

# Probability & Statistics Study Guide

## Unit 2

### I. Combinations & Permutations

→ Factorial if  $n$  is a positive integer then  $n$  factorial (!) =

$$n! = n * (n-1) * (n-2) * (n-3) \dots$$

• zero - zero is NOT a positive integer, but

$$0! = 1$$

→ Permutation arrangement of things in which order is important

↳  $n$  things taken  $r$  at a time =

$$P(n, r) = {}_n P_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

→ Combination arrangements of objects in which order is NOT important

↳ the combination of  $n$  things taken  $r$  at a time =

$${}_n C_r = C(n, r) = \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)! * r!}$$

\* combinations are smaller than permutations

### II. Pascal's Triangle and Binomial Theorem

- a table of combinations
- coefficients of  $x$  and  $y$

$$(x + y)^n$$

$x$ 's exponents go from  $n$  to  $0$   
 $y$ 's exponents go from  $0$  to  $n$

what is the  $r^{\text{th}}$  term of  $(a+b)^n$ ?

$$C(n, r-1) a^{n-r+1} b^{r-1}$$

### III. Probability

probability: the number of ways things can happen divided by the sample space

↳ sample space the set of all possible outcomes

$$P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$$

↳ intersection of  $A$  &  $B$



→ compliment all outcomes in the sample space that are NOT the event

$$P(A') = 1 - P(A)$$

## IV. Basic Statistics

• center mean/median

• Central Limit Theorem (CLT) ( $n > 30$ )

1. distribution of sampling means is approximately normal
2. mean of sampling distribution = population mean
3. standard deviation of sampling means =  $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = S_{\bar{x}}$

• sample mean ( $\bar{x}$ )

the mean of the population, a statistic measuring the average of the observations in the sample

• sample proportion - indicates the proportion of success in a particular sample, written as  $\hat{p}$

• population mean ( $\mu$ )

• population standard deviation ( $\sigma$ )

• mean absolute deviation

- ① find the mean
- ② find difference between each value & the mean
- ③ find the absolute value of each value from #2
- ④ find the mean of the values from #3

• variance

the average of the squared differences from the mean

- ① find the mean
- ② find difference between each value & the mean
- ③ square each result
- ④ find the mean of the values from #3

• standard deviation

- ① find the variance
- ② find the square root of the variance

• box plot

- min, Q1, mean, Q3, max
- outliers:  $1.5 (IQR) \pm Q_1/Q_3$

tells you measures of spread

## V. Sampling

• simple random - completely random, every possible sample has the same chance of being selected

• systematic - selection in intervals / in an order

• stratified random - create groups & select using simple random from each group

• cluster - make groups & select 1 group (cluster) to survey

• convenience - choosing those who are easiest to reach

• voluntary response - people choose themselves & respond to a general appeal

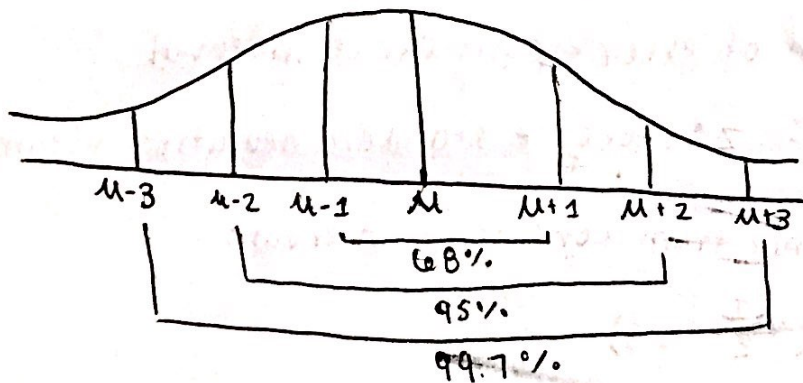
## VI. Empirical Rule & Normal Distribution

(68-95-99.7 rule)

- estimates the spread of data in normal distribution given the mean & standard deviation

- normal distribution:

- symmetric, bell shaped, follows empirical rule



→ to find probability/percentage under the curve:

normal cdf (upper value, lower value, mean ( $\mu$ ), standard deviation ( $\sigma$ ))

- z scores

the number of standard deviations the x value lies above or below

the mean when  $\mu = 0$  and  $\sigma = 1$ .

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

z = z score

x = your score

$\mu$  = mean

$\sigma$  = standard deviation



## VII. Binomial Distribution / Probability

conditions:

- each trial has two outcomes
- fixed number of trials ( $n$ )
- trials must be independent
- probability of success ( $p$ ) must be the same for each trial

$$P(x) = \binom{n}{r} (p)^x (1-p)^{n-x} \quad \text{OR} \quad P(x) = \left( \frac{n!}{(n-x)! x!} \right) (p)^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

## VIII. Jelly Blubber Lab

- means tend to be higher when selecting by convenience
  - ↳ eyes drawn to larger objects
- random selection is good
  - ↳ creates a smaller distribution w smaller values
- Central limit theorem
  - ↳ see **IV**

## IX. Confidence Intervals

mean  $\pm$  margin of error = confidence interval

margin of error:  $z^*$  score \* standard deviation of sample means ( $s_{\bar{x}}$ )

how to find  $z^*$  score from confidence interval:

$$\text{inv norm} \left( \frac{CI}{2} + .5 \right) \quad (\text{Left})$$

- inv T is used when  $n < 30$

→ less confidence = smaller interval = smaller  $z$  score

→ more confidence = larger interval = larger  $z$  score

## X. Proportions & Confidence Intervals

$$CI = \hat{p} \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

where  $\hat{p}$  = proportion of sample

Standard deviation of sample proportions