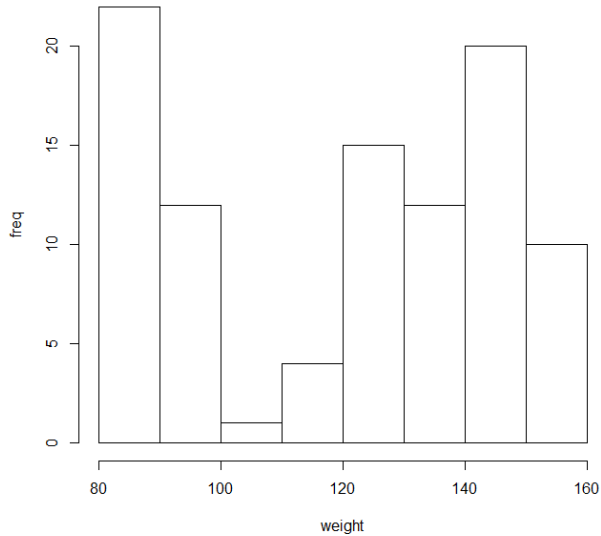
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```

And you can replicate sampling using the function replicate()

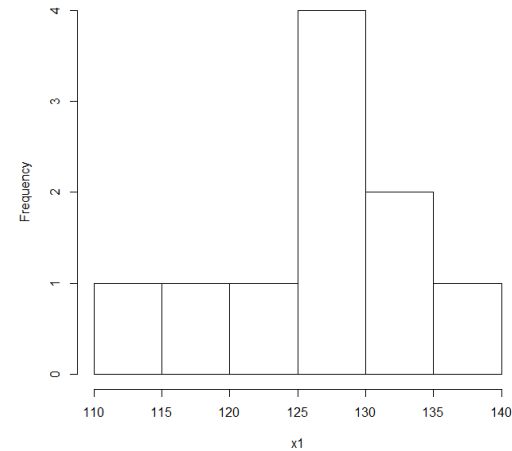
```
>x1<-replicate(10, sample(x,10,replace=TRUE))
```


Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

Histogram of x



Histogram of x1



And you can replicate finding the mean of each sample using the function `replicate()`

```
>x1<-replicate(10, mean(sample(x,10,replace=TRUE)))
```

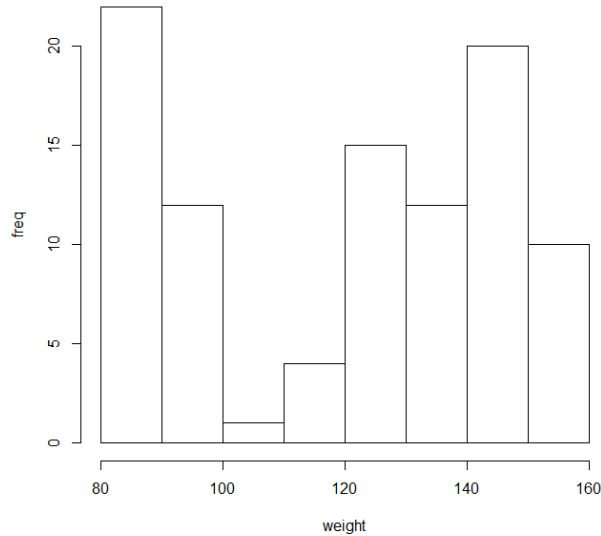
```
[1] 114 129 135 123 128 119 126 127 132 137
```

And draw a histogram of the sample means – replicated 10 times

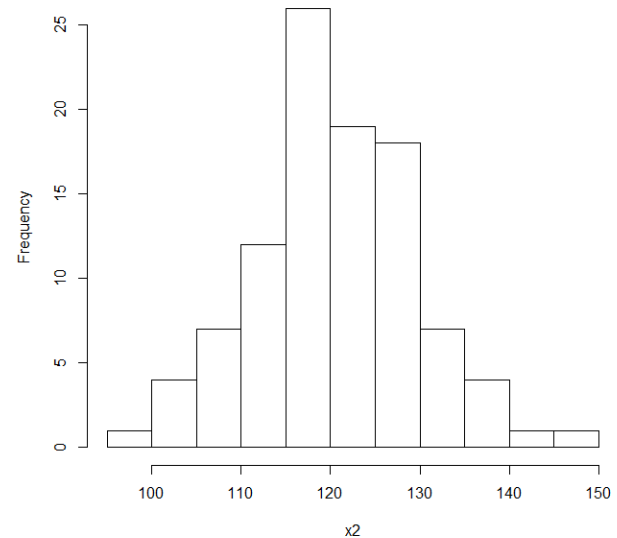
```
>hist(x1)
```

Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

Histogram of x



Histogram of x2



Now lets increase the number of sampling replicates to 100

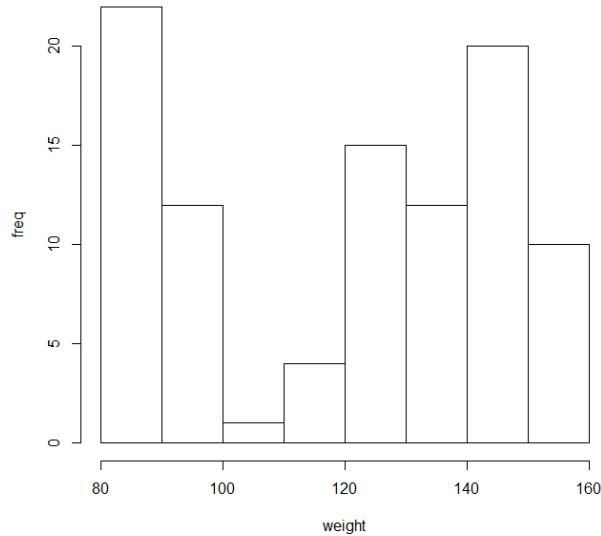
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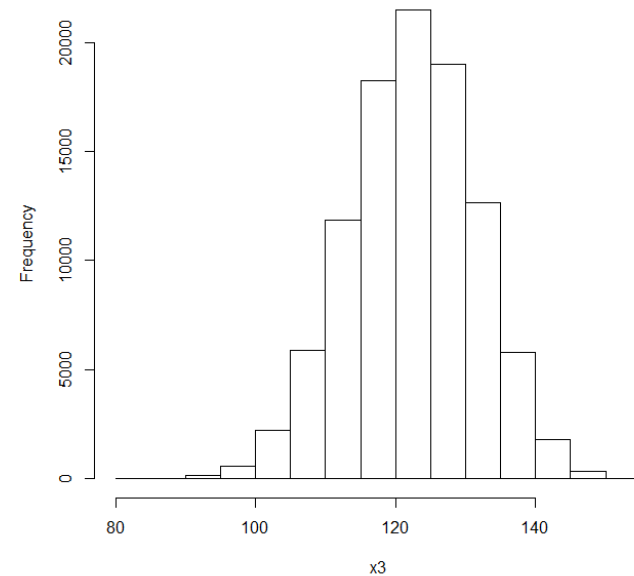
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>hist(x1)
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Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

Histogram of x



Histogram of x3



Now lets increase the number of sampling replicates to 100000

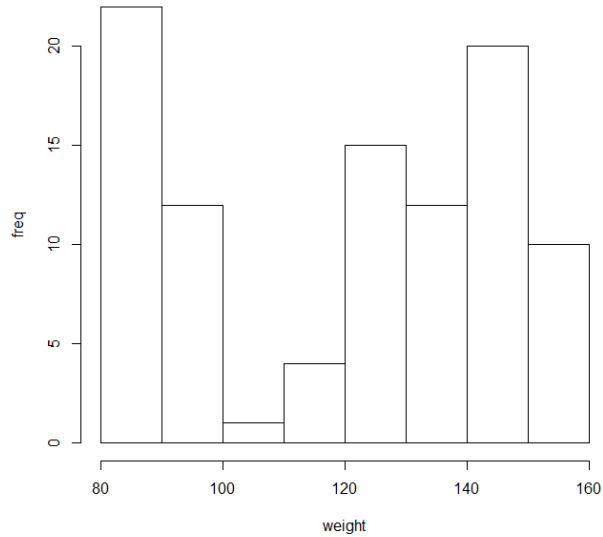
```
>x3<-replicate(100000, mean(sample(x,10,replace=TRUE)))
```

And draw a histogram of the sample means replicated 100 times

```
>hist(x3)
```

Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

Histogram of x

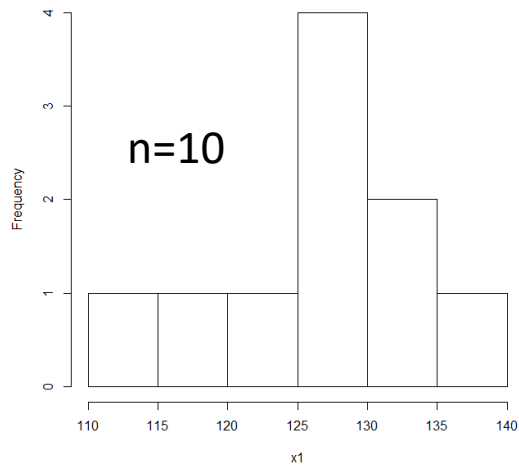


Original distribution

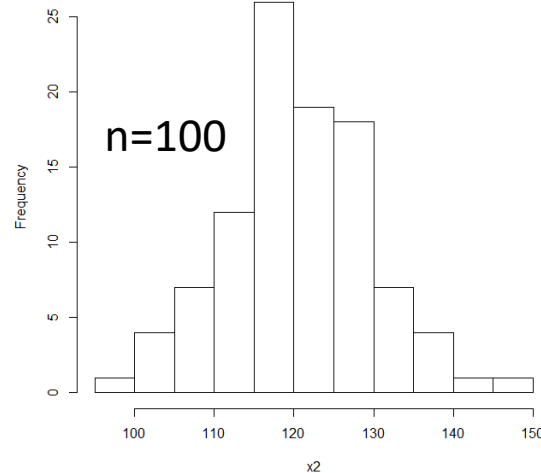
```
> mean(x)
[1] 122.9167
> sd(x)
[1] 28.68767
```

Sampling distribution of
Sample means

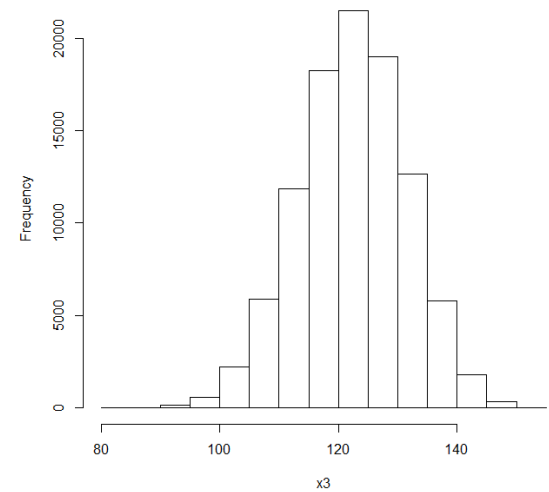
Histogram of x1



Histogram of x2



Histogram of x3



$n=100000$

Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

When n is large, the sampling distribution of \bar{x} will be approximately *normal* with the approximation becoming more precise as n increases

$$\mu_{\bar{x}} = \mu$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$\sigma_{\bar{x}}$ = standard error of \bar{x}

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

μ, σ = population distribution

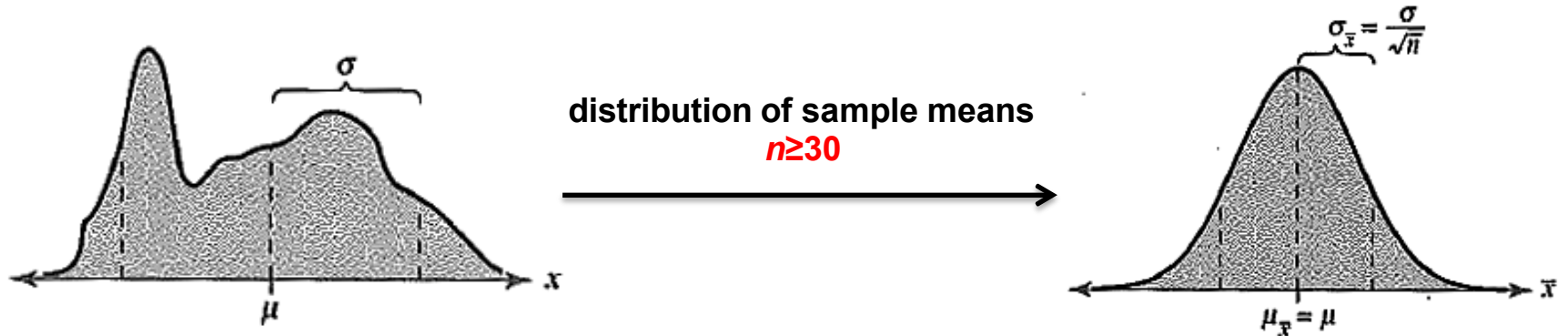
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What number is large enough? ($n > 30$)

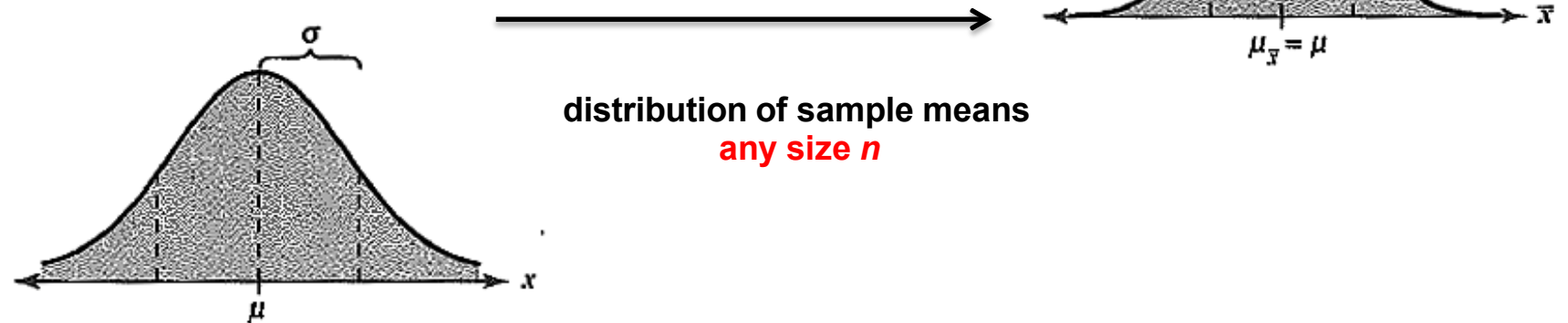
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Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

For any population distribution by CLT

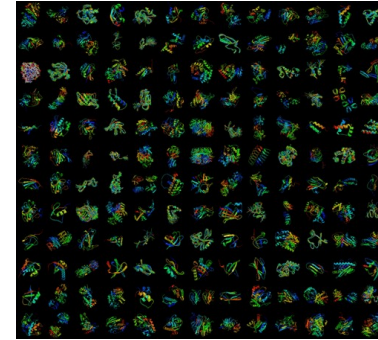
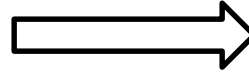
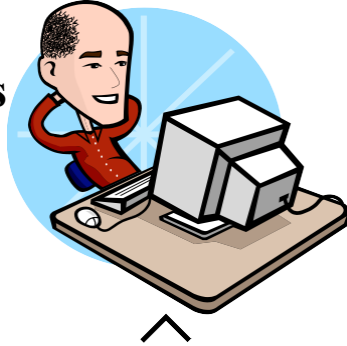


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Statistical Inference

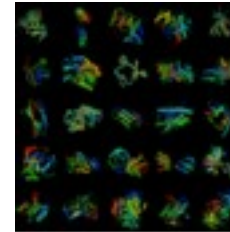
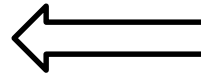
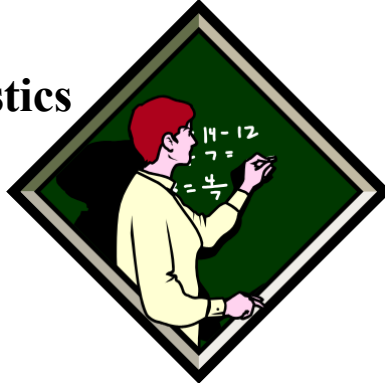
**Estimates
and
tests**



population



Sample statistics
e.g. \bar{X}



sample
randomly selected!!

Statistical Inference

Main approaches for statistical inference

Estimation

Hypothesis testing

What is the value of the population parameter?

Is the parameter value equal to this specific value?

Is the mean gene expression different from zero?

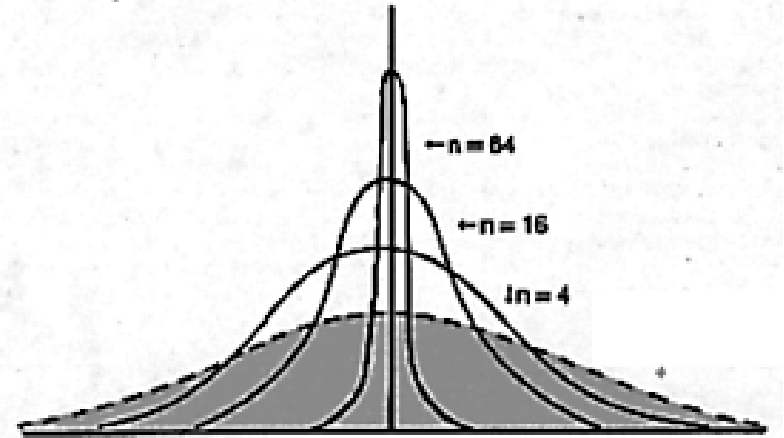
Does the mean gene expression differ between two experiments?

Point estimation

Interval estimation

Point Estimation

\bar{x} can estimate μ



Studied through sampling distribution of \bar{X}

**It provides a *single* value

**It does not provide information about how close the value is to the population parameter

Interval Estimation

It provides a range of values based on one sample.

It provides information about the *closeness to the unknown population parameter* in terms of *probability or confidence*

Example: $n = 40$ proteins, and we want to know the mean weight

Let's say $\bar{x} = 290$

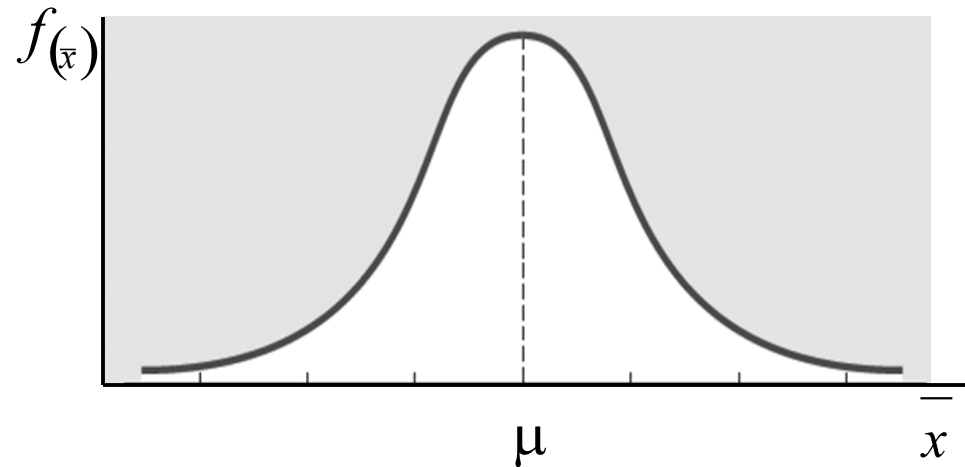
Is μ exactly 290?

Check the sampling distribution \Rightarrow

How about $1 < \mu < 5000$?

--Large range

--We need a small interval with high confidence



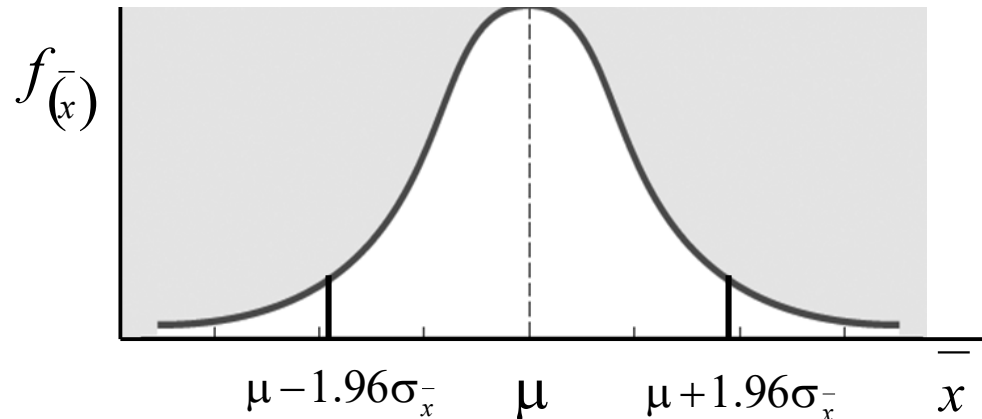
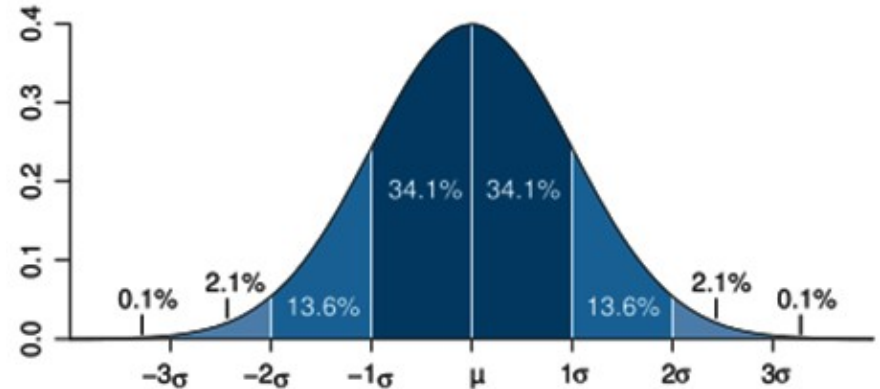
e.g. unknown population mean of protein size is between 260 and 340 with 95% confidence

Interval Estimation

By CLT, we know that for a large n , \bar{x} is approximately normally distributed with a mean μ and a standard error $\sigma_{\bar{x}}$

Remember the empirical rules:

- ~68 % of the values are within 1 standard deviation of the mean
- ~95 % of the values are within 2 standard deviations of the mean
- ~99.7 % lie within 3 standard deviations of the mean



The interval $\mu \pm 2\sigma_{\bar{x}}$

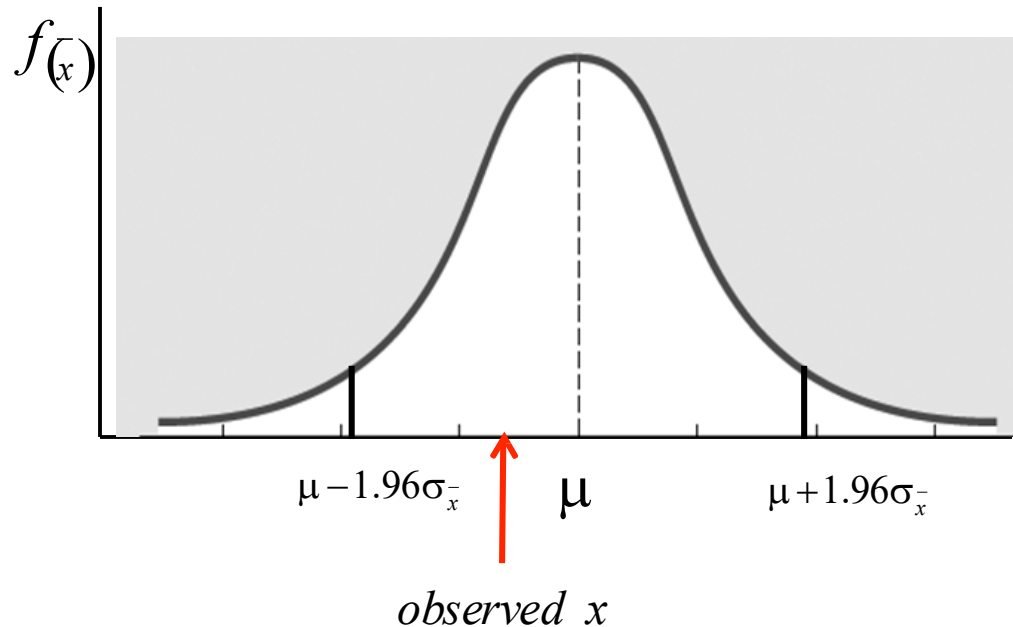
Or more precisely:

$$(\mu - 1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}}, \mu + 1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}})$$

includes 95% of \bar{x} from the sampling

Interval Estimation

Another way to look at this:



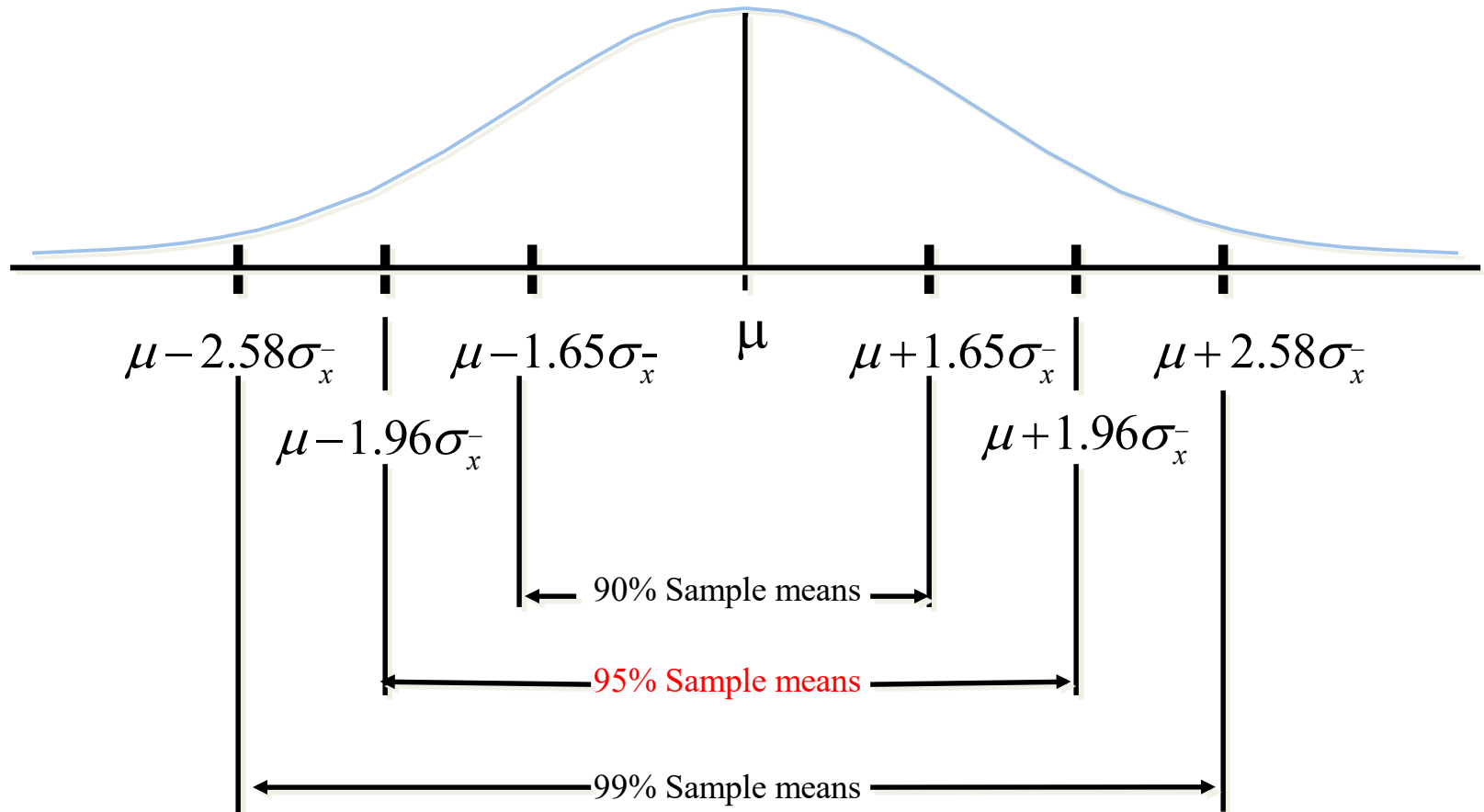
**Any time \bar{x} falls in the interval $\mu \pm 1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}}$, the interval $\bar{x} \pm 1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}}$ will contain the parameter μ .

Since the probability of \bar{x} falls in the interval $\mu \pm 1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}}$ is 0.95

$\Rightarrow \bar{x} \pm 1.96\sigma_{\bar{x}}$

is an interval estimate of μ with level of confidence 95%

Confidence Depends on Interval Z

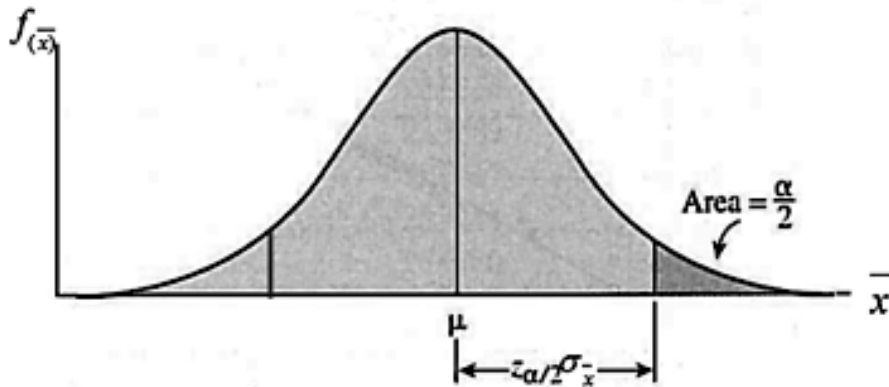


Confidence Depends on Interval Z

When n is large and σ is known, a $100*(1-\alpha)\%$ Confidence Interval for μ has bounds

$$\bar{x} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sigma_{\bar{x}}$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \sigma / \sqrt{n}$$

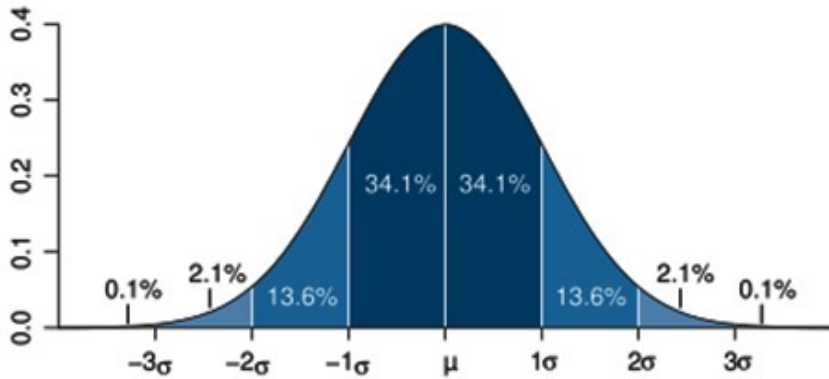


α	$100(1-\alpha)\%$	$Z_{\alpha/2}$
0.10	90%	1.645
0.05	95%	1.96
0.01	99%	2.58

Confidence Interval

1. The probability of the unknown population parameter falls within interval
2. Defined $100*(1-\alpha)\%$ ----**confidence coefficient**
3. Typical values: 99%, 95%, 90%

Normal Distribution



ZSCORE IS HOW MANY STANDARD DEVIATIONS YOU ARE FROM THE MEAN

There are 414 female biology students. The mean height is 166.8. and the stdev is 6.4cm.

What range of heights include 95% of this population? This also means if you randomly select a person, we are 95% confident that this person will be between 154.23 and 179.34 cm.

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} \quad X = z\sigma + \mu$$

$$X = z\sigma + \mu = (-1.96 \times 6.4) + 166.8 = 154.23$$

$$X = z\sigma + \mu = (1.96 \times 6.4) + 166.8 = 179.34$$

$$154.23 < X < 179.34$$

Topics

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- Normal Approximation of the Binomial

Normal Approximation to Binomial Distribution

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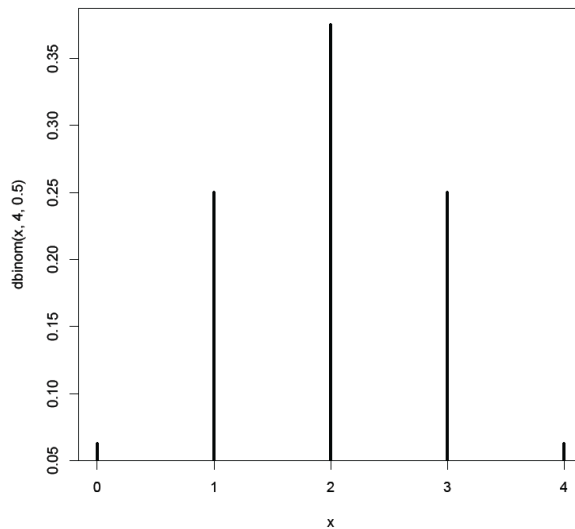
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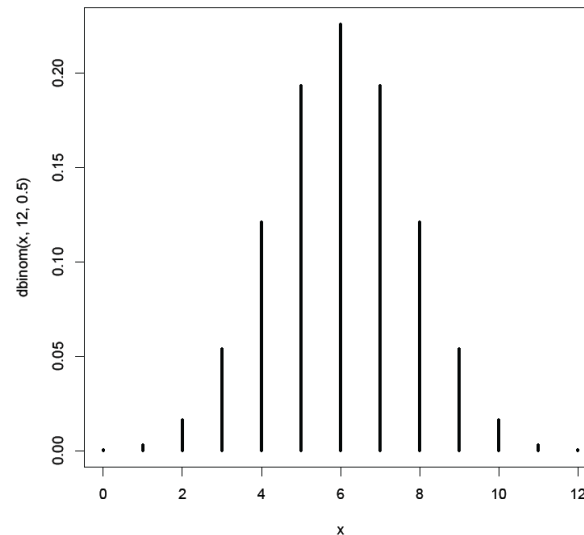
Probability density function of X is:

$$P(X = k) = \binom{n}{k} p^k (1 - p)^{n-k}, \quad \text{for } k = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

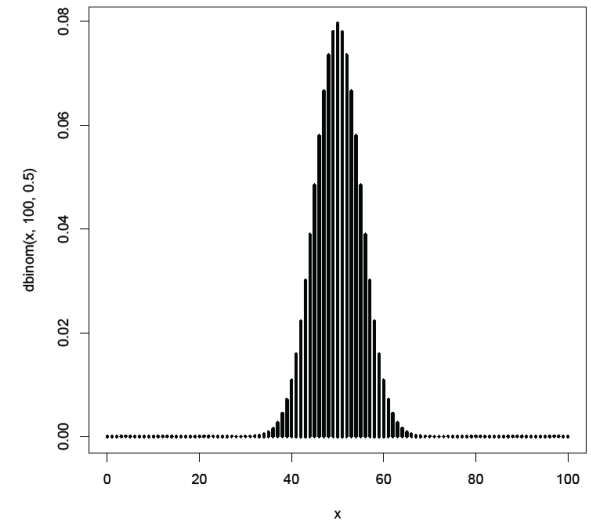
$$\mu_x = np \text{ and } \sigma_x = \sqrt{np(1 - p)}$$



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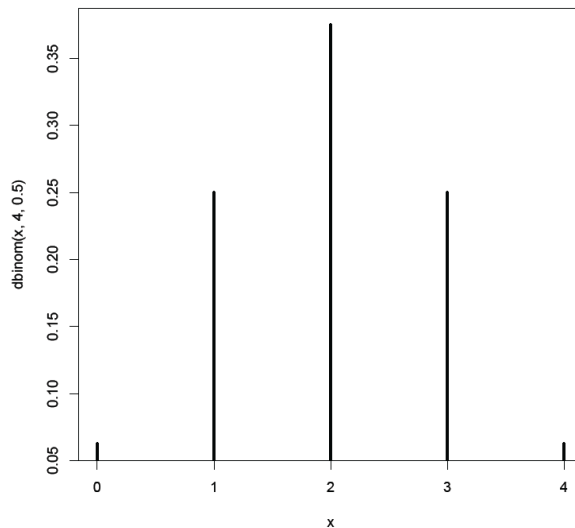
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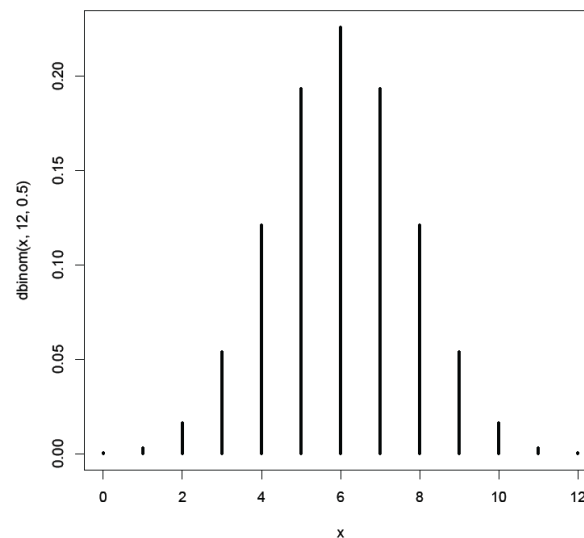
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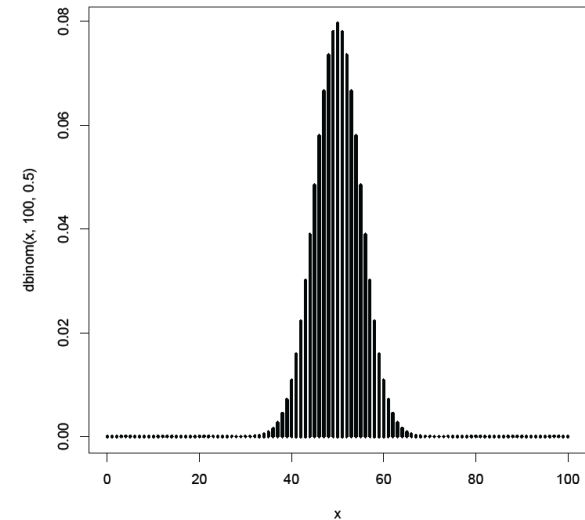
When n is large, and p is not too close to 0 or 1, the binomial distribution begins to approximate a normal distribution --- **Z SCORE TIME**



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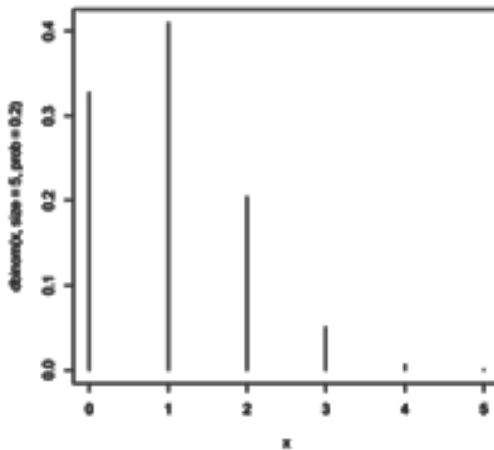
Normal Approximation to Binomial Distribution

Appropriate conditions for normal approximation to binomial distribution:

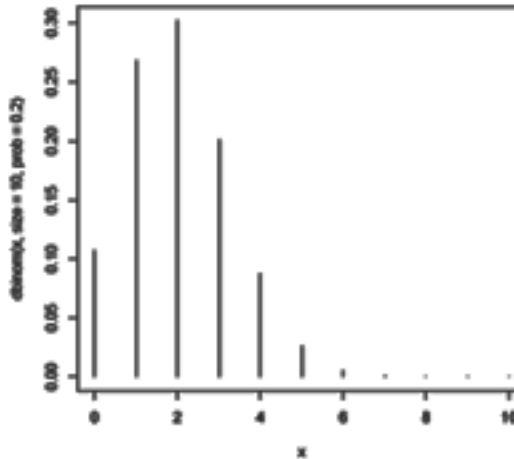
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Rule of thumb: $np \geq 5$ AND $n(1-p) \geq 5$

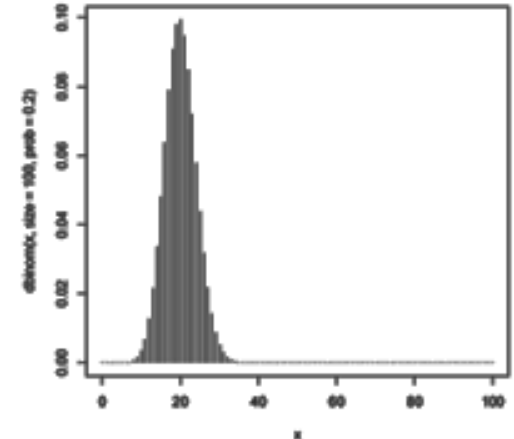
Otherwise the actual binomial distribution is skewed to the left or the right



$n=5, p=0.2$



$n=10, p=0.2$



$n=100, p=0.2$

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Note: We converted a binomial (discrete) to a normal (continuous) so we can use non-discrete values for prob.

BINF6200/8200:Statistics for Bioinformatics

Lab 4

R - Poisson Distribution

R - Creating figures, labeling axis

R - Testing for Normality

R - Drawing/Shading Normal Dist.

Poisson Distribution

In general, functions for each distribution...

Name	Description
<i>d</i> name	Density or probability function
<i>p</i> name	Cumulative density function
<i>q</i> name	Quantile function
<i>r</i> name	Random numbers following the distribution

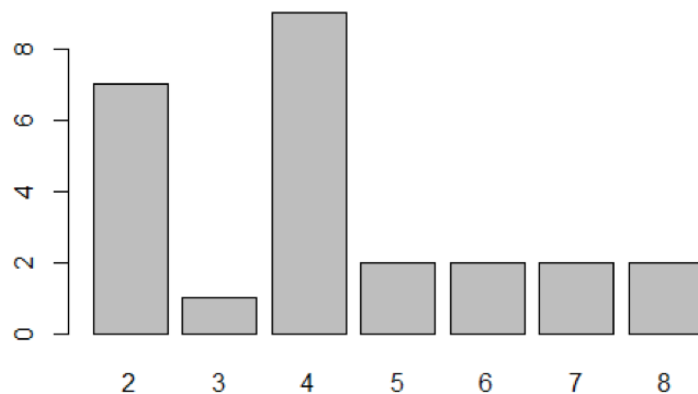
Poisson Distribution

❖ Generate 25 random numbers following Poisson distribution with $\lambda = 4$

> `set.seed(423)` # make the generated numbers repeatable

> `v <- rpois(25, 4)`

> `barplot(table(v))` # `table()` build a contingency table of the counts at each combination of factor levels



➤ The bar plot is an estimate of the probability distribution. It is more appropriate than a histogram, because the data are discrete, not continuous.

Plotting

❖ Graphing techniques we've learned so far ...

> boxplot()

> barplot()

> hist()

➤ The most used plotting function in R is the **plot()** function. It is a generic function, including many methods which are called according to the type of object passed to plot().

Usage

```
plot(x, y, ...)
```

Arguments

x the coordinates of points in the plot. Alternatively, a single plotting structure, function or *any R object with a `plot` method* can be provided.

y the y coordinates of points in the plot, *optional* if **x** is an appropriate structure.

Plotting

Changing plot type:

type= "p".	# points
"l"	# lines
"b"	# both lines and points
"h"	# histogram-like vertical lines
"s"	# stair steps

Adding title & axis label:

main=	# overall plot title
sub=	# sub title
xlab=	# a title for x axis
ylab=	# a title for y axis

Changing color & symbol:

col=	# color of the plot
pch=	# specify symbols to use when plotting points

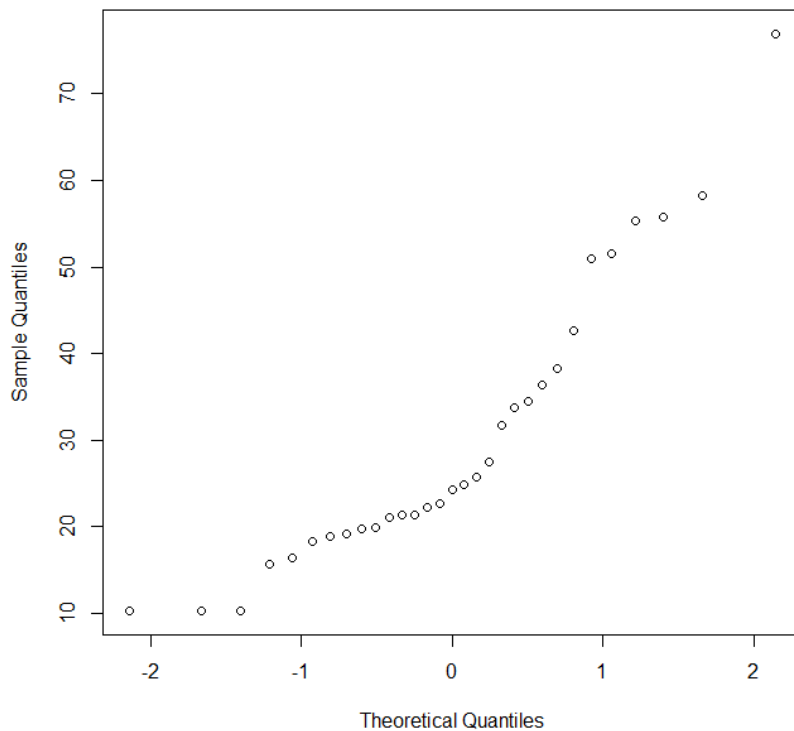
Testing for Normality

You can test for normality by using a probability plot – qqplot in R

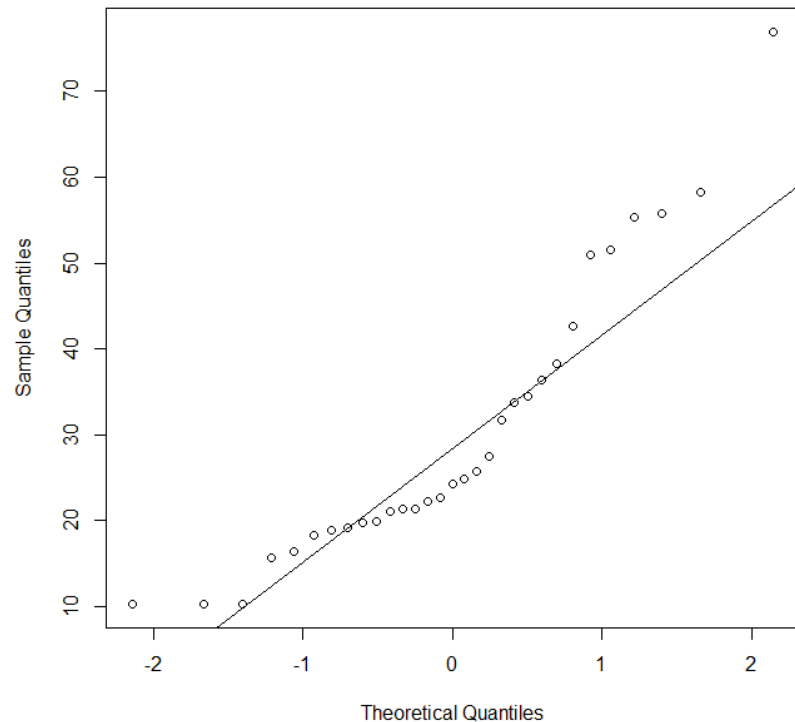
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> qqnorm(trees.data$Volume)
```

```
> qqline(trees.data$Volume)
```

Normal Q-Q Plot

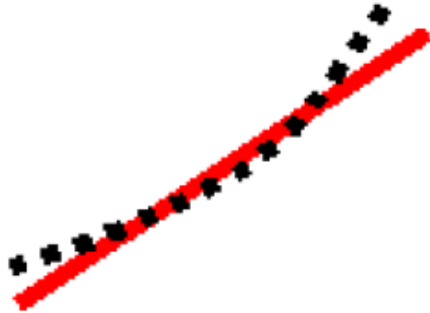


Normal Q-Q Plot



Testing for Normality

It indicates that your distribution has:

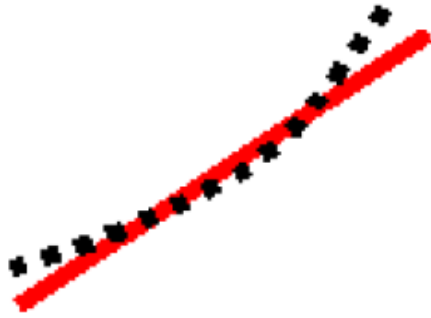


Right Skew – if the plotted points appear to bend up and to the left of the normal line, that indicates a long tail to the right



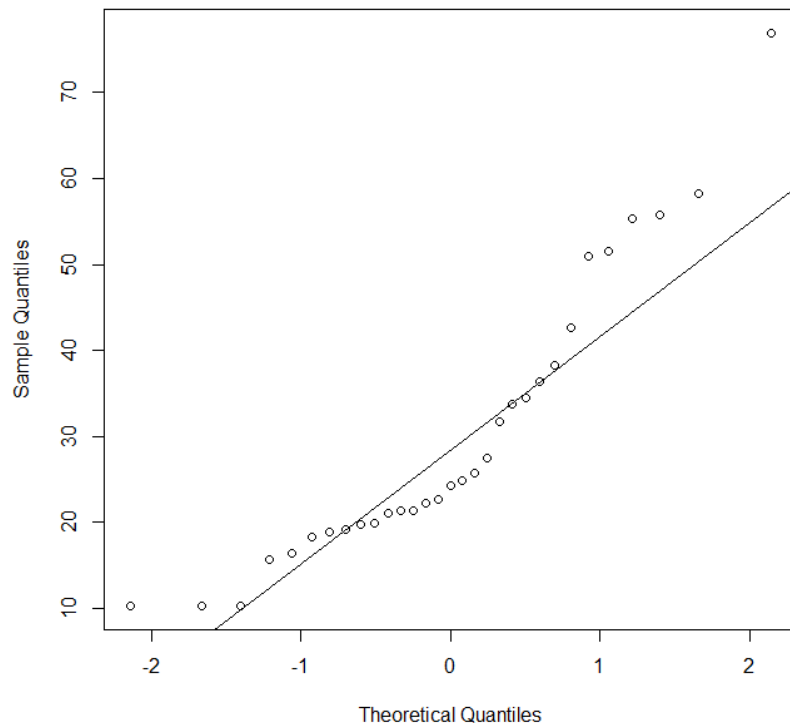
Left Skew – if the plotted points appear to bend down and to the right of the normal line, that indicates a long tail to the left

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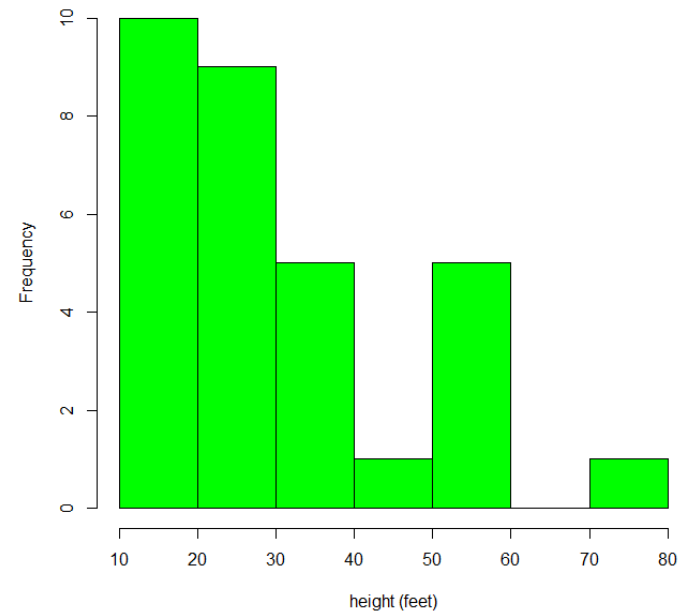


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Normal Q-Q Plot



Histogram for 31 felled black cherry trees



Testing for Normality

You can test for normality by using a normality test : SW test in R

```
> shapiro.test(trees.data$Volume)
```

Shapiro-Wilk normality test

data: trees.data\$Volume

W = 0.88757, p-value = 0.003579

```
>
```

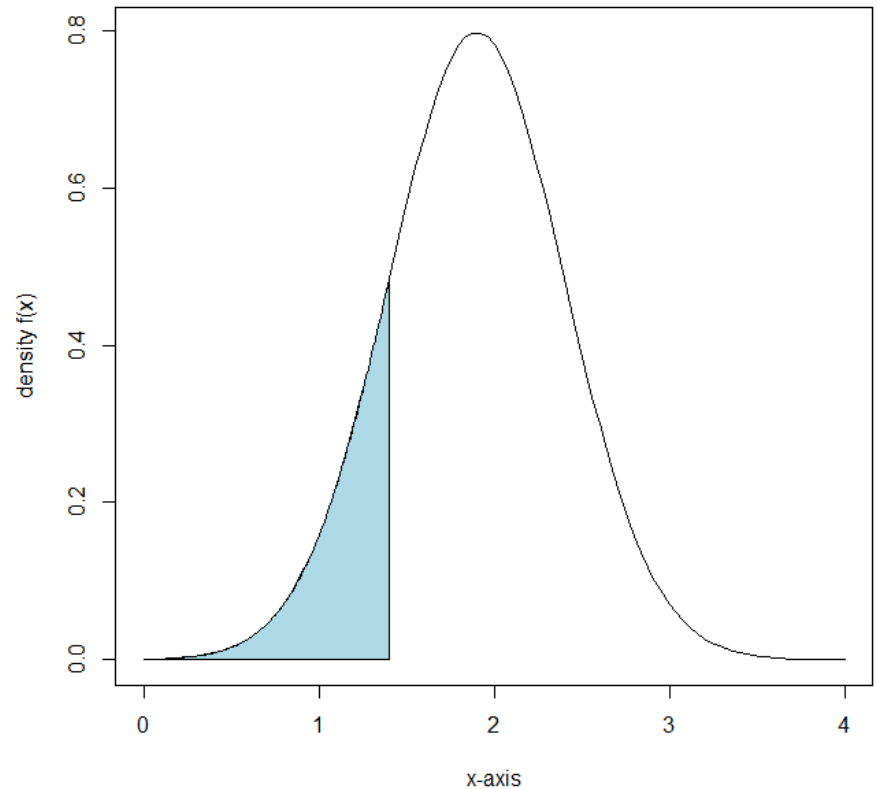
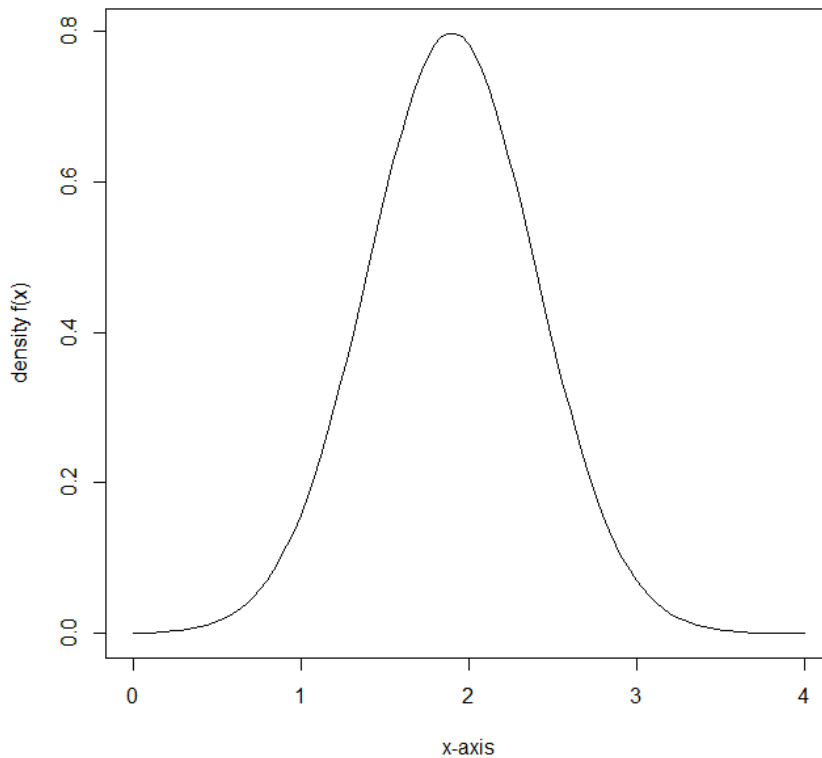
Plotting a Normal Dist

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```

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```

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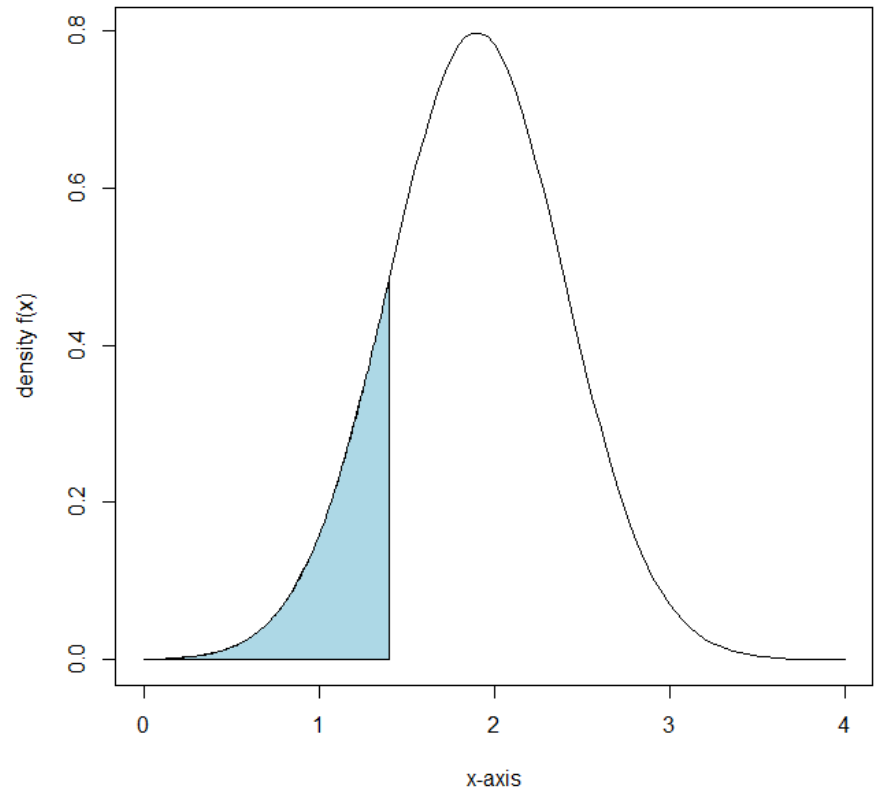
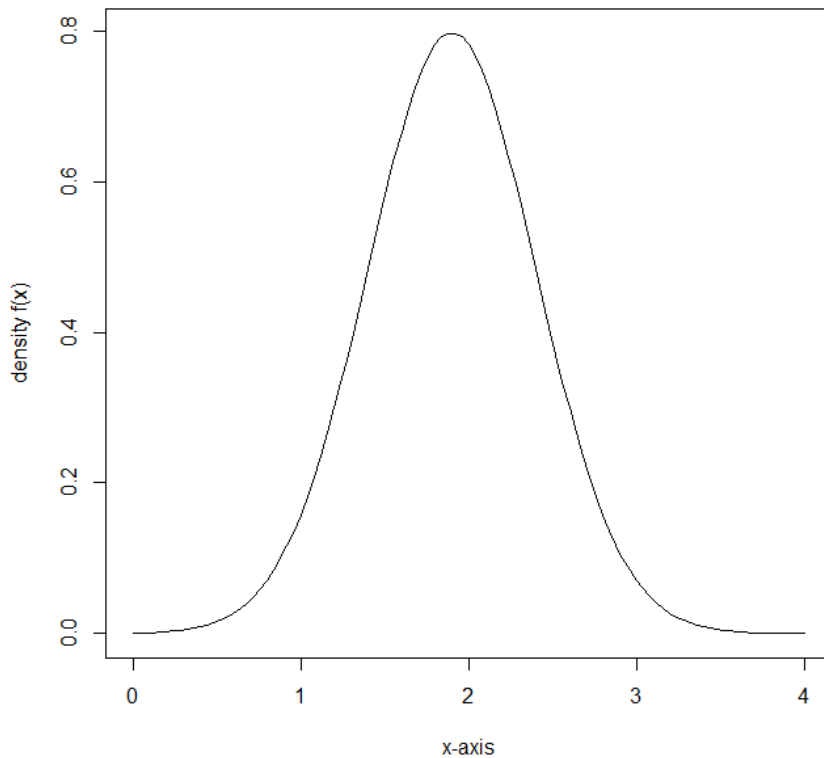
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Polygon allows you to draw (x,y)



Plotting

- ❖ We can also use package “ggplot2” to plot.
- ❖ Resources (google):
 - package ggplot 2
 - 10 reasons to switch to ggplot
 - <https://mandymejia.com/2013/11/13/10-reasons-to-switch-to-ggplot-7/>
 - ggplot vs. base graph
 - <https://flowingdata.com/2016/03/22/comparing-ggplot2-and-r-base-graphics/>