

Problem Set 7

1. Suppose X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{100} are i.i.d. with mean $1/5$ and variance $1/9$. Use the central limit theorem to estimate $P(\sum X_i < 30)$.

R: 0.9986

2. The average IQ in a population is 100 with standard deviation 15. What is the probability that a randomly selected group of 100 people has an average IQ above 115?

R: 7.619×10^{-24} practice zero!

3. Suppose that X_1, X_2, X_3 are independent with the common probability function

$$P(X_i = 0) = 0.2, \quad P(X_i = 1) = 0.3, \quad P(X_i = 3) = 0.5, \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

Let $\bar{X}_2 = \frac{X_1 + X_2}{2}$ and $\bar{X}_3 = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + X_3}{3}$. Determine: a) $E[\bar{X}_2]$, $V[\bar{X}_2]$ b) $E[\bar{X}_3]$, $V[\bar{X}_3]$.

R: a) 1.8, 0.78 b) 1.8, 0.52

4. If 10 fair dice are rolled , approximate the probability that the sum of the values obtained (which ranges from 10 to 60) is between 30 and 40 inclusive.

R: 0.6922

5. If X is a chi-square random variable with 6 degrees of freedom, find

a) $P(X \leq 6)$

b) $P(3 \leq X \leq 9)$

R: use R or tables a)0.5768 b)0.6352

6. If X and Y are independent chi-square random variables with 3 and 6 degrees of freedom, respectively, determine the probability that $X + Y$ will exceed 10.

R: use R or tables 0.3504

7. If T is a t -distribution with 8 degrees of freedom , find a) $P(T \geq 1)$, b) $P(T \leq 2)$ c) $P(-1 < T < 1)$

R: use R or tables a)0.1732 b)0.9597 c)0.6534

8. A highway department has enough salt to handle a total of 80 inches of snowfall. Suppose the daily amount of snow has a mean of 1.5 inches and a standard deviation of 0.3 inches. Approximate the probability that the salt on hand will suffice for the next 50 days. What assumption did you make?

R: 0.9907