

Quantitative Methods – I (Statistics)

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Chapter 6

Continuous Random Variables

Continuous Random Variables: Outline

1. Normal distribution $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$
2. Standard normal distribution $Z \sim N(0,1)$
3. Chi-square distribution $X \sim \chi_n^2$
4. t-Student distribution $X \sim t_n$
5. F distribution $X \sim F_{n,m}$

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A continuous random variable X can assume any value over an interval.

2 characteristics (similar to discrete variables):

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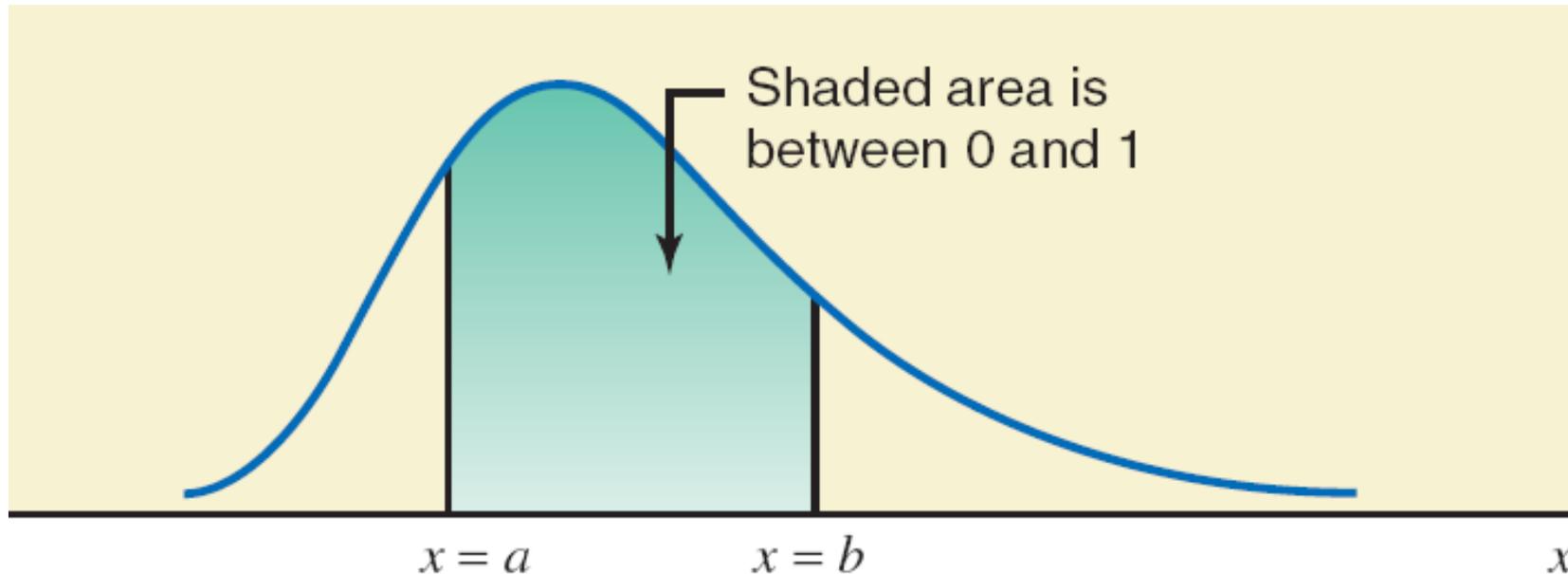
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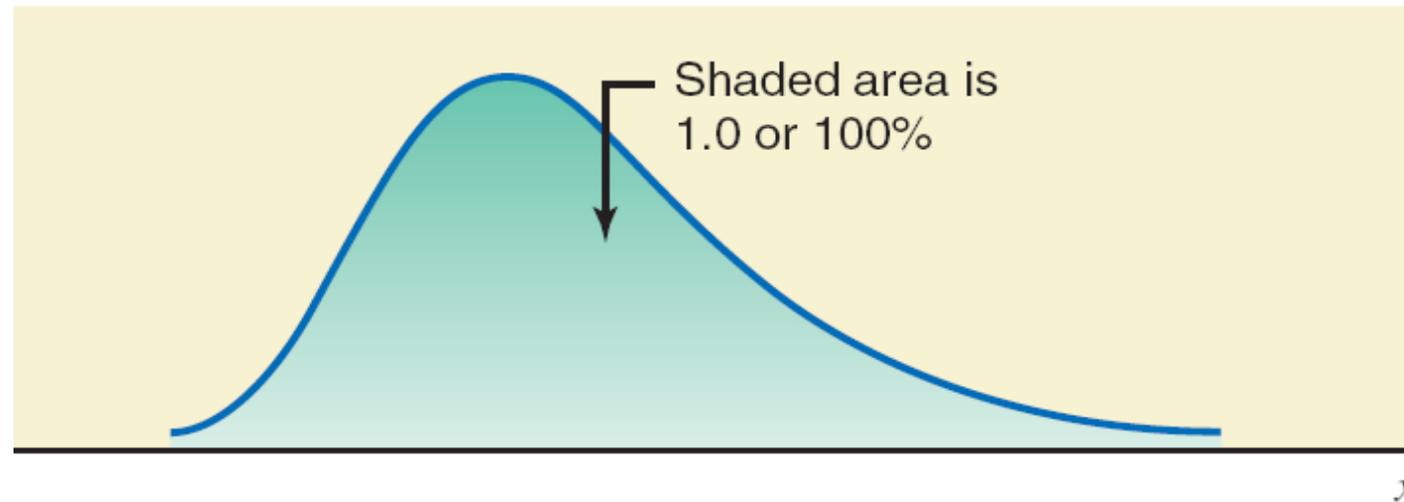


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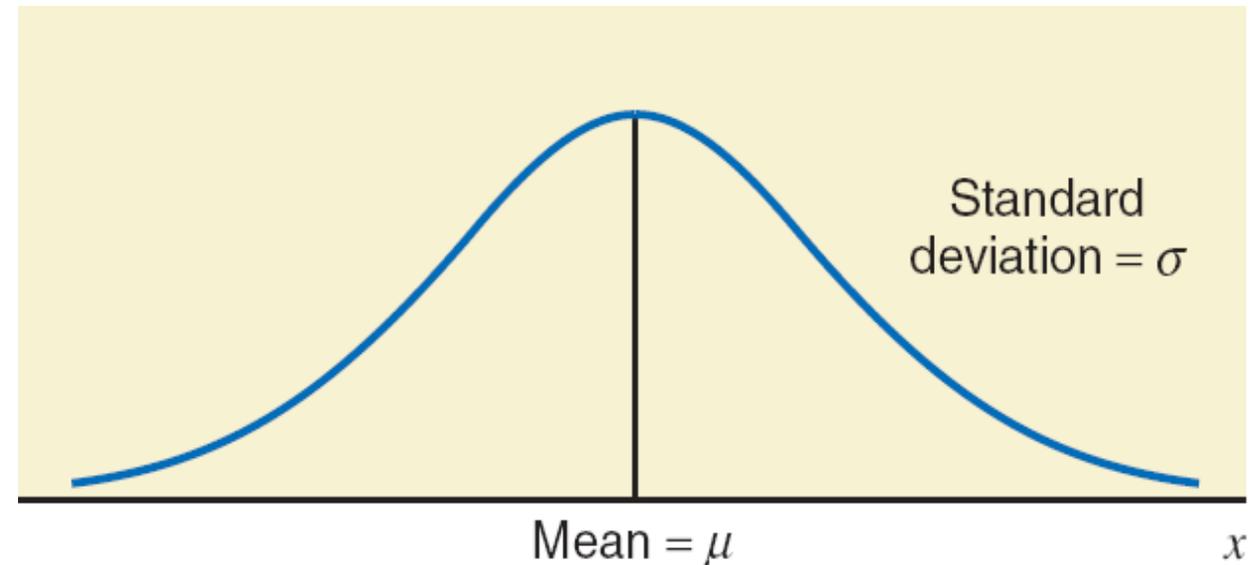
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parameters: μ (mean), and
 σ (the spread)

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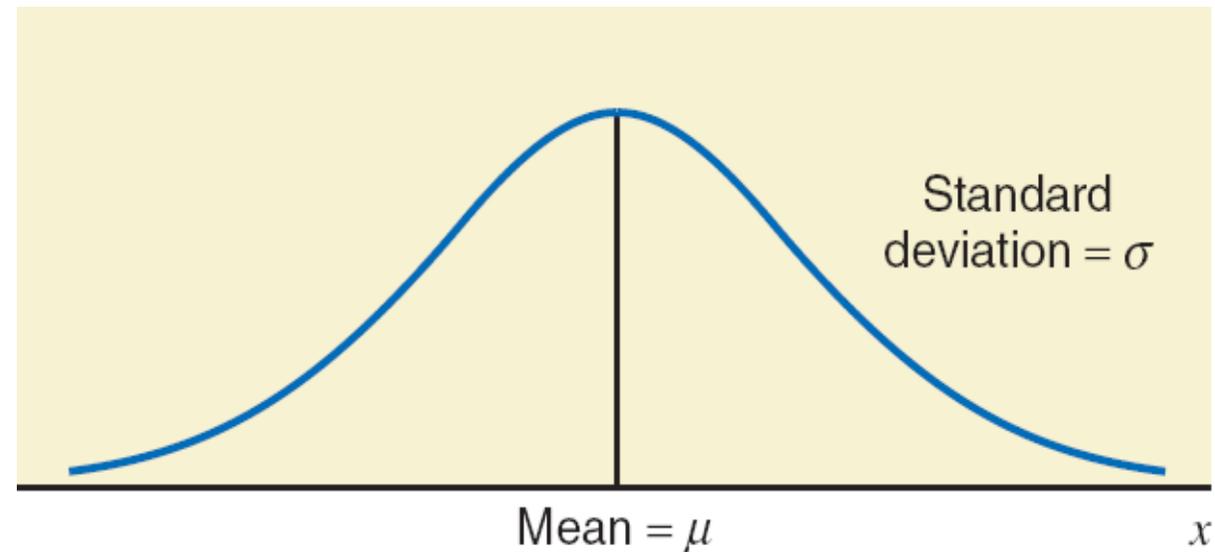
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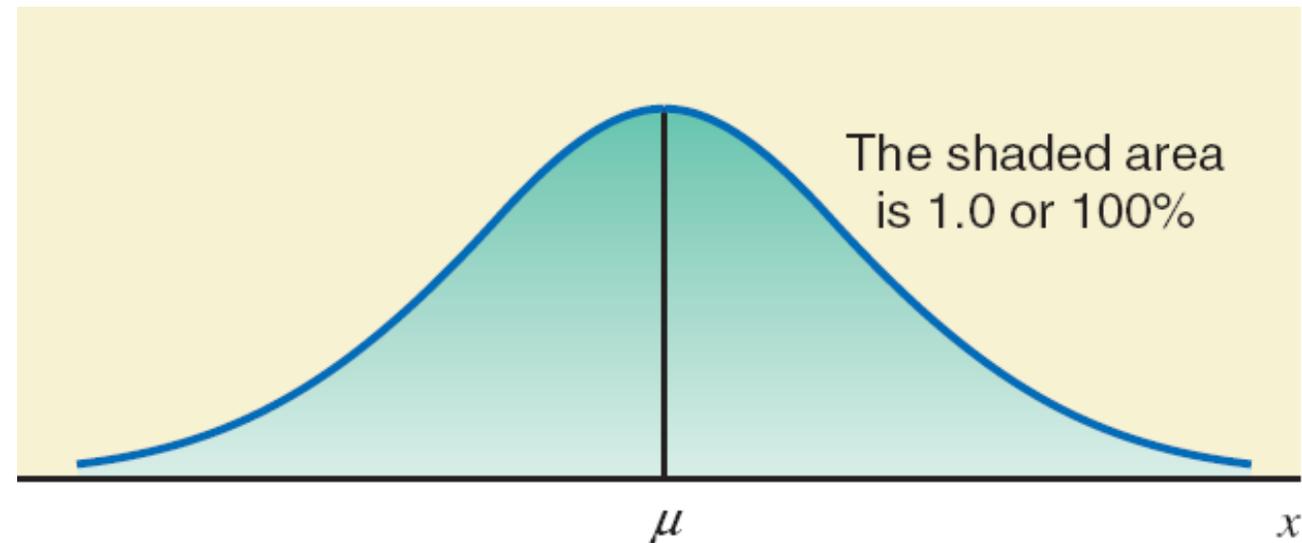
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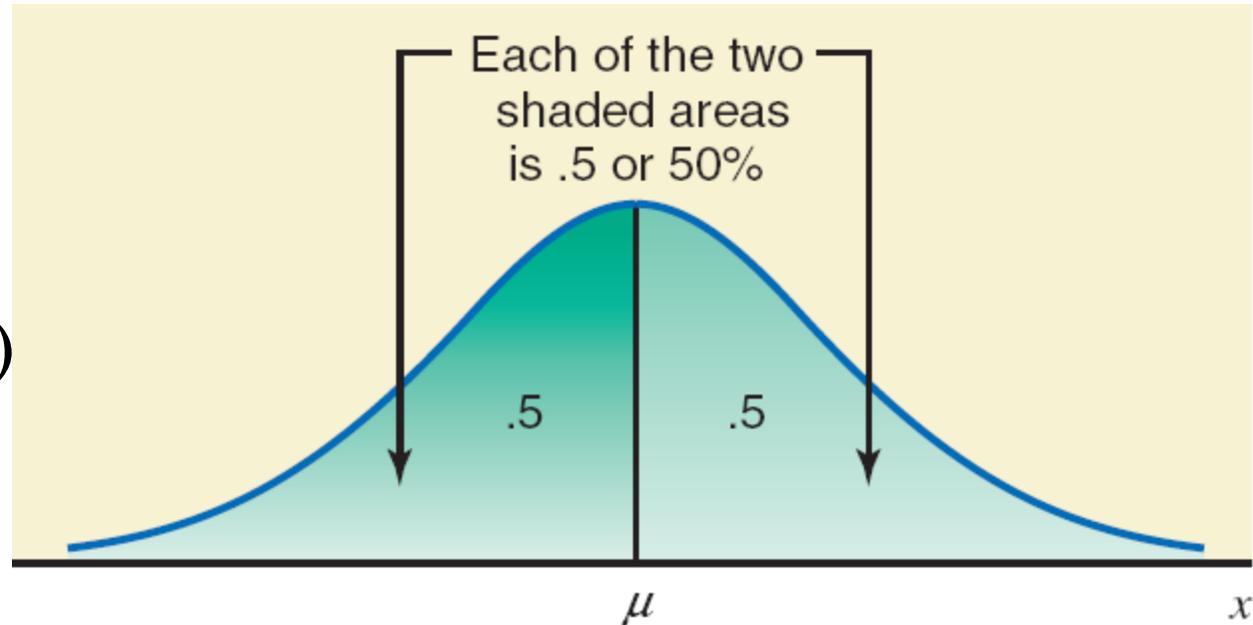
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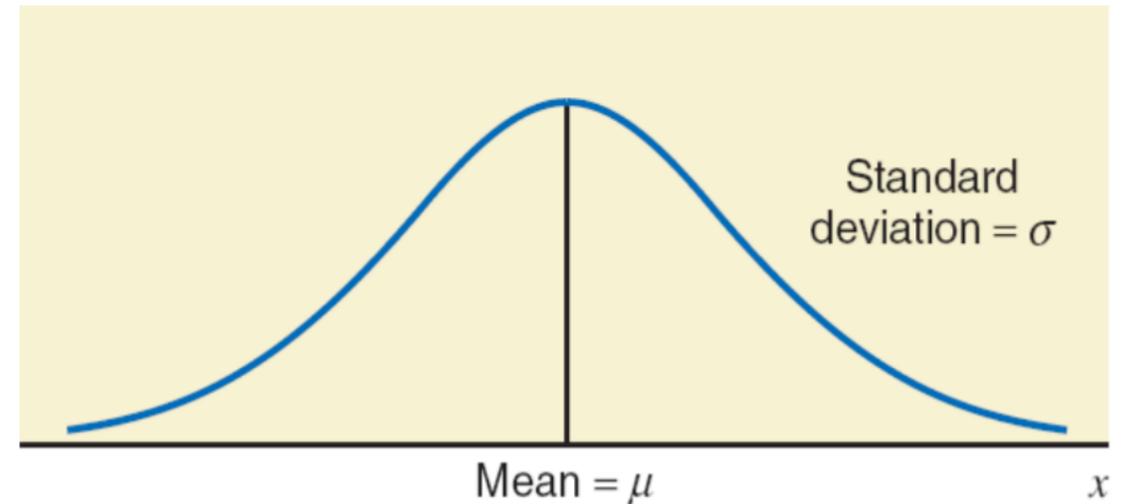
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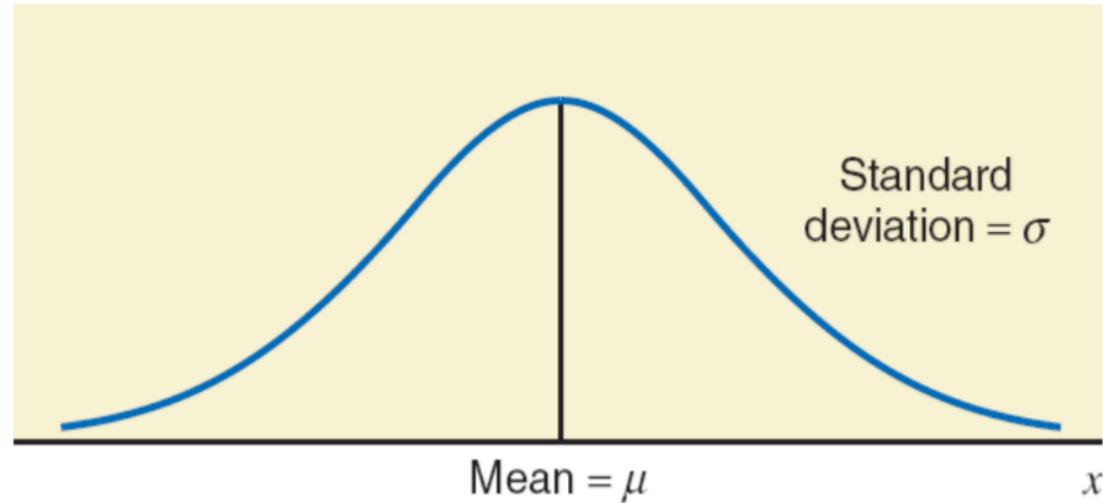
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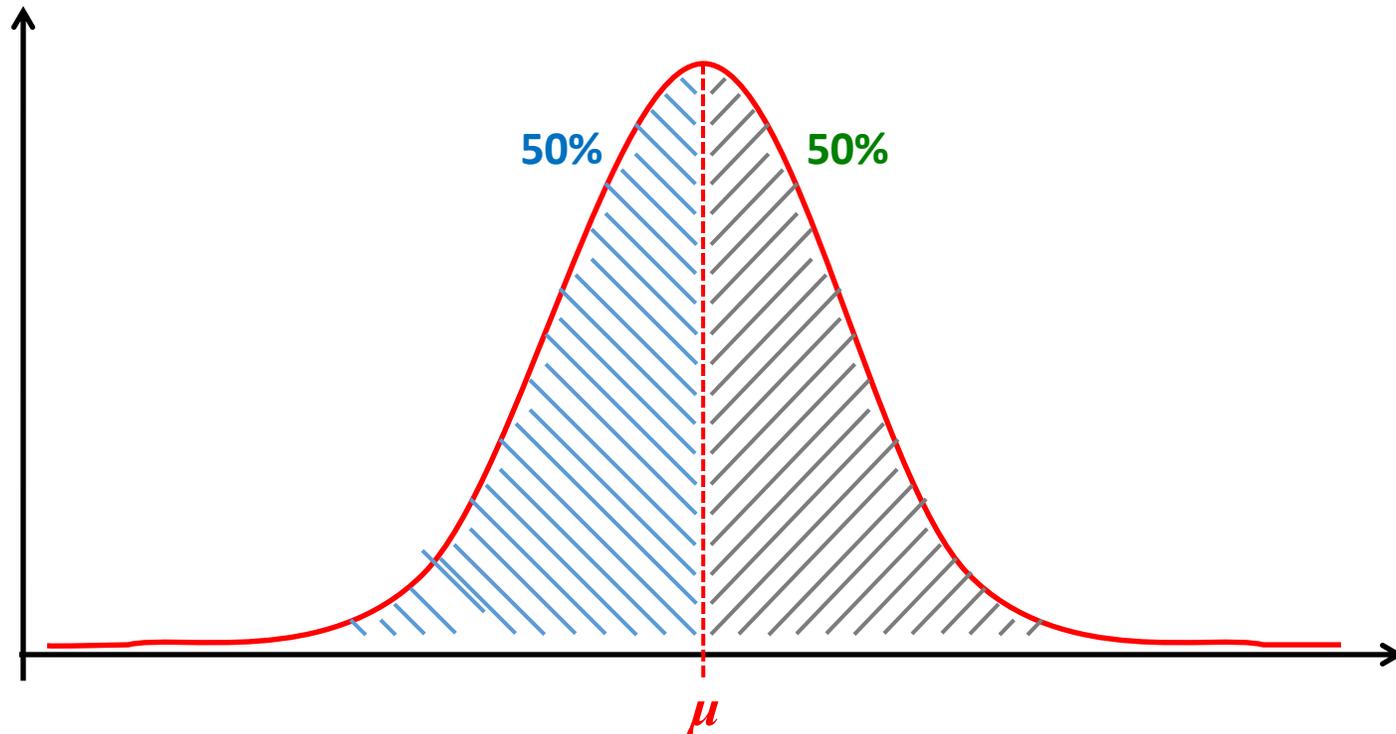


Some examples of things that follow a Normal Distribution:

- Heights of people
- Size of items produced by a machine
- Errors in measurements
- Blood Pressure
- Test Scores
- ...

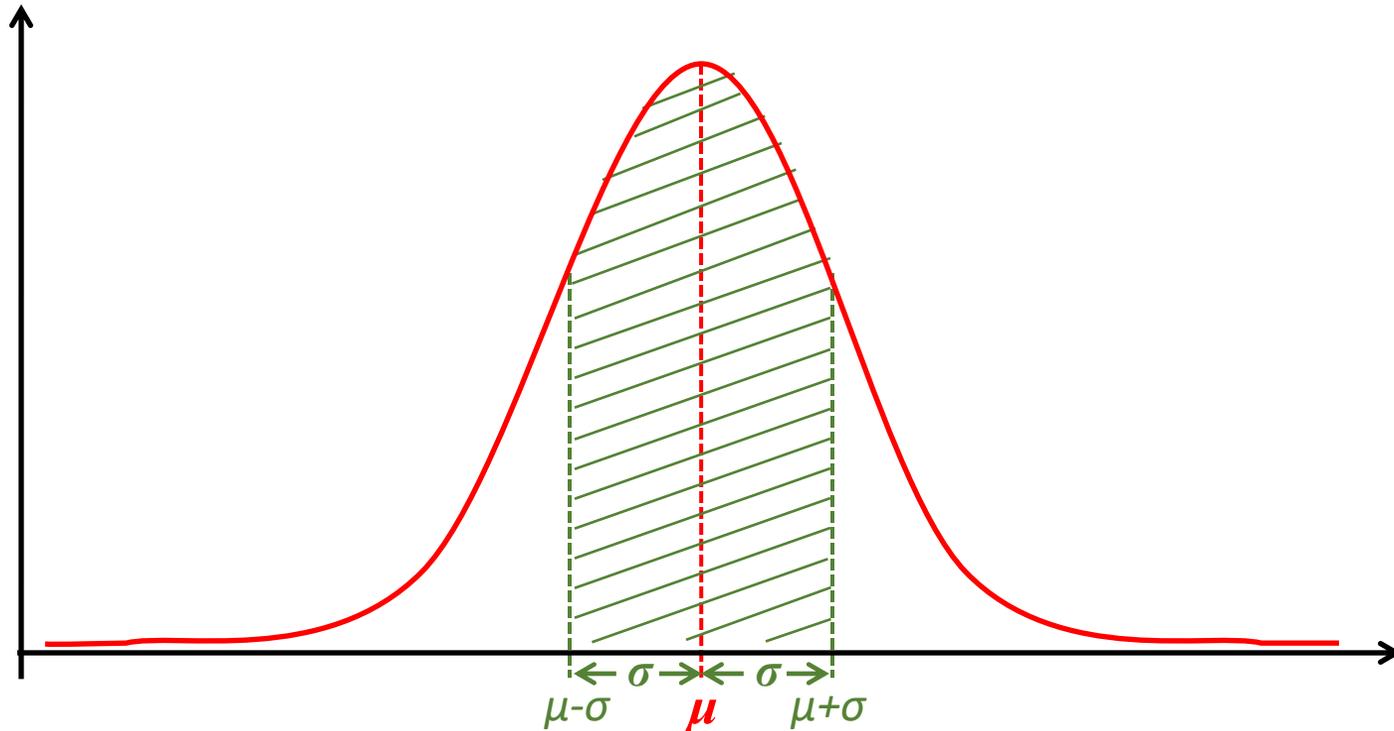
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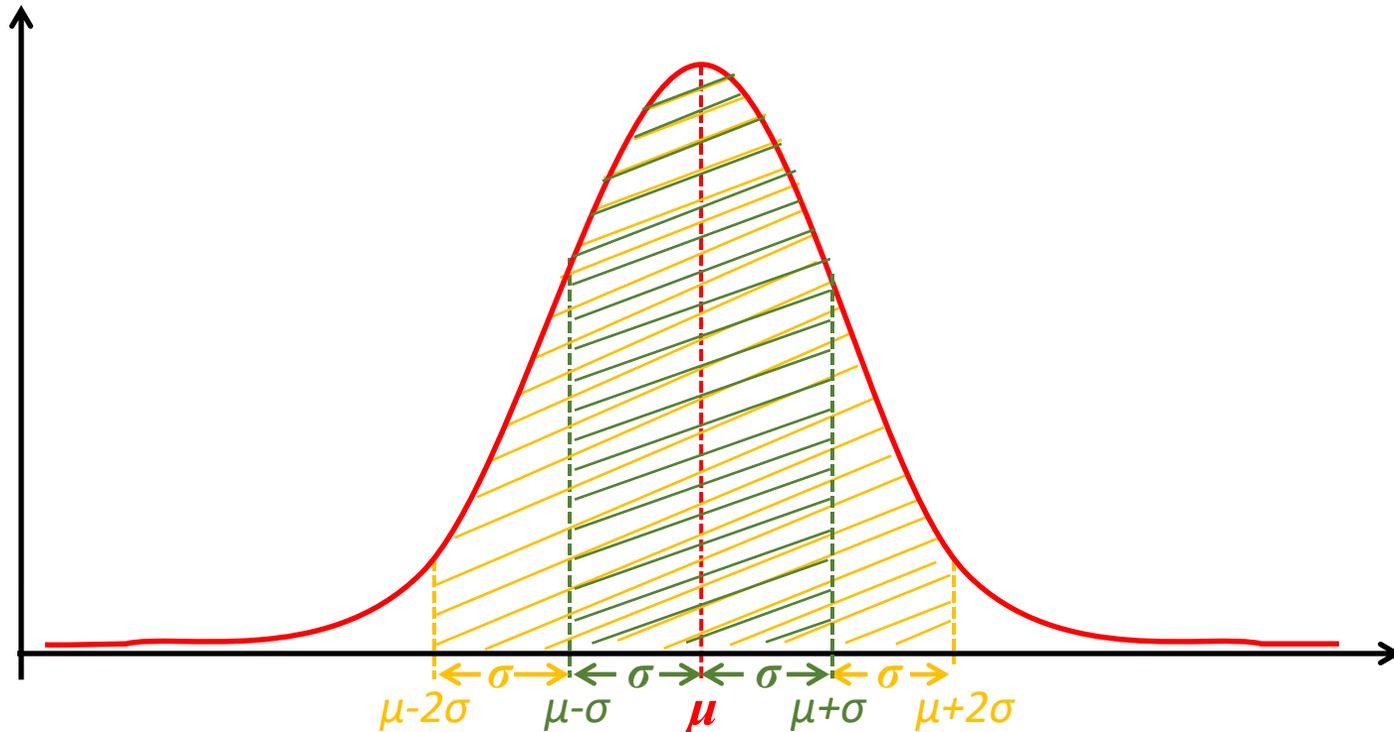
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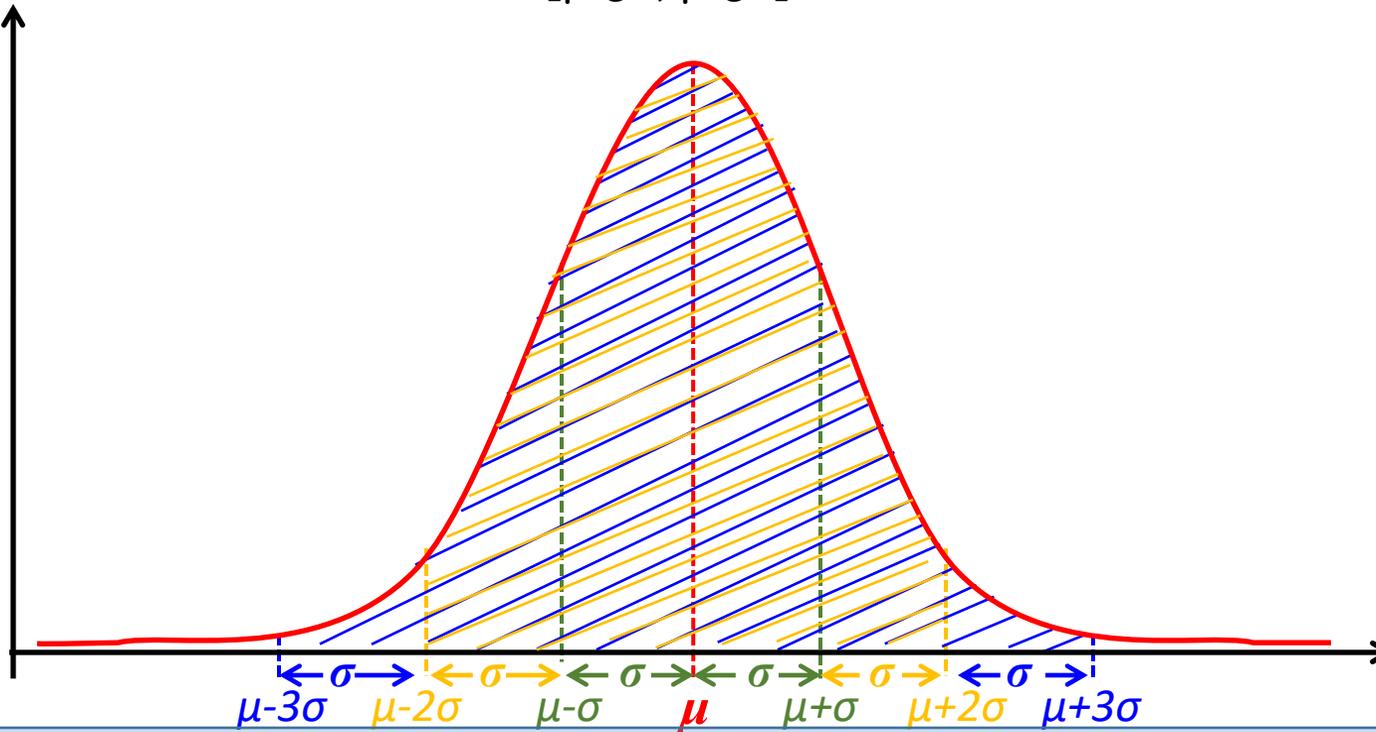
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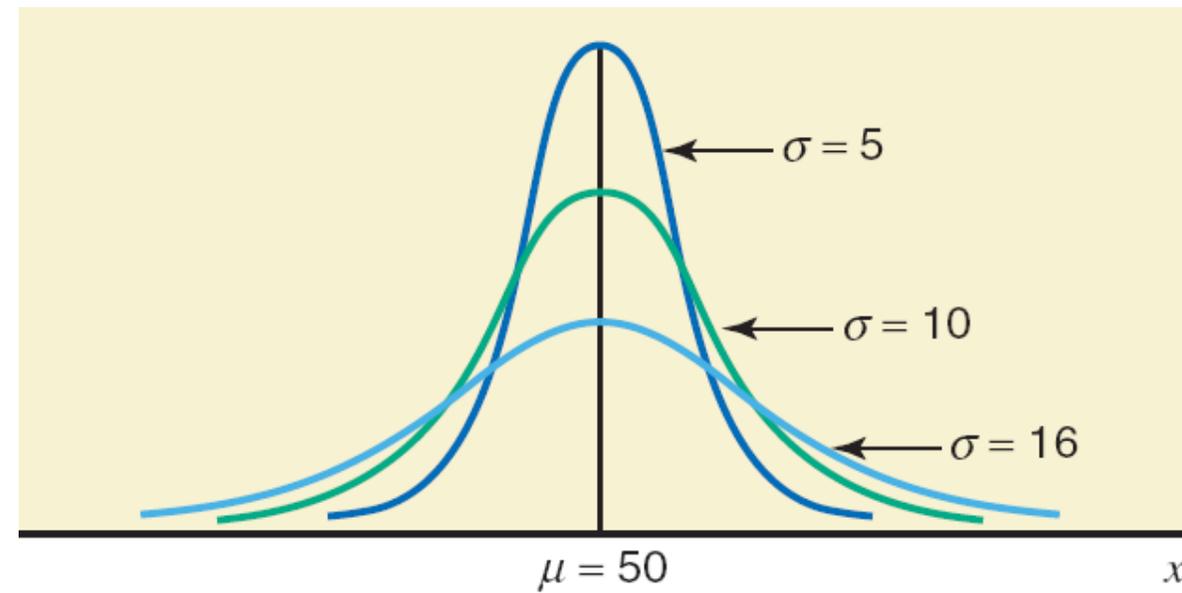
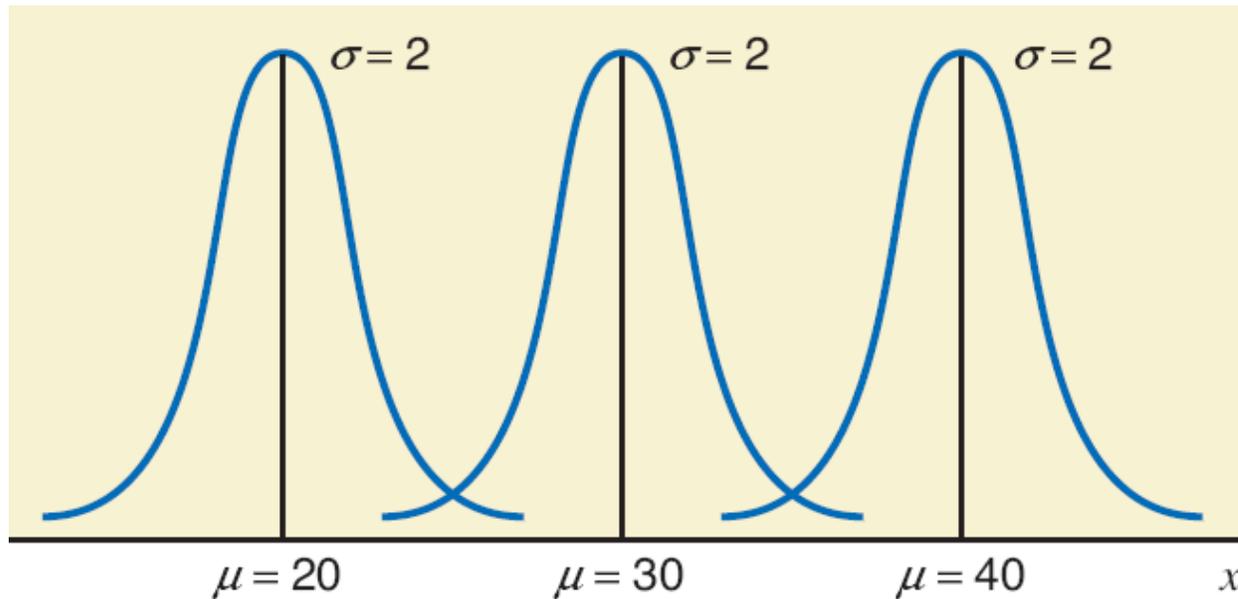
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Standard Normal distribution, z

The Standard Normal Distribution, Z , is a Normal Distribution with mean equal to 0 and standard deviation equal to 1, $Z \sim N(0,1)$

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Density function:

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}z^2\right\}$$

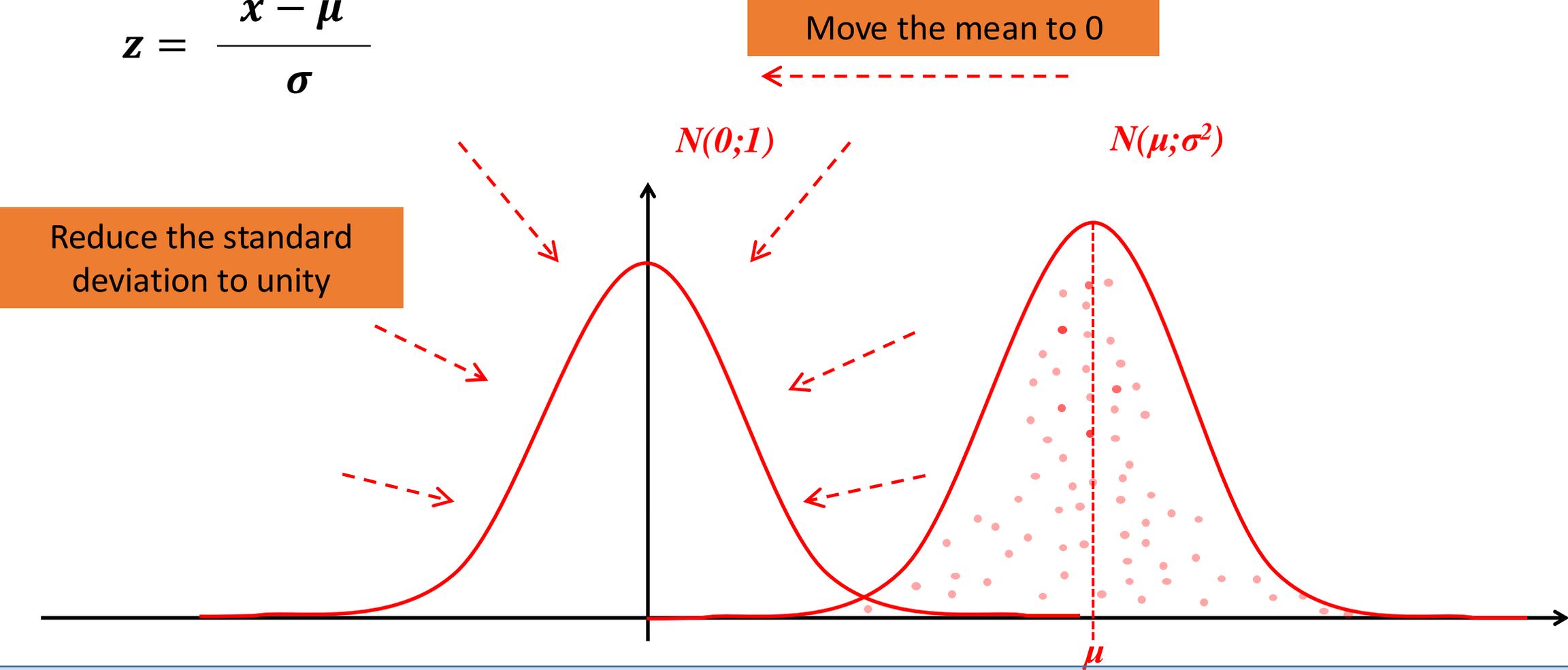
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ANY Normal distribution $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ can be reconverted into a Standard Normal $Z \sim N(0,1)$, by **standardization**

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

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Standard Normal distribution, z : examples

Example:

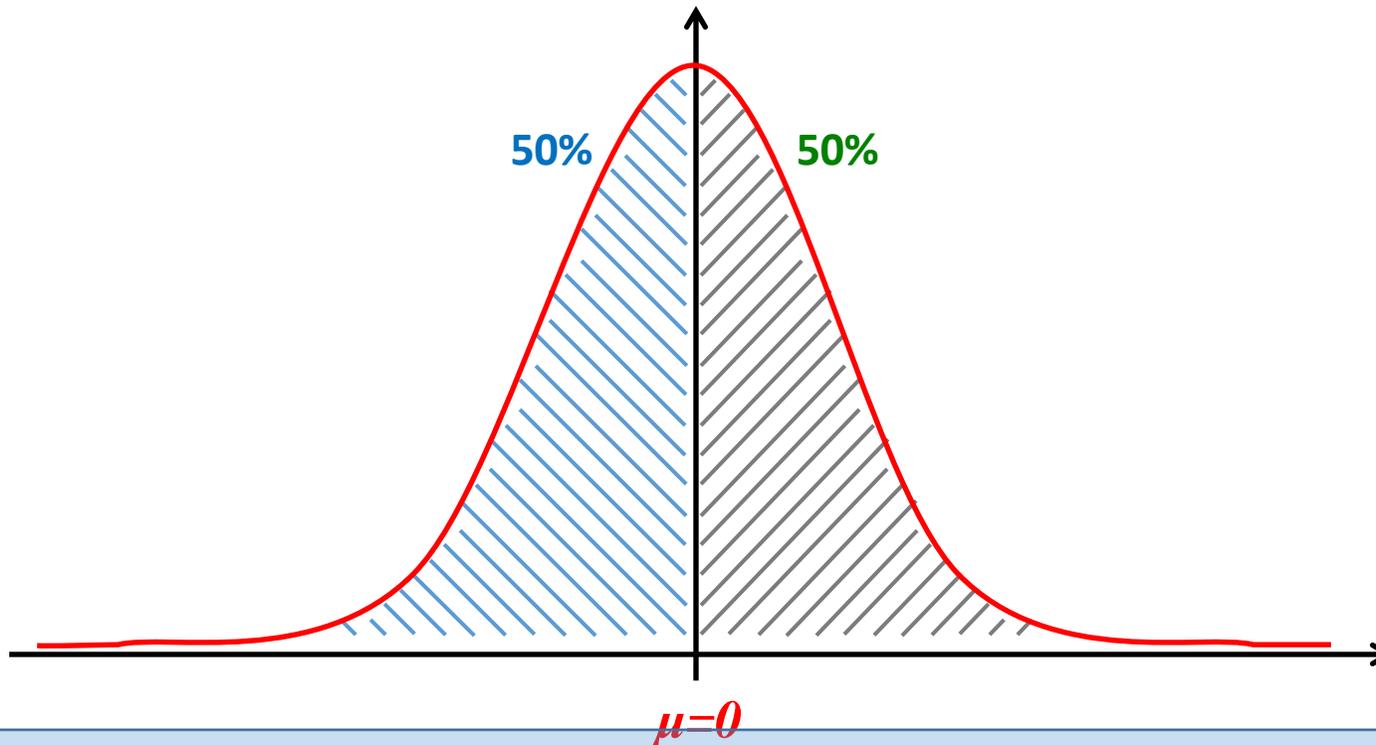
$X \sim N(50, 100)$. Standardize the following values of x :

$$(a) \ x = 55 \rightarrow z = \frac{55 - 50}{10} = 0.5$$

$$(b) \ x = 35 \rightarrow z = \frac{35 - 50}{10} = -1.5$$

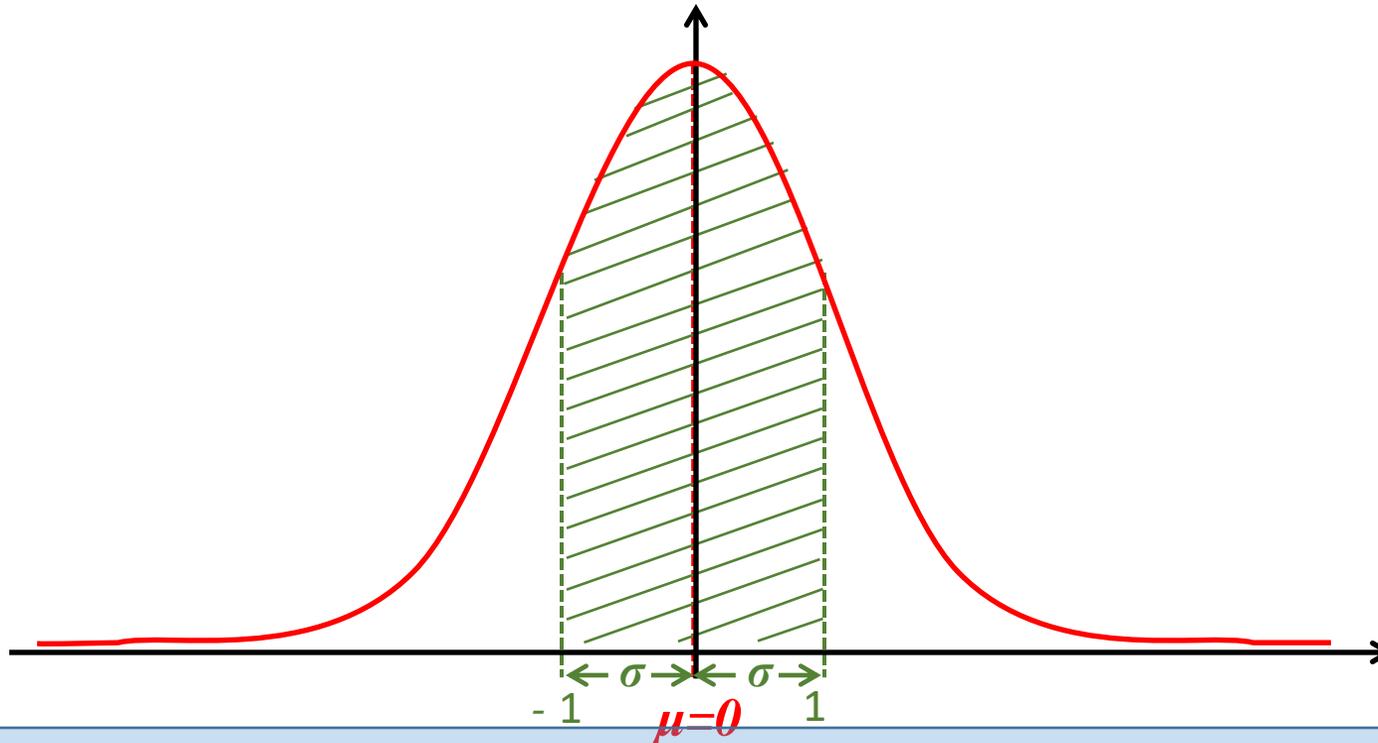
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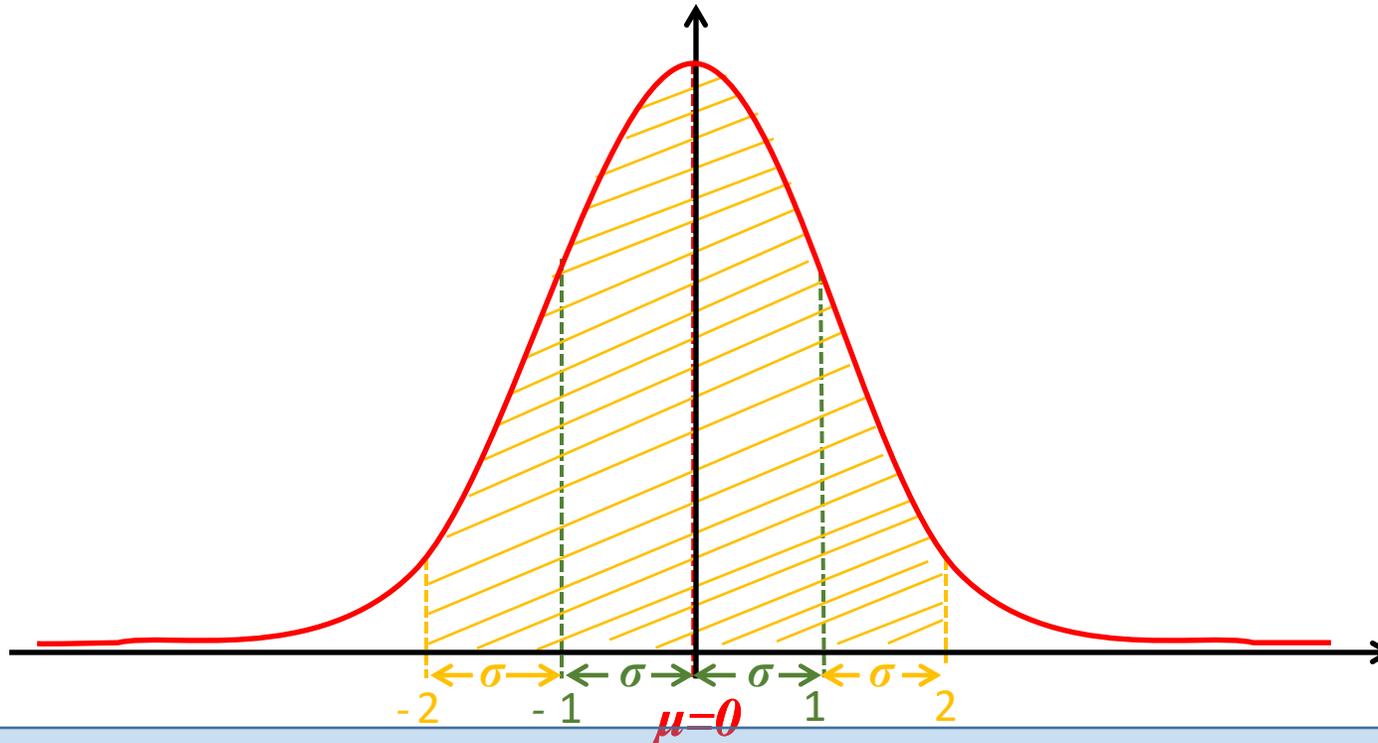
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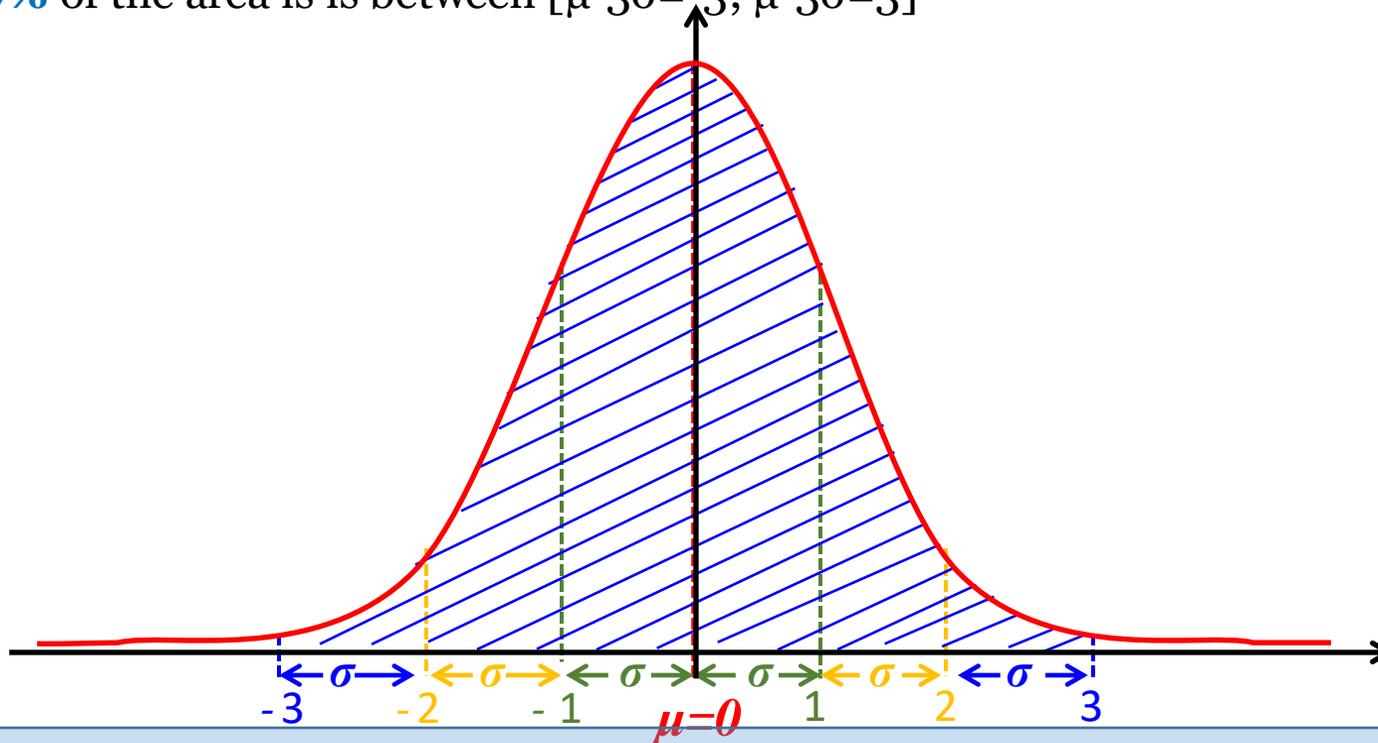
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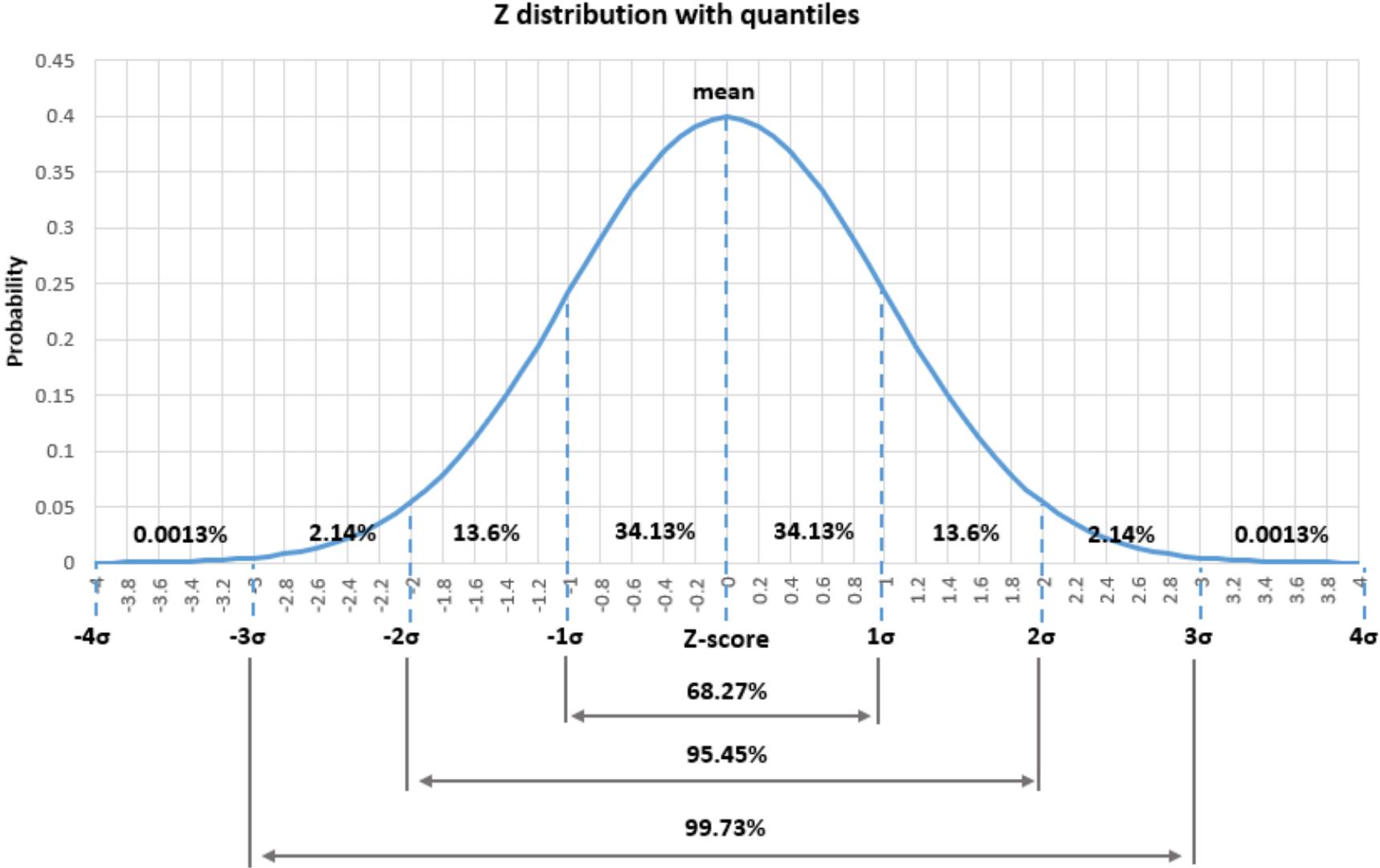


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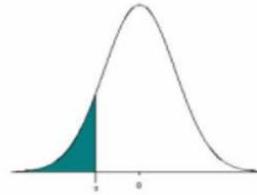


Statistical Table of Standard Normal distribution

Why it is so useful the Standard Normal Distribution $Z \sim N(0,1)$ and the standardization of a Normal distribution in a Standard Normal Distribution?

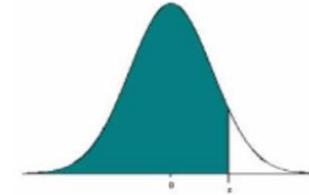
We have the tables of the Standard Normal

Table of Standard Normal Probabilities for Negative Z-scores



z	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
-3.4	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0002
-3.3	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0003
-3.2	0.0007	0.0007	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005
-3.1	0.0010	0.0009	0.0009	0.0009	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0007	0.0007	0.0007
-3.0	0.0013	0.0013	0.0013	0.0012	0.0012	0.0011	0.0011	0.0011	0.0010	0.0010
-2.9	0.0019	0.0018	0.0018	0.0017	0.0016	0.0016	0.0015	0.0015	0.0014	0.0014
-2.8	0.0026	0.0025	0.0024	0.0023	0.0023	0.0022	0.0021	0.0021	0.0020	0.0019
-2.7	0.0035	0.0034	0.0033	0.0032	0.0031	0.0030	0.0029	0.0028	0.0027	0.0026
-2.6	0.0047	0.0045	0.0044	0.0043	0.0041	0.0040	0.0039	0.0038	0.0037	0.0036
-2.5	0.0062	0.0060	0.0059	0.0057	0.0055	0.0054	0.0052	0.0051	0.0049	0.0048
-2.4	0.0082	0.0080	0.0078	0.0075	0.0073	0.0071	0.0069	0.0068	0.0066	0.0064
-2.3	0.0107	0.0104	0.0102	0.0099	0.0096	0.0094	0.0091	0.0089	0.0087	0.0084
-2.2	0.0139	0.0136	0.0132	0.0129	0.0125	0.0122	0.0119	0.0116	0.0113	0.0110
-2.1	0.0179	0.0174	0.0170	0.0166	0.0162	0.0158	0.0154	0.0150	0.0146	0.0143
-2.0	0.0228	0.0222	0.0217	0.0212	0.0207	0.0202	0.0197	0.0192	0.0188	0.0183
-1.9	0.0287	0.0281	0.0274	0.0268	0.0262	0.0256	0.0250	0.0244	0.0239	0.0233
-1.8	0.0359	0.0351	0.0344	0.0336	0.0329	0.0322	0.0314	0.0307	0.0301	0.0294
-1.7	0.0446	0.0436	0.0427	0.0418	0.0409	0.0401	0.0392	0.0384	0.0375	0.0367
-1.6	0.0548	0.0537	0.0526	0.0516	0.0505	0.0495	0.0485	0.0475	0.0465	0.0455
-1.5	0.0668	0.0655	0.0643	0.0630	0.0618	0.0606	0.0594	0.0582	0.0571	0.0559
-1.4	0.0808	0.0793	0.0778	0.0764	0.0749	0.0735	0.0721	0.0708	0.0694	0.0681
-1.3	0.0968	0.0951	0.0934	0.0918	0.0901	0.0885	0.0869	0.0853	0.0838	0.0823
-1.2	0.1151	0.1131	0.1112	0.1093	0.1075	0.1056	0.1038	0.1020	0.1003	0.0985
-1.1	0.1357	0.1335	0.1314	0.1292	0.1271	0.1251	0.1230	0.1210	0.1190	0.1170
-1.0	0.1587	0.1562	0.1539	0.1515	0.1492	0.1469	0.1446	0.1423	0.1401	0.1379
-0.9	0.1841	0.1814	0.1788	0.1762	0.1736	0.1711	0.1685	0.1660	0.1635	0.1611
-0.8	0.2119	0.2090	0.2061	0.2033	0.2005	0.1977	0.1949	0.1922	0.1894	0.1867
-0.7	0.2420	0.2389	0.2358	0.2327	0.2296	0.2266	0.2236	0.2206	0.2177	0.2148
-0.6	0.2743	0.2709	0.2676	0.2643	0.2611	0.2578	0.2546	0.2514	0.2483	0.2451
-0.5	0.3085	0.3050	0.3015	0.2981	0.2946	0.2912	0.2877	0.2843	0.2810	0.2776
-0.4	0.3446	0.3409	0.3372	0.3336	0.3300	0.3264	0.3228	0.3192	0.3156	0.3121
-0.3	0.3821	0.3783	0.3745	0.3707	0.3669	0.3632	0.3594	0.3557	0.3520	0.3483
-0.2	0.4207	0.4168	0.4129	0.4090	0.4052	0.4013	0.3974	0.3936	0.3897	0.3859
-0.1	0.4602	0.4562	0.4522	0.4483	0.4443	0.4404	0.4364	0.4325	0.4286	0.4247
-0.0	0.5000	0.4960	0.4920	0.4880	0.4840	0.4801	0.4761	0.4721	0.4681	0.4641

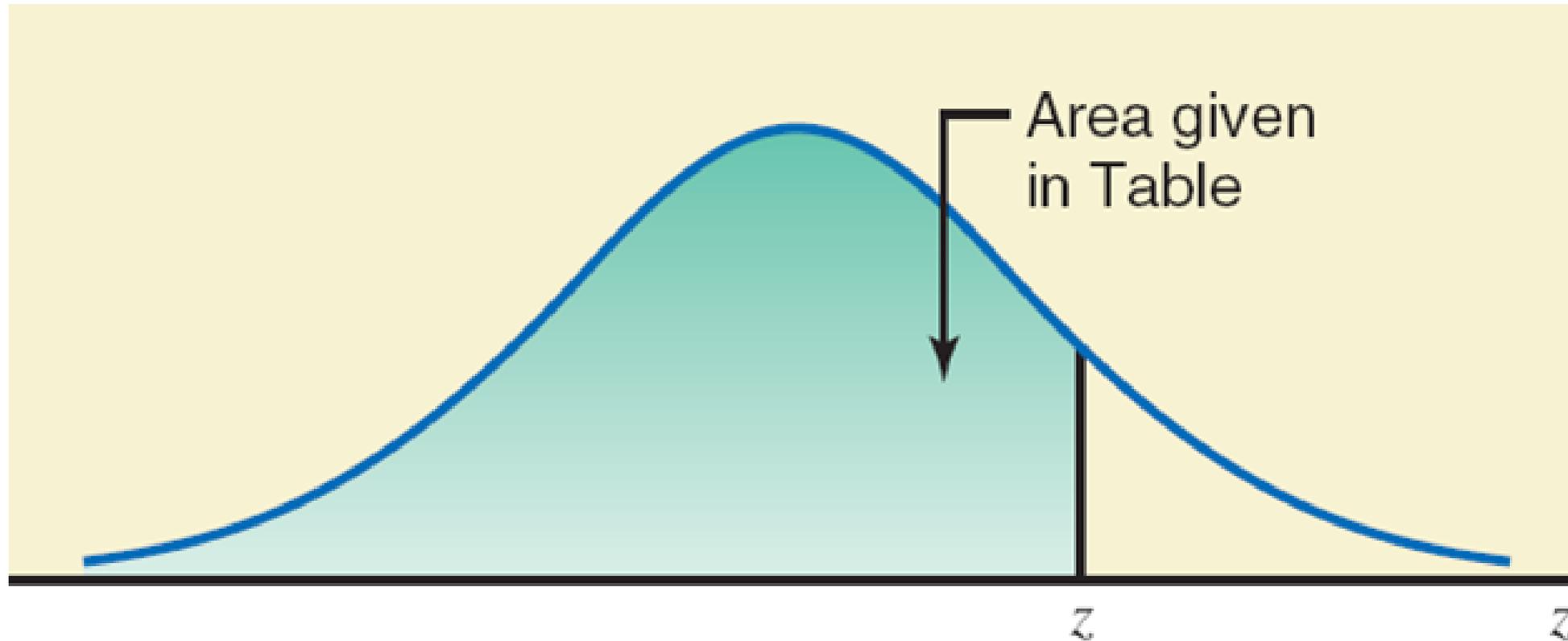
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0.0	0.5000	0.5040	0.5080	0.5120	0.5160	0.5199	0.5239	0.5279	0.5319	0.5359
0.1	0.5398	0.5438	0.5478	0.5517	0.5557	0.5596	0.5636	0.5675	0.5714	0.5753
0.2	0.5793	0.5832	0.5871	0.5910	0.5948	0.5987	0.6026	0.6064	0.6103	0.6141
0.3	0.6179	0.6217	0.6255	0.6293	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
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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

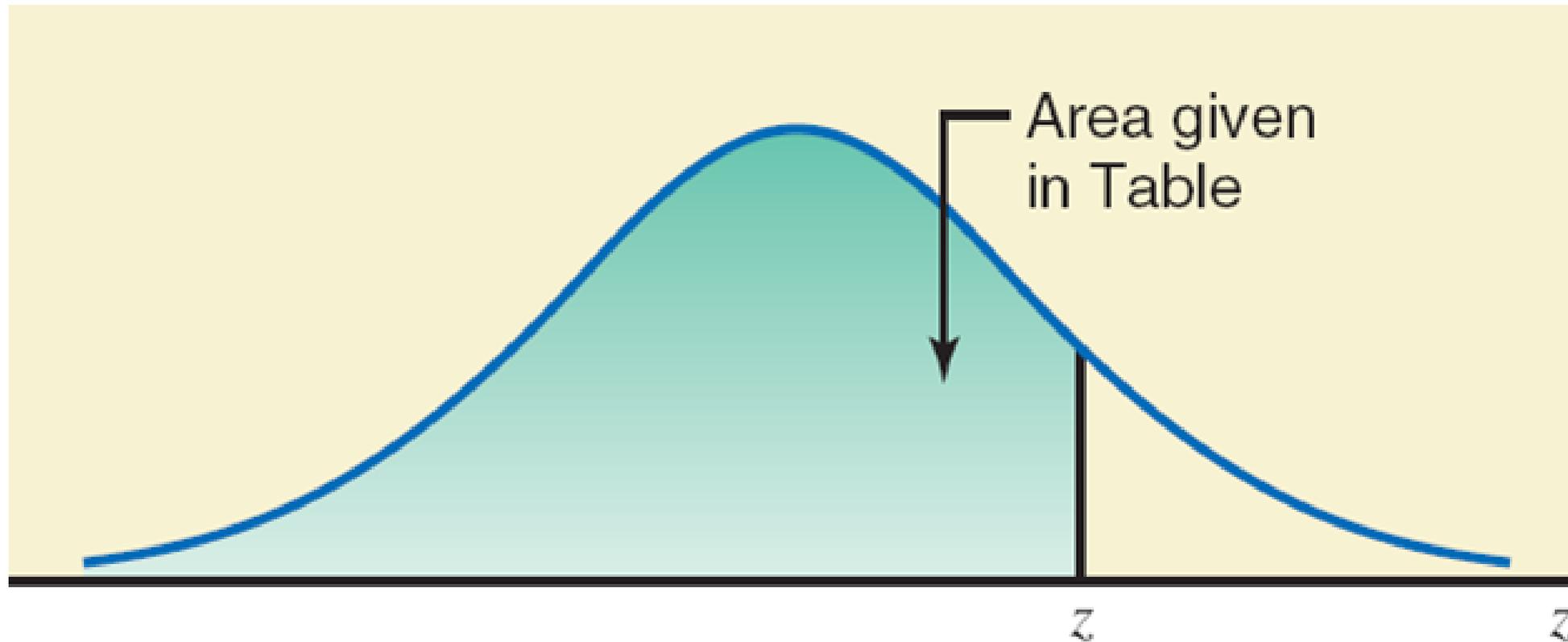
Statistical Table of Standard Normal distribution

The statistical table reports, for each value of z , the area under the curve at the left of z , denoted by $\Phi(z)$



Statistical Table of Standard Normal distribution

For each z-score, the tables give to us the value of the area between $-\infty$ to z . The area in the tables is also the probability of having a value lower than z



Using the Standard Normal Table: example

Find the area under the standard normal curve to the left of $z = 1.95$.

Area Under the Standard Normal Curve to the Left of $z = 1.95$

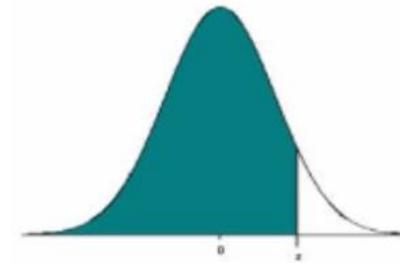
z	.00	.010509
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1.9	.9713	.971997449767
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3.4	.9997	.999799979998

Required area

Using the Standard Normal Table: example

If we have only the table of Standard Normal Probabilities for Positive Z-scores we can find all the values (also for negative z)

Table of Standard Normal Probabilities for Positive Z-scores



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

Using the Standard Normal Table: example

Positive value of z



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
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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

Find the value of z in the table.

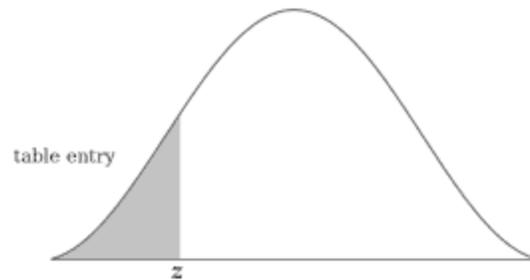
This is the area between $[-\infty; z]$ or the probability lower than z

Ex. $P(z < 2.04) = ?$

$P(z < 2.04) = 0.9793$

Using the Standard Normal Table: example

Negative value of z



z	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07
0.0	0.5000	0.5040	0.5080	0.5120	0.5160	0.5199	0.5239	0.5279
0.1	0.5398	0.5438	0.5478	0.5517	0.5557	0.5596	0.5636	0.5675
0.2	0.5793	0.5832	0.5871	0.5910	0.5948	0.5987	0.6026	0.6064
0.3	0.6179	0.6217	0.6255	0.6293	0.6331	0.6368	0.6406	0.6443
0.4	0.6554	0.6591	0.6628	0.6664	0.6700	0.6736	0.6772	0.6808
0.5	0.6915	0.6950	0.6985	0.7019	0.7054	0.7088	0.7123	0.7157
0.6	0.7257	0.7291	0.7324	0.7357	0.7389	0.7422	0.7454	0.7486
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1.0	0.8413	0.8438	0.8461	0.8485	0.8508	0.8531	0.8554	0.8577
1.1	0.8643	0.8665	0.8686	0.8708	0.8729	0.8749	0.8770	0.8790
1.2	0.8849	0.8869	0.8888	0.8907	0.8925	0.8944	0.8962	0.8980
1.3	0.9032	0.9049	0.9066	0.9082	0.9099	0.9115	0.9131	0.9147
1.4	0.9192	0.9207	0.9222	0.9236	0.9251	0.9265	0.9279	0.9292
1.5	0.9332	0.9345	0.9357	0.9370	0.9382	0.9394	0.9406	0.9418
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1.7	0.9554	0.9564	0.9573	0.9582	0.9591	0.9599	0.9608	0.9616
1.8	0.9641	0.9649	0.9656	0.9664	0.9671	0.9678	0.9686	0.9693
1.9	0.9713	0.9719	0.9726	0.9732	0.9738	0.9744	0.9750	0.9756
2.0	0.9772	0.9778	0.9783	0.9788	0.9793	0.9798	0.9803	0.9808
2.1	0.9821	0.9826	0.9830	0.9834	0.9838	0.9842	0.9846	0.9850
2.2	0.9861	0.9864	0.9868	0.9871	0.9875	0.9878	0.9881	0.9884

From the condition of probability distribution:

$$\sum P(-\infty < Z < +\infty) = 1$$

Z is also symmetric around the mean

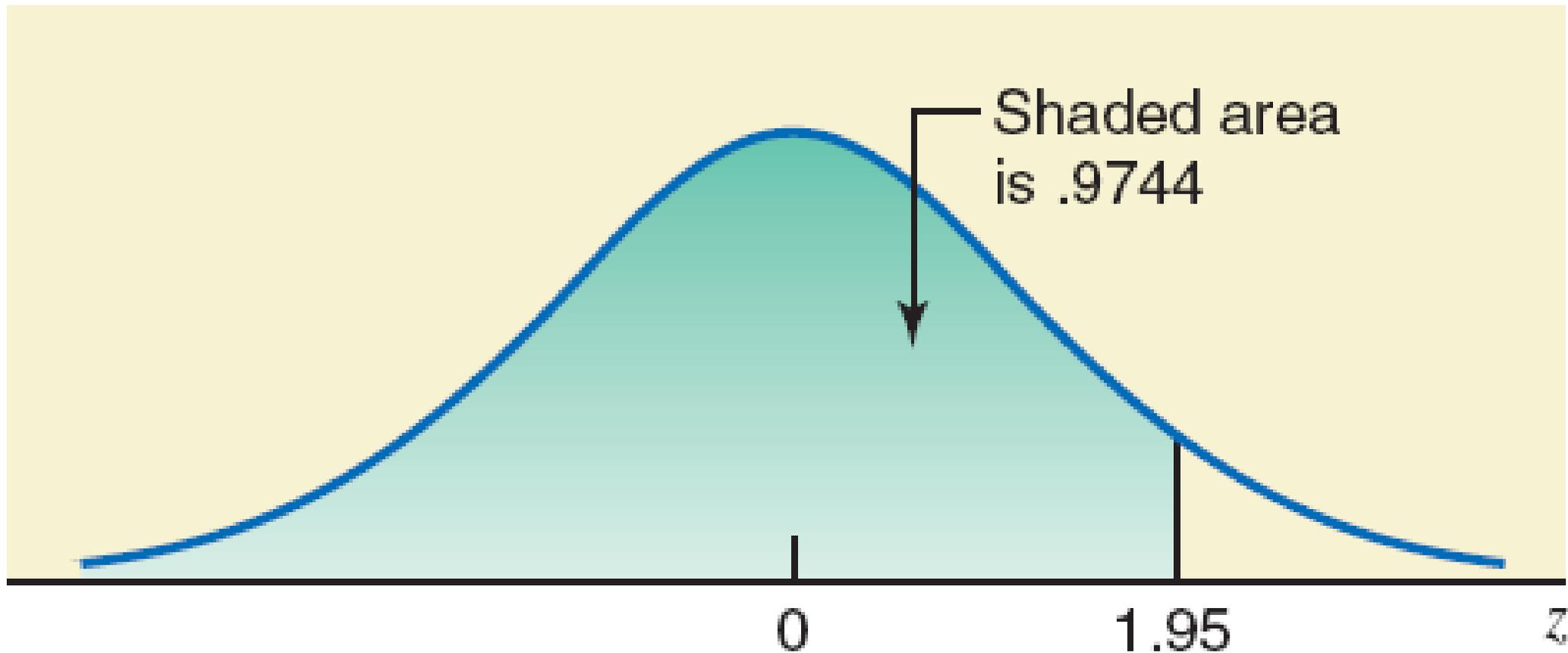
You can find the negative value of z taking the value of z in absolute value (or in modulus) doing $1 - |z|$

Ex. $P(z < -2.04) = ?$

$$P(z < -2.04) = 1 - P(z < 2.04) = 1 - 0.9793 = 0.0207$$

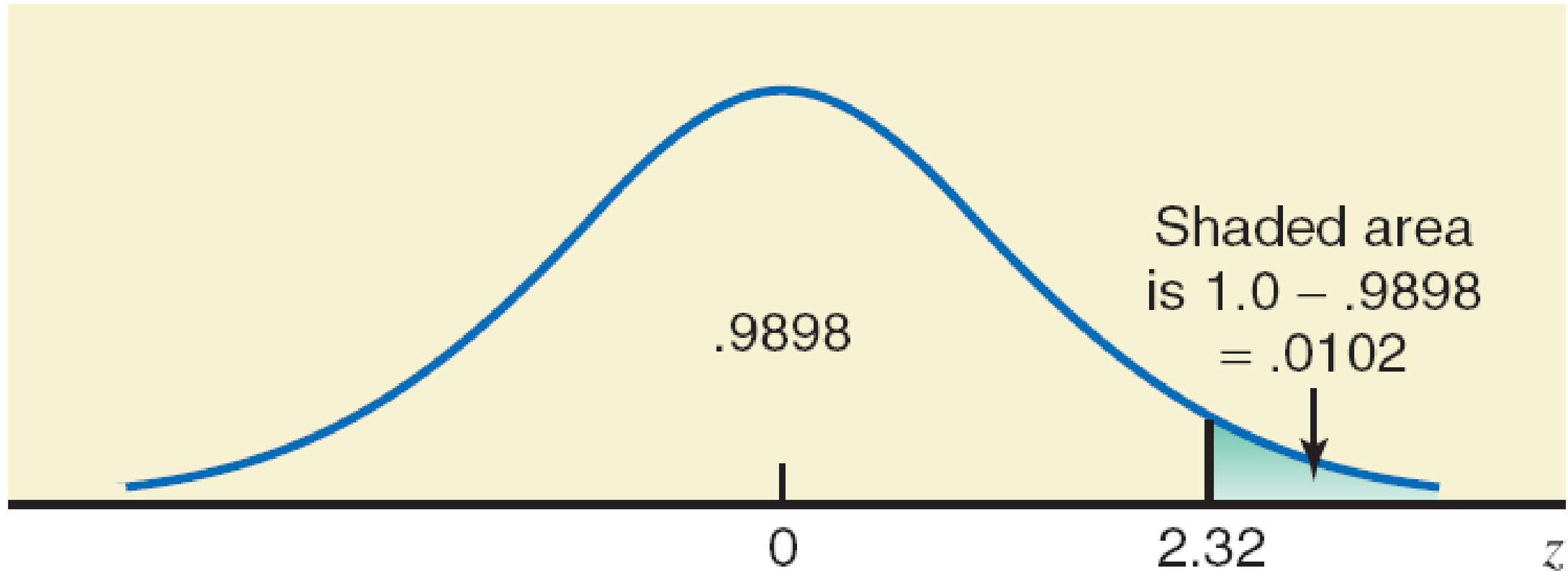
Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 1

Find the area under the standard normal curve to the left of $z = 1.95$.



Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 2

Find the area to the right of $z = 2.32$.



Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 3

Find the area to the left of $z = -1.54$.

z is a negative value

You find the area taking the z in absolute value (or in modulus)

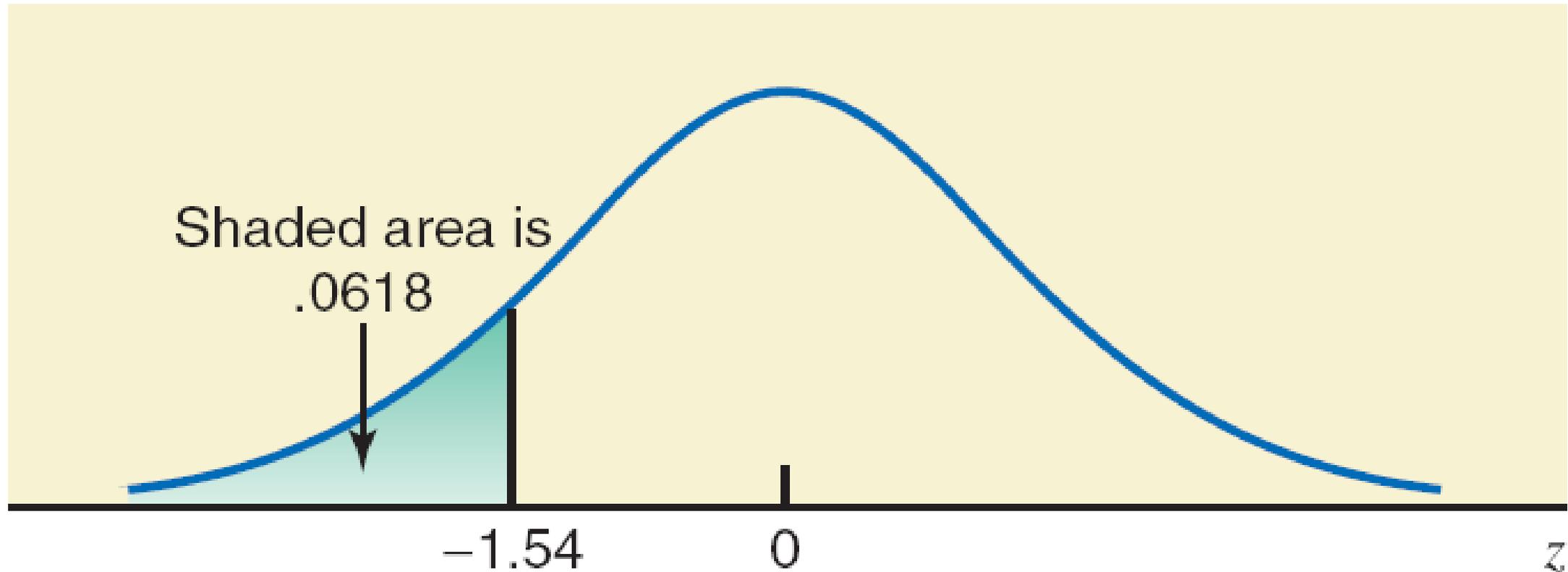
$$|z| = 1.54$$

z	.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
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0.4	.6554	.6591	.6628	.6664	.6700	.6736	.6772	.6808	.6844	.6879
0.5	.6915	.6950	.6985	.7019	.7054	.7088	.7123	.7157	.7190	.7224
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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

The area will equal to be $1 - P(|z|) = 1 - 0.9382 = 0.0618$

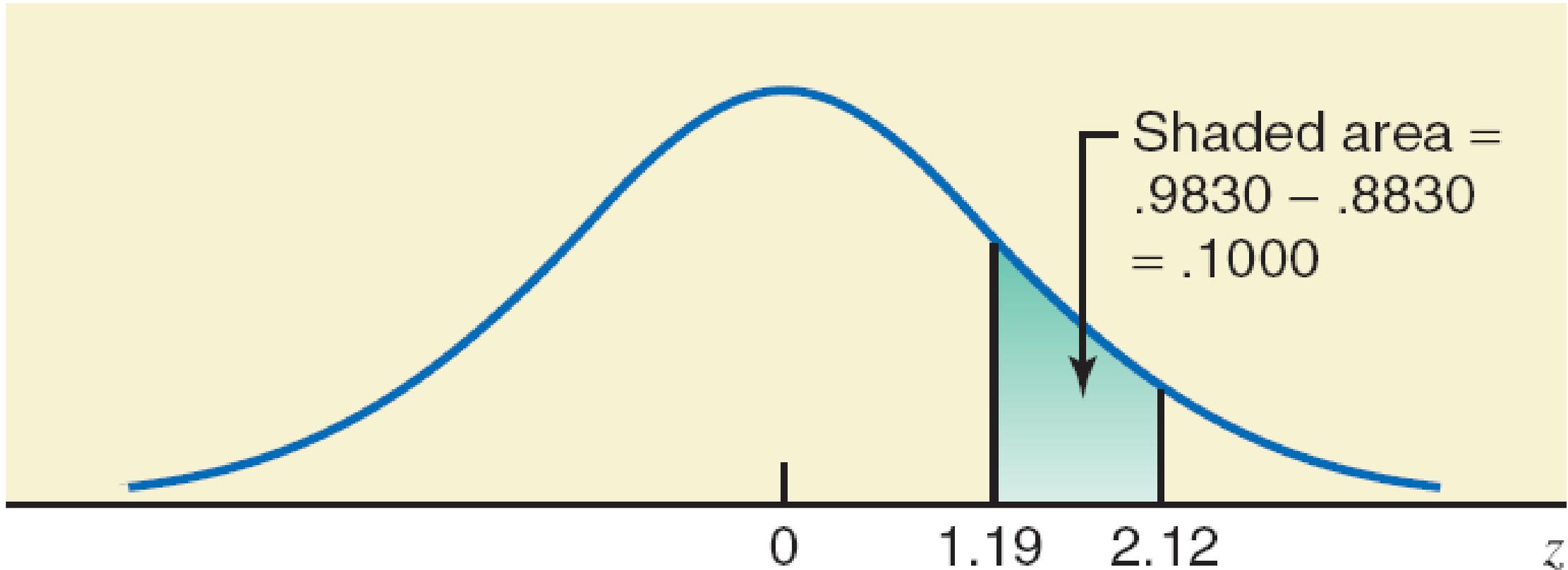
Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 3

Find the area to the left of $z = -1.54$.



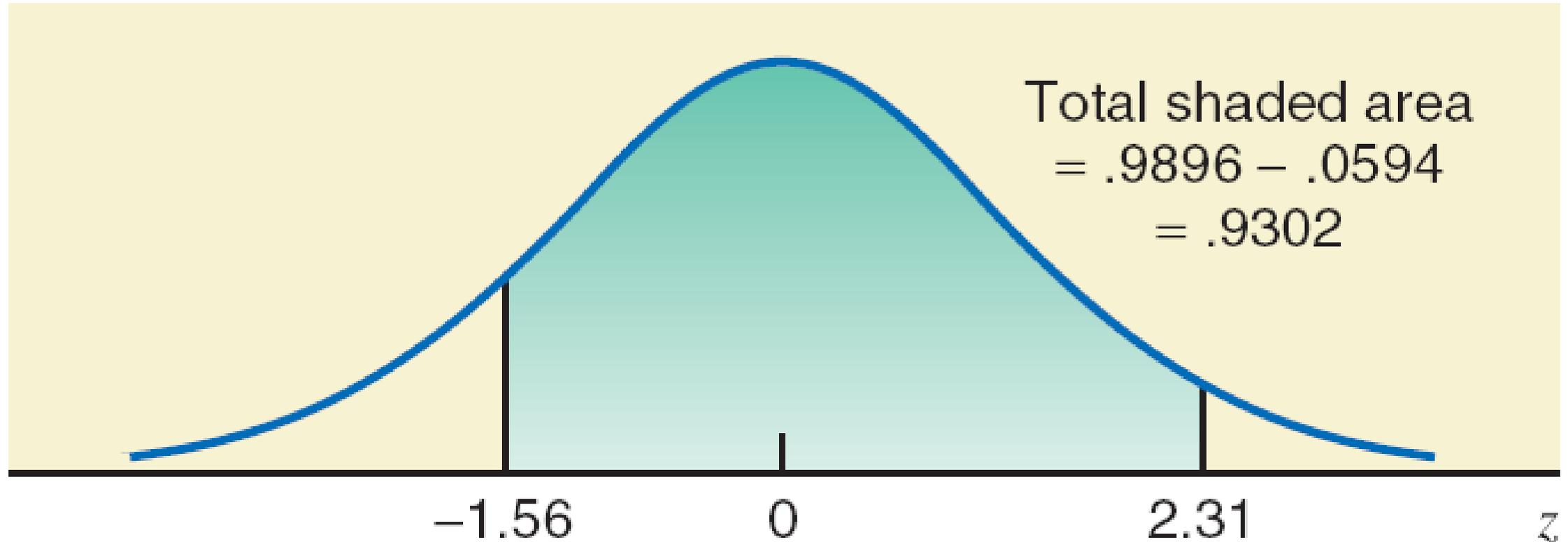
Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 4

Find $P(1.19 < z < 2.12)$



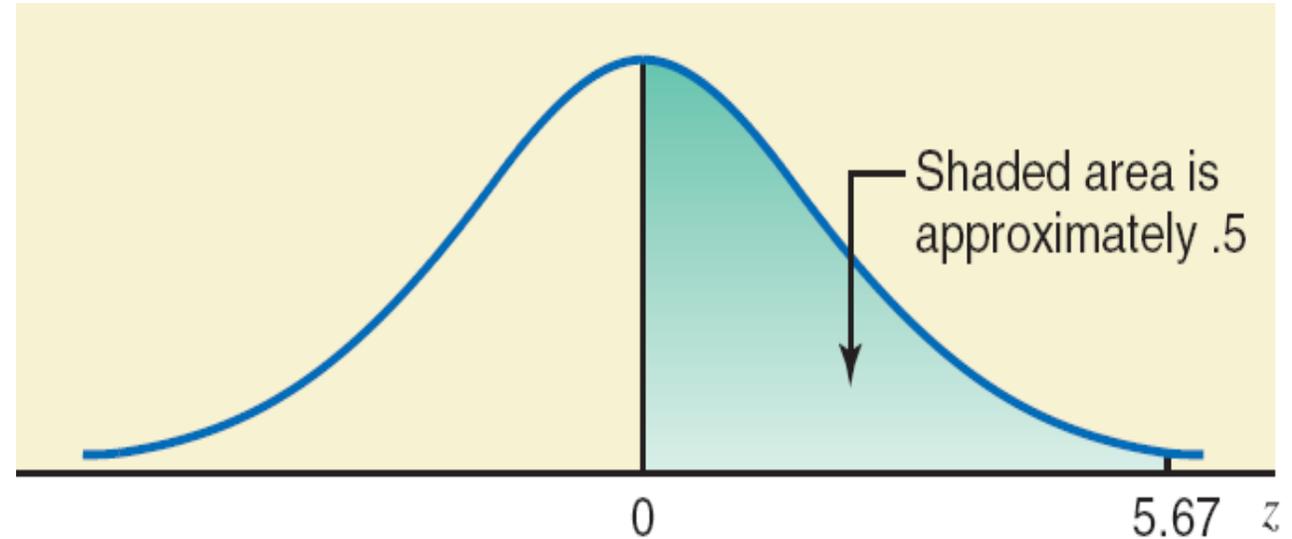
Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 5

Find $P(-1.56 < z < 2.31)$

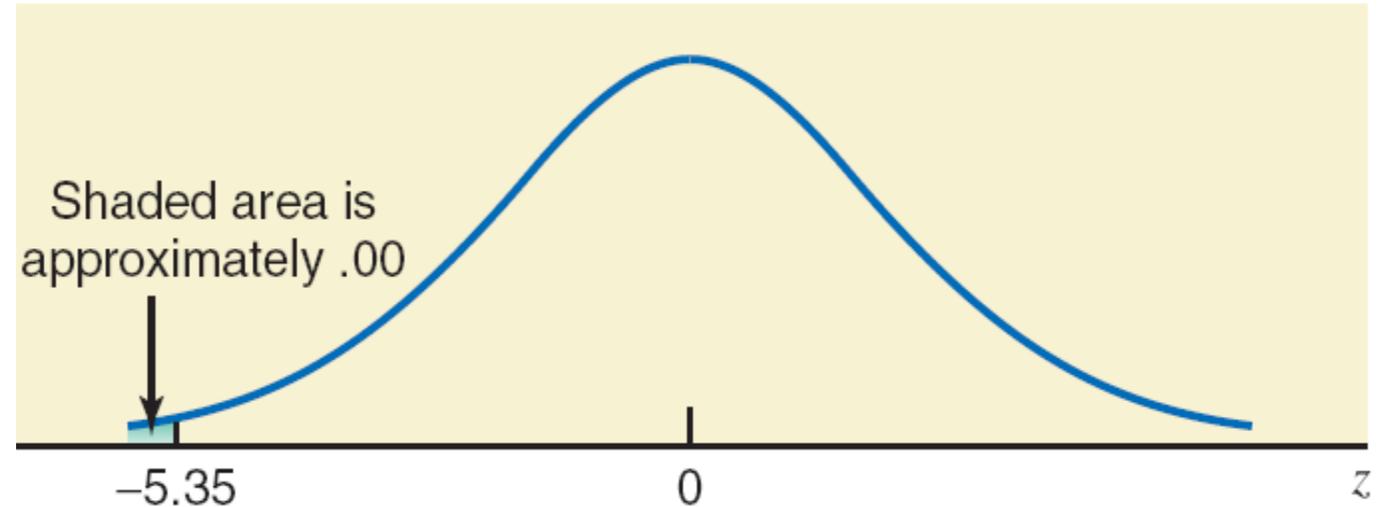


Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 6

$$P(0 < z < 5.67)$$



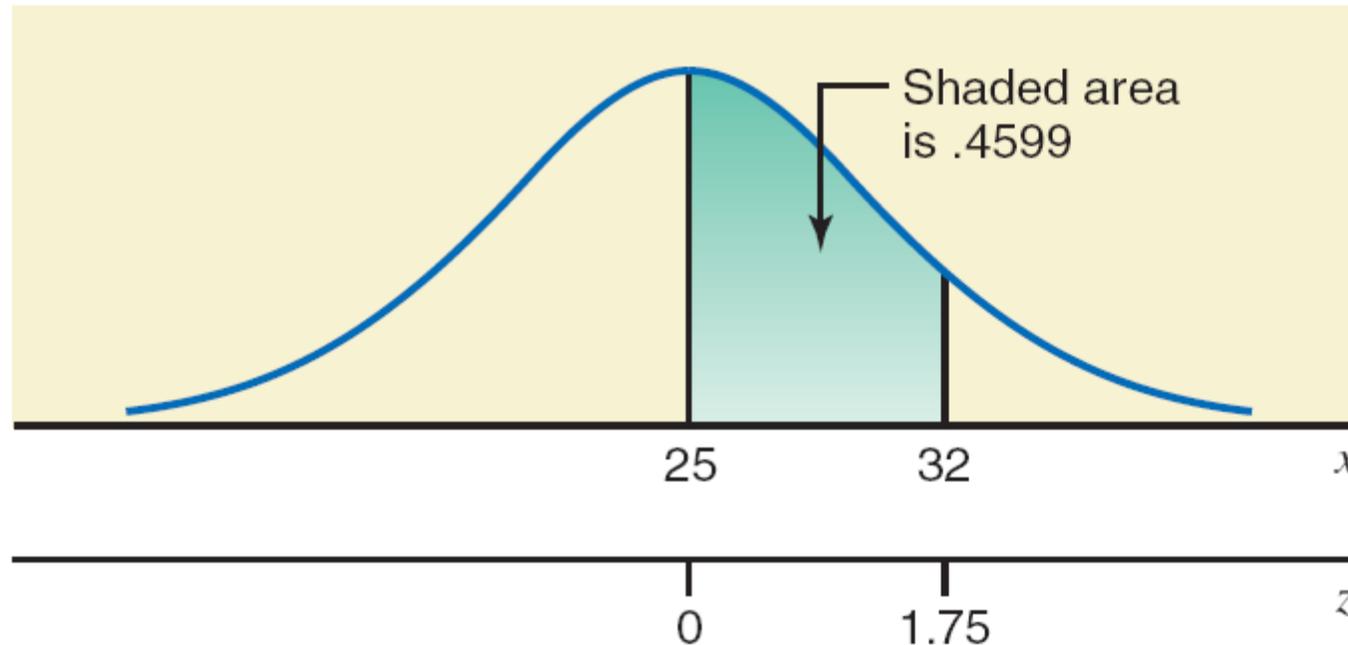
$$P(z < -5.35)$$



From x to z

Let $X \sim N(25, 16)$. Find $P(25 < x < 32)$:

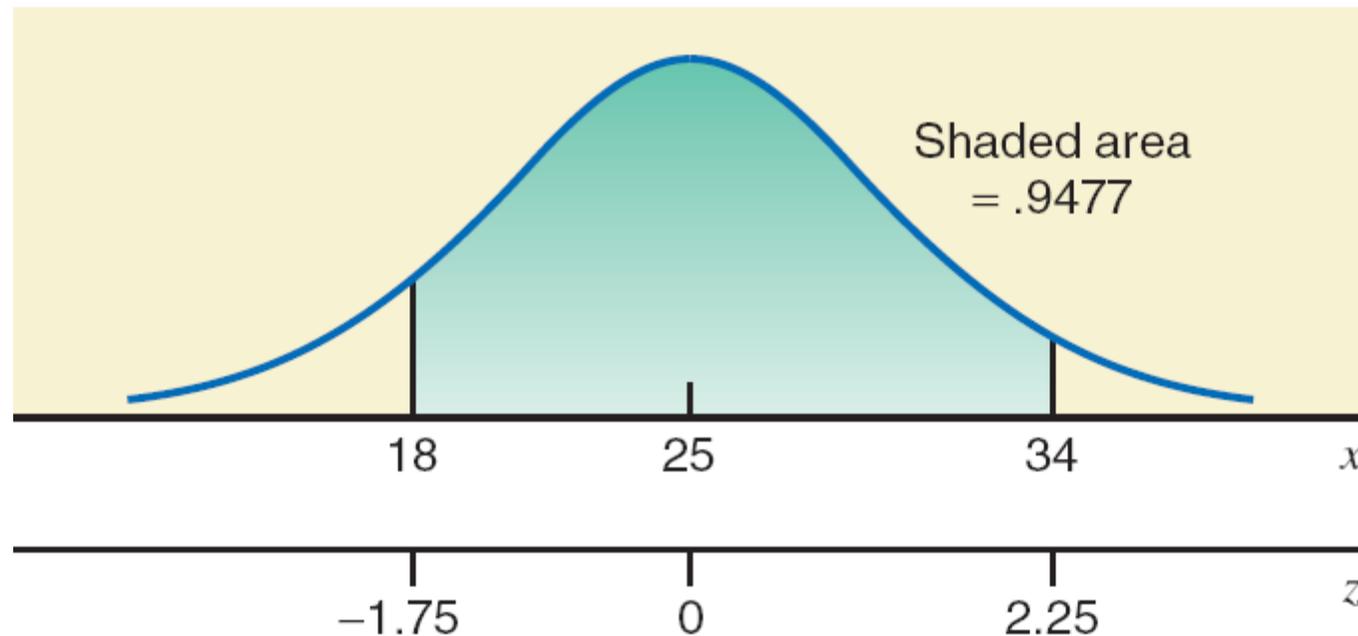
- 1) Standardize $\rightarrow z = \frac{25-25}{4} = 0$ and $z = \frac{32-25}{4} = 1.75$
- 2) Use the statistical table



From x to z

Let $X \sim N(25, 16)$. Find $P(18 < x < 34)$

- 1) Standardize $\rightarrow z = \frac{18-25}{4} = -1.75$ and $z = \frac{34-25}{4} = 2.25$
- 2) Use the statistical table



Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 7

Exercise 7

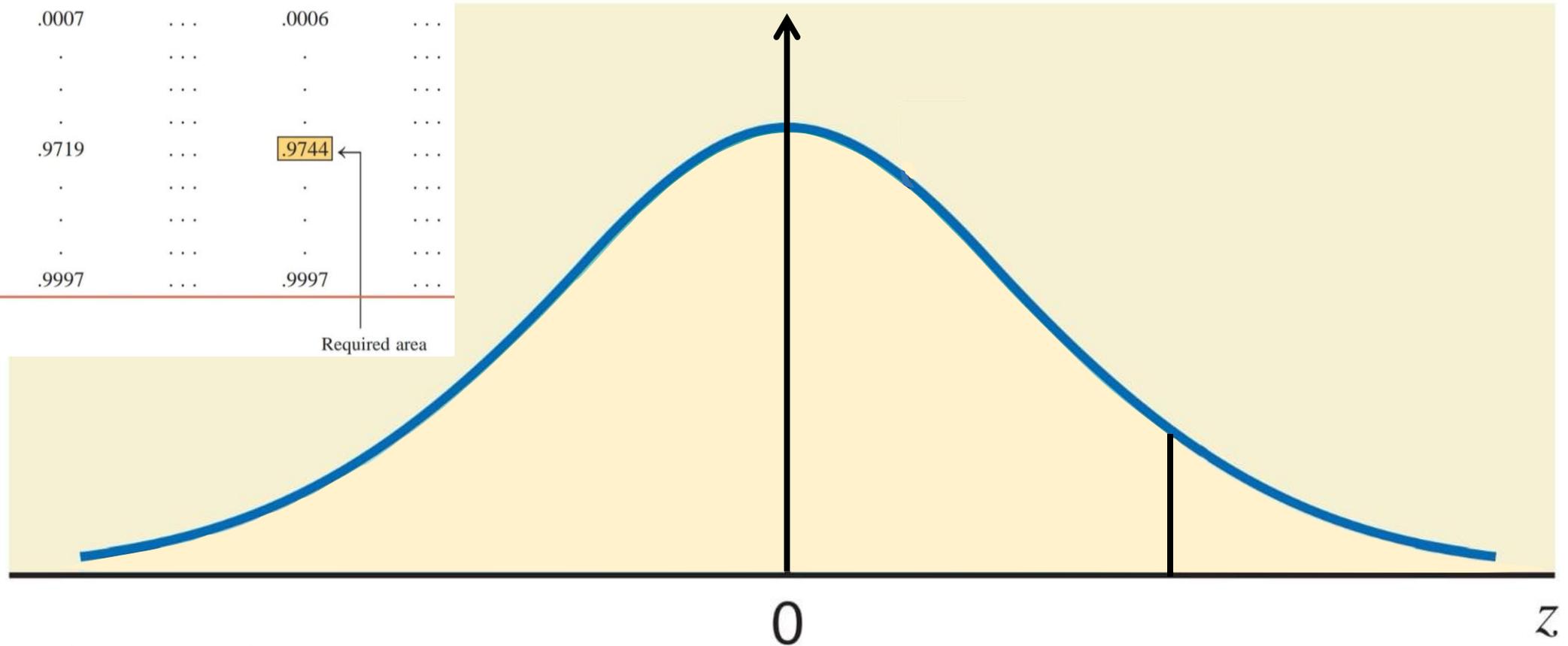
Z is a normally standard distributed variable with mean $\mu = 0$ and standard deviation $\sigma = 1$.

Find

- a. $P(z < 1.95)$
- b. $P(z > 2.32)$
- c. $P(1.19 < z < 2.12)$

Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 7

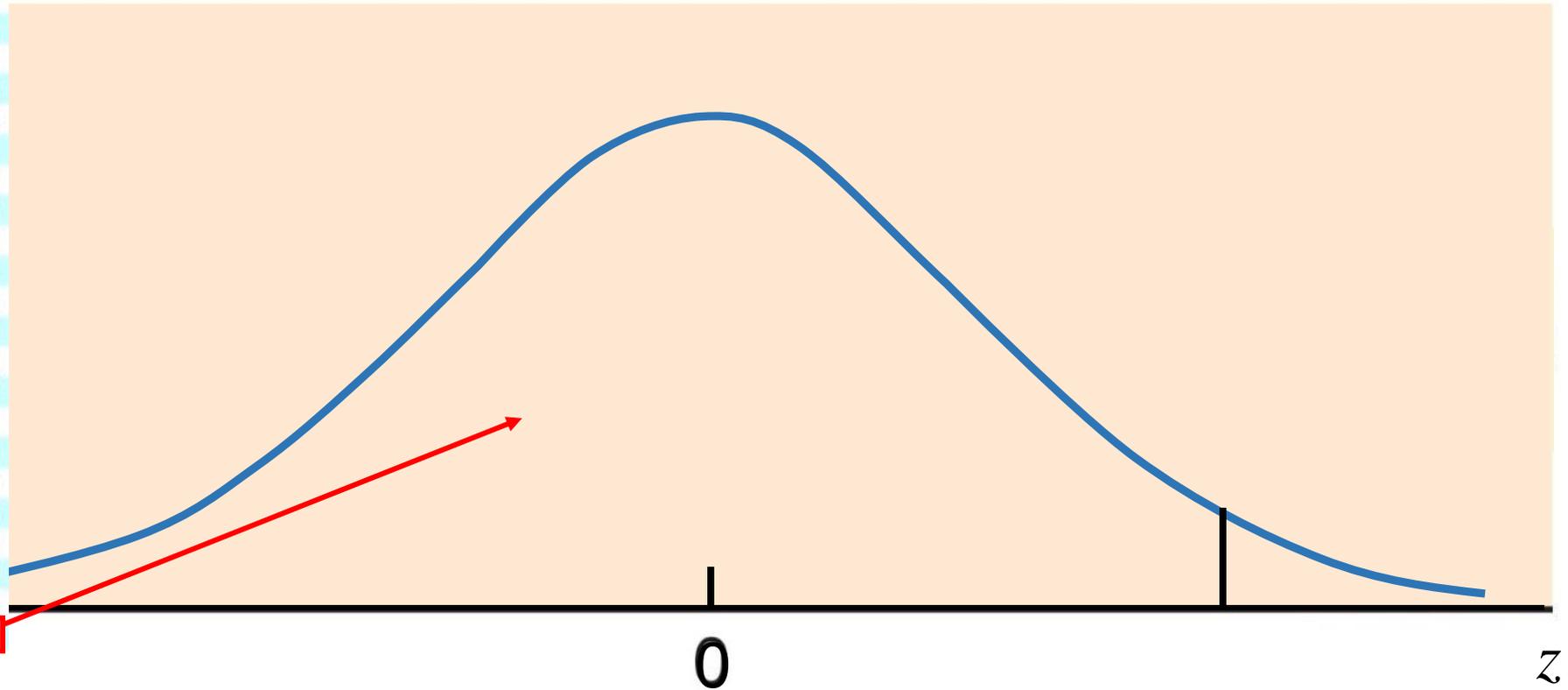
<i>z</i>	.00	.0105	...
-3.4	.0003	.00030003	...
-3.3	.0005	.00050004	...
-3.2	.0007	.00070006	...
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1.9	.9713	.97199744	...
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3.4	.9997	.99979997	...



a. $P(z < 1.95) = 0.9744 = 97.44\%$

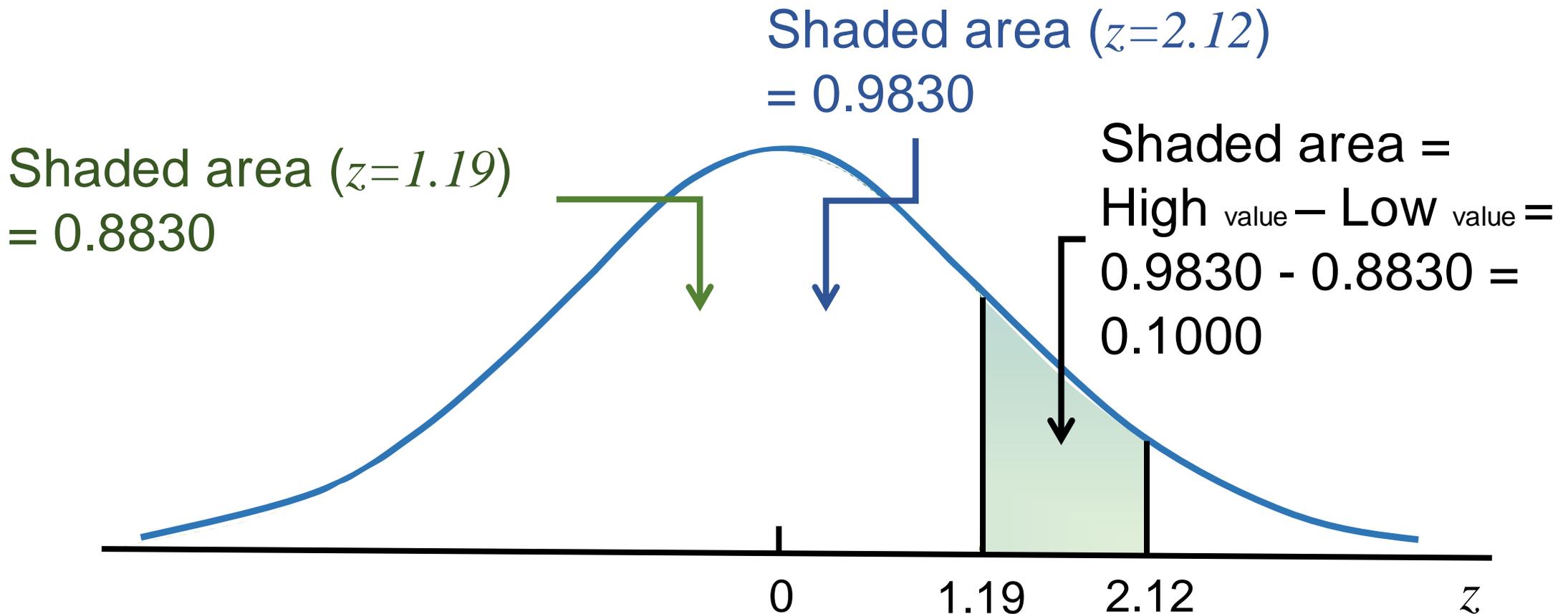
Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 7

z	0.00	0.01	0.02
0.0	0.5000	0.5040	0.5080
0.1	0.5398	0.5438	0.5478
0.2	0.5793	0.5832	0.5871
0.3	0.6179	0.6217	0.6255
0.4	0.6554	0.6591	0.6628
0.5	0.6915	0.6950	0.6985
0.6	0.7257	0.7291	0.7324
0.7	0.7580	0.7611	0.7642
0.8	0.7881	0.7910	0.7939
0.9	0.8159	0.8186	0.8212
1.0	0.8413	0.8438	0.8461
1.1	0.8643	0.8665	0.8686
1.2	0.8849	0.8869	0.8888
1.3	0.9032	0.9049	0.9066
1.4	0.9192	0.9207	0.9222
1.5	0.9332	0.9345	0.9357
1.6	0.9452	0.9463	0.9474
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b. $P(z > 2.32) = 0.0102 = 1.02\%$

Using the Standard Normal Table: Ex 7



c. $P(1.19 < z < 2.12) = 0.1000 = 10\%$

Normal distribution

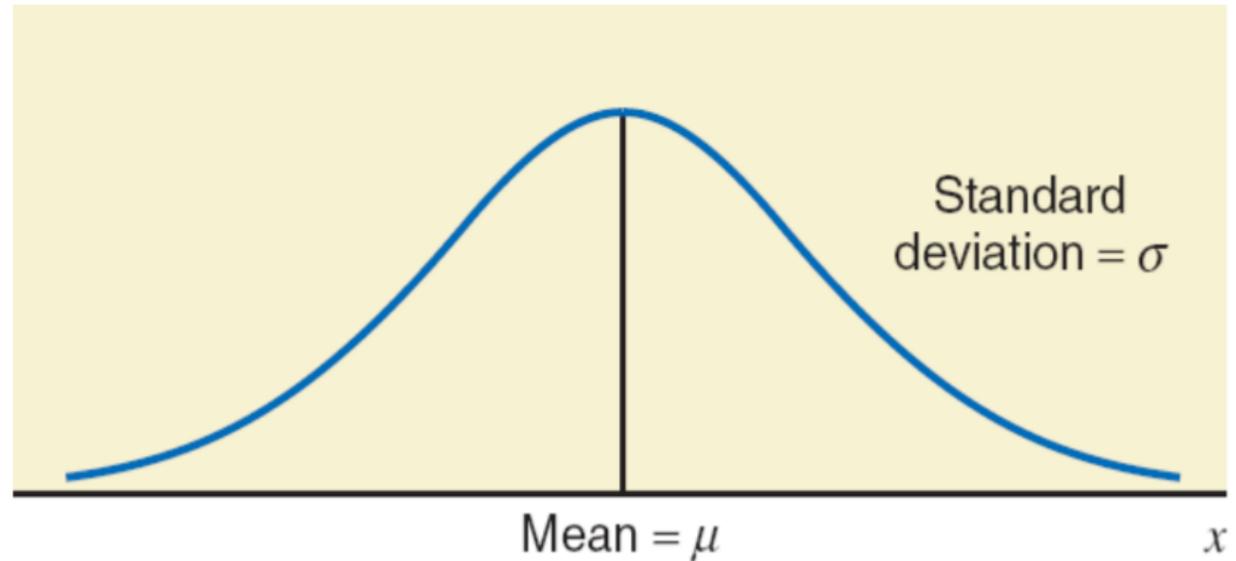
$$N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

Density function is:

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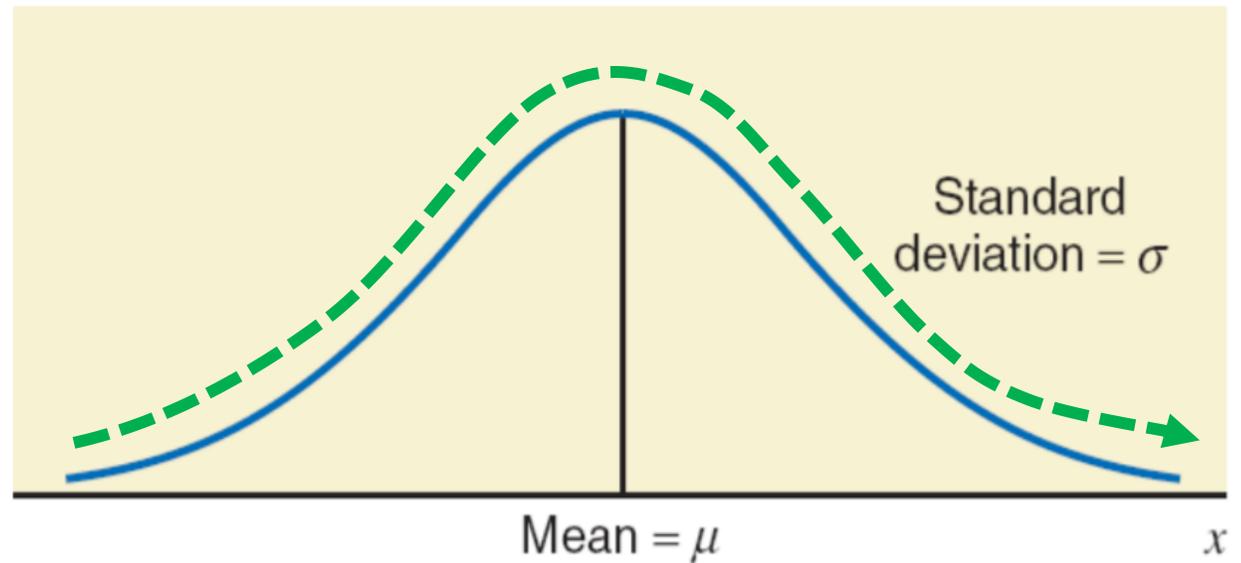
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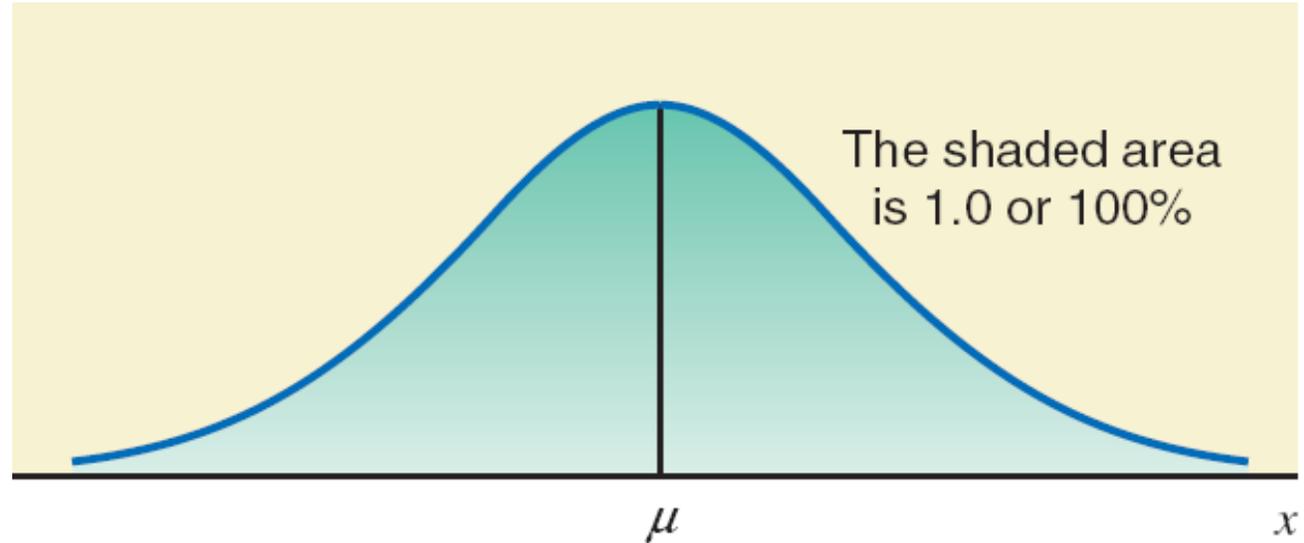
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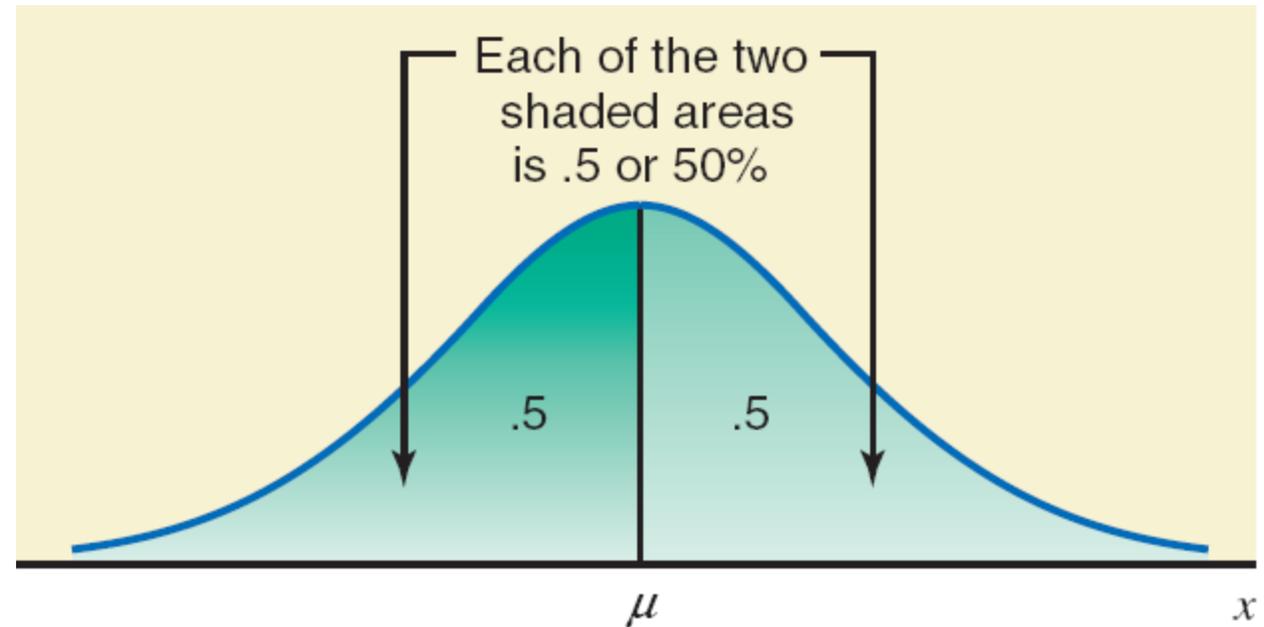
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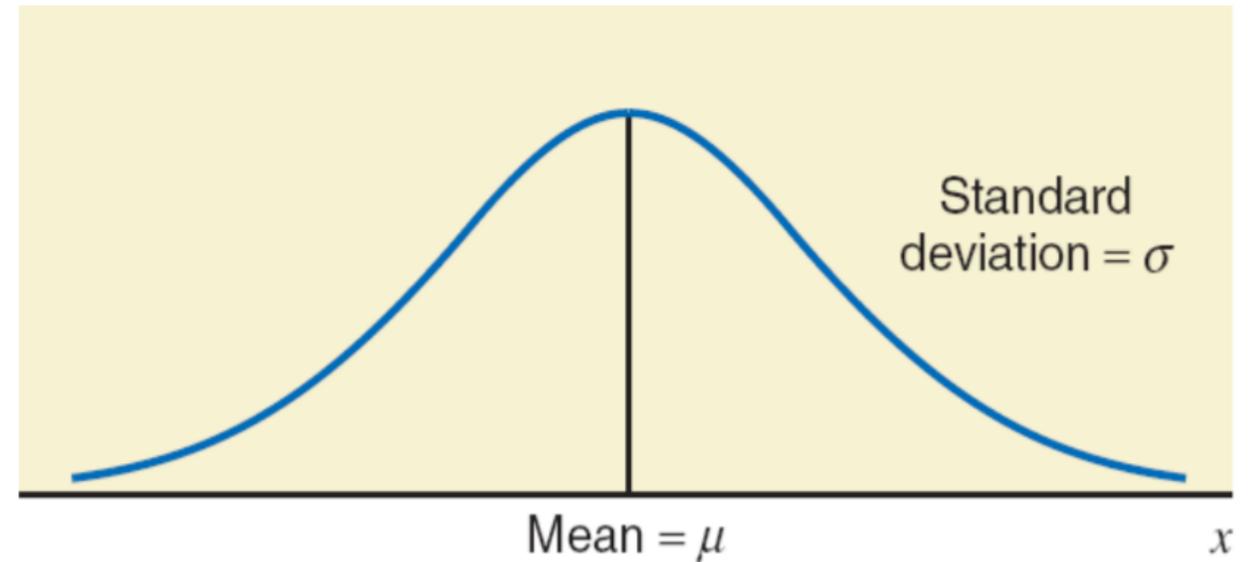
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- Mode=Mean=Median
- Tails extend indefinitely

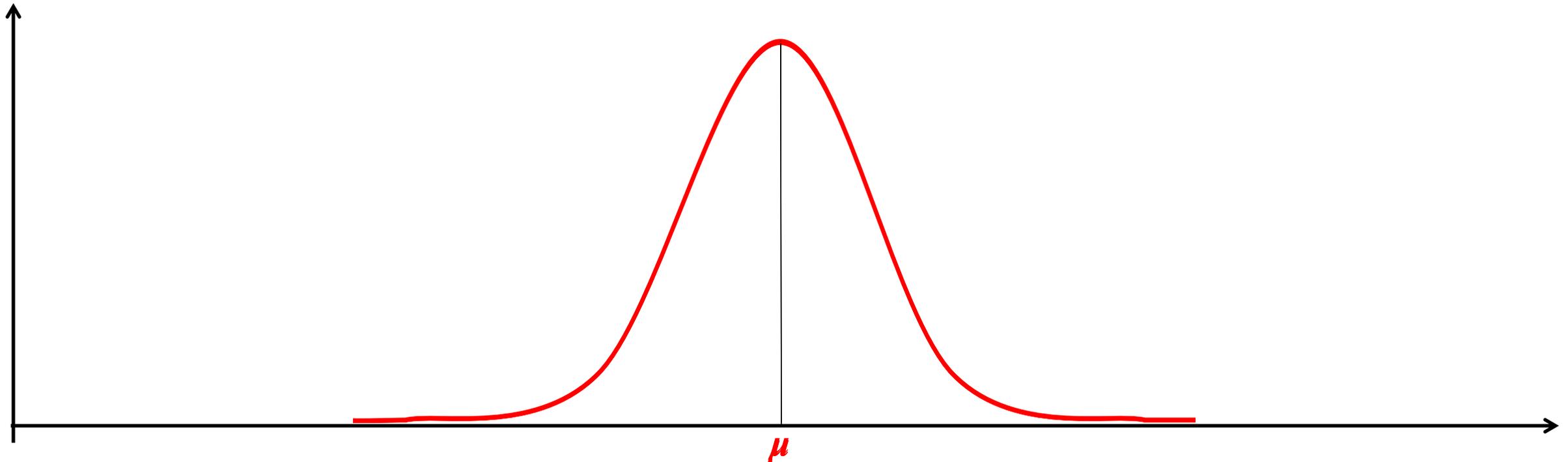


Normal distribution: the mean

$$x \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

2 parameters:

1. μ (mean)



Normal distribution: the spread

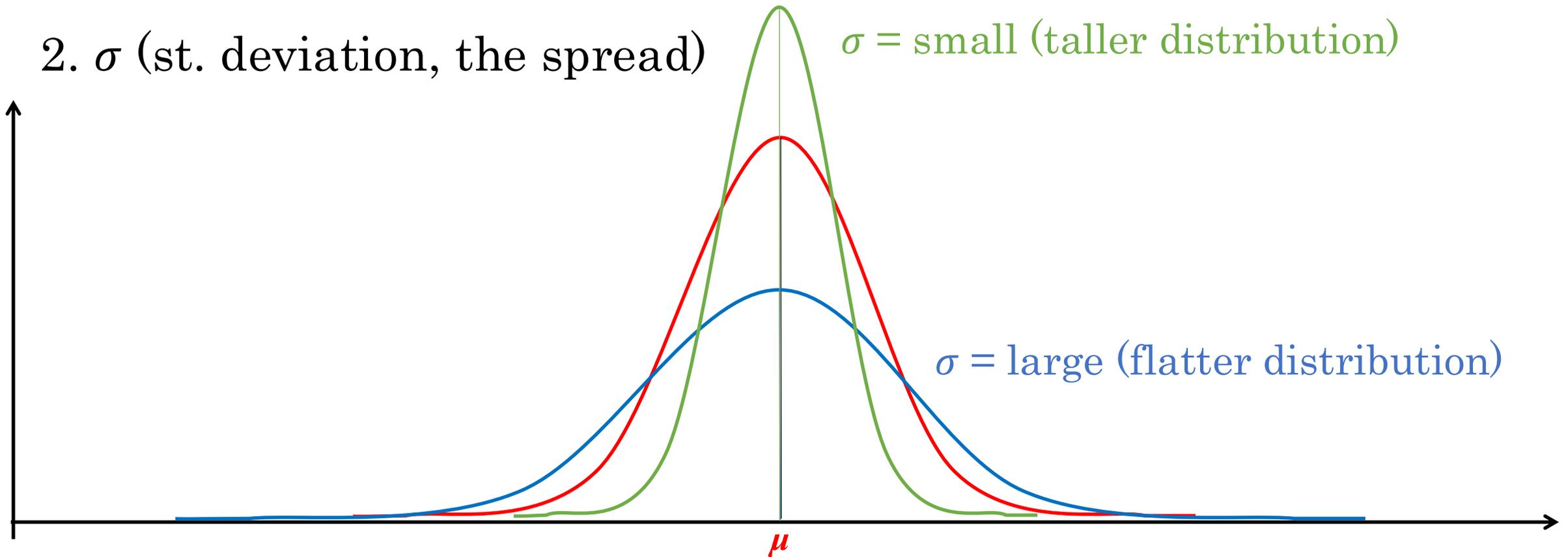
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2 parameters:

2. σ (st. deviation, the spread)

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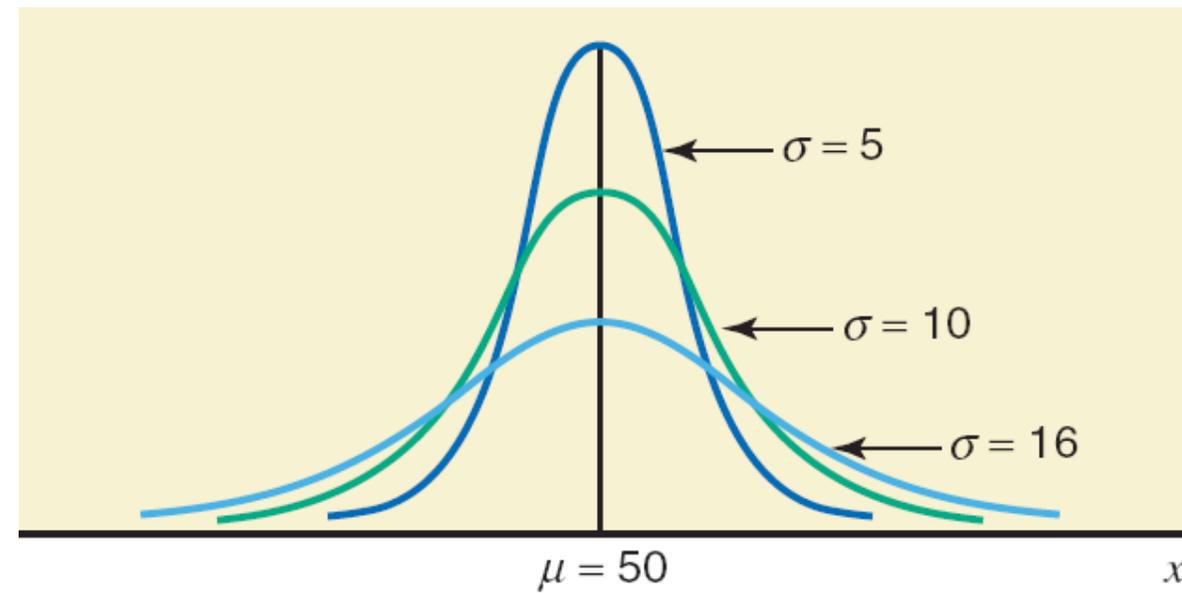
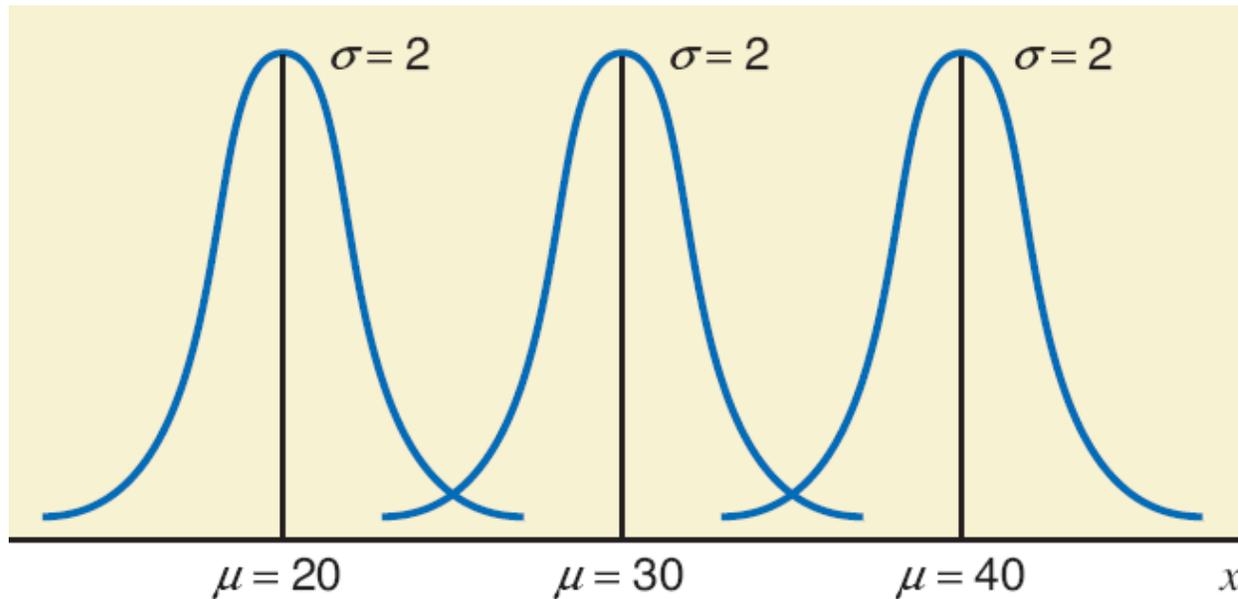
$\sigma = \text{large}$ (flatter distribution)



Normal distribution function: family

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2 parameters: μ (mean, central value), and σ (std.dev., the spread)



Standard Normal distribution, z

The Standard Normal Distribution, Z , is a Normal Distribution with mean equal to 0 and standard deviation equal to 1,

$$Z \sim N(0,1)$$

ANY Normal distribution $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ can be reconverted into a Standard Normal $Z \sim N(0,1)$, by **standardization**

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

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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
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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
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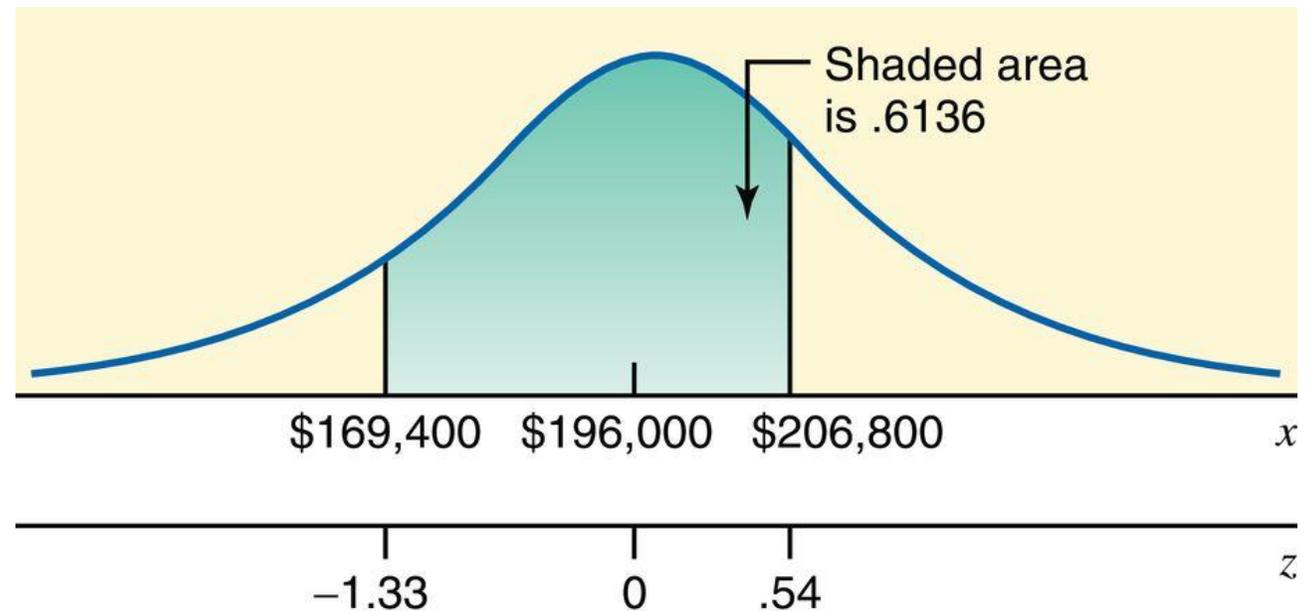
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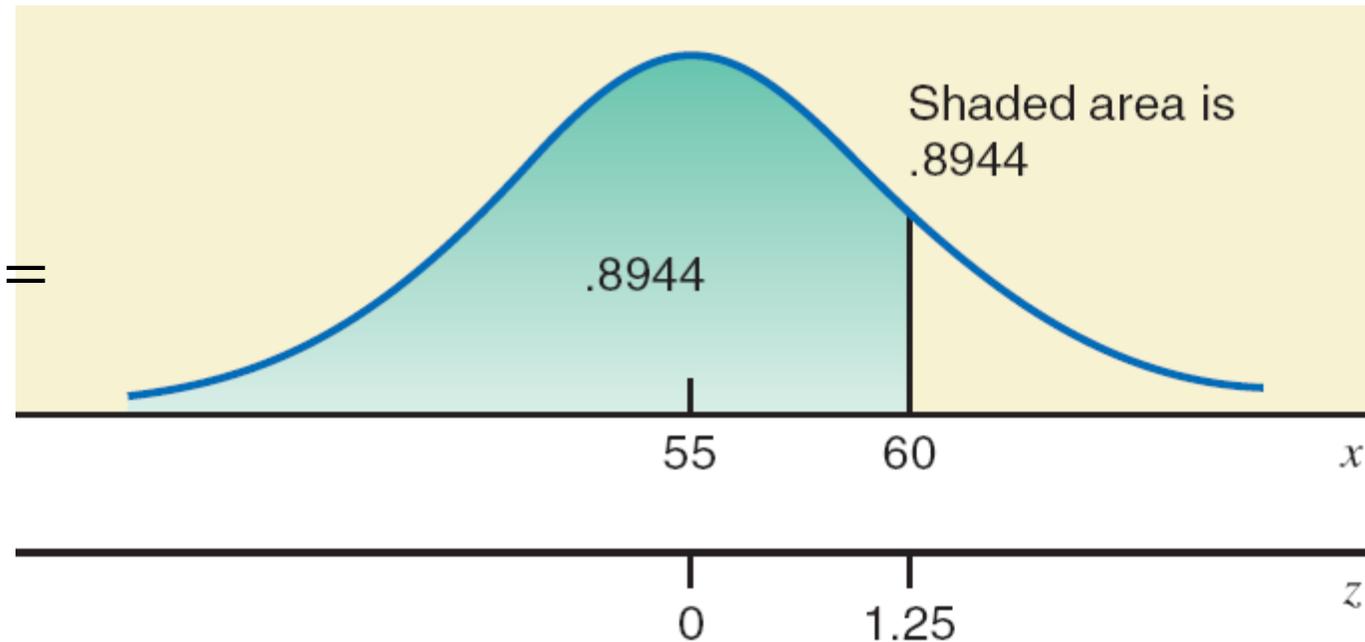
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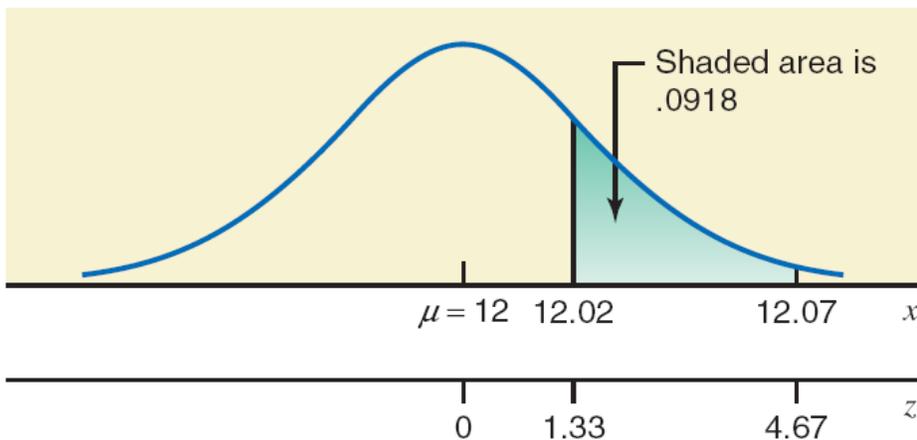
$$\begin{aligned} P(12.02 < X < 12.07) &= P\left(\frac{12.02 - 12}{0.015} < Z < \frac{12.07 - 12}{0.015}\right) = \\ &= P(1.33 < Z < 4.67) = P(Z < 4.67) - P(Z < 1.33) \end{aligned}$$

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$$P(Z < 4.67) - P(Z < 1.33) =$$

$$\cong 1 - 0.9082 = 0.0918 = 9.18\%$$



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
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For value of $z > 3.6$ we have $P(Z < z) \cong 1$

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$$P(X < x) = P(X < 36) = P(Z < z) =$$

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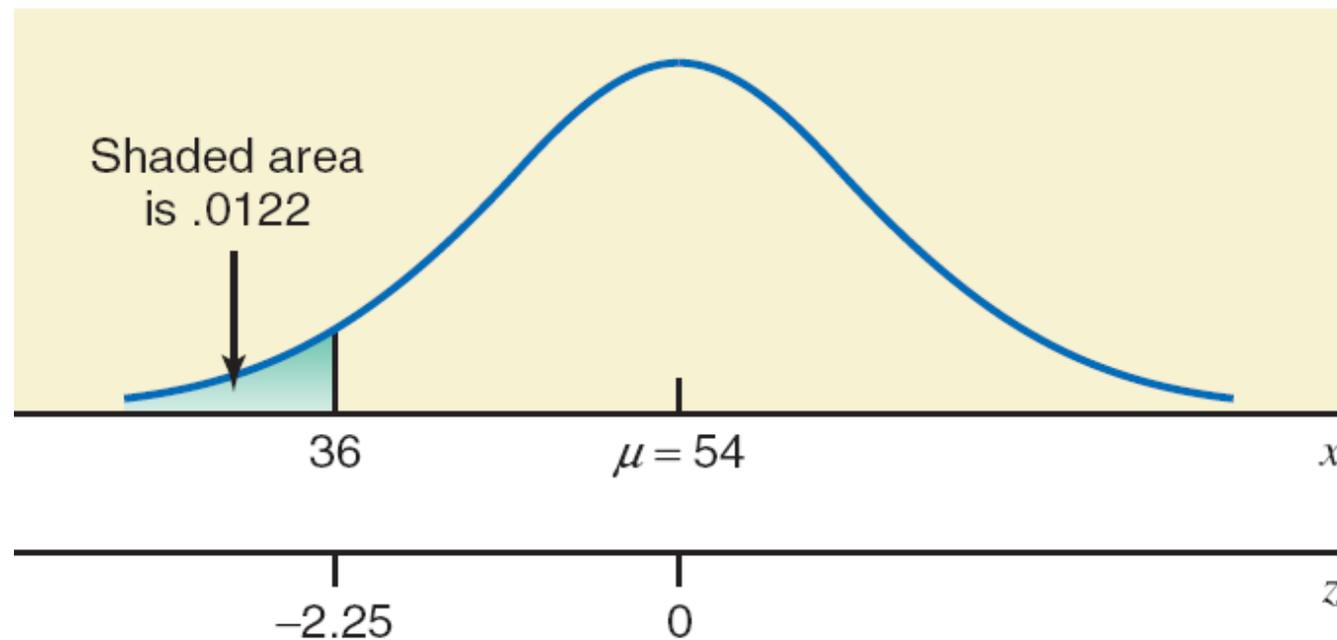
$$= P(Z < -2.25) =$$

$$= 1 - P(Z < 2.25) = 1 - 0.9878 = 0.0122 = 1.22\%$$

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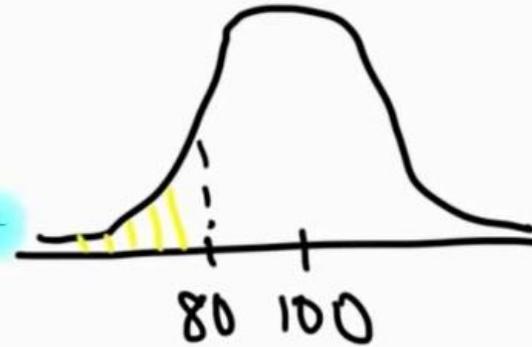


Applications – 5

3. Normally distributed IQ scores have a mean of 100 and a standard deviation of 15. Use the standard z-table to answer the following questions: What is the probability of randomly selecting someone with an IQ score that is (a) less than 80? (b) greater than 136? (c) between 95 and 110?

$$\mu = 100 \quad \sigma = 15$$

$$z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{80 - 100}{15} = -1.33$$



$$P(X < 80)$$

z	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
-3.4	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0003	0.0002
-3.3	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0004	0.0003
-3.2	0.0007	0.0007	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0006	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005
-3.1	0.0010	0.0009	0.0009	0.0009	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0008	0.0007	0.0007
-3.0	0.0013	0.0013	0.0013	0.0012	0.0012	0.0011	0.0011	0.0011	0.0010	0.0010
-2.9	0.0019	0.0018	0.0018	0.0017	0.0016	0.0016	0.0015	0.0015	0.0014	0.0014
-2.8	0.0026	0.0025	0.0024	0.0023	0.0023	0.0022	0.0021	0.0021	0.0020	0.0019
-2.7	0.0035	0.0034	0.0033	0.0032	0.0031	0.0030	0.0029	0.0028	0.0027	0.0026
-2.6	0.0047	0.0045	0.0044	0.0043	0.0041	0.0040	0.0039	0.0038	0.0037	0.0036
-2.5	0.0062	0.0060	0.0059	0.0057	0.0055	0.0054	0.0052	0.0051	0.0049	0.0048
-2.4	0.0082	0.0080	0.0078	0.0075	0.0073	0.0071	0.0069	0.0068	0.0066	0.0064
-2.3	0.0107	0.0104	0.0102	0.0099	0.0096	0.0094	0.0091	0.0089	0.0087	0.0084
-2.2	0.0139	0.0136	0.0132	0.0129	0.0125	0.0122	0.0119	0.0116	0.0113	0.0110
-2.1	0.0179	0.0174	0.0170	0.0166	0.0162	0.0158	0.0154	0.0150	0.0146	0.0143
-2.0	0.0228	0.0222	0.0217	0.0212	0.0207	0.0202	0.0197	0.0192	0.0188	0.0183
-1.9	0.0287	0.0281	0.0274	0.0268	0.0262	0.0256	0.0250	0.0244	0.0239	0.0233
-1.8	0.0359	0.0351	0.0344	0.0336	0.0329	0.0322	0.0314	0.0307	0.0301	0.0294
-1.7	0.0446	0.0436	0.0427	0.0418	0.0409	0.0401	0.0392	0.0384	0.0375	0.0367
-1.6	0.0548	0.0537	0.0526	0.0516	0.0505	0.0495	0.0485	0.0475	0.0465	0.0455
-1.5	0.0668	0.0655	0.0643	0.0630	0.0618	0.0606	0.0594	0.0582	0.0571	0.0559
-1.4	0.0808	0.0793	0.0778	0.0764	0.0749	0.0735	0.0721	0.0708	0.0694	0.0681
-1.3	0.0968	0.0951	0.0934	0.0918	0.0901	0.0885	0.0869	0.0853	0.0838	0.0823

$$P(X < 2.12) = P(Z < -1.33) = 0.0918 = 9.18\%$$

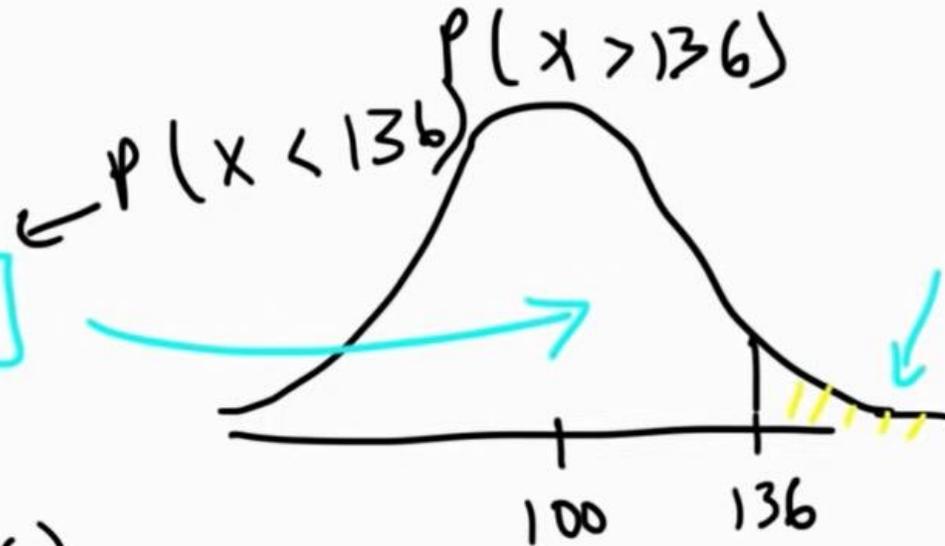
Applications – 5

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$$\mu = 100 \quad \sigma = 15$$

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{136 - 100}{15} = 2.4$$

$$z = 2.4 \rightarrow A_L = 0.9918$$



$$P(X > 136) = 1 - P(X \leq 136)$$

$$= 1 - 0.9918 = 0.0082$$

$$\approx 0.82\%$$

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$$P(95 < X < 110) = P(X < 110) - P(X < 95)$$

$$= 0.74857 - 0.37070$$

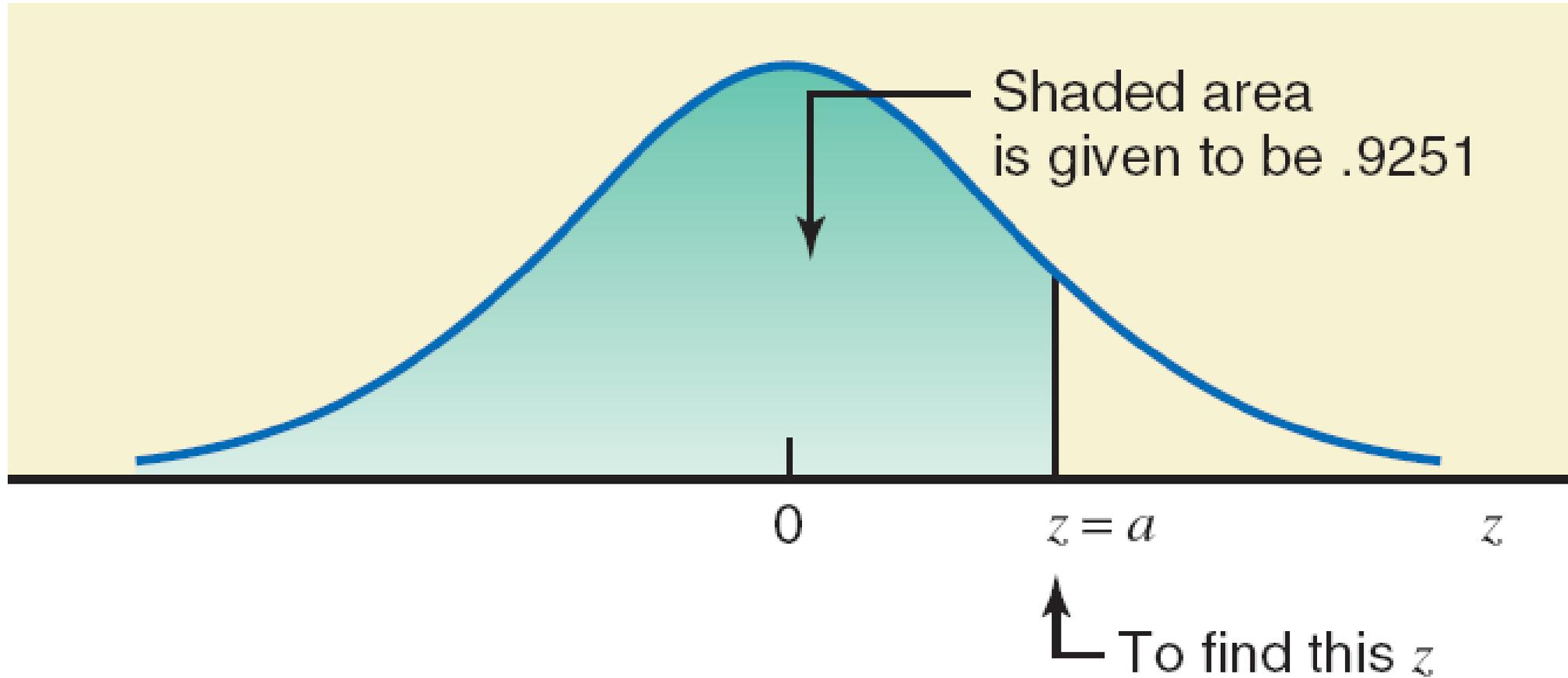
$$= 0.37787$$

$$z = \frac{110 - 100}{15} = 0.67 \rightarrow A_L = 0.74857$$

$$z = \frac{95 - 100}{15} = -0.33 \rightarrow A_L = 0.37070$$

Using the Standard Normal Table...again

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z	.00	.010409
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.
.
1.49251
.
.
.
3.4	.9997	.999799979998

1. Find this value (or closest to) *inside* the table

2. z given by its “coordinates”

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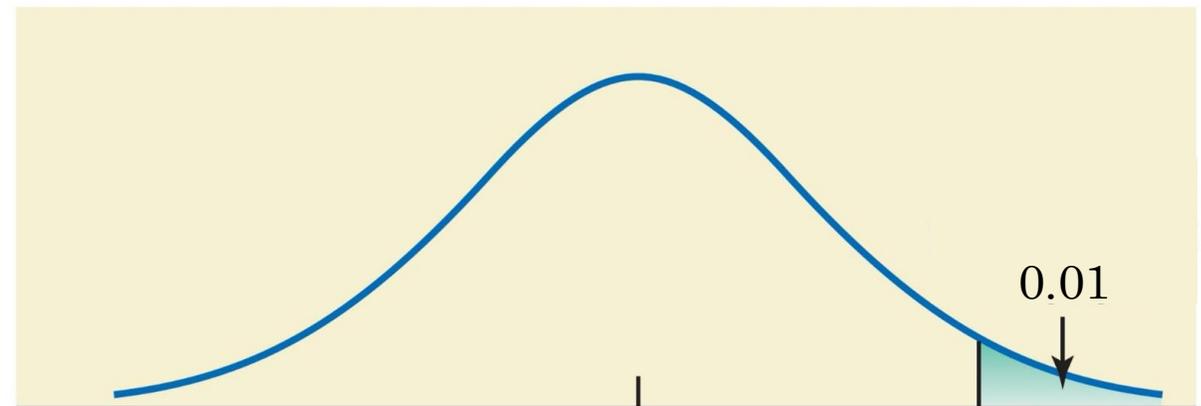
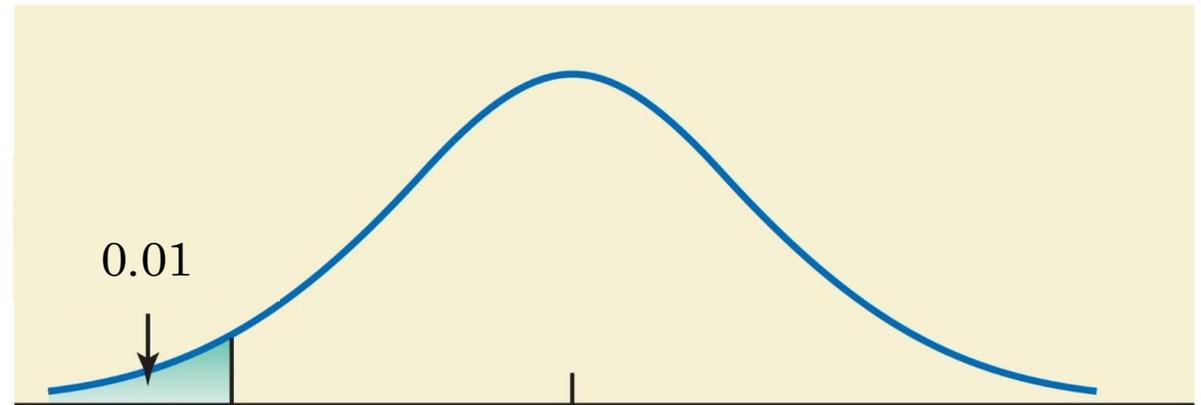
Z is a symmetric distribution

$$P(Z < -z) = P(Z > z) = 0.01$$

Negative z

Positive z

We have to find this $|z|$ value



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The z -value that leaves to its right 0.01:

$$P(Z > z) = 0.01 \rightarrow 1 - P(Z < z) = 0.01$$

$$1 - P(Z < z) = 0.01$$

$$\rightarrow P(Z < z) = 1 - 0.01 = 0.99$$

The nearest value to $P(Z < z) = 0.99$ is for

$$z = 2.33$$

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
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

$$P(Z > 2.33) = 0.01 \text{ and } P(Z < -2.33) = 0.01$$

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$$z = -2.33$$

We have to derive x from z

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

$$x = \mu + z \sigma = 54 - 2.33 \cdot 8 = 35.36$$

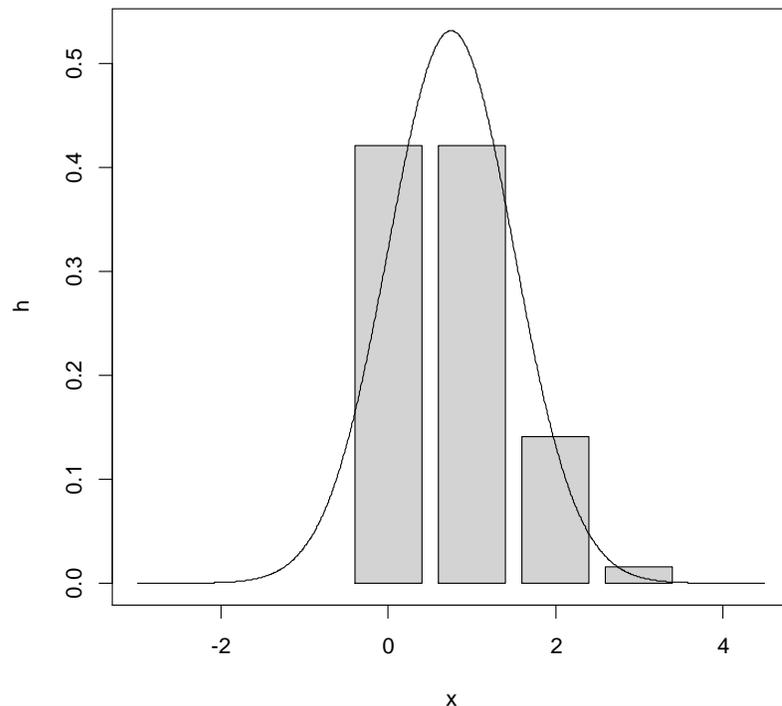
The warranty period should be of approximately 36 months (i.e. 3 years)

Normal approximating Binomial

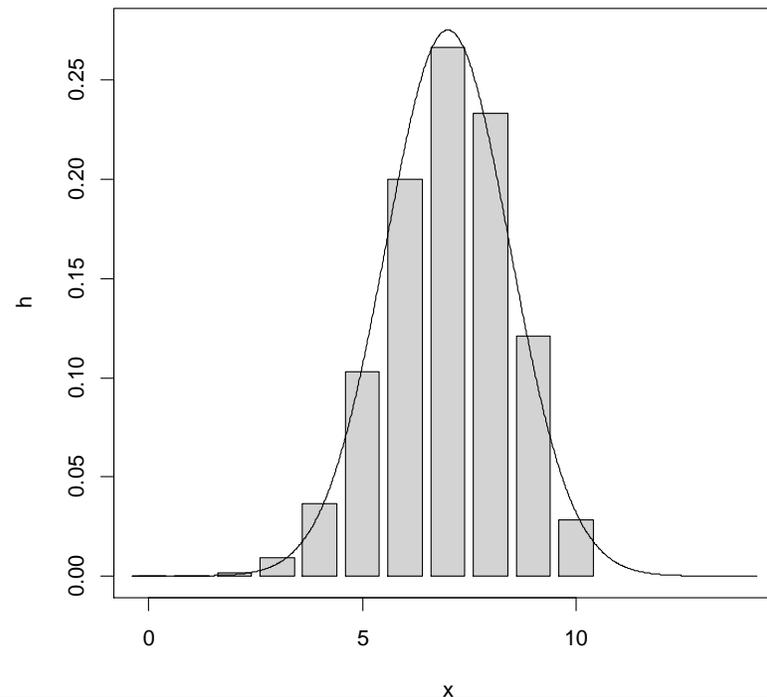
The normal distribution is a good approximation of the binomial distribution when BOTH:

$$np > 5 \quad \text{AND} \quad n(1 - p) > 5$$

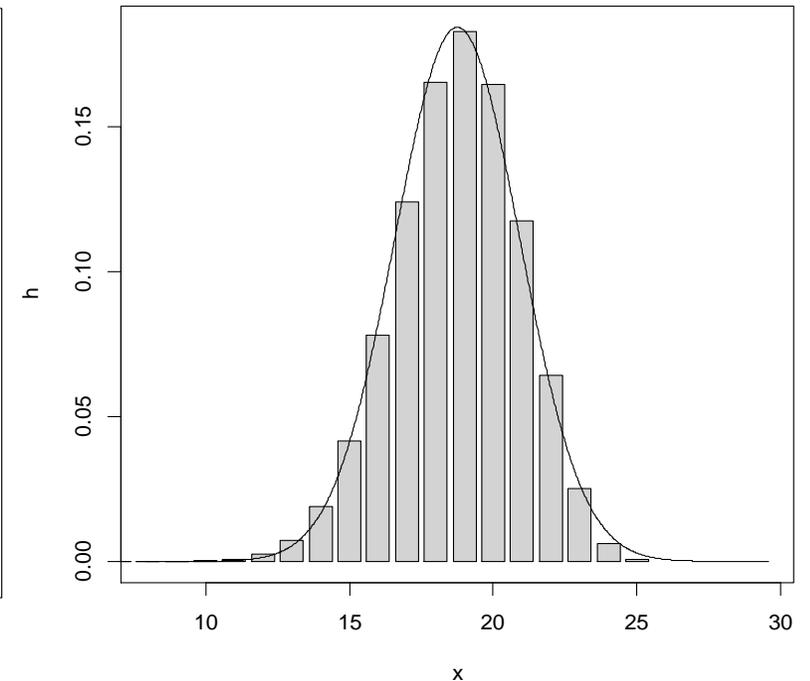
Binomial vs Normal, $n = 3$, $p = 0.25 \Rightarrow n \cdot p = 0.75 \Rightarrow n \cdot (1-p) = 2.25$



Binomial vs Normal, $n = 10$, $p = 0.7 \Rightarrow n \cdot p = 7 \Rightarrow n \cdot (1-p) = 3$



Binomial vs Normal, $n = 25$, $p = 0.75 \Rightarrow n \cdot p = 18.75 \Rightarrow n \cdot (1-p) = 6.25$



Normal approximating Binomial: how

1. Check if both $np > 5$ AND $n(1 - p) > 5$
2. Compute $E(X)$ and $V(X)$ of binomial distribution.
3. Convert the discrete random variable into a continuous one, using the correction for continuity → add and subtract 0.5 from the value of interest
4. Compute the required probability using the normal distribution.

Normal approximating Binomial: example

It is known that 50% of people in the United States have at least one credit card. If a random sample of 30 people is selected, what is the probability that 19 of them will have at least one credit card?

Exact Solution: $P(X = 19) = \binom{30}{19} 0.5^{19} (1 - 0.5)^{30-19} = 0.0509 \cong 5\%$

Normal approximating Binomial: example

It is known that 50% of people in the United States have at least one credit card. If a random sample of 30 people is selected, what is the probability that 19 of them will have at least one credit card?

1. $np = 15$ AND $n(1 - p) = 15 \rightarrow$ approximation
2. Compute $E(X)$ and $V(X)$ of binomial distribution:

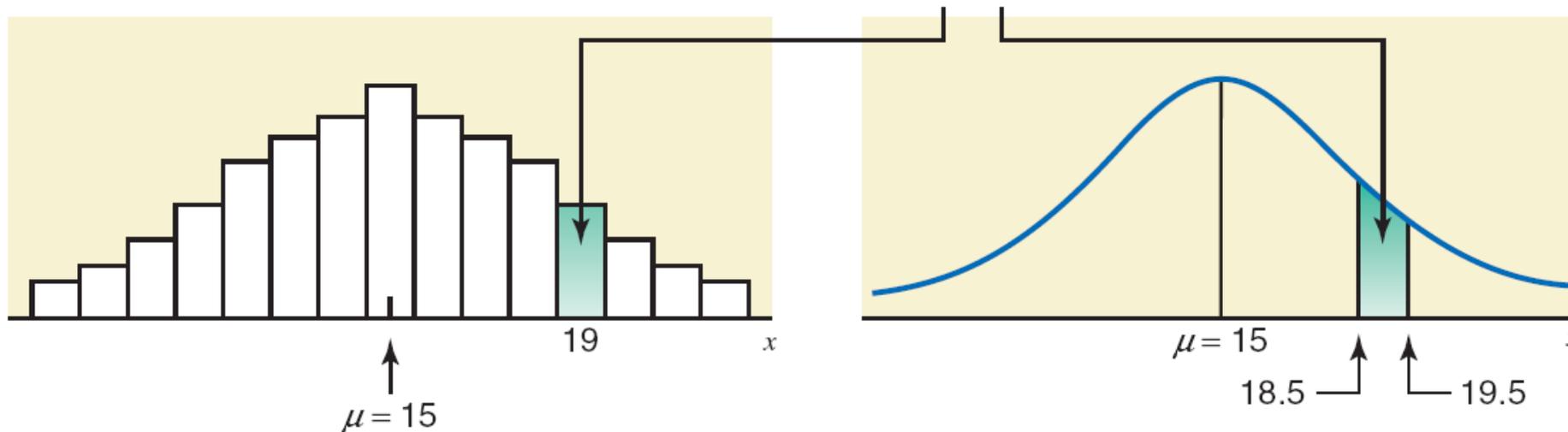
$$E(X) = 30 * 0.5 = 15$$
$$V(X) = 30 * 0.5 * (1 - 0.5) = 7.5$$

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3. Correction for continuity: $P(X = 19) \cong P(18.5 \leq X \leq 19.5)$

The area contained by the rectangle for $x = 19$ is approximated by the area under the curve between 18.5 and 19.5.



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$$= P\left(\frac{18.5 - 15}{\sqrt{7.5}} \leq X \leq \frac{19.5 - 15}{\sqrt{7.5}}\right)$$

$$= P(1.28 \leq Z \leq 1.64)$$

$$= 0.9495 - 0.8997 = 0.0498 \cong 5\%$$

Normal approximating Binomial: example II

According to a survey, 32% of people working would prefer to work from home since there is no commute. Suppose that this result is true for the whole population. What is the probability that in a random sample of 400 workers 108 to 122 will prefer working from home?

Normal approximating Binomial: example II

According to a survey, 32% of people working would prefer to work from home since there is no commute. Suppose that this result is true for the whole population. What is the probability that in a random sample of 400 workers 108 to 122 will prefer working from home?

1. $np = 128$ AND $n(1 - p) = 272 \rightarrow$ approximation

2. $E(X) = 400 * 0.32 = 128$ and $V(X) = 400 * 0.32 * (0.68) = 87.04$

3. Correction for continuity and standardization:

$$= P\left(\frac{107.5 - 128}{\sqrt{87.04}} \leq X \leq \frac{122.5 - 128}{\sqrt{87.04}}\right) = P(-2.20 \leq Z \leq -0.59)$$

4. Compute the probability $\rightarrow 0.2776 - 0.0139 = 0.2637$

t-Student distribution, $X \sim t_n$

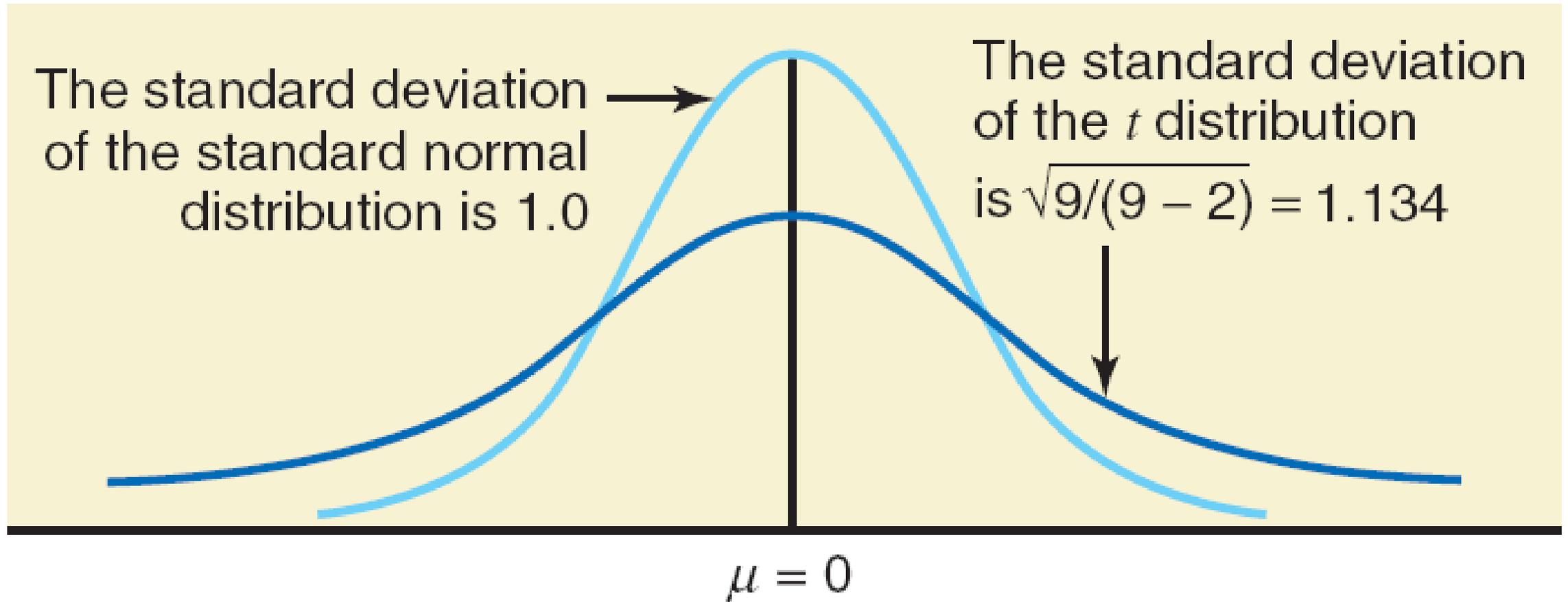
Let $Z \sim N(0,1)$ and $Y \sim \chi_n^2$,

$$X = \frac{Z}{\sqrt{Y/n}} \sim t_n$$

Where $n = \text{degrees of freedom}$ (only parameter)

- The total area under a t-student distribution curve is 1
- Distribution is bell-shaped and symmetric around $E(X) = 0$
- $V(X) = \frac{n}{n-2}$, for $n > 2$
- Fatter tails w.r.t. Normal distribution
- For $n > 30$, X converges to $Z \sim N(0,1)$

t-Student distribution, $X \sim t_n$



t-Student distribution, $X \sim t_n$ – Example

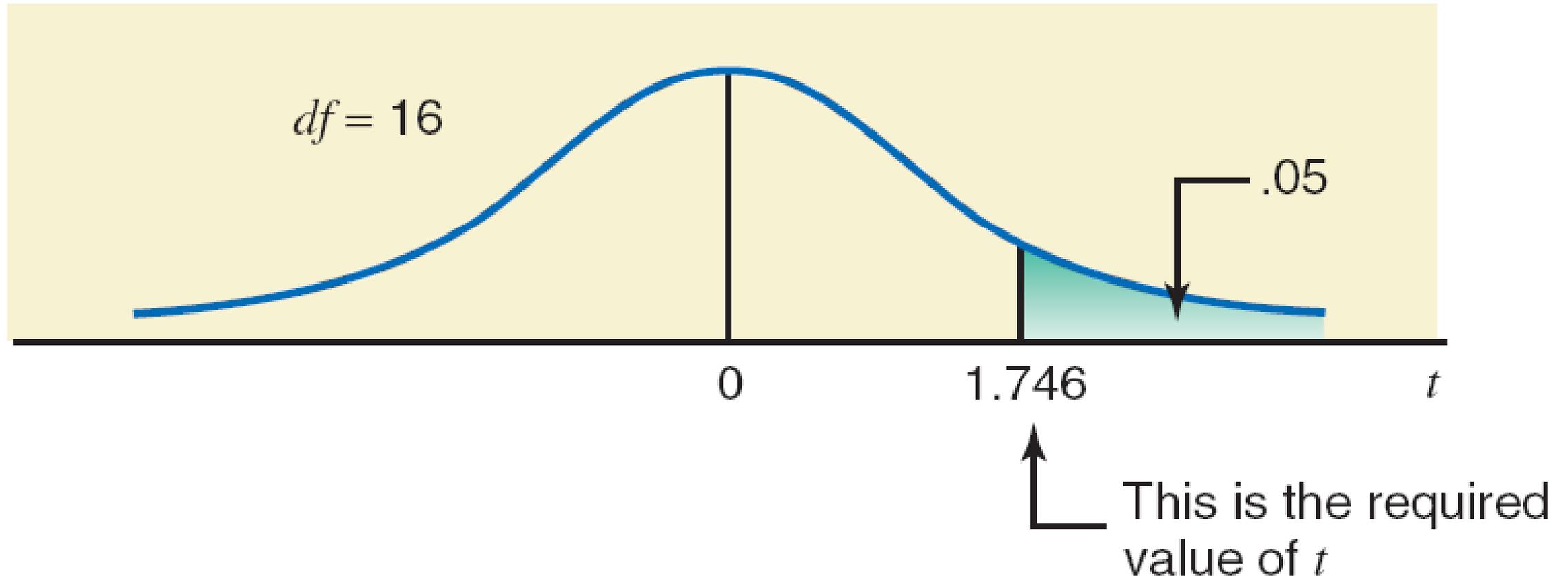
Find the value of t for 16 df and .05 area in the right tail

<i>df</i>	Area in the Right Tail Under the t Distribution Curve				
	.10	.05	.025001
1	3.078	6.314	12.706	...	318.309
2	1.886	2.920	4.303	...	22.327
3	1.638	2.353	3.182	...	10.215
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.
.
16	1.337	1.746	2.120	...	3.686
.
.
.
75	1.293	1.665	1.992	...	3.202
∞	1.282	1.645	1.960	...	3.090

The required value of t for 16 df and .05 area in the right tail

t-Student distribution, $X \sim t_n$ – Example

Find the value of t for 16 df and .05 area in the right tail



Chi square distribution, $X \sim \chi^2$

Let $Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, \dots, Z_n$ be n i.i.d. random variables $Z_i \sim N(0,1)$

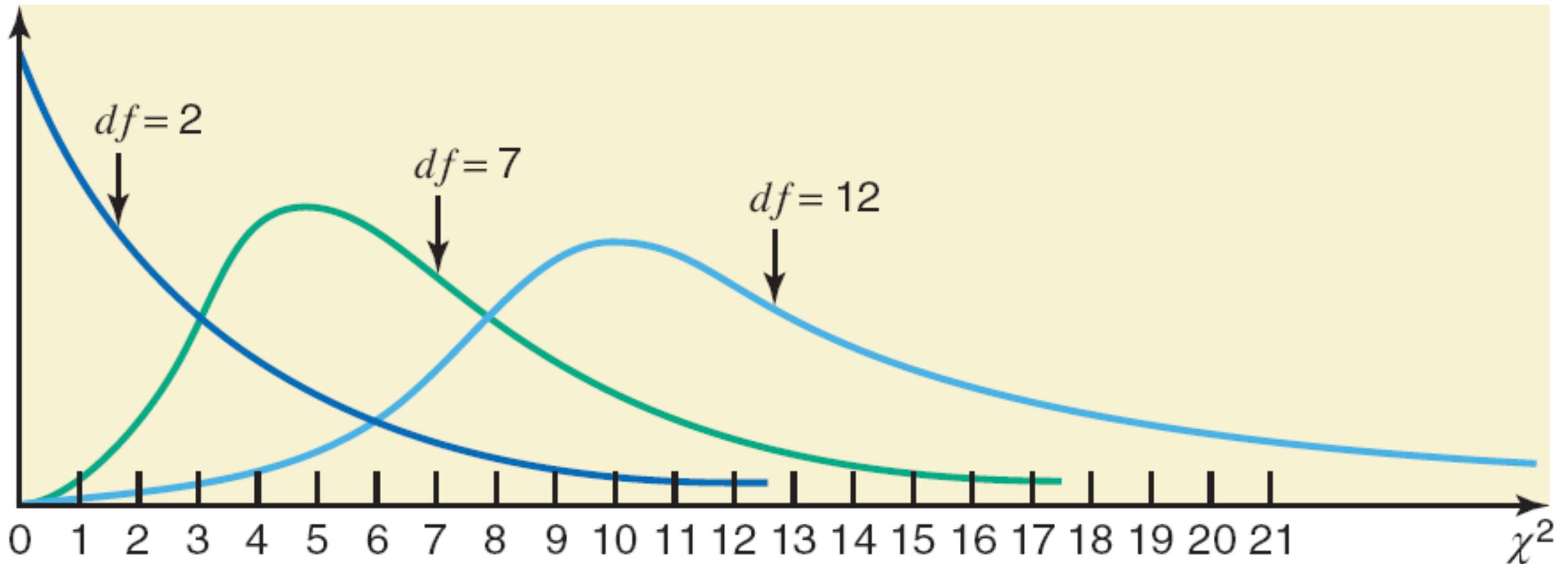
$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2 \sim \chi_n^2$$

Where $n = \text{degrees of freedom}$ (only parameter)

- The chi-square distribution lies to the right of the vertical axis.
- The total area under a chi-square distribution curve is 1.
- $E(X) = n$
- $V(X) = 2n$

Chi square distribution, $X \sim \chi_n^2$

The shape of a chi-square distribution curve is skewed to the right for small n and becomes symmetric for large n .



Chi square distribution – Example

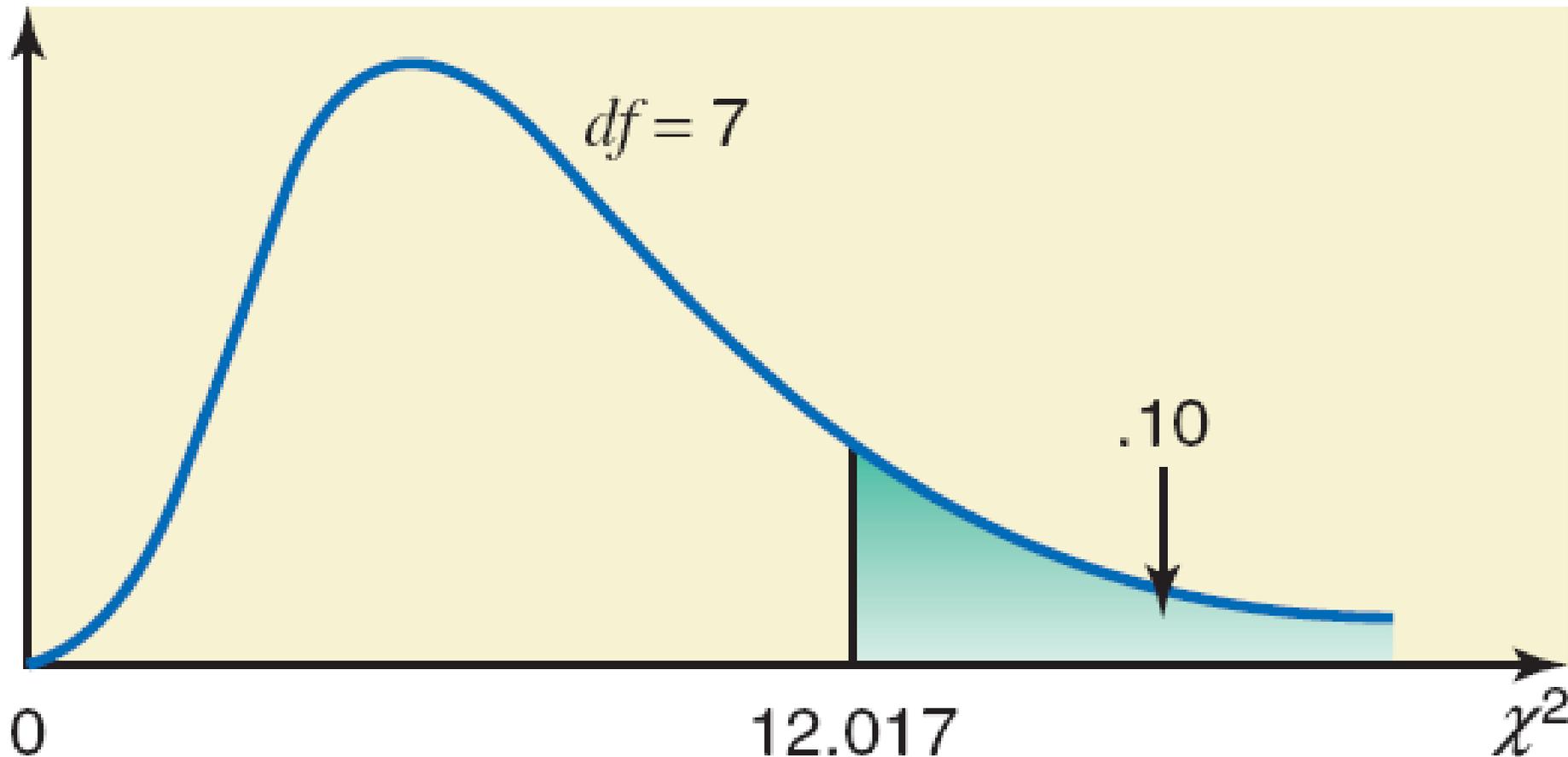
Find the value of χ^2 for 7 *df* that leaves an area of .10 in the right tail.

<i>df</i>	Area in the Right Tail Under the Chi-Square Distribution Curve				
	.995100005
1	0.000	...	2.706	...	7.879
2	0.010	...	4.605	...	10.597
.
.
.
7	0.989	...	12.017	...	20.278
.
.
.
100	67.328	...	118.498	...	140.169

← Required value of χ^2

Chi square distribution – Example

Find the value of χ^2 for 7 *df* that leaves an area of .10 in the right tail.



F distribution, $F \sim F_{n,m}$

Let $X \sim \chi_m^2$ and $Y \sim \chi_n^2$,

$$F = \frac{X/m}{Y/n} \sim F_{m,n}$$

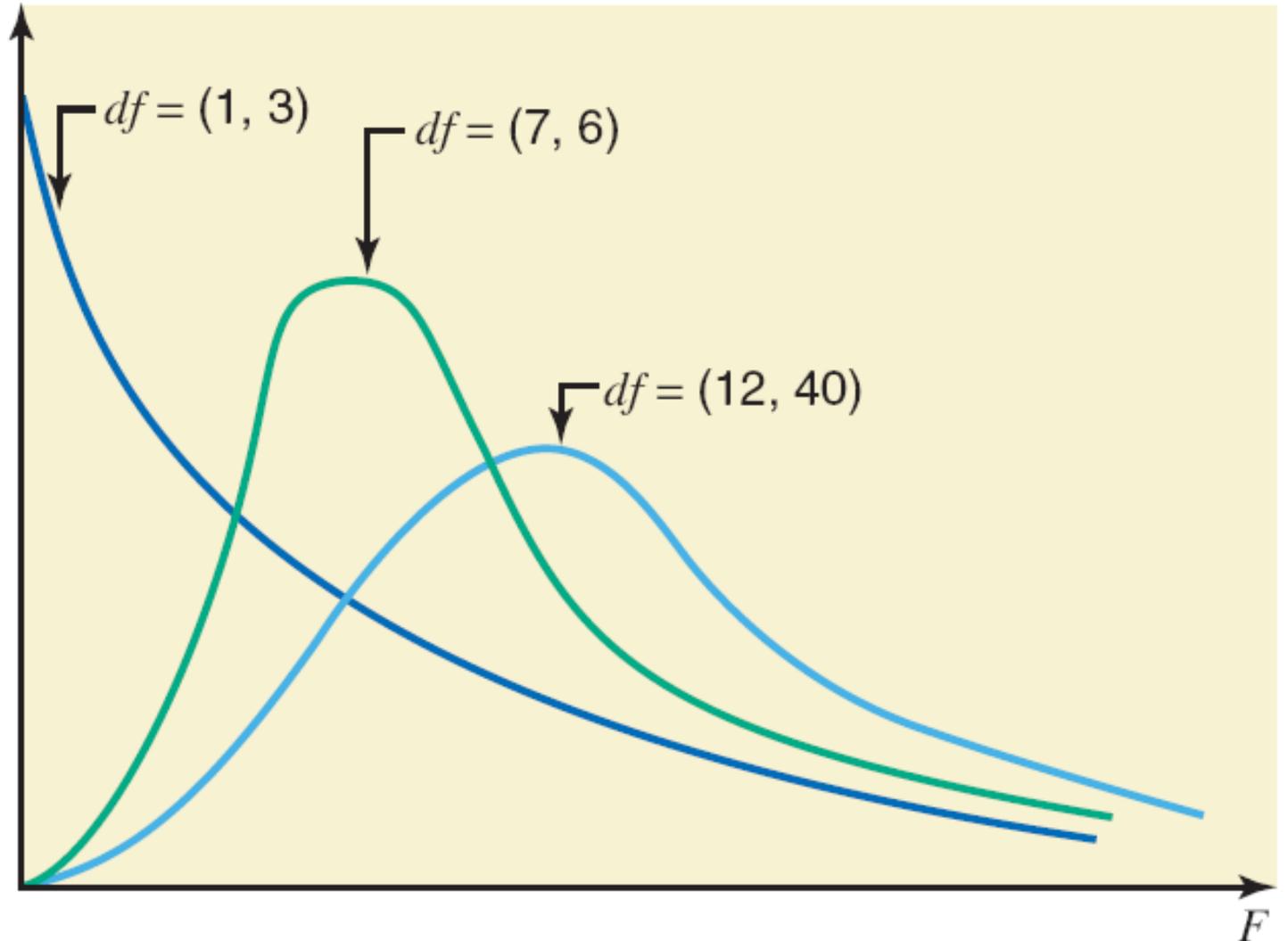
Where $m = \text{numerator's df}$, $n = \text{denominator's df}$ (2 parameters)

- The curve lies to the right of the vertical axis and the total area under F distribution curve is 1

F distribution, $F \sim F_{n,m}$

Let $X \sim \chi_m^2$ and $Y \sim \chi_n^2$,

$$F = \frac{X/m}{Y/n} \sim F_{m,n}$$



F distribution, $F \sim F_{n,m}$ – Example

Find the value $F_{n=8,m=14}$ and .05 area in the right tail

		Degrees of Freedom for the Numerator					
		1	2	...	8	...	100
Degrees of Freedom for the Denominator	1	161.5	199.5	...	238.9	...	253.0
	2	18.51	19.00	...	19.37	...	19.49

	14	4.60	3.74	...	2.70	...	2.19

	100	3.94	3.09	...	2.03	...	1.39

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