

HOMEWORK 10
PROB. AND STAT. FOR ENG. (STAT:2020; BOGNAR)

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1. A physicist needs to estimate the density of a cube (all sides of the cube have equal length). Density (in kg/m^3) can be found by

$$D = U(M, L) = \frac{M}{L^3}$$

where M is the mass of the object (in kg) and L is the length of a side of the cube (in meters). Assume the mass $M \sim (\mu_M, \sigma_M^2 = 0.02^2)$ and assume the length $L \sim (\mu_L, \sigma_L^2 = 0.005^2)$. Assume M and L are independent. The physicist measured the mass and length and found $m = 1.0$ and $l = 0.1$ Ohms.

(a) Approximate μ_U .

(b) Approximate σ_U .

(c) Write the estimate of the density, along with the estimated error, in engineering (i.e. \pm) notation. Be sure to state the units.

2. An engineer needs to estimate the amount of power dissipated by a wire-wound resistor. Power (in watts) can be found by

$$P = U(V, R) = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

where V is the voltage (in volts) and R is the resistance (in Ohms). In this particular application, assume the voltage $V \sim (\mu_V, \sigma_V^2 = 0.2^2)$ and assume the resistance $R \sim (\mu_R, \sigma_R^2 = 0.1^2)$. Assume V and R are independent. The engineer measured the voltage and resistance and found $v = 14.4$ volts and $r = 8.2$ Ohms.

(a) Approximate μ_U .

(b) Approximate σ_U .

(c) Write the estimate of the power, along with the estimated error, in engineering (i.e. \pm) notation. Be sure to state the units.

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6. A bowl contains 3 chips: the chips labeled 0, 2, and 4. A chip is randomly selected from the bowl. Let X denote the number printed on the chip. The probability mass function (probability distribution) of X is

$$\begin{array}{rcccc} x : & 0 & 2 & 4 \\ P(X = x) : & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{array}$$

(a) Find the mean of X , i.e. find $\mu = E(X) = \sum_x xP(X = x)$.

(b) Find the standard deviation of X , i.e. find $\sigma = SD(X) = \sqrt{\sum_x (x - \mu)^2 P(X = x)}$.

- (c) Suppose 2 chips are randomly selected from the bowl *with* replacement. Find the sampling distribution of \bar{X} .
- (d) Determine the mean of \bar{X} , i.e. compute $\mu_{\bar{X}} = E(\bar{X}) = \sum_{\bar{x}} \bar{x}P(\bar{X} = \bar{x})$ using your answer in part (6c).
- (e) According to the theorem given in class, the mean of \bar{X} is $\mu_{\bar{X}} = E(\bar{X}) = \mu$. Does this hold true when you compare parts (6d) and (6a)?
- (f) Determine the standard deviation of \bar{X} , i.e. compute $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = SD(\bar{X}) = \sqrt{\sum_{\bar{x}} (\bar{x} - \mu_{\bar{X}})^2 P(\bar{X} = \bar{x})}$ using your answer in part (6c).
- (g) According to the theorem given in class, the standard deviation of \bar{X} is $\sigma_{\bar{X}} = SD(\bar{X}) = \sigma/\sqrt{n}$. Compute σ/\sqrt{n} (remember, we derived σ in part (6b)). Does this equal the result from part (6f)?
- (h) Suppose 100 chips are randomly selected from the bowl with replacement. Let \bar{X} denote the mean of the selected chips. Find what is the approximate distribution of \bar{X} ?
- (i) Suppose 100 chips are randomly selected from the bowl with replacement. Let \bar{X} denote the mean of the selected chips. Approximate the probability that \bar{X} is between 2.1 and 2.4.