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Due:: Quiz Ch. 2 ends at 10 pm

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Topic:: Confidence intervals

Read:: Lock5 3.2

From activity yesterday:

- For any fixed quantitative population variable, there is a different sampling distribution for the sample mean  $\bar{x}$  for each fixed sample size  $n$ . As  $n$  increases, these sampling distributions change predictably ...

- they shrink in their spread ( $SE \downarrow$ )
- they look more symmetric bell-shaped (if they didn't already)
- mean of sampling dist. always matches  $\mu$  (mean of population).  
( $\Rightarrow \bar{x}$  is unbiased estimator of  $\mu$ )

- As  $n$  increases, the standard error of  $\bar{x}$  ...

$SE_{\bar{x}}$  shrinks

i.i.d. = independent  
and identically  
distributed

- When the sample size  $n$  corresponds to a relatively large portion of the overall population size, there can be a noticeable, if not always overly large, difference between sampling distributions for  $\bar{x}$  obtained via SRS samples and those obtained as i.i.d. samples. The one with the larger standard error is ...

the sampling dist. when taking i.i.d. samples (w/replacement)

Sampling distributions for

- simulation requires repeatedly sampling from full population  
sampling method: SRS vs. i.i.d.

- means

centered on the population mean  $\mu$   
become increasingly normal (they may be already) as  $n$  grows  
applets

today → <https://shiny.calvin.edu:3838/scofield/cltMeans/>  
<http://www.lock5stat.com/StatKey/index.html>  
spread (SE) shrinks as  $n$  grows

- proportions

binary categorical variable  
proportion arises from looking for one of two values as a "success"  
applets

today → <https://www.rossmanchance.com/applets/2021/oneprop/OneProp.htm?candy=1>  
→ <https://shiny.calvin.edu:3838/scofield/cltProportions/>  
Monday → <http://www.lock5stat.com/StatKey/index.html>  
become increasingly normal as  $n$  grows  
spread (SE) shrinks as  $n$  grows

See video at

<http://scofield.site/courses/s143/videos/samplingDistsProportionsFirstLook.mp4>

Normal distributions

- Sampling distributions for sample means/proportions tend to look "normal"  
truer when sample size  $n$  is large
- Normal distribution calculator from StatKey
- 68-95-99.7% rule

In particular,

about 95% of values of  $\hat{p}$  lie within 2 standard deviations of  $p$   
that is, inside  $[p - 2 SE, p + 2 SE]$

about 95% of values of  $\bar{x}$  lie within 2 standard deviations of  $\mu$   
that is, inside  $[\mu - 2 SE, \mu + 2 SE]$

call the amount added/subtracted the "margin of error" for 95% coverage

- Q1: Use the Normal distribution calculator app from StatKey to
- Plot a Normal distribution with mean 100 and std dev 20.
  - Find rel. freq of values from this distribution between 90 and 110

Maybe use as app

warm-up  
on Friday

What is the Z-score of 110?

(c) Find rel. freq of values from this distribution between 80 and 120

What is the Z-score of 80?

(d) Find rel. freq of values from this distribution between 60 and 140

What is the Z-score of 140?

(e) Find rel. freq of values from this distribution between 40 and 160

What is the Z-score of 40?

Q2: Say that a company fills its packages to an avg of 48 Kg with sd 2 Kg.

(a) Plot a Normal distribution with these parameters

(b) Find rel. freq of values from this distribution between 47 and 49

What is the Z-score of 49?

(c) Find rel. freq of values from this distribution between 46 and 50

What is the Z-score of 46?

(d) Find rel. freq of values from this distribution between 44 and 52

What is the Z-score of 52?

(e) Find rel. freq of values from this distribution between 42 and 54

What is the Z-score of 42?

Idea of a 95% CI (Centered-interval construction method)

- get an estimate for population parameter
  - in case of  $\mu$  (quant var), use  $\bar{x}$
  - in case of  $p$  (binary categorical var), use  $\hat{p}$
- get an estimate for margin of error (ME) for 95% coverage
  - most likely this involves estimating SE and doubling it
- construct centered interval

Q3: SE for 95% coverage is approximately  $2 \cdot \text{ME}$ .

How should you get SE for

99.7% coverage?

68% coverage?

100% coverage?

90% coverage?