

M5-03: Probability Point Function (PPF)

Part of the "Polling, Confidence Intervals, and the Normal Distribution" Learning Badge **Video Walkthrough:** <u>https://discovery.cs.illinois.edu/m5-03/</u>

.ppf(), the Probability Point Function (PPF)

The **.ppf()** function is the inverse of the CDF. Specifically, the PPF is the point where the function $P(X \le x)$ is equal to the value provided. Using the same distributions:

Distribution, Real-World Example, and Visualization:		
D = norm()	D = bernoulli(p=0.25)	D = binom(p=0.25, n=5)
<i>Ex:</i> The distribution of anything normally distributed (ex: height of men/women, etc).	<i>Ex:</i> The distribution of success in picking a red marble from a bag of 1 red and 3 blue marbles.	<i>Ex:</i> The distribution of the number of questions correct on a MCQ exam with 5 questions and each question has 4 choices.
Normal Distribution	Bernoulli(p=0.25) Distribution	binom(n=5, p=0.25) Distribution
norm()	bernoulli(p=0.25)	binom(p=0.25, n=5)
Probability Point Function (PPFs) in Python:		
What is the Z-score when the CDF is 97.72%?	What is the 40 th -percentile result of drawing marbles for a red marble?	What is the expected range of scores of the lowest 30% of students?
<pre>Python Code: D.ppf(0.9772) Result:</pre>	<pre>Python Code: D.ppf(0.4) Result:</pre>	<pre>Python Code: D.ppf(0.3) Result:</pre>
What is the Z-score when exactly half of the distribution is to the left?	What is the 80 th -percentile result of drawing marbles for a red marble?	What is the expected range of scores of the top 80% of students?
Python Code:	Python Code:	Python Code:
Result:	Result:	Result: