

**4.30** Let  $X = \#$  of parachutists that land past the midpoint.

$$p = \text{probability that one lands past the midpoint} = \int_{(A+B)/2}^B \frac{1}{B-A} dy$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{B-A} \right) y \Big|_{(A+B)/2}^B = \frac{1}{2}$$

$X$  is binomial with  $n = 3$ ,  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ .

$$P(X = 1) = 3 \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{3}{8}$$

**4.46** The next few exercises are designed to provide practice for the student in evaluating areas under the normal curve. The following notes may be of some assistance.

- (1) Table 4 tabulates the area under the standard normal curve to the right of a specified value  $z_0$ . See Figure 4.11. Denote the area obtained by indexing  $z = z_0$  in Table 4 by  $A(z_0)$  and the desired area by  $A$ .
- (2) Because of the symmetry of the normal distribution, and since the total area under the curve is 1, the total area lying on one side of 0 will be .5. Thus in order to calculate the area between 0 and  $z_0$  (when  $z_0 > 0$ ) we index  $z_0$ , which gives us  $A(z_0)$ . We then subtract  $A(z_0)$  from .5. That is,  $A = .5 - A(z_0)$ .

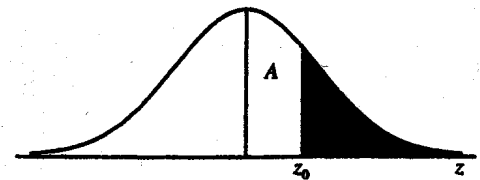


Figure 4.11

- (3) Notice that  $Z$  is actually a random variable that may take on an infinite number of values, both positive and negative. However, since the standardized normal curve is symmetric about 0, a left-hand area (i.e., an area corresponding to a negative value of  $z$ ) may be evaluated by indexing the corresponding positive value in Table 4.

- (a) The area between  $z = 0$  and  $z = 1.2$  is  $A_1 = .5 - A(1.2) = .5 - .1151 = .3849$ . See Figure 4.12.

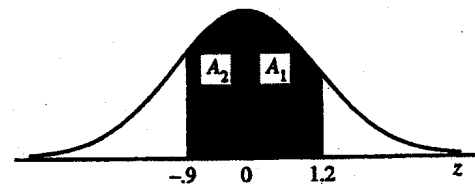


Figure 4.12

- (b) The area between  $z = 0$  and  $z = -.9$  is  $A_2 = .5 - A(-.9) = .5 - A(.9) = .5 - .1841 = .3159$ .
- (c) The desired area is  $A_1$ , as shown in Figure 4.13. Note that  $A(.3) = .3821$  and  $A(1.56) = .0594$ .  $A_1 = A(.3) - A(1.56) = .3821 - .0594 = .3227$ .

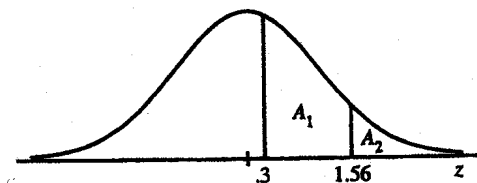


Figure 4.13

- (d) The desired area is  $A_1 + A_2 = .5 - A(-.2) + .5 - A(.2) = 1 - 2(.4207) = .1586$ . See Figure 4.14.
- (e) The desired area is  $A(-.2) - A(-1.56) = .4207 - .0594 = .3613$ .

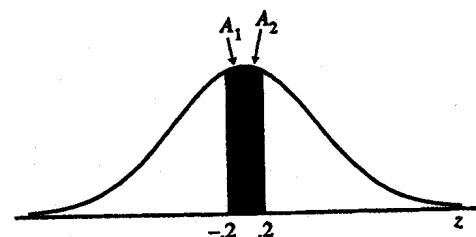


Figure 4.14

- 4.52** The random variable  $Y$  (bearing diameter) is normally distributed with  $\mu = 3.0005$  and  $\sigma = .0010$ . Since "scrap" bearings are those whose diameters are greater than 3.002 or less than 2.998, the necessary area is  $P(Y > 3.002) = P(Y < 2.998)$ . Corresponding  $z$  values are

$$z_1 = \frac{3.002 - 3.0005}{.0010} = 1.5 \quad \text{and} \quad z_2 = \frac{2.998 - 3.0005}{.0010} = -2.5$$

and the necessary fraction is

$$P(Y > 3.002) + P(Y < 2.998) = P(Z > 1.5) + P(Z < -2.5) = A(1.5) + A(-2.5) \\ = .0668 + .0062 = .0730.$$

- 4.60** Let  $Y$  denote the variable "exam score."

a.  $P(Y > 72) = P\left(Z > \frac{72-78}{6}\right) = P(Z > -1) = 1 - P(Z < -1) = 1 - P(Z > 1) \\ = 1 - A(1) = .8413$

b. We seek  $c$  such that  $P(Y > c) = .1$ . Now

$$.1 = P(Y > c) = P\left(Z > \frac{c-78}{6}\right) = A\left(\frac{c-78}{6}\right)$$

The value of  $z_0$  such that  $A(z_0) = .1$  is  $z_0 = 1.28$ . So it must be that

$$1.28 = \frac{c-78}{6}$$

and

$$c = 6(1.28) + 78 = 85.68$$

c. We seek  $c$  such that  $P(Y > c) = .281$ . So

$$.281 = P(Y > c) = P\left(Z > \frac{c-78}{6}\right) = A\left(\frac{c-78}{6}\right)$$

which implies that  $\frac{c-78}{6} = .58$  and  $c = 81.48$ .

d. The score that cuts off the lowest 25% is the score  $c$  such that

$$P\left(Z < \frac{c-78}{6}\right) = .25$$

Now,  $P(Z > .67) = .25$  so

$$P(Z < -.67) = .25.$$

Hence

$$\frac{c-78}{6} = -.67$$

and

$$c = (-.67)(6) + 78 = 73.98$$

We must now find  $P(Y > 73.95 + 5)$ . This probability is

$$P(Y > 78.95) = P\left(Z > \frac{78.95-78}{6}\right) \\ = P(Z > .16) = .4364$$

e.  $P(Y > 84 | Y > 72) = \frac{P(Y > 84)}{P(Y > 72)} = \frac{P\left(Z > \frac{84-78}{6}\right)}{P\left(Z > \frac{72-78}{6}\right)} = \frac{P(Z > 1)}{P(Z > -1)} = \frac{P(Z > 1)}{1 - P(Z > 1)} \\ = \frac{.1587}{.8413} = .1886$

**4.66**  $A = L \times W = |Y| \times 3|Y| = 3Y^2$

$$E(A) = E(3Y^2) = 3E(Y^2) = 3(V(Y) + \mu^2) = 3(\sigma^2 + \mu^2)$$