

RANDOM SAMPLES [DEVORE 5.3]

- **(A PRIORI) SAMPLE VS. SAMPLE-TO-BE-COLLECTED:**

Every sample encountered in Chapter 1 was an **a priori sample**.

Just saying "sample" by itself will always translate to "a priori sample."

TYPE OF SAMPLE	NOTATION	HAS SAMPLE BEEN ALREADY COLLECTED?
(a priori) Sample	$x : x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$	Yes
Sample-to-be-Collected	X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n	No

By contrast, a **sample-to-be-collected** has not been collected yet. (as the name immediately suggests)

This means data points of a sample-to-be-collected have some uncertainty, and thus each data point is really a random variable!!

- **RANDOM SAMPLES:** A sample-to-be-collected X_1, \dots, X_n is called a **random sample** if:

the X_i 's are all identical and independent.

If the X_i 's are all discrete, then the X_i 's all have the exact same pmf $p_X(k)$.

If the X_i 's are all continuous, then the X_i 's all have the exact same pdf $f_X(x)$.

Regardless of random variable type, the X_i 's have the exact same cdf $F_X(x)$.

- **GENERIC EXAMPLES OF RANDOM SAMPLES:**

Random Sample of size $n = 4$ from a discrete population with pmf $p_X(k)$: $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{pmf } p_X(k)$

Random Sample of size $n = 6$ from a continuous population with pdf $f_X(x)$: $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{pdf } f_X(x)$

Random Sample of size $n = 3$ from a population with cdf $F_X(x)$: $X_1, X_2, X_3 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{cdf } F_X(x)$

- **PARTICULAR EXAMPLES OF RANDOM SAMPLES:**

Random Sample of size $n = 4$ from a Binomial(5, 0.3) population: $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Binomial}(5, 0.3)$

The X_i 's are identical, meaning they have the same pmf:

$$p_{X_1}(k) = p_{X_2}(k) = p_{X_3}(k) = p_{X_4}(k) = \binom{5}{k} 0.3^k 0.7^{5-k}$$

$$\text{Supp}(X_1) = \text{Supp}(X_2) = \text{Supp}(X_3) = \text{Supp}(X_4) = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

The X_i 's are independent:

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 = 3 \cap X_2 > 1) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 = 3) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_2 > 1)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 > 3 \cap X_2 \leq 4 \cap X_3 = 0) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 > 3) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_2 \leq 4) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_3 = 0)$$

Random Sample of size $n = 2$ from a Normal(μ, σ^2) population: $X_1, X_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$

The X_i 's are identical, meaning they have the same cdf:

$$F_{X_1}(x) = F_{X_2}(x) = \Phi\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

$$\text{Supp}(X_1) = \text{Supp}(X_2) = (-\infty, \infty)$$

The X_i 's are independent:

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 = 3 \cap X_2 > 1) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 = 3) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_2 > 1)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq 1 \cap X_2 \leq 1) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq 1) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_2 \leq 1)$$

Random Sample of size $n = 3$ from an Exponential($\lambda = 10$) population: $X_1, X_2, X_3 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exponential}(\lambda = 10)$

The X_i 's are identical, meaning they have the same pdf:

$$f_{X_1}(x) = f_{X_2}(x) = f_{X_3}(x) = 10e^{-10x}$$

$$\text{Supp}(X_1) = \text{Supp}(X_2) = \text{Supp}(X_3) = [0, \infty)$$

The X_i 's are independent:

$$\mathbb{P}(X_2 > 1 \cap X_3 \leq 1) = \mathbb{P}(X_2 > 1) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_3 \leq 1)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 > 2 \cap X_2 > 2 \cap X_3 > 2) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 > 2) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_2 > 2) \cdot \mathbb{P}(X_3 > 2)$$

NOTATION: "iid" is shorthand for "identically and independently distributed"

SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION OF A STATISTIC [DEVORE 5.3]

- **STATISTIC OF A RANDOM SAMPLE:** Recall from Chapter 1 the definition of a **sample statistic**:

A **statistic** of a sample is a meaningful characteristic of the sample.

More precisely, a statistic is a function of the data points of the sample.

	(A PRIORI) SAMPLE	RANDOM SAMPLE
	$x : x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$	X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n
Sample Mean	$\bar{x} := \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n}$	$\bar{X} := \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$
Sample Minimum	$x_{(1)} := \min\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$	$X_{(1)} := \min\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$
Sample Maximum	$x_{(n)} := \max\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$	$X_{(n)} := \max\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$
Sample Range	$x_R := x_{(n)} - x_{(1)}$	$X_R := X_{(n)} - X_{(1)}$
Sample Variance	$s^2 := \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^n (x_k - \bar{x})^2$	$S^2 := \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^n (X_k - \bar{X})^2$
Sample Total	$\sum x_k := x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$	$\sum X_k := X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$
Sample Proportion	x/n	X/n

- **SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION OF A STATISTIC (DEFINITION):**

Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a random sample of some population.

Let T be a statistic of the random sample.

Then the **sampling distribution** of statistic T is...
 ...the pmf $p_T(k)$ if the population is discrete.
 ...the pdf $f_T(x)$ if the population is continuous.

Moreover, the statistic T has its own support, $\text{Supp}(T)$.

Finally, the sampling distribution of T can be visualized as...
 ...a density histogram if the population is discrete.
 ...a density curve if the population is continuous.

- **SAMPLING DISTRIBUTION OF A STATISTIC (PROCEDURE):**

GIVEN: Random sample X_1, \dots, X_n of finite discrete population w/ pmf $p_X(k)$.

TASK: Find the sampling distribution $p_T(k)$ of statistic T of random sample.

- (1) Enumerate all meaningful simultaneous values of the X_i 's.
Use the support of X_1 , $\text{Supp}(X_1)$, as guidance. (**Order Matters!!**)
- (2) For each enumeration of meaningful simultaneous values of the X_i 's,
compute the statistic T & the joint probability using iid & pmf $p_X(k)$:

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 = j_1 \cap X_2 = j_2 \cap \dots \cap X_n = j_n) \stackrel{iid}{=} p_X(j_1) \cdot p_X(j_2) \cdot \dots \cdot p_X(j_n)$$

- (3) The support of statistic T , $\text{Supp}(T)$, is the set of all values of T attained.
- (4) The probability of statistic T being a value in its support is
the sum of the joint probabilities corresponding to that value of T .

EX 5.3.1:

Let size $(n = 2)$ random sample $X_1, X_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim}$ pmf $p_X(k)$ such that:

k	0	1	2
$p_X(k)$	0.65	0.25	0.10

- (a) What is the population mean μ and population variance σ^2 ?
- (b) Construct the sampling distributions for the sample mean \bar{X} and the sample variance S^2 .
- (c) What is the expected value & variance of the sample mean, $\mu_{\bar{X}}$ & $\sigma_{\bar{X}}^2$?
- (d) What is the expected value & variance of the sample variance, μ_{S^2} & $\sigma_{S^2}^2$?

EX 5.3.2:

Let size $(n = 3)$ random sample $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3 \stackrel{iid}{\sim}$ pmf $p_Y(k)$ such that:

k	2	3
$p_Y(k)$	0.2	0.8

- (a) What is the population mean μ and population variance σ^2 ?
- (b) Construct the sampling distributions for the sample mean \bar{Y} and the sample total $Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3$.
- (c) What is the expected value & variance of the sample mean, $\mu_{\bar{Y}}$ & $\sigma_{\bar{Y}}^2$?
- (d) What is the expected value & variance of the sample total, $\mu_{Y_1+Y_2+Y_3}$ & $\sigma_{Y_1+Y_2+Y_3}^2$?

EX 5.3.3: Let size ($n = 2$) random sample $W_1, W_2 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Binomial}(2, 0.35)$.

- (a) What is the population mean μ and population variance σ^2 ?
- (b) Construct the sampling distributions for the sample mean \bar{W} and the sample minimum $W_{(1)}$.
- (c) What is the expected value & variance of the sample mean, $\mu_{\bar{W}}$ & $\sigma_{\bar{W}}^2$?
- (d) What is the expected value & variance of the sample total, $\mu_{W_{(1)}}$ & $\sigma_{W_{(1)}}^2$?