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been

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Confidence Intervals

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Estimating population
proportions using
Confidence Intervals

Where we're
going

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Estimating population
means using Confid. Intervals

How Much Does
An Oreo weigh?

Work on 1 to 7 with partner/group

Get as much done as you can in 10 minutes.



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Yes. Important so we can generalize.

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but.....

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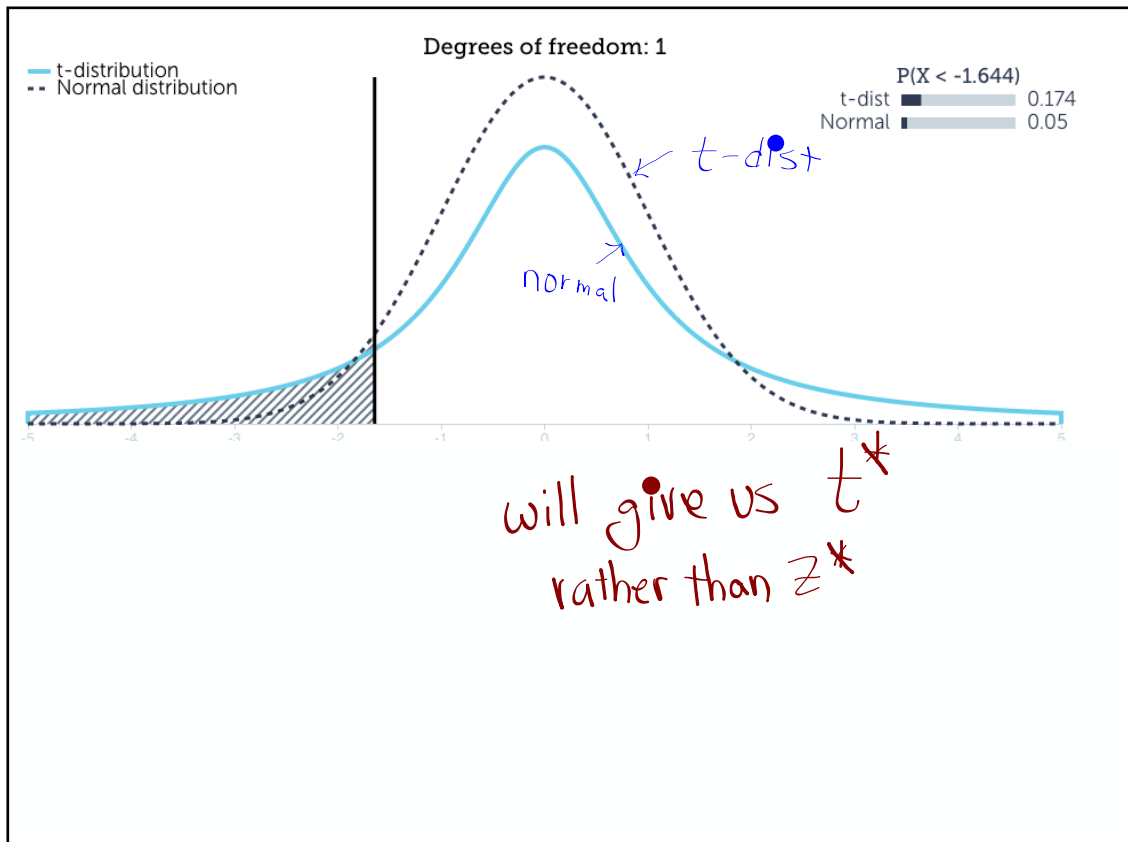
Which cause the confidence intervals to be too short and we capture the mean less 😞

So, to lengthen them...

We use a new distribution \ddot{u}
 (one very similar to Normal Distrib)

t -distribution

[it provides us with a critical
 value that is larger]



Video
about t-distribution

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student's t

Go to TABLE B

Problem: What critical value t^* from Table B should be used in constructing a confidence interval for the population mean with a 90% confidence interval from a random sample of 48 observations

degrees of freedom $df = 48 - 1 = 47$



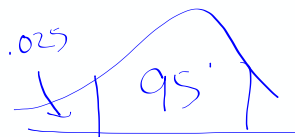
df	Tail probability p			
	.10	.05	.025	.02
30	1.310	1.697	2.042	2.147
40	1.303	1.684	2.021	2.123
50	1.299	1.676	2.009	2.109
∞	1.282	1.645	1.960	2.054
	80%	90%	95%	96%

Confidence level C

Now do
question 9

9. What t^* is needed for this confidence interval? Use **Table B** and the **degrees of freedom** = $30 - 1$
 $n - 1$ to find it. $= 29$

$$t^* = 2.045$$



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$$\bar{x} \pm t^* \cdot \frac{S_x}{\sqrt{n}}$$

MEANS = mean more work

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Our entire interval is below 11.3 g

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3. The **Normal/Large Sample condition** to ensure it is appropriate to use a t distribution to calculate the t^* critical value.

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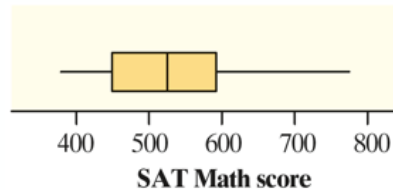
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NORMAL / LARGE SAMPLE ?

23	0
24	0
25	
26	5
27	
28	7
29	
30	259
31	399
32	033677
33	0236

Key: 31|3 = 313 pounds of force required to pull a piece of Douglas fir apart

(b) No; the stemplot is strongly skewed to the left with possible low outliers and $n = 20 < 30$.



Yes; even though $n = 20 < 30$, the boxplot is only moderately skewed to the right and there are no outliers.

If a question on the AP® Statistics exam asks you to construct and interpret a confidence interval, all the conditions should be met. However, you are still required to state the conditions and show evidence that they are met—including a graph if the sample size is small and the data are provided.

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Use t^* for μ means
 degrees of freedom
 $df = n - 1$
 Use TABLE B
 (with Confid. Level and df)

$$\bar{x} \pm t^* \cdot \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Your Understanding...
check it !

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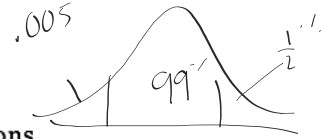
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$df = 70$
99%

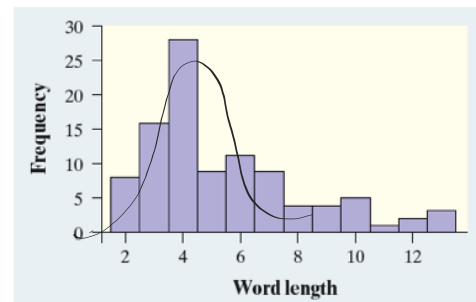
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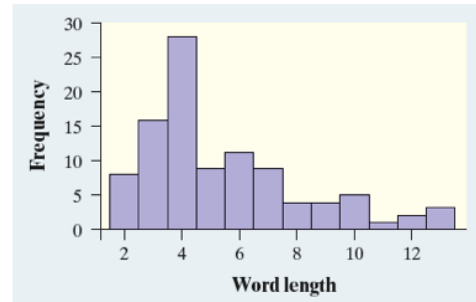


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① Random: Rand. sample of 100 words

② 10%: $100 < \frac{1}{10}$ (all words)

③ Normal: yes, because $100 \geq 30$ CLT



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$df = 70$ 99% $t^* = 2.660$ $\text{invT}(.005, 70) = 2.648$

8.3.....61, 63, 65, 67

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