



Presents

# The High Stakes World of Statistics (Part 3)

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- I. Probability Distributions for Continuous Random Variables
  - A. Normal Probability Distribution
    - 1. review of histograms
    - 2. review of distribution curves
    - 3. mean of a normal distribution
    - 4. standard deviation of a normal distribution
    - 5. z-score & the empirical rule
  - B. Uniform Distribution
    - 1.  $f(x)$  vs.  $p(x)$
    - 2. mean of a uniform distribution
    - 3. standard deviation of a uniform distribution
- II. Sampling Distributions & Sampling
  - A. Sampling Distributions
    - 1. testing reliability
    - 2. mean of a sampling distribution
    - 3. central limit theorem
    - 4. standard error of the mean
      - a. standard error of the mean as an indicator of reliability
  - B. Large Samples
    - 1. estimators
      - a. point estimators
      - b. interval estimators
    - 2. confidence intervals
      - a. confidence coefficient
      - b. error of estimation
      - c. lower limit
      - d. upper limit
    - 3. hypothesis testing
      - a. null hypothesis
      - b. alternate hypothesis
      - c. level of significance
        - i. critical value
      - d. test statistic
        - i. z
        - ii. t
      - e. acceptance region
      - f. rejection region
        - i. one/two tailed tests
      - g. Type I error
      - h. Type II error
  - C. Small Samples
    - 1. t distribution
    - 2. degrees of freedom

# Formulas

**Mean of a Normal Distribution (  $\bar{x}$  )**

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum x}{n}$$

**Variance for a Normal Distribution (  $s^2$  )**

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n}$$

**Standard Deviation for a Normal Distribution (  $s$  )**

$$s = \sqrt{s^2}$$

**Z-Score (Z)**

$$Z = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

**Mean of a Uniform Distribution (  $\bar{x}$  )**

$$\bar{x} = \frac{a+b}{2}$$

**Standard Deviation for a Uniform Distribution (  $s$  )**

$$s = \frac{b-a}{\sqrt{12}}$$

**Mean of a Sampling Distribution (  $\bar{\bar{x}}$  )**

$$\bar{\bar{x}} = \frac{\sum x}{n}$$

**Variance of a Sampling Distribution (  $s_x^2$  )**

$$s_x^2 = \frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$$

## Standard Deviation for a Sampling Distribution (Standard Error of the Mean) ( $\bar{x}$ )

$$\bar{x} = \sqrt{\frac{s^2}{n}}$$

### Error of Estimation

$$E \text{ of } E = (Z) \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

### To Form a Confidence Interval

upper limit = mean + error of estimation

lower limit = mean - error of estimation

### Level of Significance ( $\alpha$ )

$$= \frac{100 - \% \text{ confidence}}{100}$$

### Z-score for a Hypothesis Test

$$Z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}} \quad 100$$

### To Find # of Degrees of Freedom

$$n - 1$$

### To Find t Value

$$t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_0}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

# Statistical Family Tree

