

THEOREM If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are n mutually independent _____ random variables with means $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n$ and variances $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2$,

then $Y = \sum c_i X_i = c_1 X_1 + c_2 X_2 + \dots + c_n X_n$ has the normal distribution _____

where $\mu_y = \sum c_i \mu_i$ and $\sigma_y^2 = \sum c_i^2 \sigma_i^2$.

COROLLARY Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample of size n from a normal distribution $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.

Then the sample mean $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum X_i = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$ has the normal distribution _____.

So \bar{X} has the same mean, but a smaller variance. Hence, the probability that \bar{X} falls in a given interval containing μ is greater than the probability that a single observation of X falls in the same interval.

EX Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{10} be a random sample from test scores distributed as $N(76.4, 4.1^2)$.

(a). Find $P(70 < X_1 < 80)$.

(b). Find $P(70 < \bar{X} < 80)$.

Let $W = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma}(\bar{X} - \mu) = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ where X comes from _____ distribution.

$$\text{Then } \mu_W = E(W) = E\left(\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}\right) =$$

and

$$\sigma_W^2 = \text{Var}(W) = E(W^2) - (E(W))^2 = E(W^2) - 0^2$$

So W has mean _____ and variance _____ regardless of _____

But how is W itself distributed?

CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM If \bar{X} is the mean of a random sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n of size n from a distribution with finite mean μ and finite variance σ^2 , then the distribution of

$$W = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \text{ is}$$

Comments

EX Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{30} be a random sample from an unknown distribution with mean 28.5 and variance 9.8.

(a). Find $P(28 < \bar{X} < 30)$

(b). Let $Y = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{30}$. Find $P(800 < Y < 900)$

EX Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{25} be a random sample from a $\chi^2(2)$. Let $Y = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{25}$.

(a). Find $P(45 < Y < 55)$ using the distribution of Y .

(b). Find $P(45 < Y < 55)$ using the Central Limit Theorem.