

"Life is like *drawing from a box of chocolates.*"
Sometimes you have a pretty good idea of what you are going to get.

I. NORMAL APPROXIMATION THEOREM

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Draw n times with replacement.

Suppose you draw n times, with replacement from a box of numbers (not all zero). Let X denote the sum (or average) of the numbers drawn. For n large, the probability density function for $\frac{X - \mu_X}{\sigma_X}$ is approximately $N(0,1)$.

II. CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM

Let X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots be a sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables each having mean μ and variance σ^2 . Then the distribution of

$\frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}$ tends to the standard normal as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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$$P \left\{ \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \leq a \right\} \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^a e^{-x^2/2} dx$$