

STT 200 5:30pm 1-20-10

Note Title

1/20/2010

INTRODUCE RANDOM VARIABLE

EXPECTATION OF RANDOM VARIABLE

Variance + STANDARD DEVIATION OF RANDOM VARIABLE

BELL CURVE

ROLE OF ABOVE IN DESCRIBING BEHAVIOR  
OF SUMS OF INDEPENDENT  
RANDOM VARIABLES.

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OVERVIEW  
OF SOME  
ESSENTIALS

DO LAST PARTS OF RECITATION 1-26-10.

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DEFINITION: RANDOM VARIABLE IS NUMERICAL  
FUNCTION ON THE OUTCOMES OF A  
PROBABILITY EXPERIMENT.

eg Jack v Jill \$1 \$1 \$5  
a b c

RANDOM VARIABLE  $J$  = "AMT JACK GETS"

POSSIBLE VALUES OF  $J$   $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} J \\ P(J) \end{array} \right. \left. \begin{array}{l} 1 \\ 2/3 \\ 5 \\ 1/3 \end{array} \right\}$  PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION OF RANDOM VARIABLE  $J$

SPEAK OF  $P(J=1) = 2/3$   $P(J>2) = P(J=5) = 1/3$

SPEAK OF  $EJ = \sum_j j P(j) = 1(2/3) + 5(1/3) = 7/3$

"EXPECTATION OF RANDOM LAW AVERAGE

DRAW 10000 TIMES.

$$1 \left( \frac{2}{3} \right) + 5 \left( \frac{1}{3} \right) \approx \left( \#1^s + 5 \left( \#5^s \right) \right) / 10000$$

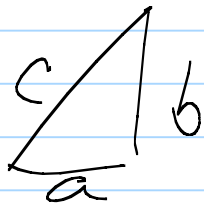
(GET SAMPLE AVG.)

$$\text{VARIANCE OF RANDOM VARIABLE} \stackrel{\text{DEF}}{=} \sum_j (j - \bar{j})^2 P(j)$$

$$= (1 - \frac{7}{3})^2 (\frac{2}{3}) + (5 - \frac{7}{3})^2 (\frac{1}{3})$$

GEN'L WRITE  $E(J - \bar{J})^2$

↑  
PROBABILITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE



$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

STANDARD DEVIATION OF RANDOM VARIABLE:

$$\text{STO DEV OF } J \stackrel{\text{DEF}}{=} \sqrt{\text{VARIANCE OF } J}$$

ALTERNATIVE CALCULATION OF VARIANCE:

$$E(J - \bar{J})^2 = E(J^2) - (EJ)^2$$

So Variance of J BY THIS OTHER WAY

$$\begin{aligned} &= E(J^2) - (EJ)^2 & E(J^2) &= 1^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + 5^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= 9 - \left(\frac{7}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{32}{9} & &= \frac{27}{3} = 9 \end{aligned}$$

So STANDARD DEVIATION OF J IS  $\sqrt{32/9}$

#5. SHOWS RELEVANCE OF  $(E X)$  AND STO DEV OF X

TO AGGREGATE RETURN OF A LARGE NUMBER OF INDEPENDENT PLAYS OF THE LOTTERY.

eg

X	20	-5	0
P(X)	.2	.4	.4 (NOT 0.6)

# 4

$$E X = 20(.2) - 5(.4) + 0(.4) = 4 - 2 = \textcircled{2}$$

$$E(X_1 + \dots + X_{100}) \stackrel{\text{ALWAYS}}{=} E(X_1) + \dots + E(X_{100})$$

RETURN ON PLAY 1  $\uparrow$       RETURN ON PLAY 100  $\uparrow$       =  $\textcircled{2} + \dots + \textcircled{2} = 200$   
 THIS RULE DOES NOT REQUIRE INDEPENDENCE.

WHAT ABOUT VARIANCE OF  $X_1 + \dots + X_{100}$

ANS SINCE THEY ARE INDEPENDENT PLAYS

$$\text{Var}(\text{sum}) = \text{sum of variances} = 100(\text{Var} X_1)$$

REQUIRES INDEPENDENCE

Variance of  $X_1$ :  $E X^2 - (E X)^2$        $E X = \textcircled{2}$

$$E(X^2) = 20^2(.2) + (-5)^2(.4) + 0^2(.4) = 80 + 10 = 90$$

$$\text{So } \underset{\substack{\text{ONE PLAY} \\ \text{VARIANCE}}}{\text{Var } X} = E(X^2) - (EX)^2 = 90 - (2)^2 = 86.$$

$$\text{So STANDARD DEVIATION OF } X \text{ IS } \sqrt{86} = 9.27362$$

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Sum up: LOTTERY (ONE PLAY)  $X$  20 -5 0  
prob .2 .2 .4

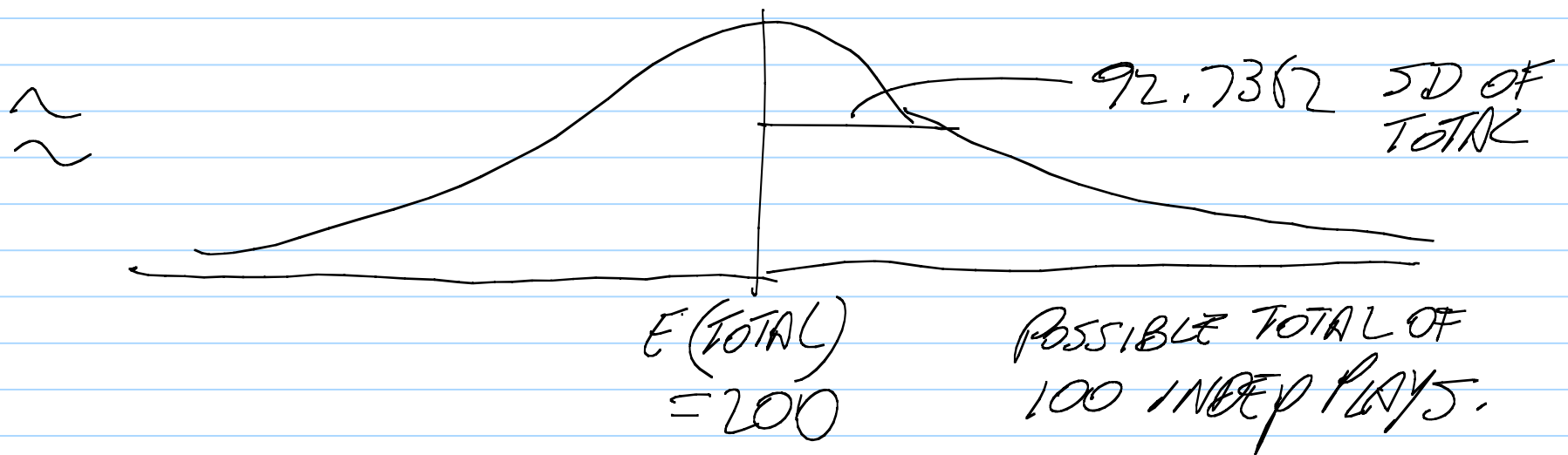
$$\Rightarrow \underset{\text{SINGLE PLAY}}{EX} = (2), \text{ Var } X = 86, \text{ STANDARD DEVIATION} = \sqrt{86} = 9.27$$

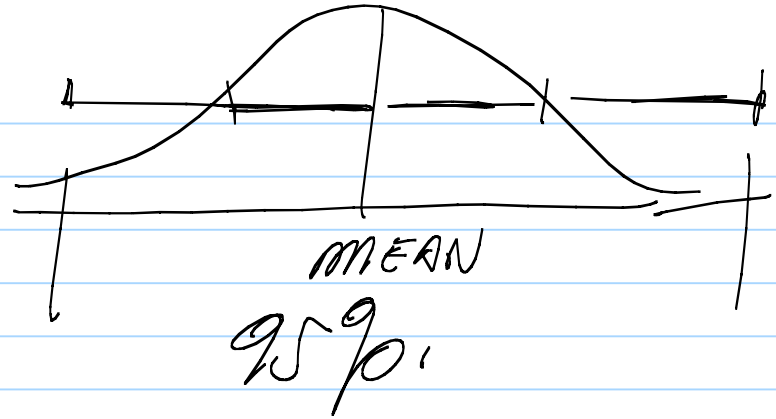
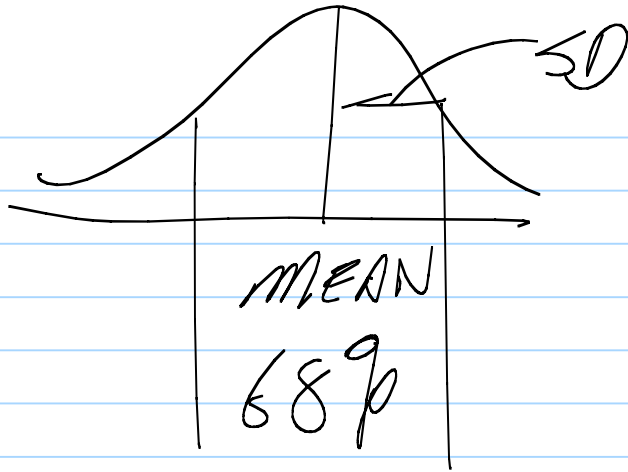
$$\Rightarrow \text{(RULES)} \quad E(\text{TOTAL OF 100 PLAYS}) = 100(2) = 200$$

$$\text{Var}(\text{TOTAL OF 100 INDEP PLAYS}) = 100(86)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SD (TOTAL OF 100 INDEP PLAYS)} &= \sqrt{100 \times 86} \\ \text{STANDARD DEVIATION} &= 10(9.27362) \\ &= 92.7362 \end{aligned}$$

NOW APPLY A BELL CURVE APPROX.





51/5 OF THE 100 LOTTERY PLAYS. THAT

$$200 - 92.736 \text{ TO } 200 + 92.736$$

#3. Suppose  $P(OIL) = .2$   $P(+|OIL) = .9$   $P(+|OIL^c) = .3$

SUPPOSE COSTS 200 TO DRILL

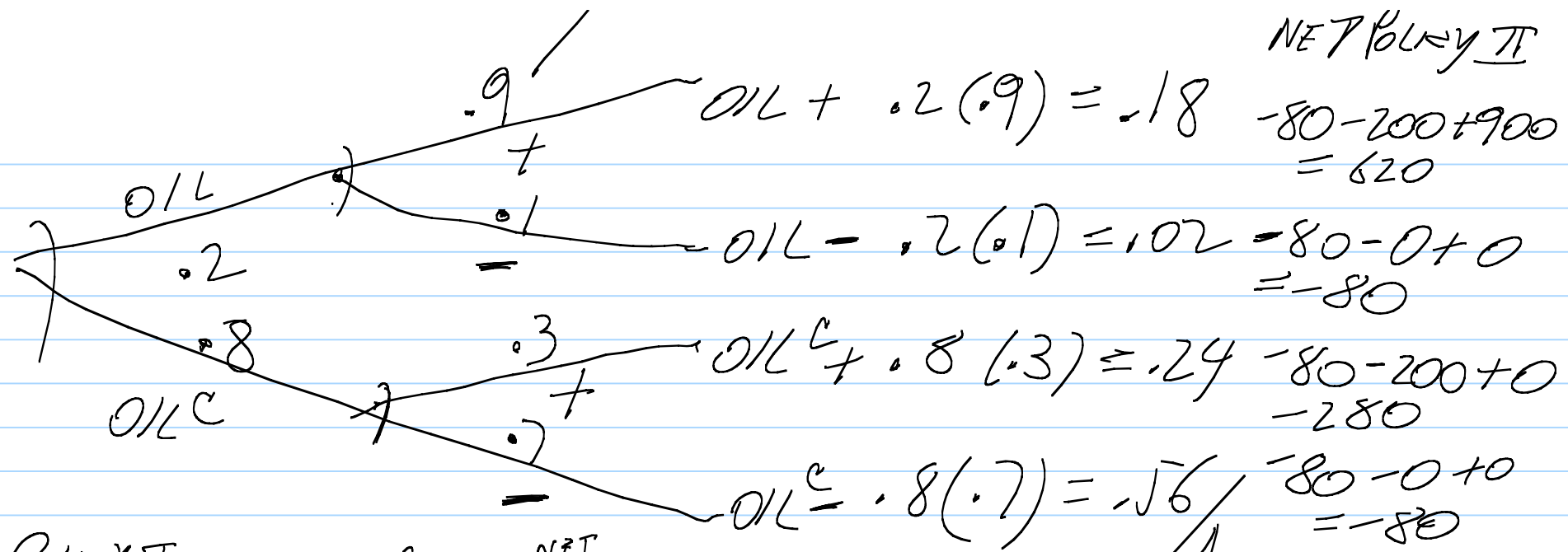
" 80 TO TEST

GROSS FROM OIL IS 900

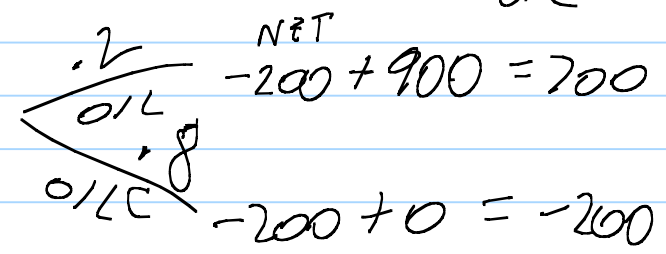
$P(+|OIL)$



NET VALUE  $\pi$



Policy I  
"JUST DRILL"



$$E(NET) = 700(.2) - 200(.8) = 140 - 160 = -20$$

Policy II  
"TEST BUT ONLY DRILL IF TEST IS +"

$$E(NET II) = 620(.18) - 80(.02) - 280(.24) - 80(.56) = -2$$

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