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UE19CS203 – STATISTICS FOR DATA SCIENCE

Unit-1 - Introduction to Data Science

QUESTION BANK – SOLVED

Sampling Methods

Exercises for Section 1.1

- 1. True or false:
- a. A simple random sample is guaranteed to reflect exactly the population from which it was drawn.
- b. A simple random sample is free from any systematic tendency to differ from the population from which it was drawn.

[Text Book Exercise – Section 1.1 – Q. No.3 – Pg. No. 12]

Solution:

- (a) False
 - Because of sampling variation
 - Hence a simple random sampling is not guaranteed to reflect exactly the population from which it was drawn.
- (b) True
 - A simple random sampling is guaranteed to free from systematic tendancy to differ from the population which it was drawn.
- 2. (i) A shipment of apples is to be tested for quality. A quality inspector draws a simple random of 40 apples and tests the condition of each. She finds that 6 of them, or 15%, are rotten. She concludes that exactly 15% of the shipment is rotten. However, her supervisor claims that the proportion of rotten apples is close to 15%. Whose conclusion is more statistically appropriate?

(ii) Now, a different inspector conducted the same experiment but found that 4 apples, or 10%, are rotten. The first inspector claims that he must have done something wrong, since her results showed 15% and not 10%. Is she right?

[Other Sources]

Solution:

- (i) The supervisor is right. Because of sampling variation, a simple random sample does not reflect the population perfectly.
- (ii) She is wrong. Because of sampling variation, two different simple random samples can differ from each other and from the population