Week 05 Quiz: Sampling Distribution

Problem 1

The daily revenue at a university snack bar has been recorded for the past five years. Records indicate that the mean daily revenue is \$1500, and the standard deviation is \$500. The distribution is skewed to the right due to several high-volume days (football game days). Suppose that 100 days are randomly selected and the average daily revenue computed. Which of the following describes the sampling distribution of the sample mean?

- A). normally distributed with a mean of \$1500 and a standard deviation of \$500
- B). normally distributed with a mean of \$1500 and a standard deviation of \$50
- C). normally distributed with a mean of \$150 and a standard deviation of \$50
- D). skewed to the right with a mean of \$1500 and a standard deviation of \$500

Answer: B) standard error $s_{\bar{x}} = 500/\sqrt{100} = 50, \bar{X} \sim N(1500, 50)$

Problem 2.

Suppose students' ages follow a skewed right distribution with a mean of 23 years old and a standard deviation of 4 years. If we randomly sample 200 students, which of the following statements about the sampling distribution of the sample mean age is <u>incorrect</u>?

- A) The mean of sampling distribution is approximately 23 years old.
- B) The standard deviation of the sampling distribution is equal to 4 years.
- C) The shape of the sampling distribution is approximately normal

Answer: C). This is based on the central limit theorem. $s_{\bar{X}} = 4/\sqrt{200} = 0.283$, $\bar{X} \sim N(23, 0.283)$

Problem 3

A random sample of n = 600 measurements is drawn from a binomial population with probability of success .08. What is the sampling distribution of the sample proportion, \hat{p} .

- A) N(.08; .011)
- B) N(.92; .003)
- C) N(.08; .003)
- D) N(.92; .011)

Answer: A) $s_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{0.08(1 - 0.08)/600} = 0.0111$

You form a distribution of the means of all samples of size 36 drawn from an infinite population that is skewed to the left. The population from which the samples are drawn has a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 12. Which one of the following statements is true of this distribution?

- (a) $\mu_{\bar{x}} = 50$, $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = 12$, the sampling distribution is skewed somewhat to the left.
- (b) $\mu_{\bar{x}}=50$, $\sigma_{\bar{x}}=2$, the sampling distribution is skewed somewhat to the left.
- (c) $\mu_{\bar{x}} = 50$, $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = 12$, the sampling distribution is approximately normal.
- (d) $\mu_{\bar{x}}=50$, $\sigma_{\bar{x}}=2$, the sampling distribution is approximately normal.

Answer: D)

Problem 5

An auto insurance company has 32,000 clients, and 5% of their clients submitted a claim in the past year. We will take a sample of 3,200 clients and determine how many of them have submitted a claim in the past year. What is the sampling distribution of \hat{p} ?

- a) $\hat{p} \sim N(3200, 0.2)$
- b) $\hat{p} \sim N(160, 152)$
- c) $\hat{p} \sim N(0.05, 0.003852)$
- d) Can not be determined

Answer: C)
$$\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.05(1-0.05)}{3200}} = 0.00385$$

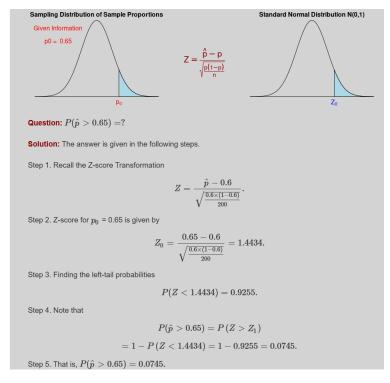
Problem 6

A survey indicates that 60% of adults in a certain city support a new public transportation project. If a random sample of 200 adults is taken, what is the probability that the sample proportion supporting the project is greater than 65%?

- a) Approximately 0.0745
- b) Approximately 0.1151
- c) Approximately 0.2611
- d) Approximately 0.3821

Answer: A)
$$\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.6(1-0.6)}{200}} = 0.0346$$
, by CLT $\hat{p} \sim N(0.6, 0.0346)$. Next, we find z-score of 0.65: zo = $(0.65-0.6)/0.0346 = 1.445$. P(Z >1.445) = 0.0742





In a large population, 40% of individuals have a certain genetic trait. A random sample of 400 individuals is selected. Which of the following statements about the sampling distribution of the sample proportion is **incorrect**?

- a) The mean of the sampling distribution is 0.40.
- b) The standard deviation of the sampling distribution is approximately 0.0245.
- c) The shape of the sampling distribution is approximately normal.
- d) The standard deviation of the sampling distribution is larger than the standard deviation of the population.

Answer: D) Population standard deviation $\sqrt{0.4(1-0.4)} = \sqrt{0.24}$, while the standard deviation of the sampling distribution is $\sqrt{0.4(1-0.4)/400} = \sqrt{0.24}/20$. Therefore, the standard deviation of the sampling distribution is **smaller** than the standard deviation of the population.

Problem 8

A population has a mean of 50 and a standard deviation of 8. A random sample of size 64 is taken. Which of the following statements about the sampling distribution of the sample mean is **incorrect**?

- a) The mean of the sampling distribution is 50.
- b) The standard deviation of the sampling distribution is 1.

- c) The sampling distribution is approximately normal.
- d) The standard deviation of the sampling distribution is 8.

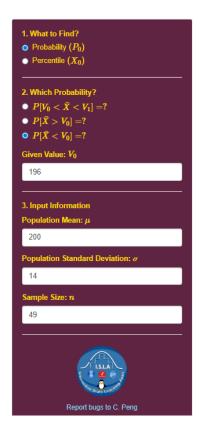
Answer: D) The standard deviation of the sampling distribution is $8/\sqrt{50} \approx 1.131$

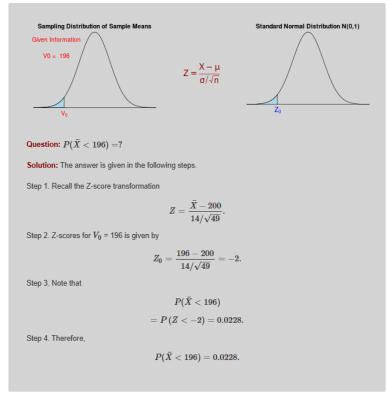
Problem 9

A sample of size 49 is taken from a population with a mean of 200 and a standard deviation of 14. What is the probability that the sample mean will be less than 196?

- a) 0.0013
- b) 0.0228
- c) 0.0475
- d) 0.1587

Answer: **B)** Using the CLT, $\bar{X} \sim N\left(200, \frac{14}{\sqrt{49}}\right) = N(200, 2)$. Zo = (196-200)/2 = -2 \rightarrow P(Z < -2) = 0.0228

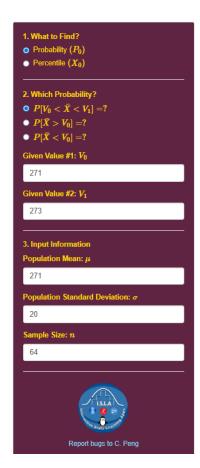


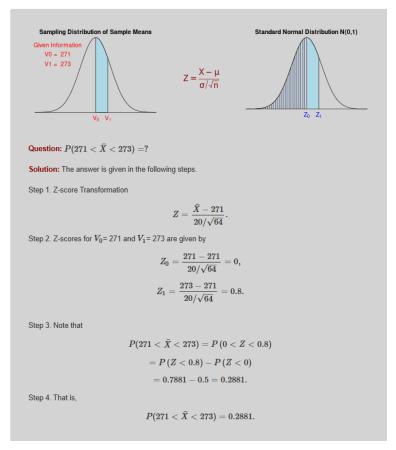


The lengths of pregnancies are normally distributed with a mean of 271 days and a standard deviation of 20 days. If 64 women are randomly selected, find the probability that they have a mean pregnancy between 271 days and 273 days.

- A). 0.2119
- B). 0.5517
- C). 0.2881
- D). 0.7881

Answer: C). First $\bar{X} \sim N\left(271, \frac{20}{\sqrt{64}}\right) = N(271, 2.5)$, Two corresponding z-scores are: z1 = (271-271/2.5 = 0, z2 = (273-271)/2.5 = 0.8. \Rightarrow P(Z < 0.8) – P(Z < 0) = 0.7881 – 0.5 = 0.2881



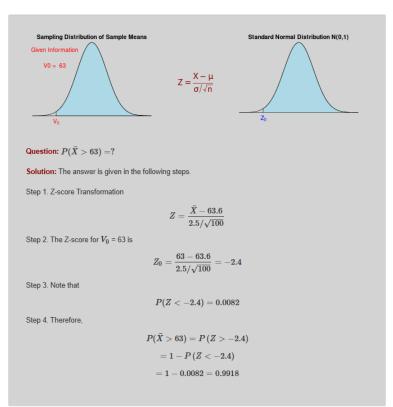


Assume that the heights of women are normally distributed with a mean of 63.6 inches and a standard deviation of 2.5 inches. If 100 women are randomly selected, find the probability that they have a mean height greater than 63.0 inches.

- A). 0.2881
- B). 0.0082
- C). 0.9918
- D). 0.8989

Answer: C). First $\bar{X} \sim N\left(63.6, \frac{2.5}{\sqrt{100}}\right) = N(63.6, 0.25)$, the z-scores is: z1 = (63.0 – 63.6/0.25 = -2.4, \rightarrow P(Z < -2.4) = 0.0082 \rightarrow P(\bar{X} > 63.0) = 1 – 0.0082 = 0.9918.



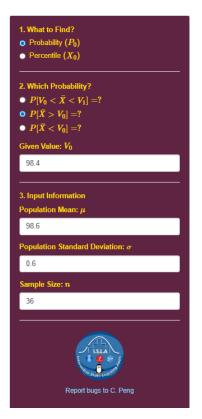


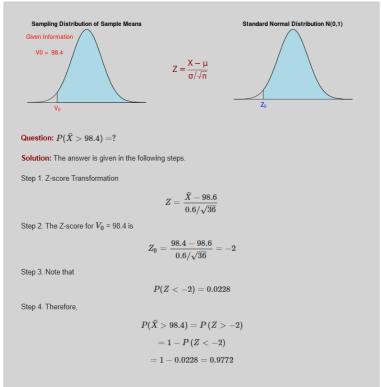
Problem 12

The body temperatures of adults are normally distributed with a mean of 98.6° F and a standard deviation of 0.60° F. If 36 adults are randomly selected, find the probability that their mean body temperature is greater than 98.4° F.

- A). 0.9360
- B). 0.0228
- C). 0.8188
- D). 0.9772

Answer D). First $\bar{X} \sim N\left(98.6, \frac{0.6}{\sqrt{36}}\right) = N(98.6, 0.1)$, the z-scores is: z1 = (98.4 – 98.6)/0.1 = -2, \rightarrow P(Z > -2)=1 – P(Z<2) = 1 – 0.02275 = 0.9772.





Problem 13

A random sample of n = 300 measurements is drawn from a binomial population with probability of success .43. Give the mean and the standard deviation of the sampling distribution of the sample proportion, \hat{p} .

- A). N(.57; .029)
- B). N(.43; .014)
- C). N(.57; .014)
- D). N(.43; .029)

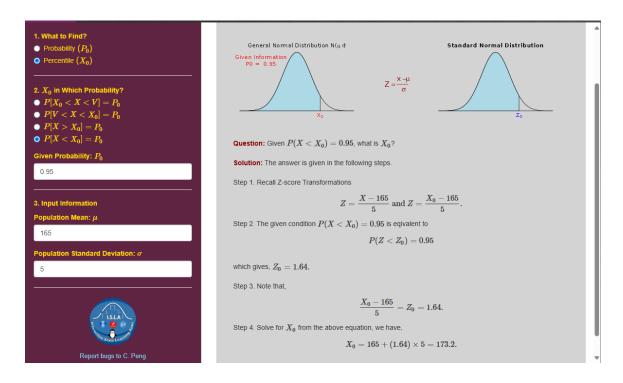
Answer D). $\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{0.43(1 - 0.43)/300} \approx 0.0285$.

Problem 14.

The heights of adult women in a city are normally distributed with a mean of 165 cm and a standard deviation of 5 cm. What is the height that 95% of women are shorter than?

- a) 173.25 cm
- b) 171.45 cm
- c) 175.00 cm
- d) 174.60 cm

Answer: A.

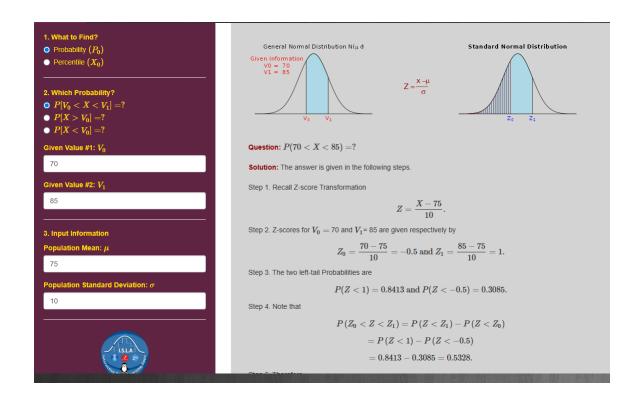


Problem 15.

The test scores in a large class are normally distributed with a mean of 75 and a standard deviation of 10. What is the probability that a randomly selected student scored between 70 and 85?

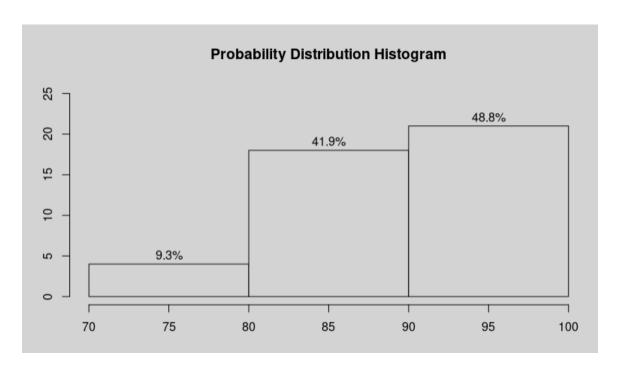
- a) 0.5328
- b) 0.6826
- c) 0.7745
- d) 0.3413

Answer: A



Summary of Weekly Assignment #5

The class boundary is: 70,80,90,100						
cut.data.freq	Freq	midpts	rel.freq	cum.freq	rel.cum.freq	
[7e+01,8e+01]	4	75.00	0.09	4	0.09	
(8e+01,9e+01]	18	85.00	0.42	22	0.51	
(9e+01,1e+02]	21	95.00	0.49	43	1.00	



1. Five Number Summary:

The five-number summary is use used to describe the shape of the distribution of a given numerical data. It consists of five numbers: minimum data value, first quartile, median, the third quartile, and the maximum data value.

The five-number summary of this given data set is:

stats	value		
Min.	70.00		
1st Qu.	90.00		
Median	90.00		
3rd Qu.	95.00		
Max.	95.00		

2. Boxplot:

The boxplot is a geometric representation of the five-number summary. The boxplot of the given data set is given below.

