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Lecture ①

Variable:

a measurement that change from individual to another, or from time to time

Example: Salary in Ontario (annual)

Variable	Salary 2014	Salary 2015
John	\$60,000 ↑ measurement	\$65,000
Phil	\$53,000 ↑ measurement	\$42,000
Ann	\$120,000 ↑ measurement	\$150,000

experimental value

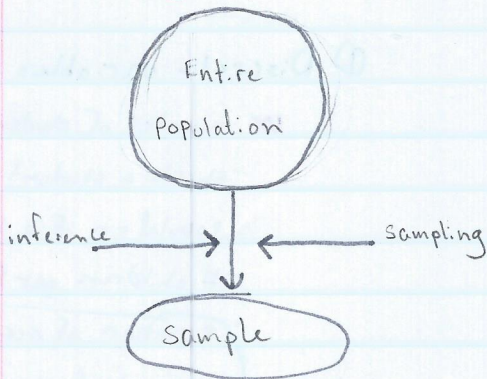
conclude (using some math) that 95% of all healthy people have their temperature between $39^{\circ} \pm 0.3$ ← margin of error

Example 2: If we want to know time to death for a mouse exposed to a gamma radiation we'll have to wait until all mice die!!! (Not possible). Instead, we can observe, say 25 mice and wait number of hours to death for each mouse then we compute the average

If we find it for example, equal

$$\frac{T_1 + \dots + T_{25}}{25} = 32.3 \text{ h}$$

Sampling:



in sampling, we try to obtain some relevant information from the sample at hand to infer about the whole population.

why we need sampling (or statistics in general?)

Example 1: we can't measure body temperature of every person on earth. Instead, we take a sample of say 100 healthy persons (from different places) and we measure the average, say 39° , then we

Then we make a math free statement such as:

95% of mice die after 32.3hr with .5 margin of error.

Example 3: To know the exact time numbers, we'll have to wait until election is over. Instead, we conduct some statistical surveys.

L, C, NDP
 survey 1000 potential voters...
 30% 40% 30%

From this we can build what we call ^(CI) confidence intervals ^(CI) for each party

L: $30\% \pm 2\%$	C: $40\% \pm 2.5\%$	NDP: $30\% \pm 1.8\%$
CI: 28%, 32%	CI: 37.5%, 42.5%	CI: 28.2%, 31.8%

(1) univariate data:

Salary = one single variable of interest of us

(2) bivariate data:

in addition to salary...

ex: where do you live?

(3) multivariate data:

	Salary	City	degree	M/F
a ₁ John	\$60000	Ottawa	msc	m
a ₂ Phil	\$53000	Guelph	B.S	m
a ₃ Ann	\$120000	Toronto	phd	F

ex: salary

income

temperature

age

time

Descriptive Statistics

Statistics on the sample

Example: sample mean

If we compute the sample mean for John, Phil and Ann, we get

$$= \frac{60\,000 + 53\,000 + 120\,000}{3}$$

$$= \$77\,666 \leftarrow \text{Just the mean salary of } 3 \text{ people picked at random}$$

we also have sample variance, median, etc...

Inferential Statistics

are methods leading to some information about the true (unknown) mean, for example the entire population.

Using inferential stat., we can make statements such as:

average salary in Ontario in 2019 is between \$55,000 and \$95,000 ← upper

Two types of variables:

① Qualitative: (categorical)

② Quantitative:

Variables that assume numbers (or numerical values)

Two types of quantitative data

① Discrete variables

ex: number of students in a class

shirts a student has

population of a town

children per family

number of accidents per week on montreal street, ottawa

↳ be specific

② Continuous: over an interval