

BIOS 625: Categorical Data Analysis and Generalized Linear Models

Computing Basics in SAS – Exercise 2

1. Calculate $\sum_{x=1}^{11} \left[\frac{x^2}{x+1} - 2x \right]$
2. Calculate $\prod_{y=6}^{10} \frac{y+1}{y+2}$
3. Assuming $y \sim \text{Poisson}(\theta)$ and $\theta = 4.5$:
 - (a) Calculate $P(y < 10)$.
 - (b) Calculate $P(y \geq 5)$.
4. Simulate a sample of $n = 20$ standard normal random variables. Calculate the mean and standard deviation of this sample.
 - *Hint:* Try the following

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seed=45;c=j(n,1,seed);z=normal(c);
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5. Simulate a sample of $n = 20$ normal random variables with mean $\mu = 10$ and variance $\sigma^2 = 2$. Calculate the mean and standard deviation of this sample.
 - *Hint:* If $z \sim N(0, 1)$, then $x = \mu + z\sigma \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.
6. Simulate $m = 10$ samples, each consisting of $n = 20$ normal random variables with mean $\mu = 10$ and variance $\sigma^2 = 2$.
 - (a) Calculate the mean and standard deviation for each sample.
 - (b) Calculate the overall mean (i.e. “mean of the means”) and standard error of the sample means.
 - *Hint:* You will need to “capture” \bar{x} in each sample. There are several ways to do this; here are two:
 - Update a vector with the requisite information. For instance, create a “zero-vector” of m degrees (called v), and then assign the i^{th} mean to the i^{th} row of v . This is done with the following code:

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do i=1 to m; .... v[i,]=mean; ... end;
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- You can “create” a vector as you cycle through the m simulated samples by “stacking” the means on top of each other. You’ve done this before when you created vectors and matrices.