

§5-6 Confidence Intervals

"The survey determined that 76% of people, from 18-34 years of age, have a social networking account. The results are accurate within ± 4 percentage points, 19 times out of 20." (600 people randomly sampled)
(92500 people \rightarrow population)

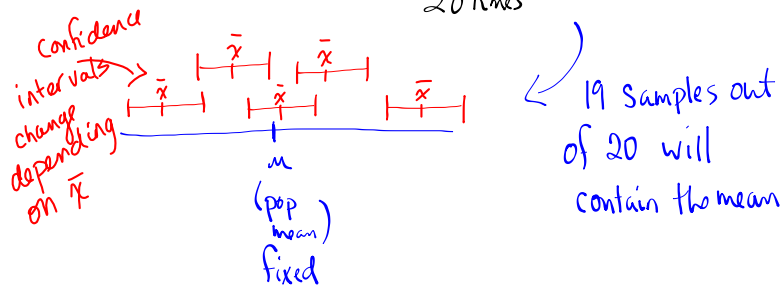
Example 1 (p267)

What range of people have accounts and what is the certainty of the results?

margin of error $\Rightarrow \pm 4\%$

Confidence interval \Rightarrow $\overset{\text{mean}}{76\%} \pm \overset{\text{margin of error}}{4\%}$
(72% to 80%)

Confidence level $\Rightarrow \frac{19 \text{ times}}{20 \text{ times}}$ or 95%



A 95% CI indicates that 19 out of 20 samples taken from the same population will produce CI's that contain the true population mean.

mean 76% of 92500 = 70300

margin of error 4% of 92500 = 3700

66600 74000
 70300 ± 3700
 66600 to 74000

(if $n=75000$) 95% chance that this confidence interval will contain the true population mean.

Example 2 (p268)

	Nanos	Ipsos	Ekos
Sample size	844	1000	1815
margin of error	$\pm 3.4\%$	$\pm 3.1\%$	$\pm 2.3\%$

a) the margin of error decreases as the sample size increases.

b) Confidence interval:

<u>Nanos</u>	<u>Ipsos</u>	<u>Ekos</u>
$n=844$	$n=1000$	$n=1815$
margin $\pm 3.4\%$	$\pm 3.1\%$	$\pm 2.3\%$

Conservatives:

$$37\% \pm 3.4\%$$

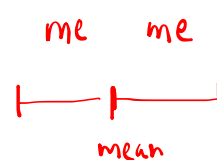
$$(33.6 \text{ to } 40.4\%)$$

Conservatives

$$35 \pm 3.1\%$$

$$(31.9 \text{ to } 38.1\%)$$

Conservation.



The confidence interval is smaller when a larger sample size is used since the margin of error is smaller.

Example 3 (p270)

99% → 110 needed

95% → 65 needed

90% → 45 needed.

a) margin of error and confidence interval?

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{me} \quad \text{me} \\ | \quad | \\ \hline \bar{x} \end{array} \quad 144.7\text{g to } 145.3\text{g} \leftarrow \text{confidence interval}$$

$$\frac{0.6\text{g}}{2} = \pm 0.3\text{g} \leftarrow \text{margin of error.}$$

mean: $\underbrace{145\text{g}}_{\text{mean}} \pm \underbrace{0.3\text{g}}_{\text{margin of error.}}$
confidence interval

b) the confidence level increases
 +c as the sample size increases.

TO DO

- ① Look over Example 4 (p272)
- ② CU (p274)
- ③ p274/3-6

REVIEW

- ① Chapter Test (p277)
- ② Chapter Review - READ (p278)
 * note wording in last paragraph (p279)
 is not correct.
- ③ Practise (p280-282)
- ④ Cumulative Review (Chapters 6-7)
 (p520-521)

Confidence Interval

$$\bar{x} \pm z \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

↑
sample mean
⏟
margin of error

⏟
confidence interval

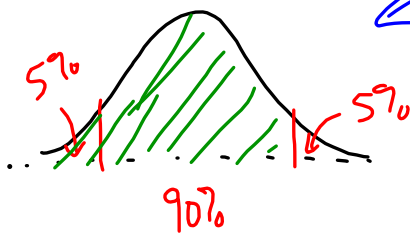
margin of error = $z \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

Where z is the confidence level

for 90% $z = 1.645$

for 95% $z = 1.96$

for 99% $z = 2.58$



look up 95% in the z-score table

σ is the population standard dev.
 n is the sample size

The screenshot shows the Adobe Reader interface with the following elements:

- Window Title:** 05_Chapter 5.pdf - Adobe Reader
- Menu Bar:** File Edit View Window Help
- Toolbar:** Open, 279 (74 of 84), 150%, Tools, Fill & Sign, Comment
- Main Content:**
 - Text: "within 3.1 percent points, 19 times out of 20."
 - Text: "The margin of error is $\pm 3.1\%$, which indicates the sampling error in the poll. The margin of error can be combined with the result of the poll to generate a confidence interval. For this poll, we expect that if the entire population of Canadians, 18 years of age and older, were asked the same question, between 29.9% and 36.1% would indicate that they want drug-using athletes banned."
 - Text: "The confidence level of the poll is stated as 19 times out of 20, which is equivalent to 95%. If this poll were conducted over and over again, 95% of the time ~~the result would fall within~~ the confidence interval, 29.9% to 36.1%." *Handwritten in red: "would contain the population mean."*
- Annotations:**
 - Handwritten red "p279" on the left side.
 - A small thumbnail of the current page (page 279) in the top right corner.
 - A SMART Notebook window titled "jan14 * - SMART Notebook" in the bottom left, containing a list of tasks:
 - ② C44 (p274)
 - ③ p274 (3-6)
 - REVIEW
 - ① Chapter Text (p274)
 - ② Chapter Review - Read (p278)
 - note taking - last paragraph (p278)
 - NEL context
 - ③ Practice (p280-282)
- Page Labels:** "NEL" on the left and "Chap" on the right.