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Let's calculate failure rate using the following equation. Remember, six (6) units were put on test. Only 3 units failed, while the other 3 did not fail throughout the entire 10,000-hour test.

$$\text{Failure Rate} = \lambda = \frac{1}{\text{MTBF}}$$

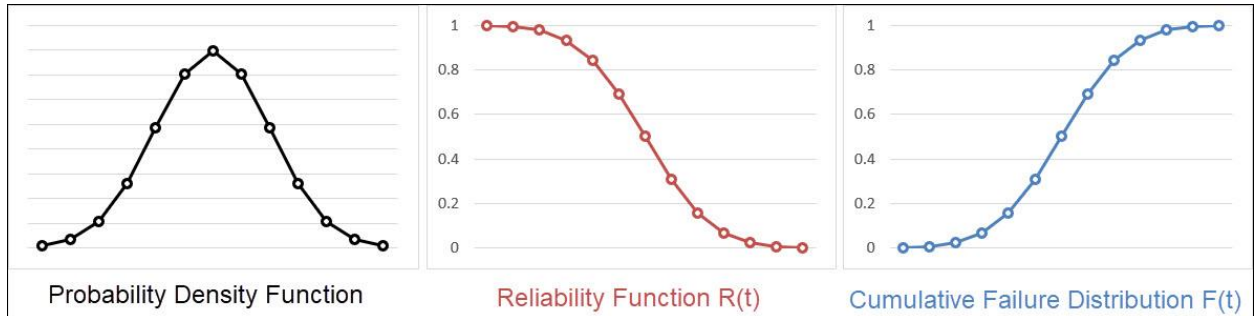
$$\text{MTBF} = \frac{\text{Operating Time}}{\text{Number of Failures}} = \frac{5,500 + 4,400 + 3,300 + 10,000 + 10,000 + 10,000}{3} = \frac{43,200}{3} = 14,400$$

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A **Probability Density Function** is probability model & mathematics equation that describe the failure frequency over time.



The **cumulative density function (CDF)** which shows the cumulative area under the PDF curve modeled as its own mathematical function.

The **Reliability Function** is the inverse of the CDF & estimates the probability that a unit will be operational at any given time.

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We can plug in the time value (250 hours), and the MTBF (1,000 hours) to calculate the reliability.

$$R(t) = e^{-\lambda t} \text{ Where } MTBF = \theta = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

$$R(250) = e^{\frac{-t}{\theta}} = e^{\frac{-250}{1,000}} = e^{-\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$R(250) = .7788 \text{ or } 77.88\% \text{ Reliability}$$

Using this equation, we can estimate the Reliability at 250 Hours to be 77.88%

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The below equation can be used to calculate reliability for an exponential distribution:

$$\textbf{Reliability: } R(t) = e^{-\lambda t} = e^{-\frac{t}{\theta}}$$

The point in time where the likelihood for failure being equal to the likelihood for success means that the reliability of the system is 50% or 0.50

$$R(t) = 0.50 = e^{-\lambda t} = e^{-\frac{t}{\theta}}$$

Where

$$\theta = \textbf{MTBF} = \textbf{1,000}$$

Now we can solve for the time value (t) associated with a reliability of 50%.

$$R(t) = 0.50 = e^{-\frac{t}{1,000}}$$

We can solve for t by taking the natural log (LN) of the exponential (e).

$$\textbf{LN(.50)} = \frac{-t}{\textbf{1,000}}$$

$$\textbf{t} = \textbf{-1,000 * LN(.50)} = \textbf{693 Hours}$$

6. What is the critical z-value associated with a 2-sided confidence interval that's associated with a 1% alpha risk? [NIST Z-Table for Normal Distribution](#)

- **z-score = 2.58**
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Because it's a 2-sided distribution, we're looking for the z-score that's associated with the area under the curve of 0.495.

This would capture 49.5% on the left half & right half of the distribution, leaving the remaining 1% of the alpha risk in the rejection area of the tails of the distribution.

The z-score associated with 0.495 probability is $z = 2.58$

Area under the Normal Curve from 0 to X

X	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.0	0.00000	0.00399	0.00798	0.01197	0.01595	0.01994	0.02392	0.02790	0.03188	0.03586
0.1	0.03983	0.04380	0.04776	0.05172	0.05567	0.05962	0.06356	0.06749	0.07142	0.07535
0.2	0.07926	0.08317	0.08706	0.09095	0.09483	0.09871	0.10257	0.10642	0.11026	0.11409
0.3	0.11791	0.12172	0.12552	0.12930	0.13307	0.13683	0.14058	0.14431	0.14803	0.15173
0.4	0.15542	0.15910	0.16276	0.16640	0.17003	0.17364	0.17724	0.18082	0.18439	0.18793
0.5	0.19146	0.19497	0.19847	0.20194	0.20540	0.20884	0.21226	0.21566	0.21904	0.22240
0.6	0.22575	0.22907	0.23237	0.23565	0.23891	0.24215	0.24537	0.24857	0.25175	0.25490
0.7	0.25804	0.26115	0.26424	0.26730	0.27035	0.27337	0.27637	0.27935	0.28230	0.28524
0.8	0.28814	0.29103	0.29389	0.29673	0.29955	0.30234	0.30511	0.30785	0.31057	0.31327
0.9	0.31594	0.31859	0.32121	0.32381	0.32639	0.32894	0.33147	0.33398	0.33646	0.33891
1.0	0.34134	0.34375	0.34614	0.34849	0.35083	0.35314	0.35543	0.35769	0.35993	0.36214
1.1	0.36433	0.36650	0.36864	0.37076	0.37286	0.37493	0.37698	0.37900	0.38100	0.38298
1.2	0.38493	0.38686	0.38877	0.39065	0.39251	0.39435	0.39617	0.39796	0.39973	0.40147
1.3	0.40320	0.40490	0.40658	0.40824	0.40988	0.41149	0.41308	0.41466	0.41621	0.41774
1.4	0.41924	0.42073	0.42220	0.42364	0.42507	0.42647	0.42785	0.42922	0.43056	0.43189
1.5	0.43319	0.43448	0.43574	0.43699	0.43822	0.43943	0.44062	0.44179	0.44295	0.44408
1.6	0.44520	0.44630	0.44738	0.44845	0.44950	0.45053	0.45154	0.45254	0.45352	0.45449
1.7	0.45543	0.45637	0.45728	0.45818	0.45907	0.45994	0.46080	0.46164	0.46246	0.46327
1.8	0.46407	0.46485	0.46562	0.46638	0.46712	0.46784	0.46856	0.46926	0.46995	0.47062
1.9	0.47128	0.47193	0.47257	0.47320	0.47381	0.47441	0.47500	0.47558	0.47615	0.47670
2.0	0.47725	0.47778	0.47831	0.47882	0.47932	0.47982	0.48030	0.48077	0.48124	0.48169
2.1	0.48214	0.48257	0.48300	0.48341	0.48382	0.48422	0.48461	0.48500	0.48537	0.48574
2.2	0.48610	0.48645	0.48679	0.48713	0.48745	0.48778	0.48809	0.48840	0.48870	0.48899
2.3	0.48928	0.48956	0.48983	0.49010	0.49036	0.49061	0.49086	0.49111	0.49134	0.49158
2.4	0.49180	0.49202	0.49224	0.49245	0.49266	0.49286	0.49305	0.49324	0.49343	0.49361
2.5	0.49380	0.49398	0.49416	0.49433	0.49450	0.49466	0.49481	0.49496	0.49506	0.49520
2.6	0.49534	0.49547	0.49560	0.49573	0.49585	0.49598	0.49609	0.49621	0.49632	0.49643

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The upper control limit of an NP Chart is calculated using the following equation:

$$UCL_{np} = n\bar{p} + 3\sqrt{n\bar{p}(1 - \bar{p})}$$

To execute this equation, we need to know the following variables:

$$\bar{p} = \% \text{ Defective}$$

$$n\bar{p} \text{ Centerline} = \frac{\sum np}{k}$$

Let's use our information from the problem statement to calculate these variables:

$$\bar{p} = \frac{\sum np}{\sum n} = \frac{\text{Sum of All Defectives}}{\text{Sum of Subgroup Quantity}} = \frac{145}{2500} = 0.058$$

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Now we can plug these variables back into the equation for the upper control limit:

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We divide R-bar by the factor d_2 , which is based on the $n=3$ sample size.

$$\text{Population Standard Deviation} = \hat{\sigma} = \frac{\bar{R}}{d_2} = \frac{16}{1.693} = 9.5$$

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Calculate your z test statistic:

In this instance our hypothesis test sample size is greater than 30 and we know the population standard deviation; therefore we can use the normal distribution and z-score for our test statistic.

$$z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} = \frac{2.53 - 2.50}{\frac{0.10}{\sqrt{50}}} = 2.121$$

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Because we know the population standard deviation and we're sampling more than 30 units we can use the normal distribution for your hypothesis test.

Based on the 1-sided test, and 1% significance level, we can look up the Z-value associated with 49.0% of the population, which is $Z_{crit} = \sim 2.33$

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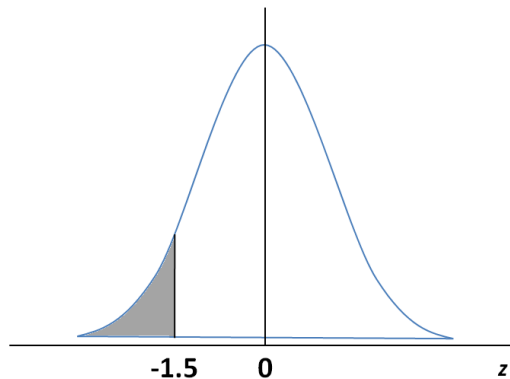
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$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{42 - 45}{2} = \frac{-3}{2} = -1.5$$



The probability that Z is between Z = -1.5 is equal to the shaded area above, and can be calculated as 0.50 - 0.43319 which is equal to 6.681%

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