Question #65322, Math / Statistics and Probability

A student obtained the following results for the normality of a Nitric acid solution: 0.424; 0.528; 0.621; 0.433; 0.537. Should 0.621as a result be rejected statistically?

Answer.

Sample mean
$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{5} \sum_{i=1}^{5} x_i = 0.5086$$
;

Sample standard deviation
$$s=\sqrt{\frac{1}{4}\sum_{i=1}^5(x_i-\overline{x})^2}=0.0817.$$

$$\overline{x} + 2s = 0.672 > 0.621.$$

So, the usual values are less than 0.672.

Therefore 0.621 should not be rejected statistically.

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