

# Math 140

## Introductory Statistics

Next test on Oct 19th

# Adding and multiplying to $X$

Just like rescaling and recentering

So, adding  $C$  and multiplying by  $D > 0$  our entries for the variables  $X$  gives new SD and new means:

$X$  is now  $C + D * X$

$$\mu_x \text{ turns into } \mu_{C+DX} = C + D * \mu_x$$

$$\sigma_x \text{ turns into } \sigma_{C+DX} = D * \sigma_x$$

# In general

## Linear Transformation Rule: The Effect of a Linear Transformation of $X$ on $\mu_X$ and $\sigma_X$

Suppose you have a probability distribution for random variable  $X$ , with mean  $\mu_X$  and standard deviation  $\sigma_X$ . If you transform each value by multiplying it by  $d$  and then adding  $c$ , where  $c$  and  $d$  are constants, then the mean and the standard deviation of the transformed values are given by

$$\mu_{c+dX} = c + d\mu_X$$

$$\sigma_{c+dX} = |d|\sigma_X$$

# Question

Now, this was for TRIPLING the lottery

What if we kept the same lottery and bought 3 tickets?

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Duh!  $3 * 0.6014 = 1.804!$

Just like before!

It does not matter if I triple the lottery or  
if I buy three tickets, the result is the same.

My take-home on average is tripled.

# What do you think?

We can conclude that when we select three items from the same distribution we find

$$\mu_{3,X} = 3 \mu_x = \mu_x + \mu_x + \mu_x$$

In general, for different distributions if we are adding we get

$$\mu_{X,Y} = \mu_x + \mu_y$$

# Two tickets from two lotteries

Let's buy a ticket from the lottery of  
California and of Texas

California  $\mu_x = \$0.50$

Texas  $\mu_y = \$0.75$

What are the expected total winnings?

$$\mu_{CA,TX} = \mu_{CA} + \mu_{TX} = \$0.50 + \$0.75 = \$1.25$$



What is the expected value for the total rolling outcome of two dice?

| Sum of Two Dice, $x$ | Probability, $P$ |
|----------------------|------------------|
| 2                    | $1/36$           |
| 3                    | $2/36$           |
| 4                    | $3/36$           |
| 5                    | $4/36$           |
| 6                    | $5/36$           |
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| 12                   | $1/36$           |
| Total                | 1                |

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$$\mu_x - \mu_x = 3.5 - 3.5 = 0!$$

$$X = \text{1st die} - \text{2nd die}$$

|           |   | Second Die |      |      |      |      |      |
|-----------|---|------------|------|------|------|------|------|
|           |   | 1          | 2    | 3    | 4    | 5    | 6    |
| First Die | 1 | 1, 1       | 1, 2 | 1, 3 | 1, 4 | 1, 5 | 1, 6 |
|           | 2 | 2, 1       | 2, 2 | 2, 3 | 2, 4 | 2, 5 | 2, 6 |
|           | 3 | 3, 1       | 3, 2 | 3, 3 | 3, 4 | 3, 5 | 3, 6 |
|           | 4 | 4, 1       | 4, 2 | 4, 3 | 4, 4 | 4, 5 | 4, 6 |
|           | 5 | 5, 1       | 5, 2 | 5, 3 | 5, 4 | 5, 5 | 5, 6 |
|           | 6 | 6, 1       | 6, 2 | 6, 3 | 6, 4 | 6, 5 | 6, 6 |

|     |        |
|-----|--------|
| -5  | 1 / 36 |
| -4  | 2 / 36 |
|     |        |
| etc |        |
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$1 - 6 = -5$  smallest value, one one way  
 $1-5, 2-6 = -4$  two ways

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7



0

# What about the standard deviation?

When we pick from more than one distribution,  
The **VARIANCE NOT THE SD** gets added

In other words:

if we pick 3 tickets

$$\mu_x = \mu_x + \mu_x + \mu_x = 3\mu_x$$

$$\sigma^2_x = \sigma^2_x + \sigma^2_x + \sigma^2_x = 3\sigma^2_x$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{3}\sigma_x$$

# This is true for different distributions

If we pick tickets from two lotteries  
and add their outcomes

$$\mu_x = \mu_x + \mu_y$$

$$\sigma^2_{X,Y} = \sigma^2_X + \sigma^2_Y$$

$$\sigma_{X,Y} = \sqrt{\sigma^2_X + \sigma^2_Y}$$

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if we pick tickets from two lotteries  
and subtract their outcomes

$$\mu_{X-Y} = \mu_X - \mu_Y$$

$$\sigma^2_{X,Y} = \sigma^2_X + \sigma^2_Y$$

$$\sigma_{X,Y} = \sqrt{\sigma^2_X + \sigma^2_Y}$$



# Summary

## Addition and Subtraction Rules for Random Variables

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are random variables, then

$$\mu_{X+Y} = \mu_X + \mu_Y$$

$$\mu_{X-Y} = \mu_X - \mu_Y$$

If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, then

$$\sigma_{X+Y}^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$$

$$\sigma_{X-Y}^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$$

The Addition Rule generalizes in the obvious way when there are more than two random variables.

# Calculate the SD for the sum of 2 dice

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$$\mu_x = 7$$

And verify  
the formula  
we just found

Then do the same  
For the difference  
of two dice

# And yes, they are the same!



# Summary

Shifting or multiplying the SAME DISTRIBUTION

$$\mu_{c+dX} = c + d\mu_X$$

$$\sigma_{c+dX} = |d|\sigma_X$$

Adding or subtracting DIFFERENT DISTRIBUTIONS

$$\mu_{X+Y} = \mu_X + \mu_Y$$

$$\mu_{X-Y} = \mu_X - \mu_Y$$

$$\sigma_{X+Y}^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$$

$$\sigma_{X-Y}^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$$

# Practice

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