

Solutions to Study Questions

1.) Let X = length of a randomly selected shelf produced by the company

We are told $X \sim N(\mu_x = 170, \sigma_x^2 = (.625)^2)$

Problem: Find $P(168 \leq X \leq 171)$

$$P(168 \leq X \leq 171) = P\left(\frac{168 - \mu_x}{\sigma_x} \leq \underbrace{\frac{X - \mu_x}{\sigma_x}}_{\sim N(0,1)} \leq \frac{171 - \mu_x}{\sigma_x}\right)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{168 - 170}{.625} \leq Z \leq \frac{171 - 170}{.625}\right) \quad \text{where } Z \sim N(0,1)$$

$$= P(-3.2 \leq Z \leq 1.6)$$

$$= P(0 \leq Z \leq 3.2) + P(0 \leq Z \leq 1.6)$$

$$= .4993 + .4452 = \boxed{.9445}$$

2.) $X \sim N(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2 = 4)$

Given $.9772 = P(X \leq 4)$ $\sim N(0,1)$

$$\text{so } .9772 = P(X \leq 4) = P\left(\frac{X - \mu_x}{\sigma_x} \leq \frac{4 - \mu_x}{\sigma_x}\right)$$

$$= P\left(Z \leq \frac{4 - \mu_x}{2}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow .4772 = P\left(0 \leq Z \leq \frac{4 - \mu_x}{2}\right)$$

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2. (cont.)

Looking up .4772 in the body of the ^{std normal} table we find that .4772 corresponds to $z = 2.0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{4 - \mu_x}{2} = 2.0$ solving for μ_x we get

$\mu_x = 0$

3.) Given: $X \sim N(20, 4)$, $P(X \geq a) = .67$

$.67 = P(X \geq a) = P\left(\frac{X - \mu_x}{\sigma_x} \geq \frac{a - \mu_x}{\sigma_x}\right)$
 $\sim N(0, 1)$

$= P(Z \geq \frac{a - 20}{2})$

$\Rightarrow 1 - .67 = 1 - P(Z \geq \frac{a - 20}{2})$

$\Rightarrow .33 = P(Z \leq \frac{a - 20}{2})$
must be negative

$\Rightarrow .33 = P(Z \geq -\frac{a - 20}{2})$

$\Rightarrow .67 = P(Z \leq -\frac{a - 20}{2})$

$\Rightarrow .17 = P(0 \leq Z \leq -\frac{a - 20}{2})$

Looking up .17 in body of std normal table, the value of z corresponding to .17 is .44

$\Rightarrow -\frac{a - 20}{2} = .44 \Rightarrow a = 19.12$

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4.) $Y \sim \text{Bin}(n=36, p=.5)$, $\mu_Y = E(Y) = np = 18$

$\sigma_Y^2 = \text{Var}(Y) = np(1-p) = 9$

Use normal approximation to approximate $P(Y \geq 20)$

$$P(Y \geq 20) = P(Y \geq 19.5) = P\left(\frac{Y - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y} \geq \frac{19.5 - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}\right)$$

$$= P\left(Z \geq \frac{19.5 - 18}{\sqrt{9}}\right) = P(Z \geq .5) = .5 - P(0 \leq Z \leq .5)$$

where $Z \sim N(0,1)$

$$= .5 - .1915 = \boxed{.3085}$$

5.) Variance of the sample mean is given by

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}}^2 = \left(\frac{N-n}{n-1}\right) \frac{\sigma_X^2}{n}$$

Since we don't know σ_X^2 we have to estimate it with

$$S_X^2 = \frac{\sum X_i^2 - n\bar{X}^2}{n-1}$$

here, $\bar{X} = \frac{13+17+9+15+11}{5} = 13$

$$S_X^2 = \frac{13^2 + 17^2 + 9^2 + 15^2 + 11^2 - 5(13)^2}{5-1} = 10$$

so our estimate of $\sigma_{\bar{X}}^2$ is

$$\frac{N-n}{N-1} \frac{S_X^2}{n} = \frac{45-5}{45-1} \frac{10}{5} = \boxed{1.8181}$$

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6.) Given: $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{16} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_X=10, \sigma_X^2=100)$

Find $P(\bar{X} > 4)$

$$\bar{X} \sim N(\mu_X=10, \frac{\sigma_X^2}{n} = \frac{100}{16} = 6.25)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\bar{X} > 4) = P\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu_X}{\sigma_X/\sqrt{n}} > \frac{4 - \mu_X}{\sigma_X/\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

$$= P\left(z > \frac{4 - 10}{\sqrt{6.25}}\right) = P(z > -2.4)$$

\uparrow
 $\sim N(0,1)$

$$= P(z \leq 2.4) = .5 + P(0 \leq z \leq 2.4)$$

$$= .5 + .4918 = \boxed{.9918}$$

7.) Sample of jewels: ~~$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{36} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_X=1, \sigma_X^2=(.3)^2)$~~

X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{36} an iid sample with common mean $\mu_X=1$ and common variance $\sigma_X^2=(.3)^2$
 (Not told that X's are normal)

Want to find $P(\bar{X} < 1.11)$

Since sample size $n \geq 30$ ($n=36$ here), the CLT says

$$\bar{X} \sim N\left(\mu_X, \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_X^2}{n}}_1\right)$$

w/out replacement

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so $\bar{X} \sim N(1, \frac{100-36}{99} \frac{(.3)^2}{36} = .001616)$

$P(\bar{X} < 1.11) = P(\underbrace{\frac{\bar{X} - \mu_{\bar{X}}}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}}_{\sim N(0,1)} < \frac{1.11 - \mu_{\bar{X}}}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}})$

$= P(Z < \frac{1.11 - 1.0}{\sqrt{.001616}})$

$= P(Z < 2.74) = .5 + P(0 \leq Z \leq 2.74)$

$= .5 + .4969 = .9969$

8.) (c) is true

9.) Given: $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{10} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2)$
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$ both unknown

$\bar{X} = 83 \quad S_x^2 = 15$

Exact 90% CI given by

$\bar{X} \pm t_{\alpha/2}(n-1) \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}}$

$\alpha = 1 - .9 = .1$
 $\Rightarrow \alpha/2 = .05$

or $83 \pm \underbrace{t_{.05}(9)}_{= 1.833} \sqrt{\frac{15}{10}} = (80.76, 85.24)$

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$$10.) a) \mu_{\bar{X}} = E(\bar{X}) = \mu_X = 5$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}}^2 = \text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma_X^2}{n} = \frac{16}{100} = .16$$

$$b.) \bar{X} \sim N(5, .16)$$

$$c.) P(\bar{X} > 6) = P\left(\underbrace{\frac{\bar{X} - \mu_{\bar{X}}}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}}_{\sim N(0,1)} > \frac{6 - \mu_{\bar{X}}}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}}\right) = P\left(\overset{\sim N(0,1)}{Z} > \frac{6-5}{\sqrt{.16}}\right)$$

$$= P(Z > 2.5) = .5 - P(0 \leq Z \leq 2.5) \\ = .5 - .4938 = \textcircled{.0062}$$

d.) $Y = X_1 + X_2 - 2X_3$ is a linear combination of independent normals each with mean 5 and variance 16

$$\text{So } E(Y) = E(X_1 + X_2 - 2X_3) = E(X_1) + E(X_2) + E(-2X_3) \\ = 5 + 5 + -2E(X_3) \\ = 5 + 5 - 10 = 0$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \text{Var}(X_1 + X_2 - 2X_3) = \text{Var}(X_1) + \text{Var}(X_2) + \text{Var}(-2X_3) \\ = 16 + 16 + (-2)^2 \text{Var}(X_3) = 32 + 4(16) = 96$$

$$e.) Y \sim N(0, 96)$$

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#10 part f) Find $P(-1 < Y < 1) \sim N(0, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(-1 < Y < 1) &= P\left(\frac{-1 - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y} < \frac{Y - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y} < \frac{1 - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}\right) \\ &= P\left(\frac{-1 - 0}{\sqrt{96}} < Z < \frac{1 - 0}{\sqrt{96}}\right) = P(-.10 < Z < .10) \\ &= 2P(0 \leq Z \leq .10) = 2(.0398) \\ &= \underline{.0796} \end{aligned}$$

#11. $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{16} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2)$

$$\bar{X} = 22, \quad S_x^2 = 9$$

a) point estimate of μ_x is 22

b) 95% CI for μ_x assuming $\frac{\sigma_x^2}{n} = 10$ known

95% CI given by

$$\bar{X} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \frac{\sigma_x}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{here } \alpha = .05 &\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2} = .025 \\ &\Rightarrow z_{\alpha/2} = 1.96 \end{aligned}$$

So our CI is

$$\begin{aligned} 22 \pm 1.96 \frac{\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{16}} &= 22 \pm 1.55 \\ &= (20.45, 23.55) \end{aligned}$$

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part (c) Now form 95% CI when σ_x^2 unknown:

$$\text{CI given by } \bar{X} \pm t_{\alpha/2} (n-1) \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\text{or } 22 \pm \underbrace{t_{.025}(15)}_{=2.131} \frac{3}{\sqrt{16}} = 22 \pm 1.60 \\ = (20.40, 23.60)$$

d.) Now form 90% CI when σ_x^2 unknown

$$\bar{X} \pm t_{\alpha/2} (n-1) \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \text{where now } \alpha = .1 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\alpha}{2} = .05$$

$$22 \pm \underbrace{t_{.05}(15)}_{=1.753} \frac{3}{\sqrt{16}} = 22 \pm 1.31 = (20.68, 23.31)$$

#12. $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{100} \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0, 100)$

$$\text{a) } P(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{100} > 100) = P\left(\frac{1}{100}(X_1 + \dots + X_{100}) > \frac{1}{100} 100\right)$$

$$= P(\bar{X} > 1) \quad \text{where } \bar{X} \sim N\left(0, \frac{100}{100} = 1\right)$$

$$= P(Z > 1) = .5 - P(0 \leq Z \leq 1) = .5 - .3413 \\ = .1587$$

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12 b.) Find prob that more than 30 of the X_i 's exceed 10

This is a binomial probability

Each of the 100 sample values is an independent identical trial for which there is a success ($X_i > 10$) and a failure ($X_i \leq 10$) with probability of success = p that is the same on each trial

$$P = P(\overset{\leftarrow \text{any of the } X_i\text{'s}}{X_i > 10}) = P\left(\underbrace{\frac{X_i - \mu_x}{\sigma_x}}_{\sim N(0,1)} > \frac{10 - \mu_x}{\sigma_x}\right)$$

$$= P\left(z > \frac{10 - 0}{\sqrt{100}}\right) = P(z > 1) = .1587 \text{ from part (a)}$$

Let $Y = \#$ of X_i 's that are > 10

$$Y \sim \text{Bin}(\overset{\leftarrow E(Y) = np = 15.87}{n=100, p=.1587}) \quad \text{Var}(Y) = np(1-p) = 13.35$$

We want $P(Y > 30) = P(Y \geq 31)$ \leftarrow hard to compute exactly so use normal approx.

$$\begin{aligned} &\hookrightarrow P(Y \geq 30.5) = P\left(\underbrace{\frac{Y - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}}_{\sim N(0,1)} \geq \frac{30.5 - \mu_Y}{\sigma_Y}\right) \end{aligned}$$

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12b) so $P(Y > 30) \doteq P\left(Z \geq \frac{30.5 - 15.87}{\sqrt{13.35}}\right) = P(Z \geq 4.00)$
 $= \boxed{3.17 \times 10^{-5}}$
 (essentially 0)

13a) ~~the bracket~~

For testing $H_0: p = p_0$ ($p_0 = .5$ in this example)

We have a choice. We can form our test based on the sample proportion $\bar{p} = \frac{X}{n}$, or based on $X = \#$ of successes where
 $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$

The 2 approaches are equivalent, so let's go with the one we're familiar with:

Under H_0 , $X \sim \text{Bin}(265, .5)$

and
 $\mu_X = E(X) = 265(.5) = 132.5$

$\sigma_X^2 = \text{Var}(X) = 265(.5)(1-.5) = 66.25$

our p-value is $= 2P(X \geq 144)$ ← computed under $H_0: p = .5$

$\stackrel{\sim}{\sim} N(0,1) = 2P(X \geq 143.5)$ adjusting for discreteness of X
 $= 2P\left(\frac{X - \mu_X}{\sigma_X} \geq \frac{143.5 - \mu_X}{\sigma_X}\right) \doteq 2P\left(Z \geq \frac{143.5 - 132.5}{\sqrt{66.25}}\right)$

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$$\begin{aligned} \# 13 a) \Rightarrow \text{p-value} &= 2P(Z \geq 1.35) \\ &= 2[.5 - P(0 \leq Z \leq 1.35)] \\ &= 2[.5 - .4115] = .1770 \end{aligned}$$

So since $p < \alpha = .05$ we don't reject $H_0: p = .5$

The equivalent approach based on \bar{p} would be to notice

$$\bar{p} = \frac{X}{n} = \frac{144}{265} = .543$$

and since n is large $\bar{p} \sim N\left(p, \frac{p(1-p)}{n}\right)$

$$\text{Under } H_0, \quad p = .5 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{p(1-p)}{n} = \frac{.5(.5)}{265} = (.03071)^2$$

$$\text{so } \bar{p} \sim N(.5, (.03071)^2)$$

$$\text{p-value} = 2P(\bar{p} \geq .543)$$

But since \bar{p} is discrete (Notice \bar{p} can only take values $\frac{0}{265}, \frac{1}{265}, \dots, \frac{265}{265}$) we need a continuity (or discreteness) correction. It's more accurate to compute

$$\text{p-value} = 2P\left(\bar{p} \geq .543 - \frac{1}{2n}\right) = 2P\left(\bar{p} \geq .543 - \frac{1}{2(265)}\right)$$

this would be a + if we ~~had~~ had a \leq in place of the \geq here

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \#13a) \Rightarrow p\text{-value} &= 2P(\bar{p} \geq .543 - \frac{1}{2(265)}) \\
 &= 2P\left(\frac{\bar{p} - \mu_{\bar{p}}}{\sigma_{\bar{p}}} \geq \frac{.543 - \frac{1}{2(265)} - \mu_{\bar{p}}}{\sigma_{\bar{p}}}\right) \\
 &= 2P\left(Z \geq \frac{.543 - \frac{1}{530} - .5}{.03071}\right) = 2P(Z \geq 1.35) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{when} \\ \text{computed} \\ \text{exactly} \end{array} \\
 &= \boxed{.1770} \text{ as before.}
 \end{aligned}$$

#13b.) An approx $(1-\alpha) \times 100\%$ CI for p is given by

$$\bar{p} \pm z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1-\bar{p})}{n}}$$

For $\alpha = .1$, $z_{\alpha/2} = z_{.05} = 1.645$

So we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &.543 \pm 1.645 \sqrt{\frac{.543(1-.543)}{265}} \\
 &= .543 \pm .050 = (.493, .593)
 \end{aligned}$$

A slightly better interval can be obtained by using a continuity correction:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\bar{p} \pm \left\{ z_{\alpha/2} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{p}(1-\bar{p})}{n}} + \frac{1}{2n} \right\} \\
 \Rightarrow &.543 \pm \left\{ 1.645 \sqrt{\frac{.543(1-.543)}{265}} + \frac{1}{2(265)} \right\} \\
 &= .543 \pm .050 = (.491, .595) \text{ only slightly diff't}
 \end{aligned}$$