

## SOC510 Homework #3 Solution

### Chapter 3.

3.2 (p.69);

- (a) The density curve forms a  $1 \times 1$  square, which has area 1.
- (b) 20% (the region is a rectangle with height 1 and base width 0.2; hence the area is 0.2).
- (c) 60% (a  $1 \times 0.6$  rectangle).
- (d) 50% (a  $1 \times 0.5$  rectangle).

3.4 (p.69);

- (a) Mean is C, median is B (the right skew pulls the mean to the right).
- (b) Mean B, median B (this distribution is symmetric).
- (c) Mean A, median B (the left skew pulls the mean to the left).

3.6 (p.74);

- (a)  $64 \pm 2(2.7) = 58.6$  to  $69.4$  inches.
- (b) 84% (50% plus half of 68%).

3.8 (p.75);

$z$  for Eleanor is 1.42 ( $= [680-518]/114$ ) and  $z$  for Gerald is 1.26 ( $= [27-20.7]/5$ )

3.10 (p.80);

- (a) .9978; (b) .0022; (c) .9515; (d) .9493

3.12 (p.81)

- (a)  $P(x > .40) = P(z > \frac{.40-.41}{.02}) = P(z > -.5) = .6915$
- (b)  $P(.40 < x < .50) = P(-.5 < z < 4.5) = .6915$

3.27 (p.85);

- (a) 50%; (b) .15%; (c) 16%

3.32 (p.86);

$z$  for Tonya  $= (1318-1026)/209=1.40$ ;  $z$  for Jermaine  $= (27-20.9)/4.8=1.27$ , thus Tonya's score is higher.

3.34 (p.87);

Josó's score standardizes to  $z = (1287-1026)/209 = 1.25$ , so an equivalent ACT score is  $20.9 + 1.25 \times 4.8 = 26.9$ .

3.36 (p.87);

Tonya's score standardizes to  $z = (1318-1026)/209=1.40$ ; this is about the 92nd percentile.

3.44 (p.87);

About 2.5% of young women are taller than the mean height of young men, because 69.3 inches corresponds to a standard score (on the women's scale) of  $z = (69.3-64)/2.7 = 19.6$ , which yields 0.0250 in Table A.

3.46 (p.87);

(a) Among men, a score of 750 corresponds to standard score  $z = (750-537)/116 = 1.84$ , so about 3.29% score 750 or more.

(b) Among women, a score of 750 corresponds to standard score  $z = (750-501)/110 = 2.26$ , so about 1.19% score 750 or more.