

Statistics Notes

Given below are some questions. I give hints when I think that you may need help.

1. I need a sample of 20 students from a list of 805. Label those students from 1 to 805 and give me one sample of 20 using random sampling (using a table or a calculator and indicating how you did it). Also, give me a sample of 20, using systematic random sampling, indicating the procedure. (page 18).
2. Suppose that 100 of the 805 students of problem 1 are graduating seniors and that I want them well represented. What kind of sampling would you use?  
Approximately how many graduating seniors will be in a sample of 20? (page 22).
3. What is the difference between an observational study and a designed experiment? Look up at least one example of each.
4. Label the following variables qualitative or quantitative as appropriate:  
Height,  
Weight  
Place of birth  
Color of hair  
High school class rank  
Amount of water in a beaker  
Telephone number of a person  
Number of courses
5. Given the data respond to the requests that follow: 83, 58, 77, 57, 87, 93, 70, 85, 92, 92, 79, 68, 82, 72, 68, 76, 88, 90, 81, 76, 77, 55, 74, 73, 82, 86, 92, 84, 89, 64, 35, 73.

(i). Prepare a stem and leaf diagram of the data and comment on the shape of the distribution.

(ii). Complete the following frequency and relative frequency table.

Class	Tally	Frequency	Relative Frequency
30-39			
40-49			
50-59			
60-69			
70-79			
80-89			
90-99			

(iii). Use the above table to construct a frequency histogram of the data.

(iv). Give the “five number summary” and construct the box plot of the data. Decide if the data contains any outliers

6. Given the data: 5, 14, 7, 10, 6, 8, 12, 9, 10, 9, 7, 11.

- (i) Find the mean \_\_\_\_\_, median \_\_\_\_\_, and mode \_\_\_\_\_, of the data.
- (ii) Test the data for normality using the normal probability plot. (You are supposed to use Table III for the z-scores.)
- (iii) Find the variance of the data using the fact that  $\sum (x - \bar{x})^2 = 74$  and assuming that the above data is a sample.

- (iv) Find the standard deviation of the above data assuming that it is the data of a population.

7. The following table provides 8 observations of y against x.

Observation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
x	2.4	3.4	4.6	3.7	2.2	3.3	4	2.1
y	1.33	2.12	1.80	1.65	2.00	1.76	2.11	1.63

$$\sum x = 25.7, \sum y = 14.40, \sum x^2 = 88.31, \sum y^2 = 26.4324 \text{ and } \sum xy = 46.856,$$

- (I) Using your calculator, or the information above, find the (linear) coefficient of determination of the data and comment on the strength of relationship between the x's and the y's.
- (II) Using your calculator, or the information above, find the slope  $b_1$  and the intercept  $b_0$  of the line of regression taking x as predictor and y as response.

8. The following table provides observations of y against x.

x	6	6	2	5	4	5	1	4
y	205	195	299	230	270	243	340	240

$$\sum x = 33, \sum y = 2022, \sum x^2 = 159, \sum y^2 = 527500 \text{ and } \sum xy = 7743,$$

- (III) Using your calculator, or the information above, find the linear correlation coefficient of the data and comment on the strength of relationship between the x's and the y's.
- (IV) In general what can you tell about the slope from the linear correlation coefficient?
- (V) Using your calculator, or the information above, find the slope  $b_1$  and the intercept  $b_0$  of the line of regression taking x as predictor and y as response.
- (VI) Write the regression equation  $\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x$  and use it to predict the value of y for  $x=3$ .

9. The following table provides the frequency distribution for the number of rooms in US housing units. The frequencies are in thousands.

Rooms	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8+
Freq.	471	1,470	11,715	23,468	24,476	21,327	13,782	15,647

Total number of housing units: 112,356

For a US housing unit selected at random, let

A = event the unit has at most 4 rooms.

B = event the unit has at least 2 rooms.

C = event the unit has between 5 and 7 rooms inclusive.

D = event the unit has more than 7 rooms

- (i) Describe each of the above events (e.g.  $A = \{1,2,3,4\}$  = the unit has 1 rm or 2 rms or 3 rms, or 4 rms.).
- (ii) Find  $P(A)$ ,  $P(B)$  and  $P(C)$ . (e.g.  $P(A) = \frac{f}{N} = \frac{471+1470+11715+23468}{112356}$ )
- (iii) Describe each of the events and find their probabilities: (not A), (A & B), (C or D).

10. In Problem 9 above,  $X$ = “number of rooms” is a random variable. Using this notion the event A can be written as  $A = \{X \leq 4\}$  . Rewrite the events B, C and D using the random variable notation.

11. The following table displays a frequency distribution for the number of crew-members on each shuttle mission from April 1981 to July 2000.

Crew Size	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Frequency	2	1	2	36	18	33	2

Let  $X$  denote the crew size of the randomly selected shuttle mission between April 1981 and July 2000.

- (i) What are the possible values of the random variable  $X$ ? (Ans.  $X=2,3,4,5,6,7,8$ )
- (ii) Use random variable notation to represent the event that the space shuttle mission obtained has a crew of size 6. (Ans.  $\{X=6\}$ )
- (iii) Find  $P(X=6)$ . (Ans.  $P(X = x) = \frac{Freq.(\{X = x\})}{sum\ of\ all\ frequencies} = \frac{18}{94}$ ).
- (iv) Find  $P(X=4)$  and interpret it in terms of percentages.
- (v) Obtain the probability distribution of  $X$ , by writing the value of  $P(X)$  under each possible value of  $X$  in the following table

$X$	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$P(X)$					.1915		

12. Given in the table below are two investment options.

Option A			Option B		
Profit =x	$P(X =x)$	$xP(X = x)$	Profit = x	$P(X =x)$	
-2000	.2	-400	-3000	.2	
100	.1	10	-1000	.1	
1000	.3	300	2000	.2	
2000	.3	600	3000	.3	
4000	.1	400	4000	.2	
		910			
For option A $E(X) = \sum xP(X = x) = 910$					

For the given probability distribution of the random variable of option A, the expected value (or the mean  $m$ ) =  $\sum xP(X = x) = 910$ . Find the expected value of profit in option B and decide which gives higher expected value. (Note. The negative profit is loss, as you already know.)

12. A fair die is rolled. Count “six showing up” as success denoted as  $s$ .

- (i) Find  $P(s)$  = (probability of success). (Ans.  $P(s) = 1/6$  why?)

- (ii) Denote failure by  $f$ , indicate what you mean by it in this context, and find  $P(f)$ .
- (iii) Give all the necessary reasons to establish that: Rolling a (fair) die *looking for six* is a Bernoulli trial.
- (iv) Suppose that a fair die is rolled 4 times and let  $X$  denote the number of times six shows up. What are the possible values of  $X$ ? (Ans.  $X = 0,1,2,3,4$ )
- (v) Use the binomial probability formula to find  $P(X = 2)$ . (Note: Here  $n = \text{the number of trials} = 4$ , the probability  $p$  of success is  $1/6$  and the formula is:

$$P(X = x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{(n-x)} .$$

- (vi) Use the formula in part (v) to verify the following table and use the following table to compute the expected value of  $X$ .

X	0	1	2	3	4
P(X)	.48225	.3858	.11574	.01543	.00077

- (a) Find the expected value of  $X$ .
- (b) Assess the normality of the distribution of  $P(X)$ .
- (c) Find  $P(X < 2)$  from the above table.

More to come in the next instalment.