

# Expected Value and Standard Error

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# What's happening

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# What's happening

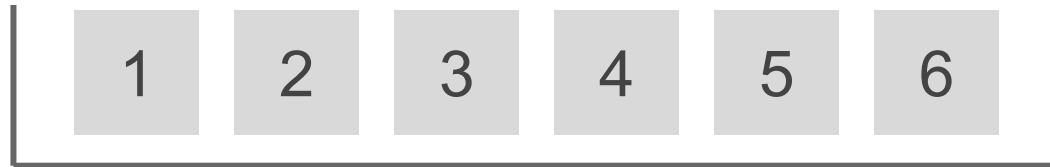
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# Box Model Reminder

A chance problem is like  
drawing (with replacement)  
from a box with numbered  
tickets and looking at the sum  
of the draws

## Example

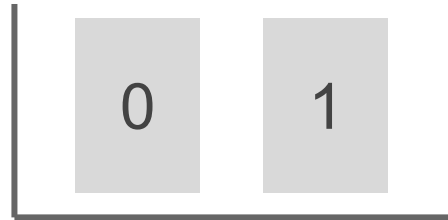
Roll a die 5 times, and add up the points



5 draws

## Example

Toss a coin 5 times, and count # heads



0 = tails

1 = heads

<b>T</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>H</b>
0	1	0	0	1

sum(Heads) = 2

## Making a Box Model

What numbers go in the box?

What is the quantity of interest?

What could happen to that quantity on each draw?

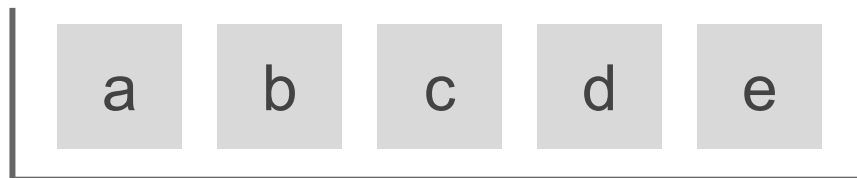
How many tickets of each number?

What are the chances for each draw?

How many draws?



## Example



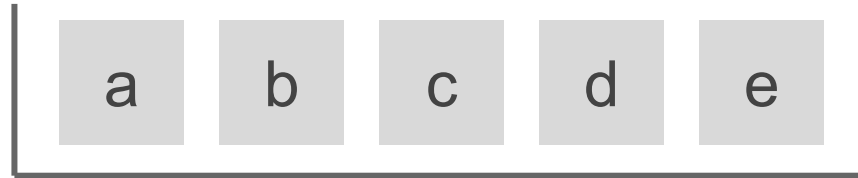
Theoretical Probability of selecting ticket “a”

$$P(\text{ticket “a”}) = \frac{1}{5} = 20\%$$

Draw a ticket (with replacement) a large # of times

As the draws increase,  $|\%a - 20\%|$  gets close to zero

## Example



c, e, a, e, c, c, d, c, a, a, d, d, c, b, b, e, c, b, e, a, e, e, e, e, a,  
e, d, c, d, a, b, d, b, e, b, b, d, c, d, a, b, a, a, b, a, a, c, e

Average of the list should be close to

$$(a + b + c + d + e) / 5 = \text{Expected Value}$$

# Expected Value

## Chapter 17

Expected Value:  
is intuitively the  
long run average



# Expected Value

What proportion of heads should you expect in 100 tosses?



In 100 tosses, we should expect **50%** heads

Although there is going to be chance variability

Expected Value for *sum of draws* from a box model is:

$$(\text{\# of draws}) \times (\text{avg of box})$$

## Example

Toss a coin 5 times, and count # heads



# of draws = 5

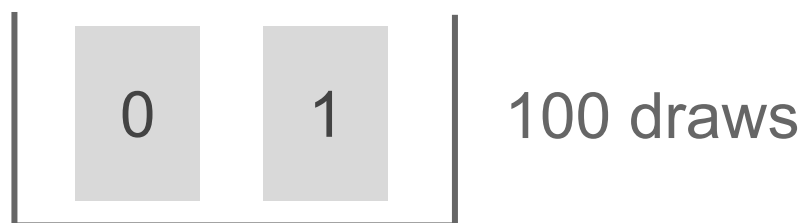
Average of box =  $(0 + 1) / 2 = 0.5$

EV =  $(5) \times (0.5) = 2.5$



## Example

Toss a coin 100 times, and count # heads



# of draws = **100**

Average of box =  $(0 + 1) / 2 =$  **0.5**

**EV** =  $(100) \times (0.5) = 50$

## EV example

Roll a die 5 times, and add up the points



# of draws = 5

Average of box =  $(1+2+3+4+5+6) / 6 = 3.5$

EV =  $(5) \times (3.5) = 17.5$

**EV** does not have to be one  
of the possible values  
(it's more a theoretical value)

# Standard Error

## Chapter 17

# Standard Error:

Measures the typical size  
of the **chance error**

How far off we expect to be  
from the expected value

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

## SE example

Roll a die 5 times, and add up the points



# of draws = 5

SD of box = 1.67

$$\text{SE} = \sqrt{5} \times (1.67) = 3.741$$

## SE example

Toss a coin 5 times, and count # heads



# of draws = 5

SD box = 0.5

$$\text{SE} = \sqrt{5} \times (0.5) = 1.11$$



## Discussion about the Standard Error formula

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



As we increase the number of draws,  
the SE becomes larger

## Discussion about the Standard Error formula

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

The more draws, the  
larger the std error

How spread out the  
stuff of the box is

SE is a measure of the likely size  
of the chance error

# Standard Error



In 100 tosses, we should  
expect 50 heads

*but there will be variability  
(chance error)*

We expect to get 50 heads,  
give or take 5  
(between 45-55 heads)

# Kerrich's Coin Tosses

# tosses	# heads	Expected Value	Chance error	Standard Error
10	4			
50	25			
100	44			
500	255			
1000	502			
5000	2533			
10000	5067			

# Kerrich's Coin Tosses

# tosses	# heads	Expected Value	Chance error	Standard Error
10	4	5		
50	25	25		
100	44	50		
500	255	250		
1000	502	500		
5000	2533	2500		
10000	5067	5000		

# Kerrich's Coin Tosses

# tosses	# heads	Expected Value	Chance error	Standard Error
10	4	5	-1	
50	25	25	0	
100	44	50	-6	
500	255	250	5	
1000	502	500	2	
5000	2533	2500	33	
10000	5067	5000	67	

# Kerrich's Coin Tosses

# tosses	# heads	Expected Value	Chance error	Standard Error
10	4	5	-1	1.58
50	25	25	0	3.53
100	44	50	-6	5
500	255	250	5	11.1
1000	502	500	2	15.81
5000	2533	2500	33	35.55
10000	5067	5000	67	50

SD shortcut  
formula



## Chapter 17: SD of box Shortcut

When a box has only **two different numbers** (“big” and “small”), the SD can be computed as:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{big} \\ \text{number} \end{array} - \begin{array}{c} \text{small} \\ \text{number} \end{array} \right] \sqrt{\begin{array}{c} \text{fraction with} \\ \text{big number} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{fraction with} \\ \text{small number} \end{array}}$$

Toss a coin 5 times, and count # of heads



$$SD = (1 - 0)\sqrt{1/2 \times 1/2}$$

$$SD = (1)\sqrt{1/4}$$

$$SD = (1) \times (1/2) = 0.5$$

## Example 2



$$SD = (4 - 1)\sqrt{\frac{1}{5} \times \frac{4}{5}}$$

$$SD = (3)\sqrt{4/25}$$

$$SD = (3) \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right) = 1.2$$

# Roulette Example

## Roulette example



Bet \$1 on red. 100 bets.

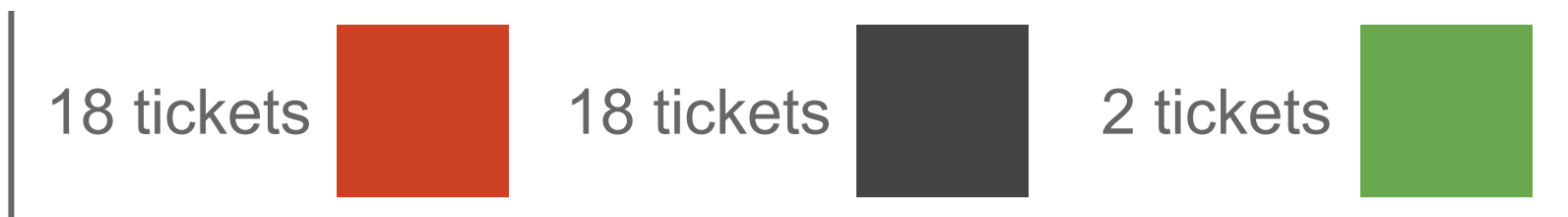
38 slots: 18 red, 18 black, 2 green.

If ball lands on red you win \$1,

Otherwise you lose \$1

## Roulette example

38 slots: 18 red, 18 black, 2 green.



# draws = 100

Not the right box model

# Roulette example



What quantity are we interested in?

How much money I win or lose

## Roulette example

Making a box model

38 slots: 18 red, 18 black, 2 green.



# draws = 100



## Roulette example



# draws = 100

$$\text{Avg of box} = \{18 (1) + 20 (-1)\} / 38 = -0.0526$$

$$\text{EV} = (\text{Avg of box}) (\# \text{ draws}) = (-0.0526) (100) = - 5.26$$

If we gamble 100 times, we expect to lose \$5.26

## Roulette example



# draws = 100

$$\text{SD of box} = (1 - (-1)) \sqrt{(18/38) (20/38)} = 1$$

$$\text{SE} = (\text{SD of box}) \sqrt{\text{\# draws}} = 10$$

If we gamble 100 times, we expect to lose \$5.26,  
give or take \$10

# Roulette Gain demo



# Classifying and Counting

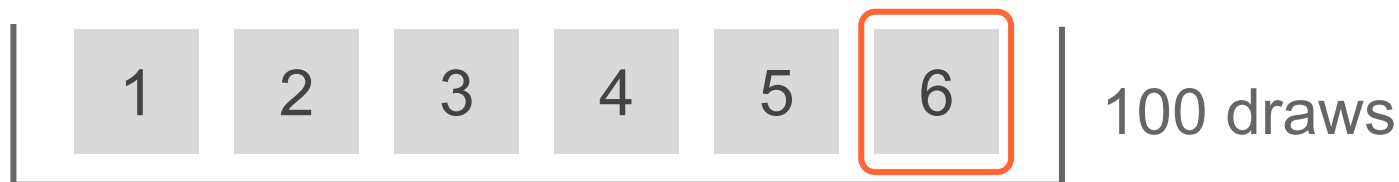
# Classifying and Counting

If counting # of times something happens,  
make a box with **1's** for what you are counting,  
and **0's** for everything else

## Classifying and Counting

Roll a fair die 100 times, and count the number of sixes

This box model is good for **sum of draws**



But we are interested just in the 6

## Classifying and Counting

Roll a fair die 100 times, and count the number of sixes

1 ticket (6)	1	0	5 tickets (1,2,3,4,5)
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# draws = 100

# Classifying and Counting

1 ticket (6)	1	0	5 tickets (1,2,3,4,5)
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# draws = 100

$$\text{Avg of box} = \{1 (1) + 5 (0)\} / 6 = 1/6$$

$$\text{EV} = (\text{Avg of box}) (\# \text{ draws}) = (1/6) (100) = 16.66$$

If we roll a die 100 times, we expect get 16.66 sixes



# Classifying and Counting

1 ticket (6)	1	0	5 tickets (1,2,3,4,5)
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# draws = 100

$$\text{SD of box} = (1 - 0) \sqrt{(1/6) (5/6)} = 0.372$$

$$\text{SE} = (\text{SD of box}) \sqrt{\text{\# draws}} = (0.372) (10) = 3.72$$

If we roll a die 100 times, we expect to get 16.66 sixes,  
give or take 3.72

# Kinds of Boxes

## Kinds of Boxes

- 1) Numbers in box (die rolls, tickets)
- 2) Gambling (net gain, dollar amounts)
- 3) Classifying and Counting