

Roll 2 dice. Define random variables  $X, Y$

↳  $X$ : sum of two dice.

$$X[(1,2)] = 3$$

$$X[(5,5)] = 10$$

↳  $Y$ : parity of sum.

$$Y[(1,2)] = 1$$

odd

$$Y[(5,5)] = 0$$

even

Think of these as functions, mapping sample space to a number.

e.g.,  $\left. \begin{array}{l} \{(1,1), (1,2), (1,3), (1,4), (1,5), (1,6), \\ (2,1), (2,2), \dots \\ \vdots \\ (6,1), (6,2), \dots \dots (6,6)\} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} X \rightarrow 2 \dots 12 \\ Y \rightarrow 0, 1 \end{array}$

Example usage:  $P(X < 3) = \frac{1}{36}$        $P(Y = 1) = \frac{1}{2}$        $P(X = 13) = 0$

Expected value = weighted average

$$E[X] = \sum y \cdot P(X=y)$$

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↳ \* over all possible values,  $y$ , that  $X$  could be.

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example: roll 2 dice.  $X = |\text{difference between the two}|$

possible values of  $X \rightarrow 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5$

# outcomes per value  $\rightarrow 6 \quad 5 \cdot 2 \quad 4 \cdot 2 \quad 3 \cdot 2 \quad 2 \cdot 2 \quad 1 \cdot 2$

(for probability, divide by 36)

$$E[X] = \frac{0 + 10 + 16 + 18 + 16 + 10}{36} \sim 1.944$$

# LINEARITY OF EXPECTATION $E[X+Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$

Generally, for  $c_i \in \mathbb{R}$

$$E[c_1 X_1 + c_2 X_2 + \dots + c_n X_n] = c_1 E[X_1] + c_2 E[X_2] + \dots + c_n E[X_n]$$

$$E[\sum X_i] = \sum E[X_i]$$

Does NOT  
assume independence  $\longrightarrow$

$$P(X=a \ \& \ Y=b) = P(X=a) \cdot P(Y=b)$$

for all  $a, b \dots$

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2 dice, A, B.  $X = \text{result of A.}$   $Y = \text{result of B.}$   $Z = X+Y$

$$E[Z] = E[X+Y] = E[X] + E[Y] = 2 \cdot 3.5 = 7$$

1000 dice, expected value of sum =  $1000 \cdot 3.5$

# EXPECTATION : PROPERTIES

$$E[X+Y] = E[X] + E[Y] \quad \rightarrow \text{always true}$$

$$\text{but } E[X \cdot Y] = E[X] \cdot E[Y] \quad \rightarrow \text{NOT always true}$$

If  $X$  &  $Y$  are independent, then  $E[X \cdot Y] = E[X] \cdot E[Y]$

However,  $E[X \cdot Y] = E[X] \cdot E[Y]$  does NOT imply  
 $X$  &  $Y$  are independent.