

AP Statistics – 6.2A	Name: KEY
Goal: Linear Transformations of Random Variable	Date:

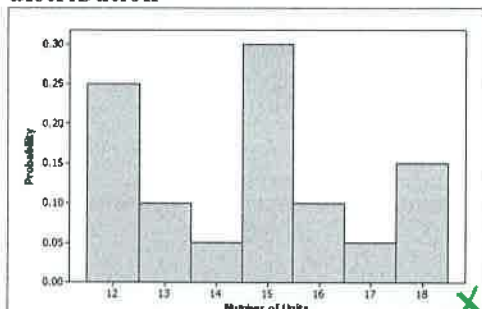
I. Multiply a RV by a constant

Example: El Dorado Community College

El Dorado Community College considers a student to be full-time if he or she is taking between 12 and 18 units. The number of units X that a randomly selected El Dorado Community College full-time student is taking in the fall semester has the following distribution:

L1 → Number of Units (X)	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
L2 → Probability	0.25	0.10	0.05	0.30	0.10	0.05	0.15

a) Here is a histogram of the probability distribution



b) Find the mean and standard deviation for X

1VAR STATS
LIST **(L1)**
FREQ LIST **(L2)**

$$\Sigma X \Rightarrow \mu_X = 14.65$$

$$\sigma_X = 2.056$$

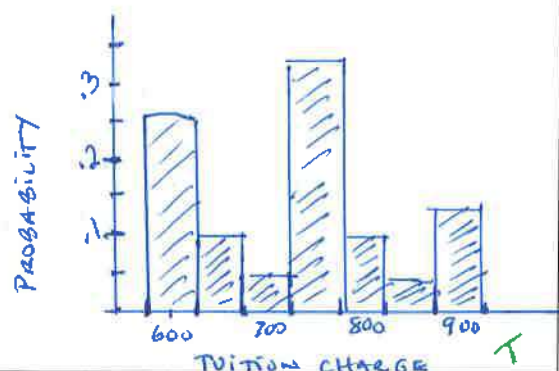
c) At El Dorado Community College, the tuition for full-time students is \$50 per unit.

a) **Define the Random Variable:** T = tuition charge for a randomly selected full-time student

b) Use $T = 50X$ to complete the new probability distribution for T : $T = L3 = L1 \times 50$

L3 → Tuition Charge (T)	\$600	650	700	750	800	850	900
L2 → Probability	0.25	0.10	0.05	0.30	0.10	0.05	0.15

d) Create a histogram for T .



e) Find the mean and standard deviation for T .

1VAR STATS
LIST **(L3)**
FREQ LIST **(L2)**

$$\Sigma X \Rightarrow \mu_T = \$732.50$$

$$\sigma_T = \$102.80$$

f) Compare the distributions of the random variables X and T . What do you notice?

- Shape:** THE SHAPES OF BOTH DISTRIBUTIONS ARE THE SAME.
- Center:** The mean (μ_T) is 50 times bigger than μ_X : $732.5 = 50(14.65)$
- Spread:** The std dev (σ_T) is 50 times bigger than σ_X : $102.8 = 50(2.056)$

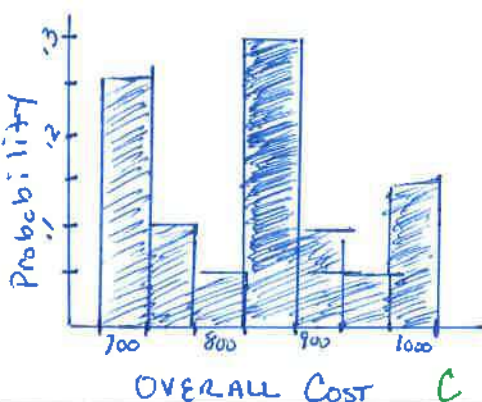
II. EFFECTS OF ADDING A CONSTANT TO RV:

In addition to tuition charges, each full-time student at El Dorado Community College is assessed student fees of \$100 per semester.

- a) **Define the Random Variable:** C = overall cost for a randomly selected full-time student
 b) Use $C = 100 + T$ to complete the new probability distribution for C : $C = L4 = L3 + 100$

$L4 \rightarrow$	Overall Cost (C)	\$700	750	800	850	900	950	1,000
$L2 \rightarrow$	Probability	0.25	0.10	0.05	0.30	0.10	0.05	0.15

c) Create a histogram for C



d) Find the mean and standard deviation for C

1 VAR STAT
 LIST $(L4)$
 FREQ LIST $(L2)$

$$2x \rightarrow \mu_C = \$832.50$$

$$\sigma_C = \$102.80$$

e) Compare the distributions of the random variables C and T . What do you notice?

- Shape:** THE SHAPES OF BOTH DISTRIBUTIONS ARE THE SAME.
- Center:** THE MEAN (μ_C) IS \$100 LARGER THAN μ_T : $832.5 = 732.5 + 100$
- Spread:** THE STANDARD DEVIATIONS ARE THE SAME
 $\sigma_C = \sigma_T = \$102.50$

CONCLUSION: SUMMARIZE THE RULES FOR Random Variable LINEAR TRANSFORMATIONS

① LINEAR TRANSFORMATIONS - ADD/SUBTRACT CONSTANTS:

SHAPE: The shape of the distribution does NOT change
CENTER: ADD/SUBTRACT CONSTANTS TO ALL MEASURES OF CENTER
SPREAD: DOES NOT CHANGE INCLUDING! (Mean, Median)
 STD DEV, VARIANCE, RANGE, IQR.

② LINEAR TRANSFORMATIONS - MULTIPLY/DIVIDE CONSTANTS:

SHAPE: THE SHAPE OF THE DISTRIBUTION DOES NOT CHANGE
CENTER: MULTIPLY MEASURES OF CENTER BY CONSTANT
SPREAD: MULTIPLY MEASURES OF SPREAD BY THE CONSTANT

③ CONCLUSION:

IF $Y = a + bX$ is a linear transformation of the RV X THEN:

- The probability distribution of Y has the same probability distribution of X .

$$\mu_Y = a + b\mu_X$$

$$\sigma_Y = |b|\sigma_X \text{ (since } b \text{ could be a negative number)}$$

STAT PLOT
 $L4, L2$

Window

X Y
 700 0
 1,050 .3
 50 .05

III LINEAR TRANSFORMATION OF A NORMALLY DISTRIBUTED RV

Example: "Scaling a Test"

Problem: In a large introductory statistics class, the distribution of X = raw scores on a test was approximately normally distributed with a mean of 17.2 and a standard deviation of 3.8. The professor decides to scale the scores by multiplying the raw scores by 4 and adding 10.

- (a) Define the variable Y to be the scaled score of a randomly selected student from this class. Find the mean and standard deviation of Y .

X = raw score of a test $N(17.2, 3.8)$

Y = Scaled test score of a randomly selected student from the class

$$Y = 4X + 10$$

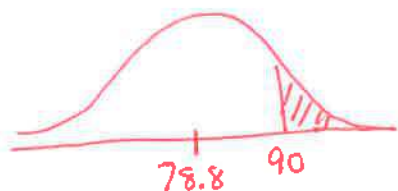
$$E(Y) = \mu_Y = 4(17.2) + 10 = 78.8$$

$$SD(Y) = \sigma_Y = 4(3.8) = 15.2$$

- (b) What is the probability that a randomly selected student has a scaled test score of at least 90?

* Since linear transformations do NOT CHANGE THE SHAPE, Y HAS the $N(78.8, 15.2)$

* SKETCH GRAPH, STANDARDIZE SCORE.



$$Z = \frac{90 - 78.8}{15.2} = .737$$

* STATE THE PROBABILITY, FIND THE AREA

$$P(Z \geq .737) = .2306$$

normalcdf(.737, E99, 0, 1)
normalcdf(.74, E99, 0, 1) = .2296

Approximately 23% of the students scored at least a 90 on the Scaled test

Let the random variable $D=X-Y$

Exercises 47 and 48 refer to the following setting. Two independent random variables X and Y have the probability distributions, means, and standard deviations shown.

$X:$ 1 2 5
 $P(X):$ 0.2 0.5 0.3

$Y:$ 2 4
 $P(Y):$ 0.7 0.3

$\mu_X = 2.7, \sigma_X = 1.55$

$\mu_Y = 2.6, \sigma_Y = 0.917$

IMPORTANT
Since the RV's are independent
 $P(X=x \text{ and } Y=y) = P(X=x) \cdot P(Y=y)$

(a) Define the sample space

X	Y	$D = X - Y$
1	2	-1
1	4	-3
2	2	0
2	4	-2
5	2	3
5	4	1

(b) Compute the probabilities and summarize in the probability table below:

IMPORTANT: TO CALCULATE $P(D)$ - RV's X and Y must be independent

D	$P(D)$	Compute probabilities
-3	.06	$1 + (-4) = -3 \rightarrow (.2)(.3)$
-2	.15	$2 + (-4) = -2 \rightarrow (.5)(.3)$
-1	.14	$1 + (-2) = -1 \rightarrow (.2)(.7)$
0	.35	$2 + (-2) = 0 \rightarrow (.5)(.7)$
1	.09	$5 + (-4) = 1 \rightarrow (.3)(.3)$
3	.21	$5 + (-2) = 3 \rightarrow (.3)(.7)$
Total	1.00	

(c) Find the mean and variance of D

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LI = D
L2 = P(D)
1-VAR STAT
LIST: L1
FREQ LIST L2

$$E(D) = \mu_D = .1$$

$$SD(D) = \sigma_D = 1.80$$

$$VAR(D) = \sigma_D^2 = (1.80)^2 = 3.24$$

(d) Show the mean of D is equal to $\mu_X - \mu_Y$

$$\mu_D = \mu_X - \mu_Y$$

$$.1 = 2.7 - 2.6 = .1$$

These are equal.

(e) Show the variance of D is equal to $\sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$

$$\sigma_D^2 = \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2$$

$$3.24 = (1.55)^2 + (.917)^2 = 3.24$$

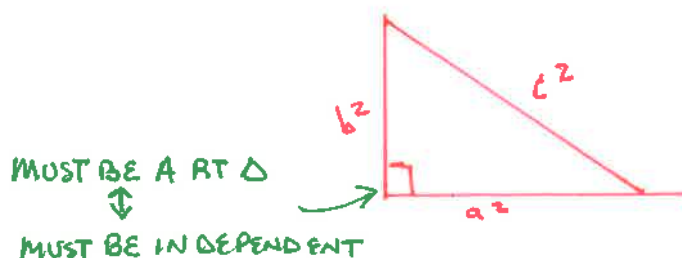
THESE ARE EQUAL OR MAY BE SLIGHTLY OFF DUE TO ROUNDING

(f) Why are the variances added and not subtracted?

• Remember Variance is the actual deviation from the mean (so we add σ^2 's and not σ 's)

• The more RV's we add, means the more variability we will have

Why do they call this the "Pythagorean Theorem of Statistics"?



Geometry about area squared

Statistics about SQUARED DEVIATIONS FROM THE MEAN