

WARM UP

Write down the formula for standard deviation (way back from Chapter 1)

- Look it up if you need to

$$S_x =$$

$$\text{Variance} = S_x^2 =$$

WARM UP

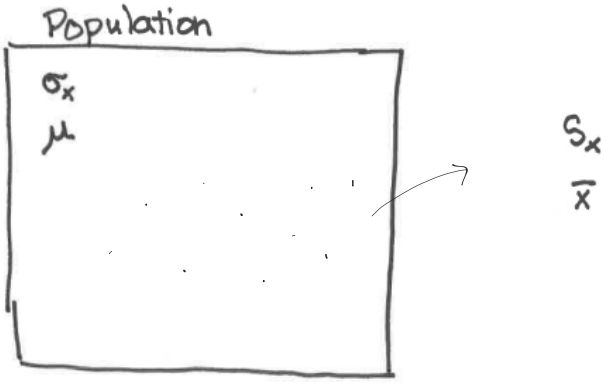
Write down the formula for standard deviation (way back from Chapter 1)

- Look it up if you need to

$$S_x = \sqrt{\frac{(x_1 - \bar{x})^2 + (x_2 - \bar{x})^2 + \dots}{n-1}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}}$$

$$\text{Variance} = S_x^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}$$

Population



We'll use  $\sigma_x$  for distributions of random variables because we'll know the entire probability distribution.

## Learning Targets

- ① CALCULATE and INTERPRET the standard deviation of a discrete random variable.
- ② USE the probability distribution of a continuous random variable (uniform or Normal) to CALCULATE the probability of an event.

Suppose you got a new job and each day your boss, Mr. Cedarlund, draws a slip of paper from a bag to determine your wage for the day. Let the random variable  $X$  = daily wage (\$ per hour).

$x$	1	5	7	10	15	25	
	2	3	7	3	0	2	= 17

### Lesson 6.1: Day 2: How much do you get paid?



Suppose you got a new job and each day your boss draws a slip of paper from a bag to determine your wage for the day. Let the random variable  $X$  = daily wage (\$ per hour).

1. What is your wage for the day? \_\_\_\_\_ Add your data to the table on the board and complete the table below.

$X$	1	5	7	10	15	25
Probability	$\frac{2}{17}$	$\frac{3}{17}$	$\frac{7}{17}$	$\frac{3}{17}$	$\frac{9}{17}$	$\frac{2}{17}$

2. Calculate and interpret the expected value of  $X$ , perhaps with the help of technology.

$$E(X) = 1\left(\frac{2}{17}\right) + 5\left(\frac{3}{17}\right) + \dots = 8.59$$

If we draw many wages the expected wage would be about \$8.59/hr

Value	Distance from mean	(Distance from mean) <sup>2</sup>	Weighted (Distance from the mean) <sup>2</sup>
1	-7.6	57.76	6.80
5	-3.6	12.96	2.29
7	-1.6	2.56	1.05
10	1.4	1.96	.35
15	6.4	40.96	0
25	16.4	268.96	33.76
Total =			42.2
SD =			6.50

expe 8.60

57.76 ( $\frac{2}{17}$ )

Variance

SD =  $\sqrt{\text{Variance}}$

31.64

4. Interpret the standard deviation.

The typical wage varies by \$6.50 from the mean wage (\$8.59)

5. Mrs. Gallas decides she would rather assign wages so that employees could get any amount from \$10 to \$20 and all are equally likely. Draw a graph to represent this probability distribution.

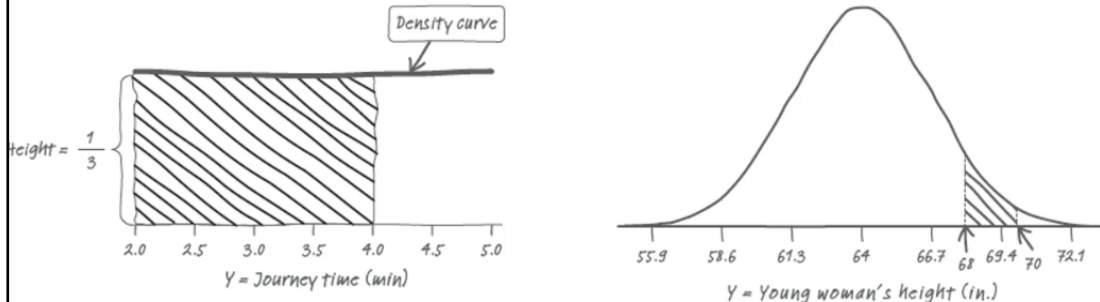


## Continuous Random Variables

(pages 371-374)

A continuous random variable can take any value in an interval on the number line.

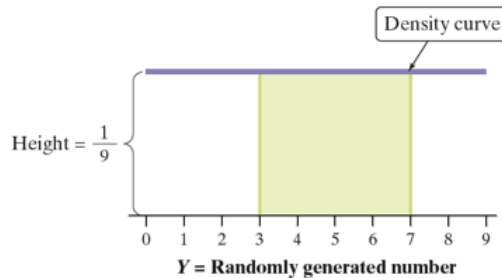
We describe the probability distribution of a continuous random variable with a density curve, such as a Normal curve



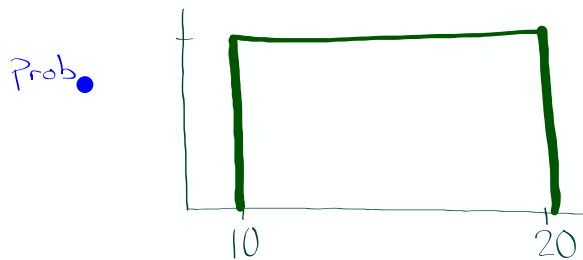
### How to Find Probabilities for a Continuous Random Variable

The probability of any event involving a continuous random variable is the area under the density curve and directly above the values on the horizontal axis that make up the event.

**FIGURE 6.2** The probability distribution of the continuous random variable  $Y =$  randomly generated number between 0 and 9. The shaded area represents  $P(3 \leq Y \leq 7)$ .



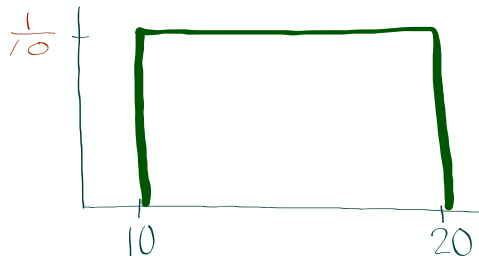
5. Mrs. Gallas decides she would rather assign wages so that employees could get any amount from \$10 to \$20 and all are equally likely. Draw a graph to represent this probability distribution.



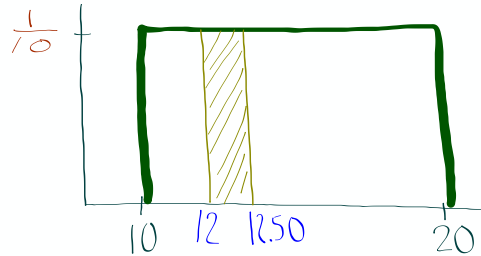
Needs to have  
an area of 1  
since it's a  
density curve

SO.....

5. Mrs. Gallas decides she would rather assign wages so that employees could get any amount from \$10 to \$20 and all are equally likely. Draw a graph to represent this probability distribution.



6. What is the probability that an employee makes between \$12 and \$12.50?



width  $12.50 - 12 = 0.5$   
 Height  $\frac{1}{10}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Prob.} &= (0.5) \left(\frac{1}{10}\right) \\ &= .05 \end{aligned}$$

### Probability and Continuous Random Variables

Important ideas:

Standard Deviation  
of a Discrete Rand. Variable

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2 \cdot p_i}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \text{Variance}$$

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\text{Variance}}$$



AP EXAM TIPAP FORMULA  
Sheet→ Formula for variance of  
of a discrete random  
variable is included.

( but not standard deviation)

So just remember that the standard deviation  
is just the square root of the variance

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

It is possible, but slightly unlikely that the AP exam will require you to calculate the standard deviation "by hand", but you could be

## Probability and Continuous Random Variables

Important ideas:

Standard Deviation  
of a Discrete Rand. Variable

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2 \cdot p_i}$$

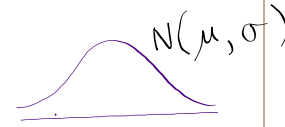
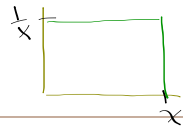
$$\sigma^2 = \text{Variance}$$

Probability for a continuous  
rand. variable

Find area under curve

UNIFORM

Normal



$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

•

## Continuous Random Variables

The possible values for a continuous random variable have no gaps. These variables can take values that are

"all the decimals and all the decimals that are in between all the decimals".

## Check Your Understanding

**Check Your Understanding** -- The heights of young women can be modeled by a Normal distribution with mean  $\mu = 64$  inches and standard deviation  $\sigma = 2.7$  inches. Suppose we choose a young woman at random and let  $Y =$  her height (in inches).

1. What type of variable is  $Y$ , discrete or continuous? Explain.

Continuous, all heights are possible

2. Interpret the standard deviation.

The heights typically vary by 2.7 inches from the mean of 64 in.

3. Find  $P(Y \leq 63)$ . Interpret this value.



4. Find  $P(68 \leq Y \leq 70)$ . Interpret this value.

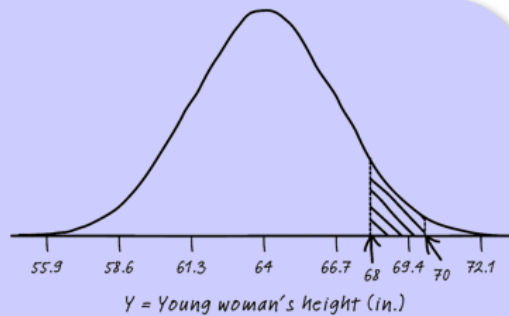
$$(i) \quad z = \frac{68-64}{2.7} = 1.48$$

$$z = \frac{70-64}{2.7} = 2.22$$

Using Table A:

$$0.9868 - 0.9306$$

$$= \boxed{0.0562}$$



Using technology:

$$\text{normalcdf(lower:1.48, upper:2.22, mean:0, SD:1)}$$

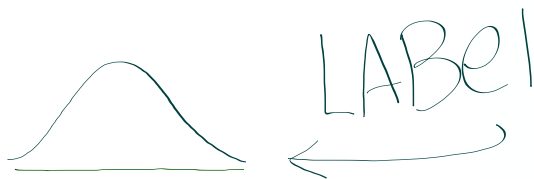
$$= \boxed{0.0562}$$

OR

$$(ii) \quad \text{normalcdf(lower:68, upper:70, mean:64, SD:2.7)}$$

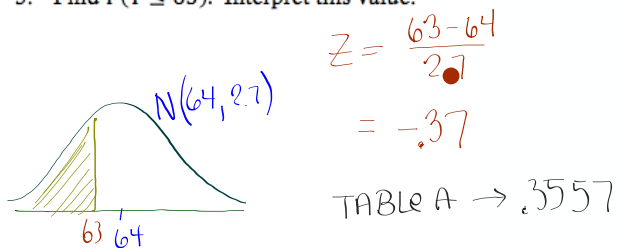
$$= \boxed{0.0561}$$

3. Find  $P(Y \leq 63)$ . Interpret this value.



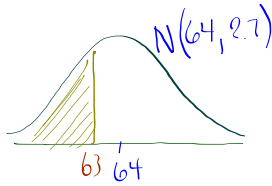
4. Find  $P(68 \leq Y \leq 70)$ . Interpret this value.

3. Find  $P(Y \leq 63)$ . Interpret this value.



4. Find  $P(68 \leq Y \leq 70)$ . Interpret this value.

3. Find  $P(Y \leq 63)$ . Interpret this value.



$$Z = \frac{63 - 64}{2.7}$$

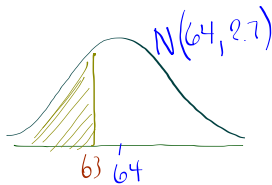
$$= -0.37$$

TABLE A  $\rightarrow$  .3557

There is a prob. of 0.3557 that a randomly selected female is less than or equal to 63 in.

4. Find  $P(68 \leq Y \leq 70)$ . Interpret this value.

3. Find  $P(Y \leq 63)$ . Interpret this value.



$$Z = \frac{63 - 64}{2.7}$$

$$= -0.37$$

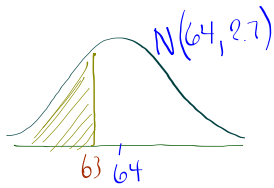
TABLE A  $\rightarrow$  .3557

There is a prob. of 0.3557 that a randomly selected female is less than or equal to 63 in.

4. Find  $P(68 \leq Y \leq 70)$ . Interpret this value.

or normalcdf ( Lower Upper  $\mu$   $\sigma$  )  
 $(-1000, 63, 64, 2.7)$

3. Find  $P(Y \leq 63)$ . Interpret this value.



$$z = \frac{63 - 64}{2.7}$$
$$= -0.37$$

TABLE A  $\rightarrow$  .3557

There is a prob.  
of 0.3557 that a  
randomly selected  
female is less than  
or equal to 63 in.

4. Find  $P(68 \leq Y \leq 70)$ . Interpret this value.

or  
normalcdf ( Lower Upper  $\mu$   $\sigma$   
-1000, 63, 64, 2.7)

Now 4





**Practice**

1. Buffalo Wild Wings ran a promotion called the Blazin' Bonus, in which every \$25 gift card purchased also received a "Bonus" gift card for \$5, \$15, \$25, or \$100. According to the company, here are the probabilities for each Bonus gift card. Let  $X$  be the amount of money that is won on the Bonus gift card. Recall from the previous example that  $\mu_x = \$6.37$ .

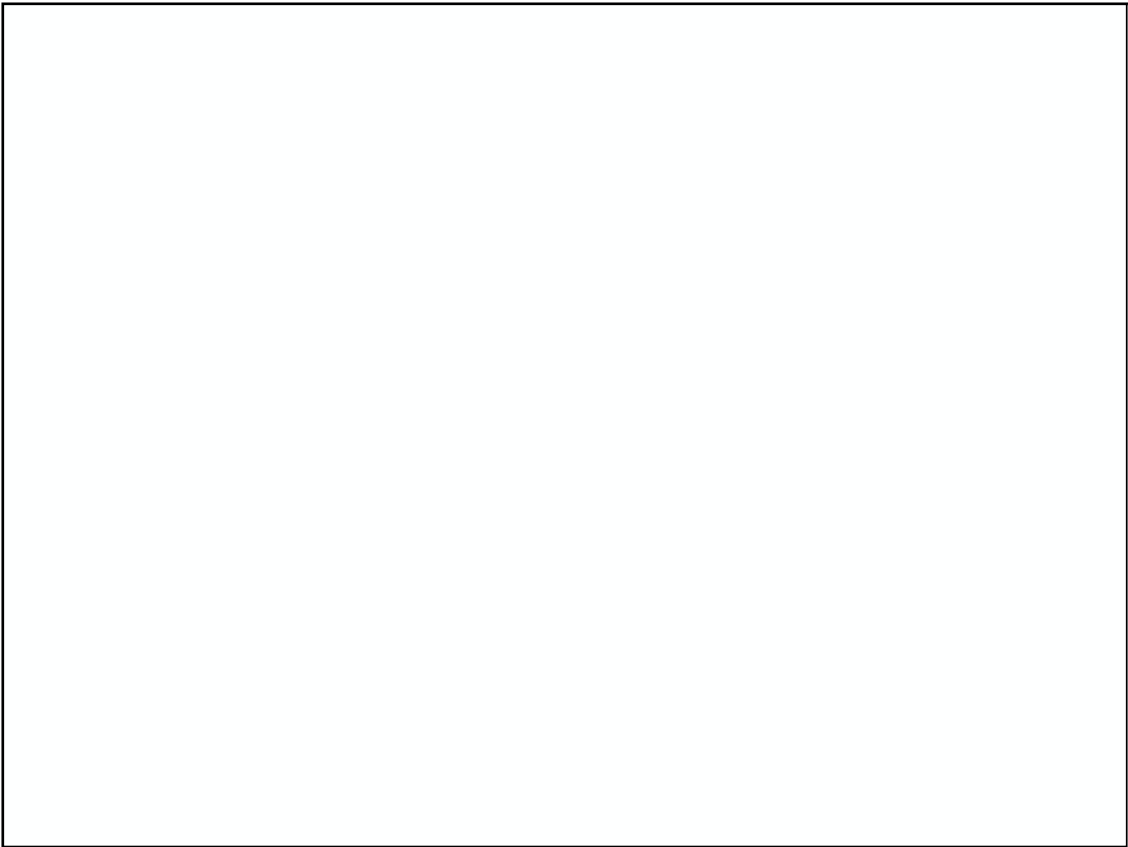
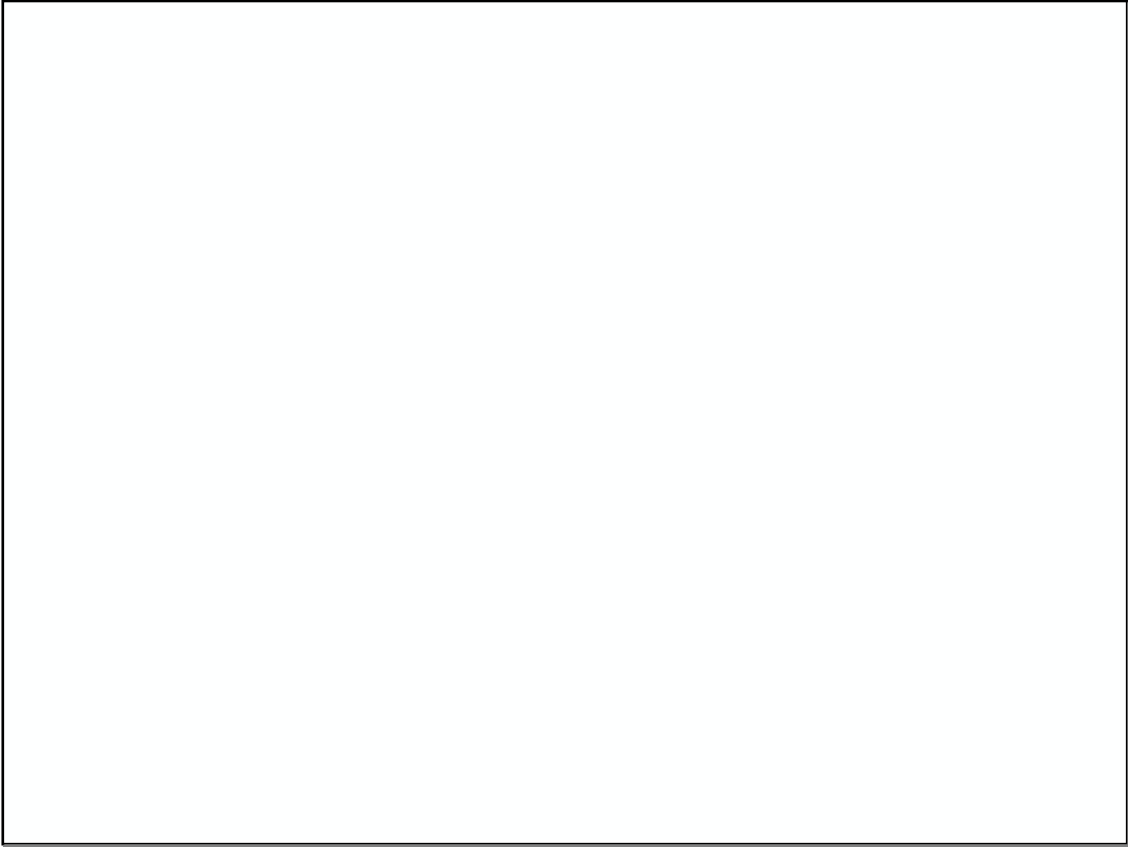
Value $x_i$	\$5	\$15	\$25	\$100
Probability $p_i$	0.890	0.098	0.010	0.002

Calculate and interpret the standard deviation of  $X$ . (Remember you must show numerical values substituted into the appropriate formula. Once you start you can use ellipses (...))

$$\sigma_x^2 = (5-6.37)^2(0.890) + (15-6.37)^2(0.098) + \dots = 29.97$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{\sigma_x^2} = 5.47$$

The amount of money that is won on a randomly selected bonus card will typically vary from the mean (\$6.37) by about \$ 5.47



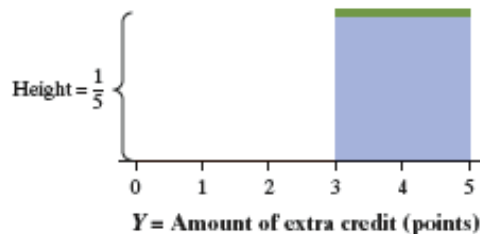
2. A certain AP® Statistics teacher is feeling generous one day and decides that each student deserves some extra credit. The teacher assigns each student a random extra credit value between 0 and 5 (decimals included) by using  $5 \cdot \text{rand}$  on the calculator.

Let  $Y$  = amount of extra credit for a randomly selected student. The probability distribution of  $Y$  can be modeled by a uniform density curve on the interval from 0 to 5. *Find the probability that a randomly selected student will get more than 3 points of extra credit.*

2. A certain AP<sup>®</sup> Statistics teacher is feeling generous one day and decides that each student deserves some extra credit. The teacher assigns each student a random extra credit value between 0 and 5 (decimals included) by using  $5 \cdot \text{rand}$  on the calculator.

Let  $Y$  = amount of extra credit for a randomly selected student. The probability distribution of  $Y$  can be modeled by a uniform density curve on the interval from 0 to 5. Find the probability that a randomly selected student will get more than 3 points of extra credit.

**SOLUTION:**

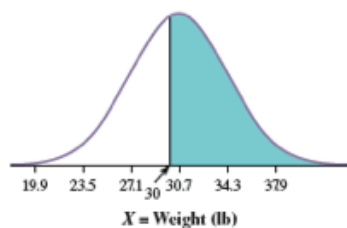


$$\text{Area} = \text{base} \times \text{height} = 2 \times 1/5 = 2/5$$

$$P(Y > 3) = 2/5 = 0.40$$

3. The weights of 3-year-old females closely follow a Normal distribution with a mean of  $\mu = 30.7$  pounds and a standard deviation of 3.6 pounds. Suppose we randomly choose a 3-year-old female and call her weight  $X$ . What is the probability that she weighs at least 30 pounds?

*Hint: You must draw a diagram. Then practice by calculating the Z-score. Then Using Table A or appropriate technology that used the Z-score, with correct terminology written.*



$$(i) z = \frac{30 - 30.7}{3.6} = -0.19$$

Table A:  $1 - 0.4247 = 0.5753$

Tech: `normalcdf(lower: -0.19, upper: 1000, mean: 0, SD: 1) = 0.5753`

(ii) `normalcdf(lower: 30, upper: 1000, mean: 30.7, SD: 3.6) = 0.5771`

There is about a 58% chance that the randomly selected 3-year-old female will weigh at least 30 pounds.

See your  
test

# 6.1 .... 13, 19, 21, 23, 27, 29, 31-34

Teach yourself how to make a histogram of a discrete random variable by following the instructions on page 370.

*study pp. 368-374*