

8.25 The average life of a bread-making machine is 7 years, with a standard deviation of 1 year. Assuming that the lives of these machines follow approximately a normal distribution, find

- (a) the probability that the mean life of a random sample of 9 such machines falls between 6.4 and 7.2 years;
- (b) the value of x to the right of which 15% of the means computed from random samples of size 9 would fall.

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8.26 The amount of time that a drive-through bank teller spends on a customer is a random variable with a mean $\mu = 3.2$ minutes and a standard deviation $\sigma = 1.6$ minutes. If a random sample of 64 customers

8.31 Consider Case Study 8.2 on page 238. Suppose 18 specimens were used for each type of paint in an experiment and $\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B$, the actual difference in mean drying time, turned out to be 1.0.

- (a) Does this seem to be a reasonable result if the

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two population mean drying times truly are equal? Make use of the result in the solution to Case Study 8.2.

- (b) If someone did the experiment 10,000 times under the condition that $\mu_A = \mu_B$, in how many of those 10,000 experiments would there be a difference $\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B$ that was as large as (or larger than) 1.0?

exceeds the government limit? Answer your question by computing

$$P(\bar{X} \geq 7960 \mid \mu = 7950).$$

Assume that the distribution of benzene concentration is normal.

8.34 Two alloys, A and B, are being used to manufacture

8.49 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? If not, what conclusion would you draw?

9.27 Consider the situation of Case Study 9.1 on page 281 with a larger sample of metal pieces. The diameters are as follows: 1.01, 0.97, 1.03, 1.04, 0.99, 0.98, 1.01, 1.03, 0.99, 1.00, 1.00, 0.99, 0.98, 1.01, 1.02, 0.99 centimeters. Once again the normality assumption may be made. Do the following and compare your results to those of the case study. Discuss how they are different and why.

- (a) Compute a 99% confidence interval on the mean diameter.
- (b) Compute a 99% prediction interval on the next diameter to be measured.
- (c) Compute a 99% tolerance interval for coverage of the central 95% of the distribution of diameters.

variety was planted on a plot of equal area at each university, and the yields, in kilograms per plot, were recorded as follows:

9.49 Two different brands of latex paint are being considered for use. Fifteen specimens of each type of

paint were selected, and the drying times, in hours, were as follows:

Paint A					Paint B				
3.5	2.7	3.9	4.2	3.6	4.7	3.9	4.5	5.5	4.0
2.7	3.3	5.2	4.2	2.9	5.3	4.3	6.0	5.2	3.7
4.4	5.2	4.0	4.1	3.4	5.5	6.2	5.1	5.4	4.8

Assume the drying time is normally distributed with $\sigma_A = \sigma_B$. Find a 95% confidence interval on $\mu_B - \mu_A$, where μ_A and μ_B are the mean drying times.

9.50 Two levels (low and high) of insulin doses are given to two groups of diabetic rats to check the insulin-binding capacity, yielding the following data:

Low dose: $n_1 = 8$ $\bar{x}_1 = 1.98$ $s_1 = 0.51$
 High dose: $n_2 = 13$ $\bar{x}_2 = 1.30$ $s_2 = 0.35$

Assume that the variances are equal. Give a 95% confidence interval for the difference in the true average insulin-binding capacity between the two samples.

- 9.53** (a) A random sample of 200 voters in a town is selected, and 114 are found to support an annexation suit. Find the 96% confidence interval for the fraction of the voting population favoring the suit.
- (b) What can we assert with 96% confidence about the possible size of our error if we estimate the fraction of voters favoring the annexation suit to be 0.57?