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19.09	D	Vasicek Model	19.27	D	Theta in CIR Model
19.10	E	Cont's-Time Int. Rate Models	19.28	C	CIR Model
19.11	E	Duration-Hedging	19.29	A	Vasicek Model
19.12	C	Risk-Neutral Vasicek Model	19.30	C	Risk-Neutral Vasicek Model
19.13	D	Risk-Neutral CIR Model	19.31	B	Risk-Neutral Vasicek Model
19.14	A	Delta-Gamma Approximation	19.32	C	Risk-Neutral Vasicek Model
19.15	A	Delta-Gamma Approximation	19.33	E	CIR Model
19.16	B	Vasicek Model	19.34	C	Vasicek Model
19.17	B	Vasicek Model	19.35	A	Rendleman-Bartter Model
19.18	C	Vasicek Model	19.36	D	CIR Model

MFE/3F Table Provided by the SOA

The printed normal distribution table should only be used if you don't have access to the online normal distribution calculator. We recommend using the online normal distribution calculator when working exam-style questions. The printed normal distribution table is provided in case internet access is not available.

Unless otherwise stated in the question, assume:

- The market is frictionless. There are no taxes, transaction costs, bid/ask spreads, or restrictions on short sales. All securities are perfectly divisible. Trading does not affect prices. Information is available to all investors simultaneously. Every investor acts rationally and there are no arbitrage opportunities.
- The risk-free interest rate is constant.
- The notation is the same as used in *Derivatives Markets*, by Robert L. McDonald.

When using the normal distribution calculator, values should be entered with five decimal places. Use all five decimal places from the result in subsequent calculations.

In *Derivatives Markets*, $\Pr(Z < x)$ is written as $N(x)$.

The standard normal density function is:

$$f_Z(x) = N'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2} = \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2 \times 3.14159}} = \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2.50663}}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty .$$

Let Y be a lognormal random variable. Assume that $\ln(Y)$ has mean m and standard deviation v. Then, the density function of Y is:

$$f_Y(x) = \frac{1}{xv\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\ln(x)-m}{v}\right)^2}, \quad x > 0$$

The distribution function of Y is:

$$F_Y(x) = N\left(\frac{\ln(x)-m}{v}\right), \quad x > 0$$

Also, $E\left[Y^k\right] = e^{\left(km+\frac{1}{2}k^2v^2\right)}$

which is the same as the moment-generating function of the random variable $\ln(Y)$ evaluated at the value k.

Printed Normal Distribution Table

Entries represent the area under the standardized normal distribution from $-\infty$ to z, $\Pr(Z < z)$.

The value of z to the first decimal is given in the left column. The second decimal place is given in the top row.

z	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.0	0.5000	0.5040	0.5080	0.5120	0.5160	0.5199	0.5239	0.5279	0.5319	0.5359
0.1	0.5398	0.5438	0.5478	0.5517	0.5557	0.5596	0.5636	0.5675	0.5714	0.5753
0.2	0.5793	0.5832	0.5871	0.5910	0.5948	0.5987	0.6026	0.6064	0.6103	0.6141
0.3	0.6179	0.6217	0.6255	0.6293	0.6331	0.6368	0.6406	0.6443	0.6480	0.6517
0.4	0.6554	0.6591	0.6628	0.6664	0.6700	0.6736	0.6772	0.6808	0.6844	0.6879
0.5	0.6915	0.6950	0.6985	0.7019	0.7054	0.7088	0.7123	0.7157	0.7190	0.7224
0.6	0.7257	0.7291	0.7324	0.7357	0.7389	0.7422	0.7454	0.7486	0.7517	0.7549
0.7	0.7580	0.7611	0.7642	0.7673	0.7704	0.7734	0.7764	0.7794	0.7823	0.7852
0.8	0.7881	0.7910	0.7939	0.7967	0.7995	0.8023	0.8051	0.8078	0.8106	0.8133
0.9	0.8159	0.8186	0.8212	0.8238	0.8264	0.8289	0.8315	0.8340	0.8365	0.8389
1.0	0.8413	0.8438	0.8461	0.8485	0.8508	0.8531	0.8554	0.8577	0.8599	0.8621
1.1	0.8643	0.8665	0.8686	0.8708	0.8729	0.8749	0.8770	0.8790	0.8810	0.8830
1.2	0.8849	0.8869	0.8888	0.8907	0.8925	0.8944	0.8962	0.8980	0.8997	0.9015
1.3	0.9032	0.9049	0.9066	0.9082	0.9099	0.9115	0.9131	0.9147	0.9162	0.9177
1.4	0.9192	0.9207	0.9222	0.9236	0.9251	0.9265	0.9279	0.9292	0.9306	0.9319
1.5	0.9332	0.9345	0.9357	0.9370	0.9382	0.9394	0.9406	0.9418	0.9429	0.9441
1.6	0.9452	0.9463	0.9474	0.9484	0.9495	0.9505	0.9515	0.9525	0.9535	0.9545
1.7	0.9554	0.9564	0.9573	0.9582	0.9591	0.9599	0.9608	0.9616	0.9625	0.9633
1.8	0.9641	0.9649	0.9656	0.9664	0.9671	0.9678	0.9686	0.9693	0.9699	0.9706
1.9	0.9713	0.9719	0.9726	0.9732	0.9738	0.9744	0.9750	0.9756	0.9761	0.9767
2.0	0.9772	0.9778	0.9783	0.9788	0.9793	0.9798	0.9803	0.9808	0.9812	0.9817
2.1	0.9821	0.9826	0.9830	0.9834	0.9838	0.9842	0.9846	0.9850	0.9854	0.9857
2.2	0.9861	0.9864	0.9868	0.9871	0.9875	0.9878	0.9881	0.9884	0.9887	0.9890
2.3	0.9893	0.9896	0.9898	0.9901	0.9904	0.9906	0.9909	0.9911	0.9913	0.9916
2.4	0.9918	0.9920	0.9922	0.9925	0.9927	0.9929	0.9931	0.9932	0.9934	0.9936
2.5	0.9938	0.9940	0.9941	0.9943	0.9945	0.9946	0.9948	0.9949	0.9951	0.9952
2.6	0.9953	0.9955	0.9956	0.9957	0.9959	0.9960	0.9961	0.9962	0.9963	0.9964
2.7	0.9965	0.9966	0.9967	0.9968	0.9969	0.9970	0.9971	0.9972	0.9973	0.9974
2.8	0.9974	0.9975	0.9976	0.9977	0.9977	0.9978	0.9979	0.9979	0.9980	0.9981
2.9	0.9981	0.9982	0.9982	0.9983	0.9984	0.9984	0.9985	0.9985	0.9986	0.9986
3.0	0.9987	0.9987	0.9987	0.9988	0.9988	0.9989	0.9989	0.9989	0.9990	0.9990
3.1	0.9990	0.9991	0.9991	0.9991	0.9992	0.9992	0.9992	0.9992	0.9993	0.9993
3.2	0.9993	0.9993	0.9994	0.9994	0.9994	0.9994	0.9994	0.9995	0.9995	0.9995
3.3	0.9995	0.9995	0.9995	0.9996	0.9996	0.9996	0.9996	0.9996	0.9996	0.9997
3.4	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9998
3.5	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998
3.6	0.9998	0.9998	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999
3.7	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999
3.8	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999	0.9999
3.9	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000

Values of z for selected values of $\Pr(Z < z)$							
z	0.8420	1.0360	1.2820	1.6450	1.9600	2.3260	2.5760
$\Pr(Z < z)$	0.8000	0.8500	0.9000	0.9500	0.9750	0.9900	0.9950