

## Chapter 3 Selected Homework Answers

1.  $\Sigma X = 1 + 2 + 3 + 3 + 4 + 2 + 2 + 3 + 2 + 1 = 23$

$23 \times 3 = 69$

$\Sigma X^2 = 1 + 4 + 9 + 9 + 16 + 4 + 4 + 9 + 4 + 1 = 61$

$61/2 = 30.5$

$69 + 30.5 = 99.5$

3(a).  $\Sigma X^2 = 9 + 16 + 4 + 9 + 16 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 1 + 4 = 71$

$(71 \times 10)/5 = 710/5$

$710/5 = 142$

3(b).  $\Sigma X = 3 + 4 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 1 + 2 = 25$

$(\Sigma X)^2 = (25)^2 = 625$

$\Sigma X/5 = 25/5$

$[(\Sigma X)^2 - (\Sigma X)/5] = [625 - 25/5] = 625 - 5 = 620$

$620 \times 2 = 1240$

5.

Percentile	T score	z score	Raw score
64	53.7	.37	737
24	43	-.70	630
11	37.7	-1.23	577
21	41.8	-.82	618
17	40.5	-.95	605
96	68	1.80	880
68	54.7	.47	747
91	63.5	1.35	835
72	55.7	.57	757

7. The  $z$  score (from table 3-3) for 70th percentile is 0.52 (find  $70 - 50 = 20$  and look for the closest number to 20 in the body of the table [19.85]).

$T = 50 + 10(z)$

$T = 50 + 10(.52)$

$T = 50 + 5.2$

$T = 55.2$

9.  $z$  score = 1.28

$1.28 = (X-200)/40 = 251.2$

11. Find the  $z$  score for 85 and 115. For 85:  $z$  score =  $(85 - 100)/20 = -15/20 = -0.75$ . For 115:  $z$  score =  $(115 - 100)/20 = 15/20 = 0.75$ . Use table 3-3 to see that from the mean to  $z$

score = 0.75 is 27.34% of observations. The  $z$  score is plus and minus 0.75 from the mean; thus, the answer is  $27.34\% + 27.34\% = 54.68\%$ .

13.  $z$  score =  $(54,000 - 50,000)/10,000 = 4,000/10,000 = 0.40$

You want the percentage of tires that last longer than 54,000 miles:

$$50.00 - 15.54 = 34.46.$$

15.  $z$  score =  $(225 - 200)/20 = 1.25$

$$50.00 - 39.44 = 10.56$$

17. Allison's  $z$  score of 1.25 includes 39.44% people between her and the mean. John's  $z$  score of 0.5 includes 19.15% people between him and the mean.  $39.44 - 19.15 = 20.29$ .

19.  $z$  score =  $(38 - 35)/5 = 3/5 = 0.60$ . Look up  $z$  score of 0.60 in table 3-3:  $50.00 - 22.57 = 27.43\%$ .

21. Find the  $z$  score associated with each value.

The  $z$  score for 600 =  $(600 - 500)/100 = 100/100 = 1.0$

$z$  score for 550 =  $(550 - 500)/100 = 50/100 = 0.50$

Determine the difference in these two percentages from the mean:  $34.13 - 19.15 = 14.98$ .

23. Use table 3-3 to determine the  $z$  score for the 35th percentile. You must look up 15% in the body of the table. The percentage closest to 15 in the table is 15.17 ( $z$  score = 0.39). Since the 35th percentile is below the mean, the  $z$  score must be  $-0.39$ . Substitute into the  $T$  score equation to obtain the answer.

$$T = 50 + 10(z)$$

$$T = 50 + 10(-.39)$$

$$T = 50 - 3.9$$

$$T = 46.1$$

25. The  $z$  score =  $(185 - 200)/10$ ;  $z$  score =  $-15/10 = -1.50$ . Go to table 3-3 and look up the percentage of observations between the mean and  $z$  score =  $-1.5$ . Since the value is below the mean, you must subtract it from 50 to determine the percentage below (i.e., the percentile):  $50.00 - 43.32 = 6.68$ .

27. Order the topics by the size of the standard deviation. The larger the standard deviation, the greater weight that topic has in determining final grade. Ordered from *highest to lowest*: A, B, D, E, C.

29.  $z$  score =  $(41 - 50)/10 = -9/10 = -0.90$ . Use table 3-3 and determine the percentage of observations between the mean and  $-0.90$ . Since you are looking for the percentage below (i.e., the percentile), you must subtract this value from 50:  $50.00 - 31.59 = 18.41\%$ .

31. Find the  $z$  score associated with each value:

$$z \text{ score} = (95 - 110)/20 = -15/20 = -0.75$$

$$z \text{ score} = (90 - 110)/20 = -20/20 = -1.00.$$

Subtract 27.34 from 34.13 to determine the percentage between these two values.

$$34.13 - 27.34 = 6.79\%.$$

33. Find the  $z$  score for a  $T$  score of 68. Subtract this value from 50 to see what percentage scored higher than a  $T$  score of 68. The  $z$  score =  $(68 - 50)/10 = 18/10 = 1.80$ . Look up 1.80 on table 3-3:  $50.00 - 46.41 = 3.59\%$ .

35. Go to the body of table 3-3 and find the number closest to 45 (i.e.,  $95 - 50 = 45$ ). The closest number is either 44.95 or 45.05. You could choose either one. Typically, the number 45.05 is used. This is a  $z$  score of 1.65.

Solve the  $z$  score formula for  $X$

$$1.65 = (X - 30)/2$$

$$1.65 \times 2 = X - 30$$

$$3.3 = X - 30$$

$$30 + 3.3 = X$$

$$33.3 = X$$

37. Determine the  $z$  score for each person and then use the  $z$  table.

$$\text{John's } z \text{ score} = (56 - 50)/10 = .60.$$

$$\text{John's percentile is } 50.00 + 22.57 = 72.57.$$

$$\text{Karen's } z \text{ score} = .57.$$

$$\text{Karen's percentile is } 50.00 + 21.57 = 71.57.$$

39. Determine the  $z$  score for \$550.00 and \$450.00 per month.

$$z \text{ score} = (550 - 400)/50 = 3.0$$

$$z \text{ score} = (450 - 400)/50 = 1.0$$

$$(49.87 - 34.13) = 15.74.$$

41.  $z$  score =  $(40 - 100)/50 = -60/50 = -1.20$ . Use table 3-3 to determine the percentage of people who scored below a  $z$  score of  $-1.20$ :  $50.00 - 38.49 = 11.51$ .

43.  $z$  score =  $(39 - 42)/2 = -3/2 = -1.50$ . Use table 3-3 to determine the percentage between the mean and  $-1.50$  standard deviations. Subtract this value from 50 to determine your percentile:  $50.00 - 43.32 = 6.68$ .

45. Find the percentage associated with each  $z$  score from the  $z$  table and then subtract them. For  $z$  score =  $-1.5$ , the percentage between the mean and negative 1.5 is 43.32. For  $z$  score =  $-0.50$ , it is 19.15. The answer is  $43.32 - 19.15 = 24.17$ .

47. Find the  $z$  score:  $z$  score =  $(40 - 45)/5 = -1.0$ . The answer is  $50.00 - 34.13 = 15.87$ .

49. Find the  $z$  score for the vertical jump:

$$(28 - 25)/3 = 3/3 = 1.0$$

Find the  $z$  score for the 40-yard dash. Note that a faster speed (i.e., lower score) is a "better" value. So, the  $z$  score formula is reversed to

$$z = (M - X)/S$$

$$(4.8 - 4.6)/.2 = .2/.2 = 1$$

Finally, add the two  $z$  scores together for the answer:

$$1.0 + 1.0 = 2.0$$

51. Find the  $z$  score for the vertical jump:

$$(24 - 25)/3 = -1/3 = -.33$$

Find the  $z$  score for the 40-yard dash. Note that a faster speed (i.e., lower score) is a “better” value. So, the  $z$  score formula is reversed to

$$z = (M - X)/S$$

$$(4.8 - 5.2)/.2 = -.4/.2 = -2$$

Multiply the  $z$  score for the vertical jump by 2 (weighting it twice) and add it to the 40-yard dash  $z$  score

$$2 * -.33 = -.66 \text{ (for vertical jump)}$$

$$1 * -2.00 = -2.00 \text{ (for 40-yard dash)}$$

$$-.66 + (-2.00) = -2.66$$