

B case

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Problem_1

The A/F ratio is the ratio of actual demand divided by the predicted value. As a result of O'Neill's forecast of 3.2 million swimwear sales in 20, the sales data were normally distributed, with the expected A/F ratio of 0.9976 and the standard deviation of the A/F ratio of 0.369. Given that 21 years of swimwear sales are 2.2 million and the A/F ratios are the same, and sales volume is normally distributed, obtain the expected actual demand distribution.

#sol_1

$$\mu = \text{Estimated A/F Ratio} \times \text{Demand forecasting} = 0.9976 \times 2,200,000 = 2,194,720$$

$$\sigma = \text{Standard deviation of A/F ratio} \times \text{Demand forecasting} = 0.369 \times 2,200,000 = 811,800$$

$$\therefore \text{expected actual demand} = N(2194720, 811800)$$

Problem_2

The factory costs \$110 to produce swimsuits, \$180 to sell at the store and \$90. Get the best order quantity using the actual demand you've got earlier. ($\phi(0.76)=0.7764$, $\phi(0.77)=0.7794$)

#sol_2

$$C_o = (\text{Material Cost} - \text{Salvage Price}) = (110 - 90) = \$20$$

$$C_u = (\text{Retail Price} - \text{Material Cost}) = (180 - 110) = \$70$$

$$\text{optimal stock} = \text{smallest } Y \text{ that matches } F(Y) = \frac{c_u}{c_o + c_u}$$

$$F(z) = \frac{70}{70 + 20}$$

$$F(z) = \frac{7}{9} \approx 0.7778$$

$$Z = (Q - \mu) / \sigma$$

$$\rightarrow \therefore \text{Best order quantity} = Q = \mu + Z * \sigma = 2,194,720 + 0.77 * 811,800 = 2,819,806$$