## **TOPIC**

Engineering Probability and Statistics – Section II – Question 8

## QUESTION

The sodium content of a 300-gram box of organic corn flakes is approximately normally distributed with  $\sigma$  = 0.55 milligrams. Ten boxes were examined. The data (in milligrams) are as follows: 131.4, 130.9, 130.0, 129.8, 129.5, 129.4, 130.1, 130.6, 130.5, and 129.8. Test the hypothesis H<sub>0</sub>:  $\mu$  = 130 versus H<sub>1</sub>:  $\mu \neq$  130, using  $\alpha$  = 0.02. If the true mean sodium content is 130.5 milligrams, the power of this test most nearly is

- (A) 0.050
- (B) 0.121
- (C) 0.216
- (D) 0.293

## HINT

The power =  $1 - \beta$ , where  $\beta$  is the type-II error probability.  $\beta = P(Accept H_0: \mu = \mu_0, when \mu = \mu')$ .

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