# NCFPPF

#### **PURPOSE**

Compute the non-central F percent point function with degrees of freedom parameters  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  and non-centrality parameter lambda.

# **DESCRIPTION**

The central F distribution is the ratio of 2 central chi-square distributions with  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  degrees of freedom respectively. The non-central F distribution is the ratio of a non-central chi-square distribution with  $v_1$  degrees of freedom and non-centrality parameter  $\lambda$  and a central chi-square distribution with degrees of freedom parameter  $v_2$ . The percent point function does not have a simple closed form. It is calculated numerically.

#### **SYNTAX**

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LET <y> = NCFPPF(,<v1>,<v2>,<lambda>) <SUBSET/EXCEPT/FOR qualification> where  is a number, variable or a parameter containing values in the interval (0,1);  is a variable or a parameter (depending on what  is) where the computed ppf value is stored; <v1> is a non-negative number, parameter or variable that specifies the first degrees of freedom parameter; <v2> is a non-negative number, parameter or variable that specifies the second degrees of freedom parameter; <lambda> is a non-negative number, parameter or variable that specifies the non-centrality parameter; and where the <SUBSET/EXCEPT/FOR qualification> is optional.
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## **EXAMPLES**

```
LET A = NCFPPF(0.75,3,3,5)
LET A = NCFPPF(0.95,10,10,5)
LET Y = NCFPPF(0.82,14,15,10000)
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#### NOTE 1

DATAPLOT uses a bisection method to compute the non-central F ppf value. The algorithm for the central beta distribution is given in the Kennedy and Gentle book (see the REFERENCE section below). The algorithm for the non-central F distribution is similar.

#### NOTE 2

Both the degrees of freedom parameters and the non-centrality parameters should be positive real numbers. The non-centrality parameter should be a non-negative real number.

# NOTE 3

DATAPLOT also supports the central F and the doubly non-central F distributions (see the documentation for FPPF and DNFPPF). The DNFPPF function can be used for the singly non-central F as well (set the second non-centrality parameter to zero). The NCFPPF function can be used for the central F distribution as well.

## **DEFAULT**

None

## **SYNONYMS**

None

# RELATED COMMANDS

DNFPPF	=	Compute the doubly non-central F percent point function.
NCFCDF	=	Compute the singly non-central F cumulative distribution function.
FCDF	=	Compute the F cumulative distribution function.
FPDF	=	Compute the F probability density function.
FPPF	=	Compute the F percent point function.
NCBCDF	=	Compute the non-central beta cumulative distribution function.
NCBPPF	=	Compute the non-central beta percent point function.
NCCCDF	=	Compute the non-central chi-square cumulative distribution function.
NCCPPF	=	Compute the non-central chi-square percent point function.
NCTCDF	=	Compute the non-central t cumulative distribution function.
NCTPPF	=	Compute the non-central t percent point function.
CHSPDF	=	Compute the chi-square probability density function.
CHSPPF	=	Compute the chi-square percent point function.

CHSCDF = Compute the chi-square cumulative distribution function.

NORCDF = Compute the normal cumulative distribution function.

NORPDF = Compute the normal probability density function.

NORPPF = Compute the normal properties function.

#### REFERENCE

"Computing Noncentral Beta Probabilities," Lenth, Applied Statistics, Vol. 39, No. 2, 1987, pp. 241-244.

"Continuous Univariate Distributions - Vol. 2," Johnson and Kotz, Wiley and Sons, 1970.

"Statistical Distributions," 2nd Edition, Evans, Hastings, and Peacock, 1970 (chapter 17).

## **APPLICATIONS**

Hypothesis testing

# IMPLEMENTATION DATE

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## **PROGRAM**

TITLE AUTOMATIC
X1LABEL PROBABILITY
Y1LABEL X
PLOT NCFPPF(P,10,10,5) FOR P = 0.01 0.01 0.99

