

MH4511 Sampling & Survey

Tutorial 9

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Problem 9.1

A College has 10 classes of Calculus 101. Due to timetable conflicts, the number of students in each class has quite a large variation, as shown in the table below:

Class Index	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Number of Students	23	50	14	20	62	17	33	27	54	29

Suppose a researcher wants to sample 5 classes with replacement, with probability proportional to size (pps), and then collect a set of questionnaire from some of the students in the selected classes.

- a) Use the Lahiri's method and the following pairs of random numbers to determine which classes are to be selected in the sample:
 $\{(f_i, s_i): (3,25), (7,23), (2,43), (6,30), (9,18), (2,52), (5,39), (10,28), (4,9)\}$
 where f_i, s_i are random integers generated from 1 to 10, and 1 to 62, respectively.
- b) Use the cumulative-size method and the following set of random numbers generated between 1 and 329, to determine the classes to be selected in the sample: {145, 287, 23, 98, 196}.

Problem 9.2

A university has a total of 807 faculty members in 27 academic units. The academic units range in size from 2 to 80. Suppose the Lahiri's method was used to choose 10 academic units with probabilities proportional to size and with replacement, and took an SRS of four (or fewer, if $M_i < 4$) members from each academic unit. For each selected faculty member, the number of refereed publications (y_{ij}) was recorded.

Sampled Unit (i)	M_i	ψ_i	y_{ij}
14	65	65/807	3, 0, 0, 4
23	25	25/807	2, 1, 2, 0
9	48	48/807	0, 0, 1, 0
14	65	65/807	2, 0, 1, 0
16	2	2/807	2, 0
6	62	62/807	0, 2, 2, 5
14	65	65/807	1, 0, 0, 3
19	62	62/807	4, 1, 0, 0
21	61	61/807	2, 2, 3, 1
11	41	41/807	2, 5, 12, 3

The results are given in the table above. Note that academic unit 14 appears three times in the sample; each time it appears, a different subsample was collected. Find the estimated total number of publications, along with its standard error.

Problem 9.3

A manufacturing plant has a total of 800 employees in 20 operational units. The operational units range in size (M_i) from 2 to 80. Suppose the Lahiri's method was used to choose 6 operational units with probabilities proportional to size and with replacement, and took an SRS of four (or fewer, if $M_i < 4$) members from each operational unit. For each selected employee, the number of days of sick leave (y_{ij}) in the past year was recorded. The results are given in the table below. Note that operational unit 13 appears two times in the sample; each time it appears, a different subsample was collected.

Sampled Unit (i)	M_i	ψ_i	y_{ij}
13	65	65/800	3, 8, 5, 4
20	26	26/800	2, 2, 2, 4
9	48	48/800	10, 6, 1, 5
13	65	65/800	2, 2, 1, 7
16	4	4/800	2, 3, 5, 8
6	62	62/800	9, 2, 2, 5

- a) What are the primary and secondary units in this survey?
- b) Find the estimated total number of days of sick leave for the manufacturing plant, along with its standard error.