## Inverse Normal Distribution calculations - with and without the average given.

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Select the STAT icon (or press 2) from the main menu and the EQUA icon (or press 8) OR by using the arrow keys to highlight the icon and then press EXE.

This activity sheet shows how the FX9750GII calculator can be used to calculate inverse normal distribution problems both with and without the average known.

A normal distribution in a variate $X$ with mean ' $\mu$ ' and variance ' $\sigma$ ' is a statistic distribution with probability function as illustrated here $\mathrm{P}(\mathrm{x})$.

In STAT mode:


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then $\mathbf{F} 1$ for NORMal


N.B. The Inverse Normal calculates for the left, centre or right tail of the Normal Distribution curve.

## Example 1:

At Tane and Koha's home the mail is delivered in the afternoon. The delivery times are normally distributed with a mean of 1:20 PM and a standard deviation of 23 minutes. Koha leaves home at the same time each day. If the mail is delivered after this time, Koha considers that the mail is delivered 'late'. Koha notices that over a period of time she finds that the mail is delivered late $20 \%$ of the time.
Find the time, to the nearest minute, that Koha leaves the house and hence the late mail delivery time at Tane and Koha's home.

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\text { Answer: } & \text { Select STAT, then }[F 5] \text {, then }[\text { F1], then }[\text { F3] for Inverse } \\
& \text { Normal calculations. } \\
\text { Here use the average, } \mu=20 \text { minutes } \\
\text { (relates to } 1: 20 \text { PM) and } \sigma=23 \text { minutes. } \\
& \text { Probability (Area) }=0.8 \text { for a left tail calculation of the } \\
\text { normal curve (or } 0.2=\text { Area for a right tail calculation of the } \\
\text { normal curve). }
\end{array}
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Need to find the time that is here.



Change from List to Variable.
Time required is 39.4 minutes i.e. 39 minutes and 24 seconds.
Interpretation: The earliest time that the mail can be considered as being delivered 'late' at Tane and Koha's home is at 1:39 PM (to the nearest minute).

Enter the information given, then EXE.

hen F3 for InverseNormal


## Example 2:

At Derek and Janice's home the mail is delivered in the morning. The delivery times are normally distributed with a standard deviation of 16 minutes. If the mail is delivered after 11:15 AM it is considered that the mail is delivered 'late'. Over a period of time they found that the mail is delivered late $35 \%$ of the time.
Find the average time, to the nearest minute, for the delivery times of mail to Derek and Janice's home.

Answer: Select STAT, then [F5], then [F1], then [F3] for Inverse Normal calculations.
Need to use the Standard Normal Distribution to model this situation as the mean $(\mu)$ is not known.


Here use the average $\mu=0$ minutes and $\sigma=1$ minutes, using the Standard Normal Distribution.
Probability $=0.65$ form the left tail of the normal curve.
Probability $($ Area $)=0.65$ for a left tail calculation of the normal curve (or $0.35=$ Area for a right tail calculation of the normal curve).

Need to find the time that is here.



Change from List to Variable.


Enter the information given, then EXE.

## $Z=0.38532$ standard deviations from the 'true' average.

Now enter into EQUA icon and the SOLVer.


Press F3 for SOLVer.
Enter in the Z-score transform equation:
$\mathbf{Z}=(\mathbf{X}-\mathbf{A}) / \mathbf{S}$, where $\mathbf{A}=$ average and $\mathbf{S}=$ standard deviation


Now, move the cursor so that it is 'resting' over the unknown variable (A).
What we want to find is the value of A (average (Population mean - $\mu$ ), then press F6 or EXE to solve.


Average $\mathbf{=} \mathbf{8 . 8 3 4 8 7 2 6 4}$ minutes i.e. 8 minutes and 56 seconds.
Interpretation: The average time for this normally distribution delivery times at Derek and Janice's home is 11:09 AM (nearest minute).

