

What size of variation should we expect?

$$P(H) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$P(T) = \frac{1}{2}$$

toss the coin repeatedly, and consider

$$\# \text{ heads} - \frac{1}{2} \# \text{ tosses}$$

we expect this to be zero

but there will be some variation

- absolute size of the variation will
get bigger as $\#$ tosses increases.

but the size of the variation
as a fraction of the $\#$ of tosses
goes down.

Toss coin 100 times - record size of the variation
10,000

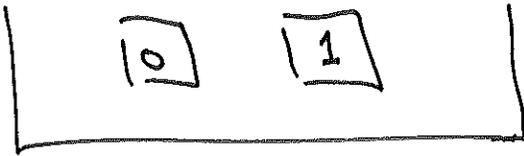
The $\#$ of tosses has increased by a factor of 100,
but the size of the variation will only increase
by a factor of $\sqrt{100} = 10$

$\frac{\text{size of variation}}{\# \text{ tosses.}}$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{N}}{N}$$

* Size of variation relative to # tosses gets smaller (as $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$).

How do we study problems like these?



make an analogy between the process being studied, and drawing numbers at random from a box.

Connect the variability you want to know about with the variability in the sum of the numbers drawn (with replacement) from the box.

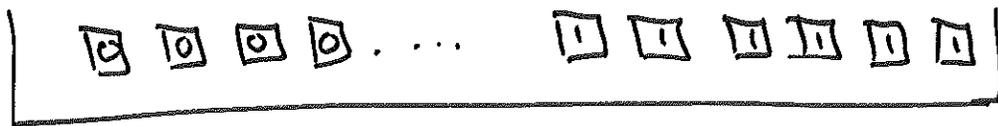
Examples.

heads



1 corresponds to H.

~~#~~ sum of draws is # heads.



0 - Hillary votes

1 - Bernie votes.

Sum of draws corresponds to # people who voted for Bernie.

↑ these 2 examples are when we're counting outcomes.

Dice.



Sum of draws is the total pip count on N rolls of a die.

Making a Box Model.

- which numbers go on the tickets.
- how many tickets of each kind.
- how many draws

Example.

Roulette wheel.

38 numbered slots

1-36 half are coloured red
half black.

0

00

Simplest bet is Red or Black.

If Bet Red, and ball lands on red, get stake back plus the same amount

ie if bet \$1 on red, and win, get \$2 back

On each spin, gain is either -1
+1

These are the numbers that go on the tickets.

18 Red slots \Rightarrow 18 tickets with +1

20 other slots \Rightarrow 20 tickets with -1.
(18 black, 0, 00)

18 tickets $\boxed{+1}$ 20 tickets with $\boxed{-1}$

ie you lose with prob $\frac{20}{38} > \frac{1}{2}$.

Each spin is now one draw with replacement from this box.

of draws from the box \equiv # times we play.

Expected Value.

draw repeatedly with replacement from the box

	R	R	R	B	B	R	R	G	B	R.
win/lose	+1	+1	+1	-1	-1	+1	+1	-1	-1	+1
net gain	1	2	3	2	1	2	3	2	1	2.

Repeat the 10 spins a large number of times.

- the net gain will fluctuate.

- quantify the value about which it fluctuates

- expected value.

- quantify the size of the fluctuations

- standard error. (SE)

- get these quantities from the box model.

Imagine playing roulette 38 times.

should expect 18 $\boxed{+1}$ and 20 $\boxed{-1}$

expected value is $18 - 20 = -2$.

in general

Expected value for the sum of
draws made at random with replacement

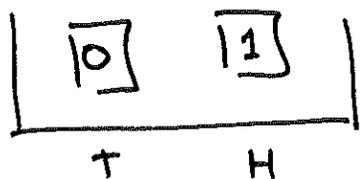
is ~~# draws~~

(# draws) \times (average of box)

Roulette, 38 spins

$$38 \times \left(\frac{18 - 20}{38} \right) = -2.$$

100 tosses of a coin



sum of draws \equiv # H

expected value of # H in 100 tosses is

$$100 \times \left(\frac{0 + 1}{2} \right) = 50.$$

Quantifying the Variability

Most times that we toss a coin 100 times we will not get exactly 50 H.

$$\begin{array}{l} \# \text{ H in} \\ 100 \text{ tosses} \end{array} = \begin{array}{l} \text{expected} \\ \text{value} \end{array} + \begin{array}{l} \text{chance} \\ \text{variation} \end{array}$$

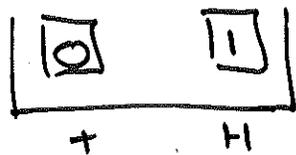
(50)

size of chance variation is SE.

SE for the sum of draws with replacement from a box model is

$$SE = \sqrt{\# \text{ draws} \times (\text{SD of box})}$$

Ex 100 tosses of a coin



sum of draws \equiv # H.

$$\text{mean of box} = \frac{0+1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{SD of box} = \sqrt{\frac{(0-\frac{1}{2})^2 + (1-\frac{1}{2})^2}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

100 tosses:

$$\text{expected value} = 100 \times \frac{1}{2} = 50$$

$$SE = \sqrt{100} \times \frac{1}{2} = 5$$

In 100 tosses, we expect 50 ± 5 heads.

Roulette.



$$\text{Mean of box} = \frac{18 \times 1 + 20 \times -1}{38} = -\frac{1}{19}$$

SD of box — SD of list of 38 numbers, 18 of which are +1
20 of which are -1

$$\left[\frac{\left[\left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{19}\right)\right)^2 + \left(1 - \left(-\frac{1}{19}\right)\right)^2 + \dots + \left(-1 - \left(-\frac{1}{19}\right)\right)^2 + \left(-1 - \left(-\frac{1}{19}\right)\right)^2 + \dots \right]}{38} \right]$$

(18 terms)
20 terms

$$= \underline{0.9986.}$$

↪ fluctuations will be large.

10 spins

expected value $10 \times \frac{-1}{19} = -\frac{10}{19} = -0.5263$

standard error $\sqrt{10} \times 0.9986 = 3.16$

fluctuations are very large

- you can be ahead for a long time.

Note.

observed values are rarely more than 2-3 SE from the expected value.

If everyone in class tossed a coin 100 times

What % of you will have # heads > 55?

- use the Normal approximation.

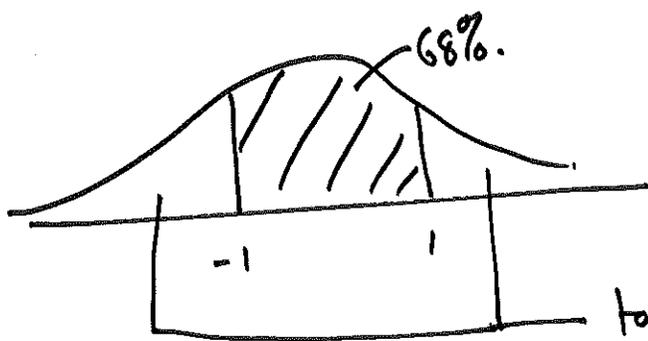
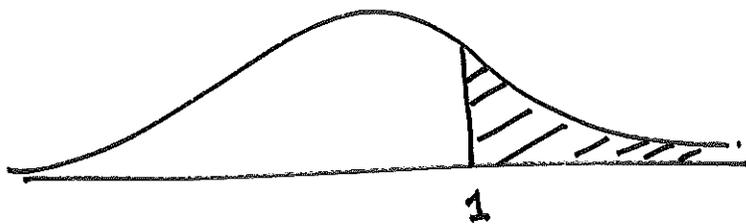
- convert 55 to standard units.

subtract the expected value
divide by the standard error.

convert SS to standard units.

$$\frac{55 - 50}{5} = 1.$$

$$\frac{\text{observed value} - \text{expected value}}{\text{SE}}$$



together, there are $100 - 68 = 32\%$.
one tail is $\frac{32}{2} = \underline{\underline{16\%}}$.

Expect 16% of you to have or more
than 55 H when you toss a coin 100 times.

Rolling Dice.

Roll die 10 times

What's the chance of total \pm pips $< 2s$?



Mean
of box ^{expected}
value.

$$\frac{1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6}{6} = \frac{21}{6} = 3.5$$

SD_{box}

$$\sqrt{\frac{(1-3.5)^2 + (2-3.5)^2 + (3-3.5)^2 + (4-3.5)^2 + (5-3.5)^2 + (6-3.5)^2}{6}}$$

$$= 1.71$$

Expected value in 10 rolls = $10 \times 3.5 = 35$

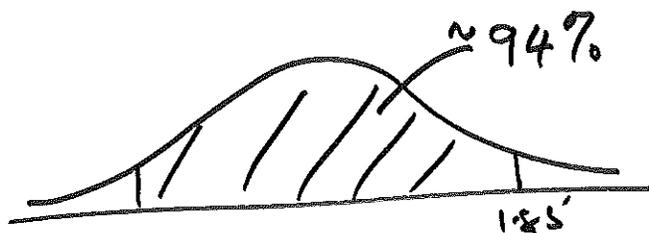
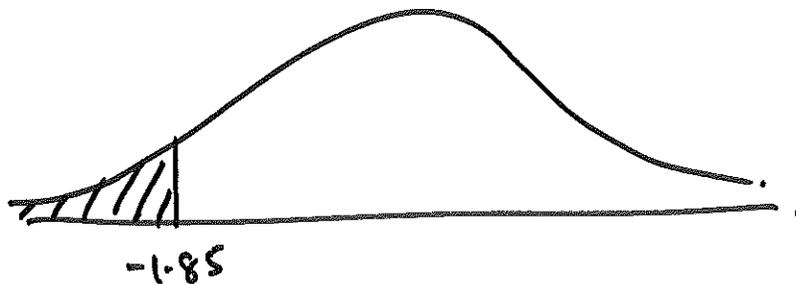
Standard error in 10 rolls = $\sqrt{10} \times 1.71 \approx 5.4$

(this looks visually to correspond with the plot of the dice rolls we did in the 1st lecture).

chance of total < 25 ?

convert to standard units.

$$\frac{25 - 35}{5.4} = \frac{-10}{5.4} = -1.85$$



Two tails together
are $100 - 94 = 6\%$

Each tail is 3% .

chance of < 25 on 10 rolls of a die
 $\approx 3\%$.

later

later - when is it reasonable

to use the Normal Approximation

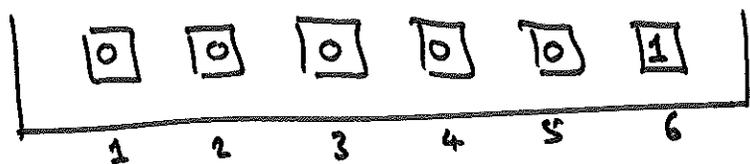
Roll Roulette Box

18 tickets $\boxed{+1}$ 20 tickets $\boxed{-1}$

If there are only two different types
of tickets

$$\begin{aligned} SD &= \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{big} \\ \text{number} \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \text{small} \\ \text{number} \end{array} \right) \times \sqrt{\begin{array}{c} \text{fraction} \\ \text{with} \\ \text{big number} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{fraction} \\ \text{with} \\ \text{small number} \end{array}} \\ &= \left(1 - (-1) \right) \times \sqrt{\frac{18}{38} \times \frac{20}{38}} \\ &= 0.9986. \end{aligned}$$

In 100 rolls of a die, how many 6's should there be?



Put numbers on the tickets so that the SUM of the draws is the number of 6's.

$$\text{expected value} = 100 \times \text{mean of box} = 100 \times \frac{1}{6} = 16\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{standard error} &= \sqrt{100} \times \text{SD}_{\text{box}} \\ &= \sqrt{100} \times (1 - 0) \sqrt{\frac{1}{6} \times \frac{5}{6}} \\ &= 3.7 \end{aligned}$$

Expect $16\frac{2}{3} \pm 3.7$ sixes in 100 rolls of a die.

