

**Stat303: Statistical Methods**

Homework 4 (07/20/2009)

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**Problem 1** You are asked to find the probabilities of those events.

- (a) Suppose the event is  $Z < 2.01$ . Then the proportion of observations from a from a standard normal distribution can be found on the  $Z$ -table:  $P(Z < 2.01) = .9778$
- (b) Suppose the event is  $Z > 2.01$ . Then the proportion of observations from a from a standard normal distribution can be found on the  $Z$ -table:  $P(Z > 2.01) = 1 - P(Z < 2.01) = .9778$
- (c) Suppose the event is  $-1.2 < Z < 1.67$ . Then the proportion of observations from a from a standard normal distribution can be found on the  $Z$ -table:  $P(-1.2 < Z < 1.67) = P(Z < 1.67) - P(Z < -1.2) = .9525 - .1151$ .

**Problem 2**

You are asked to find the  $Z$ -score.

- (a) Find the  $z$  such that 20% of the observations fall below  $z$ . That is,  $P(Z < z) = .2$ . Therefore,  $z = -0.84$ .
- (b) Find the  $z$  such that 30% of the observations above below  $z$ . That is,  $P(Z > z) = .3$ . Therefore,  $z = .52$ .
- (c) Find the number  $z$  that is the 80th percentile. That is, That is,  $P(Z > z) = .8$ . Therefore,  $z = 0.84$

**Problem 3**

First, you have to calculate the  $z$ -score for that WAIS of interest. Then find  $p$ , the probability of that  $z$ -score:  $P(Z < z)$ .

$$z = \frac{\text{WAIS} - \mu_{\text{WAIS}}}{\sigma_{\text{WAIS}}} \quad (0.1)$$

**Problem 4**

First, you have to calculate the  $z$ -score for Jose

$$z = \frac{\text{Jose's SAT score} - \mu_{\text{SAT}}}{\sigma_{\text{SAT}}} \quad (0.2)$$

It is also true that,

$$z = \frac{\text{Jose's ACT score} - \mu_{\text{ACT}}}{\sigma_{\text{ACT}}} \quad (0.3)$$

From (0.2), we obtained  $z$ . We are given  $\mu_{\text{ACT}}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{ACT}}$ . Now use (0.4), solve for Jose's ACT score

$$\text{Jose's ACT score} = z \sigma_{\text{ACT}} + \mu_{\text{ACT}}$$

**Problem 5**

Similar to Problem 4.

**Problem 6**

Ignore the information given about ACT. This problem is just about SAT.

“How well must Abigail do on the SAT in order to place in the top 20% of all students?”

First of all we have to find the  $z$  so that there are 20% of the observations fall ABOVE  $z$ . That is,  $P(Z > z) = 0.2$ . This problem is equivalent to find  $z$  so that there are 80% of the observations fall BELOW  $z$ . That is,  $P(Z < z) = 0.8$ . Therefore  $z = 0.84$ .

Once you obtained  $z$ , then solve for  $x_{\text{Abigail}}$  from the following equations. Note that  $\mu_{\text{SAT}}$  and  $\sigma_{\text{SAT}}$  are given in the problem.

**Problem 7**

First you have to compute the  $z$ -score first using the mean and standard deviation given in the problem.

Then find the corresponding probability using the  $Z$ -table.

**Problem 8****Problem 9**

- (a) Find  $z$  so that  $P(Z < z) = 0.25$ , this  $z$ -score gives you  $Q_1$ .  
Find  $z$  so that  $P(Z < z) = 0.75$ , this  $z$ -score gives you  $Q_3$ .
- (b) Use the following equation and solve for  $x$ 's, because we know  $z$ 's for both cases and  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  are given.

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \quad (0.4)$$

- (d) Note that for  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . Then  $IQR_X = s_X IQR_z$ , where  $Z \sim N(0, 1)$ , which is known as standard normal distribution or  $Z$ -distribution.
- (e) Use the formulas  $z_{\min} = Q_1 - 1.5IQR$  and  $z_{\max} = Q_3 + 1.5IQR$  where  $Q_1, Q_3$ , and  $IQR$  are from the standard normal distribution.

**Problem 10**

- (a),(b) Note

$$P(\text{Blood type is O}) + P(\text{Blood type is A}) + P(\text{Blood type is B}) + P(\text{Blood type is AB}) = 1$$

- (c) Choose an American and a Chinese at random, independently of each other. What is the probability that both have type O blood?  
Compute the product  $P(\text{Blood type is O for American})P(\text{Blood type is O for Chinese})$ .
- (c) Choose an American and a Chinese at random, independently of each other. What is the probability that both have type O blood?  
Compute:

$$\begin{aligned} & P(\text{Blood type is O for American})P(\text{Blood type is O for Chinese}) \\ + & P(\text{Blood type is A for American})P(\text{Blood type is A for Chinese}) \\ + & P(\text{Blood type is B for American})P(\text{Blood type is B for Chinese}) \\ + & P(\text{Blood type is AB for American})P(\text{Blood type is AB for Chinese}). \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 11****Problem 12**

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P(\text{Education beyond high school but no bachelors}) \\
 &+ P(\text{No HS}) + P(\text{HS \& No Further}) + P(\text{At least Bachelors}) \\
 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 13**

“What is the  $P(\text{at least one nonword error})$ ?”

That is, we look for  $P(X \geq 1)$ .

Note that  $P(X \geq 1) = P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) + P(X = 3) + P(X = 4)$

**Problem 14**

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_{\text{nonword+word}} &= \mu_{\text{nonword}} + \mu_{\text{nonword}} \\
 \sigma_{\text{nonword+word}} &= \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{nonword}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{nonword}}^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_{\text{nonword+word}} &= \mu_{\text{nonword}} + \mu_{\text{nonword}} \\
 \sigma_{\text{nonword+word}} &= \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{word}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{nonword}}^2 + 2\rho(\sigma_{\text{word}})(\sigma_{\text{nonword}})}, \text{ where } \rho \text{ is the correlation}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 15**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu_{\text{Bearings+Rod}} &= 2\mu_{\text{Bearings}} + \mu_{\text{Rod}} \\
 \sigma_{\text{Bearings+Rod}} &= \sqrt{2\sigma_{\text{Bearings}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{Rod}}^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Problem 16**

(a) “If you choose a degree recipient at random, what is the probability that the person you choose is a woman?”

Compute row sum for female divided by grand total.

(b) “What is the conditional probability that you choose a woman, given that the person chosen received a professional degree?”

Go to row for female, find the counts of the cell of female having Professional, divide that counts by the row sum for female.

**Problem 17**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu &= \sum_{i=1}^n xP(X = x) \\
 &= 1P(\text{Profit} = 1) + 1.5P(\text{Profit} = 1.5) + 2P(\text{Profit} = 2) + 4P(\text{Profit} = 4) + 10P(\text{Profit} = 10) \\
 \sigma^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x - \mu)^2 P(X = x) \\
 &= (1 - \mu)^2 P(\text{Profit} = 1) + (1.5 - \mu)^2 P(\text{Profit} = 1.5) + (2 - \mu)^2 P(\text{Profit} = 2) \\
 &+ (4 - \mu)^2 P(\text{Profit} = 4) + (10 - \mu)^2 P(\text{Profit} = 10)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now take the square root of  $\sigma^2$  to obtain  $\sigma$ .

**Problem 18**

(a)

$$P(\text{win 1200}) + P(\text{win 200}) + P(\text{win 25}) + P(\text{win 11}) + P(\text{win 0}) = 1$$

Then

$$P(\text{win 0}) = 1 - \{P(\text{win 1200}) + P(\text{win 200}) + P(\text{win 25}) + P(\text{win 11})\}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= 1200P(\text{win 1200}) + 200P(\text{win 200}) + 25P(\text{win 25}) + 11P(\text{win 11}) + 0P(\text{win 0}) \\ &= 1200P(\text{win 1200}) + 200P(\text{win 200}) + 25P(\text{win 25}) + 11P(\text{win 11})\end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x - \mu)^2 P(X = x) \\ &= (1200 - \mu)^2 P(\text{win 1200}) + (200 - \mu)^2 P(\text{win 200}) + (25 - \mu)^2 P(\text{win 25}) \\ &\quad + (11 - \mu)^2 P(\text{win 11}) + (0 - \mu)^2 P(\text{win 0})\end{aligned}$$