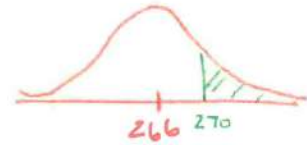


Sampling Distributions of Sample Means (CYU on page 448):

$X = \text{Length of pregnancy (days)}$   $N(266, 16)$



$$\textcircled{1} P(X > 270) = P(Z > \frac{270 - 266}{16}) = P(Z > .25) = .4013$$

About 40% of a randomly selected pregnant women had pregnancy that lasted more than 270 days (about 9 months)

Normalcdf(.25, E99, 0, 1)

$\textcircled{2}$  The mean of the sampling distribution is 266 days because  $\mu_{\bar{x}} = \mu$ .

$\textcircled{3}$  10% condition: It is reasonable there are more than  $6(10) = 60$  pregnant women.

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{16}{\sqrt{16}} \approx 4 \text{ days}$$

State the sampling distribution is  $N(266, 6.53)$

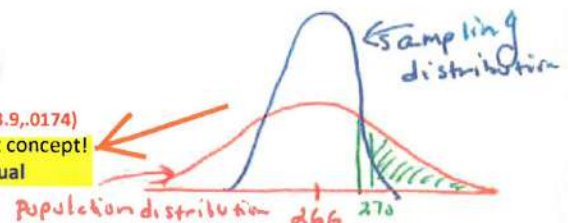
$$\textcircled{4} P(\bar{x} > 270) = P(Z > \frac{270 - 266}{6.532} = .61) = .2709$$

Normalcdf(.57, E99, 0, 1) or Normalcdf(4, E99, 3.9, .0174)

The fact that averages of several observations are less variable than individual observations is important concept!

Sampling distribution of size n

vs. a single randomly selected individual



**The Central Limit Theorem** Describe in your words. Discuss sample proportions, sample means, normal distributions, non-normal distributions, and sample size.

CLT says that when  $n$  is large, the sample distribution of the sample mean  $\bar{x}$  is approximately normal.

### KEY POINTS

- CLT only applies to sample means  $\bar{x}$  [NOT  $\hat{p}$ ]
- IF THE population is normal then the sampling distribution is normal.
- Rule of thumb to determine large enough is  $n \geq 30$

**III. Example: Making Auto Parts** A grinding machine in an auto parts plant prepares axles with a target diameter  $\mu = 40.125 \text{ mm}$ . The machine has some variability, so the standard deviation is  $\sigma = 0.002 \text{ mm}$ . The machine operator inspects random samples of 4 axles each hour for quality control purposes. Assume the process is working properly. How many axles would you need to sample if you wanted the standard deviation of the sampling distribution for the sample means to be  $\sigma = 0.0005 \text{ mm}$ . Justify your answer.

$$\mu = 40.125 \text{ mm} \quad \sigma = .002 \text{ mm} \quad \text{SES } n = 4$$

$$\text{Want } \sigma_{\bar{x}} = .0005$$

10% condition met - reasonable the shop has more than  $4(10) = 40$  axles.

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

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$$.0005 = \frac{.002}{\sqrt{n}}$$

use algebra

$$\frac{.0005}{.0005} \sqrt{n} = \frac{.002}{.0005}$$

$$(\sqrt{n})^2 = 4^2$$

$$\textcircled{n = 16}$$

So you need to take samples of size 16, if we want a standard deviation of .0005 mm

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Problem 1

"FRAPPY"

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Consider the sampling distribution of a sample mean obtained by random sampling from an infinite population. This population has a distribution that is highly skewed toward the larger values.

- (a) How is the mean of the sampling distribution related to the mean of the population?

The mean of the sampling distribution is equal to the mean of the population.

$$\mu_{\bar{y}} = \mu$$

- (b) How is the standard deviation of the sampling distribution related to the standard deviation of the population?

The standard deviation of the sampling distribution EQUAL TO THE POPULATION STANDARD DEVIATION DIVIDED BY THE SQUARE ROOT OF THE SAMPLE SIZE.

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

OR CLEARLY STATES THAT THE STANDARD DEVIATION OF THE SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION DECREASES AS THE SAMPLE SIZE INCREASES.

- (c) How is the shape of the sampling distribution affected by the sample size?

① FOR SMALL SAMPLE SIZES, THE SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION IS SKEWED.

② AS THE SAMPLE SIZE GETS LARGER FOR THE SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION THE SHAPE GETS MORE AND MORE NORMAL-LIKE (BELL-SHAPE) (AKA CLT)

Total: \_\_/4





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A local radio station plays 40 rock-and-roll songs during each 4-hour show. The program director at the station needs to know the total amount of airtime for the 40 songs so that time can also be programmed during the show for news and advertisements. The distribution of the lengths of rock-and-roll songs, in minutes, is roughly symmetric with a mean length of 3.9 minutes and a standard deviation of 1.1 minutes.

$$\mu = 3.9 \quad n = 40 \\ \sigma = 1.1$$

### Scoring:

- (a) Describe the sampling distribution of the sample mean song lengths for random samples of 40 rock-and-roll songs.

Center:  $\mu_{\bar{x}} = \mu = 3.9 \text{ minutes}$

Spread:  $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{1.1}{\sqrt{40}} \approx 0.174 \text{ minutes}$

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Shape: The CLT applies since the sample size is 40 which is relatively large. Therefore the shape is approximately normal.

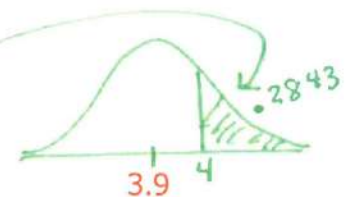
- (b) If the program manager schedules 80 minutes of news and advertisements for the 4-hour (240-minute) show, only 160 minutes are available for music. Approximately what is the probability that the total amount of time needed to play 40 randomly selected rock-and-roll songs exceeds the available airtime?

$N(3.9, 0.174)$

music time = 160 min:  $\Rightarrow \bar{x} = \frac{160}{40} = 4 \text{ min/song}$   
# of songs = 40

$$P(\bar{x} > 4.0) = P(z > \frac{4 - 3.9}{.174} = .57)$$

normalcdf(.57, 999, 0, 1)



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The probability of 40 randomly selected songs exceed the available air time is about 28%.

Total: \_\_/4



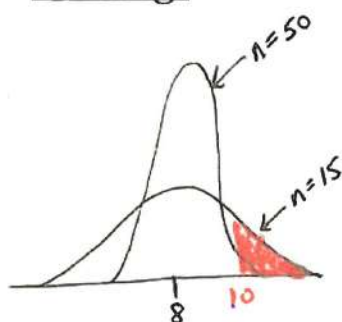
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Big Town Fisheries recently stocked a new lake in a city park with 2,000 fish of various sizes. The distribution of the lengths of these fish is approximately normal.

### Scoring:



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(a) Big Town Fisheries claims that the mean length of the fish is 8 inches. If the claim is true, which of the following would be more likely?

$$\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

• A random sample of 15 fish having a mean length that is greater than 10 inches

$$N(8, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{15}})$$

or

• A random sample of 50 fish having a mean length that is greater than 10 inches

$$N(8, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{50}})$$

with a smaller S.D.

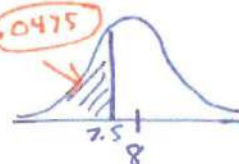
Justify your answer.

A random sample of size 15 will more likely have fish greater than 10 in because the smaller sample size will have more variability and the tail area will be larger compared to the  $n=50$ . SEE THE GRAPH.

(b) Suppose the standard deviation of the sampling distribution of the sample mean for random samples of size 50 is 0.3 inch. If the mean length of the fish is 8 inches, use the normal distribution to compute the probability that a random sample of 50 fish will have a mean length less than 7.5 inches.

$$N(8, .3) \quad P(\bar{x} < 7.5) = P(Z < \frac{7.5 - 8}{.3} = -1.67) = .0475$$

normalcdf(-E99, -1.67, 0, 1)



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There is about a 5% chance that a random sample of size 50 will result in a mean of less than 7.5 in.

(c) Suppose the distribution of fish lengths in this lake was nonnormal but had the same mean and standard deviation. Would it still be appropriate to use the normal distribution to compute the probability in part (b)? Justify your answer.

YES because the CLT states that if the sampling distribution of a sample mean is large enough the distribution will be approximately normal. IN Part (b), the sample size of 50 fish is reasonably large.

Total: \_\_\_/4

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