

# MATH 10

# INTRODUCTORY STATISTICS

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# It is Time for Homework...Again! (´•ω•`)

- Please hand in your homework.
- Third homework will be posted on the website, under the homework tab. And also sent out via email. → Short but requires a bit of reading.
- **30%** weekly homework. Each homework might have different points assigned but carry the same weight.

- **Your other homework:** read and understand the relevant chapters in the textbook.
- I cover key points or difficult parts during lecture. Textbook has much more exposition and worked examples with tricks and techniques.
- Lectures are concise/terse. You might think you understand something but actually don't.
- Everything in the relevant textbook chapters are fair game for the exam. :3  
E.g. particular technique or usage.

# Week 4

→ Midterm Week 5 woohoo

- **Chapter 9 – Sampling Distributions**

← today's lecture

Sampling distributions of the mean and p. Difference between means. Central Limit Theorem.

- **Chapter 10 – Estimation**

← today's lecture

Point, interval estimates. Bias, variability. Confidence interval!! → for the mean, difference between means, proportions. t-distribution!!

- **Chapter 11 – Logic of Hypothesis Testing**

- **Chapter 8 – Advanced Graphs**

← when will we get to do this lol

# The Monty Hall Problem

- 3 doors.
- 1 item behind each door, assigned randomly:
- Goats behind 2 doors.
- Expensive car behind remaining door.
  
- Game show host knows what is behind each door.
- After you picked a door, he opens one of the other two door with a goat.
- Then asks if you want to **switch or stay** with your initial choice.

### The Time Everyone “Corrected” the World’s Smartest Woman

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*You blew it, and you blew it big! Since you seem to have difficulty grasping the basic principle at work here, I'll explain. After the host reveals a goat, you now have a one-in-two chance of being correct. Whether you change your selection or not, the odds are the same. There is enough mathematical illiteracy in this country, and we don't need the world's highest IQ propagating more. Shame!*

**Scott Smith, Ph.D.**  
*University of Florida*

*May I suggest that you obtain and refer to a standard textbook on probability before you try to answer a question of this type again?*

**Charles Reid, Ph.D.**  
*University of Florida*

*I am sure you will receive many letters on this topic from high school and college students. Perhaps you should keep a few addresses for help with future columns.*

**W. Robert Smith, Ph.D.**  
*Georgia State University*

## Chapter 9, Section 6 – Sampling Distribution of the Mean

- Sampling Distribution of the Mean has,

$$\mu_M = \mu \quad \sigma_M^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

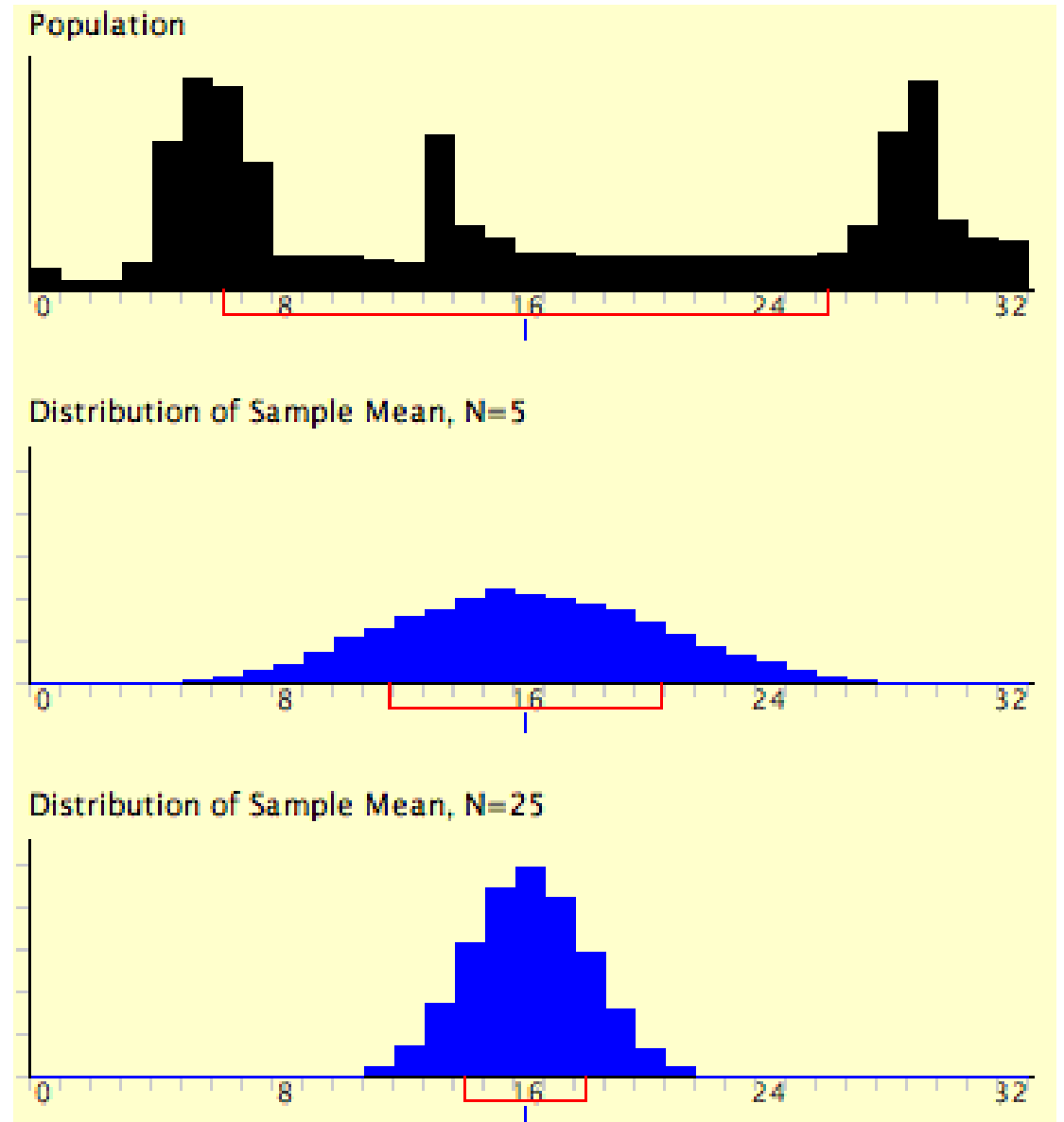
- Standard error,  $\sigma_M = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ .

- **Central Limit Theorem!!!**       $\Delta(\dot{\nabla})\mathfrak{D}$

If the population has finite mean  $\mu$ , and finite non-zero variance  $\sigma^2$ , then the sampling distribution of the mean becomes better approximated by a normal distribution  $N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$ , as sample size  $n$  increases.

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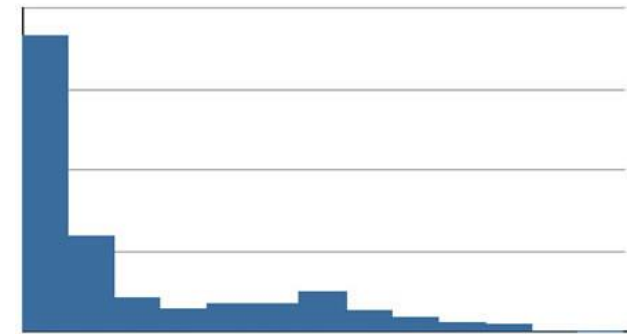
- Central limit theorem works for **any** distribution with finite mean and finite non-zero variance.



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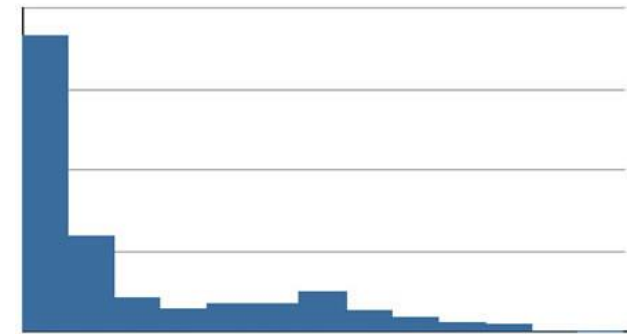




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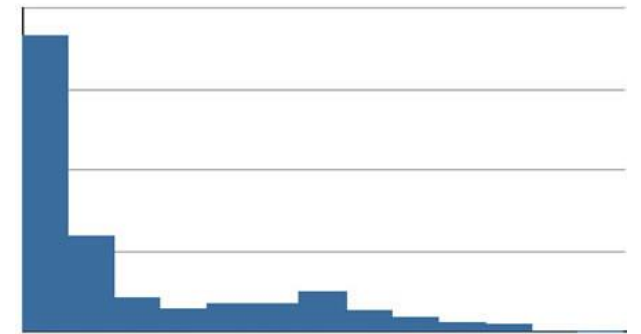
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3. If another researcher independently took another large simple random sample of  $n$  incomes from country X, what is the probability that his sample mean would be in the interval  $\left[\mu - \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}, \mu + \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}\right]$ ? (2 pts)



## Chapter 9, Section 7 – Difference Between Means

- Finally, we can use statistics to compare two populations.
- Suppose you have two simple random samples with size  $n_1$  and  $n_2$ .
- Samples from population 1 and 2 respectively.
- Calculate their sample means  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ .
- The difference has a sampling distribution with mean

$$\mu_{M_1 - M_2} = \mu_1 - \mu_2.$$

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- The difference has a sampling dist. with mean  $\mu_{M_1-M_2} = \mu_1 - \mu_2$ .
- And variance  $\sigma_{M_1-M_2}^2 = \sigma_{M_1}^2 + \sigma_{M_2}^2$ .
- $\sigma_{M_i}^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n_i}$ , which is variance of the sampling dist. of  $M_i$ .
- Since the sample means are independent (as random variables), the variance sum law was used to derive the variance.
- $\sigma_{M_1-M_2}^2 = \frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}$

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- Standard error  $\sigma_{M_1-M_2} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{n_2}}$ .
- This becomes much easier if the sample sizes and population variances are equal.
- $\sigma_{M_1-M_2} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{n} + \frac{\sigma^2}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{2\sigma^2}{n}}$ . → exam trick: not factoring out the root 2

## Chapter 9, Section 9 – Sampling Distribution of $p$

- Population with  $N$  individuals. A proportion  $\Pi$  of them are of type A, and the rest are of type B.
- E.g. Type A = those who voted for candidate A, and type B = those who voted for candidate B.
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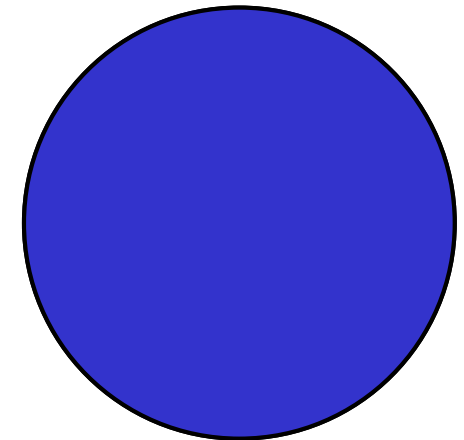
- Let  $p$  be the proportion of type A (“successes”) in your sample.
- This  $p$  has sampling distribution with mean  $\Pi$ .
- The standard deviation of the Binomial distribution modelling our sample is  $\sqrt{n\Pi(1 - \Pi)}$ .
- Standard error of  $p$  is  $\sigma_p = \sqrt{\frac{\Pi(1-\Pi)}{n}}$ .
- The sampling distribution is approximately normally distributed for large  $n$ .



# Break time!! \o/

- Break starts after I hand out the exercise.
- Yeah...things are getting more complicated. You are getting a wall of text for your exercise.
- Circle is a timer that becomes blue. O\_o →  
*(please ignore if it glitches)*

**12 minutes**



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- For point estimates...
- **Bias**: is mean of sampling dist. equal to parameter? (expected value)
- **Variability**: standard error. (mean square error)
  
- Interesting aside: bias-variance tradeoff and shrinkage. (*not in exam*)

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- **Important for exam:** the interval is a random object. The pop. mean is NOT random.
- Get new, random interval every time you take a new sample.
- We cannot even say any given interval has a 95% chance of containing the mean (that probability is either zero or one).

## Chapter 10, Section 8 – Confidence Interval for Mean *FINALLY*

- How to construct a 95% confidence intervals? *Reverse engineering.*
- Take a simple random sample of size  $n$ , calculate sample mean  $M$ .
- Assuming we know the population variance  $\sigma^2$ .
- The sampling distribution of the sample mean can be approximated by a normal distribution with mean  $\mu_M = \mu$  and variance  $\sigma_M^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$ .
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- This means that 95% of the time, the sample mean will be within 1.96 standard errors of the population mean.
- *Reverse engineering*: turn this around and say 95% of the time, the population mean (fixed, non-random quantity) will end up within 1.96 standard errors of the mean of a simple random sample.
- The 95% confidence interval is  $[M - 1.96 \sigma_M, M + 1.96 \sigma_M]$ .



## Chapter 10, Section 8 – Confidence Interval for Mean *FINALLY*

- What if we want a general  $\alpha\%$  confidence interval?
- Repeat the same process.
- Then, the  $\alpha\%$  confidence interval is

$$[M - Z_{\alpha} \sigma_M, M + Z_{\alpha} \sigma_M]$$