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Mean

Recall, $\bar{x} = \frac{\sum x}{n}$ $\mu = \frac{\sum x}{N}$ is 'mean'.

But what is the mean (or "average") you will get when rolling a die?

Could roll it an infinite # of times...
too long, need to formulas!

Mean of a Discrete Probability Distribution

$$\mu = X_1 \cdot P(X_1) + X_2 \cdot P(X_2) + \dots + X_n \cdot P(X_n)$$

$$= \sum [X \cdot P(X)]$$

ex) Find the mean of rolling 1 die.

X	1	2	3	4	5	6
P(X)	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \sum [X \cdot P(X)] = 1\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 2\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 3\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 4\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 5\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 6\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{6} + \frac{2}{6} + \frac{3}{6} + \frac{4}{6} + \frac{5}{6} + \frac{6}{6} \\ &= \frac{21}{6} = 3\frac{3}{6} = 3.5 \end{aligned}$$

ex) Previously, we rolled two 4-sided die, $X = \text{sum}$. We got

X	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
P(X)	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{2}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{4}{16}$	$\frac{3}{16}$	$\frac{2}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= 2\left(\frac{1}{16}\right) + 3\left(\frac{2}{16}\right) + 4\left(\frac{3}{16}\right) + 5\left(\frac{4}{16}\right) + 6\left(\frac{3}{16}\right) + 7\left(\frac{2}{16}\right) + 8\left(\frac{1}{16}\right) \\ &= \frac{2+6+12+20+18+14+8}{16} \\ &= \frac{80}{16} = 5 \end{aligned}$$

ex

X	2	3	4	5
P(X)	$\frac{2}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{2}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= 2\left(\frac{2}{6}\right) + 3\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) + 4\left(\frac{2}{6}\right) + 5\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{4+3+8+5}{6} \\ &= \frac{20}{6} = 3.\bar{3}\end{aligned}$$

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Procedure

multiply X by P(X) for all X
sum them all.

Variance

Recall, $\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum(x-\mu)^2}{N}$ and $\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2}$

For Discrete Probability Distribution

$$\sigma^2 = \sum [x^2 \cdot P(x)] - \mu^2$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sigma^2}$$

Procedure — 0. Find μ .

1. Square all values of X .
2. Multiply each X^2 by $P(X)$.
3. Sum all of these.
4. Subtract μ^2 .
- (5. take $\sqrt{\quad}$ for st. dev.)

ex) X	1	2	3	4
P(X)	$\frac{1}{7}$	$\frac{2}{7}$	$\frac{3}{7}$	$\frac{1}{7}$

$$0. \mu = 1\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) + 2\left(\frac{2}{7}\right) + 3\left(\frac{3}{7}\right) + 4\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) = \frac{1+4+9+4}{7} = \frac{18}{7}$$

$$1. 1^2 = 1 \quad 3^2 = 9$$

$$2^2 = 4 \quad 4^2 = 16$$

$$2. 1\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) = \frac{1}{7} \quad 9\left(\frac{3}{7}\right) = \frac{27}{7}$$

$$4\left(\frac{2}{7}\right) = \frac{8}{7} \quad 16\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) = \frac{16}{7}$$

$$3. \frac{1}{7} + \frac{8}{7} + \frac{27}{7} + \frac{16}{7} = \frac{52}{7}$$

$$4. \frac{52}{7} - \left(\frac{18}{7}\right)^2 = .816 = \sigma^2$$

$$5. \sigma = .9035$$

or

$$\mu = 1\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) + 2\left(\frac{2}{7}\right) + 3\left(\frac{3}{7}\right) + 4\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) = \frac{18}{7}$$

$$\sigma^2 = 1^2\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) + 2^2\left(\frac{2}{7}\right) + 3^2\left(\frac{3}{7}\right) + 4^2\left(\frac{1}{7}\right) - \left(\frac{18}{7}\right)^2 = .816 \quad \sigma = \sqrt{.816}$$

Expected Value

The expected value of a discrete random variable is the mean of the r.v., denoted $E(X)$.

$$\mu = E(X) = \sum X \cdot P(X)$$

ex) Play a game. Chance of winning is $\frac{1}{400}$, if you win, you get \$125, cost \$1 to play
Let $X = \text{Gain}$

X	124	-1
$P(X)$	$\frac{1}{400}$	$\frac{399}{400}$

don't get \$1 back
 a loss

$$E(X) = 124\left(\frac{1}{400}\right) + (-1)\left(\frac{399}{400}\right) = \frac{124}{400} - \frac{399}{400} = -.6875 \approx -.69$$

(Playing over a long period of time you would expect to "make" $-.69$.)

Using Your Calculator

ex)

X	6	7	8	9	10
P(X)	.2	.2	.3	.2	.1

STAT

1: edit

L₁ = 6, 7, 8, 9, 10

L₂ = .2, .2, .3, .2, .1

STAT

CALC

1: 1-Var Stats

2nd 1 (L₁)

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2nd 2 (L₂)

ENTER

$$\text{Mean} = \bar{X} = 7.8$$

$$\sigma_X = \text{standard deviation} \approx 1.25$$

$$\sigma^2 = (1.25)^2 = 1.56$$