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Ch.2 Basic Statistical Concepts.



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Key Data Definitions



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Data Collection, Analysis and Reporting : Some guidelines

- 1. Formulate a clear statements of the problem.
- 2. Define precisely what is to be measured.
- 3. Carefully select the right measurement techniques.
- 4. List all the important characteristics to be measured.
- 5. Construct an uncomplicated data form.
- 6. Decide who will collect the data.
- 7. Arrange for an appropriate sampling method.
- 8. Decide who will analyze and interpret the results.
- 9. Decide who will report the results.

Key Data Definitions.

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- Statistic : A numerical data measurement taken from a sample that may be used to make an inference about a population. (e.g. $\frac{1}{x}$, V, s, R, ...)
- Parameter : The true population value, often unknown, estimated by statistic. (e.g. μ , σ^2 , ...)
- A Continuous Distribution : Contains infinite (variable) data points that may be displayed on a continuous measurement scale.
 (e.g. normal, exponential, Weibull distributions, . . .)

 A Discrete Distribution : Results from countable (attribute) data that has a finite number of possible values.

(e.g. binominal, Poisson and hypergeometric distributions.)



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Measures of Central Tendency.

The Mean
$$(\bar{x})$$
 : $\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}}{n}$

(where, χ : each number, η : the sample size)

- The Mode (Mode, M_o): The mode is the most frequently occurring number in a data set.
- The Median (M_e, \tilde{x}) : The median is the middle value when the data is arranged in ascending or descending order.



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Measures of Central Tendency.



Figure 1. Mean, Mode and Median



The Central Limit Theorem.



Figure 2. Distributions of Individuals vs. Means

• The sample means x_s will be more normally distributed around μ than individual readings x_s .

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Measure of Dispersions.

- Range (R) : The range of a set of data is the difference between the largest and smallest values.
- Variance (σ^2, s^2) : The sum of squared deviation from the mean divided by the sample size.

Population :
$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} (X - \mu)^2}{N}$$
 Sample : $s^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \overline{x})^2}{n - 1}$

• Standard Deviation (σ, s) : The square root of the variance.



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Tchebysheff's Theorem

- $P(|X-\mu| < k\sigma) \ge 1-\frac{1}{k^2}$ where k > 1
- This means that when we use $\overline{\chi}$ to estimate μ , at least 100(1 (1 / k^2))% of the observed values will fall within $\mu + k\sigma$ regardless of what distribution it is.

Probability



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Conditions for Probability.

- Event(E) : The probability of any event lies between 0 and 1.
- Sample space(S) : The sum of the probabilities of all possible events in a sample space = 1
- The Probability of E: $P(E) = \frac{n_E}{N}$

(where N = the number of sample space, n_E = the number of event)

Probability.

Compound Events.

- 1. Union of A and B (The Additive Law)
 - · $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$ (mutual exclusive events)
 - · $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) P(A \cap B)$ (not mutually exclusive)
- 2. Intersection of A and B (The Multiplicative Law)
 - · $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$ (events A and B are independent)
 - · $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B \mid A)$ (events A and B are dependent)

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Permutations & Combinations.

· Permutations : An ordered arrangement of $_{\mathcal{N}}$ distinct objects

$$_{n}P_{r} = n(n-1)(n-2) \cdot \cdot \cdot (n-r+1) = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$$

• Combinations : The number of distinct combinations of n distinct objects taken γ at a time.

$$_{n}C_{r} = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$$

Probability Density Functions.

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Probability Density Function.

- · Continuous distributions
 - : $f(x) \ge 0$, x is real.

$$P(a \le x \le b) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$: \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = 1$$

· Discrete distributions

$$p(x) \ge 0, \qquad x \text{ is real}$$

$$: P(X=x) = p(x)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k} f(x_i) = 1, \quad n(S) = k$$

Probability Density Functions.



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Reliability & Hazard Functions.

$$R(x) = \int_x^\infty f(\tau) d\tau$$

$$\lambda(x) = \frac{f(x)}{R(x)}$$

$$\rightarrow R(x) = e^{-\int_0^x \lambda(x) dx}$$



Figure 3. The Reliability Function.

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Common Discrete Distribution.

	Binomial	Poisson	Hypergeometric							
Shape	\vec{r}	(L) (L) (L) (L) (L) (L) (L) (L) (L) (L)	F_{e}^{r}							
Formulas	$P(X) = {}_{n}C_{r} p^{X}q^{n-X}$ $n = \text{Sample size.}$ $X = \text{Number of occurrences.}$ $p = \text{Probability.}$ $q = 1-p$	$P(X) = \frac{(n\overline{p})^X e^{-n\overline{p}}}{X!}$ $n = \text{Sample size.}$ $X = \text{Number of occurrences.}$ $p_{-} = \text{Probability.}$ $n\overline{p} = \mu = \text{average.}$	$P(X) = \frac{\binom{d}{X}\binom{N-d}{n-X}}{\binom{N}{n}}$ $n = \text{Sample size.}$ $X = \text{Number of occurrences}$ $d = \text{Occurrences in population}$ $N = \text{Population size}$							
Application	The binomial is an approximation to the hypergeometric. Sampling is with replacement. The Sample size is less than 10 % of N. The normal distribution approximates the binomial when $np \ge 5$.	The Poisson is used as a distribution for defect counts and can be used as an approximation to the binomial. For np < 5 the binomial is better approximated by the Poission than the Normal.	Used when the number of defects (d) is known. Sampling is without replacement. The population size(N) is frequently small. Applied when the sample(n) is a relatively large proportion of the population.							

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Binomial Distribution

- It is used to model situation having only 2 possible outcomes, usually labeled as success or failure.
- The binomial probability density function.

$$p(x : n, p) = {\binom{n}{x}} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} = \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x}$$

· Mean and variance.

$$E(x) = np, \qquad V(x) = np(1-p)$$



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Poisson Distribution

- It is used to rates, such as rabbits per acre, defects per unit, or arrivals per hour.
- · The Poisson probability density function.

$$p(x: \mu) = \frac{e^{-\mu}\mu^x}{x!}$$

- The term $p(x,\mu)$ represents the probability of exactly x occurrence in an interval having an average of μ occurrences.
- · Mean and variance.

$$E(x) = \mu, \qquad \qquad V(x) = \mu$$

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Hypergeometric Distribution

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- It is similar to the binomial distribution. Both are used to model the number of successes given :
 - 1. A fixed number of trials, and
 - 2. Two possible outcome on each trial.

The difference is that the binomial distribution requires the probability of successes to be the same for all trials, while the hypergeometric distribution does not.

$$p(x: N, n, m) = \frac{\binom{m}{x}\binom{N-m}{n-x}}{\binom{N}{n}} \qquad x = 0, 1, 2, \cdots \min(n, m)$$

$$E(x) = \frac{nm}{N} = np , \qquad V(x) = np(1-p)\left(\frac{N-n}{N-1}\right)$$

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Geometric Distribution

- The geometric distribution requires exactly 1 success, and the random variable is the number of trials required to obtain the first success.
- The geometric distribution.

$$p(x : p) = p(1-p)^{x-1}$$

· Mean and variance.

$$E(x) = \frac{1}{p}$$
, $V(x) = \frac{1-p}{p^2}$

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Common Continuous Distributions.

	Normal	Exponential	Weibull						
Shape	<u> </u>	μ or θ	$\beta=1/2 \qquad \eta=1$ $\beta=1$ $\beta=3$						
Formulas	$P(X) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{X-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^{2}}$ $\mu = \text{Mean}$ $\sigma = \text{Standard deviation.}$	$P(X) = \frac{1}{\mu} e^{-\frac{X}{\mu}}$ $\mu = Mean$	$P(X) = \frac{\beta}{\theta} \left(\frac{X - \delta}{\theta} \right)^{\beta - 1} e^{-\left(\frac{X - \delta}{\theta} \right)^{\beta}}$ $\frac{\theta}{\theta} = \text{Scale parameter.}$ $\frac{\beta}{\theta} = \text{Shape parameter.}$ $\frac{\beta}{\theta} = \text{Location parameter.}$						
Application	Numerous applications. Useful when it is equally likely that readings will fall above or below the average.	Describes constant failure rate conditions. Applies for the useful life cycle of many products. Often, time (t) is used for X.	Used for many reliability applications. Can test for the end of the infant mortality period. Can also describe the normal and exponential distribution.						

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Weibull Distribution.

 The Weibull distribution is one of the most widely used distributions in reliability. It is commonly used to model time to fail, time to repair and material strength. There are two common versions of the Weibull distribution used in reliability. The two parameter Weibull and three parameter Weibull. The difference is the three parameter Weibull distribution has a location parameter when there is some non zero time to first failure.

$$f(x) = \frac{-\beta}{\theta} \left(\frac{-x - \delta}{\theta} \right)^{(\beta - 1)} e^{-\left(\frac{-x - \delta}{\theta} \right)^{\beta}} , \quad x \geq \delta$$

where β : the shape parameter, θ : the scale parameter. δ : the location parameter.

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Weibull Distribution : Shape Parameter.



- · If $\beta = 1$, the Weibull distribution is identical to the exponential distribution.
- If $\beta = 2$, the Weibull distribution is identical to the Rayleigh distribution.
- · If $_{\beta}$ is between 3 and 4, the Weibull distribution approximates the normal distribution.

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Weibull Distribution : Scale Parameter.



- The scale parameter is also known as the *characteristic life* if the location parameter is equal to zero.
- If δ does not equal zero, the characteristic life is equal to $\theta + \delta$; 63.2% of all value fall below the characteristic life regardless of the value of the shape parameter.

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Weibull Distribution : Location Parameter.



- The probability of failure when x is less than δ is zero.
- · When $\delta > 0$, there is a period when no failures can occur.
- When $\delta < 0$, failures have occurred before time equal 0.
- A negative location parameter is caused by shipping failed units, failures during transportation, and shelf life failures.

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Normal Distribution

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{-x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} , -\infty < x < \infty$$

where, μ : the mean, σ : the standard deviation.



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Exponential Distribution

• The exponential distribution is used to model items with a constant failure rate, usually electronics. The exponential distribution is closely related to the Poisson distribution. If random variable, x is exponentially distributed, then the reciprocal of $x = \frac{y-1}{x}$ follows a Poisson distribution. https://m.kekaoxing.com

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{x}{\theta}} = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}, \quad x \ge 0$$

where, λ = the failure rate. θ = the mean
Mean = $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ · Variance = $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$



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*** Estimation of the mean**

$$\theta = \frac{T}{r}$$
 where, T = the total test time for all items.
 r = the number failed.

• A (1 -
$$_{a}$$
)% confidence limit for $_{b}$

 $\frac{2T}{\chi^{2}_{\frac{-\alpha}{2},2r+2}} \leq \theta \leq \frac{2T}{\chi^{2}_{1-\frac{-\alpha}{2},2r}}$ (*Time* censoring) $\frac{2T}{\chi^{2}_{\frac{-\alpha}{2},2r}} \leq \theta \leq \frac{2T}{\chi^{2}_{1-\alpha,2r}}$ (*Failure* censoring) [CRE Primer III 30-59]

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Lognormal Distribution.

• Transforming the data by taking a logarithm yields a data set that is approximately normally distributed.

Lognormal data	Normal data	IN					
12	ln(12)	2.48					
16	ln(16)	2.77					
28	ln(28)	3.33					
48	ln(48)	3.87					
87	ln(87)	4.47					
143	In(143)	4.96					

 $y = x_1 x_2 x_3 \longrightarrow \ln y = \ln x_1 + \ln x_2 + \ln x_3$

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Lognormal Distribution.

The lognormal probability density function :

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x \sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{-\ln x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} , x > 0$$

where, μ : the location parameter or log mean.

 σ : the scale parameter or log standard deviation.



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Gamma Distribution.

· Probability density function.



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Gamma Distribution.

 Where the failure distribution is know to be exponential and the concern is to model the time to the nth failure rather than the first failure, the gamma distribution is the appropriate model.

• Reliability function.

$$R(x) = \sum_{n=1}^{k=0} \frac{(\lambda x)^{k} e^{-\lambda x}}{k!}$$

Sampling Distribution.

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The Chi-Square Distribution

$$\left(\chi^2 = \frac{s^2(n-1)}{\sigma^2}\right).$$



$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2^{\nu/2} \Gamma(\nu/2)} x^{(\nu/2-1)} e^{-x/2}$$
, $x > 0$

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Sampling Distribution.

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The F Distribution

$$\left(F = \frac{s_1^2}{s_2^2}\right)$$

• The *F* distribution is used to make inferences about variances and to construct confidence limits.



Sampling Distribution (cont.)

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The t Distribution.



• The *t* distribution is used to draw inferences concerning means and to construct confidence intervals for means when the variance is unknown, or too few samples are available to use the normal distribution.



Control Chart.



- · Line graphs that display a dynamic picture of process behavior.
- · Require approximately 100 data values to calculate upper and lower control limits, but
- Require only periodic small subgroups or x_s to continue to monitor the process.

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Control Chart.

- A process which is under statistical control : have plot points that do not exceed the upper or the lower control limits.
- · Types of Charts.
 - 1. Control charts for Variables :

x-R charts, Run charts, $M\overline{X}-MR$ charts, $\overline{x}-s$ charts, Median charts

2. Control charts for Attributes :

p charts, np charts, c charts, u charts

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Steps for Constructing x - R Charts

- 1. Determine the sample size (n=3, 4, 5) and the frequency of sampling.
- 2. Collect 20 to 25 sets of time-sequenced samples.
- 3. Calculate the average for each set of samples, equals X.
- 4. Calculate the range for each set of samples, equals R
- 5. Calculate \overline{X} . This is the center line of the \overline{X} chart.
- 6. Calculate R. This is the center line of the R chart.
- 7. Calculate the control limits :
- 8. Plot the data and interpret the chart for special or assignable causes.

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Example of $\overline{x} - R$ Charts

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X - R Control Chart

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Basic Control Chart Interpretation Rules.

- 1. Special causes are any points above the UCL or below the LCL.
- 2. A Run is 7 or more consecutive points above or below the center lines.
- 3. A **1-in-20 violation** is more than one point in twenty consecutive points close to the control limits.
- 4. A **trend violation** is any upward or downward movement of 5 or more consecutive points or drifts of 7 or more points.

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Attribute Charts.

Chart	Records	Subgroup size
р	Fraction Defective.	Varies
np	Number of Defectives.	Constant
С	Number of Defects.	Constant
u	Number of Defects per Unit.	Varies
100 p	Percent Defectives.	Varies



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p Chart (% defectives, Binomial Distribution).

• UCL_p /LCL_p =
$$\overline{p} \pm 3\sqrt{-p(1-p)}$$

np Chart (Defectives, Binomial Distribution).

• UCL_{np} /LCL_{np} =
$$n\overline{p} \pm 3\sqrt{n\overline{p}(1-\overline{p})}$$



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c Chart (Number of Defects, Poisson Distribution).

• UCL_c /LCL_c = $\overline{c} \pm 3\sqrt{c}$

U Chart (Average Number of Defects, Poisson Distribution).

• UCL_u /LCL_u =
$$\frac{u}{u} \pm 3\frac{\sqrt{u}}{\sqrt{n}}$$