

Week in Review # 10

MATH 141
8.2, 8.3, 8.4

Drost-Spring 2010

1. The chef at the local Mexican restaurant recorded the weekly consumption of salsa over a 20 week period.

Qts Salsa	100	120	140	160	180	200
Weeks	1	2	5	5	4	3

Sum
20

a) Find the average weekly consumption of salsa at this restaurant.

b) Let X denote the number of quarts of salsa consumed in a week at the restaurant. Find the probability distribution of the random variable X and compute $E(X)$, the expected value of X .

$$a) \text{ average} = \frac{[100(1) + 120(2) + 140(5) + 160(5) + 180(4) + 200(3)]}{20}$$

$$\text{Average} = 158 \text{ quarts of Salsa/wk}$$

b) X	100	120	140	160	180	200
$P(X=x)$	$\frac{1}{20}$	$\frac{2}{20}$	$\frac{5}{20}$	$\frac{5}{20}$	$\frac{4}{20}$	$\frac{3}{20}$

$$E(X) = 100\left(\frac{1}{20}\right) + 120\left(\frac{2}{20}\right) + 140\left(\frac{5}{20}\right) + 160\left(\frac{5}{20}\right) + 180\left(\frac{4}{20}\right) + 200\left(\frac{3}{20}\right)$$

$$E(x) = 5 + 12 + 35 + 40 + 36 + 30$$

$$E(x) = 158 \text{ quarts}$$

2. If a sample of 4 batteries is selected from a lot of 20 batteries, of which 2 are defective, what is the expected number of defective batteries?

$X =$ number of defective batteries

$$P(X=0) = \frac{C(18,4) \cdot C(2,0)}{C(20,4)} = \frac{12}{19}$$

$$P(X=1) = \frac{C(18,3) \cdot C(2,1)}{C(20,4)} = \frac{32}{95}$$

$$P(X=2) = \frac{C(18,2) \cdot C(2,2)}{C(20,4)} = \frac{3}{95}$$

X	0	1	2
$P(X=x)$	$\frac{12}{19}$	$\frac{32}{95}$	$\frac{3}{95}$

$$E(X) = 0 \cdot \frac{12}{19} + 1 \cdot \frac{32}{95} + 2 \cdot \frac{3}{95} = \boxed{0.4}$$

3. Solar Designs built a spec house at a cost of \$275,000. They estimate they can sell the house for \$400,000, \$425,000, or \$450,000 with probabilities of 0.30, 0.45, and 0.25, respectively. What is the expected profit for Solar Designs on this particular model?

$X =$	400,000	425,000	450,000
$P(X=x) =$	0.3	0.45	0.25

$$E(X) = 400,000(0.3) + 425,000(0.45) + 450,000(0.25)$$

$$E(X) = \$423,750$$

Expected sales price $\$423,750$

cost to build $\underline{-275,000}$

Expected profit $\$148,750$

4. Compare two car dealerships with the following weekly volume of sales, with corresponding probabilities:

All Star Autos

X	# Sold/Wk	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Probability	.04	.12	.25	.30	.15	.10	.04

Best Car Deals

Y	# Sold/Wk	4	5	6	7	8
	Probability	.08	.13	.26	.35	.18

The average profit/car at *All Star Autos* is \$520, and the average profit/car at *Best Car Deals* is \$640.

- a) Find the average number sold each week at each dealership.

$$E(X) = 4(.04) + 5(.12) + 6(.25) + 7(.30) + 8(.15) + 9(.10) + 10(.04)$$

$$E(X) = 6.86 \text{ Cars/wk sold}$$

$$E(Y) = 4(.08) + 5(.13) + 6(.26) + 7(.35) + 8(.18)$$

$$E(Y) = 6.42 \text{ cars/wk sold}$$

- b) Which dealership has the highest expected weekly profit?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Profit} &= 6.86(520) \\ \text{asa} & \\ &= \$3,567.20 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Profit} &= 6.42(640) \\ \text{BCD} & \\ &= \$4,108.80 \end{aligned}$$

Best Car Deals

5. Suppose the probability that it will rain tomorrow is 0.3.

a) What are the odds that it will rain tomorrow?

b) What are the odds that it will not rain tomorrow?

$$P(r) = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$P(r^c) = \frac{7}{10}$$

a) odds it will rain = $\frac{P(E)}{1-P(E)} = \frac{.3}{1-.3} = \frac{.3}{.7} = \frac{3}{7}$

b) odds it will not rain $\frac{1-P(E)}{P(E)} = \frac{.7}{.3} = \frac{7}{3}$

6. The odds against an event E occurring are 4 to 5. What is the probability of E not occurring?

$$\text{Odds } E^c = \frac{4}{5} = \frac{1-P(E)}{P(E)}$$

$$4P(E) = 5(1-P(E))$$

$$4P(E) = 5 - 5P(E)$$

$$9P(E) = 5$$

$$P(E) = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$P(E) = \frac{5}{9}$$

$$P(E^c) = \frac{4}{9}$$

7. The following scores were earned on a recent multiple choice history exam given to 16 students.

65	78	50	98	100	95	85	80	75	70	65	60
80	95	100	25		95			75			60
40	75	60	85		95						
60	95	58	70			55	50	40	35		

Find the mean, mode, and median score on the exam.

$X =$	100	95	85	80	75	70	65	60	55	50	40	35
freq	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1		

$$a) \text{ mean} = \frac{\text{sum of scores}}{\# \text{ of scores}} = \frac{1135}{16}$$

$$= 70.9375\% \approx 70.94\%$$

$$b) \text{ mode} = 95\%$$

$$c) \text{ median} = \frac{75+70}{2} = 72.5\%$$

Variance and Standard Deviation

8. Find the variance of the random variable X in problem number 4 above for *All Star Autos*.

$$E(X) = 6.86 = \mu$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = p_1(x_1 - \mu)^2 + p_2(x_2 - \mu)^2 + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(X) &= .04(4 - 6.86)^2 + .12(5 - 6.86)^2 + \\ &\quad .25(6 - 6.86)^2 + .30(7 - 6.86)^2 + \\ &\quad .15(8 - 6.86)^2 + .10(9 - 6.86)^2 + \\ &\quad .04(10 - 6.86)^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = 1.9804$$

9. Find the standard deviation of the random variable X for *All Star Autos*.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{1.9804} \approx 1.4073$$

10. In a class of 100 students, define X as the random variable whose value represents the students grade in the finite math class, $A = 4, B = 3$, etc. Compute the mean, and standard deviation.

$X =$	4	3	2	1	0
freq. of occurrence	13	30	42	10	5

Sum

= 100

$$P(X=x) \quad .13 \quad .30 \quad .42 \quad .10 \quad .05$$

$$E(X) = 4(.13) + 3(.30) + 2(.42) + 1(.10) + 0(.05)$$

$$E(X) = 2.36 = \mu$$

$$\bar{X} = \frac{4(13) + 3(30) + 2(42) + 1(10) + 0(5)}{100}$$

$$\bar{X} = 2.36 = \mu$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Var}(X)}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = p_1(x_1 - \mu)^2 + p_2(x_2 - \mu)^2 + \dots$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = .13(4 - 2.36)^2 + .30(3 - 2.36)^2 + .42(2 - 2.36)^2 + .10(1 - 2.36)^2 + .05(0 - 2.36)^2$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = 0.9904$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{0.9904}$$

$$\sigma = 0.9952 \quad \text{Standard deviation}$$

11. A probability distribution has a mean of 18 and a standard deviation of 1.3. Use Chebychev's inequality to find a bound on the probability that an outcome of the experiment lies between 14 and 22.

$$\bar{x} = 18 = E(X) = \mu$$

$$\sigma = 1.3$$

$$\mu - k\sigma = 14$$

$$18 - 1.3k = 14$$

$$-1.3k = -4$$

$$k = \frac{4}{1.3}$$

$$k = \frac{40}{13}$$

$$P(\mu - k\sigma \leq x \leq \mu + k\sigma) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{k^2}$$

$$P(14 \leq x \leq 22) \geq 1 - \frac{1}{\left(\frac{40}{13}\right)^2}$$

$$\geq 1 - \frac{13^2}{40^2}$$

$$\geq 0.894375$$

$$\mu + k\sigma = 22$$

$$18 + 1.3k = 22$$

$$1.3k = 4$$

$$k = \frac{40}{13}$$

12. Find the variance of the probability distribution:

$X =$	1	2	3	4	5
$P(X) =$	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1

$$\text{Var}(X) = p_1(x_1 - \mu)^2 + p_2(x_2 - \mu)^2 + \dots + p_5(x_5 - \mu)^2$$

$$\mu = E(X) = x_1 \cdot p_1 + x_2 \cdot p_2 + \dots + x_5 \cdot p_5$$

$$E(X) = 1(.1) + 2(.3) + 3(.3) + 4(.2) + 5(.1)$$

$$E(X) = .1 + .6 + .9 + .8 + .5 = 2.9$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = .1(1 - 2.9)^2 + .3(2 - 2.9)^2 + .3(3 - 2.9)^2$$

$$+ .2(4 - 2.9)^2 + .1(5 - 2.9)^2$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = 1.29$$

13. The minimum age requirement for a regular driver's licence varies in each state.

Minimum Age	14	15	16	17	18
freq. of occurrence	2	7	39	1	1

Source: <http://www.2pass.co.wk/ages2.htm>

- a) Describe a random variable X that is associated with this data.

$X =$ denotes the minimum age of a regular drivers licence

- b) Find the probability distribution for the random variable X .

$$\begin{array}{rcccccc}
 X = & 14 & 15 & 16 & 17 & 18 \\
 P(X=x) & \frac{2}{50} & \frac{7}{50} & \frac{39}{50} & \frac{1}{50} & \frac{1}{50}
 \end{array}$$

- c) Compute the mean, variance, and standard deviation of X .

$$\text{Mean} = \frac{14(2) + 15(7) + 16(39) + 17(1) + 18(1)}{50}$$

$$\text{Mean} = 15.84$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Variance} = & \frac{2}{50}(14-15.84)^2 + \frac{7}{50}(15-15.84)^2 \\
 & + \frac{39}{50}(16-15.84)^2 + \frac{1}{50}(17-15.84)^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{50}(18-15.84)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Variance} = 0.3744$$

Standard deviation

$$\sigma = \sqrt{0.3744}$$

$$\sigma = 0.6119$$

14. The number of married men (in thousands) between the ages of 20 and 44 in the United States in 1998 is given in the following table:

	22	27	32	37	42	Sum
Age	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	
Men	1332	4219	6345	7598	7633	27,127

Find the mean and the standard deviation of the given data. Assume that all scores lying within a group interval take the middle value of that group. *Source: FINITE MATH, by Tan, p. 449, #24*

$$\bar{x} = \frac{22(1332) + 27(4219) + 32(6345) + 37(7598) + 42(7633)}{27,127}$$

$$\text{mean} = \bar{x} = 34.94558927\dots$$

$$\bar{x} \approx 34.9456 = E(X)$$

Probability Distribution

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} x = & 22 & 27 & 32 & 37 & 42 \\ P(X=x) = & .0491 & .15553 & .2339 & .28009 & .28138 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = p_1(x_1 - \mu)^2 + p_2(x_2 - \mu)^2 + \dots$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X) = & .0491(22 - 34.9456)^2 + \\ & .15553(27 - 34.9456)^2 + \\ & .2339(32 - 34.9456)^2 + \\ & .28009(37 - 34.9456)^2 + \\ & .28138(42 - 34.9456)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = 35.26194064\dots$$

Standard deviation

$$\sigma = \sqrt{35.2619} \approx 5.9382$$

Binomial Distribution

15. A fair eight-sided die is rolled 2 times. If a 3 or a 5 lands uppermost in a trial, then the throw is considered a *success*. Otherwise, the throw is considered a *failure*.

X = binomial random variable representing # of successes

- a) Find the probability of obtaining exactly 0, 1, or 2 successes.

fixed number of trials
 $n = 2$

$$P(3 \text{ or } 5) = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{1}{4} \quad p = \frac{1}{4} \quad q = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$P(X=x) = C(n, x) p^x q^{n-x}$$


$$P(X=0) = C(2, 0) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^0 \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{16}$$

$$P(X=1) = C(2, 1) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^1 \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^1 = \frac{3}{8}$$

$$P(X=2) = C(2, 2) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^0 = \frac{1}{16}$$

- b) Construct a binomial distribution and draw a histogram.

X	0	1	2
$P(X=x)$	$\frac{9}{16}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{16}$



- c) What is the probability of obtaining 0 or 1 success in the experiment?

$$P(X=0 \text{ or } X=1) = \frac{9}{16} + \frac{3}{8} = \boxed{\frac{15}{16}}$$

- d) What is the probability of obtaining at least one success in the experiment?

$$P(\text{at least } 1) = 1 - P(X=0) = 1 - \frac{9}{16} = \boxed{\frac{7}{16}}$$

- e) Compute the mean, variance, and standard deviation of X .

$$\mu = E(X) = n \cdot p = 2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\text{Var}(X) = n \cdot p \cdot q = 2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = \boxed{\frac{3}{8}}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{npq} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} = \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{6}}{4}}$$