

Chapter5: Continuous Probability Densities

Q1. The probability density function of the time required to complete an assembly operation is $f(x) = 0.1$ for $30 < x < 40$ seconds.

- What is the mean and standard deviation of the time of assembly?
- Determine the proportion of assemblies that require more than 36 seconds to complete.
- If 10 such assemblies are chosen at random, what is the probability that exactly 2 of them will require more than 36 seconds to complete?
- Find the 75th percentile? Explain it.

Q2.

Suppose the waiting time for a bus is a random variable X having the probability density function $f(x) = 2e^{-2x}$, $x \geq 0$ and equals zero for $x < 0$.

- Find the probability the waiting time will exceed 1.75.
- Find the expected waiting time for the bus.
- Find the median of the waiting time.

Q3.

Suppose component lifetimes are exponentially distributed with mean 10 hours. Find

- The probability that the lifetime of a component exceeds 10 hours.
- The median component lifetime.

Q4.

Given the normally distributed variable X with mean 18 and standard deviation 2.5, find

- $P(X < 15)$;
- the value of k such that $P(X < k) = 0.2236$;
- the value of k such that $P(X > k) = 0.1814$;
- $P(17 < X < 21)$.

Q5.

The finished inside diameter of a piston ring is normally distributed with a mean of 10 centimeters and a standard deviation of 0.03 centimeter.

- What proportion of rings will have inside diameters exceeding 10.075 centimeters?
- What is the probability that a piston ring will have an inside diameter between 9.97 and 10.03 centimeters?
- Below what value of inside diameter will 15% of the piston rings fall?

Q6:

A process yields 10% defective items. If 100 items are randomly selected from the process, what is the probability that the number of defectives (a) exceeds 13? (b) is less than 8?