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## STATS 10X WORKSHOP

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### EXAM PREP 2: CHAPTERS 4, 6 & 7

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2 qual.

# Revision Notes

2-3 Qs

var.s

## Chapter 4 - Probability

Look at blue pages for extra test/exam questions for practice

impossible to certain

- A **probability** is a number between 0 and 1 that quantifies uncertainty.
- There are two main sources of probabilities that we will deal with.
  1. Probabilities using a model – some models that may involve equally likely outcomes are *tossing a coin* and *rolling a die*
  2. Probabilities from data **tables of counts**
- A **random experiment** is an experiment where the outcome cannot be predicted.
- A **sample space** is the collection of all possible outcomes.
- An **event** is a collection of outcomes. An event **occurs** if any outcome making up that event occurs.
- If all **outcomes** are **equally likely**:  $pr(A) = \frac{\text{no. of outcomes in } A}{\text{total no. of outcomes}}$
- The **complement** of an event  $A$ , denoted  $\bar{A}$ , occurs if  $A$  does not occur.  $A$  and  $\bar{A}$  are **mutually exclusive** events, ie they CANNOT occur at the same time.
- General probability rules:
  1.  $pr(S) = 1$
  2.  $pr(\bar{A}) = 1 - pr(A)$   $pr(A) = 1 - pr(\bar{A})$
- **Statistical Independence** – two events ( $A$  &  $B$ ) are statistically independent if knowing whether  $B$  has occurred gives no new information about the chances of  $A$  occurring.

i.e.  $pr(A|B) = pr(A)$  and  $pr(A \text{ and } B) = pr(A) \times pr(B)$

### Two Types of Test/Exam Questions

1. Given a table of numbers/~~proportions~~, find the probability:
  - ☞ Easier question/s (can be between 1 and 3 of this type).
  - ☞ ~~May want to convert the table into table of probabilities first.~~

2. Given a short story with proportions, percentages and/or counts about two factors (qualitative variables), find the probability:

- ☞ Harder question/s (can be 1 or 2 of this type).
- ☞ Need to *interpret* the story first, and then construct a table.
- ☞ Use the table to find 1 or 2 probabilities.
- ☞ Steps to constructing a table:

**Step 1:** highlight numbers

**Step 2:** highlight factors

**Step 3:** define factor levels

**Step 4:** label table

**Step 5:** enter appropriate table total

**Step 6:** enter row/column totals from story

**Step 7:** enter cell numbers from story

**Step 8:** enter remaining numbers by +/-

▪ **Four Types of Probability Calculations**

**1. Probability of AN EVENT (basic/simple)**

☞  $pr(A) \rightarrow pr(\text{an event})$

*example 1*

*rows totals (or columns totals) ÷ GT*

**2. Probability of an event AND another event:**

☞  $pr(A \text{ and } B) \rightarrow pr(\text{one event and another event})$

☞ Finding  $pr(A)$  and  $pr(B)$  (intersection)

*cells ÷ GT example 3*

Use  
**GRAND TOTAL**  
**(TABLE TOTAL)**

**3. Probability of an event OR another event:**

☞  $pr(A \text{ or } B) \rightarrow pr(\text{one event or another event})$

☞ Add  $pr(A)$  to  $pr(B)$ , then subtract  $pr(A \text{ and } B)$

*[rows totals + columns totals - cells]*

*GT example 4*

**4. CONDITIONAL Probability:**

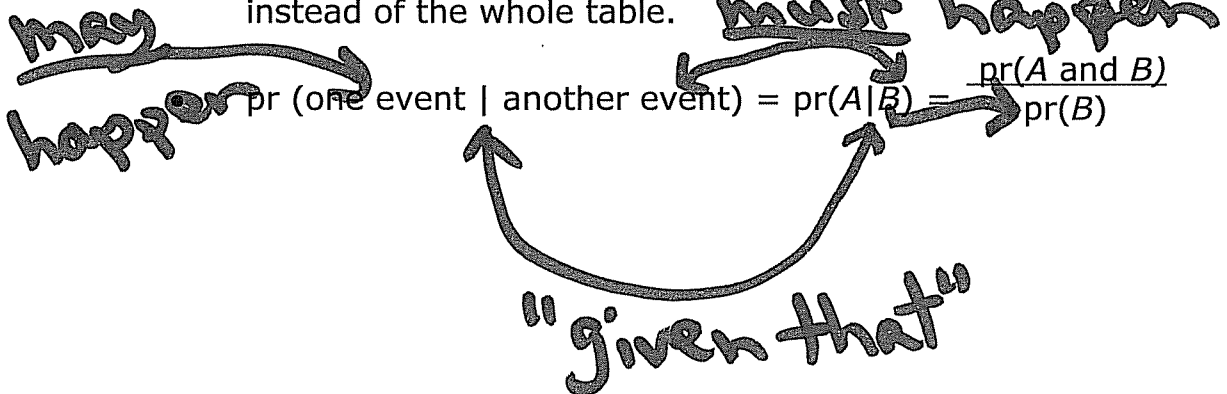
*example 2*

☞ Harder to detect but will usually have one of the key words:

- "Given that..."
- "Of those..."
- "Among those..."

Use  
**ROW TOTAL/S**  
 OR  
**COLUMN TOTAL/S**

- Look for language that restricts you to part of the table instead of the whole table.



**Examples 1 to 4** are about the following information.

Market researchers and pollsters worry that having chosen a sample, the people that they fail to contact may differ in important ways from the ones that they do contact. Research was done where interviewers telephoned designated houses up to 3 times to make contact with the residents. Residents' income levels as well as the number of calls required to contact each resident are tabulated below:

Income	First call respondents	Second call respondents	Third call respondents	Total
Less than \$10,000	28	4	2	34
\$10,000-30,000	51	11	3	65
\$30,000-50,000	41	17	4	62
\$50,000-70,000	88	27	11	126
\$70,000 or more	96	55	36	187
Total	304	114	56	474

**Example 1:**

The proportion of residents who were contacted on the first call is.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pr}(\text{first call}) &= \frac{304}{474} \\ &= \underline{\underline{.6414}} \quad (4\text{dp}) \end{aligned}$$

**Example 2:**

The proportion of residents earning \$50,000 or more who were contacted on the first call is:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pr}(\text{first} | \geq \$50\text{k}) &= \frac{(88 + 96)}{(126 + 187)} \\ &= \underline{\underline{.5879}} \quad (4\text{dp}) \end{aligned}$$

**Example 3:**

The percentage of residents who were contacted on the first call and earning less than \$10,000 is:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pr}(\text{first} &< \$10\text{k}) &= \frac{28}{474} \times 100\% \\ &= \underline{\underline{5.91\%}} \quad (2\text{dp}) \end{aligned}$$

**Example 4:**

The probability a resident was earning less than \$50,000 or was contacted on the second call is:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pr}(\underline{\underline{< \$50\text{k} \text{ or } 2^{\text{nd}}}}) &= \frac{(34 + 65 + 62 + 14 + 4 + 11 + 17)}{474} \\ &= \underline{\underline{.5127}} \quad (4\text{dp}) \end{aligned}$$

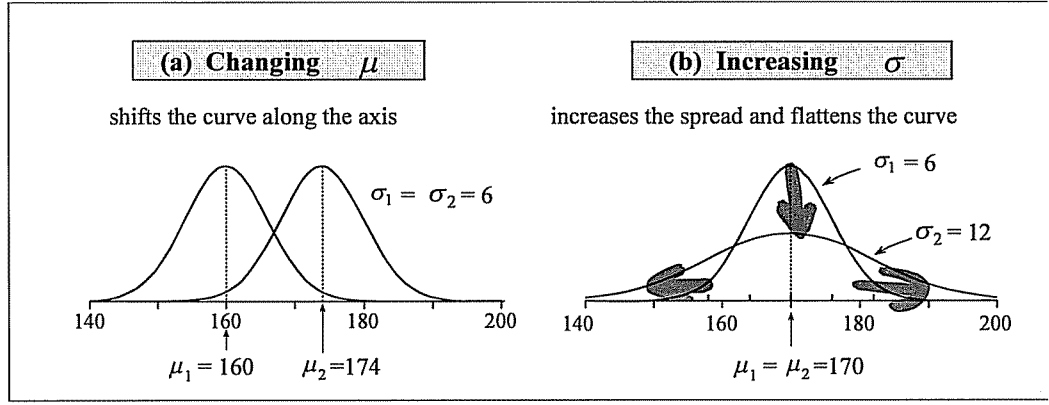
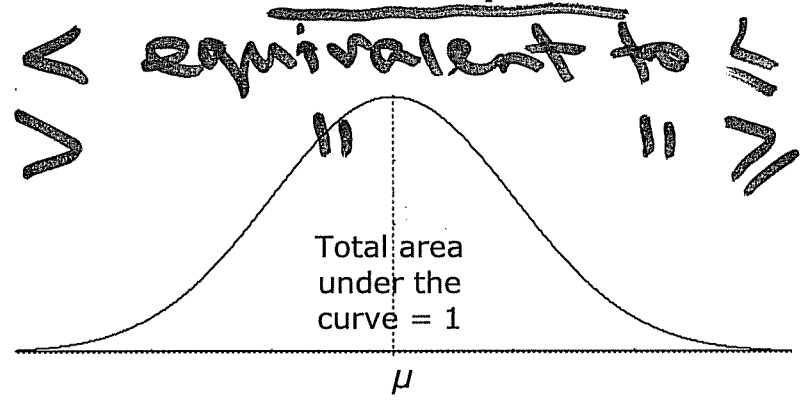
# Chapter 6 – Continuous Random Variables 2-30s

Look at blue pages for good notes and test/exam questions for practice

- A density curve is the probability distribution of a continuous random variable.
- There are no gaps between the values that a continuous random variable can take and therefore, when we calculate probabilities for a continuous random variable it does not matter whether **interval endpoints** are included or excluded

## Normal Distribution

- The Normal Distribution has a probability density function curve, which is smooth, **bell-shaped**, and **symmetric**.
- The shape of the curve is solely determined by the parameters  $\mu$  (mean) and  $\sigma$  (standard deviation).



- The Normal distribution is important because it:
  - fits a lot of data particularly well
  - can be used to approximate other distributions
  - is very important in statistical inference → Ch 8, 9, 10, 12

- If  $X$  is a continuous random variable from a Normal distribution then:
  - $E(X) = \mu$  and  $sd(X) = \sigma$  exp. value, mean average
  - Probability distribution function of  $X$  is written:  $X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma)$

$X = \text{r.v.}$  "distributed as"  
 $x = \text{a particular number of interest}$

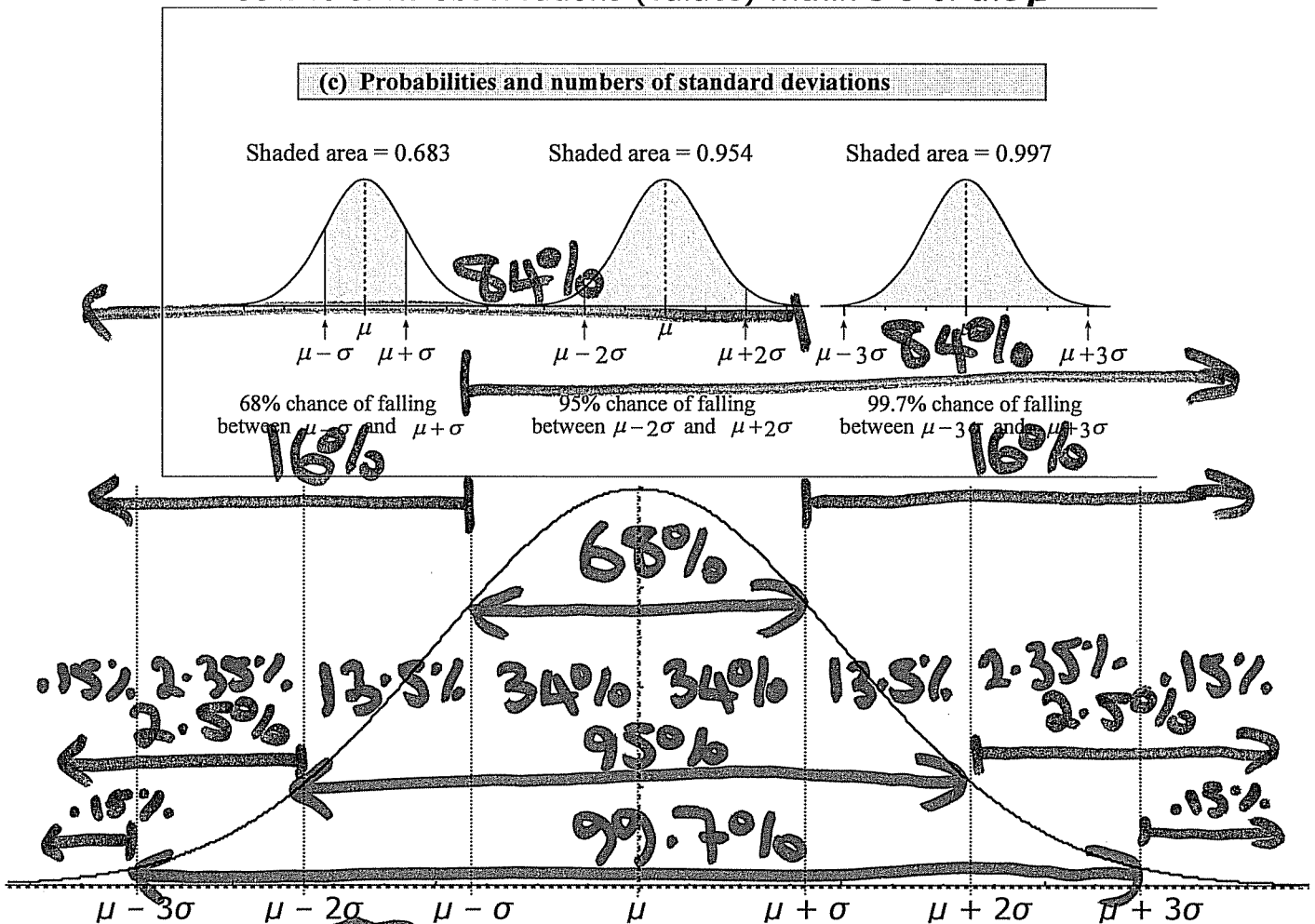
## Chapter 6 test/exam questions

When doing Chapter 6 problems, it is sensible to draw a Normal curve and then mark on it what is known and what is unknown. There are **three (3)** types of Chapter 6 test/exam questions:

### 1. True/False (Normal) Chapter 6 problem

There will be five statements, each about one or the other or both of two different Normal distributions. Use the 68-95-99.7% rule or z-scores to determine whether four of the statements are true or false. The fifth statement will probably be comparing the means (centres/averages) and standard deviations (spread/variability) of the two distributions.

- **68-95-99.7% rule:** A population with a Normal distribution has:
  - ✓ 68% of its observations (values) within 1  $\sigma$  of the  $\mu$
  - ✓ 95% of its observations (values) within 2  $\sigma$  of the  $\mu$
  - ✓ 99.7% of its observations (values) within 3  $\sigma$  of the  $\mu$



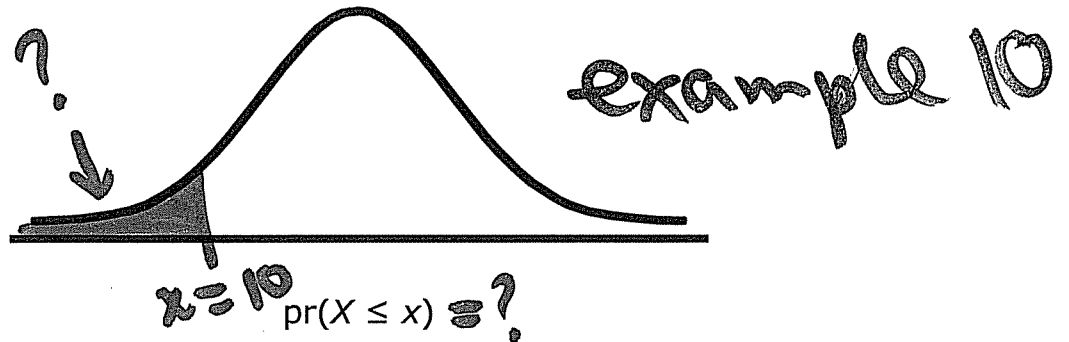
The **z-score**,  $z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$ , is a standardised number. It represents the number of standard deviations,  $\sigma$ , the value of  $x$  is away from the mean,  $\mu$ . We can use z-scores to compare two or more different Normal distributions.

*memorise*

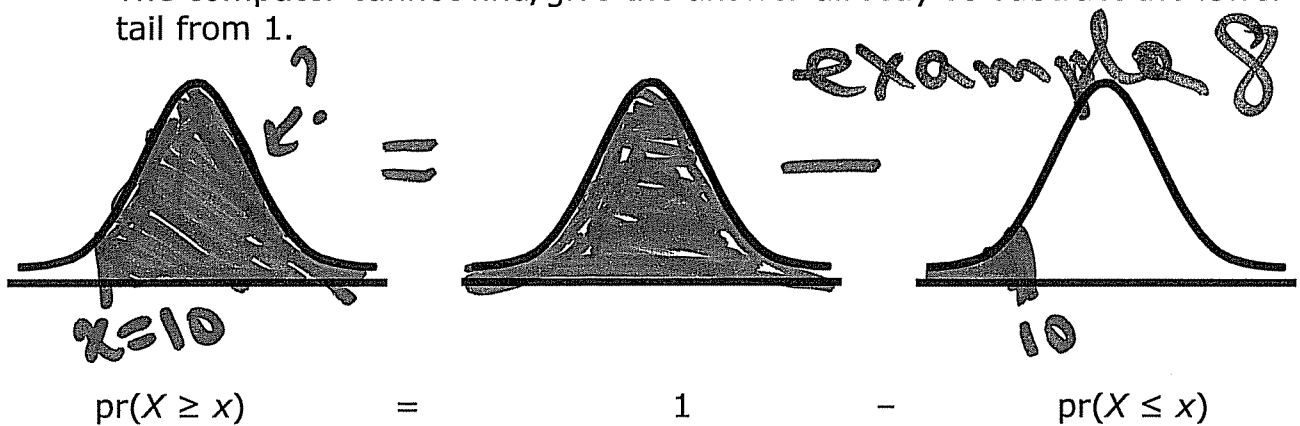
**2. Normal probability problem, i.e. find a probability associated with a number**

When finding a probability, shade the desired area under the curve and then devise a way to obtain it using lower tail probabilities which is all the computer can give. There are three types of Normal probability problems:

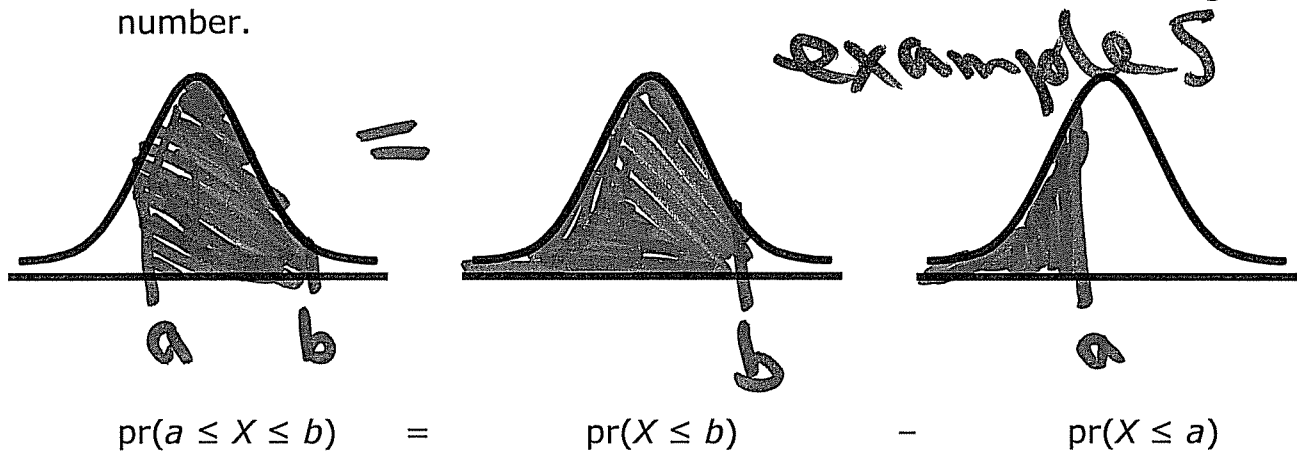
- Find a lower tail probability (area)  
The computer can find/give the answer directly.



- Find an upper tail probability (area)  
The computer cannot find/give the answer directly so subtract the lower tail from 1.



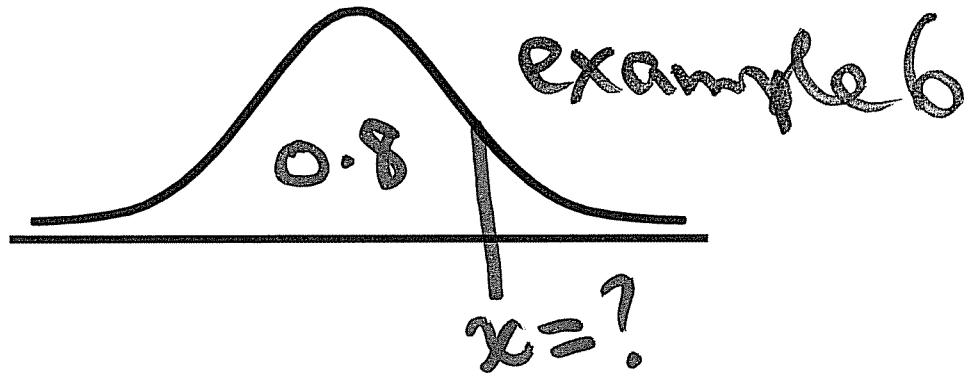
- Find a probability (area) between two numbers  
The computer cannot find/give the answer directly so subtract the lower tail beneath the smaller number from the lower tail beneath the larger number.



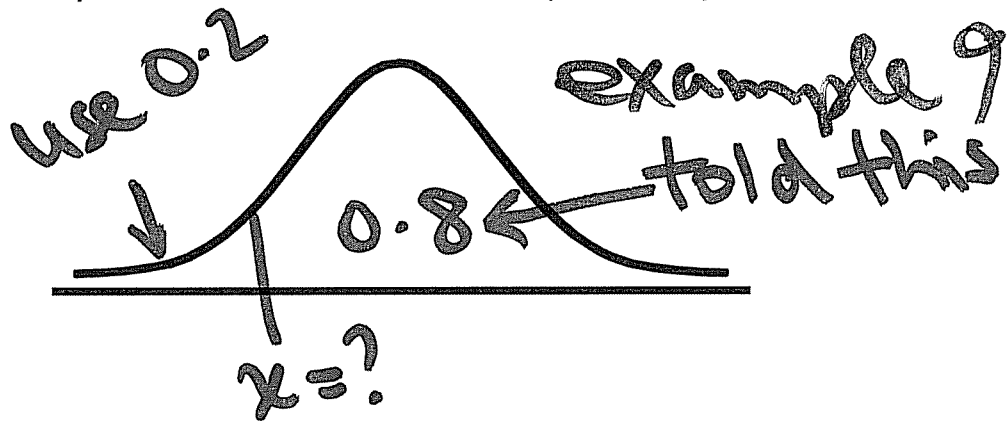
**3. Inverse Normal problem, i.e. find a number associated with a probability**

This type of problem occurs when we know the probability (e.g. the highest 10% in the class) and we need to find out the number associated with it,  $x$  (e.g. the mark). There are three types of inverse Normal problems:

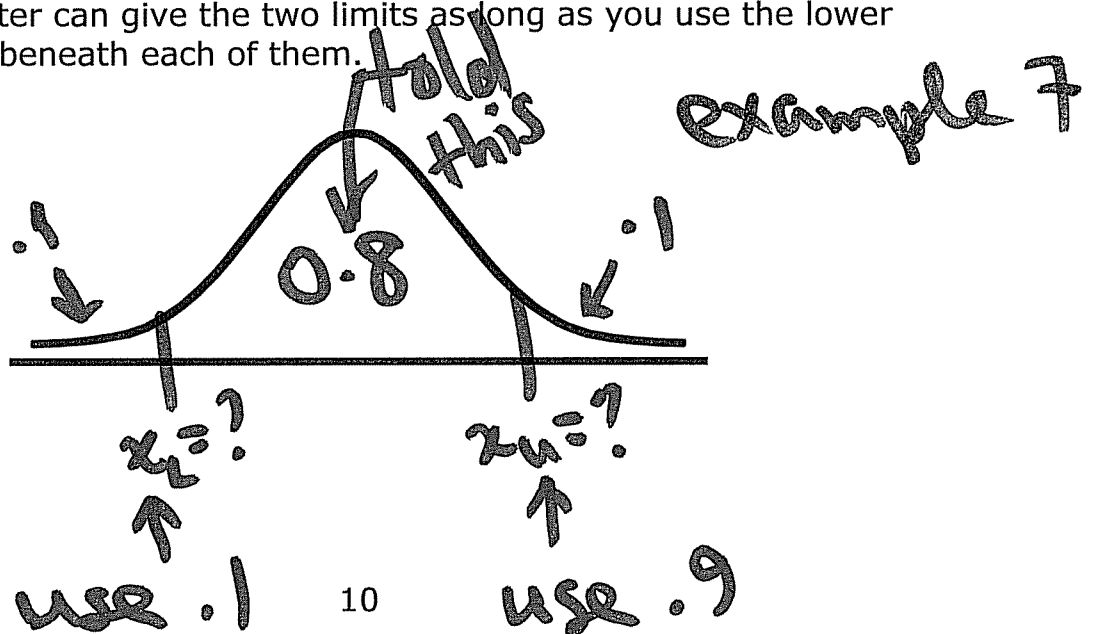
- Given a lower tail probability, find the number associated with it  
The computer can find/give the answer directly.



- Given an upper tail probability, find the number associated with it  
The computer cannot find/give the answer directly so subtract the upper tail probability from 1 & use the lower tail probability to find the answer.



- Given a central area/probability, find the two numbers associated with it (the lower limit and the upper limit)  
The computer can give the two limits as long as you use the lower tails/areas beneath each of them.



**Examples 5 to 10** are about the following information.

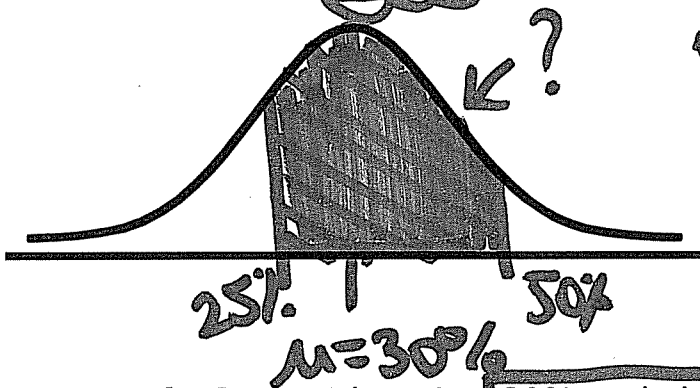
Empirical studies have provided support for the belief that a common stock's annual rate of return is approximately Normally distributed. Suppose that you have invested in the stock of a company for which the annual return rate has an expected value of 30 (in percent) and a standard deviation of 10 (in percent).

Normal with mean = 30.0000 and standard deviation = 10.0000

x	Pr(X≤x)
10	0.0228
25	0.3085
40	0.8413
50	0.9772

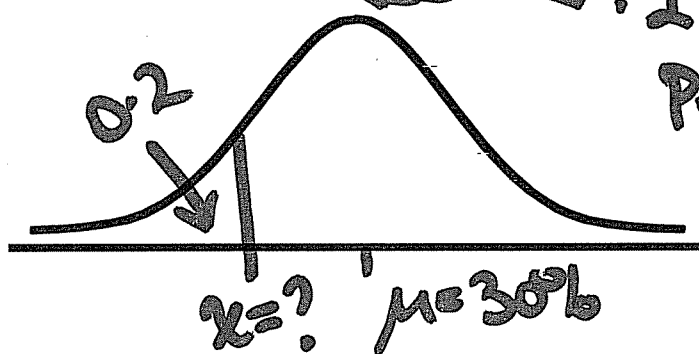
Pr(X≤x)	x
0.20	21.58
0.25	23.26
0.40	27.47
0.75	36.74

**Example 5:** The proportion of stock that will give an annual return rate of between 25% and 50% is:



$$\begin{aligned}
 &Pr(25 \leq X \leq 50) \\
 &= Pr(X \leq 50) - Pr(X \leq 25) \\
 &= .9772 - .3085 \\
 &= \underline{.6687}
 \end{aligned}$$

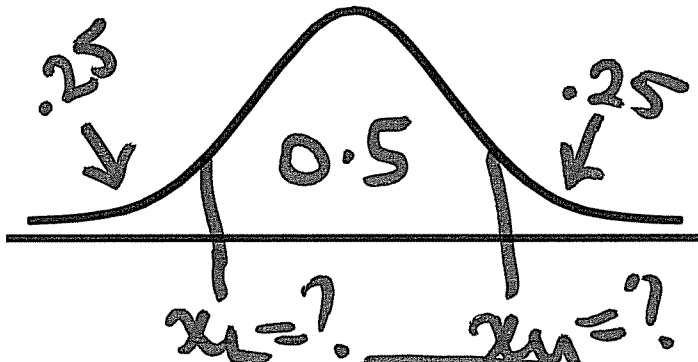
**Example 6:** There is a 20% probability that the annual rate of return will be less than



$$\begin{aligned}
 &Pr(X \leq x) = 0.2 \\
 &\Rightarrow x = 21.58\%
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 7:

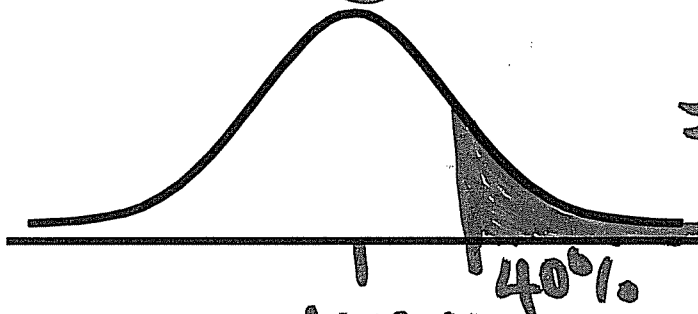
The stock return rates of the central 50% are:



$\mu = .5 \rightarrow \text{use } .25$   
 so  $x_L = 23.26\%$   
 $\mu = .5 \rightarrow \text{use } .75$   
 so  $x_U = 36.74\%$

Example 8:

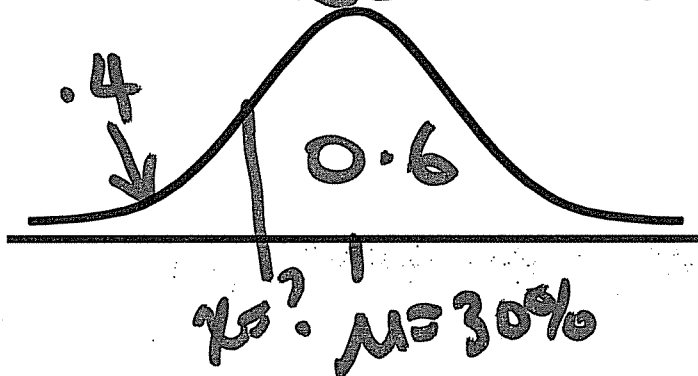
The probability that the stock will give an annual return rate of at least 40% is:



$P_r(X \geq 40)$   
 $= 1 - P_r(X \leq 40)$   
 $= 1 - .8413$   
 $= .1587 \text{ (4dp)}$

Example 9:

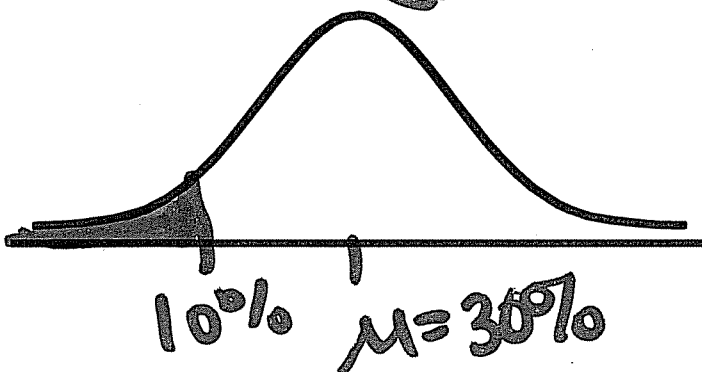
Sixty percent of the stock will give an annual return rate of at least:



use 0.4  
 so  $x = 27.47\%$

Example 10:

The probability that the stock will give an annual return rate of no more than 10% is:



$P_r(X \leq 10)$   
 $= .0228 \text{ (4dp)}$

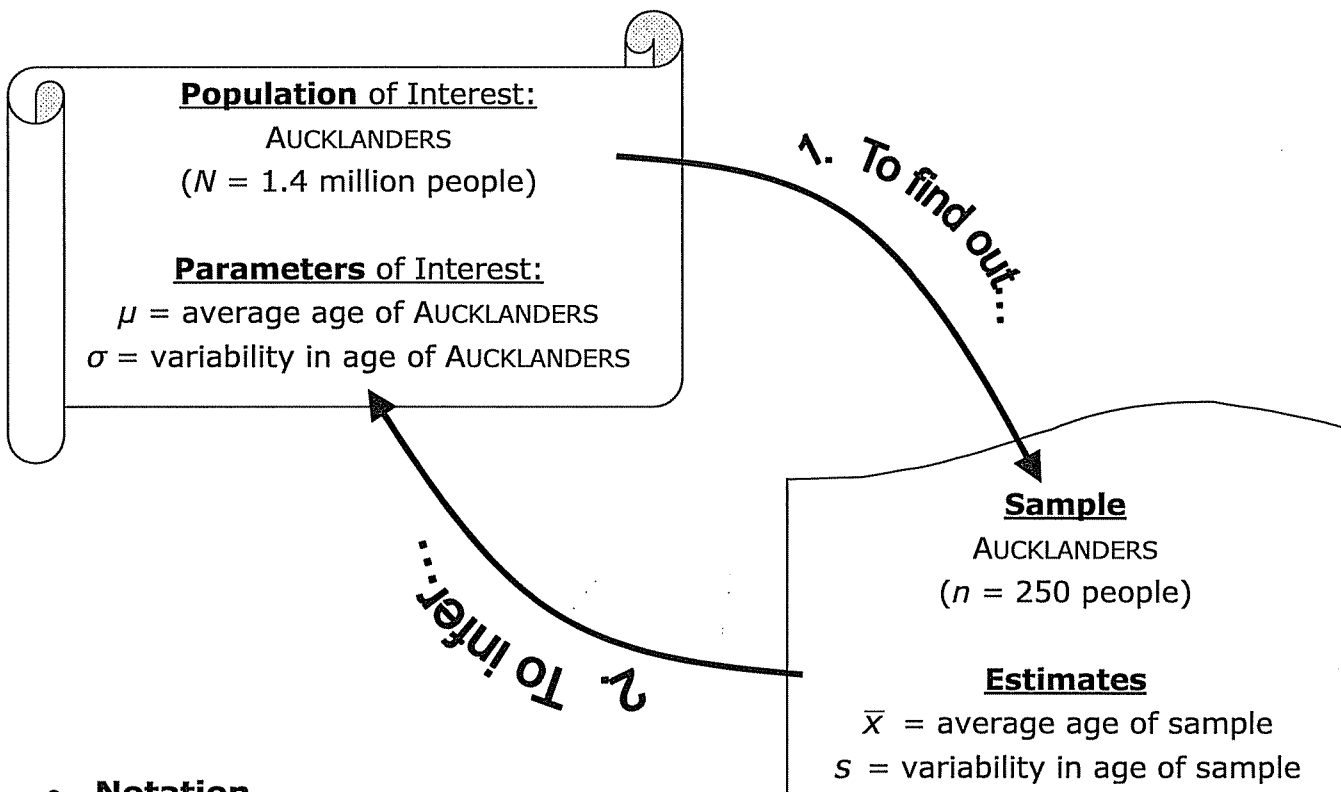
# Revision Notes 2-3Qs

## Chapter 7 – Sampling Distributions of Estimates

Look at blue pages for good notes, 26 statements (2 of which are false!) and test/exam questions for practice

- Statistics is concerned with finding out about the real world and aspects of it specific to our area of interest. Statistical tools allow us to deal with the **uncertainty** present in all samples due to **sampling variation** which occurs because we are unable to survey the entire population of interest.
- We are usually unable to survey the entire population (take a census) as it is too large and/or there are:
  - ✓ budget constraints
  - ✓ time limits
  - ✓ logistical barriers
- This means we are unable to establish the **parameters** of interest within our population, such as:
  - ✓ Population mean,  $\mu$
  - ✓ Population standard deviation,  $\sigma$
- This means that the **parameter** of interest is an **unknown numerical characteristic** for that particular population.
- To estimate an **unknown numerical characteristic (parameter)** for our population of interest, we take a sample and find a sample **estimate** from it (that is, we make a **statistical inference**). The **sample estimates** of the above **population parameters** are:
  - ✓ Sample mean,  $\bar{x}$
  - ✓ Sample standard deviation,  $sd(\bar{x})$  or  $\sigma_{n-1}$  or  $s$
- Usually  $\hat{\quad}$  or  $\bar{\quad}$  are used to distinguish between **sample estimates** and **population parameters**.
- Random variables  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ , form a random sample from a distribution if:
  - ✓ they all have the same distribution; and
  - ✓ they are independent of one another.

→ same mean,  $\mu$   
→ same std dev,  $\sigma$
- The big question which we will answer in Chapter 7 is "But how can we trust the sample estimates ( $\bar{x}$  and  $s$ ) from our single sample of size  $n$ ?"



• **Notation**

In statistics we use **CAPITAL** letters to refer to the **variable of interest** for the population and **small letters** to specify the **actual "number" observed** for that variable in our particular sample.

Variable of Interest <b>CAPITAL</b> LETTER	Actual "number" <b>small</b> LETTER
<p>Ch 6: <math>X \sim \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma)</math></p> <p>Ch 7: <math>\bar{X} \sim \text{exactly Normal}(\mu, \sigma/\sqrt{n})</math></p> <p><i>approximately [as long as n is "big enough"]</i></p>	<p><i>particular number of interest</i></p> <p><i>sample mean of interest</i></p>

*"distributed as"*

If  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ , form a random sample from a distribution where  $E(X_i) = \mu$  and  $sd(X_i) = \sigma$ , then,

✓ The **expected value** of the sample mean,  $E(\bar{X})$  is calculated by:

$\mu_{\bar{X}} = E(\bar{X}) = \mu$  *on formulae sheet*

✓ The **standard deviation** of the sample mean,  $sd(\bar{X})$  is calculated by:

$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = sd(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

- **The Central Limit Theorem**

✓ The Central Limit Theorem tells us that the larger the sample size, the closer the distribution of  $\bar{X}$  comes to a Normal distribution. Even if the distribution of  $X$  is non-Normal, the distribution of  $\bar{X}$  will be **approximately** Normal for a sufficiently large sample size  $n$ .

✓ If  $X$  is from a "well-behaved" distribution (i.e. symmetric, no outliers) the Central Limit Theorem works reasonably fast.  $n = 10$  may be sufficient!

✓ In **general**,  $n = 30$  works well for most distributions *except* distributions that are severely skewed or have large outliers.

✓ If the distribution is **severely skewed**,  $n = 50$  should be sufficient.

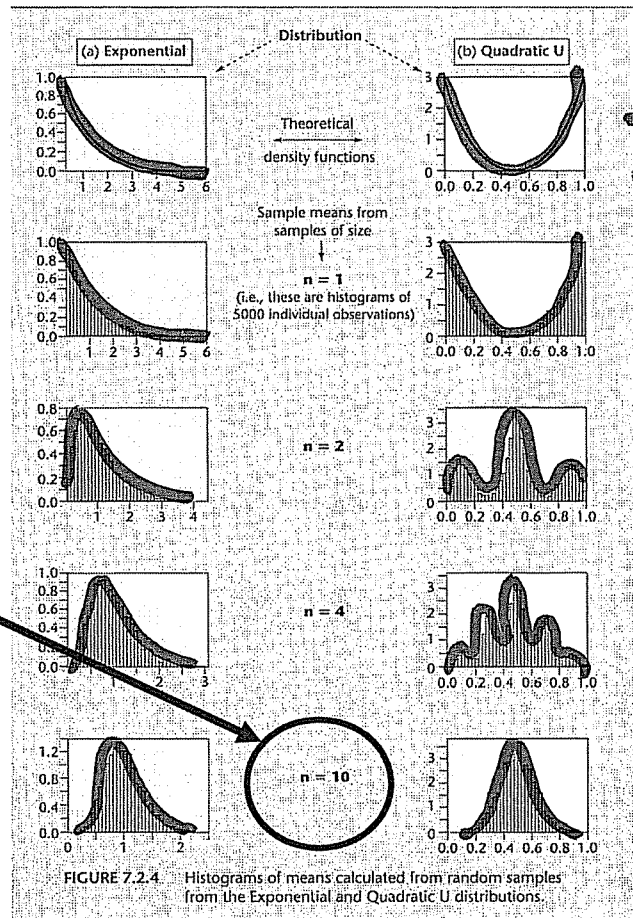
✓ If  $X$  is from a Normal distribution, then  $\bar{X}$  is **exactly** Normally distributed.

- $\bar{X}$  is an **unbiased** estimator of  $\mu$  because  $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$ .

- **Standard errors**

However, as  $sd(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$ , it is not a useful measure of the precision of  $\bar{X}$ , because we do not know the value of  $\sigma$ . Therefore, we have to use the **standard error** of the sample mean to estimate the precision of  $\bar{X}$  as an estimate of  $\mu$ :

$$\text{The standard error of } \bar{X} = \frac{\text{sample standard deviation}}{\sqrt{\text{sample size}}} = se(\bar{X}) = \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$



Chance Encounters, C.J. Wild & G.A.F. Seber, p286

↑ theory world  
↓ real world

• Student's *t*-distribution

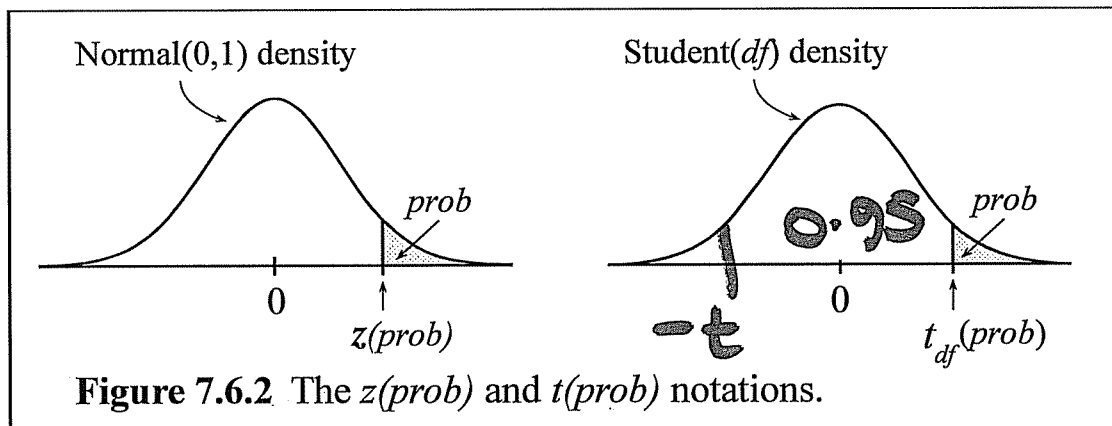
- ✓ Parameter: Degrees of Freedom (*df*).
- ✓ Bell shaped and centred at 0 like the (Standard) Normal (0,1) distribution but it's more variable.
- ✓ As *df* becomes larger, the Student (*df*) distribution becomes more and more like the Standard Normal distribution.
- ✓ Student's *t*-distribution (*df* = ∞) and Normal (0,1) are the same distribution.

- ✓ The random sample from a Normal distribution  $T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{se(\bar{X})}$  is exactly distributed as Student(*df* = *n* - 1)

$$T = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{se(\bar{X})}$$

→ CTS & *t*-tests

- ✓ Methods based on this distribution works very well even for small samples that are from very non-Normal distributions.
- ✓ By *t<sub>df</sub>(prob)*, we mean the number *t* such that when  $T \sim \text{Student}(df)$ ,  $pr(T \geq t) = prob$ ; that is, the tail area above *t* (that is to the right of *t* on the graph) is *prob*:



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Ch 6:  $z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$

Ch 7:  $z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$   
 $T = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$



Questions 4 to 6 refer to the following information.

A study was performed to investigate liver damage in 21 patients with Hepatitis C. Two qualitative variables were measured for each patient, as listed below.

**Gender:** The gender of each patient.

**Histology:** A category indicating the amount of damage to the liver of each patient (mild, medium, severe).

Consider the two-way table of counts for Gender and Histology given below.

Gender	Histology			Total
	mild	medium	severe	
female	3	5	3	11
male	1	5	4	10
<b>Total</b>	4	10	7	21

**Table:** A two-way table of Gender and Histology

4. The proportion of patients with medium liver damage is:

- (1) 10/21
  - (2) 5/10
  - (3) 5/21
  - (4) 5/11
  - (5) 11/21
- $10/21$

5. The proportion of women with medium liver damage is:

- (1) 10/21
  - (2) 5/10
  - (3) 5/21
  - (4) 5/11
  - (5) 11/21
- $5/11$

6. The proportion of patients who female and have medium liver damage is:

- (1) 10/21
  - (2) 5/10
  - (3) 5/21
  - (4) 5/11
  - (5) 11/21
- $5/21$

Questions 7 to 9 are about the following information.

In 1989, 7013 New Zealanders died from coronary heart disease. The numbers of deaths classified by age and gender is:

Age	Males	Females	Total
<45	74	19	93
45-54	259	69	328
55-64	701	190	891
≥65	3017	2684	5701
Total	4051	2962	7013

7. The probability that a randomly chosen member of this population was female and aged 45 or over is:

- (1)  $\frac{69}{328}$
- (2)  $\frac{69}{2962}$
- (3)  $\frac{69 + 190 + 2684}{2962}$
- (4)  $\frac{69 + 190 + 2684}{7013}$
- (5)  $\frac{328 + 891 + 5701}{7013}$

$$\frac{(69 + 190 + 2684)}{7013}$$

8. Given that a randomly chosen member of this population was male, the probability that he was younger than 45 at the time of his death is:

- (1)  $\frac{74}{493}$
- (2)  $\frac{74}{4051} \times \frac{74}{93}$
- (3)  $\frac{74}{4051}$
- (4)  $\frac{74}{7013}$
- (5)  $\frac{93 + 4051 - 74}{7013}$

$$\frac{74}{4051}$$

9. The percentage of this population that was aged 55 or over is:

- (1) 13%
- (2) 51%
- (3) 9%
- (4) 94%
- (5) 6%

$$\frac{(891 + 5701)}{7013} \times 100\%$$

Questions 10 to 12 are about the following information.

As part of its responsibilities to EEO (Equal Employment Opportunities), a New Zealand Government department sent out a survey to its employees. In one section of the survey the employees were asked to consider the statement "Ethnic and cultural diversity is welcomed in this workplace" and to make one selection from a given list of responses. The table below cross classifies ethnic origin of the respondent and their chosen response to the statement.

Ethnic Origin	1 Agree Strongly	2 Agree Somewhat	3 Neither Agree nor Disagree	4 Disagree Somewhat	5 Disagree Strongly	6 No Opinion	Total
Pakeha (NZ European)	32	35	11	10	10	6	104
Maori	1	7	2	2	0	0	12
Non-NZ European	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Pacific Islander	3	4	4	1	0	0	12
Asian	4	5	2	0	0	0	11
Other	1	0	10	3	4	0	18
Total	42	52	29	16	14	6	159

10. The percentage of those surveyed who agreed strongly with the statement is:

- (1) 30.8%
- (2) 26.4%
- (3) 0.26%
- (4) 0.59%
- (5) 20.1%

$$\frac{42}{159} \times 100\%$$

11. The probability that an employee randomly selected from this group is a Pacific Islander who either agreed somewhat or agreed strongly with this statement is:

- (1) 0.074
- (2) 0.075
- (3) 0.044
- (4) 0.583
- (5) 0.591

PI (and) agreed (either strongly or somewhat) =  $\frac{(3+4)}{159}$

12. Of those who disagreed strongly with the statement, the proportion who were Pakeha is:

- (1) 0.654
- (2) 0.714
- (3) 0.088
- (4) 0.096
- (5) 0.063

$$10/14$$

**Questions 13 to 16** are about the following information.

An analysis of telephone calls made from a firm's office indicates that the length of a call is Normally distributed with a mean,  $\mu$ , of 240 seconds, and a standard deviation,  $\sigma$ , of 40 seconds.

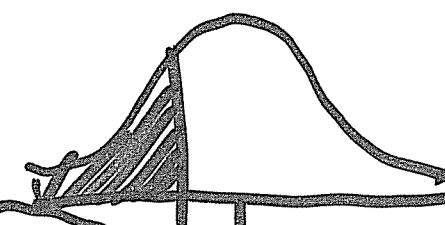
Normal with mean = 240.0000 and standard deviation = 40.0000

x	P(X≤x)	P(X≤x)	x
3	0.0000	0.0010	116.3907
179	0.0636	0.0100	146.9461
180	0.0668	0.1000	188.7379
181	0.0701	0.2000	206.3352
300	0.9332	0.8000	273.6648
		0.9000	291.2621
		0.9900	333.0539

13. The probability of a call lasting less than 3 minutes is:

- (1) 0
- (2) 0.0636
- (3) 0.9332
- (4) 0.0668
- (5) 0.0701

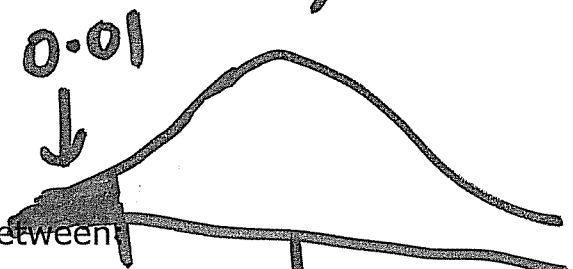
→ 180 secs!



14. We would expect only 1% of calls to be shorter than:

- (1) 116 seconds
- (2) 189 seconds
- (3) 147 seconds
- (4) 291 seconds
- (5) 333 seconds

→ 147 μ=240



15. The central 80% of calls would fall between

- (1) 206 and 273 seconds
- (2) 189 and 291 seconds
- (3) 147 and 333 seconds
- (4) 189 and 273 seconds
- (5) 206 and 291 seconds

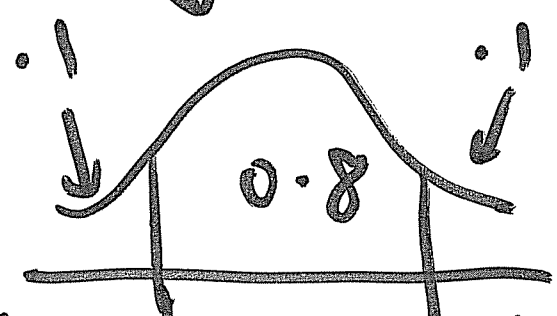
μ=240



16. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{15}$  be the times (in seconds) of 15 randomly selected phone calls made from the firm's offices. Let  $\bar{X}$  be the mean of  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{15}$ . The standard deviation of  $\bar{X}$ ,  $sd(\bar{X})$ , is approximately.

- (1) 2.7
- (2) 600
- (3) 240
- (4) 10.3
- (5) 40

Ch 7!  
 $sd(\bar{X}) = \sigma / \sqrt{n}$   
 $= 40 / \sqrt{15}$



use. 1 → ? ? ← use

Questions 17 to 19 refer to the following information.

A study was performed in which one of the measurements taken was the duration of radiotherapy sessions,  $D$ . 183 sessions were timed, and the durations were analysed and found to be approximately Normally distributed. The mean session duration,  $\bar{x}_D$ , was 12.7 minutes and the standard deviation of the session durations,  $s_D$ , was 3.4 minutes.

In the following questions assume  $D \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_D = 12.7, \sigma_D = 3.4)$ .

17. One session lasted 15.3 minutes. How many standard deviations is this away from the mean session duration?

- (1) 1.41
- (2) 0.76
- (3) -0.76
- (4) 2.6
- (5) -1.41

*z-score!*

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{15.3 - 12.7}{3.4}$$

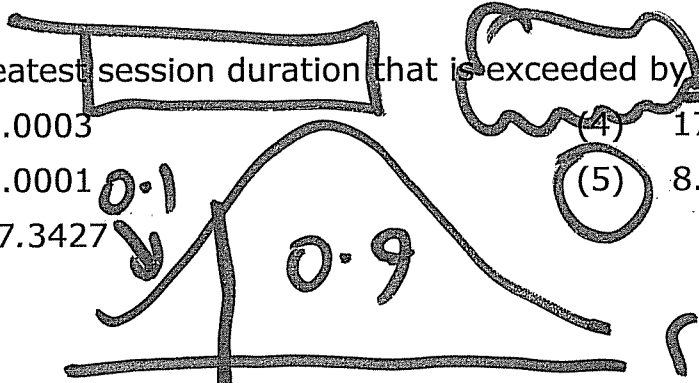
Use the following computer output to answer Question 18:

Normal with mean = 12.7000 and standard deviation = 3.40000

x	P( X <= x)
0.1000	0.0001
0.9000	0.0003
8.3427	0.1000
17.0573	0.9000

18. The greatest session duration that is exceeded by 90% of all sessions is:

- (1) 0.0003
- (2) 0.0001
- (3) -7.3427
- (4) 17.0573
- (5) 8.3427



*use 0.1! lower tail area*

19. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_9$  be the durations (in minutes) of 9 randomly selected radiotherapy sessions from the study. Let  $\bar{X}$  be the mean of  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_9$ . The standard deviation of  $\bar{X}$ ,  $sd(\bar{X})$ , is approximately:

- (1) 1.411
- (2) 3.4
- (3) 12.7
- (4) 1.133
- (5) 0.378

*Ans 7!*

$$sd(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = \frac{3.4}{\sqrt{9}}$$

Questions 20 to 22 refer to the information given below.

*Hypholoma Capnoides* is a pleasant tasting fungus (mushroom) which looks very much like the generally taller, poisonous fungus *Sulphur Tuft*. It has been suggested that the two fungi can be distinguished by use of the following guide: if the fungus is shorter than the threshold height of 8cm then classify it as the edible *Hypholoma Capnoides*, but if the fungus is taller than 8cm then classify it as the poisonous *Sulphur Tuft*.

Let  $X_H$  be the height of a *Hypholoma Capnoides* mushroom and  $X_S$  be the height of a *Sulphur Tuft* fungus.  $X_H$  is well modelled by a Normal distribution with a mean of 6.5cm and a standard deviation of 1.76cm ( $X_H \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_H = 6.5\text{cm}, \sigma_H = 1.76\text{cm})$ ) whereas  $X_S$  is well modelled by a Normal distribution with mean 9.5cm and a standard deviation 1.25cm ( $X_S \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_S = 9.5\text{cm}, \sigma_S = 1.25\text{cm})$ ). Assume  $X_H$  and  $X_S$  are independent random variables.

The table below shows a selection of probabilities from the distributions of  $X_H$  and  $X_S$ .

Normal with mean = 6.5  
and standard deviation = 1.76

x	pr(X<=x)
2.4	0.01
4.2	0.10
5.0	0.20
5.3	0.25
5.5	0.30
6.1	0.40
6.5	0.50
6.9	0.60
7.4	0.70
7.7	0.75
8.0	0.80
8.8	0.90
10.6	0.99

Normal with mean = 9.5  
and standard deviation = 1.25

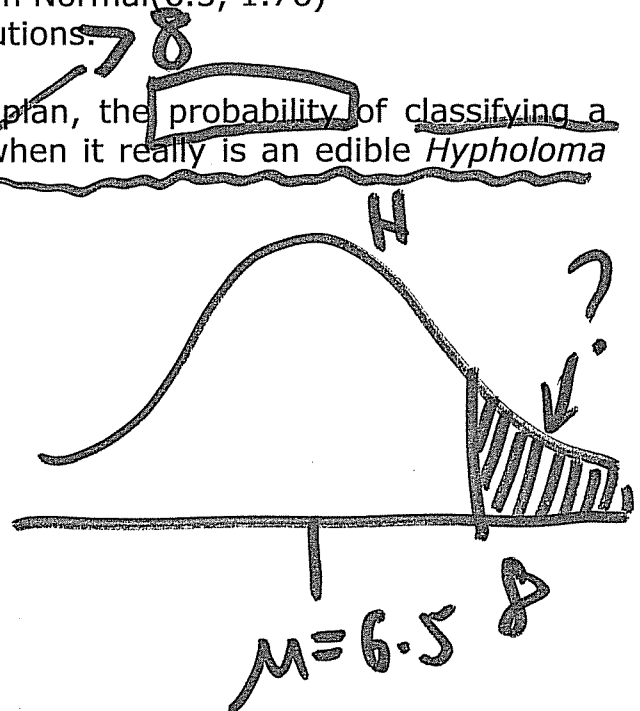
x	Pr(X<=x)
6.6	0.01
8.0	0.12
8.5	0.20
8.7	0.25
8.8	0.30
9.2	0.40
9.5	0.50
9.8	0.60
10.2	0.70
10.3	0.75
10.6	0.80
11.1	0.90
12.4	0.99

**Table:** A selection of probabilities from Normal(6.5, 1.76) and Normal(9.5, 1.25) distributions.

20. Under the suggested classification plan, the probability of classifying a fungus as poisonous *Sulphur Tuft* when it really is an edible *Hypholoma Capnoides* is approximately:

- (1) 0.80
- (2) 0.25
- (3) 0.88
- (4) 0.20
- (5) 0.12

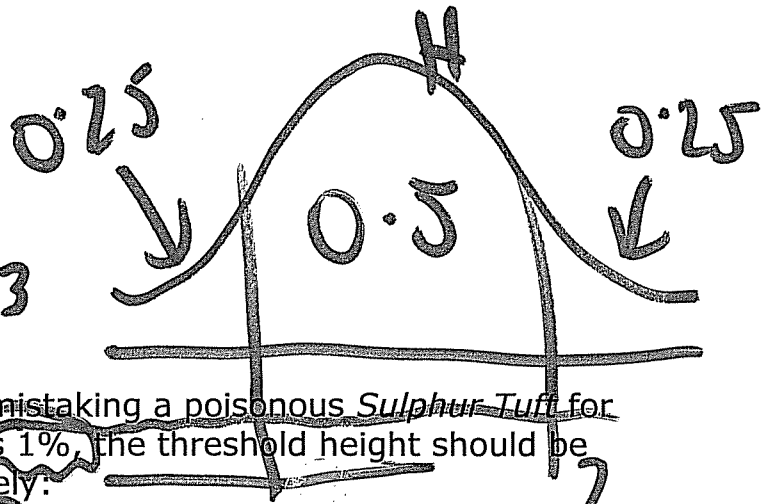
upper tail  
area  
= 1 - 0.8



21. The interquartile range for  $X_H$  is:

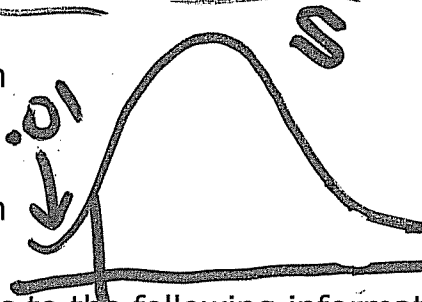
- (1) 1.6cm
- (2) 2.4cm
- (3) 3.0cm
- (4) 2.5cm
- (5) 2.1cm

**IQR**  
 $= 7.7 - 5.3$   
 $= 2.4$



22. To ensure that the probability of mistaking a poisonous *Sulphur Tuft* for an edible *Hypholoma Capnoides* is 1%, the threshold height should be changed from 8cm to approximately:

- (1) 6.5cm
- (2) 12.4cm
- (3) 2.4cm
- (4) 6.6cm
- (5) 10.6cm



use 0.25  
 $\rightarrow 5.3$

use 0.75  
 $\rightarrow 7.7$

**Question 23** refers to the following information.

A recent study was designed to investigate the abundance and size of snapper in the Cape Rodney – Okakari Point Marine Reserve and in an adjacent non-reserve region. Fishing surveys were conducted in both regions.

The data on the lengths of the snapper caught have been explored. We have decided to model the distribution of the length of a **Reserve** snapper,  $X_R$ , and the distribution of the length of a **non-Reserve** snapper,  $X_{NR}$ , as follows:

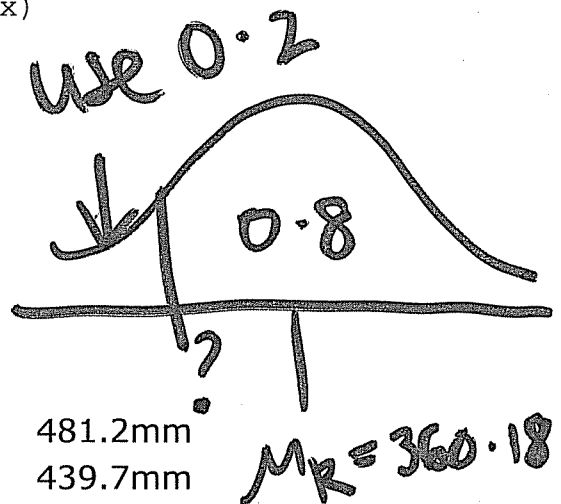
$X_R \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_R = 360.18\text{mm}, \sigma_R = 94.47\text{mm})$   
 $X_{NR} \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_{NR} = 257.09\text{mm}, \sigma_{NR} = 59.35\text{mm})$

23. Use the following computer output in this question.

Normal with mean = 360.18000 and standard deviation = 94.470000

X	P( X <= x)
0.2000	0.0001
0.8000	0.0001
239.1118	0.1000
<u>280.6720</u>	0.2000
439.6880	0.8000
481.2482	0.9000

$\approx 281$



80% of Reserve snapper are longer than:

- (1) 280.7mm
- (2) 239.1mm
- (3) 360.2mm
- (4) 481.2mm
- (5) 439.7mm

24.  $X_1, \dots, X_{35}$  form a random sample from a moderately skewed distribution. Let  $\bar{X}$  denote the average of these 35 variables. The Central Limit Theorem tells us that  $\bar{X}$  has, approximately:
- (1) a Student's  $t$ -distribution
  - (2) a moderately skewed distribution.
  - (3) a Normal distribution.
  - (4) an  $F$ -distribution.
  - (5) a  $\chi^2$ -distribution.

25. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a distribution with mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$ . Which **one** of the following statements is **false**?

- (1)  $E(X_1) = E(X_2) = \dots = E(X_n)$ .  
 (2)  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  all have the same distribution.  
 (3)  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are independent of each other.  
 (4)  $sd(X_1) = sd(X_2) = \dots = sd(X_n)$ .  
 (5)  $nX_1 = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$ .  $3 \times 2 \neq 2 + 1 + 4$

26. Which **one** of the following statements is **false**?

- (1) If the distribution of a random variable,  $X$ , is exactly Normal, then, according to the Central Limit Theorem, the distribution of  $\bar{X}$  will be approximately Normal.  
 (2)  $se(\bar{X})$  is an estimate of  $sd(X)$ .  $s/\sqrt{n}$  estimates  $\sigma/\sqrt{n}$   
 (3)  $\bar{X}$  is an unbiased estimate of  $\mu$  since  $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$ .  
 (4) An estimate is a known quantity computed from data.  $eg. \bar{X}, \hat{p}$   
 (5) A parameter is a numerical characteristic of a population or distribution.  $eg. \mu, p$

Questions 27 and 28 refer to the following information.

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{100}$  be a random sample from a skewed distribution with mean,  $\mu = 6$  and standard deviation,  $\sigma = 2.05$ .

27. If  $\bar{X}$  is the sample mean, then  $\mu_{\bar{X}}$  and standard deviation,  $\sigma_{\bar{X}}$ , of  $\bar{X}$  are:

- (1)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 6, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 0.205$   
 (2)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 6, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 2.05$   
 (3)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 60, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 2.05$   
 (4)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 60, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 20.5$   
 (5)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 6, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 20.5$

28. The distribution of  $\bar{X}$  is best described as:

- (1) exactly Normal.  
 (2) approximately Normal.  
 (3) approximately Binomial.  
 (4) unknown.  
 (5) exactly Binomial.

$$\mu_{\bar{X}} = E(\bar{X}) = \mu = 6$$

$$\sigma_{\bar{X}} = sd(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{2.05}{\sqrt{100}}$$

$$= .205$$

29. Given a random sample from a population with a population mean  $\mu$ , which **one** of the following statements is **false**?

- T (1) The distribution of the sample mean,  $\bar{X}$ , is exactly Normally distributed if the distribution of the population is exactly Normal.
- T (2) The sample mean is an unbiased estimate of the population mean since  $E(\bar{X}) = \mu$ .  $SE(\bar{X}) = \sigma/\sqrt{n}$
- T (3) The standard error of the sample mean is an estimate of the standard deviation of the sample mean.  $sd(\bar{X}) = \sigma/\sqrt{n}$
- T (4) The mean of the distribution of the sample mean is equal to the population mean. I.e,  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = \mu$ .
- (5) For large samples, the distribution of the sample mean,  $\bar{X}$ , is exactly Normally distributed.  
**approx.**

30. Given a simple random sample, which **one** of the following is **false**?

- T (1) The mean of the distribution of the sample mean,  $\mu_{\bar{X}}$ , is equal to the population mean,  $\mu$ .
- T (2) The sample mean is an unbiased estimate of the population mean since  $E[\bar{X}] = \mu$ .
- (3) The distribution of the sample mean,  $\bar{X}$ , is approximately Normal for very large samples **even** if the distribution from which the sample has been drawn is **not** skewed.
- T (4) The standard error of the sample mean is an estimate of the standard deviation of the sample mean.  $s/\sqrt{n}$  estimates  $\sigma/\sqrt{n}$
- T (5) Increasing the sample size by a factor of 4 will double the accuracy of the sample mean as an estimate of the population mean. **(ch 8)**

31.  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  form a random sample from a distribution with mean  $\mu = 10$  and standard deviation  $\sigma = 9$ . The sample mean,  $\bar{X}$ , has mean  $\mu_{\bar{X}}$  and standard deviation  $\sigma_{\bar{X}}$  given by:

- ~~(1)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 25 \times 10,$   $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \sqrt{25} \times 10$~~
- ~~(2)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = \frac{10}{25}$   $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{9}{25}$~~
- ~~(3)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 10,$   $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = 9$~~
- (4)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 10,$   $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{25}}$
- (5)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 10,$   $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{25}}$

$\mu_{\bar{X}} = \mu = 10$   
 $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = \sigma/\sqrt{n} = \frac{9}{\sqrt{25}}$

32. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a distribution with mean  $\mu$  and standard deviation  $\sigma$ . Let  $\bar{X}$  be the sample mean. Which **one** of the following statements is **false**?

- T (1)  $\bar{X}$  may not be approximately Normally distributed for small samples.
- T (2)  $\bar{X}$  is a random variable.
- (3)  $sd(\bar{X}) = sd(X)$ .  $sd(\bar{X}) = sd(X)/\sqrt{n}$
- T (4)  $E(\bar{X}) = E(X) = \mu$   $= \sigma/\sqrt{n}$
- T (5)  $\bar{X}$  is at least approximately Normally distributed for large samples.

33. Which **one** of the following statements is **false**?

- T (1) A parameter is a numerical characteristic of a population or distribution.
- T (2) An estimate is a quantity computed from data.
- (3) The standard deviation of  $\bar{X}$  is usually **greater** than the standard deviation of  $X$ . *smaller*
- T (4) The standard error of the sample mean,  $se(\bar{X})$ , estimates the precision of  $\bar{X}$  as an estimate of  $\mu$ .
- T (5)  $\bar{X}$  is an unbiased estimate of  $\mu$ .

*because of dividing  $\sigma$  by square root of  $n$ !*

34. A random variable  $T$  has a Student's  $t$ -distribution with  $df$  degrees of freedom. Which **one** of the following statements is **false**?

- T (1) The  $t$ -distribution for small degrees is flatter with wider tails than the Standard Normal distribution.
- T (2) The mean of  $T$  is zero.
- T (3) The  $t$ -distribution gets closer to the Normal(0,1) distribution as  $df$  gets larger. ↗
- (4) The  $t$ -distribution gets closer to the Normal(0,1) distribution as  $df$  gets smaller. ↖
- T (5) The distribution of  $T$  is symmetric.

35. Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{11}$  are the weights of 11 randomly selected packets of M & M's which come from a distribution with mean  $\mu = 54$  and standard deviation  $\sigma = 2$ . Then the distribution of the sample mean has mean  $\mu_{\bar{X}}$  and standard deviation  $\sigma_{\bar{X}}$  given by:

- ~~(1)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 4.91, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 0.182$~~
- ~~(2)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 594, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 2.000$~~
- (3)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 54, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 0.603$
- ~~(4)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 54, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 2.000$~~
- ~~(5)  $\mu_{\bar{X}} = 4.91, \sigma_{\bar{X}} = 0.603$~~

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{\bar{X}} &= E(\bar{X}) = \mu = 54 \\ \sigma_{\bar{X}} &= sd(\bar{X}) = \sigma / \sqrt{n} \\ &= 2 / \sqrt{11} \end{aligned}$$

36. The Central Limit Theorem says that the distribution of the mean,  $\bar{X}$ , of a random sample:

- (1) is a Student's  $t$ -distribution with  $n-1$  degrees of freedom.
- (2) has an *approximately* Chi-Square distribution when the mean is large.
- (3) is an  $F$ -distribution with degrees of freedom which can be calculated from the sample data.
- (4) is unknown.
- (5) is *approximately* Normal in large samples.

37. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_{10}$  be a random sample of size 10 from a distribution with  $\mu = 12$  and  $\sigma = 2$ , then the distribution of  $\bar{X}$  has expected value  $E[\bar{X}]$  and standard deviation  $sd[\bar{X}]$  where:

- ~~(1)  $E[\bar{X}] = 1.2, \quad sd[\bar{X}] = 2$~~
- ~~(2)  $E[\bar{X}] = 12, \quad sd[\bar{X}] = 0.2$~~
- ~~(3)  $E[\bar{X}] = 1.2, \quad sd[\bar{X}] = 0.63$~~
- (4)  $E[\bar{X}] = 12, \quad sd[\bar{X}] = 0.63$
- ~~(5)  $E[\bar{X}] = 120, \quad sd[\bar{X}] = 6.32$~~

$E(\bar{X}) = \mu = 12$

$sd(\bar{X}) = \sigma / \sqrt{n}$   
 $= 2 / \sqrt{10}$

38. Which one of the following statements is **false**?

- T (1) For large random samples, the true value of  $\mu$  lies inside the interval  $\bar{x} \pm 2se(\bar{x})$  for a little more than 95% of all samples taken.
- T (2) For random samples for a Normal distribution,  $T = (\bar{X} - \mu) / se(\bar{X})$  is exactly distributed as Student's  $t$ -distribution ( $df = n - 1$ ).
- T (3) The precision of an estimate refers to its variability - one estimate is less precise than another if it has more variability.
- O (4) The Student's  $t$ -distribution ( $df = \infty$ ) distribution has ~~fatter~~ <sup>the same</sup> tails than the Normal ( $\mu = 0, \sigma = 1$ ) distribution.
- T (5) For large random samples,  $T = (\bar{X} - \mu) / se(\bar{X})$  is distributed as approximately Normal ( $\mu_X = 0, \sigma_X = 1$ ).

**ANSWERS**

- 1. (2)    2. (5)    3. (3)    4. (1)    5. (4)    6. (3)
- 7. (4)    8. (3)    9. (4)    10. (2)    11. (3)    12. (2)
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- 31. (5)    32. (3)    33. (3)    34. (4)    35. (3)    36. (5)
- 37. (4)    38. (4)