

OC3140

HW/Lab 6 Sampling Distribution

1. The heights of 1000 students are approximately normal distributed with a mean of 174.5 centimeters and a standard deviation of 6.9 centimeters. If 200 random samples of size 25 are drawn from this population and the means recorded to the nearest tenth of a centimeter, determine
 - (a) The mean and standard error of the sampling distribution of \bar{X} ;
 - (b) The number of sample means that fall between 172.5 and 175.8 centimeters inclusive;
 - (c) The number of sample means falling below 172.0 centimeters.

Solution:

$$(a) \mu_{\bar{X}} = \mu = 174.5 \text{ and } \sigma_{\bar{X}} = \sigma / \sqrt{n} = 6.9 / 5 = 1.38$$

$$(b) Z_1 = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{172.5 - 174.5}{1.38} = -1.45, \quad Z_2 = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{175.8 - 174.5}{1.38} = 0.94,$$

$$P(-0.4 < z < 0.26) = P(0.94) - P(-1.45) = P(0.94) - 1 + P(1.45) = 0.82639 - 1 + 0.92647 = 0.7529, \\ N = 0.7529 * 200 = 150.58 \approx 151;$$

$$(c) Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{172 - 174.5}{1.38} = -1.8116,$$

$$P(-1.8116) = 1 - P(1.8116) = 1 - 0.9649 = 0.0351, \quad N = 0.0351 * 200 = 7.$$

2. The daily high temperature of May in Monterey bay area is approximately normally distribution with mean equal to 67° F and a standard deviation of 4° F.
 - (a). Find the probability daily high temperature of May hot than 69° F.
 - (b). Find the probability that the average of daily high temperature of the coming May hot than 69° F.

Solution:

$$(a). Z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} = 0.5, \text{ From the standard normal distribution table, } F(Z < 1) = 0.6915, \\ \text{so } F(Z > 1) = 1 - 0.6915 = 0.3085. \text{ The probability daily high temperature of May hot than } 69^\circ \text{ F is } 30.85 \%.$$

- (b). That will be the mean of a random sample of size 31 taken from a population with mean $\mu = 67$ and finite variance $\sigma^2 = 4^2$. According Central Limit

Theorem (CLT), the limiting probability distribution of $Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$ follows

the standard normal distribution.

$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{69 - 67}{4 / \sqrt{31}} = 2.7839 \approx 2.8$$

From the standard normal distribution table, $F(Z < 2.8) = 0.9974$, so $F(Z > 2.8) = 1 - 0.9974 = 0.0026$.

The probability that the average of daily high temperature of the coming May hot than 69° F will be 0.26 %.

3. A manufacturer of car batteries guarantees that his batteries will last, on the average, 3 years with a standard deviation of 1 year. If five of these batteries have lifetimes of 1.9, 2.4, 3.0, 3.5 and 4.2 years, is the manufacturer still convinced that his batteries have a standard deviation of 1 year? (using 5 %)

Solution:

Try Chi square (χ^2) distribution (see Chapter 5, Page 8)

$x = 1.9, 2.4, 3.0, 3.5, 4.2$, $n=5$, $\sigma = 1$ (standard deviation of 1 year).

$$\bar{x} = 3.0, s^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1} = 0.815, \chi^2 = \frac{(n-1)s^2}{\sigma^2} = 3.26.$$

From χ^2 distribution table (Chapter 5 Page 12) with

$$df = n - 1 = 4, P(0.711) = 0.95, P(9.488) = 0.05.$$

Since

$$0.711 < \chi^2 (= 3.26) < 9.488,$$

the standard deviation of 1 year is reasonable.

4. A normal population with unknown variance has a mean of 20. Is one likely to obtain a random sample of size 9 from this population with a mean of 24 and a standard deviation of 4.1?

Solution:

$$\mu = 20, n=9, \bar{x} = 24, s=4.1, t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{24 - 20}{4.1 / 3} = 2.9268, v = n - 1 = 8, \text{ and}$$

$t_{0.95} = 1.86$, as $t = 2.93 > t_{0.95}$, it unlikely obtained from this population and $\mu > 20$.

5. A manufacturer of light bulbs claims that his bulbs will burn on the average 500 hours. To maintain this average, he tests 25 bulbs each month. If the computed t-value falls between $-t_{0.05}$ and $t_{0.05}$, he is satisfied with his claim. What conclusion should he draw from a sample that has a mean ($\bar{x} = 518$ hours) and a standard deviation $s = 40$ hours?

Solution:

Compute the t -value (see Chapter 5, Page 13)

$$\mu = 500, n = 25, \bar{x} = 518 \text{ and } s = 40.$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s / \sqrt{n}} = 2.25.$$

Use the t-distribution table (Chapter 5 Page 17),

$$df = n - 1 = 24, t_{0.05} = 1.711.$$

Since $t = 2.25 > t_{0.05}$, the average hours may be more than 500.

6. Two GPS receivers record the height at same location and same time period. The GPS receiver-A recorded 121 data with variance $s_A^2 = 16$, and the receiver-B got 61 data with variance $s_B^2 = 20$. Determine if these two GPS receivers get the data with equal variances. ($\alpha = 0.05$)

GPS receiver	Sample size n	Sample Variance s^2
A	121	16
B	61	20

Solution:

That is the problem about two samples with two different sample sizes. As the data from same location and same time period, so we can assume $\sigma_A^2 = \sigma_B^2$. The F- distribution can be used as:

$$F = \frac{s_B^2}{s_A^2} = \frac{20}{16} = 1.2$$

We have $\nu_1 = \nu_B = 61 - 1 = 60$ and $\nu_2 = \nu_A = 121 - 1 = 120$. From F-table, $f_{0.05}(60, 120) = 1.43$. As $F = 1.2 < 1.43$, these two GPS receivers get the data with equal variances.