

## Topics: Normal distribution, Functions of Random Variables

1. The time required for servicing transmissions is normally distributed with  $\mu = 45$  minutes and  $\sigma = 8$  minutes. The service manager plans to have work begin on the transmission of a customer's car 10 minutes after the car is dropped off and the customer is told that the car will be ready within 1 hour from drop-off. What is the probability that the service manager cannot meet his commitment?

- A. 0.3875
- B. 0.2676
- C. 0.5
- D. 0.6987

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In [13]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import scipy
from scipy import stats
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In [14]: z=(50-45)/8
print('Probability that the Service Manager will not meet his commitment',np.round(1-stats.norm.cdf(z),5))

Probability that the Service Manager will not meet his commitment 0.26599
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Hence, correct option is B.

2. The current age (in years) of 400 clerical employees at an insurance claims processing center is normally distributed with mean  $\mu = 38$  and Standard deviation  $\sigma = 6$ . For each statement below, please specify True/False. If false, briefly explain why.
- A. More employees at the processing center are older than 44 than between 38 and 44.
  - B. A training program for employees under the age of 30 at the center would be expected to attract about 36 employees.

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In [19]: #We'll find probability of employees having age greater than 44
z_score1=(44-38)/6
p1=1-stats.norm.cdf(z_score1)
#We'll now find probability of employees having age between 38 - 44
z_score2=(38-38)/6
p2=1-(p1+(1-stats.norm.cdf(z_score2)))
if p1>p2:
    print('Given statement is true')
else:
    print('Given statement is false')
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Given statement is false

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In [47]: #We'll find probability of employees having age under 30
z_score3=(30-38)/6
p3=1-stats.norm.cdf(np.abs(z_score3))
#To find number of employees under age of 30
N=np.round(((400*p3)/100)*100)
if N==36:
    print('Given statement is true')
else:
    print('Given statement is false')
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Given statement is true

Hence,

- A) False
- B) True

3. If  $X_1 \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  and  $X_2 \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  are *iid* normal random variables, then what is the difference between  $2X_1$  and  $X_1 + X_2$ ? Discuss both their distributions and parameters.

Answer:

We know that,

if  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are independent, and  $X_i \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , then  $a_1X_1 + a_2X_2 + \dots + a_nX_n \sim \text{Normal}[(a_1\mu_1 + \dots + a_n\mu_n), (a_1^2\sigma_1^2 + \dots + a_n^2\sigma_n^2)]$

Also,  $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n \sim \text{Normal}[(\mu_1 + \mu_2 + \dots + \mu_n), (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \dots + \sigma_n^2)]$

Hence,

$$2X_1 = (2\mu, 4\sigma^2)$$

$$X_1 + X_2 = N(2\mu, 2\sigma^2)$$

4. Let  $X \sim N(100, 20^2)$ . Find two values,  $a$  and  $b$ , symmetric about the mean, such that the probability of the random variable taking a value between them is 0.99.

- A. 90.5, 105.9
- B. 80.2, 119.8
- C. 22, 78
- D. 48.5, 151.5
- E. 90.1, 109.9

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In [92]: #Given That
mu=100
sigma=20
#Z value at 0.1 percentile
z1=stats.norm.ppf(0.005)
#Z value at 0.99 percentile
z2=stats.norm.ppf(0.995)
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In [93]: #We know z=(x-mu)/sigma, hence, x=z*sigma+mu
a=z1*20+100
b=z2*20+100
print('a = ',a)
print('b = ',b)
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a = 48.483413929021985
b = 151.516586070978
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Hence, correct option is D.

5. Consider a company that has two different divisions. The annual profits from the two divisions are independent and have distributions  $\text{Profit}_1 \sim N(5, 3^2)$  and  $\text{Profit}_2 \sim N(7, 4^2)$  respectively. Both the profits are in \$ Million. Answer the following questions about the total profit of the company in Rupees. Assume that \$1 = Rs. 45
- A. Specify a Rupee range (centered on the mean) such that it contains 95% probability for the annual profit of the company.
  - B. Specify the 5<sup>th</sup> percentile of profit (in Rupees) for the company
  - C. Which of the two divisions has a larger probability of making a loss in a given year?

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In [97]: #Mean profit from different divisions of a company
Mean = 5+7
print('Mean profit in Rupees is ',Mean*45,' Millions')
#Variance of profits from different divisions of a company=SD**2=SD1**2+SD2**2
SD=np.sqrt((9)+(16))
print('Standard Deviation in Rupees is ',SD*45,' Millions')

Mean profit in Rupees is 540 Millions
Standard Deviation in Rupees is 225.0 Millions
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In [98]: # A. To specify a rupee range such that it contains 95% probability for annual profit of company
print('Range is ',stats.norm.interval(0.95,540,225),'Millions')

Range is (99.00810347848784, 980.9918965215122) Millions
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In [102]: # B. To specify 5th percentile of profit, we'll use  $x = z \cdot \sigma + \mu$ 
# Calculating z for 5th percentile
z5=stats.norm.ppf(0.05)
print('5th Percentile of profit in Rupees is ',np.round(z5*225+540),' Millions')

5th Percentile of profit in Rupees is 170.0 Millions
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In [106]: # C. Probability of making Loss i.e.  $P(X < 0)$ 
#Probability of division 1 making Loss
Div1=stats.norm.cdf(0,5,3)
#Probability of division 2 making Loss
Div2=stats.norm.cdf(0,7,4)
if Div1>Div2:
    print('Division 1 have more probability of making loss than the division 2')
else:
    print('Division 2 have more probability of making loss than the division 1')

Division 1 have more probability of making loss than the division 2
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Hence,

A) Range is (99.00810347848784, 980.9918965215122) Millions

B) 5th Percentile of profit in Rupees is 170.0 Millions

C) Division 1 have more probability of making loss than the division 2