

stats_ch09_sampling

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1 Modern statistics: Intuition, Math, Python, R

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1.1.1 <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0CQRGWGLY>

Code for chapter 9 (sampling)

2 About this code file:

2.0.1 This notebook will reproduce most of the figures in this chapter (some figures were made in Inkscape), and illustrate the statistical concepts explained in the text. The point of providing the code is not just for you to recreate the figures, but for you to modify, adapt, explore, and experiment with the code.

2.0.2 Solutions to all exercises are at the bottom of the notebook.

This code was written in google-colab. The notebook may require some modifications if you use a different IDE.

```
[1]: # import libraries and define global settings
import numpy as np
import scipy.stats as stats

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# define global figure properties used for publication
import matplotlib_inline.backend_inline
```

3 Figure 9.1: Sampling variability in random data

```
[2]: N = 500
nSamples = 50
kHistBins = 20

# bins for histograms
edges = np.linspace(-3,3,kHistBins+1)
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# declare matrices
allHistY = np.zeros((nSamples,kHistBins))
allMeans = np.zeros(nSamples)

# setup figure
f,axs = plt.subplots(2,1,figsize=(7,6))

for sampi in range(nSamples):
    # create data (parameters don't change!)
    data = np.random.normal(loc=0,scale=1,size=N)

    # histograms
    y,x = np.histogram(data,bins=edges)
    allHistY[sampi,:] = y

    # get means
    allMeans[sampi] = np.mean(data)

    # plot
    c = np.random.uniform(low=.5,high=.9)
    axs[0].plot((x[:-1]+x[1:])/2,y,'o',color=(c,c,c))

    axs[1].plot(sampi,np.mean(data),'ks',markersize=12,markerfacecolor=(c,c,c))

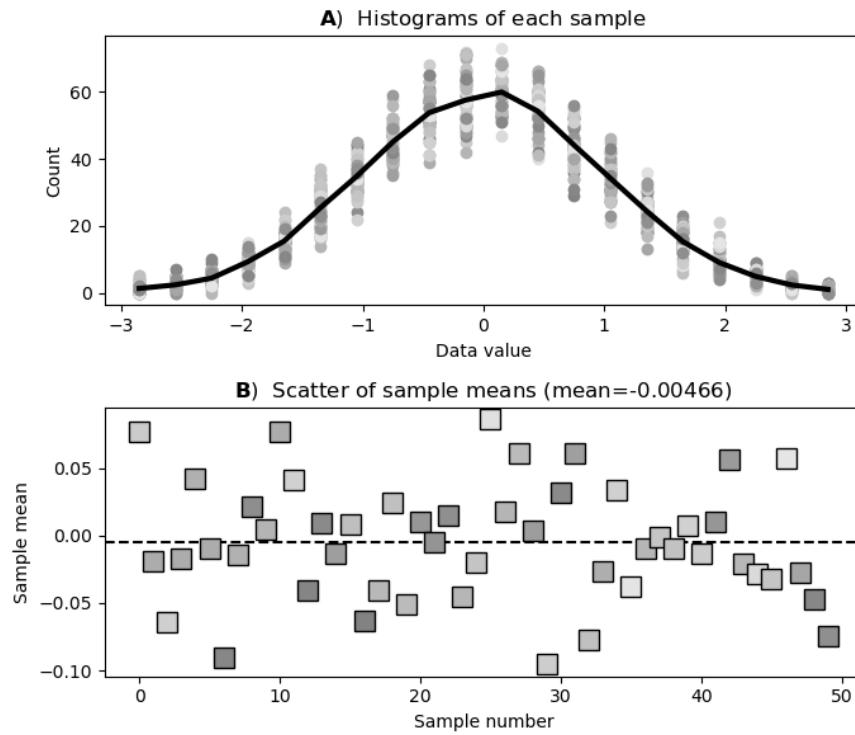
# plot the average histogram
axs[0].plot((x[:-1]+x[1:])/2,np.mean(allHistY,axis=0),'k',linewidth=3)

# plot the means, and the mean of the means
axs[1].axhline(np.mean(allMeans),linestyle='--',color='k',zorder=-1)

# make the plots look nicer
axs[0].set(xlabel='Data value',ylabel='Count')
axs[0].set_title(r'$\bf{A}$' Histograms of each sample')
axs[1].set(xlabel='Sample number',ylabel='Sample mean')
axs[1].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' Scatter of sample means (mean=% .3g)' %np.
    mean(allMeans))

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_exampleWithRandom.png')
plt.show()

```



4 Figure 9.2: Samples and variability of sample means

```
[4]: # number of samples
nSamples = 50

# histogram resolution
k = 30
edges = np.linspace(-3,14,31)
xx = (edges[:-1]+edges[1:])/2

# initialize output matrices
meenz = np.zeros(nSamples) # sample averages
allYYs = np.zeros(k)       # average of histograms

_,axs = plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(8,4))

# loop over samples
for i in range(nSamples):
    # generate random data from an exGaussian distribution
    randomX = stats.exponnorm.rvs(np.random.uniform(low=.1,high=5),size=2000)

    # get its histogram and normalize
    hist,binEdges = np.histogram(randomX,bins=k,density=True)
    allYYs += hist
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yy, _ = np.histogram(randomX, bins=edges)
yy = yy/np.sum(yy)

# average the distributions
allYYs += yy

# store the average of the distribution
meenz[i] = np.mean(randomX)

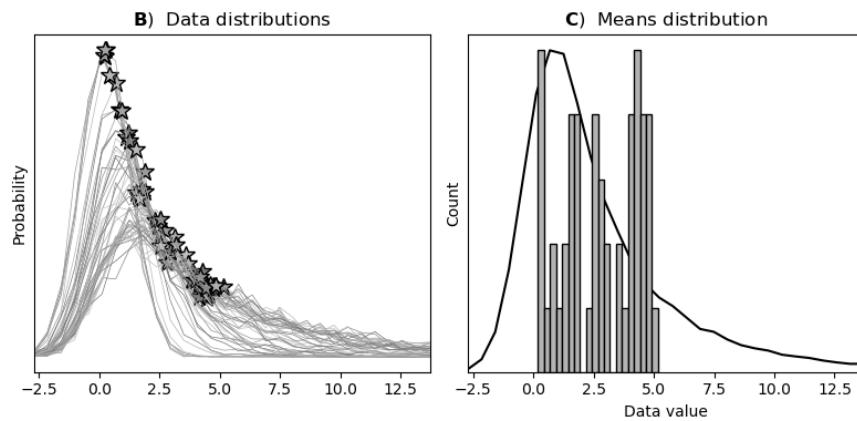
# plot the line
rc = np.random.uniform(low=.4,high=.8) # random color
axs[0].plot(xx,yy,linewidth=.5,color=(rc,rc,rc))
axs[0].plot(meenz[i],yy[np.argmin(np.abs(xx-meenz[i]))], 'k*', linewidth=.2,
            markerfacecolor=(rc,rc,rc), markersize=12)

# some plotting adjustments
axs[0].set(xlim=xx[[0,-1]], ylabel='Probability', yticks=[])
axs[0].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' Data distributions')

## the distribution of sample means
axs[1].hist(meenz,20,facecolor=(.7,.7,.7),edgecolor='k')
axs[1].plot(xx,allYYs/np.max(allYYs)*5, 'k', zorder=-10)
axs[1].set(xlim=xx[[0,-1]], xlabel='Data value', ylabel='Count', yticks=[])
axs[1].set_title(r'$\bf{C}$' Means distribution')

# output
plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_distOfExGausMeans.png')
plt.show()

```



5 Figure 9.3: Law of Large Numbers (demo 1)

```
[5]: # generate "population"
population = [ 1, 2, 3, 4 ]
for i in range(20):
    population = np.hstack((population,population))

nPop = len(population)
expval = np.mean(population)
print(f'Expected value (population mean): {expval}')
print(f'Population size: {nPop}' )
```

Expected value (population mean): 2.5
Population size: 4194304

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[6]: ## experiment: draw larger and larger samples

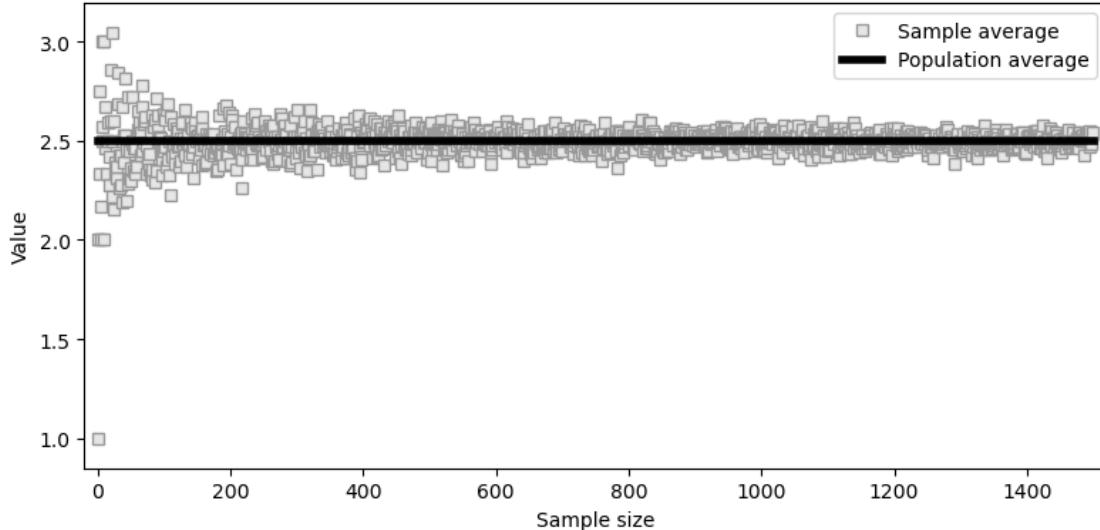
k = 1500 # maximum number of samples
sampleAves = np.zeros(k)

for i in range(k):
    # get a sample
    sample = np.random.choice(population,size=i+1)

    # compute and store its mean
    sampleAves[i] = np.mean( sample )

# visualize!
plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
plt.plot(sampleAves,'s',markerfacecolor=(.9,.9,.9),color=(.6,.6,.6))
plt.plot([1,k],[expval,expval],'k',linewidth=4)
plt.xlabel('Sample size')
plt.ylabel('Value')
plt.xlim([-20,k+20])
plt.ylim([np.min(sampleAves)*.85,1.05*np.max(sampleAves)])
plt.legend(['Sample average','Population average'])

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_LLNdemo1.png')
plt.show()
```



6 Figure 9.4: Law of Large Numbers (demo 2)

```
[7]: # parameters and initializations
samplesize = 30
numberOfExps = 50
samplemeans = np.zeros(numberOfExps)

# run the experiment!
for expi in range(numberOfExps):
    # compute and store its mean
    samplemeans[expi] = np.mean( np.random.choice(population,size=samplesize) )

# show the results
fig,ax = plt.subplots(2,1,figsize=(7,5))

# each individual sample mean
ax[0].plot(samplemeans,'s',markerfacecolor=(.9,.9,.9),color=(.6,.6,.6))
ax[0].set_title(r'$\bf{A}$' Each sample mean')
ax[0].set_xlabel('Sample number (s)')

# cumulative average over the samples
ax[1].plot(np.cumsum(samplemeans) / np.arange(1,numberOfExps+1),
           's',markerfacecolor=(.9,.9,.9),color=(.6,.6,.6))
ax[1].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' Cumulative sample means')

# multiline xtick labels
xticks = np.arange(0,51,10)
ax[1].set_xticks(xticks,labels=[f's={i}\nN={i*samplesize}' for i in xticks])
```

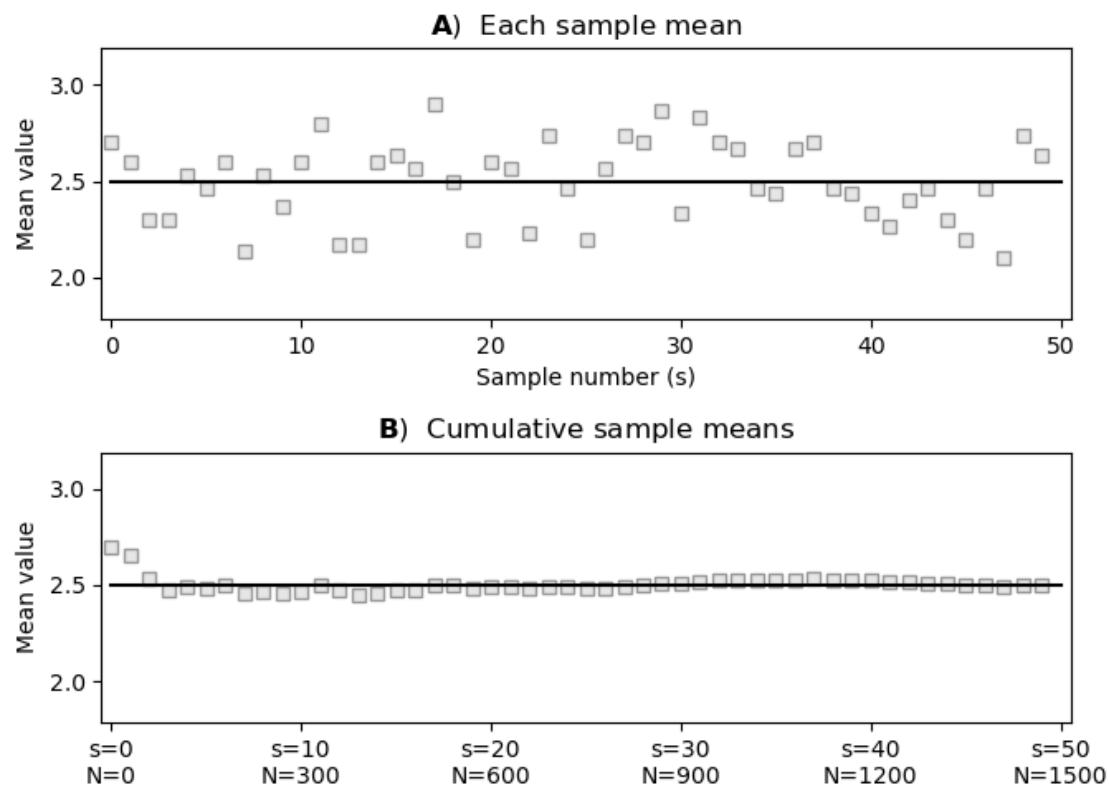
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# common axis modifications
for a in ax:
    a.plot([0,numberOfExps],[np.mean(population),np.mean(population)],'k')
    a.set(ylabel='Mean value', xlim=[-.5,numberOfExps+.5],
          ylim=[np.min(samplemeans)*.85,1.1*np.max(samplemeans)]) 

totSS = np.arange(1,numberOfExps+1)*samplesize

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_LNdemo2.png')
plt.show()

```



7 Figure 9.5: Visualization of sample mean variability

```

[8]: N = 512
X = np.random.rand(N,2)

sample1 = X[np.random.choice(N,size=40),:]
sample2 = X[np.random.choice(N,size=40),:]

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plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))

# plot all data points
plt.plot(X[:,0],X[:,1], 's', color=(.7,.7,.7), markerfacecolor='w', markersize=10)

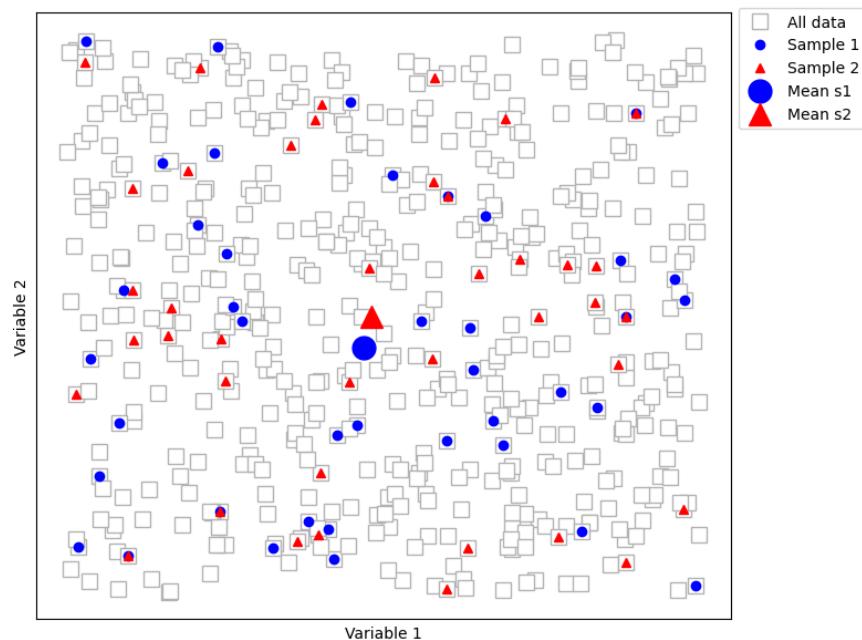
# plot sample data
plt.plot(sample1[:,0],sample1[:,1], 'bo')
plt.plot(sample2[:,0],sample2[:,1], 'r^')

# plot sample means
plt.plot(np.mean(sample1[:,0]),np.mean(sample1[:,1]), 'bo', markersize=15)
plt.plot(np.mean(sample2[:,0]),np.mean(sample2[:,1]), 'r^', markersize=15)

plt.xticks([])
plt.yticks([])
plt.xlabel('Variable 1')
plt.ylabel('Variable 2')
plt.legend(['All data', 'Sample 1', 'Sample 2', 'Mean s1', 'Mean s2'],
           bbox_to_anchor=[1, 1.02])

plt.tight_layout()
#plt.savefig('sample_meanOfSamplesGeom.png')
plt.show()

```



8 Figure 9.6: Sample biases can be overcome by LLN (given some assumptions)

```
[9]: N = 512
X = np.random.rand(N,2)

# nonrandom sorting
X = X[np.argsort(np.sum(X**2, axis=1)), :]

# plot all data points
plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
plt.plot(X[:,0],X[:,1], 's', color=(.7,.7,.7), markerfacecolor='w', markersize=10)

# nonrandom sampling to simulate a bias
sampmeans = np.zeros((6,2)) # hard-coded to 6 samples...
sampbias = np.linspace(20,N-40,6, dtype=int)
shapes = 'o^d*XP'
colors = 'brmkgc'
for si in range(6):
    # biased sample and its mean
    sample = X[sampbias[si]:sampbias[si]+40,:]
    sampmeans[si,:] = np.mean(sample, axis=0)

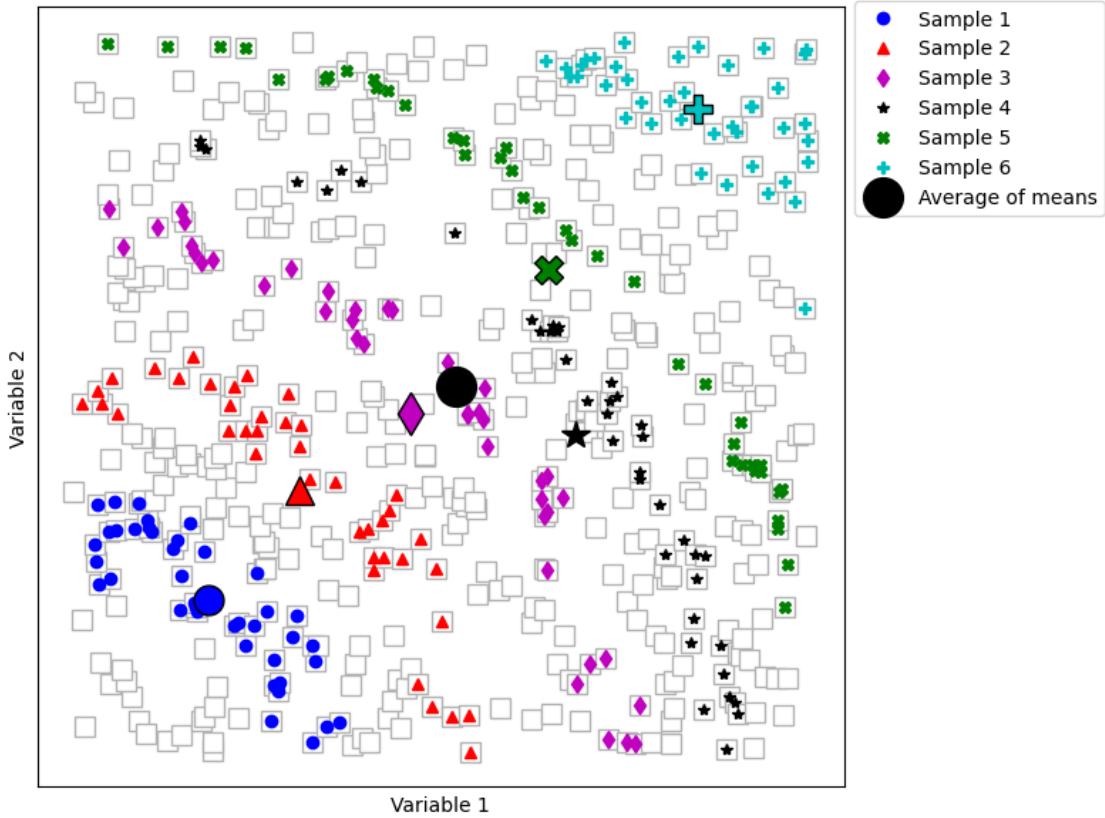
    # plot samples
    plt.plot(sample[:,0],sample[:,1], shapes[si], color=colors[si],
              markerfacecolor=colors[si], label=f'Sample {si+1}')

    # plot sample mean
    plt.plot(sampmeans[si,0], sampmeans[si,1], shapes[si], color='k',
              markerfacecolor=colors[si], markersize=15)

# plot the average of sample means
plt.plot(np.mean(sampmeans[:,0]),np.mean(sampmeans[:,1]), 'ko',
          markerfacecolor='k', markersize=20, label='Average of means')

plt.xticks([])
plt.yticks([])
plt.xlabel('Variable 1')
plt.ylabel('Variable 2')
plt.legend(bbox_to_anchor=[1, 1.02])

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_meanOfSamplesGeom_biased.png')
plt.show()
```



9 Figure 9.7: CLT, demo 1

```
[10]: # generate "population" (simulating a weighted die)
population = [ 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 ]
for i in range(20):
    population = np.hstack((population,population))

nPop = len(population)
expval = np.mean(population)
print(f'Expected value (population mean): {expval}')
print(f'Population size: {nPop}'')
```

Expected value (population mean): 3.0

Population size: 8388608

```
[11]: # parameters and initializations
samplesize    = 30
numberOfExps  = 500
samplemeans   = np.zeros(numberOfExps)
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# run the experiment!
for expi in range(numberOfExps):
    # compute and store its mean
    samplemeans[expi] = np.mean( np.random.choice(population,size=samplesize) )

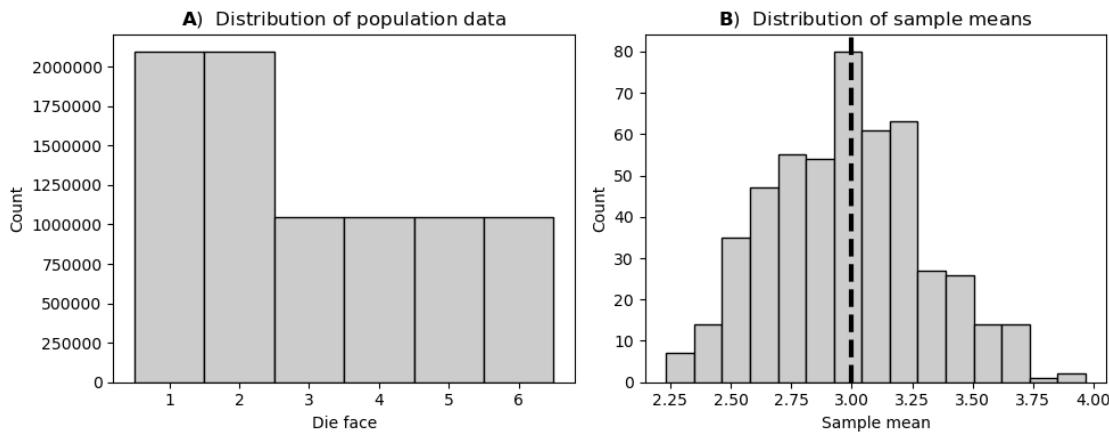
# show the results
fig,axs = plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(10,4))

# histogram of the data
axs[0].hist(population,bins=np.arange(.5,7.5,step=1),color=[.8,.8,.8],edgecolor='k')
axs[0].set(xticks=range(1,7),xlabel='Die face',ylabel='Count')
axs[0].set_title(r'$\bf{A}$' Distribution of population data)
axs[0].ticklabel_format(style='plain')

# histogram of the sample means
axs[1].hist(samplemeans,bins='fd',color=[.8,.8,.8],edgecolor='k')
axs[1].axvline(expval,linewidth=3,color='k',linestyle='--')
axs[1].set(xlabel='Sample mean',ylabel='Count')
axs[1].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' Distribution of sample means)

plt.tight_layout()
#plt.savefig('sample_CLTdemo1.png')
plt.show()

```



10 Figure 9.8: CLT, demo 2

```
[12]: # new population!
Npop = 1000000
population = np.random.randn(Npop)**2

# parameters and initializations
samplesize = 30
numberOfExps = 500
samplemeans = np.zeros(numberOfExps)

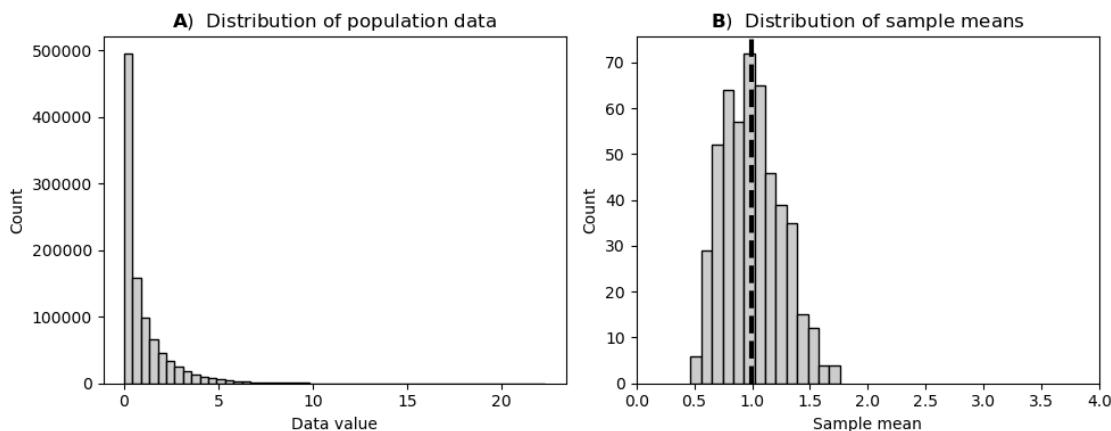
# run the experiment!
for expi in range(numberOfExps):
    # compute and store its mean
    samplemeans[expi] = np.mean( np.random.choice(population, size=samplesize) )

# show the results
fig,axs = plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(10,4))

# histogram of the data
axs[0].hist(population,bins=50,color=[.8,.8,.8],edgecolor='k')
axs[0].set(xlabel='Data value',ylabel='Count')
axs[0].set_title(r'$\bf{A}$' Distribution of population data)
axs[0].ticklabel_format(style='plain')

# histogram of the sample means
axs[1].hist(samplemeans,bins='fd',color=[.8,.8,.8],edgecolor='k')
axs[1].set(xlabel='Sample mean',ylabel='Count',xlim=[0,4])
axs[1].axvline(np.mean(population),linewidth=3,color='k',linestyle='--')
axs[1].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' Distribution of sample means)

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_CLTdemo2.png')
plt.show()
```



11 Figure 9.9: CLT, demo 3

```
[13]: # create two data variables
x = np.linspace(0,6*np.pi,10000)
s = np.sin(x)
u = 2*np.random.rand(len(x))-1

# combine them into a list for convenience
datasets = [ s,u,s+u ]
axislets = iter('ABCDEF') # axis labels

# plot!
_,axs = plt.subplots(3,2,figsize=(7,6))

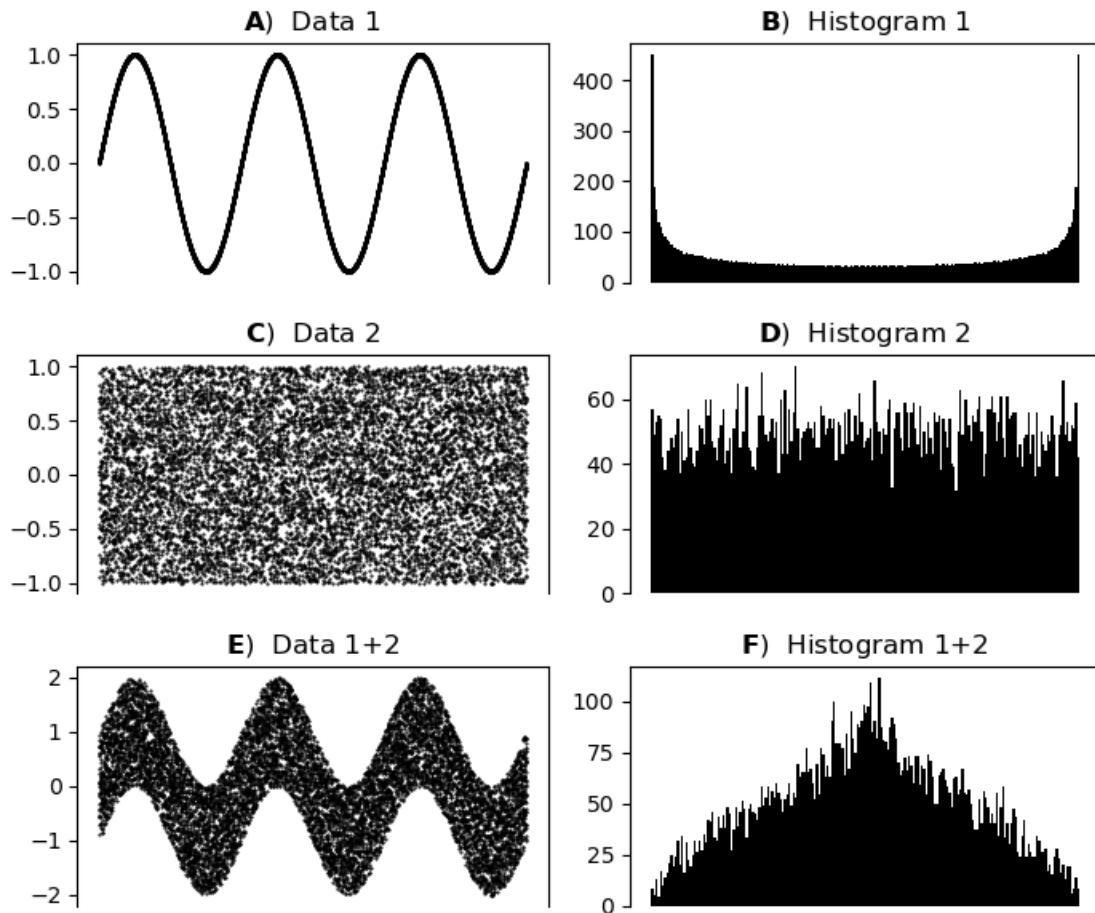
for i in range(3):
    # axis variable label
    dlab = str(i+1) if i<2 else '1+2'

    # plot the data
    axs[i,0].plot(x,datasets[i],'k.',markersize=1)
    axs[i,0].set_title(r'$\bf{Data \%s}' %(next(axislets),dlab))

    # plot the histogram
    axs[i,1].hist(datasets[i],bins=200,color='k',edgecolor=None)
    axs[i,1].set_title(r'$\bf{Histogram \%s}' %(next(axislets),dlab))

# adjust the axis properties
for a in axs.flatten():
    a.xaxis.set_visible(False)
    a.spines['bottom'].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
#plt.savefig('sample_CLTdemo3a.png')
plt.show()
```



12 Figure 9.10: CLT requires comparable scaling

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[14]: # only difference from the previous figure is the amplitude-scaling!
s = 10*np.sin(x)

# combine them into a list for convenience
datasets = [ s,u,s+u ]
axislets = iter('ABCDEF') # axis labels

# plot!
_,axs = plt.subplots(3,2,figsize=(7,6))

for i in range(3):
    # axis variable label
    dlab = str(i+1) if i<2 else '1+2'

    # plot the data
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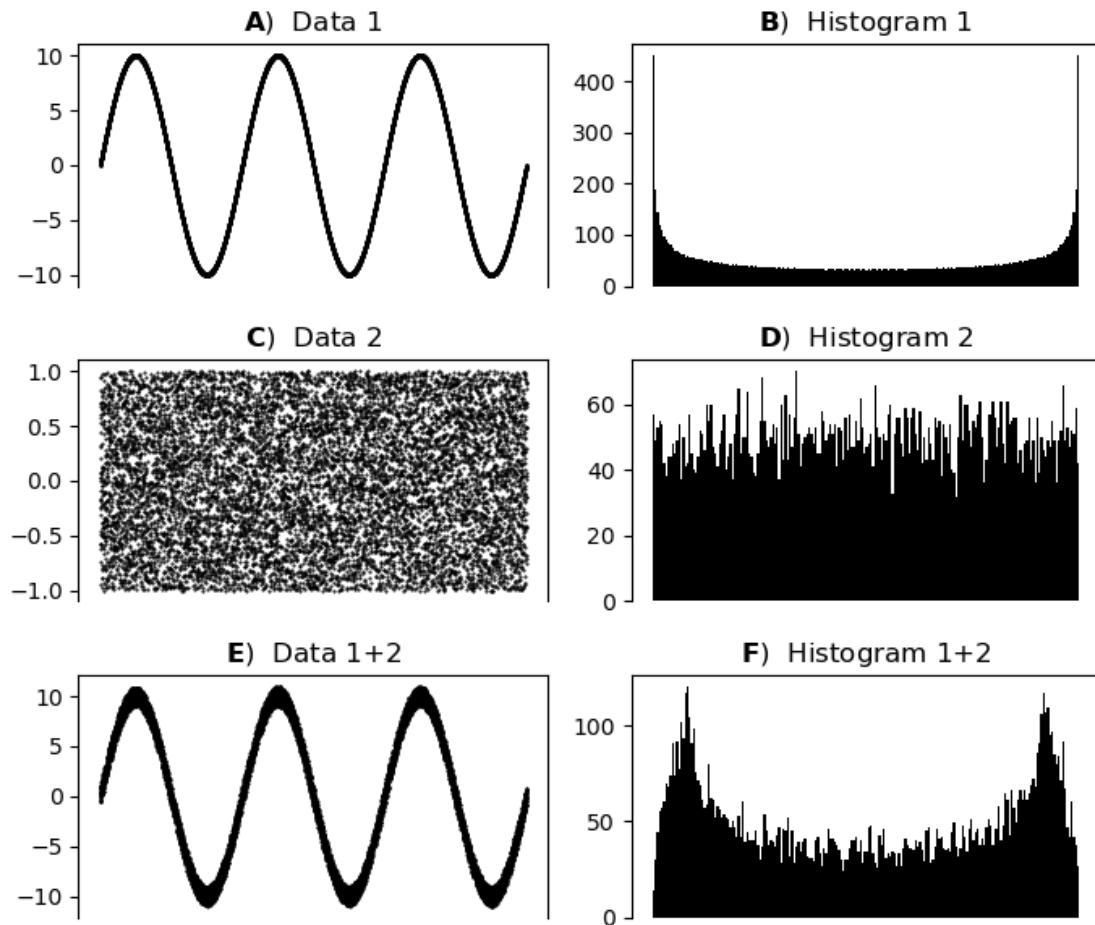
    axs[i,0].plot(x,datasets[i],'k.',markersize=1)
    axs[i,0].set_title(r'$\bf{Data \; %s}' %(next(axislets),dlab))

    # plot the histogram
    axs[i,1].hist(datasets[i],bins=200,color='k',edgecolor=None)
    axs[i,1].set_title(r'$\bf{Histogram \; %s}' %(next(axislets),dlab))

# adjust the axis properties
for a in axs.flatten():
    a.xaxis.set_visible(False)
    a.spines['bottom'].set_visible(False)

plt.tight_layout()
#plt.savefig('sample_CLTdemo3b.png')
plt.show()

```



13 Exercise 1

```
[15]: # variance levels ( $\tau^2$ )
tau2levels = np.linspace(.1,10,40)

# simulation parameters
samplesize = 200
numsamples = 20

# initialize results matrix
results = np.zeros((numsamples,len(tau2levels),2))

### run the experiment!
# loop over tau levels
for ni,tau2 in enumerate(tau2levels):
    # repeat for multiple samples
    for sampi in range(numsamples):

        # generate sample data with tau modulation
        data = np.random.normal(0,np.sqrt(tau2),size=samplesize)

        # store sample mean and variance
        results[sampi,ni,0] = np.mean(data)
        results[sampi,ni,1] = np.var(data,ddof=1)

### plotting
_,axs = plt.subplots(2,1,figsize=(7,7))

# plot the average of the sample means
axs[0].plot(np.tile(tau2levels,(20,1)),results[:, :, 0], 'ks',
            markerfacecolor=(.6,.6,.6), markersize=8)
axs[0].plot(tau2levels,np.mean(results[:, :, 0],axis=0), 'kd',
            markerfacecolor='w', markersize=12)
axs[0].set_title(r'$\bf{A}$' Sample averages')

# plot the average within-sample variances
axs[1].plot(tau2levels,np.mean(results[:, :, 1],axis=0), 'k^',
            markerfacecolor=(.7,.7,.7), markersize=8, label='Average variances')

# plot the average across-sample variance of the sample means
axs[1].plot(tau2levels,np.var(results[:, :, 0],axis=0,ddof=1), 'ko',
            markerfacecolor=(.8,.8,.8), markersize=8, label='Variance of averages')
axs[1].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' Sample variances')
axs[1].legend()

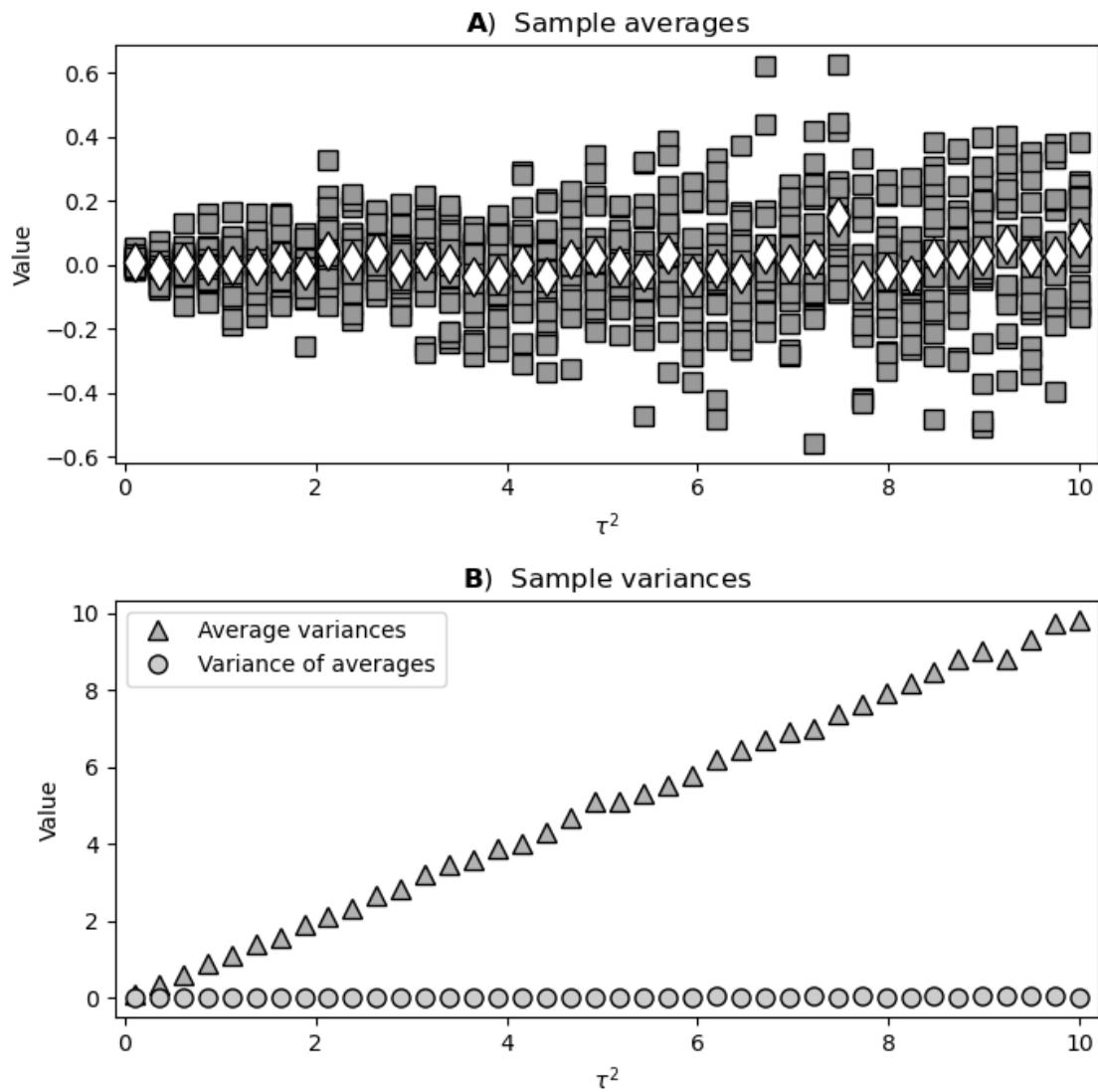
for a in axs:
    a.set(xlabel=r'$\tau^2$', ylabel='Value',
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    xlim=[tau2levels[0] -.2,tau2levels[-1]+.2])

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_ex1.png')
plt.show()

```



14 Exercise 2

```
[16]: # the sample sizes
samplesizes = np.arange(10,1001)

# generate population data with known std
pop_std      = 2.4
populationN = 1000000
population   = np.random.randn(populationN)
population   = population / np.std(population,ddof=1) # force std=1
population   = population * pop_std # force std

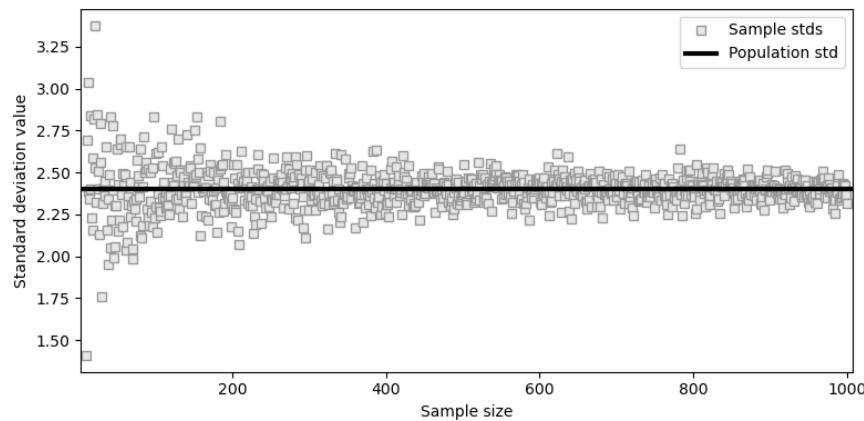
# initialize results matrix
samplestds = np.zeros(len(samplesizes))

# run the experiment!
for sampi in range(len(samplesizes)):

    # pick a random sample
    sample = np.random.choice(population,size=samplesizes[sampi])
    samplestds[sampi] = np.std(sample,ddof=1)

# show the results!
plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
plt.plot(samplesizes,samplestds,'s',markerfacecolor=(.9,.9,.9),color=(.6,.6,.6))
plt.axhline(pop_std,color='k',linewidth=3)
plt.xlabel('Sample size')
plt.ylabel('Standard deviation value')
plt.xlim([samplesizes[0]-7,samplesizes[-1]+7])
plt.legend(('Sample stds','Population std'))

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_ex2.png')
plt.show()
```



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[17]: # Note about the data-generation method:  
# It is not sufficient to use np.random.normal(0,2.4,N), because that does  
# not guarantee a *population* standard deviation of 2.4. Instead, it is  
# necessary to force the std by first scaling to std=1 and then multiplying.  
  
# Here's a demonstration:  
print(np.std(np.random.normal(0,pop_std,populationN),ddof=1))  
print(np.std(population,ddof=1))
```

2.3987793031234905
2.4000000000000001

15 Exercise 3

```
[18]: # parameters  
popMean1 = 3  
popMean2 = 3.2  
  
# generate the populations  
population1 = np.random.randn(populationN)  
population1 = population1 - np.mean(population1) + popMean1  
  
population2 = np.random.randn(populationN)  
population2 = population2 - np.mean(population2) + popMean2  
  
# one sample  
s1 = np.mean( np.random.choice(population1,size=30) )  
s2 = np.mean( np.random.choice(population2,size=30) )  
  
print(f'Population difference: {popMean1-popMean2:.3f}')  
print(f'Sample difference: {s1-s2:.3f}')
```

Population difference: -0.200
Sample difference: -0.595

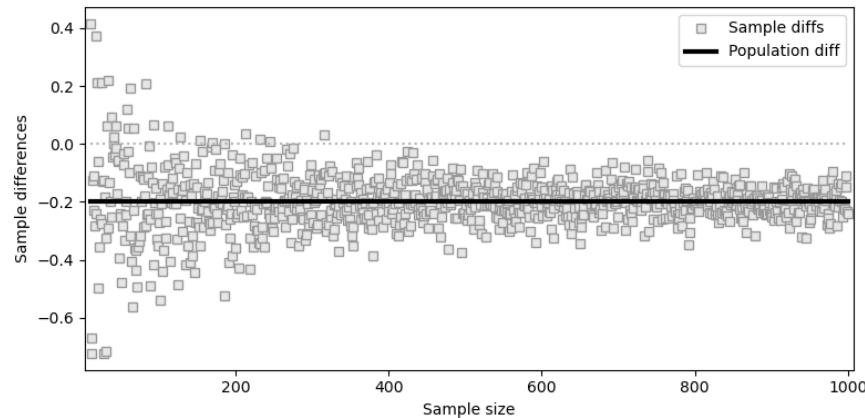
```
[19]: # initialize results matrix  
samplediffs = np.zeros(len(samplesizes))  
  
# run the experiment!  
for sampi in range(len(samplesizes)):  
  
    # pick a random sample  
    s1 = np.random.choice(population1,size=samplesizes[sampi])  
    s2 = np.random.choice(population2,size=samplesizes[sampi])  
    samplediffs[sampi] = np.mean(s1) - np.mean(s2)
```

```

# show the results!
plt.figure(figsize=(8,4))
plt.plot(samplesizes,samplediffs,'s',markerfacecolor=(.9,.9,.9),color=(.6,.6,.6))
plt.
    plot(samplesizes[[0,-1]], [popMean1-popMean2,popMean1-popMean2], 'k', linewidth=3)
plt.plot(samplesizes[[0,-1]], [0,0],color=(.7,.7,.7),linestyle=':')
plt.xlabel('Sample size')
plt.ylabel('Sample differences')
plt.xlim([samplesizes[0]-7,samplesizes[-1]+7])
plt.legend(('Sample diffs','Population diff'))

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_ex3.png')
plt.show()

```



16 Exercise 4

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[20]: N = 1200
numbers = np.zeros((N,3))

for i in range(N):
    nums = np.random.choice(range(100),2)
    numbers[i,0] = nums[0]
    numbers[i,1] = nums[1]
    numbers[i,2] = np.mean(nums)

# show the histograms
_,axs = plt.subplots(1,3,figsize=(10,np.pi))
for i in range(3):

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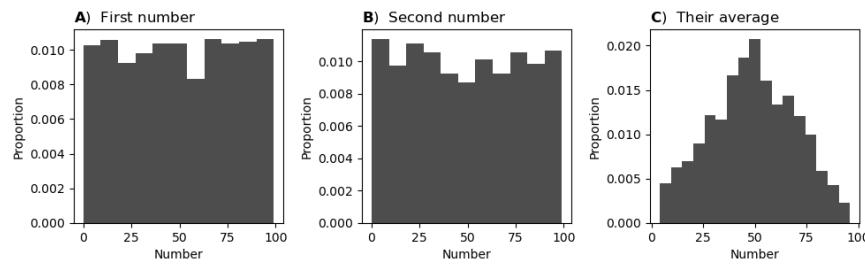
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    axs[i].hist(numbers[:,i],bins='fd',color=(.3,.3,.3),density=True)
    axs[i].set(xlabel='Number',ylabel='Proportion')

axs[0].set_title(r'$\bf{A}$' First number',loc='left')
axs[1].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' Second number',loc='left')
axs[2].set_title(r'$\bf{C}$' Their average',loc='left')

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_ex4.png')
plt.show()

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17 Exercise 6

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[21]: # a population of random numbers
Npop = 1000000
population = np.random.randn(Npop)**2

# parameters and initializations
samplesizes = np.arange(5,500,8)
numberOfsamps = 1000
samplemeans = np.zeros(numberOfsamps)
fwhms = np.zeros(len(samplesizes))
peakvals = np.zeros(len(samplesizes))

# line colors
c = np.linspace((.9,.9,.9),(0,0,0),len(samplesizes))

## run the experiment!
plt.figure(figsize=(7,4))
for Ns in range(len(samplesizes)):
    # compute the means of lots of samples
    for expi in range(numberOfsamps):
        samplemeans[expi] = np.mean( np.random.
        ↪choice(population,size=samplesizes[Ns]) )

    # make a histogram of those means
    if Ns == 0:
        plt.hist(samplemeans, bins=10, density=True, color=c[0])
    else:
        plt.hist(samplemeans, bins=10, density=True, color=c[Ns])

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yy,xx = np.histogram(samplemeans,np.linspace(.4,1.6,41))
yy = yy/np.sum(yy)

### compute FWHM
# step 1: normalize
yn = yy/np.max(yy)

# step 2: find peak index
idx = np.argmax(yn)

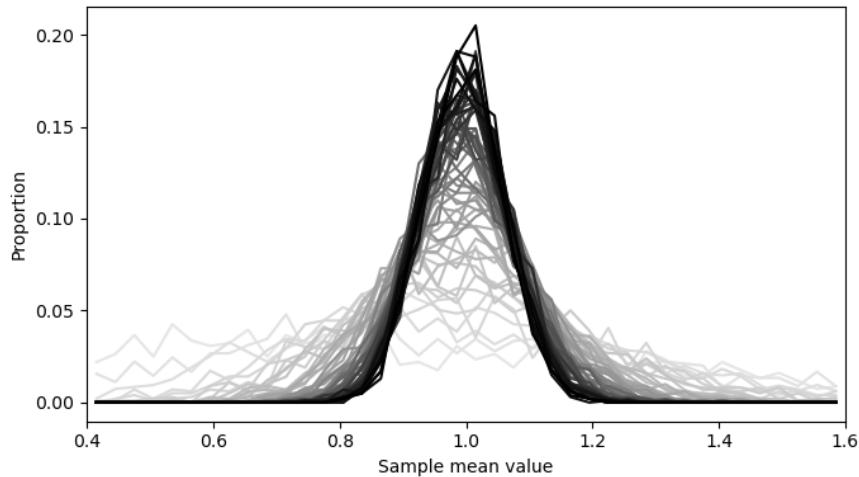
# step 3: compute FWHM
fwhms[Ns] = xx[idx-1+np.argmin(np.abs(yn[idx:]-.5))] - xx[np.argmin(np.abs(yn[:idx]-.5))]

# also store mean value
peakvals[Ns] = xx[idx]

# plot
plt.plot((xx[:-1]+xx[1:])/2,yy,color=c[Ns])

plt.xlim([.4,1.6])
plt.xlabel('Sample mean value')
plt.ylabel('Proportion')
plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_ex6a.png')
plt.show()

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[22]: _,axs = plt.subplots(1,2,figsize=(10,4))

axs[0].plot(samplesizes,fwhms,'ks',markerfacecolor='w',markersize=8)

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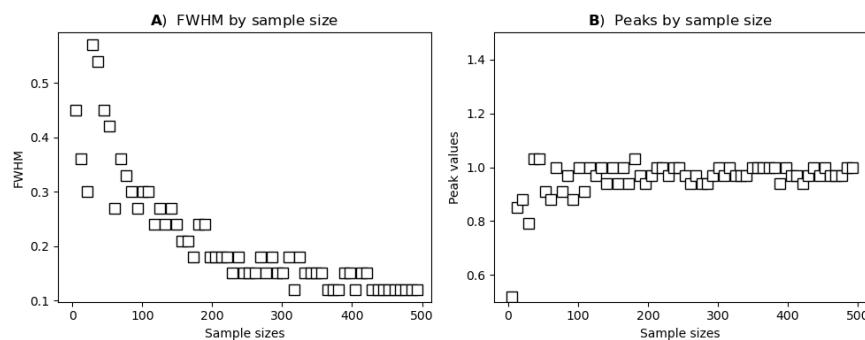
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axs[0].set(xlabel='Sample sizes',ylabel='FWHM',xlim=[-20,samplesizes[-1]+20])
axs[0].set_title(r'$\bf{A}$' FWHM by sample size')

axs[1].plot(samplesizes,peakvals,'ks',markerfacecolor='w',markersize=8)
axs[1].set(xlabel='Sample sizes',ylabel='Peak values',ylim=[.5,1.
    ↪5],xlim=[-20,samplesizes[-1]+20])
axs[1].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' Peaks by sample size)

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_ex6b.png')
plt.show()

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18 Exercise 7

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[23]: # a population of random numbers
Npop = 1000000
population = np.random.randn(Npop)**2

# experiment parameters
samplesizes = np.logspace(np.log10(10),np.log10(Npop/10),25,dtype=int)
numExps = 50

# theoretical standard error based on population standard deviation
theory = np.std(population) / np.sqrt(samplesizes)

# initialize the empirical estimates
standerror = np.zeros((numExps,len(samplesizes)))
samplemeans = np.zeros((numExps,len(samplesizes)))

# Run the experiment!
for expi in range(numExps):
    for idx,ssize in enumerate(samplesizes):
        # generate a random sample

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rsample = np.random.choice(population, size=ssize)

# compute its standard error (estimate) and the sample mean
standerror[expi, idx] = np.std(rsample, ddof=1) / np.sqrt(ssize)
samplemeans[expi, idx] = np.mean(rsample)

## plotting
_, axs = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(9, 4))
axs[0].plot(samplesizes, theory, 'ks-', markersize=10, markerfacecolor=(.7, .7, .7), label='Analytical SEM')
axs[0].plot(samplesizes, np.mean(standerror, axis=0), 'p-', color=(.3, .3, .3), markersize=10, markerfacecolor=(0, 0, 0), label='Empirical SEM')
axs[0].plot(samplesizes, np.std(samplemeans, axis=0, ddof=1), 'o-', color=(.7, .7, .7), markersize=10, markerfacecolor=(.9, .9, .9), label='Sample means STD')
axs[0].set(xlabel='Sample size', ylabel='Sample means variabilities')
axs[0].legend()
axs[0].set_title(r'$\bf{A}$' ' Estimates by sample size')

axs[1].plot(theory, np.mean(standerror, axis=0), 'ko', markerfacecolor=(.8, .8, .8), markersize=12, alpha=.5, label='Empirical SEM')
axs[1].plot(np.std(samplemeans, axis=0, ddof=1), np.mean(standerror, axis=0), 'ks', markerfacecolor=(.3, .3, .3), markersize=12, alpha=.5, label='Sample mean std')
axs[1].set(xlabel='Analytical SEM', ylabel=r'Emp. SEM or means STD')
axs[1].legend()
axs[1].set_title(r'$\bf{B}$' ' Consistency of estimates')

plt.tight_layout()
# plt.savefig('sample_ex7.png')
plt.show()

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