



Engineering Virtual Learning

HS Intro to Engineering Design Lesson #13

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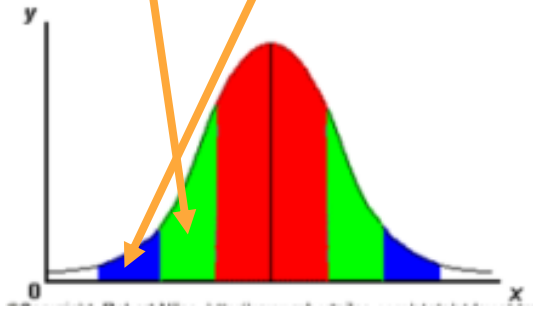
Objective/Learning Target:

Students will use collected “Free Throw” data to work with standard deviation.
(project day 3 of 4)

Bell-work:

Do you think teachers should grade on a Bell Curve?

What if that meant that 1/3 of the class was in the D or F blue and green area?



Record your answers in your engineers notebook in the “Free Throw Activity and the Empirical Rule”

Learning Practices: Standard Deviation

The standard deviation is a measure of the spread of data values or the measure of data variation. (The learning resources page 7 has links to videos about Standard Deviation)

- A larger standard deviation indicates a wider spread in data values
- A smaller standard deviation indicates a smaller spread in data values or more consistency.

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{N}}$$

σ = standard deviation

x_i = individual data value (x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots)

μ = mean

N = size of **population**

(Copy this formula for standard Deviation in your engineers notebook.)

Learning Practice:

Find the Standard Deviation of your **made** free throws from Monday.

Use this example of the sample data to show you the steps.

Number of Free Throws Made	x	x - μ	(x - μ) ²
15 made	15	15 - 12.9 = 2.1	(2.1)(2.1) = 4.41
12 made	12	12 - 12.9 = -.9	(-.9)(-.9) = .81
16 made	16	16 - 12.9 = 3.1	(3.1)(3.1) = 9.61
9 made	9	9 - 12.9 = -3.9	(-3.9)(-3.9) = 15.21
14 made	14	1.1	1.21
15 made	15	2.1	4.41
6 made	6	-6.9	47.61
13 made	13	0.1	0.01
11 made	11	-1.9	3.61
18 made	18	5.1	26.01

Sum = 112.9

Step 1: fill in the “x” column with your data points.

Step 2: since (x - μ) is your data minus the mean (12.9 for sample), take each of your data and subtract the mean you calculated for your data. Yes you might get some negative numbers. Remember we are looking at data above and below the mean or average.

Step 3: square the value you get in step 2 (gives a positive number)

Step 4: add (sum) all of column 3.

Step 5: finish the standard

deviation formula $\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(x_i - \mu)^2}{N}}$,

where n = 10 shots or values.

Step 5: $112.9 / 10 = 11.29$ $\sigma = \sqrt{11.29} = 3.36$ is the standard deviation

Check for Understanding:

- For the sample data the Standard Deviation was 3.36. This means on average the collected data was about 3.36 away from the average.
- Was your standard Deviation higher or lower than this?
- Do you think you had more or less consistency than the sample data?

Learning Resource Links:

Standard Deviation –

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E4HAYd0QnRc>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HvDqbzu0i0E>