

Uniform Random Variables

Problem 1

Compute the following in $N(0,1)$.

(a) $P(Z < -0.6)$

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pnorm(-0.6)
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[1] 0.2742531
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(b) $P(Z > 1.3)$

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1 - pnorm(1.3)
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[1] 0.09680048
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(c) $P(-1.2 \leq Z \leq 2.1)$

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pnorm(2.1) - pnorm(-1.2)
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[1] 0.8670659
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Problem 2

The speed of a car on cruise control has a normal distribution with mean $\mu = 72$ mph and standard deviation $\sigma = 1.1$ mph.

(a) Find the Z-score corresponding to a speed of 70 mph.

Answer:

$$\frac{70 - 72}{1.1} = -1.82$$

(b) Compute the probability that the car is traveling more than 70 mph at a random moment using the Z-score from part (a).

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pnorm(-1.82)
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[1] 0.0343795
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(c) Check your answer from part (b) using $N(72, 1.1^2)$.

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pnorm(70,72,1.1)
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[1] 0.03451817
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Inverse normal calculations

Problem 1

Find the z-score that has 44% of the distribution to its left.

Answer:

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qnorm(0.44)
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[1] -0.1509692
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Problem 2

Find the value in $N(12, 32)$ that has 87% of the distribution to its right.

Answer:

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qnorm(1 - 0.87, 12, 3)
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[1] 8.620827
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Problem 3

The average daily high temperature in June in LA is 77F with a standard deviation of 5F. Suppose that the temperatures in June closely follow a normal distribution.

- (a) What is the probability of observing an 83F temperature or higher in LA during a randomly chosen day in June?

Answer:

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1 - pnorm(83, 77, 5)
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[1] 0.1150697
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- (b) How cool are the coldest 10% of the days (days with lowest high temperature) during June in LA?

Answer:

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qnorm(0.1, 77, 5)
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[1] 70.59224
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Problem 4

Small bags of chips have weights that are normally distributed with mean $\mu = 1.55$ oz and standard deviation $\sigma = 0.06$ oz.

(a) What is the probability that a randomly-selected bag of chips weighs less than 1.50 oz?

Answer:

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pnorm(1.5, 1.55, 0.06)
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[1] 0.2023284
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(b) What is the 98th percentile of weights?

Answer:

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qnorm(0.98, 1.55, 0.06)
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[1] 1.673225
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