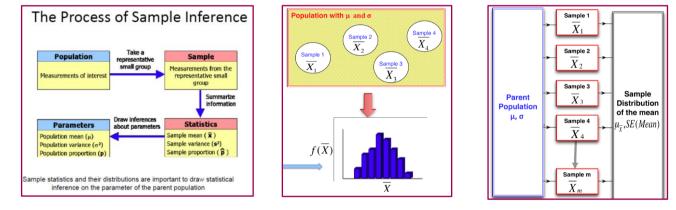




# Sampling Distribution of the mean

- *Sampling Distribution of a Sample Statistic*: The distribution of values for a sample statistic obtained from repeated samples, all of the <u>same size</u> and all drawn from the same population.
  - > *Population* is all the elements that are included in our study.
  - > The sample is a subset that is chosen randomly from that population
  - > To make inferences about a population from a repeated number of samples.
  - ▶ I will take all possible samples, calculate their mean  $(\overline{x})$ , then make distribution graph  $(\overline{x})$  and  $f(\overline{x})$  we call it *sampling distribution of the mean*.
  - Samples mean can vary from sample to sample. Since X is a number and it can change from each time, it can be thought of as a random variable.
- How are statistics (means) distributed over many samples?
  - > The sampling distribution of a statistic is the probability distribution for the values of the statistic that results when random samples of size n are repeatedly drawn from the population.
  - Sampling distribution is just a *probability distribution* that involves a statistic.
  - The standard error is the standard deviation of the sampling distribution of a statistic and is represented by the symbol SE (mean).



## • Sampling <u>With</u> Replacement

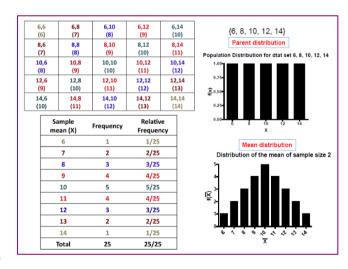
- $\blacktriangleright$  For a population set of data: 6, 8, 10, 12, 14
- $\blacktriangleright$   $\mu = 10, \sigma^2 = 8$
- We want to construct a sampling distribution of the mean using <u>sampling size of 2</u>.
- > The number of different samples (all possible

sample size) is 
$$(N^n) = 5^2 = 25^2$$

$$\succ \quad \mu_{\overline{X}} = \mu = 10$$

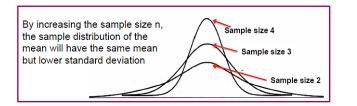
$$\sigma_{\overline{x}}^{2} = \frac{\sigma^{2}}{n} = 8/2 = 4$$

$$\sigma_{\overline{x}} = SE = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma^{2}}{n}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = 2 \quad \text{Note that: } (\sigma_{\overline{x}} < \sigma)$$



By increasing the sample size n, the sample distribution of the mean will have the same mean but *lower* standard deviation.

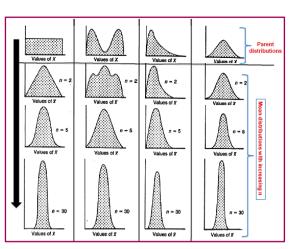
Sample size	# possible samples (N <sup>n</sup> )	Mean of samples ( $\mu_{\overline{X}}$ )	Standard deviation of samples $\mathcal{O}_{\overline{X}}$
2	25	10	2
3	125	10	1.63
4	625	10	1.41



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- Sampling from Nonnormally Distributed Populations
  - For the case where sampling is from a *nonnormally distributed population*, we refer to an important mathematical theorem called the *central limit theorem*.
  - Given a population of any nonnormal functional form with a mean μ and a variance σ<sup>2</sup>, the sampling distribution computed from a sample size n from this population, will have mean μ and a variance σ<sup>2</sup>/n and will be approximately normally distributed when the <u>sample size is large</u>. As sample size is increased the distribution becomes <u>more normal</u> and its standard deviation is decreased.



➤ If the population is not normal distributed, then to get normal sample distribution you should take a sample Size ≥ 30.

#### • Summary

- > The mean of the sampling distribution of has the same value as the mean of the original population  $\mu$
- The variance of the sampling distribution of the mean is *not equal* to the population variance, instead it is equal to the population variance divided by the size of the sample used to obtain the sampling distribution.
- The square root of the variance of the sampling distribution is called the *standard error of the mean* or, simply, the standard error. SE(Mean).

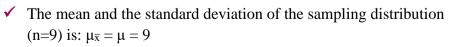
### • Why do we want the sampling distribution of the mean to be normal??

### Easier to Make Inferences:

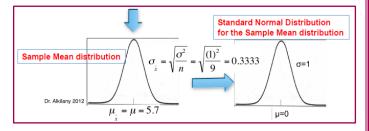
- The normal distribution has well-known properties, such as symmetry and predictable proportions (e.g., 68%, 95%, 99.7% for 1, 2, and 3 standard deviations, respectively).
- ✓ This allows us to calculate probabilities.
- We can apply all the rules of normal distribution on the sampling distribution of the mean.

## ★ Example 1:

- ✓ If uric acid values in normal adult males are approximately *normally distributed* with a mean and standard deviation of 5.7 & 1 mg%, respectively.
- ✓ Find the probability that a *sample of size* 9 will yield a *mean*:
  - 1) Greater than 6 mg %
  - 2) Between 5 and 6 mg %
  - 3) Less than 5.2 mg%



✓ Now we deal with the sample mean distribution and we will find the z-score for mean=6 and use the table as we did before.....





standa

σ=1 mg

u=5.7 ma

Parent distribution

Q1: Find the probability that a sample of size 9 will yield a mean greater than 6 mg %

$$z_{\bar{x}} = \frac{6-5.7}{0.3333} = 0.90$$



✓ Q2: Find the probability that a *sample of size* 9 will yield a *mean* between 5 and 6 mg %

$$Z_{6} = \frac{6-5.7}{0.3333} = 0.90$$
  

$$Z_{5} = \frac{5-5.7}{0.3333} = -2.1$$
  
P (-2.1≤z≤ 0.9) = P(Z≤0.9) - P(Z≤-2.1) = 0.8159-0.0179=0.798

✓ Find the probability that a *sample of size* 9 will yield a *mean* less than 5.2 mg%

$$Z_{5.2} = \frac{5.2 - 5.7}{0.3333} = -1.5$$
  
P(Z<1.5) = 0.0668

#### ★ Example 2:

✓ If the mean and standard deviation of serum iron values for healthy men are  $120 \mu g/100$  ml and  $15 \mu g/100$  mL, respectively, what is the probability that a random sample of 50 normal men will yield a mean between 115 and 125  $\mu g/100$  mL?

#### ✓ $\mu$ =120 µg/100 mL

- $\checkmark$   $\sigma = 15 \,\mu g / 100 \,mL$
- ✓ Sample size: n=50
- ✓ SE =  $2.121 \mu g/100 mL$ .
- ✓ Find P (115< $\bar{x}$ <125):

$$Z_{115} = -2.36$$
  
 $Z_{125} = 2.36$   
 $P(Z \le 2.36) - P(Z \le 2.36) = 0.9909 - 0.0091 = 0.9818$ 

#### ★ Example 3:

- ✓ Consider a normal population with mean  $\mu = 50$  and  $\sigma = 15$ . Suppose a sample of size 9 is selected at random. SE = 5
- ✓ Find:

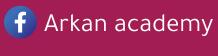
$$\checkmark P (45 \le x \le 60)$$

$$P(Z \le 2) - P(Z \le 1) = 0.97 - 0.16 = 0.81.$$

 $\checkmark P(x \le 47.5)$ 

 $P(Z \le -0.5) = 0.3085$ 





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