

MIT 2.008 Design and Manufacturing II

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- Closed Book
- All work for CREDIT must be completed in this quiz document
- You are allowed one double-sided, hand written 8.5" x 11" notes sheet
- Calculators are allowed, and we have provided them in the room. Please return them at the end of the exam.

General Notes

- *For qualitative answers, we're not looking for long essays. Please answer using short (1-2 sentence per answer) bullet points.*
- *For quantitative answers, show your work as clearly as possible. When possible, keep answers in algebraic form until plugging in numbers at the very end; this way, it is much easier for graders to understand where you make mistakes and provide meaningful feedback (and partial credit).*

Name: _____

Problem 1		Out of 12 points
Problem 2		Out of 28 points
Problem 3		Out of 8 points
Problem 4		Out of 24 points
Problem 5		Out of 28 points
Total		100 points

Problem 1 - Manufacturing Relationships (12 points)

2 points each for parts a-f.

For the following prompts, indicate the correct choice (highlighted) and provide a brief rationale.

- a) Amorphous materials are (**more/less**) prone to warpage compared to crystalline polymers.

Brief Rationale

- b) The heating time for a plastic sheet to be thermoformed depends on (**thermal diffusivity, absorption coefficient**).

Brief Rationale

- c) You are turning a part on a lathe with a given spindle speed, feed, depth of cut and positive rake angle. If you decrease the rake angle, then chip thickness (**decreases / stays the same / increases**).

Brief Rationale

- d) Increasing the frequency at which you take samples and calculate sample means would decrease the gap between your UCL and LCL. **True / False**

Brief Rationale

- e) Your likelihood of systematic error (**increase/decreases/stays the same**) as C_{pk} gets closer to C_p .

Brief Rationale

- f) UCL/LCL are parameters that are provided by designers to manufacturers to ensure parts are always within specifications. **True / False**

Brief Rationale



Figure 1 - Disassembled components of Surebonder glue gun

For Problems 2-4, you will inspect the Surebonder glue gun, analyzing the considerations of manufacturing the nozzle, packaging, and main housing. A view of disassembled components (other than the packaging) is shown above.

Note: physical examples are provided for your reference, but you should not need to disassemble the glue gun in order to answer any of the questions. The blue tape can be pulled back to access the parts in question. The yellow tape should not be removed, to keep the supplementary electronics in place. All parts referenced in the problems should be easily removable. If you have any questions, please ask. Please try to reassemble anything you inspect at the end of the quiz, but if you are tight on time the course staff are happy to assist you.

Problem 2 - Cutting (28 points)

Figure 2 shows one of the nozzles of the SureBonder glue gun. The nozzle gets machined out of a $D_0 = 0.5$ " maximal diameter hexagonal aluminum rod.

Please keep in mind the area of a hexagon is $A_{hex} = \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}s^2$,

where s is the side length, which is half the maximal diameter.

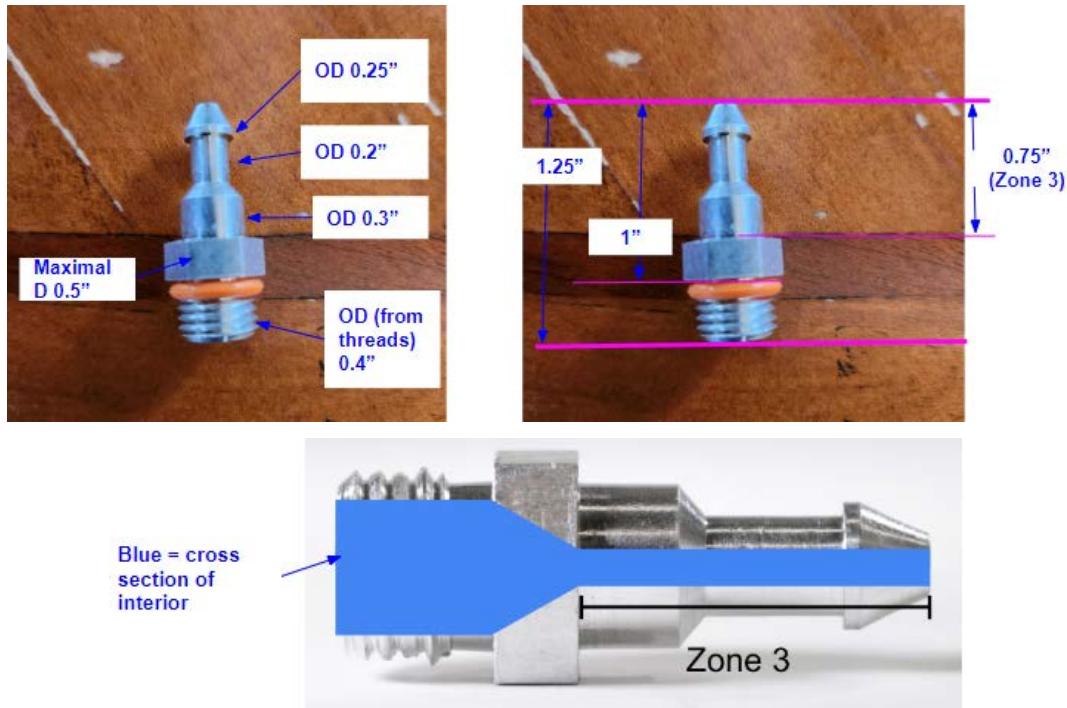


Figure 2 - Nozzle Diameter Dimensions

TABLE 21.2

Approximate Range of Energy Requirements in Cutting Operations at the Drive Motor of the Machine Tool (for Dull Tools, Multiply by 1.25)

Material	Specific energy W · s/mm ³
Aluminum alloys	0.4–1
Cast irons	1.1–5.4
Copper alloys	1.4–3.2
High-temperature alloys	3.2–8
Magnesium alloys	0.3–0.6
Nickel alloys	4.8–6.7
Refractory alloys	3–9
Stainless steels	2–5
Steels	2–9
Titanium alloys	2–5

We will consider only the first orthogonal cutting step of the process plan. This starts with raw hex stock and turns down to 0.3" cylindrical diameter for the entire length of Zone 3 through a single pass. The spindle speed N is 1200 RPM and the feed f is 0.025" per revolution.

a) Given the conditions described above, how long will it take to complete the operation? **(4 points)**

b) Given your answer to part (a), calculate the MRR (in in^3/s). **(6 points)**

c) Calculate the minimum and maximum estimated power (in W) required to complete the operation. Assume 1 inch = 25.4 mm. **(5 points)**

d) Estimate the minimum and maximum average cutting force (in N) during the operation. Note that for a hexagon, the average distance of an edge from the center is $\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{8}\right)D_0 = 0.4665D_0$. **(7 points)**

- e) You have been asked to reduce the power requirement needed to make this nozzle. Assuming the dimensions of the nozzle are customer specifications and cannot change, what are 3 parameters you would change that may reduce the power needed? **(6 points)**

Problem 3 - Thermoforming (8 points)

Now, we will consider the packaging of the glue gun.

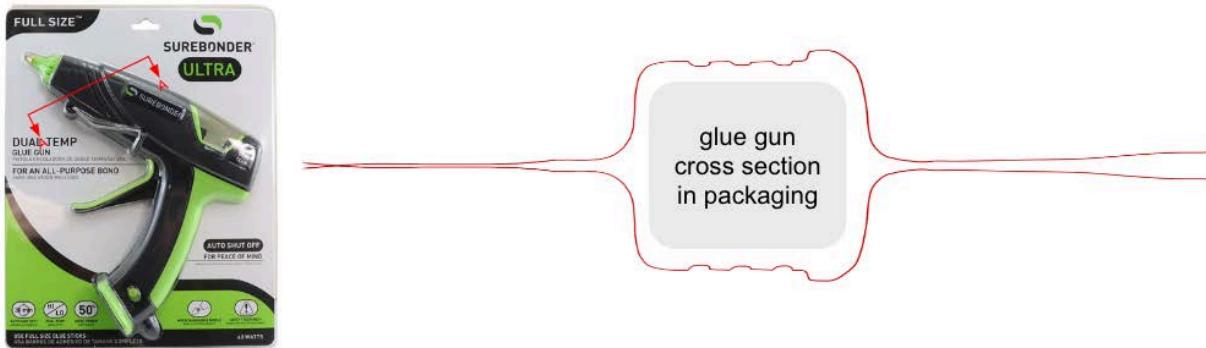


Figure 3 - Thermoformed Packaging

- a) Is the packaging thermoformed on a positive or negative mold? Use the reference image below showing a rough sketch of the cross section A-A of the packaging to justify your answer. Physical examples are provided if you would like to inspect the packaging yourself. **(4 points)**

- b) Retailers are complaining that the glue gun is too tight inside of the packaging. As the packaging manufacturer, you suggest that this is due to excess shrinkage during cooling. Provide 2 solutions which may resolve this issue. **(4 points)**

Problem 4 - Injection Molding (Glue Gun) (24 points)

The housing shown in Figure 4 is made out of Polypropylene.

Note: Ignore the overmolded green part; for this problem, we can treat the housing as a single part.



Figure 4 - Glue Gun Housing

Note: For the purposes of this problem, you can ignore curves and small features in the housing, and instead treat its dimensions as a series of rectangular prisms with a top view as shown in Figure 5 below.

*Note: Assume all dimensions provided are **exclusive** of the part thickness (other than the thickness dimension itself); in other words, they reflect the dimensions in **contact with the mold**.*

*Note: the part has a height of 0.7". Instead of doing the calculations yourself based on this height, you can assume that this height adds a surface area of **17in²** in contact with the side of the mold (NOT in the direction of clamping force).*

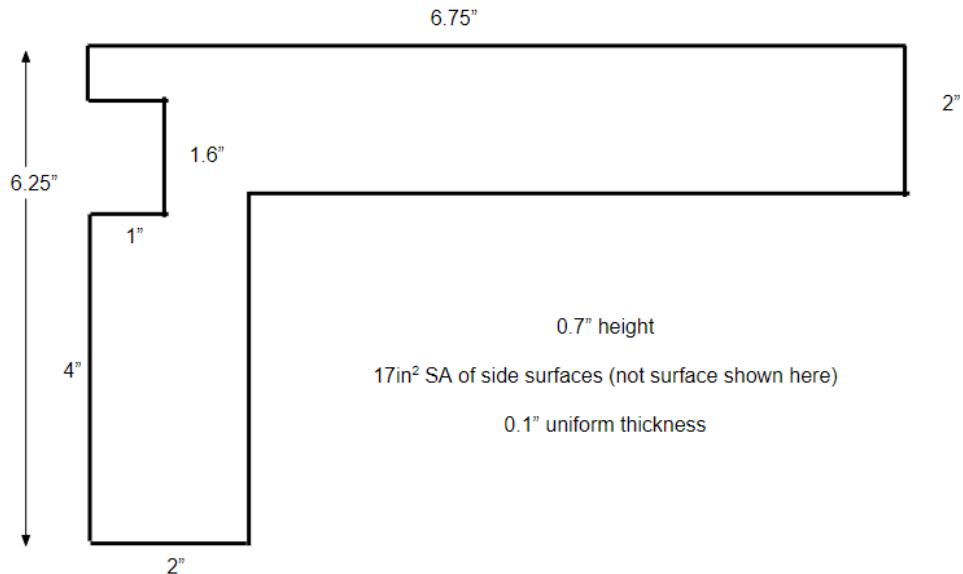


Figure 5 - Glue Gun Housing Dimensions for Purposes of the Quiz Problem

The following are the material properties of Polypropylene.

Property	Value
Density	$\rho = 1200 \text{ kg/m}^3 = 0.694 \text{ oz/in}^3$
Specific heat capacity	$c_p = 2130 \text{ J/kg-K}$
Thermal conductivity	$k = 0.2 \text{ W/m-K}$
Glass transition temperature	$T_g = 108^\circ\text{C}$
Melt temperature	$T_m = 200^\circ\text{C}$
Viscosity of Molten Polyethylene (@ 220 C)	600 Pa•s
Acceptable flow path ratios	150-280

- a) Estimate the clamping force for a single part. Assume the pressure needed to injection mold this part is 30 MPa. **(5 points)**

- b) Which machine/machines are capable of producing this part? **(8 points)**

Note: 1KN ~ 0.113 US tons

Note: You can ignore the volume of edges; in other words, assume the part volume is just surface area in contact with the mold, times part thickness.

Machine type/ Clamping force		Clearance between tie bars	max. shot weight (PS)
BOY XXS 6.93 US tons		6.3 inch / 8.1 inch diagonal	0.33 oz
BOY XS 11.0 US tons		6.3 inch / 8.1 inch diagonal	0.26 oz
BOY 22 A 24.2 US tons		10 inch	2.05 oz
BOY 25 E 27.5 US tons		10 inch	2.45 oz
BOY 35 E 38.5 US tons		11 x 10 inch (h x v)	2.45 oz
BOY 50 E 55.0 US tons		14.2 x 13.2 inch (h x v)	2.45 oz
BOY 60 E 66.0 US tons		14.2 x 13.2 inch (h x v)	5.56 oz

Figure 6 - Injection Molded Machine Specifications

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- c) Estimate the maximum number of housings that you could produce in an hour assuming that all other cycle time contributions besides the cooling time are negligible and that $(T_{melt} - T_{mold}) \approx 10(T_{ejection} - T_{mold})$. **(5 points)**
- d) Assume that multiple gates are positioned such that the longest dimension provided (6.75") is the characteristic length. Which is a bigger risk, flash or short-shot? Why? Propose 2 (qualitative) ways to fix that failure mode using molding parameters and material properties. **(6 points)**

Bigger risk & why	
Fix 1	
Fix 2	

Problem 5 - IM/Assembly/Quality (Lego Bricks) (28 points)

You are a manufacturing engineer working for a manufacturing company that is a supplier for LEGO company. Figure 2 and 3 shows the prototype of the manufactured LEGO block and the dimensions respectively. As you answer the following questions, you must keep the following quality requirements in mind:

- i) The critical surfaces that may affect assembly of the LEGO bricks must not have imperfections/marks.
- ii) The part needs to maintain its symmetry.

The LEGO brick is made out of ABS which has the following material properties.

Property	Value
Density	$\rho = 1100 \text{ kg/m}^3$
Specific heat capacity (plastic)	$c_p = 1700 \text{ J/kg-K}$
Thermal conductivity	$k = 0.2 \text{ W/m-K}$
Glass transition temperature	$T_g = 105^\circ\text{C}$
Melt temperature	$T_m = 220^\circ\text{C}$
Viscosity of Molten ABS (@ 220 °C)	350 Pa•s

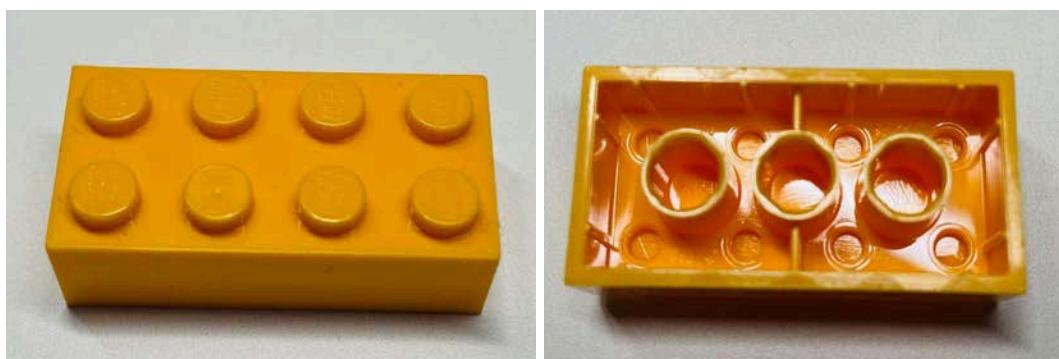


Figure 7 - Manufactured Lego Block

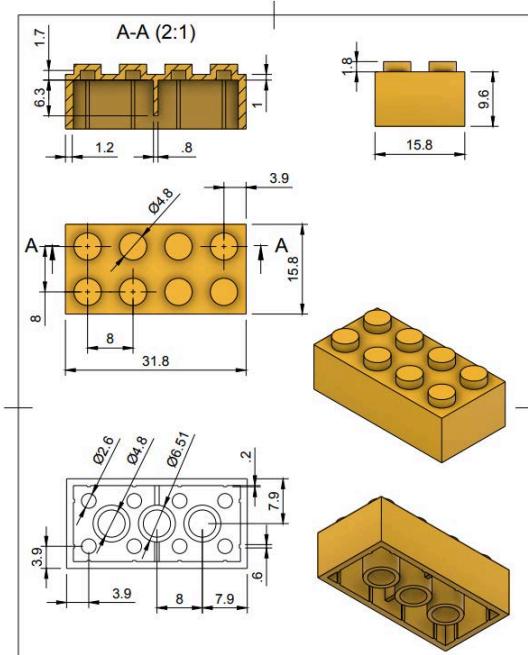


Figure 8 - Dimensions of Lego Brick Design (*All dimensions are in mm)

- a) Given the quality requirements and the assumption that there is no post-processing (to get rid of gate/ejector pin marks on surfaces), we need to decide where to put the gate(s) and ejector pins. For the one- and two-gate scenarios below, indicate where you would ideally put the gate/gates and ejector pins, and explain one advantage and disadvantage behind choosing the specified number of gates. *Note: You can also indicate in any of the existing pictures provided or draw your own to show when you would put the gate/ejector pins.* **(6 points)**

1 gate	Location:
	Advantage:
	Disadvantage:
2 gates	Locations:
	Advantage:
	Disadvantage:

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- b) Sketch a cross section of the mold used to make this part, **identifying and labeling** all critical features of the part and components of the mold. *Note: Minimum the drawing should include gate(s), ejector pin(s), core, cavity, runner(s) and parting line.* **(6 points)**

For the rest of this problem, we will consider the assembly of two lego bricks with each other. Two bricks will fit together through interference between the outer bosses of the lower piece and the internal bosses of the upper piece, as shown below.

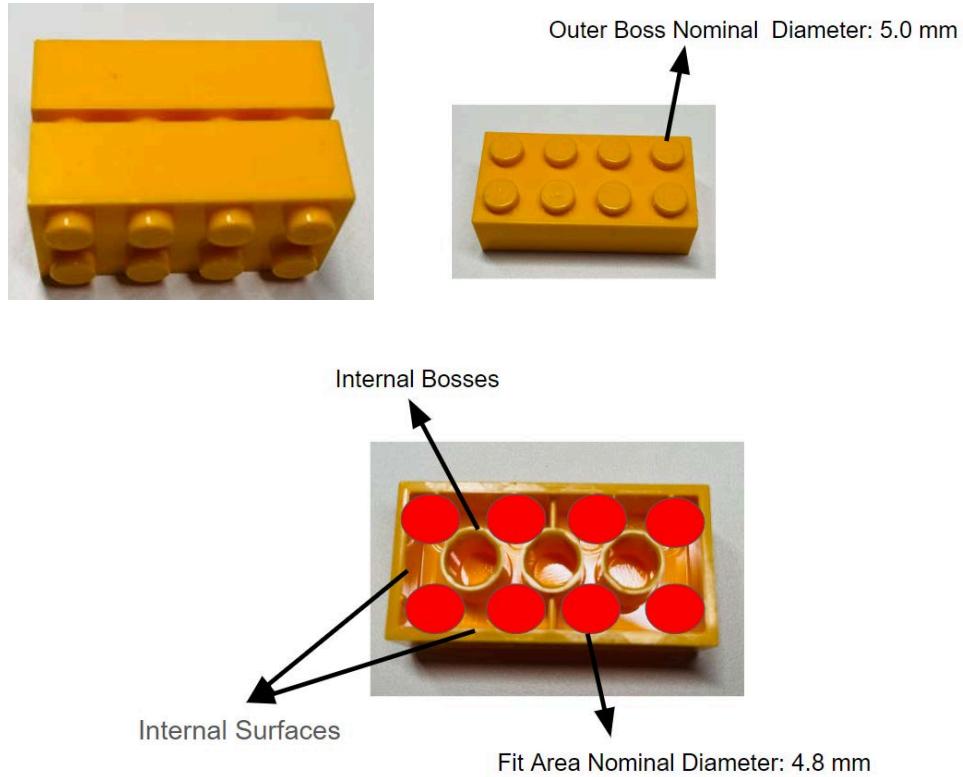


Figure 9 - Assembly of 2 Lego Bricks

Note: Fit area (red circles) is the area within which the outer boss from another brick fits into when two LEGO bricks are being assembled together.

Dimension	Mean [mm]	Standard Deviation [mm]
Outer Boss Diameter	4.95	0.05
Fit area Diameter	4.70	0.25

- c) You find the outer boss of the LEGO bricks to have a mean diameter of 4.95 mm with a standard deviation of 0.15mm. If your specification for this feature is 5.00 ± 0.10 mm, what is the capability C_p and capability index C_{pk} of this process? (7 points)

- d) During the manufacturing of the brick, quality engineers determine the process statistics by measuring samples of the outer boss diameter. Parts are measured in sample sizes of 20 each in order to check whether the process is stable. What is the Upper Control Limit (UCL) and Lower Control Limit (LCL) used during this sampling? **(3 points)**
- e) Assume that the fit area diameter is specified to be 4.80 ± 0.10 mm (USL 4.90, LSL 4.70), and the outer boss diameter is specified to be 5.00 ± 0.10 mm (USL 5.10, LSL 4.90). This means a specified interference fit of 0.20 ± 0.20 mm (USL 0.40, LSL 0.00) for when these two parts are press-fit together.

Combining Normally Distributed Data Sets

added data sets:

$$\mu_{new} = \mu_1 + \mu_2$$

$$\sigma_{new} = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$$

subtracted data sets:

$$\mu_{new} = \mu_1 - \mu_2$$

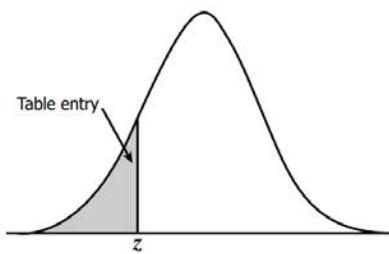
$$\sigma_{new} = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}$$

If you randomly select two lego pieces, what is the probability that they will fit together within the specified range of interference? *Note: For simplicity, assume 7 of the 8 fit areas/outer bosses will fit for sure and the question is asking about one of the fit areas/outer bosses.* **(4 points)**

- f) What are two manufacturing changes you would implement to increase this probability? **(2 points)**

Appendix I: Z-score Table

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$



<i>z</i>	.00	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
-3.4	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0003	.0002
-3.3	.0005	.0005	.0005	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0004	.0003
-3.2	.0007	.0007	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0006	.0005	.0005	.0005
-3.1	.0010	.0009	.0009	.0009	.0008	.0008	.0008	.0008	.0007	.0007
-3.0	.0013	.0013	.0013	.0012	.0012	.0011	.0011	.0011	.0010	.0010
-2.9	.0019	.0018	.0018	.0017	.0016	.0016	.0015	.0015	.0014	.0014
-2.8	.0026	.0025	.0024	.0023	.0023	.0022	.0021	.0021	.0020	.0019
-2.7	.0035	.0034	.0033	.0032	.0031	.0030	.0029	.0028	.0027	.0026
-2.6	.0047	.0045	.0044	.0043	.0041	.0040	.0039	.0038	.0037	.0036
-2.5	.0062	.0060	.0059	.0057	.0055	.0054	.0052	.0051	.0049	.0048
-2.4	.0082	.0080	.0078	.0075	.0073	.0071	.0069	.0068	.0066	.0064
-2.3	.0107	.0104	.0102	.0099	.0096	.0094	.0091	.0089	.0087	.0084
-2.2	.0139	.0136	.0132	.0129	.0125	.0122	.0119	.0116	.0113	.0110
-2.1	.0179	.0174	.0170	.0166	.0162	.0158	.0154	.0150	.0146	.0143
-2.0	.0228	.0222	.0217	.0212	.0207	.0202	.0197	.0192	.0188	.0183
-1.9	.0287	.0281	.0274	.0268	.0262	.0256	.0250	.0244	.0239	.0233
-1.8	.0359	.0351	.0344	.0336	.0329	.0322	.0314	.0307	.0301	.0294
-1.7	.0446	.0436	.0427	.0418	.0409	.0401	.0392	.0384	.0375	.0367
-1.6	.0548	.0537	.0526	.0516	.0505	.0495	.0485	.0475	.0465	.0455
-1.5	.0668	.0655	.0643	.0630	.0618	.0606	.0594	.0582	.0571	.0559
-1.4	.0808	.0793	.0778	.0764	.0749	.0735	.0721	.0708	.0694	.0681
-1.3	.0968	.0951	.0934	.0918	.0901	.0885	.0869	.0853	.0838	.0823
-1.2	.1151	.1131	.1112	.1093	.1075	.1056	.1038	.1020	.1003	.0985
-1.1	.1357	.1335	.1314	.1292	.1271	.1251	.1230	.1210	.1190	.1170
-1.0	.1587	.1562	.1539	.1515	.1492	.1469	.1446	.1423	.1401	.1379
-0.9	.1841	.1814	.1788	.1762	.1736	.1711	.1685	.1660	.1635	.1611
-0.8	.2119	.2090	.2061	.2033	.2005	.1977	.1949	.1922	.1894	.1867
-0.7	.2420	.2389	.2358	.2327	.2296	.2266	.2236	.2206	.2177	.2148
-0.6	.2743	.2709	.2676	.2643	.2611	.2578	.2546	.2514	.2483	.2451
-0.5	.3085	.3050	.3015	.2981	.2946	.2912	.2877	.2843	.2810	.2776
-0.4	.3446	.3409	.3372	.3336	.3300	.3264	.3228	.3192	.3156	.3121
-0.3	.3821	.3783	.3745	.3707	.3669	.3632	.3594	.3557	.3520	.3483
-0.2	.4207	.4168	.4129	.4090	.4052	.4013	.3974	.3936	.3897	.3859
-0.1	.4602	.4562	.4522	.4483	.4443	.4404	.4364	.4325	.4286	.4247
-0.0	.5000	.4960	.4920	.4880	.4840	.4801	.4761	.4721	.4681	.4641

<i>z</i>	.00	.01	.02	.03	.04	.05	.06	.07	.08	.09
0.0	.5000	.5040	.5080	.5120	.5160	.5199	.5239	.5279	.5319	.5359
0.1	.5398	.5438	.5478	.5517	.5557	.5596	.5636	.5675	.5714	.5753
0.2	.5793	.5832	.5871	.5910	.5948	.5987	.6026	.6064	.6103	.6141
0.3	.6179	.6217	.6255	.6293	.6331	.6368	.6406	.6443	.6480	.6517
0.4	.6554	.6591	.6628	.6664	.6700	.6736	.6772	.6808	.6844	.6879
0.5	.6915	.6950	.6985	.7019	.7054	.7088	.7123	.7157	.7190	.7224
0.6	.7257	.7291	.7324	.7357	.7389	.7422	.7454	.7486	.7517	.7549
0.7	.7580	.7611	.7642	.7673	.7704	.7734	.7764	.7794	.7823	.7852
0.8	.7881	.7910	.7939	.7967	.7995	.8023	.8051	.8078	.8106	.8133
0.9	.8159	.8186	.8212	.8238	.8264	.8289	.8315	.8340	.8365	.8389
1.0	.8413	.8438	.8461	.8485	.8508	.8531	.8554	.8577	.8599	.8621
1.1	.8643	.8665	.8686	.8708	.8729	.8749	.8770	.8790	.8810	.8830
1.2	.8849	.8869	.8888	.8907	.8925	.8944	.8962	.8980	.8997	.9015
1.3	.9032	.9049	.9066	.9082	.9099	.9115	.9131	.9147	.9162	.9177
1.4	.9192	.9207	.9222	.9236	.9251	.9265	.9279	.9292	.9306	.9319
1.5	.9332	.9345	.9357	.9370	.9382	.9394	.9406	.9418	.9429	.9441
1.6	.9452	.9463	.9474	.9484	.9495	.9505	.9515	.9525	.9535	.9545
1.7	.9554	.9564	.9573	.9582	.9591	.9599	.9608	.9616	.9625	.9633
1.8	.9641	.9649	.9656	.9664	.9671	.9678	.9686	.9693	.9699	.9706
1.9	.9713	.9719	.9726	.9732	.9738	.9744	.9750	.9756	.9761	.9767
2.0	.9772	.9778	.9783	.9788	.9793	.9798	.9803	.9808	.9812	.9817
2.1	.9821	.9826	.9830	.9834	.9838	.9842	.9846	.9850	.9854	.9857
2.2	.9861	.9864	.9868	.9871	.9875	.9878	.9881	.9884	.9887	.9890
2.3	.9893	.9896	.9898	.9901	.9904	.9906	.9909	.9911	.9913	.9916
2.4	.9918	.9920	.9922	.9925	.9927	.9929	.9931	.9932	.9934	.9936
2.5	.9938	.9940	.9941	.9943	.9945	.9946	.9948	.9949	.9951	.9952
2.6	.9953	.9955	.9956	.9957	.9959	.9960	.9961	.9962	.9963	.9964
2.7	.9965	.9966	.9967	.9968	.9969	.9970	.9971	.9972	.9973	.9974
2.8	.9974	.9975	.9976	.9977	.9977	.9978	.9979	.9979	.9980	.9981
2.9	.9981	.9982	.9982	.9983	.9984	.9984	.9985	.9985	.9986	.9986
3.0	.9987	.9987	.9987	.9988	.9988	.9989	.9989	.9989	.9990	.9990
3.1	.9990	.9991	.9991	.9991	.9992	.9992	.9992	.9992	.9993	.9993
3.2	.9993	.9993	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9994	.9995	.9995	.9995
3.3	.9995	.9995	.9995	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9996	.9997
3.4	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9997	.9998

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