

1. An insurance company has found that repair claims have a mean of \$525 with standard deviation of \$375. Because most of the claims are for minor repairs and a few are for very extensive work, the distribution is skewed to the right.

A. A simple random sample of 60 repairs is recorded. What is the mean, standard deviation, and shape of the distribution of \bar{x} .

mean = 525
 stan. dev. = $\frac{375}{\sqrt{60}} = 48.412$
 normal dist.

B. What is the probability that the mean repair cost for these 60 claims is greater than \$610?



$$z = \frac{610 - 525}{\frac{375}{\sqrt{60}}} = 1.76 \quad 1 - .9608 = \boxed{.0392}$$

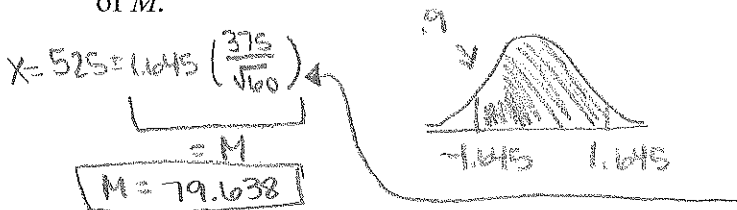
C. What is the probability that the mean repair cost for these 60 claims is between \$500 and \$600?



$$z = \frac{600 - 525}{\frac{375}{\sqrt{60}}} = 1.55 \quad .9394 - .3015 = \boxed{.6379}$$

$$z = \frac{500 - 525}{\frac{375}{\sqrt{60}}} = -.52$$

D. Ninety percent of all sample means of size 60 will be in the interval $\$525 \pm M$. Find the value of M .



$$\pm 1.645 = \frac{x - 525}{\frac{375}{\sqrt{60}}}$$

$$\pm 1.645 \left(\frac{375}{\sqrt{60}} \right) = x - 525$$

$$+525$$

E. How would your answer C change if the sample size is increased to 100? Explain.

$$z = \frac{600 - 525}{\frac{375}{\sqrt{100}}} = 2 \quad .9772 - .2514 = \boxed{.7258}$$

$$z = \frac{500 - 525}{\frac{375}{\sqrt{100}}} = -.67$$

F. The insurance company wants to choose a sample size for which $P(\bar{x} \leq 550) \geq 90\%$. Find the smallest sample size needed for this to be true.



$$1.28 = \frac{550 - 525}{\frac{375}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

$$\frac{1.28 \left(\frac{375}{\sqrt{n}} \right)}{1.28} = \frac{25}{1.28}$$

$$\frac{375}{\sqrt{n}} = 19.531$$

$$375 = 19.531 \sqrt{n}$$

$$19.2^2 = \sqrt{n}^2$$

$$n = 368.64 = \boxed{369}$$

2. The Mars Company makes M&M's and advertises that 30% of all plain M&M's are brown. A SRS of 125 plain M&M's is drawn.

A. Find the mean and standard deviation of \hat{p} , the proportion of the sample that are brown.

$$\mu_{\hat{p}} = .30$$

$$\sigma_{\hat{p}} = \sqrt{\frac{(.3)(.7)}{125}} = .041$$

B. Show that the conditions are satisfied that will ensure that the distribution of \hat{p} is approximately normal.

$$.3(125) = 37.5 > 10$$

$$.7(125) = 87.5 > 10$$

C. Find the probability that the proportion of brown M&M's is greater than 35%.



$$z = \frac{.35 - .3}{.041} = 1.22$$

$$1 - .8888 = \boxed{.1112}$$

D. Find the probability that the proportion of brown M&M's is between 25% and 35%.



$$z = \frac{.25 - .3}{.041} = -1.22$$

$$z = \frac{.35 - .3}{.041} = 1.22$$

$$.8888 - .1112$$

$$\boxed{.7776}$$

E. If the sample is increased to 200, how will the answer to C change? Explain.

$$z = \frac{.35 - .3}{\sqrt{\frac{(.3)(.7)}{200}}} = 1.54 \quad 1 - .9382 = \boxed{.0618}$$

F. If the sample is increased to 200, how will the answer to D change? Explain.

$$.9382 - .0618 = \boxed{.8764}$$

G. How large must the sample size be so that 90% of all sample proportion will be within 2% of the population proportion $p = 30\%$.

$$(1.645 \sqrt{\frac{(.3)(.7)}{n}})^2 = .02^2$$

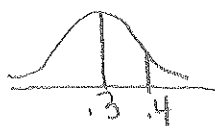
$$\frac{2.706(.3)(.7)}{n} = .02^2$$

$$n = 1420.06 \quad \boxed{1421}$$



$$1.645 = \frac{.32 - .3}{\sqrt{\frac{(.3)(.7)}{n}}}$$

H. A sample of 125 peanut M&M's is drawn and it is found that 50 of the 125 are brown. If peanut M&M's are distributed with the same proportions as the plain M&M's, what is the probability of obtaining a sample proportion as large or larger than this one. What can be said about the proportion of brown peanut M&M's.



$$\frac{.4 - .3}{.041} = 2.44$$

$$1 - .9927 = \boxed{.0073}$$

It is not likely plain & peanut M&M's have same dist.