Chapter 2: Describing Location in a Distribution

Key Vocabulary:

- density curve
- µmu
- σ sigma
- outcomes
- simulation
- normal curve
- normal distribution

- inflection point
- 68-95-99.7 rule
- percentile
- $N(\mu,\sigma)$
- standardized value
- z-scores

- CHAPTER 2
- standard normal distribution
- normal probability plot
- Calculator Skills:• randInt• normalpdf(x, μ , σ)• X[35, 185]25• normalcdf(lowerbound,
upperbound, μ , σ)• Y[-.01, .02].01• EE (1E99 and -1E99)• ShadeNorm(lowerbound,
upperbound, μ , σ)• upperbound, μ , σ)

2.1 Measures of Relative Standing and Density Curves (pp.116-133)

- 1. Explain how to *standardize* a variable.
- 2. What is the purpose of standardizing a variable?
- 3. What is a *percentile*?
- 4. Is there a difference between the 80th percentile and the top 80%? Explain.
- 5. Is there a difference between the 80th percentile and the lower 80%? Explain.

- 6. What is a *density curve*?
- 7. What does the area under a *density curve* represent?
- 8. Describe the shape of the *normal* density curve.
- 9. Where is the median of a *density curve* located?
- 10. Where is the mean of a *density curve* located?
- 11. What is a *uniform distribution*?
- 12. What is the difference between the *randInt* and *rand* commands on the TI-83?

2.2 Normal Distributions (pp.133-167)

1. How would you describe the shape of a *normal curve*? Draw several examples.

- 2. Where on the *normal curve* are the *inflection points* located?
- 3. Explain the 68-95-99.7 Rule.

- 4. What is the *standard normal distribution*?
- 5. What information does the *standard normal table* give?
- 6. How do you use the standard normal table (Table A) to find the area under the standard normal curve to the left of a given *z-value*? Draw a sketch.
- How do you use Table A to find the area under the standard normal curve to the right of a given *z*-value? Draw a sketch.
- How do you use Table A to find the area under the standard normal curve between two given *z-values*? Draw a sketch.
- 9. Describe two methods for assessing whether or not a distribution is *approximately normal*.

10. How can you produce a *normal probability plot* on a TI 83/84+, and what should this look like if the data are *normal*?

- 11. What information needs to used when using "ShadeNorm(" and what result will the calculator give?
- 12. What information needs to used when using "*normalcdf*(" and what result will the calculator give?
- 13. What information needs to used when using *"invNorm("* and what result will the calculator give?