

Normal distributions are a family of distributions that have the same general shape. They are symmetric with scores more concentrated in the middle than in the tails. Normal distributions are sometimes described as bell shaped. Examples of normal distributions are shown above on the left. Notice that they differ in how spread out they are. The area under each curve is the same. The height of a normal distribution can be specified mathematically in terms of two parameters: the mean  $(\mu)$  and the standard deviation  $(\sigma)$ .

# Properties

- Normal Probability Distribution deals with continuous random variables. (age, speed, temp, weight, length, time, ...)
- 2. The <u>entire area</u> under the curve is 100% = 1, 50% of area to the left and 50 % to the right.
- 3. The <u>larger</u> the <u>standard deviation</u> the <u>wider the distribution</u> will be.
- 4. The <u>area</u> under the curve represents the <u>probability</u>.
- 5. The *graph of the standard normal curve approaches zero* as z increases in positive direction or decreases in negative direction.
- 6. The *area or percentage under the curve* (area between two boundaries) can be about *an individual* or the *entire population*.

# **Standard Normal Probability Distribution (SNPD)**

It is a special case of normal distribution when  $\mu = 0$  and  $\sigma = 1$  the **horizontal axis is called the Z-axis**.



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Finding area (percentage) under Standard Normal Probability distribution by using TI 83/84

Note 1: When using TI 83/84,

You need a Lower Boundary *LB* or, an Upper Boundary *UB* and  $\mu = 0$  and  $\sigma = 1$ 

Note 3: Sketch a normal curve, draw both boundaries and shade the area in between the boundaries.

Note 4: If <u>one boundary is missing</u> either Lower or Upper, then use the following rule to create one.

Formulas to create **missing** Lower Boundary  $LB = \mu - 5\sigma$ Formulas to create **missing** Upper Boundary  $UB = \mu + 5\sigma$ 

### **Steps to use <u>TI-83/84</u>**

 $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (LB,UB,0,1)  $\rightarrow$  enter



**Example 2** Find the area (percentage) between z = -2 and z = 2 P(-1 < Z < 2) = ? (95% empirical rule)



TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf  $(-2, 2, 0, 1) \rightarrow enter$  answer: 95.45%

**Example 3** Find the area (percentage) between z = -3 and z = 3 (basically applying 99.7% empirical rule)

TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (-3,3,0,1)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 99.73%

**Example 4** Find the area (percentage) between z = -10 and z = 10 (between 10 standard deviation) Important



TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf  $(-10, 10, 0, 1) \rightarrow enter$  answer: 99.99%

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**Example 6** Find the area (percentage) greater than z = 1.23P(1.23 < Z) = ?



Upper boundary is missing: create an upper boundary  $UB = \mu + 5\sigma$  in this case UB = 0 + 5(1) = 5

TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (1.23, 5, 0, 1)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 10.93%

Example 7Find the area (percentage) less than z = 1.23P(Z < 1.23) = ?-51.23

Lower boundary is missing: create a lower boundary  $LB = \mu - 5\sigma$  in this case LB = 0 - 5(1) = -5

TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (-5, 1.23, 0, 1)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 89.065%



Lower boundary is missing: create a lower boundary  $LB = \mu - 5\sigma$  in this case LB = 0 - 5(1) = -5

TI-83/84 2nd  $\rightarrow$  DISTR  $\rightarrow$  Option 2 then normalcdf (-5, -1.07, 0, 1)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 14.23%



Upper boundary is missing: create an upper boundary  $LB = \mu + 5\sigma$  in this case UB = 0 + 5(1) = 5

TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (2.35, 5, 0, 1)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 0.94%

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### More Practice on SNPD when $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma = 1$ the horizontal axis is Z-axis.

**TI-83/84** 2nd  $\rightarrow$  DISTR  $\rightarrow$  Option 2 then normalcdf (LB,UB,0,1)  $\rightarrow$  enter Formulas to create **missing** Upper Boundary  $UB = \mu + 5\sigma$ UB = 0 + 5(1) = 5LB = 0 - 5(1) = -5missing Lower Boundary  $LB = \mu - 5\sigma$ 2) P(2.22 < Z < 3.87) =1) P(-1.25 < Z < 2.61) =2.22 3.87 -1.25 2.61 Answer = normalcdf(-1.25, 2.61, 0, 1) = 0.8899Answer = normalcdf(2.22, 3.87, 0, 1) = 0.01314) P(-1.67 < Z < 0.08) =3) P(Z < 2.61) =261 -1.67 0 0.08 Answer = normalcdf(-5, 2.61, 0, 1) = 0.9955Answer = normalcdf(-1.67, 0.08, 0, 1) = 0.48445) P(-1.64 < Z < 1.64) =6) P(-1.28 < Z) =-1.64 1.64 5 -1.28 Answer = normalcdf(-1.64, 1.64, 0, 1) = 0.8990Answer = normalcdf(-1.28, 5, 0, 1) = 0.89977) P(-1.21 < Z < -0.61) =8) P(Z < -2.16) =-1.21 -.61 -2.16 -5 Answer = normalcdf(-1.21, -0.61, 0, 1) = 0.1578Answer = normalcdf(-5, -2.16, 0, 1) = 0.01549) P(2.51 < Z) =10) P(-1.82 < Z < 2.81) =2.51 5 -1.28 2.81 Answer = normalcdf(2.51, 5, 0, 1) = 0.0060Answer = normalcdf(-1.28, 2.81, 0, 1) = 0.963111) P(-5.34 < Z < -2.61) =12) P(-0.5 < Z) =-5.31 -2.61 -0.5 5 Answer = normalcdf(-5.31, -2.61, 0, 1) = 0.0044Answer = normalcdf(-0.5, 5, 0, 1) = 0.6915

### **<u>Non-Standard</u> Normal Probability Distribution** $\mu \neq 0$ and $\sigma \neq 1$

**TI-83/84** 2nd  $\rightarrow$  DISTR  $\rightarrow$  Option 2 then normalcdf (LB,UB,  $\mu, \sigma$ )  $\rightarrow$  enter

The average score for final stat exam was 76 with a standard deviation 5. If scores are normally distributed answer the following questions: A normal distribution that  $\mu = 76$ ,  $\sigma = 5$  and the horizontal axis is called the X-axis.

1. What percentage of students got scores between 70 and 80?



TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (70, 80, 76, 5)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 67.31%



2. What percentage of students got scores between 80 and 90?

TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (80, 90, 76, 5)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 20.93%

3. What percentage of students got scores less than 70? Lower boundary is missing In this case, the logical choice for Lower boundary is LB = 0TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (0, 70, 76, 5)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 11.51%

4. What percentage of students got scores more than 90? Upper boundary is missing **In this case**, the logical choice for upper boundary is UB = 100

TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (90, 100, 76, 5)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 0.255%

5. What percentage of students got scores **within** one standard deviation of the mean? For this problem

Upper boundary:  $UB = \mu + 1\sigma = 76 + 5 = 81$ Lower boundary:  $LB = \mu - 1\sigma = 76 - 5 = 71$ 

TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 2$  then normalcdf (81, 91, 76, 5)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: 68.27%

## Finding the *cut-of point* with a given <u>%</u>

Finding cut-off point means, given an area either to the right or left, then find its corresponding boundary. The final stat exam had an average of 76 with a standard deviation 5. If scores are normally distributed answer the following questions



**TI-83/84** 2nd  $\rightarrow$  DISTR  $\rightarrow$  Option 3 then invNorm (0.05, 76, 5)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: x = 67.778



**TI-83/84** 2nd  $\rightarrow$  DISTR  $\rightarrow$  Option 3 then invNorm (0.35, 76, 5)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: x = 79.37

# **Application of Normal Probability Distribution**

1) On a given test the average test scores was 68 with standard deviation of 8. If the scores are normally distributed, then find the probability as what percentage of students got scores

a) Between 60 and 70? <i>Answer</i> : 44.05%	b) Between 70 and 80? <i>Answer</i> : 33.45%	
c) Between 80 and 90? <i>Answer</i> : 6.38%	d) Less than 60? <i>Answer</i> : 15.86%	
e) More than 90? <i>Answer</i> : 0.29%		
f) Find the cut-off point for F if the bottom 1% will be getting "F". Answer: 49.39		
g) Find the cut-off point for "A" if the top 2% will be getting "A" Answer: 84.43		
h) Find the score for Q1 Answer: $62.60$ i) Find the P Answer: $72.18$	i) Find the $P_{30}$ Answer: 63.80	
J) 1 me the 1 70 Answer. 72.10	K) Find the $T_{50}$ Answer. 00	

2) The average time for workers to finish a specific task is 38 minutes with a standard deviation 8 minutes. If that data are normally distributed then what percentage of workers finishes the task;

a)	Between 30 and 36 minutes <i>Answer</i> : 24.26%	b) Less than 42 minutes <i>Answer</i> : 69.15%
c)	More than 40 minutes <i>Answer</i> : 40.13%	d) Within 4 minutes of the mean <i>Answer</i> : 38.3%

e). Find the time that separates the **fastest 10%** of workers finishing this task. **Note:** this is a **cut-off** point and fastest means the bottom 10%

TI-83/84  $2nd \rightarrow DISTR \rightarrow Option 3$  then  $invNorm(0.10, 38, 8) \rightarrow enter$  answer: X = 27.74

f). Find the time that separates the slowest 15% of workers finishing this task. Note: this is a cut-off point and slowest means the top 15%

TI-83/84 2nd  $\rightarrow$  DISTR  $\rightarrow$  Option 3 then invNorm (0.85, 38, 8)  $\rightarrow$  enter answer: X=46.29

#### Using formula to find answers for part e and f

#### Note:

Also rather using TI-83/84 to find cut-off point, we can use formula  $x = \mu + \sigma z$  and z value = -1.28 form page 3 of the table for **bottom 10%** x = 38 + 8(-1.28) = 27.76

#### Note:

Also rather using TI-83/84 to find cut-off point, we can use formula  $x = \mu + \sigma z$  and z value = -1.28 form page 3 of the table for top 15% x = 38 + 8(1.0364) = 46.29

. Find the time that separates the fastest 10% of workers finishing this task. *Answer*: 27.76  $x = \mu + \sigma z \Rightarrow x = 38 + 8(-1.28) = 27.76$ 

. Find the time that separates the slowest 15% of workers finishing this task. *Answer*: 46.32  $x = \mu + \sigma z \Rightarrow x = 38 + 8(1.04) = 46.32$ 

**3)** The cholesterol level for adult males of a specific racial group is approximately normally distributed with a mean of 4.8 mmol/L and a standard deviation of 0.6 mmol/L.

a) What is the probability that a person has moderate risk if his cholesterol level is more than 1 but less than 2 standard deviations above the mean: *Answer*: 13.59%

b) A person has high risk if his cholesterol level is more than 2 standard deviations above the mean. What proportion of the population has high risk *Answer*: 2.28%

- c) A person within 1 standard deviation of the mean has normal cholesterol risk What proportion of the population has high risk *Answer*: 31.73%
- d) What is the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile of the distribution (the cholesterol level that exceeds 90% of the population)? *Answer*: 5.569

e) What is the 70<sup>th</sup> percentile of the distribution, i.e., the cholesterol level that exceeds 70% of the population? *Answer*: **5.11** 

4). Given the average height of adult male in United States is 65 inches with standard deviation of 8 inches and if the minimum and maximum acceptable heights for being recruited by ARMY is between 55 and 85 inches, then find the percentage of adult male that may be rejected because of their heights? *Answer: 11.19* 

5) The average life of a certain type of motor is 10 years, with a standard deviation of 2 years. Assume that the lives of the motors follow a normal distribution

- a) What percentage of motors last longer than 15 years? *Answer*: .0062 = .62%
- b) What percentage of motors last less than 7 years? *Answer*: 0.668 = 6.68 %
- c) If the manufacturer is willing to replace only 3% of the motors that fail, how long a guarantee should he offer? *Answer*: 6.24 years
- d) If the manufacturer is willing to replace only 5% of the motors that fail, how long a guarantee should he offer? *Answer*: ? 6.71 years

6) A company pays its employees an average wage of \$8.25 an hour with a standard deviation of 0.80 cents. If the wages are approximately normally distributed, determine

- a. the proportion of the workers getting wages between \$6.75 and \$10.75 an hour; Answer: 96%
- b. the minimum wage of the highest 5%. Answer: \$9.57
- c. the minimum wage of the lowest 10%: Answer: \$7.23
- d. What is the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile of the distribution *Answer*: \$9.27
- e. What is the 30<sup>th</sup> percentile of the distribution *Answer*: \$7.83
- f. What is the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of the distribution *Answer*: \$8.79

Extra Practice: Problems F, G 1-10 from practice problem part II on pages 4, 5.