

SOC 4930/5050: PS-05 - Foundations for Inference

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Directions

Please complete all steps below. Your your work “by hand” as well as your well-formatted R Notebook source (the .Rmd file) and html output should be uploaded to your GitHub assignment repository by 4:15pm on Monday, October 9nd, 2017.

Use the following scenario: CDC data suggests that the population average cholesterol level is 196. Assume that this distribution has a standard deviation of 20.

Part 1: Sampling Distributions

1. Assume you draw repeated random samples of $n=1250$ students. What is the standard error of these repeated samples?
2. If you were to draw repeated random samples of $n=1250$ students, what proportion of these samples will have sample means greater-than or equal to 225?
3. What sample size would we need to have a sample mean that is within 10 points of the population's?

Part 2: Predictive Intervals

4. Calculate and interpret a 95% predictive interval for x .
5. Calculate and interpret a 99% predictive interval for x .
6. Calculate and interpret a 95% predictive interval for \bar{x} .
7. Calculate and interpret a 99.9% predictive interval for \bar{x} .

Part 3: Confidence Intervals

8. Calculate and interpret a 95% confidence interval assuming we draw a random sample of $n=1000$ students.

9. Calculate and interpret a 99.9% confidence interval assuming we draw a random sample of $n=1000$ students.
10. Calculate and interpret a 95% confidence interval assuming we draw a random sample of $n=1500$ students.
11. Calculate and interpret a 99% confidence interval assuming we draw a random sample of $n=1500$ students.

Rubric

Individual Questions					
Part 1		Part 2		Part 3	
Question	Points	Question	Points	Question	Points
1 through 3	2	4 through 7	2	8 through 11	2
<i>Points Possible</i>	6		8		8

Note: Partial credit possible

Notebook Formatting & RMarkdown		
Category	Details	Points
Excellent	Syntax used appropriately & without error	4
Good	Minor concerns with syntax use	2.5
Improvement Needed	Significant concerns with syntax	1
Unsatisfactory	No RMarkdown used	0
<i>Points Possible</i>		4

Literate Programming		
Category	Details	Points
Excellent	Narrative throughout with great detail	4
Good	Some narrative with inconsistent detail	2.5
Improvement Needed	Limited narrative with little detail	1
Unsatisfactory	No narrative included	0
<i>Points Possible</i>		4