

M378K Introduction to Mathematical Statistics

Problem Set #5

Cumulative distribution functions: Named continuous distributions.

Problem 5.1. Source: Sample P exam, Problem #126.

A company's annual profit is normally distributed with mean 100 and variance 400. Then, we can express the probability that the company's profit in a year is at most 60, given that the profit in the year is positive in terms of the standard normal cumulative distribution function denoted by Φ as

$$1 - \frac{\Phi(2)}{\Phi(5)}$$

Problem 5.2. Source: Sample P exam, Problem #267.

The lifetime of a certain electronic device has an exponential distribution with mean 0.50. Calculate the probability that the lifetime of the device is greater than 0.70, given that it is greater than 0.40.