

Class 10

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Lecture Chapter 6.1- 6.5

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Chapter 6: Normal Probability Distributions (Continuous Distribution)

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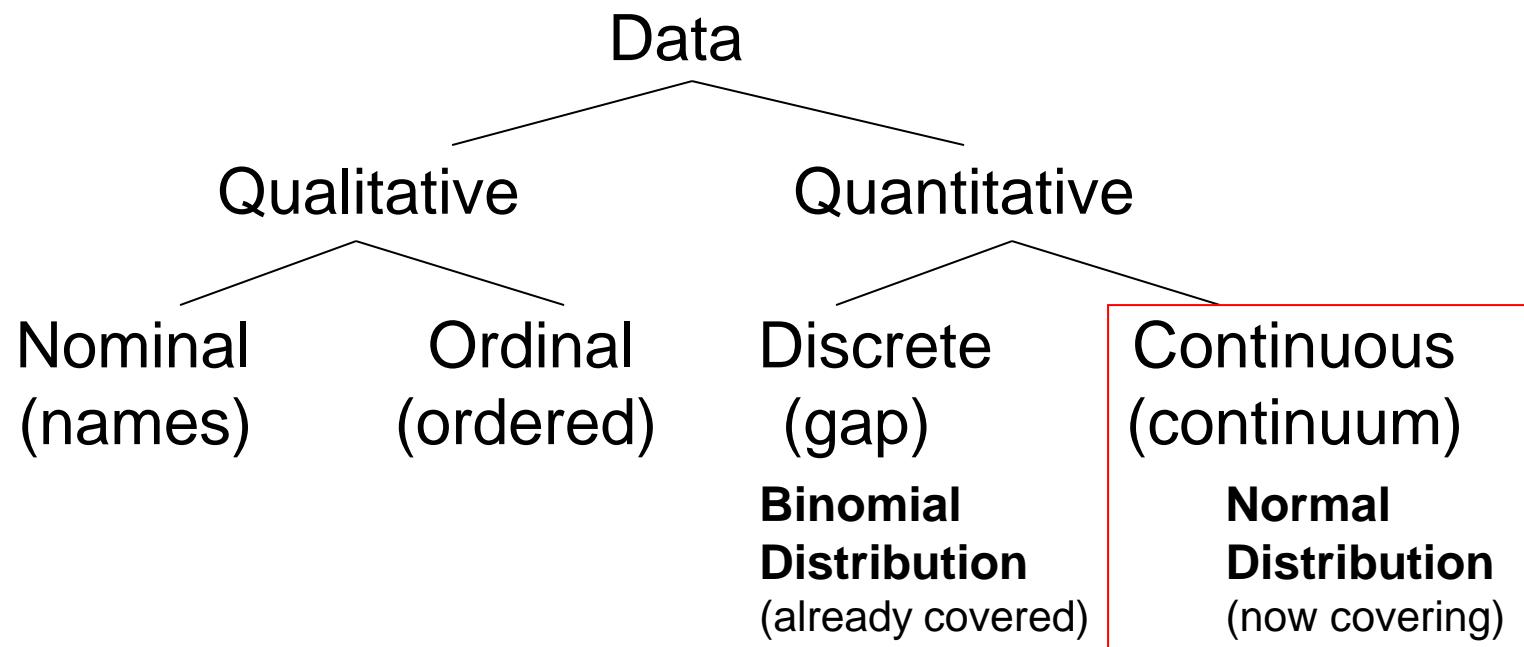
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6: Normal Probability Distributions

6.1 Normal Probability Distributions

At the beginning of course we talked about types of data.



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6.1 Normal Probability Distributions

We discussed discrete random variables and discrete probability functions, $P(x)$.

Probability Function: A rule $P(x)$ that assigns probabilities to the values of the random variables, x .

Example:

Let $x = \#$ of heads when we flip a coin twice.

$$x=\{0,1,2\} \quad P(x)=\frac{2!}{x!(2-x)!}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2-x}$$

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6.1 Normal Probability Distributions

The most important continuous distribution is the normal distribution (p 269). Insert x and get $f(x)$.

Probability distribution, continuous variable: ... the probability for a continuous random variable, x , having values falling within a specified interval.

Normal Probability Distribution Function:

$$y = f(x) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \quad \text{for all } x \text{ real} \quad (6.1)$$

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The mathematical formula for the normal distribution is (p 269):

$$f(x) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

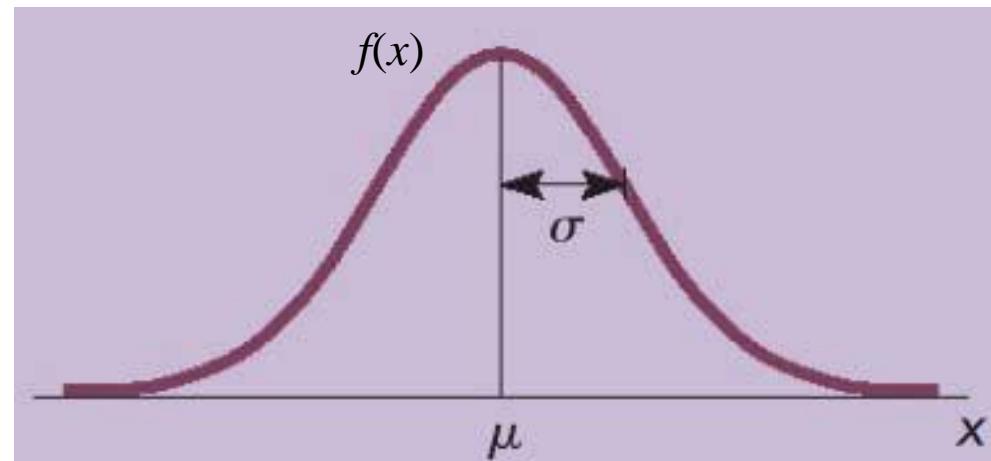
where

$$e = 2.718281828459046\dots$$

$$\pi = 3.141592653589793\dots$$

μ = population mean

σ = population std. deviation



$$-\infty < x, \mu < +\infty$$

$$0 < \sigma$$

We will not use this formula.

Figure from Johnson & Kuby, 2012.

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6.1 Normal Probability Distributions

Properties of Normal Distribution

1. Total Area under the normal curve is 1
2. Mound shaped, symmetric about mean, extends to $\pm\infty$
3. Has a mean of μ and standard deviation σ .
4. The mean divides area in half.
5. Nearly all area within 3σ of μ .

$$f(x) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

$$-\infty < x, \mu < +\infty \quad 0 < \sigma$$

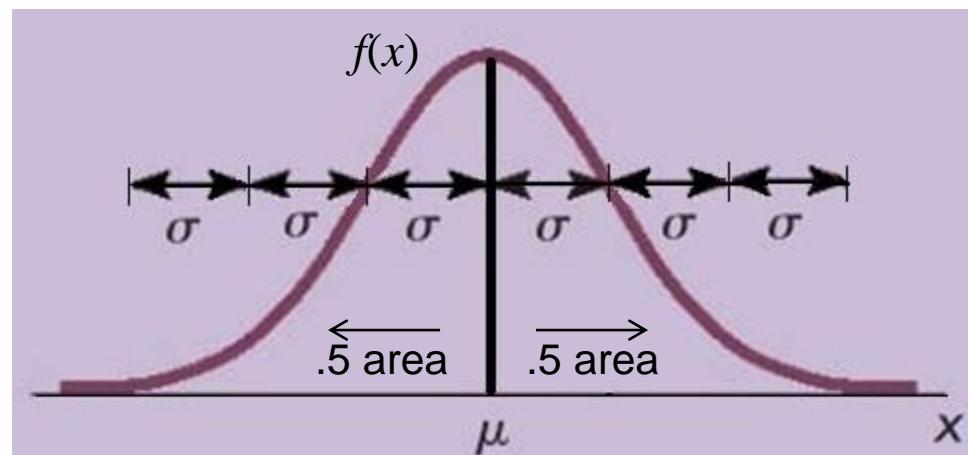


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1. Symmetric about the mean.

2. mean = median = mode.

3. Mean μ & variance σ^2
completely characterize.

4. $P(\mu - \sigma < x < \mu + \sigma) = .68$

$P(\mu - 2\sigma < x < \mu + 2\sigma) = .95$

$P(\mu - 3\sigma < x < \mu + 3\sigma) = .99$

5. $P(a < x < b) = \text{area under curve from } a \text{ to } b$.

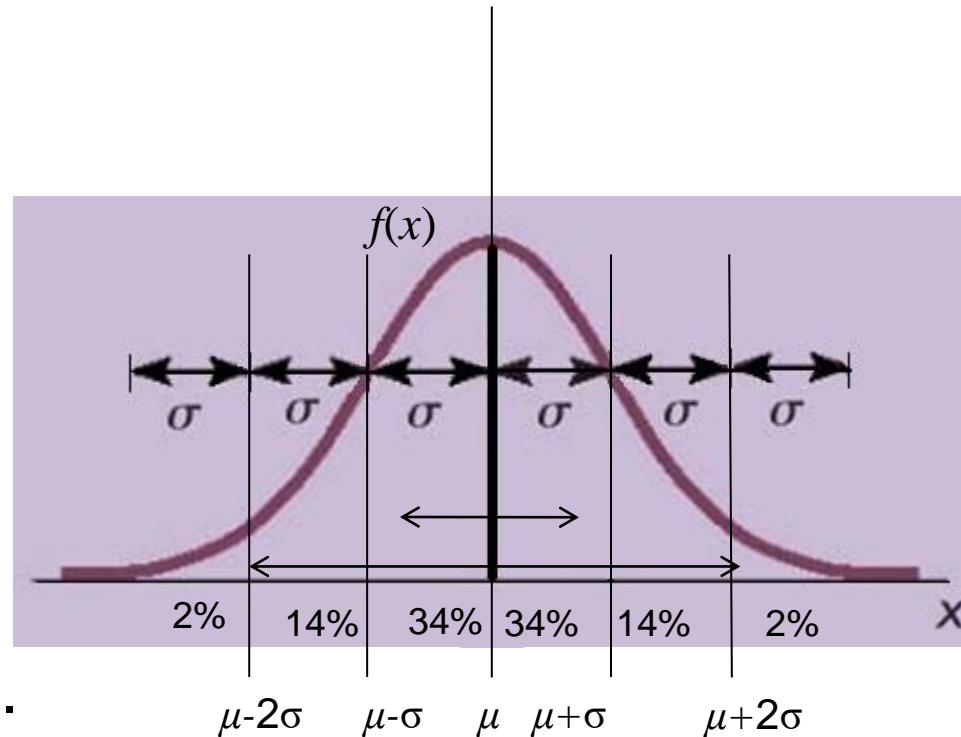


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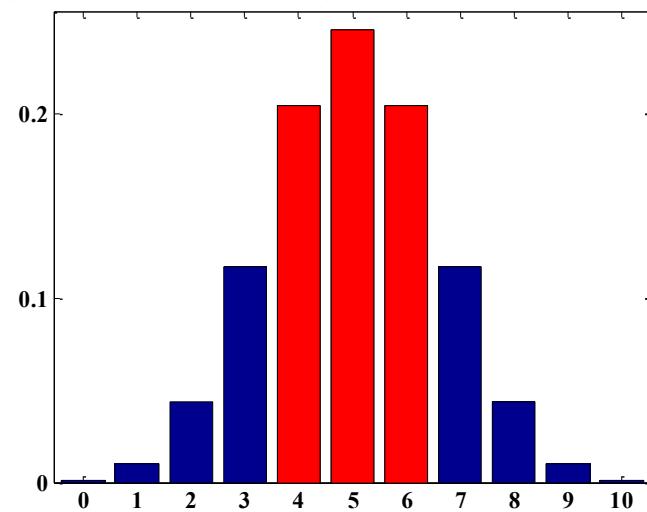
6.1 Normal Probability Distributions

When we discussed random experiments such as flipping a coin or rolling a die, we described the outcomes and events.

We then discussed the probabilities of these events which consisted of probabilities of the individual outcomes.

With the discrete binomial distribution we were interested in events such as

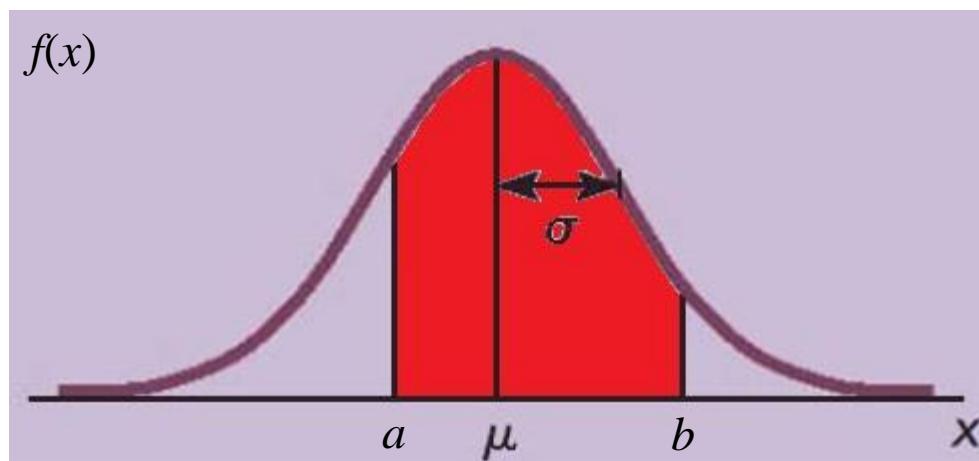
$$P(4 \leq x \leq 6) = P(4) + P(5) + P(6)$$



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6.1 Normal Probability Distributions

With the continuous normal distribution, we want areas.



The probability x is in the interval a to b is in red

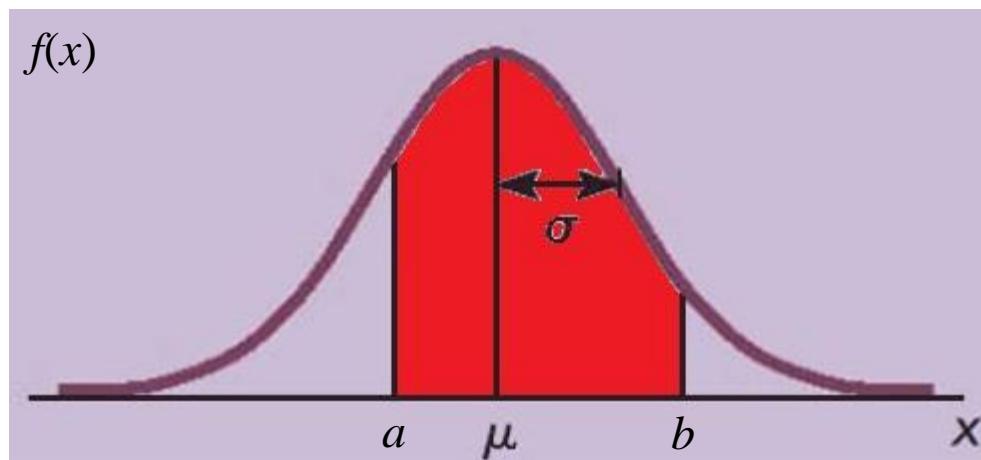
Shaded area:
 $P(a \leq x \leq b)$

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Areas of continuous functions are found with Calculus.



Aside: Don't need to know.

$$A = \int_a^b \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2} dx \quad (6.2)$$

$f(x)$

We will not use Calculus in this class.

This can not be done with pencil & paper and can only be done numerically with a computer.

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6: Normal Probability Distributions

6.1 Normal Probability Distributions

How are we going to find areas in this class?

We find areas of the normal distribution by using the standard normal distribution and tables in the back of the book.

When $\mu=0$ and $\sigma=1$, the curve is called the “standard” normal distribution.

I will describe the standard normal, then discuss finding areas.

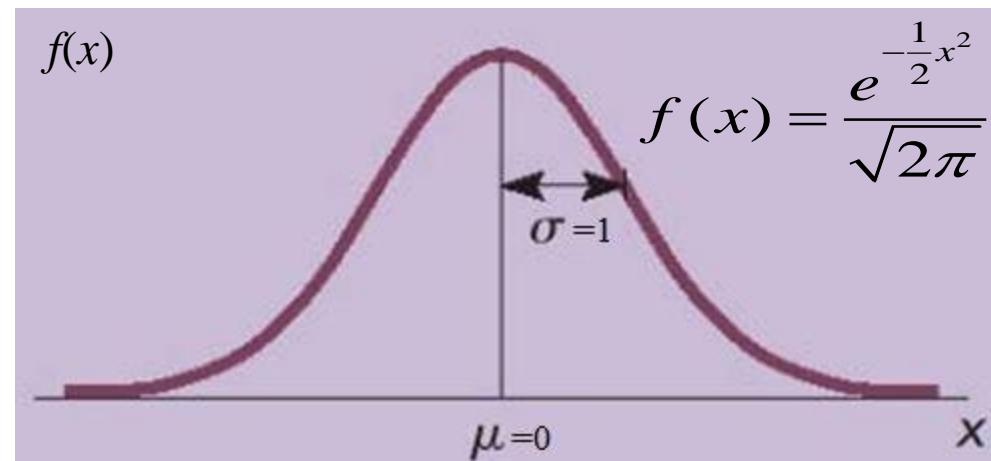


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6.2 The Standard Normal Distribution

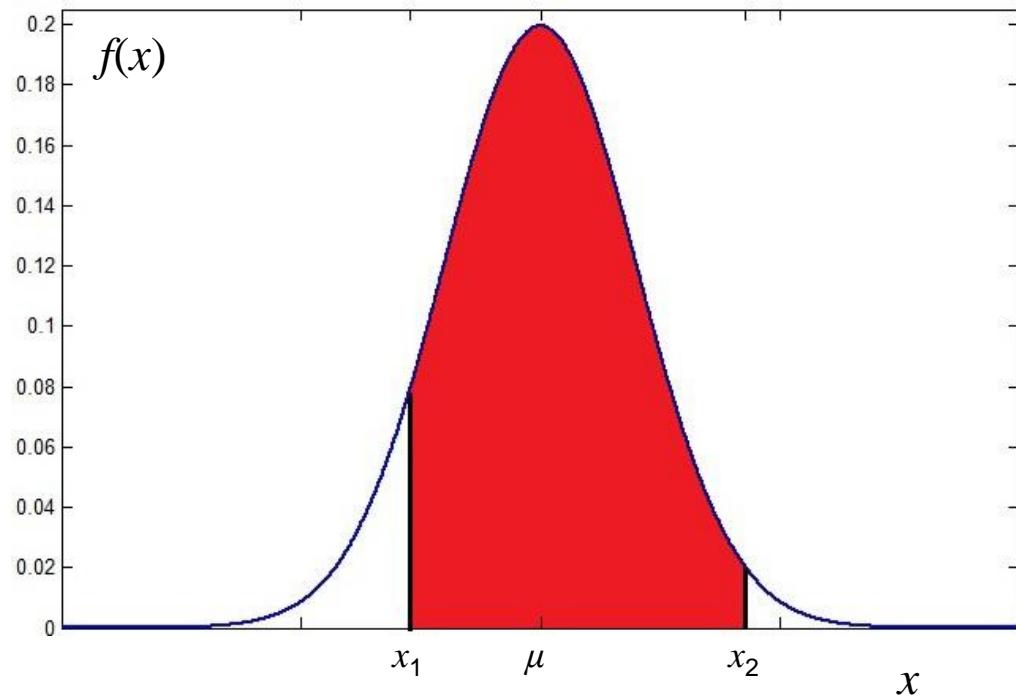
Properties of the Standard Normal Distribution:

1. Total area under the **normal curve** is 1.
2. The distribution is mound-shaped and symmetric, it extends indefinitely in both directions; approaching but never touching the horizontal axis.
3. The distribution has a mean of 0 and a standard deviation of 1.
4. The mean divides the area in half, .5 on each side.
5. Nearly all the area is between $z = -3.00$ and $z = 3.00$.

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Normal distribution with population mean μ and variance σ^2 .



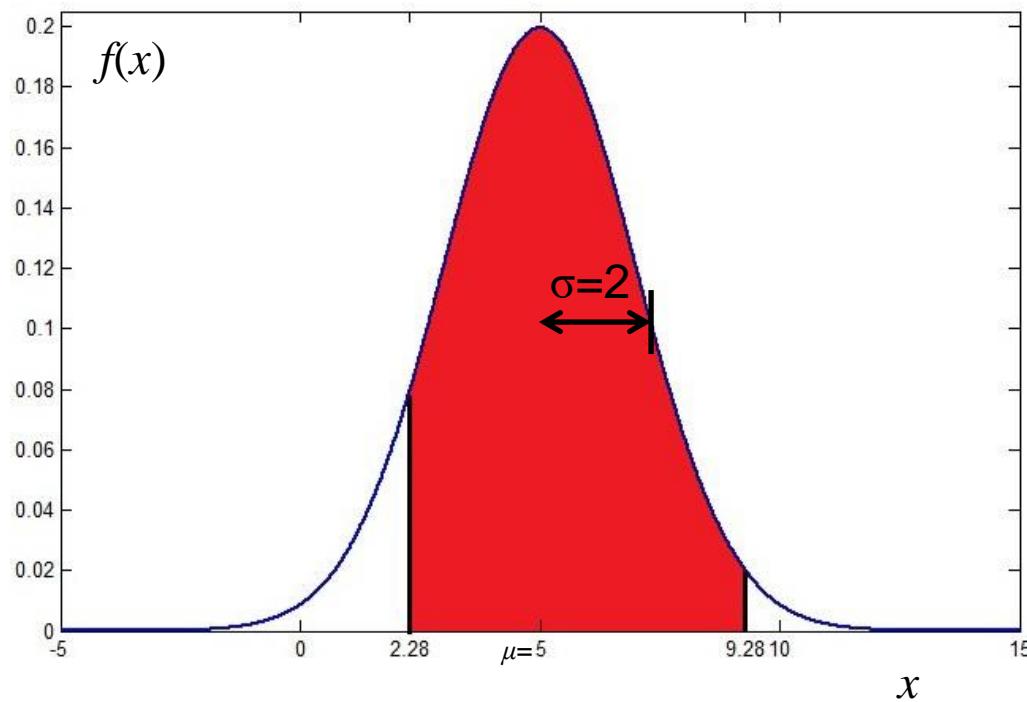
We want to know the (red) area under the normal distribution between x_1 and x_2 .

Note:
Similar to discrete probabilities adding to 1.
The total area under the normal distribution is 1.

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Example: Here is a normal distribution with $\mu = 5$ and $\sigma^2 = 4$.



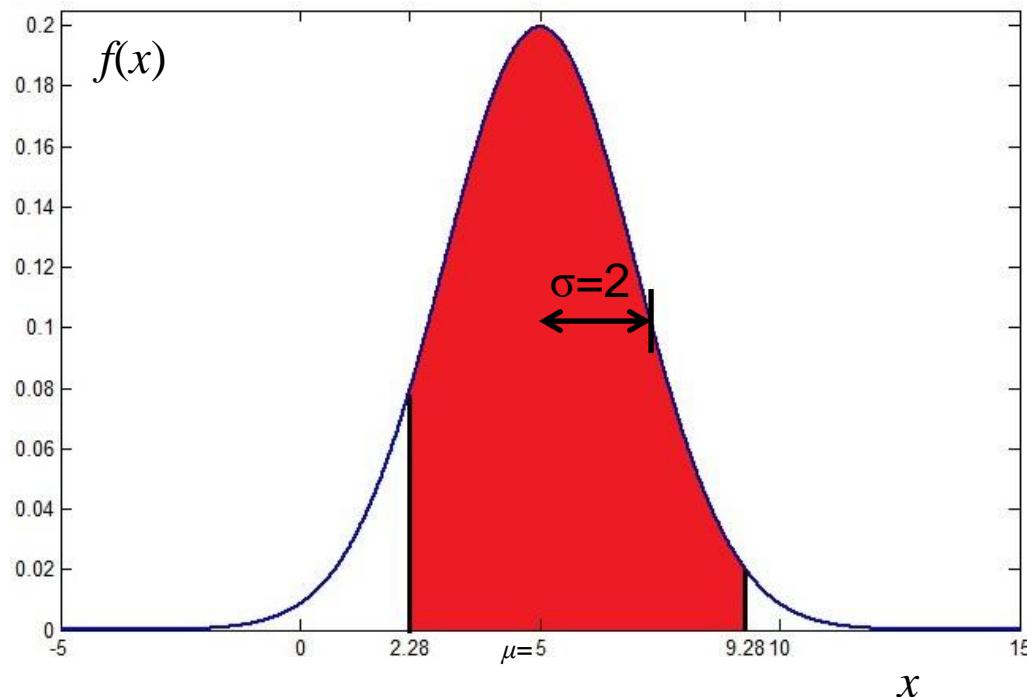
Let's say we want to know the red area under the normal distribution between $x_1 = 2.28$ and $x_2 = 9.28$.

What is the area under the normal distribution between these two values?

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Example: Here is a normal distribution with $\mu = 5$ and $\sigma^2 = 4$.



Aside: Don't need to know.

$$A = \int_{2.28}^{9.28} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-5}{2}\right)^2} dx$$

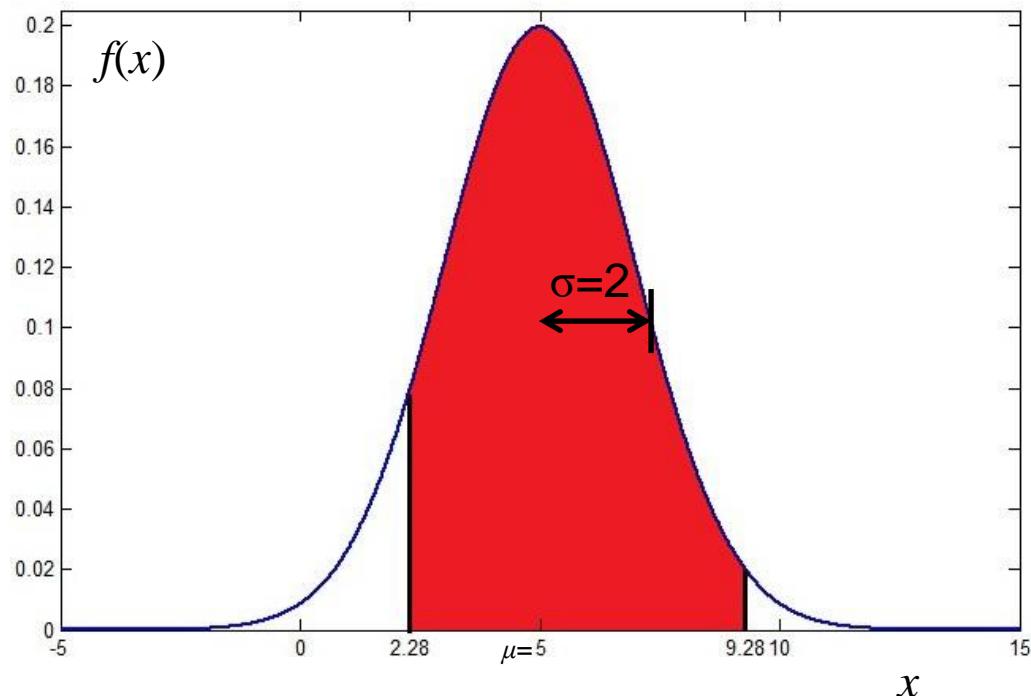
$f(x)$

We would normally do this numerically with a computer.

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But we can't do calculus in this class.

Someone had the idea to convert normal distribution to the “standard” normal.

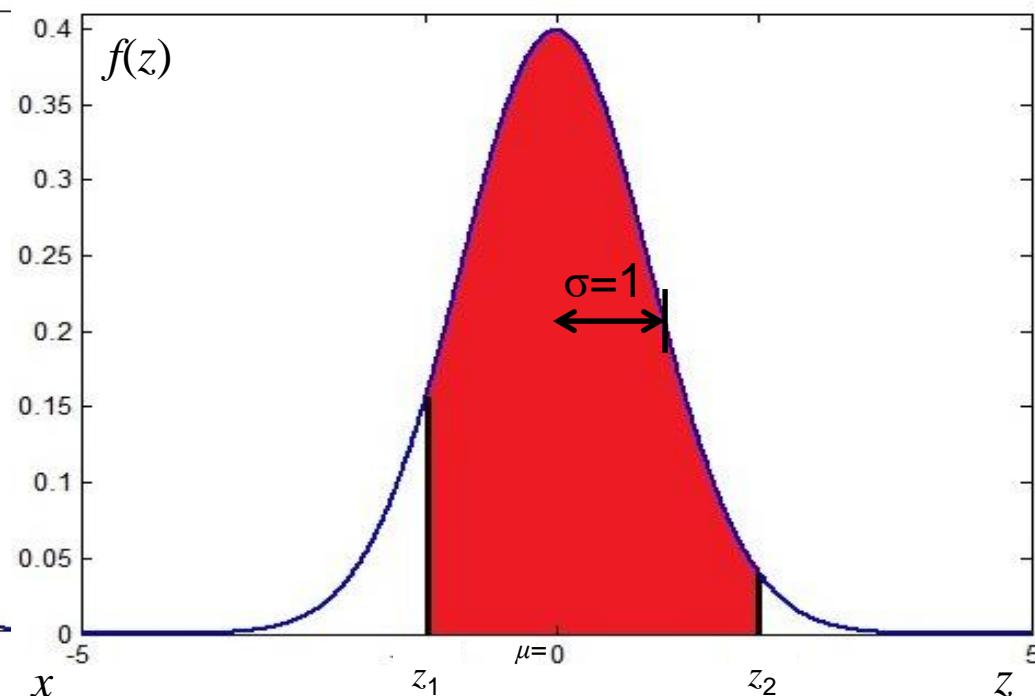
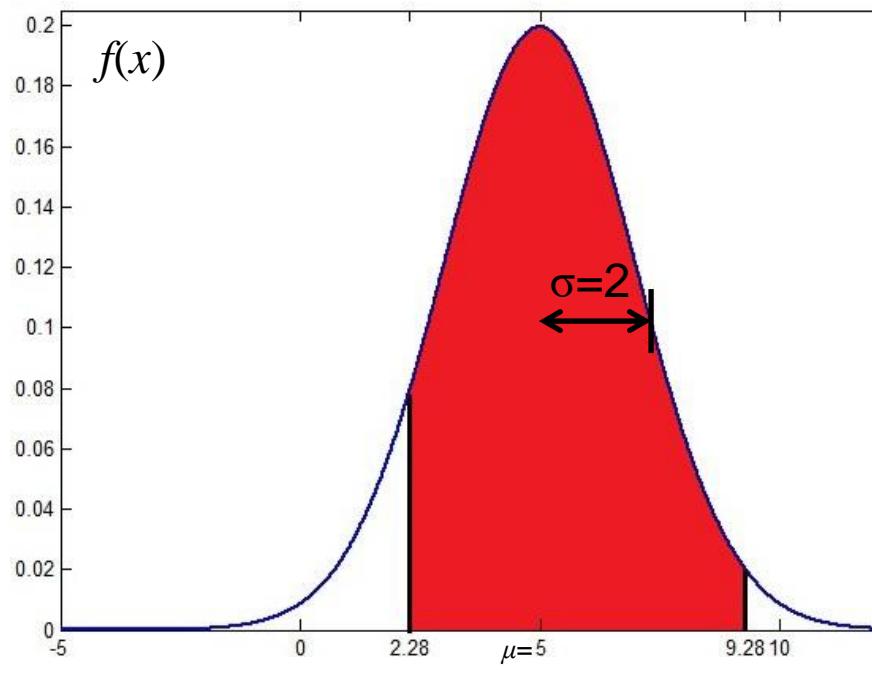
Subtract μ and divide this by σ for every value of x .
$$z = (x - \mu)/\sigma.$$

Area between x_1 and x_2 is the same as area between z_1 and z_2 .

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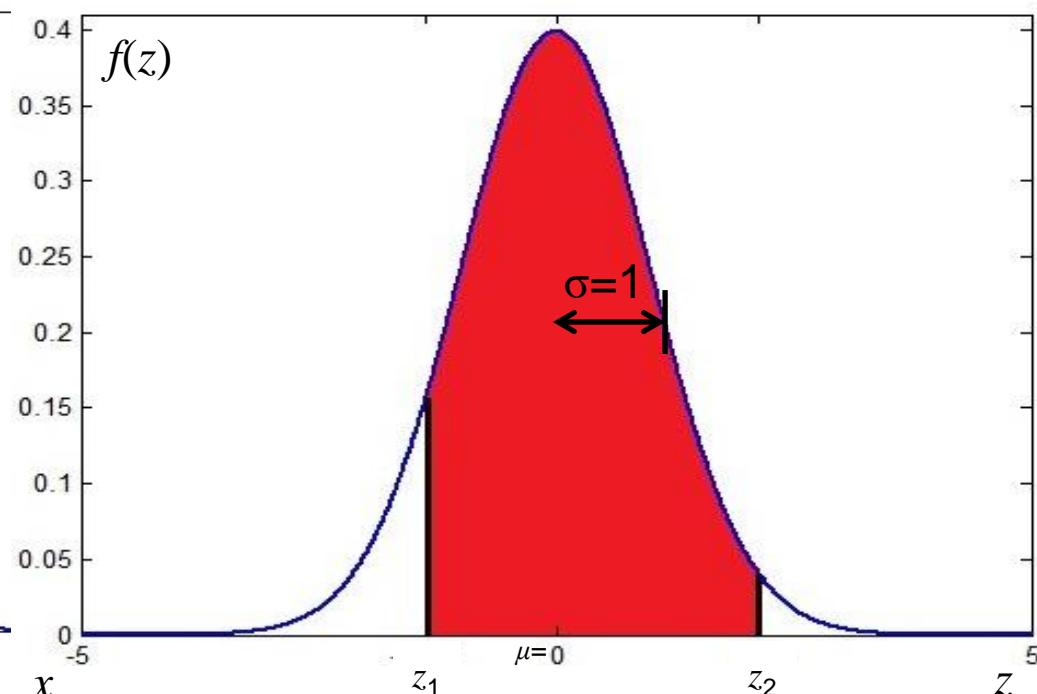
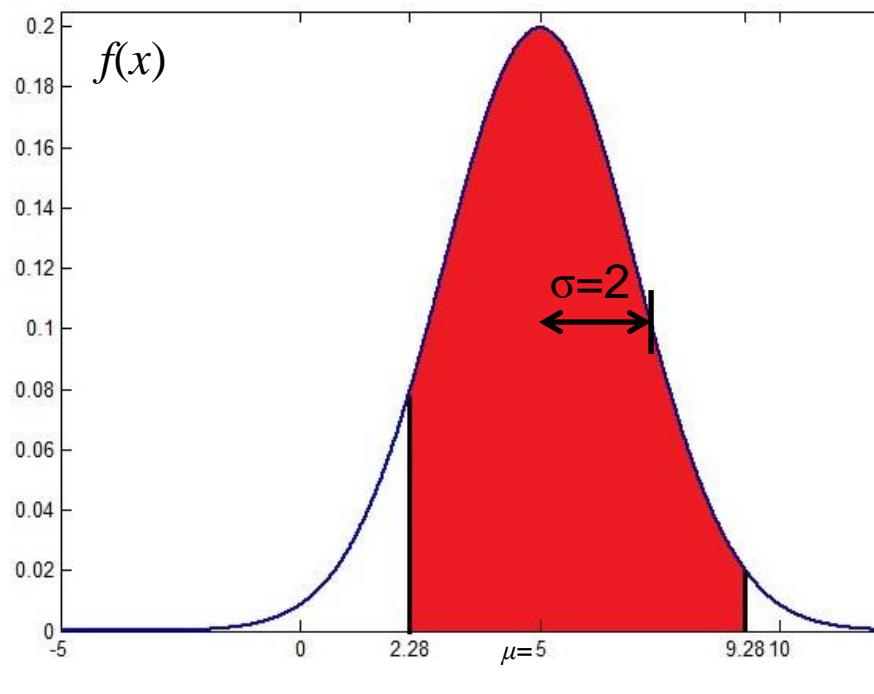


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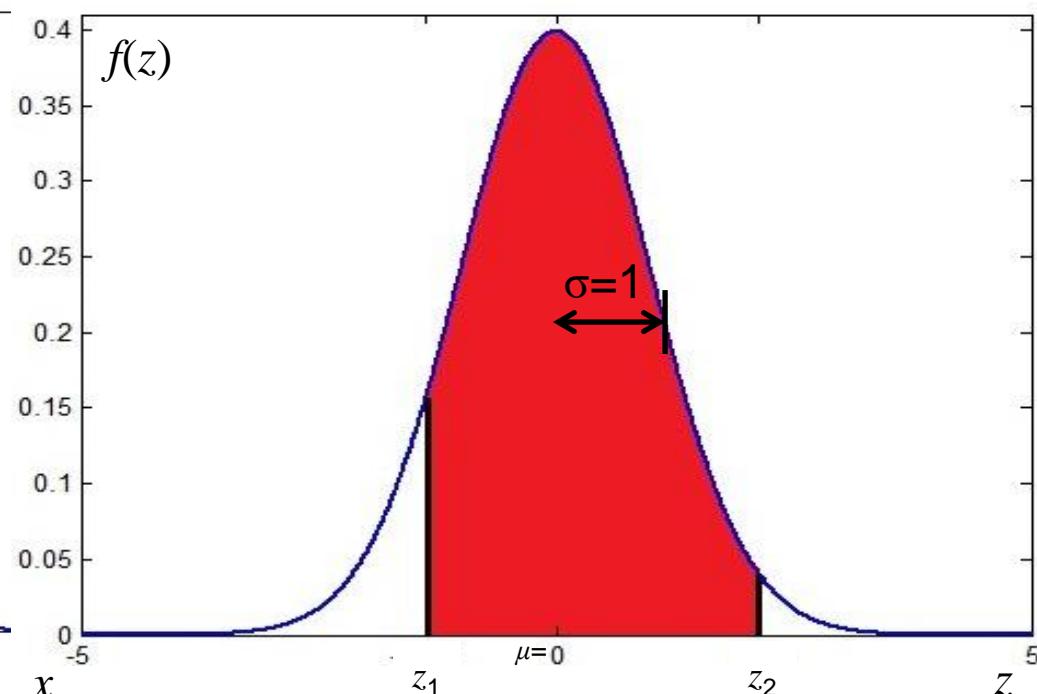
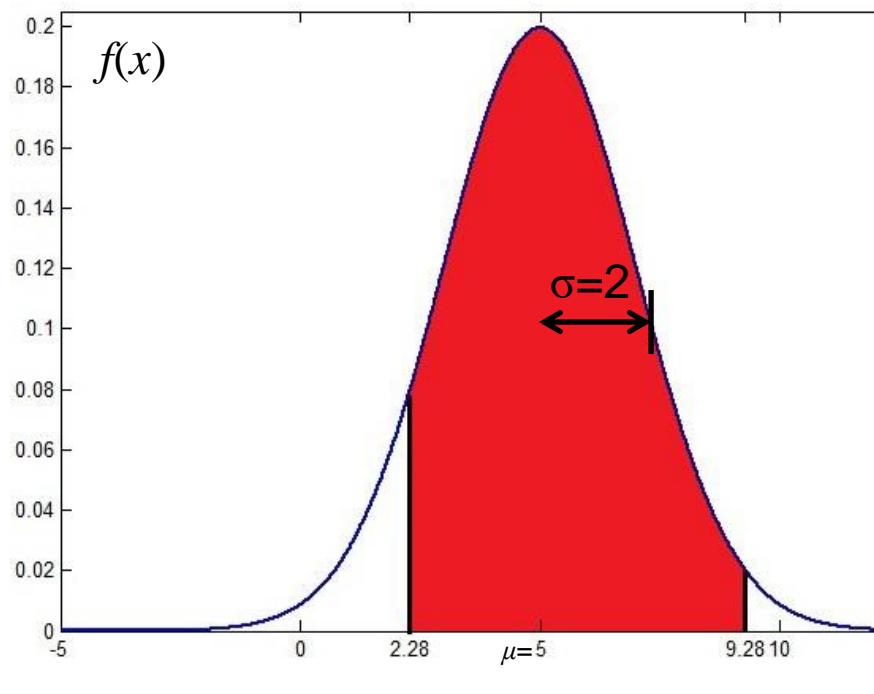


If $x_1 = 2.28$ and $x_2 = 9.28$ then $z_1 = (x_1 - \mu)/\sigma$ and $z_2 = (x_2 - \mu)/\sigma$ are?

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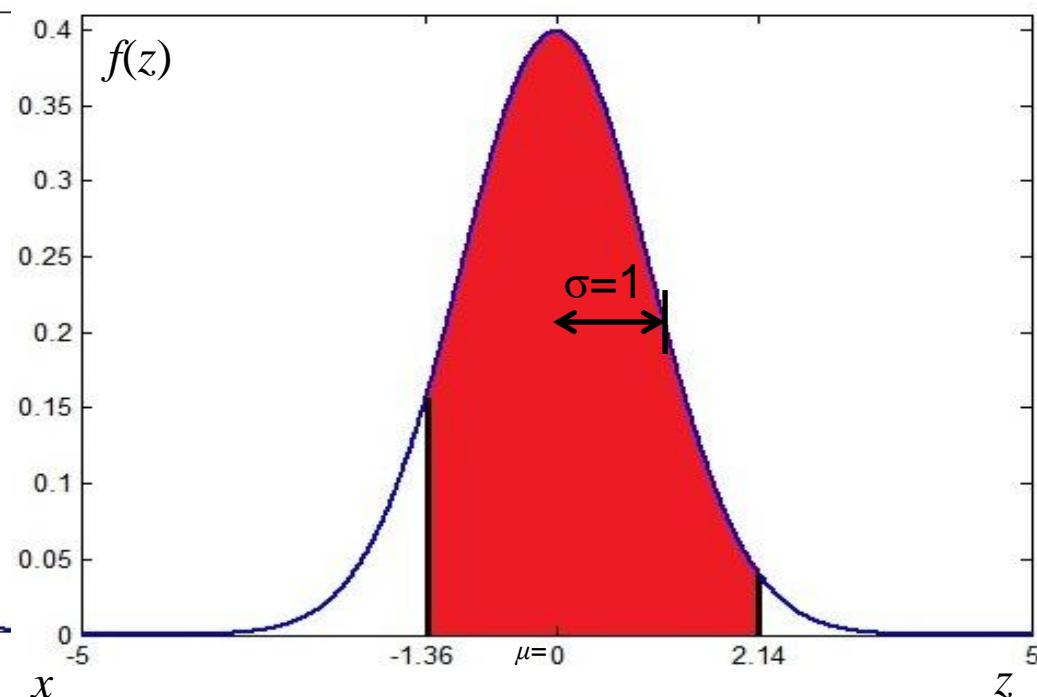
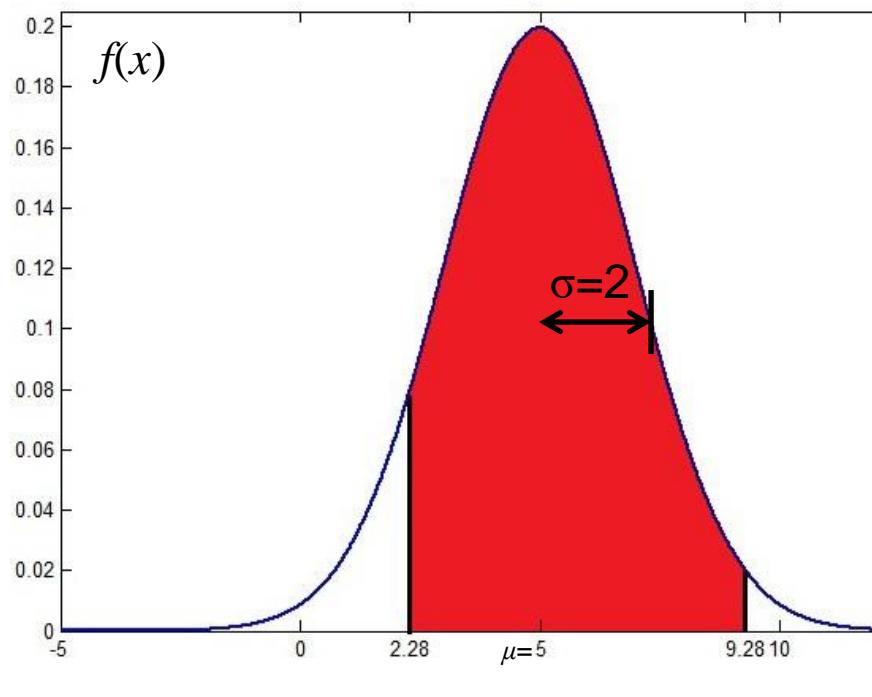


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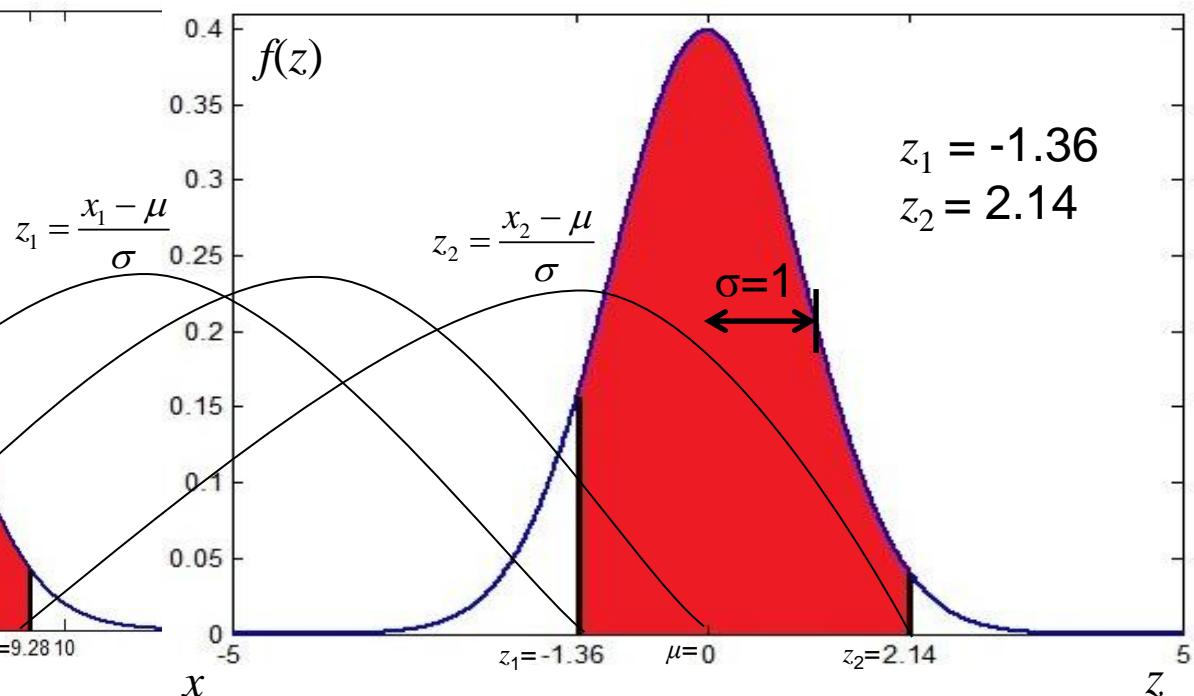
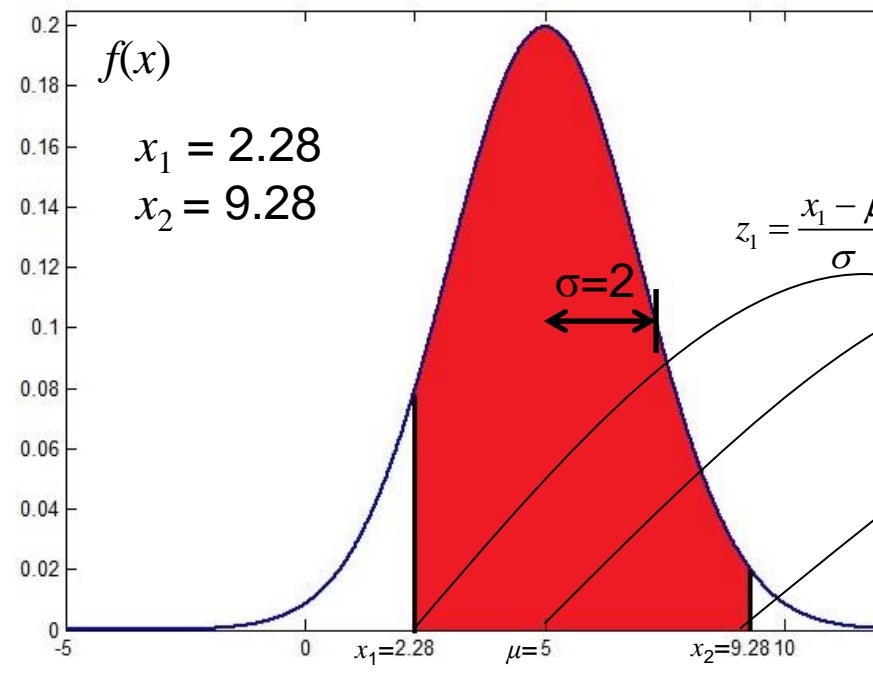
We find $z_1 = -1.36$ and $z_2 = 2.14$? Do we agree with my z 's?

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

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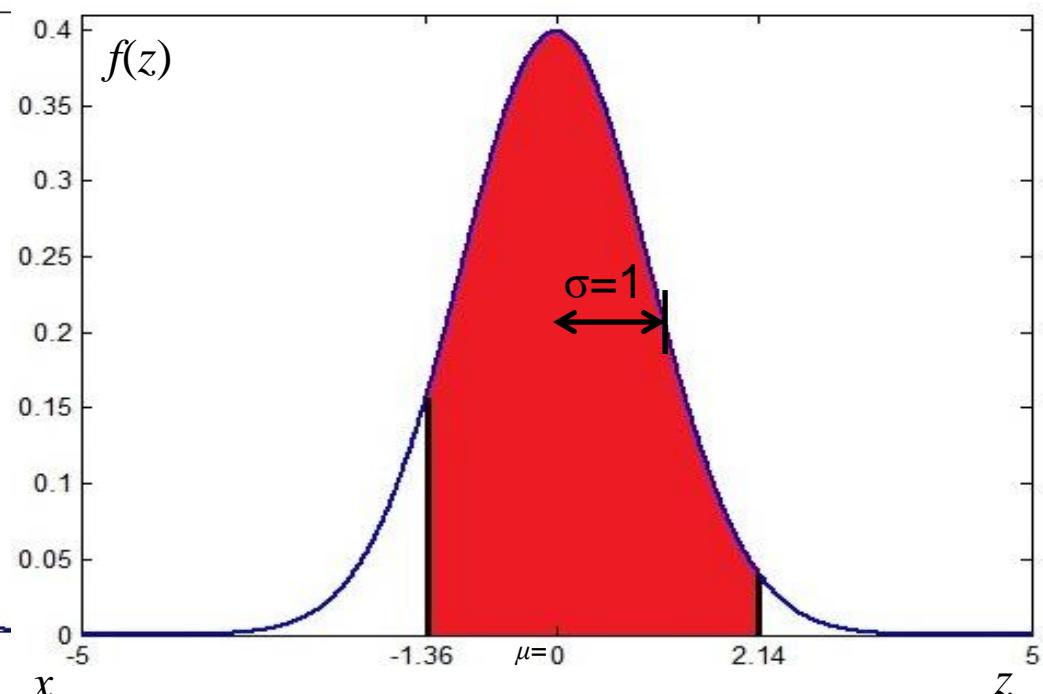
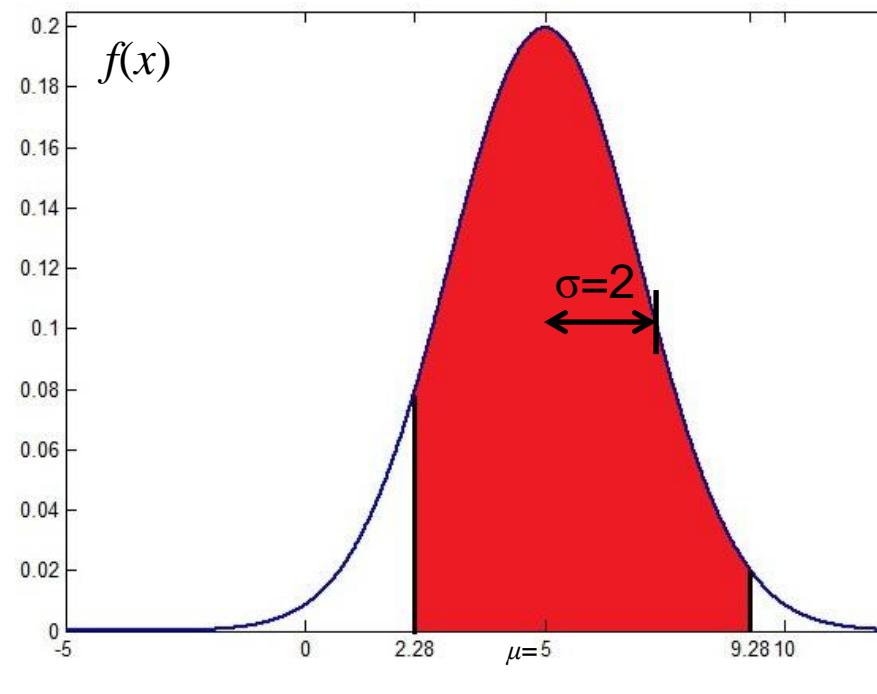
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Area between x_1 and x_2 is same as the area between z_1 and z_2 .

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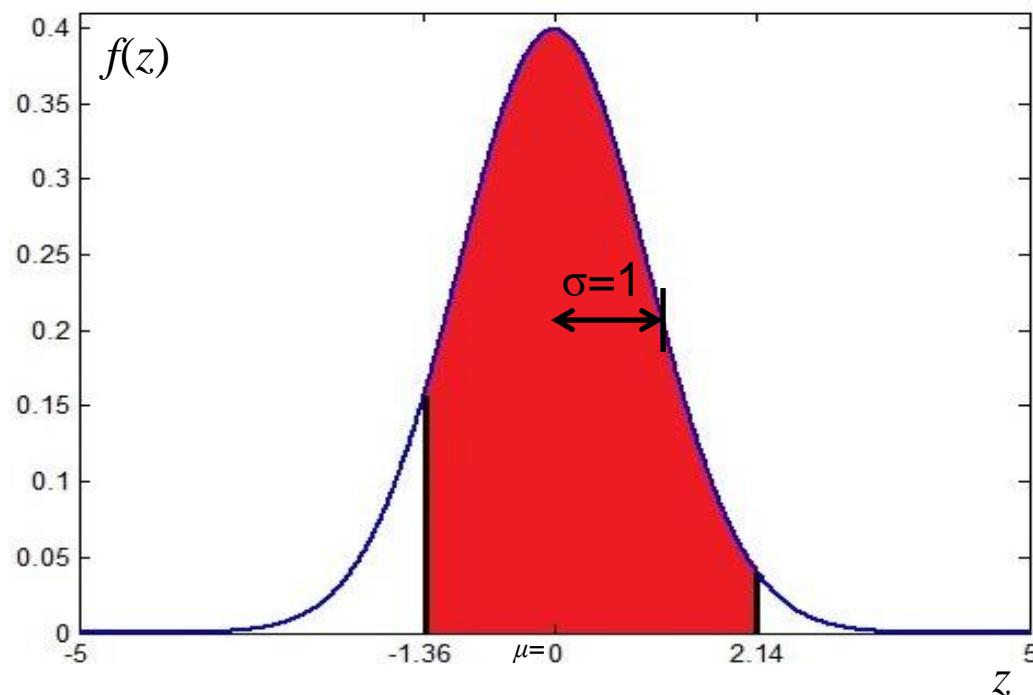
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Standard normal curve $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma^2 = 1$.

Now we can simply look up the z areas in a table.

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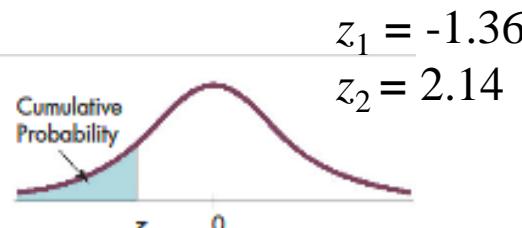
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z	Second Decimal Place in z									
	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
-5.0	0.0000003									
-4.5	0.000003									
-4.0	0.00003	0.00003	0.00003	0.00003	0.00003	0.00003	0.00002	0.00002	0.00002	0.00002
-3.9	0.00005	0.00005	0.00004	0.00004	0.00004	0.00004	0.00004	0.00004	0.00003	0.00003
-3.8	0.00007	0.00007	0.00007	0.00006	0.00006	0.00006	0.00006	0.00005	0.00005	0.00005
-3.7	0.00011	0.00010	0.00010	0.00010	0.00009	0.00009	0.00008	0.00008	0.00008	0.00008
-3.6	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	0.00014	0.00014	0.00013	0.00013	0.00012	0.00012	0.00011
-3.5	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002	0.0002
-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	0.0004
-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	0.0014	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	0.0042	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	0.0076	0.0073	0.0071	0.0070	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	0.0126	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	0.0352	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

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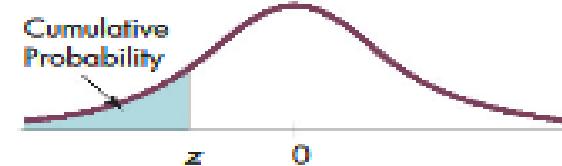
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This table gives us the area less than a z value.

$$P(z < z_1) = \text{Area less than } z_1.$$

We get this from Table 3.

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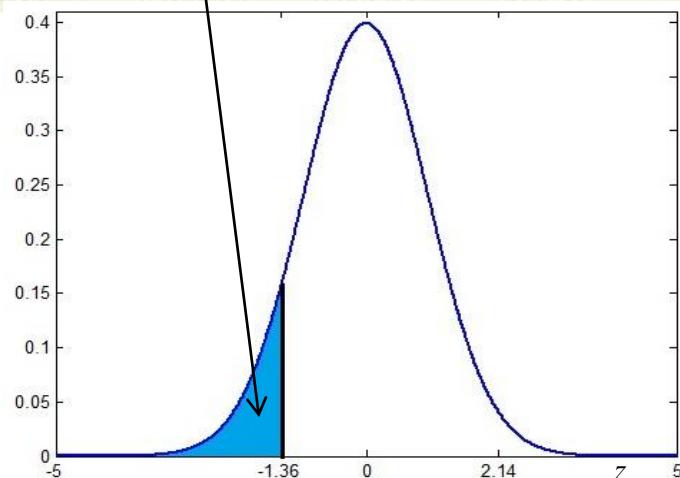
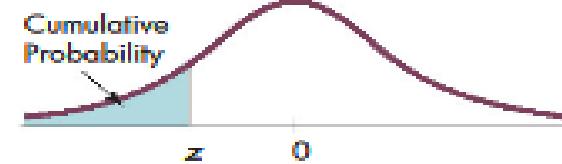
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z	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
-1.4	0.0808	0.0793	0.0778	0.0764	0.0749	0.0735	0.0721	0.0708	0.0694	0.0681
-1.3	0.0968	0.0951	0.0934	0.0918	0.0901	0.0885	0.0869	0.0853	0.0838	0.0823
-1.2	0.1151	0.1131	0.1112	0.1094	0.1075	0.1057	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	0.1563	0.1539	0.1515	0.1492	0.1469	0.1446	0.1423	0.1401	0.1379

$$P(z < -1.36) = \text{Area less than } -1.36.$$

We get this from Table 3.

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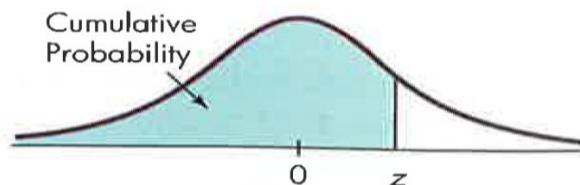
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Cumulative Areas of the Standard Normal Distribution (continued)

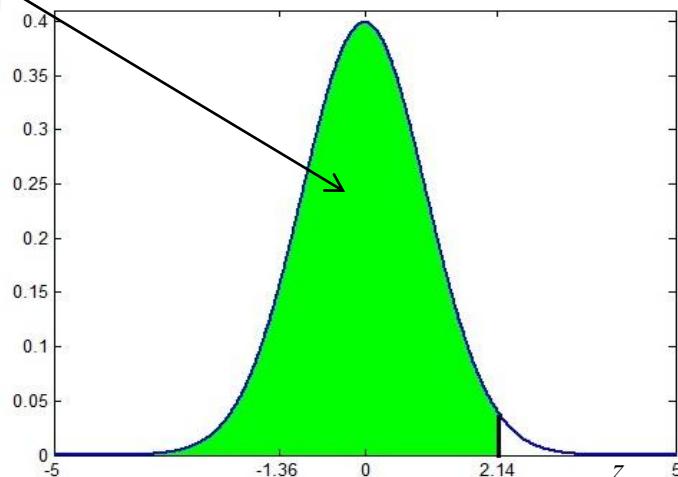
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2.0	0.9773	0.9778	0.9783	0.9788	0.9793	0.9798	0.9803	0.9808	0.9812	0.9817
2.1	0.9821	0.9826	0.9830	0.9834	0.9838	0.9842	0.9846	0.9850	0.9854	0.9857
2.2	0.9861	0.9865	0.9868	0.9871	0.9875	0.9878	0.9881	0.9884	0.9887	0.9890
2.3	0.9893	0.9896	0.9898	0.9901	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

$P(z < 2.14) = \text{Area less than } 2.14.$

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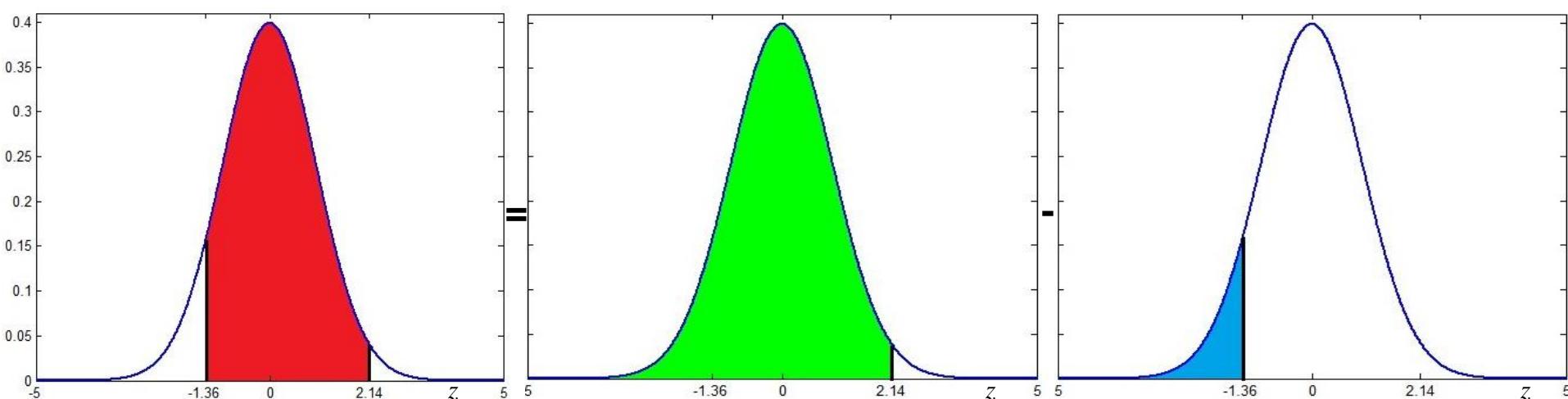
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-1.3	0.0968	0.0951	0.0934	0.0918	0.0901	0.0885	0.0869	0.0853	0.0838	0.0823
-1.2	0.1151	0.1131	0.1112	0.1094	0.1075	0.1057	0.1038	0.1020	0.1003	0.0985
-1.1	0.1357	0.1335	0.1314	0.1292	0.1271	0.1251	0.1230	0.1210	0.1190	0.1170
-1.0	0.1587	0.1563	0.1539	0.1515	0.1492	0.1469	0.1446	0.1423	0.1401	0.1379
2.0	0.9773	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	0.9865	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

$$P(-1.36 < z < 2.14) = P(z < 2.14) - P(z < -1.36)$$



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$$z_1 = -1.36$$

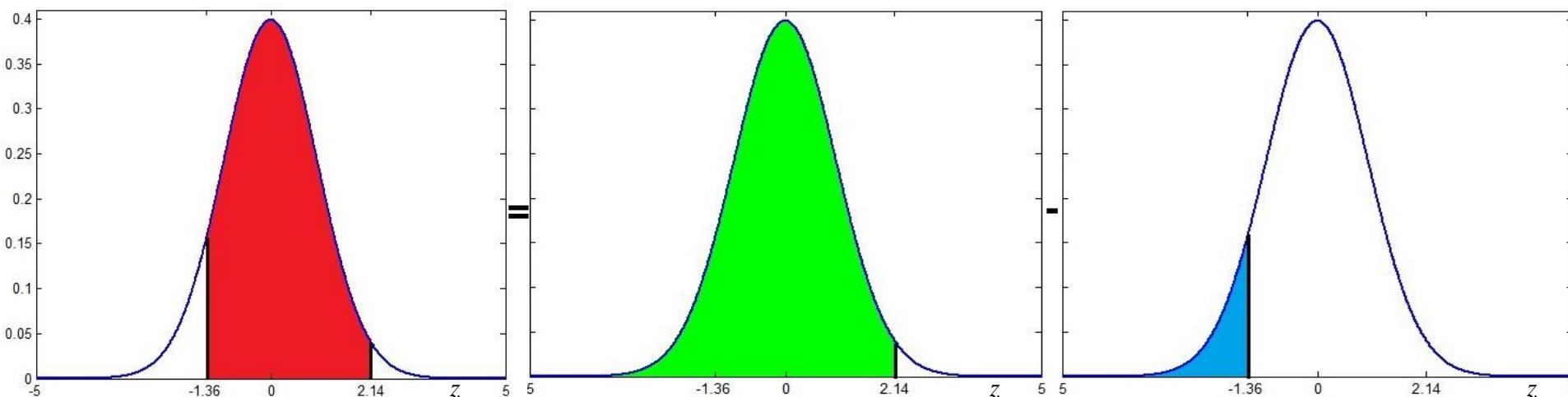
$$z_2 = 2.14$$

<i>z</i>	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
-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
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$$P(-1.36 < z < 2.14) \\ 0.8969$$

$$P(z < 2.14) \\ 0.9838$$

$$- P(z < -1.36) \\ 0.0869$$



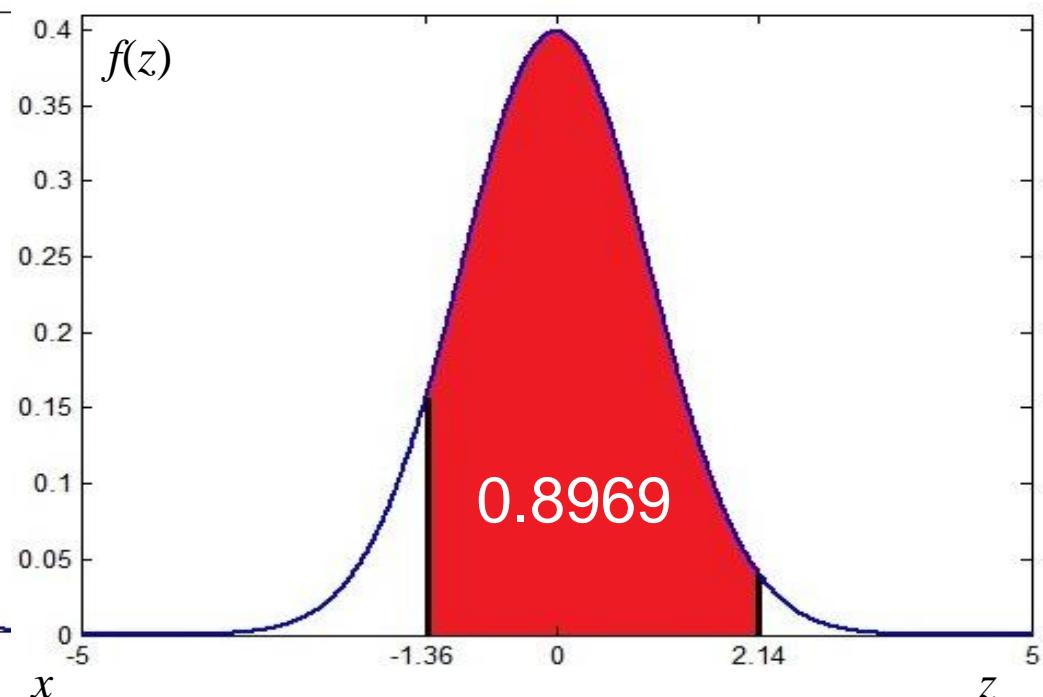
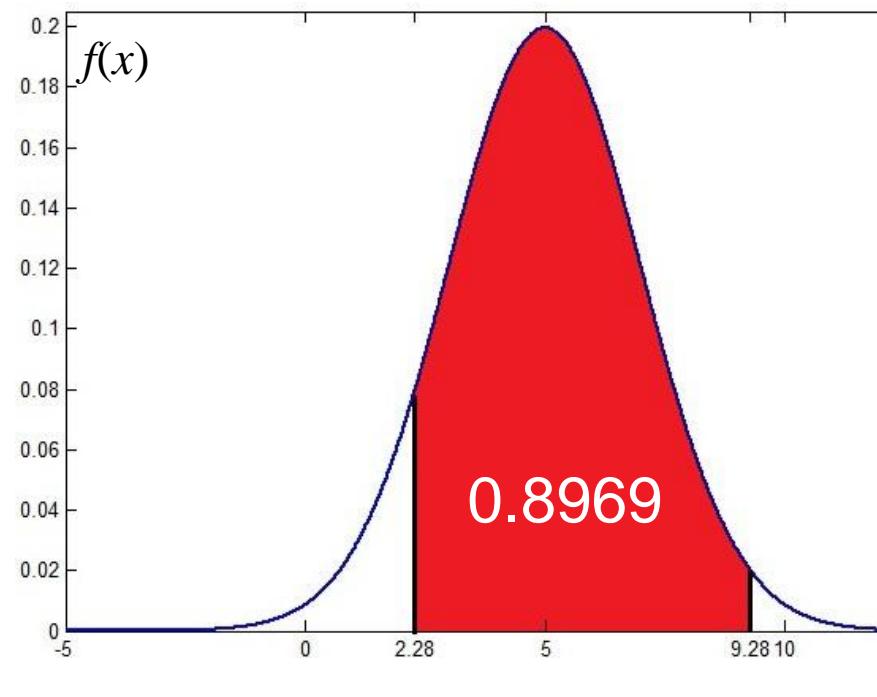
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6.2 The Standard Normal Probability Distributions

$$z_1 = -1.36$$

$$z_2 = 2.14$$

Example: Here is a normal distribution with $\mu = 5$ and $\sigma^2 = 4$.



Area between x_1 and x_2 is same as the area between z_1 and z_2 .

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6.3 Applications of Normal Distributions

You may recall that in Chapter 2 we discussed a Standard Score, or z -score.

It was discussed then using \bar{x} and s .

Now, we will be using μ and σ .

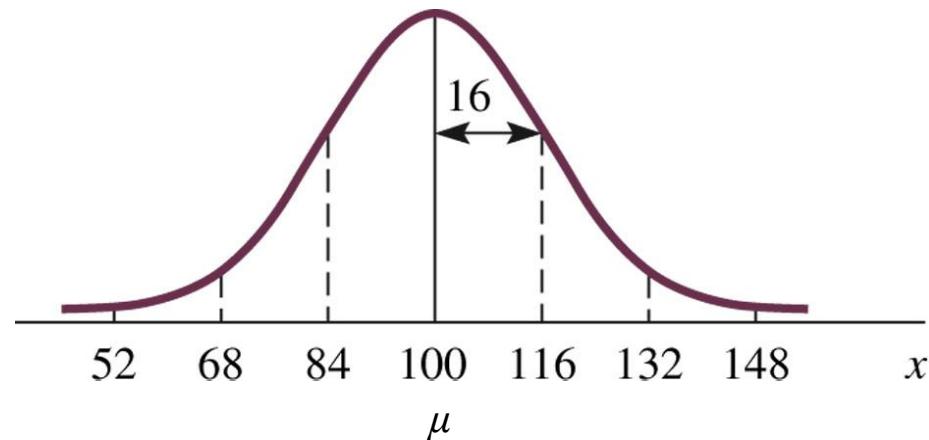
Standard score, or z-score: The position a particular value of x has relative to the mean, measured in standard deviations.

$$z_i = \frac{x - \text{mean of } x}{\text{std. dev. of } x} = \frac{x_i - \mu}{\sigma} \quad (6.3)$$

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Assume that IQ scores x are normally distributed with a mean μ of 100 and a standard deviation σ of 16.



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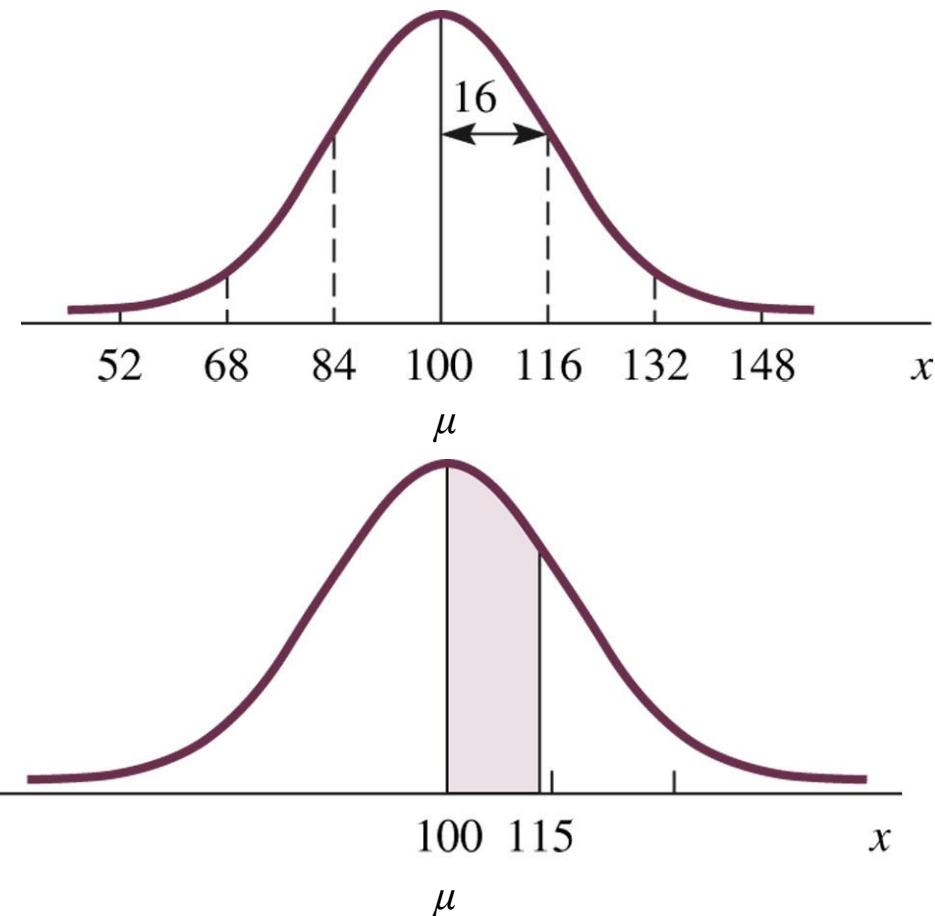
6.3 Applications of Normal Distributions

Example:

Assume that IQ scores x are normally distributed with a mean μ of 100 and a standard deviation σ of 16.

If a person is picked at random, what is the probability that his or her IQ is between 100 and 115?

i.e. $P(100 < x < 115)$?



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IQ scores normally distributed

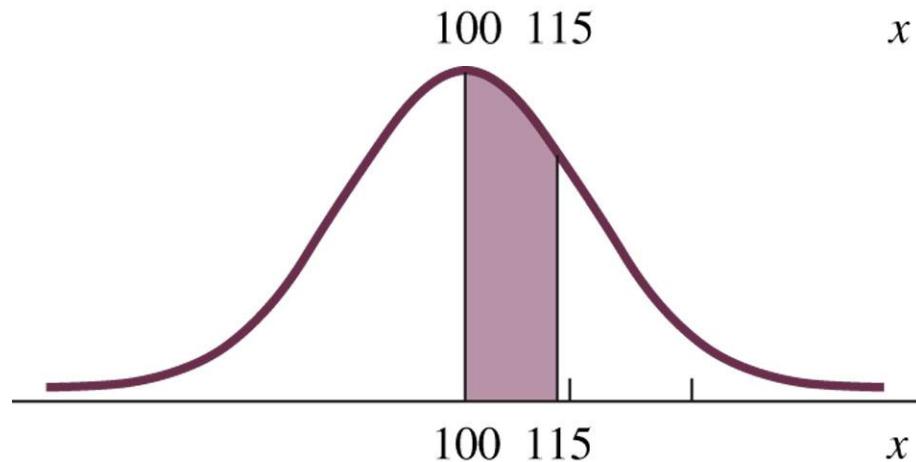
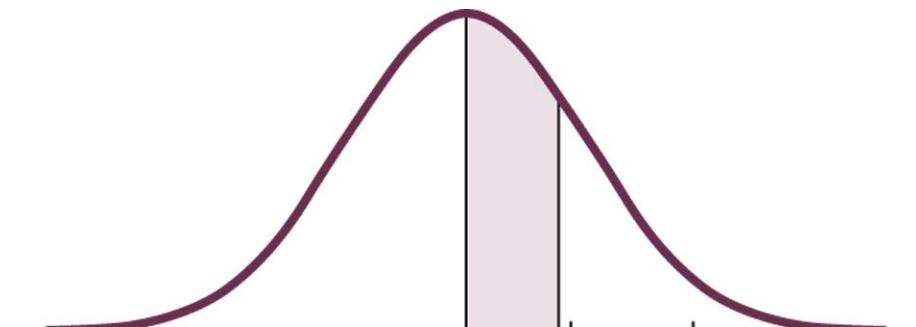
$\mu=100$ and $\sigma=16$.

$$P(100 < x < 115) = P(z_1 < z < z_2)$$

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= 100 \\ x_2 &= 115 \end{aligned}$$

$$z_1 = \frac{x_1 - \mu}{\sigma} =$$

$$z_2 = \frac{x_2 - \mu}{\sigma} =$$



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6.3 Applications of Normal Distributions

IQ scores normally distributed

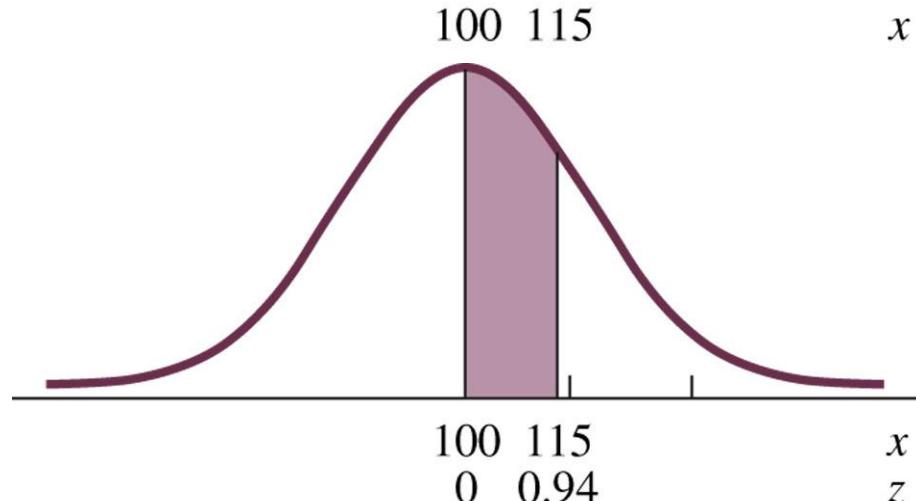
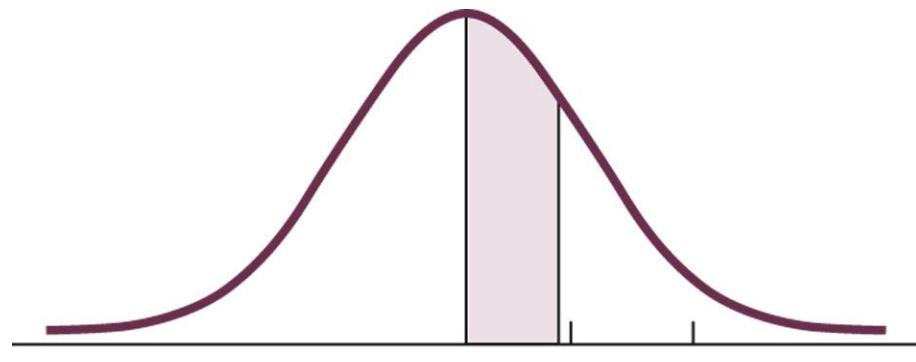
$\mu=100$ and $\sigma=16$.

$$P(100 < x < 115)$$

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma} \quad \begin{aligned} x_1 &= 100 \\ x_2 &= 115 \end{aligned}$$

$$z_1 = \frac{x_1 - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{100 - 100}{16} = 0$$

$$z_2 = \frac{x_2 - \mu}{\sigma} = \frac{115 - 100}{16} = 0.94$$



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6.3 Applications of Normal Distributions

IQ scores normally distributed

$\mu=100$ and $\sigma=16$.

$$P(100 < x < 115) = P(0 < z < 0.94)$$

Now we can use the table.

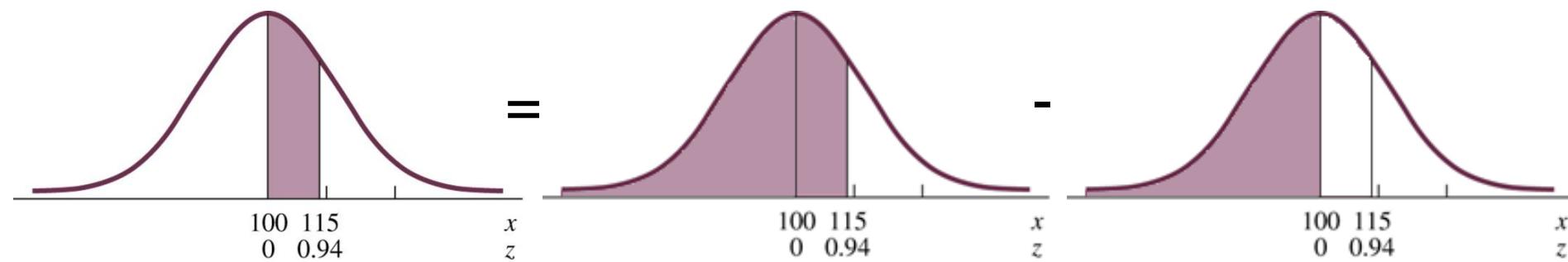
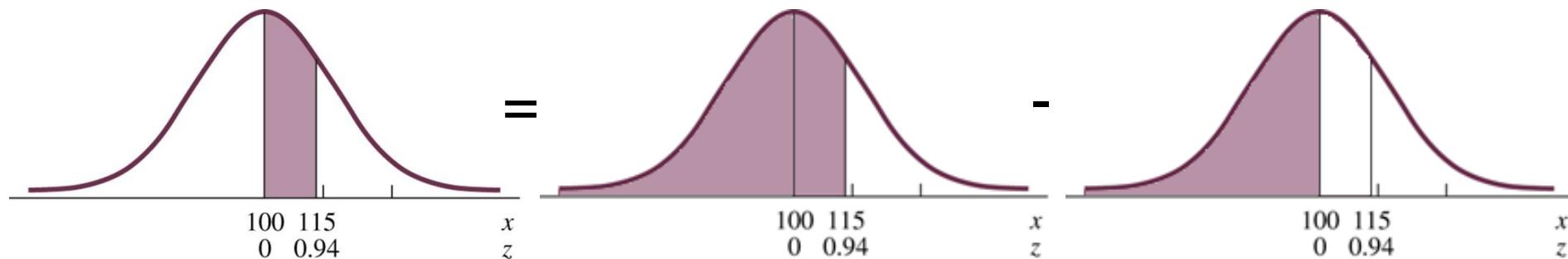


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6.3 Applications of Normal Distributions

Now we can use the table.



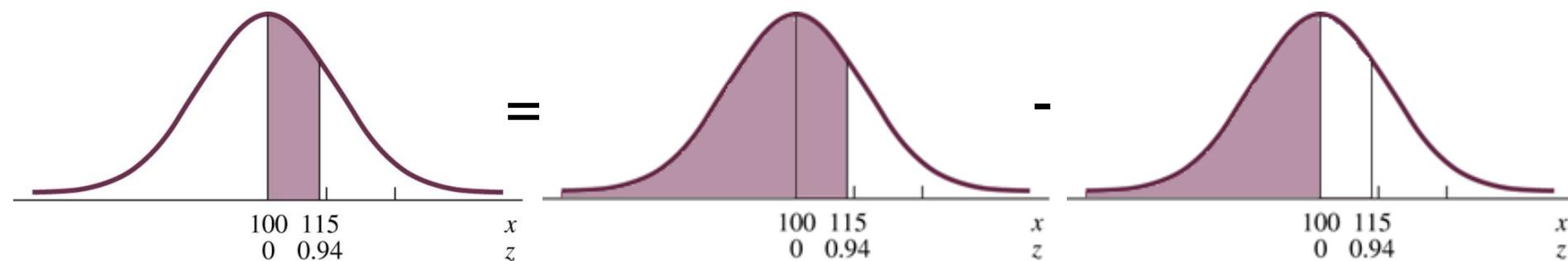
$$P(0 < z < 0.94) =$$

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6.3 Applications of Normal Distributions

Now we can use the table.



$$\begin{aligned}
 P(0 < z < 0.94) &= P(z < 0.94) - P(z < 0) \\
 &= 0.8264 - .5 \\
 &= 0.3264
 \end{aligned}$$

Figures from Johnson & Kuby, 2012.

z	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.9	0.8159	0.8186	0.8212	0.8238	0.8264	0.8289	0.8315	0.8340	0.8365	0.8389



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6.4 Notation

We can use the table in reverse.

Before we had a z value then looked up the probability (area) less than z .

Now we will have a probability (area), call it α , and want to know the z value, call it $z(\alpha)$, that has a probability (area) of α larger than it.

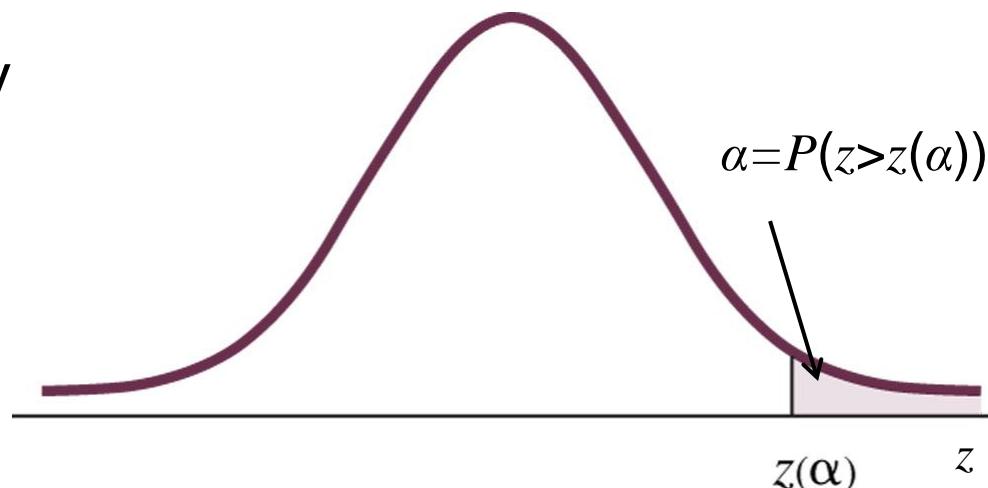


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6.4 Notation

Example:

Let $\alpha=0.05$. Let's find $z(0.05)$.

$$P(z>z(0.05))=0.05.$$

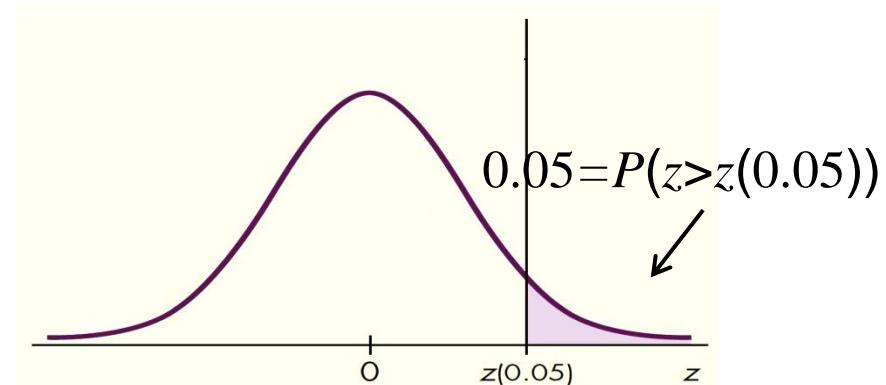


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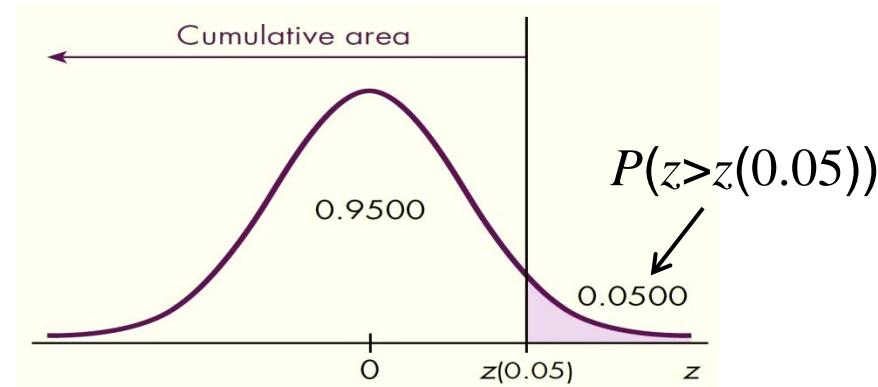
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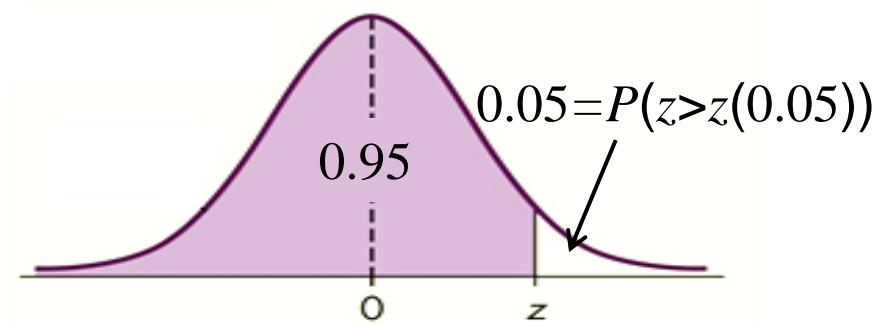
Example:

Let $\alpha=0.05$. Let's find $z(0.05)$.

$$P(z>z(0.05))=0.05.$$



Same as finding $P(z<z(0.05))=1-0.05$.



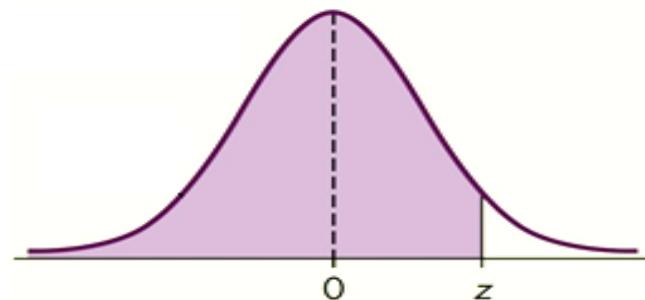
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6: Normal Probability Distributions

6.4 Notation

Example:

Same as finding $P(z < z(0.05)) = 0.95$.



<i>z</i>	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	0.5754
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	0.7258	0.7291	0.7324	0.7357	0.7389	0.7422	0.7454	0.7486	0.7518	0.7549
0.7	0.7580	0.7612	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	0.7996	0.8023	0.8051	0.8079	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
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1.5	0.9332	0.9345	0.9357	0.9370	0.9382	0.9394	0.9406	0.9418	0.9430	0.9441
1.6	0.9452	0.9463	0.9474	0.9485	0.9496	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	0.9700	0.9706
1.9	0.9713	0.9719	0.9726	0.9732	0.9738	0.9744	0.9750	0.9756	0.9762	0.9767
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2.4	0.9918	0.9920	0.9922	0.9925	0.9927	0.9929	0.9931	0.9932	0.9934	0.9936

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6.5 Normal Approximation of the Binomial Distribution

In Chapter 5 we discussed the binomial distribution

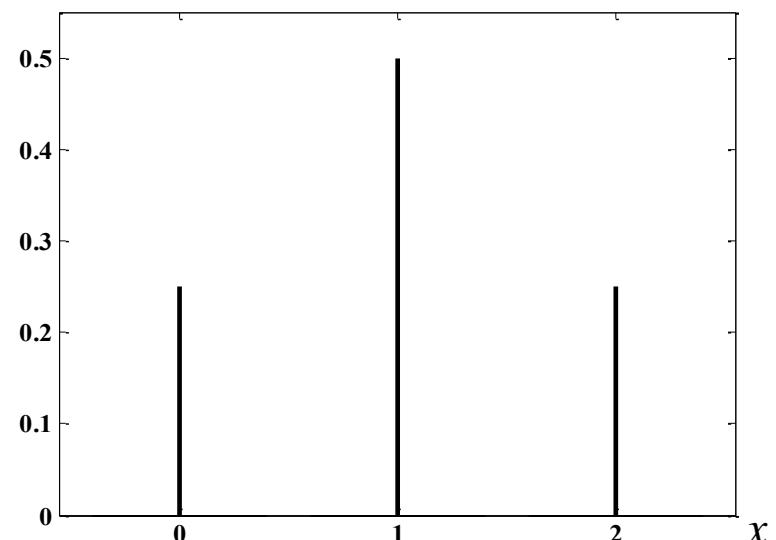
$$P(x) = \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \quad x = 0, \dots, n$$

x = # of heads when
we flip a coin n times

x	$P(x)$
0	$\frac{1}{4}$
1	$\frac{1}{2}$
2	$\frac{1}{4}$

$$n=2$$

$$p=1/2$$



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6.5 Normal Approximation of the Binomial Distribution

If we flip the coin a large number of times

$$P(x) = \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} \quad x = 0, \dots, n$$

x = # of heads when
we flip a coin n times

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 14 \\ p &= 1/2 \end{aligned}$$

It gets tedious to find the
 $n=14$ probabilities!

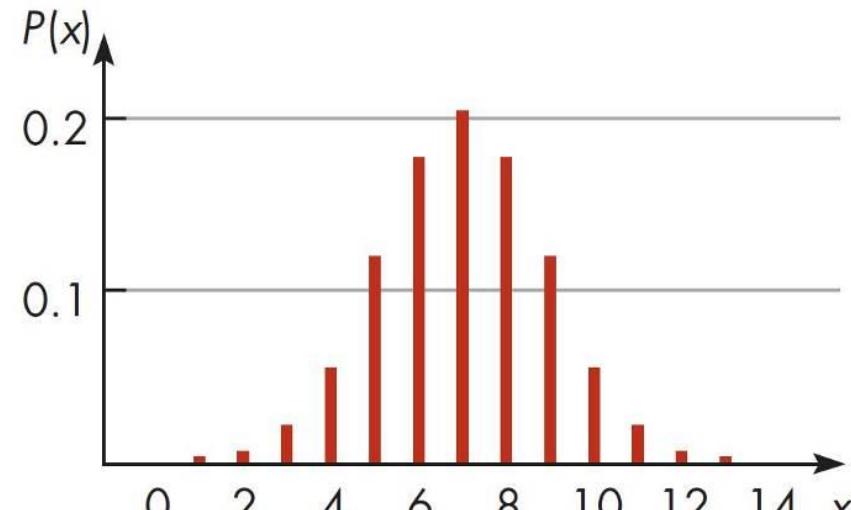


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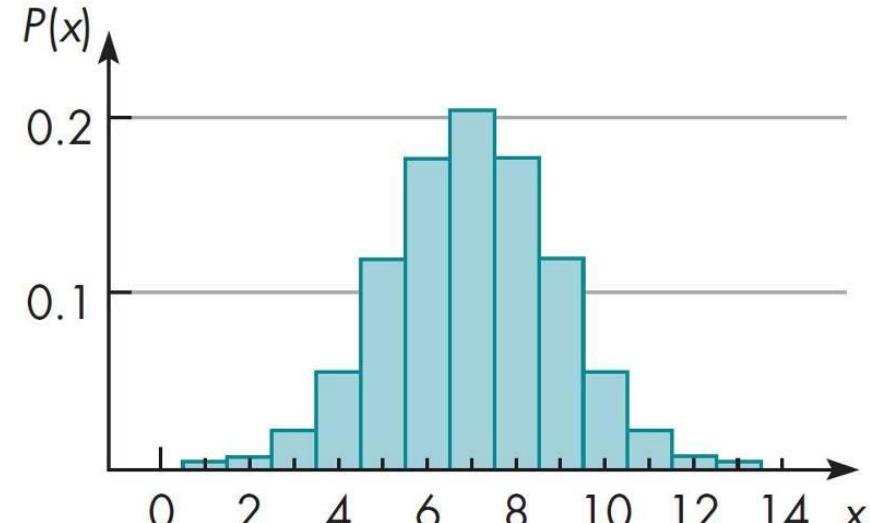
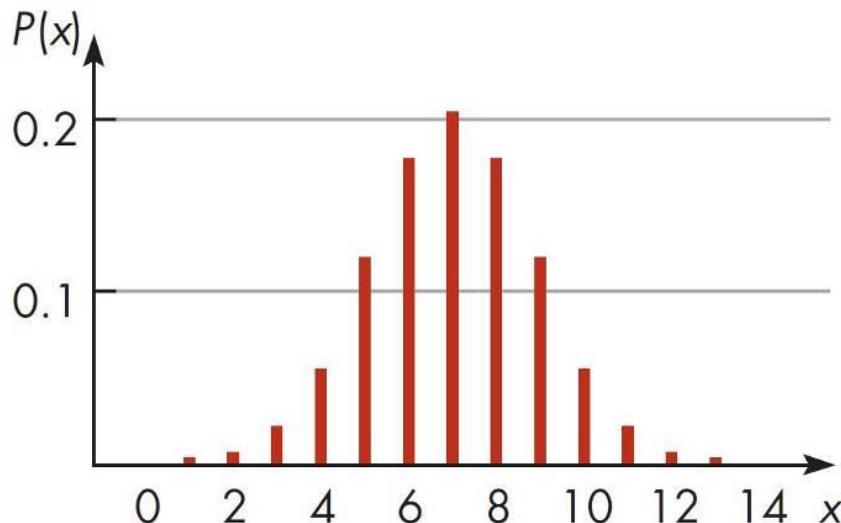
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It gets tedious to find the $n=14$ probabilities!

$$\begin{aligned}n &= 14 \\p &= 1/2\end{aligned}$$

So what we can do is use a histogram representation,



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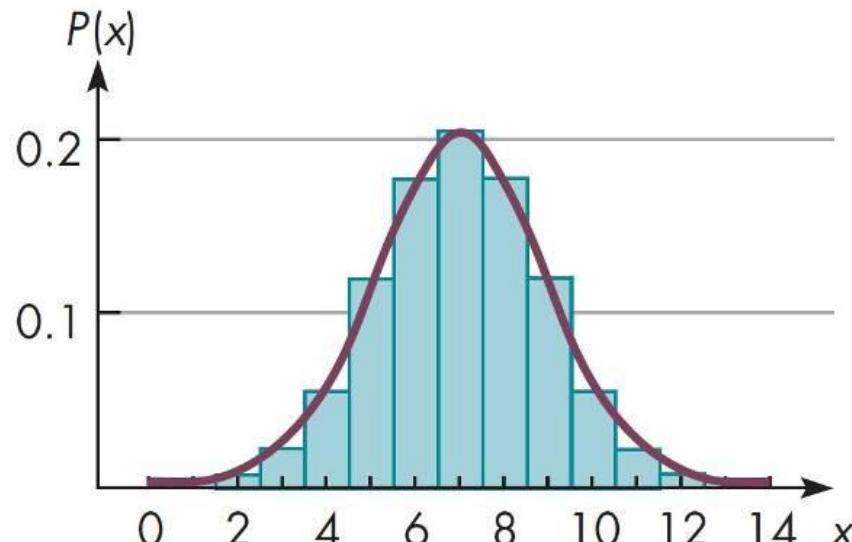
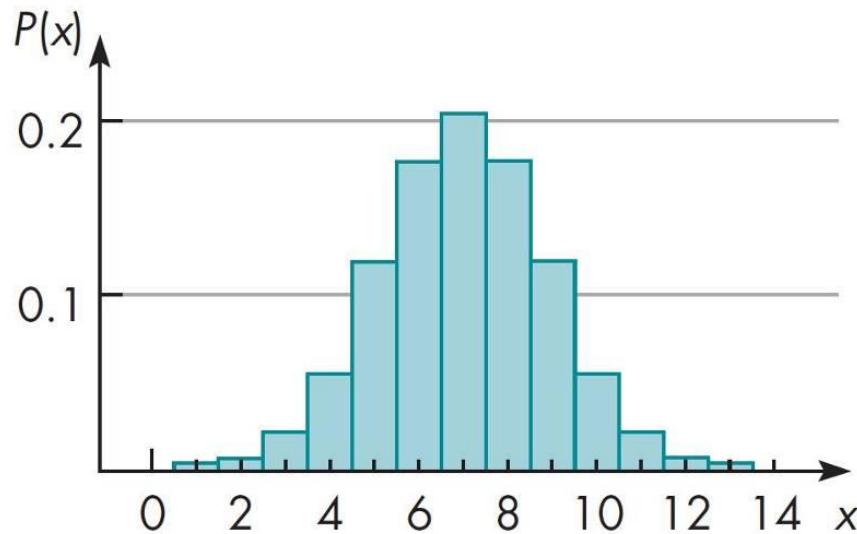
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6.5 Normal Approximation of the Binomial Distribution

So what we can do is use a histogram representation,

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 14 \\ p &= 1/2 \end{aligned}$$

Then approximate binomial probabilities with normal areas.



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6.5 Normal Approximation of the Binomial Distribution

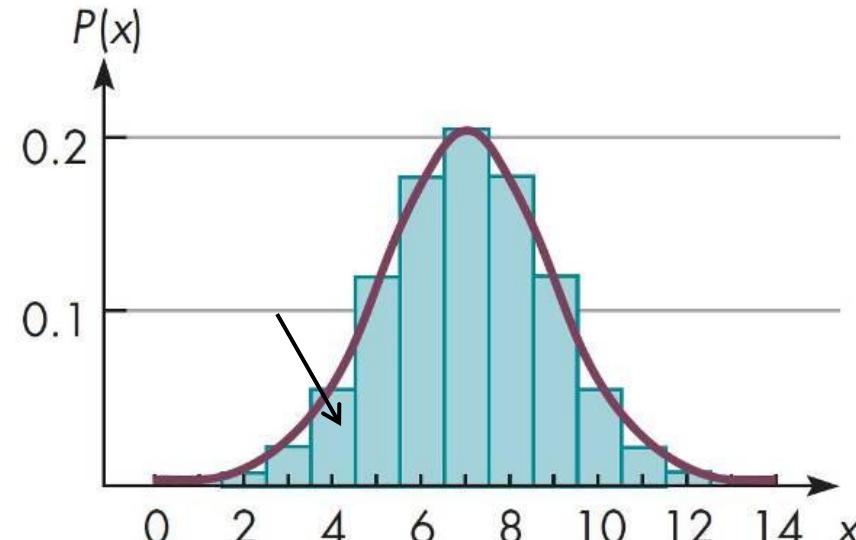
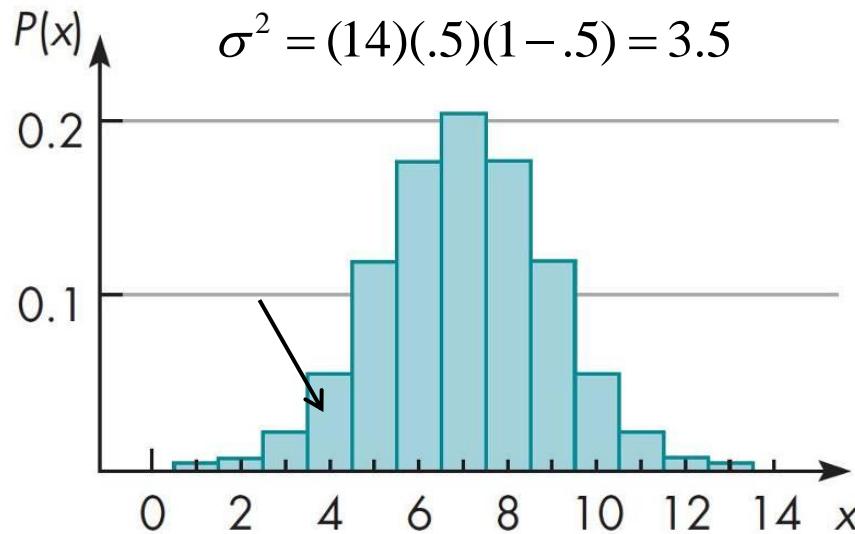
Approximate binomial probabilities with normal areas.

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 14 \\ p &= 1/2 \end{aligned}$$

Use a normal with $\mu = np$, $\sigma^2 = np(1 - p)$

$$\mu = (14)(.5) = 7$$

$$\sigma^2 = (14)(.5)(1 - .5) = 3.5$$



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6.5 Normal Approximation of the Binomial Distribution

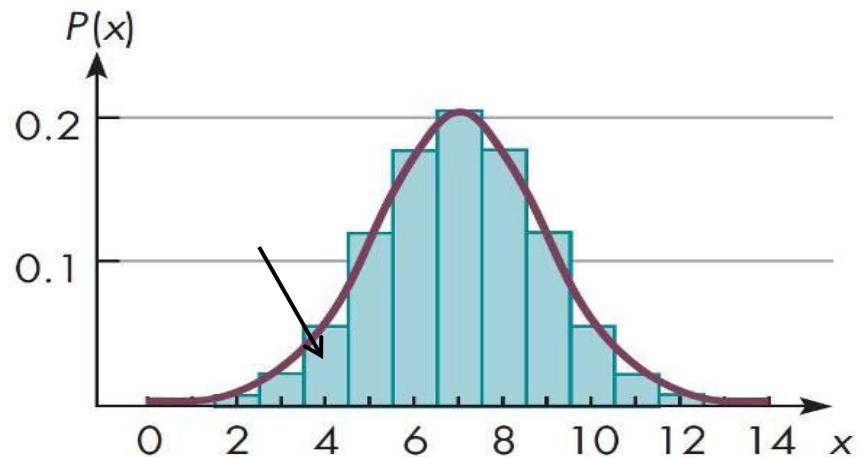
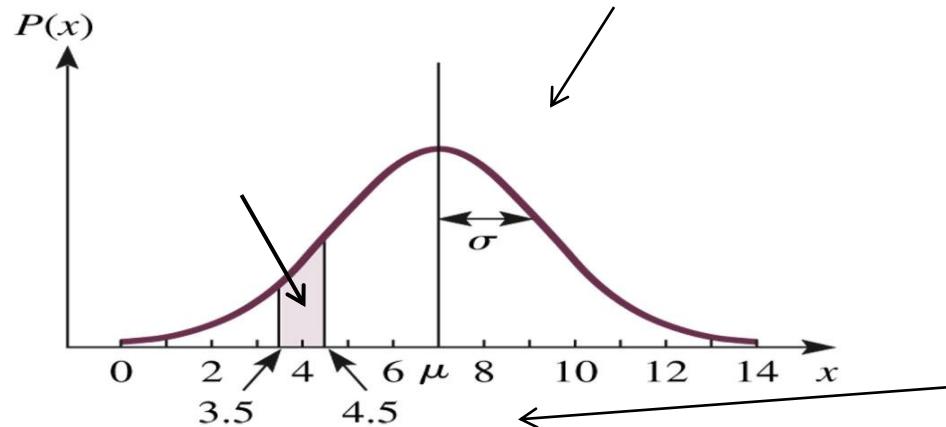
$$n=14, p=1/2$$

We then approximate binomial probabilities with normal areas.

$P(x = 4)$ from the binomial formula →

is approximately $P(3.5 < x < 4.5)$

from the normal with $\mu = 7$, $\sigma^2 = 3.5$



the $\pm .5$ is called a
“continuity correction”

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$n=14, p=1/2$

6.5 Normal Approximation of the Binomial Distribution

From the binomial formula

$$P(4) = \frac{14!}{4!(14-4)!} (.5)^4 (1-.5)^{14-4}$$

$$P(x=4) = 0.061$$

From the Normal Distribution

$$P(3.5 < x < 4.5) \quad \mu = 7, \quad \sigma^2 = 3.5$$

$$z_1 = \frac{x_1 - \mu}{\sigma} =$$

$$z_2 = \frac{x_2 - \mu}{\sigma} =$$

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$n=14, p=1/2$

6.5 Normal Approximation of the Binomial Distribution

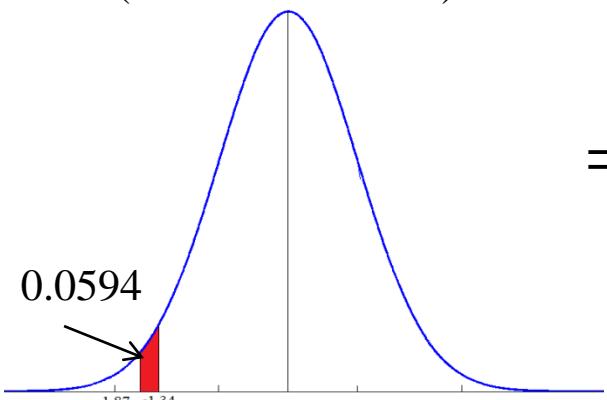
From the binomial formula

$$P(4) = \frac{14!}{4!(14-4)!} (.5)^4 (1-.5)^{14-4}$$

$$P(x=4) = 0.061$$

$$P(-1.87 < z < 1.34) = 0.0594$$

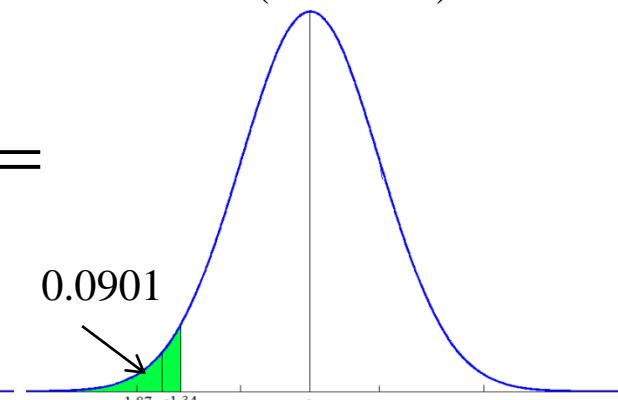
$$P(-1.87 < z < -1.34)$$



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$$0.0901$$

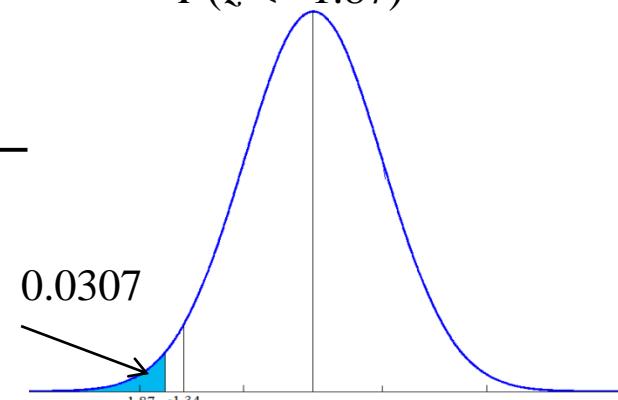
$$P(z < -1.34)$$



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$$0.0307$$

$$P(z < -1.87)$$



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Questions?

Homework: Read Chapter 6.1-6.2

Web Assign

Chapter 6 # 7a&b, 9a&b, 13a, 19, 29, 31,
33, 41, 45, 47, 53, 61, 75, 95, 99

Not homework, but maybe fun to watch:



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