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Wk 9, Tu

Topic:: Sampling distributions, etc.

Read:: FAST 4.3

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i.i.d. ?  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} X_1 = \text{\# of meals purchased until get prize 1.} \\ \vdots \\ X_i = \text{\# of meals purchased until get prize } i \end{array} \right.$

↑  
What distribution?

$$X_i - 1 \sim \text{Geom}(\pi = 1/10)$$

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Q: Difference between  $E(3X)$  and  $E(X_1 + X_2 + X_3)$

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roll 5  
 $3X \rightarrow 15$

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 $1 + 4 + 2 = 7$

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Friday: some take-home problems

## 4.3 Estimates, estimators, and distributions

Distinction between

- population and sample
  - parameters and statistics
  - estimators and estimates
  - sample distribution and sampling distribution
- Estimator is a variable, estimate is value of that variable

parameters: inherent vs. built into population

- $\lambda$  (exponential/Poisson),  $\alpha, \beta$  (beta, Weibull)
- moments ( $E(X)$ ,  $E(X^2)$ , ...,  $\text{Var}(X)$ , ...)

statistics:  $\bar{X}$ ,  $S$ ,  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^k$  computed from sample

## Sampling methods

There are all kinds of ways to take a sample. To name a few:

- convenience sample notably nonrepresentative
- voluntary sample
- systematic sample
- simple random sample (SRS)
- i.i.d. sample

Sampling distribution of the sample mean  $\bar{X}$  (SRS  $n=20$ )

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Distinction between  $\bar{X}$ ,  $\bar{x}$  ~~capitals~~

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} (X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)$$

process followed

a r.v. whose value  $\bar{x}$  changes from sample to sample.