Answer on Question #57497 – Math – Statistics and Probability

Question

Given a normal distribution with a mean of 10 and a standard deviation of 5, what is the probability that a variable is greater than 5?

Solution

To find the probability that a variable is greater than 5 we need to use formula:

$$P(\alpha \leq x < \beta) = \Phi((\beta - a)/\sigma) - \Phi((\alpha - a)/\sigma),$$

where $\Phi(t)$ is the cumulative distribution function of a standard normal random variable, a=10 and $\sigma=5$.

So, $P(x \ge 5) = 1 - \Phi((5 - 10)/5) = 1 - \Phi(-1) = 1 - 0.1587 = 0.8413$.

Answer: 0.8413.