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Math 153

Unit Exam #3

- 1) Read the sentences below and then identify each underlined (bold) number by labeling it with the proper statistical symbol.

Joe wanted to figure out the average number of T.V's per house in Maryland.

He randomly selected 50 houses from the phone book and called each one to ask them how many T.V's they had. The average number he calculated for the people that answered the phone was 3.2 and the standard deviation was 1.3.

$$n = 50$$

$$\bar{x} = 3.2$$

$$s = 1.3$$

- 2) If 80 students were surveyed at a school and 56 of them said they like to watch the T.V show "The Big Bang Theory" what would be the value of p-hat, and then calculate the standard error of the sampling distribution using this information?

$$\hat{p} = \frac{56}{80} = .7$$

$$SE_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{56}{80}\right)\left(\frac{24}{80}\right)}{80}} \approx .0512$$

- 3) An SRS of 500 college students were asked whether they enjoy shopping at the mall. Somehow it is known that 54% of all college students enjoy shopping at the mall. Given that information what is the probability that the poll will be within 2 percentage points of the true p? (Between 52% and 56%)

$$Z = \frac{.56 - .54}{\sqrt{\frac{(.54)(.46)}{500}}} \approx \frac{.02}{.0223} \approx .90$$

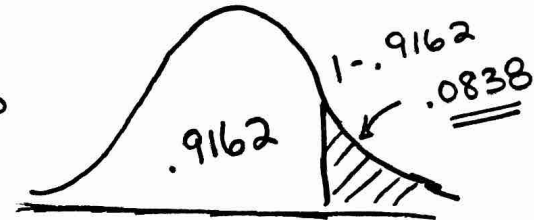
$$Z = \frac{.52 - .54}{\sqrt{\frac{(.54)(.46)}{500}}} \approx \frac{-.02}{.0223} \approx -.90$$



- 4) A population of manufactured products where the random variable  $X$  is the weight of the item. Prior experience has shown that the weight has a normal distribution with mean 16.0 ounces and standard deviation of 4.0 ounces.

- a. What is the probability that the weight of a single item randomly selected will be more than 21.5 ounces?

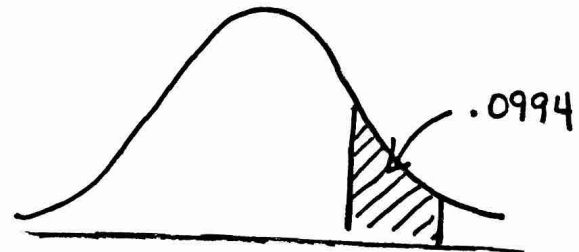
$$Z = \frac{21.5 - 16}{4} = \frac{5.5}{4} = 1.38$$



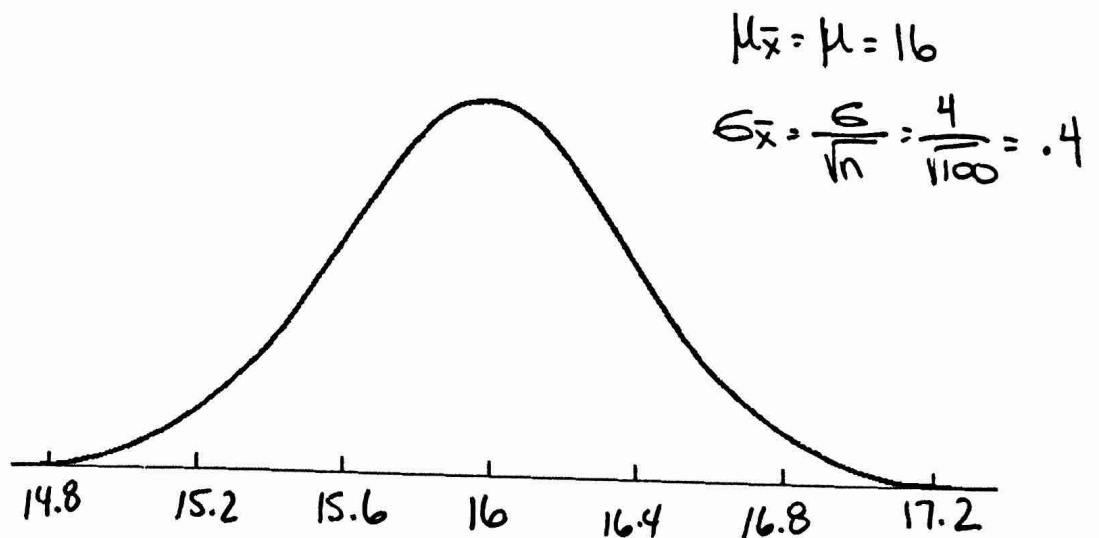
- b. What is the probability that if the manufacturer takes a sample of 100 items, that the sample has a mean weight between 16.5 and 17.0 ounces?

$$Z = \frac{17 - 16}{\left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{100}}\right)} = 2.5$$

$$Z = \frac{16.5 - 16}{\left(\frac{4}{\sqrt{100}}\right)} = 1.25$$



- c. Sketch and label a normal distribution to show the sampling distribution of  $\bar{X}$  for the sample size of 100.



- 5) A company that produces light bulbs is concerned about the distribution of the life expectancy of the bulbs. The company takes a simple random sample of 81 bulbs and computes the sample mean to be 950 hours per bulb.

a. Check the conditions to see if you can use a normal distribution?

Random Sample ✓

$10n < \text{Pop Size}$  ✓

$n \geq 30$  ✓

b. Construct a 95% confidence interval for the unknown mean life expectancy assuming that the population standard deviation is 30 hours.

1-Sample Z

$n = 81$       $\sigma = 30$

$\bar{x} = 950$

$$\bar{x} \pm Z^* \left( \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

(943.47, 956.53)

c. Interpret the 95% confidence interval found in (a).

We are 95% confident that the mean life expectancy of all light bulbs is between 943.47 and 956.53

- 6) In a simple random sample of 100 students taken at a large university, 25 are English majors.

a) Construct and Interpret an approximate 90%-confidence interval for the percent of students at the university who are English majors.

(Make sure to check conditions)

1-Proportion (Z-Interval)

$$\hat{p} \pm Z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

$$\hat{p} = \frac{25}{100}$$

$$n = 100$$

Random Sample ✓

$10n < \text{Pop Size}$  ✓

(25)  $np \geq 10$  ✓

(75)  $n(1-p) \geq 10$  ✓

(.179, .321)

\* We are 90% confident that the true proportion of students who are English majors is between

- b) If you wanted to become more confident in your response without changing the width of the interval what would you have to do?

.179 & .321

Use a larger sample size

- 7) Using the formula for margin of error ( $m = \frac{z^* \sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ ) if you wanted to have a margin of error less than 10% using a 95% confidence interval (Z-score of 1.96) and the standard deviation of the population was 20, what would be the smallest sample size that you could take?

$$.10 \geq \frac{1.96(20)}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$n \geq 153,664$$

$$\sqrt{n}(.10) \geq 1.96(20)$$

Smallest sample size  
is 153,664

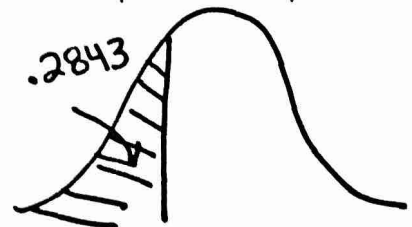
$$\sqrt{n} \geq \frac{1.96(20)}{.10}$$

$$n \geq \left( \frac{1.96(20)}{.10} \right)^2$$

- 8) The actual time it takes to cook a 25 pound turkey is a normal random variable with a mean of 5.4 hours and a standard deviation of 0.7 hours.

- a) What is the probability that a single randomly selected 25 pound turkey will take less than 5 hours to cook?

$$Z = \frac{5 - 5.4}{.7} = \frac{-.4}{.7} \approx -.57$$



- b) Given that an average of 5.1 hours was found for a sample of 50 turkeys, calculate and interpret a 90% confidence interval for the average cooking time of a 25 pound turkey.

1-Sample Z (4.94, 5.26)

$$\bar{x} = 5.1$$

$$n = 50$$

$$\sigma = .7$$

- c) Is the parameter that you are trying to estimate in (b) actually in the interval? What is the parameter?

No! 5.4 is not  
in the interval.