

Tutorial 3

A shape memory alloy (SMA) wire is used to reconnect torn ligaments to bone through tiny holes drilled through bone. Direct current electrical stimulation through the wires is used to stimulate tendon regeneration and improve outcomes. Wires have a mean current measurement of 10-microamperes and a variance of 4 microamperes², and current measurements can be assumed to be independent.

- 1) Discuss if the Normal distribution is a reasonable model to answer questions about wire current? Make sure to Identify the random experiment and the random variable and state any assumptions that you make.
- 2) Specify the parameters of the Normal distribution and discuss the shape of the distribution in this example.
- 3) What is the probability that a randomly selected measurement will exceed 13 microamperes? (i.e. Find $P(X > 13)$). You are finding the probability of a certain outcome from a normal population that you have specified.
- 4) What is the probability that a current measurement is between 9 and 11 microamperes?
- 5) Determine the value for which the probability that a current measurement is at or below that value is 0.98.