

Finite population correction factor

Exercise 03 Suppose we draw a sample of size n from a finite population of size N ($2 \leq n < N$), where sampling is without replacement. Then find the finite population correction factor

$$FPC = \sqrt{\frac{N - n}{N - 1}}$$

in each the following cases.

(1) $N = 50, n = 10$

(2) $N = 100, n = 50$

(3) $N = 500, n = 200$

(4) $N = 1,000, n = 30$

Answer:

(1) $FPC = \sqrt{\frac{50 - 10}{50 - 1}} \approx 0.904$

(2) $FPC = \sqrt{\frac{100 - 50}{100 - 1}} \approx 0.711$

(3) $FPC = \sqrt{\frac{500 - 200}{500 - 1}} \approx 0.775$

(4) $FPC = \sqrt{\frac{1,000 - 30}{1,000 - 1}} \approx 0.985$