

- Definition of Mechanical Design
- Uncertainty  $\Rightarrow$  220 MPa  
 $220 \pm 10$  MPa  
 $220 \pm 50$  MPa
- Design Factor
- Safety Factor (Factor of Safety)

### Selection of Design Factor

- subjective
- follow industry standards

Factor of Safety  
 $>$  Design Factor

Depends on:

- degree of uncertainty about loading
- degree of uncertainty about material strength and structure
- consequences of failure  $\rightarrow$   
human safety  
economics
- cost of providing a high safety factor

reliability method of design

stochastic method

distributions strength  
and stress

reliability,  $R$

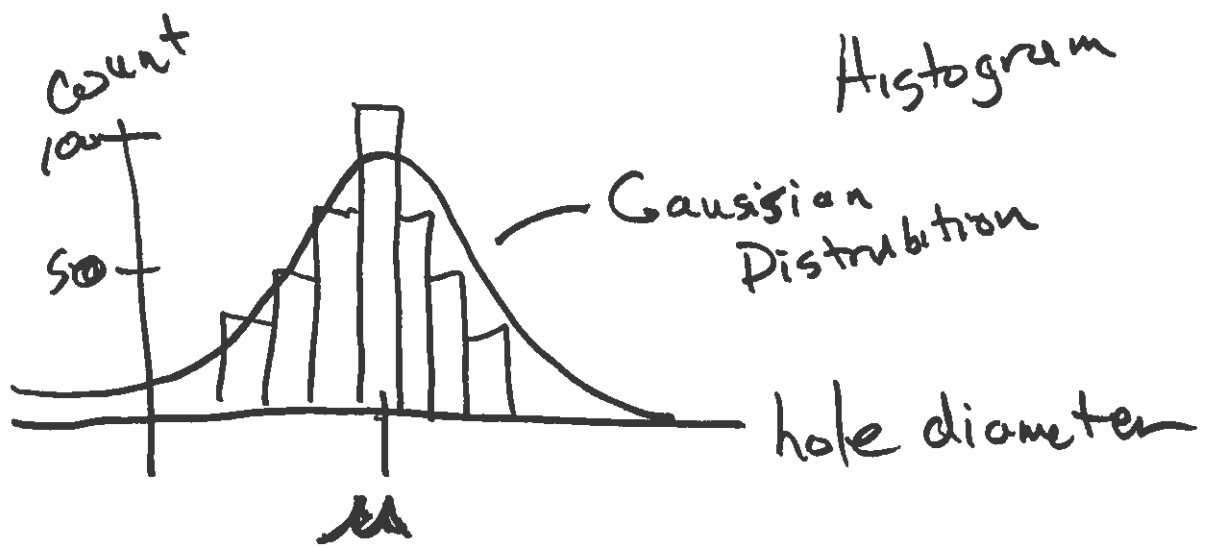
Statistical measure

probability that something won't  
fail

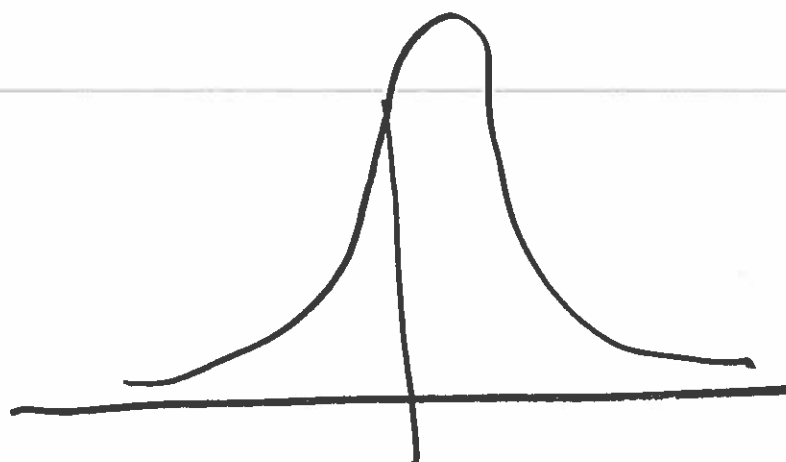
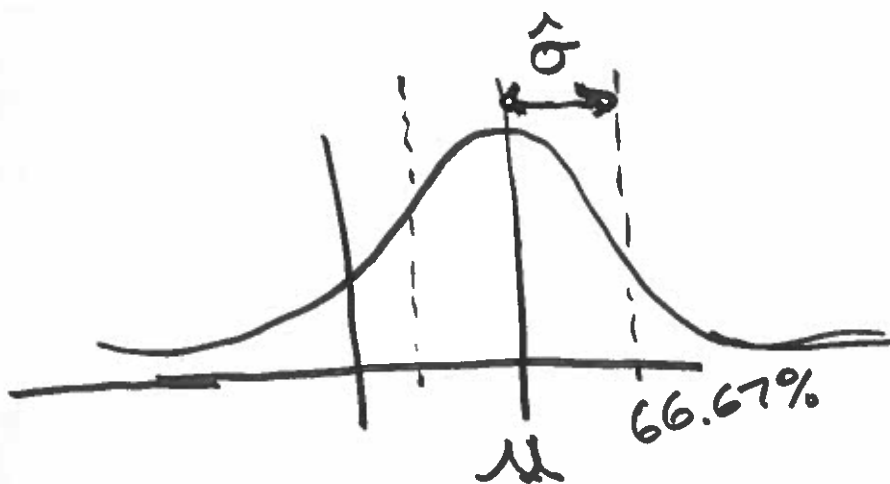
probability of failure,  $P_f$

probability that something will fail

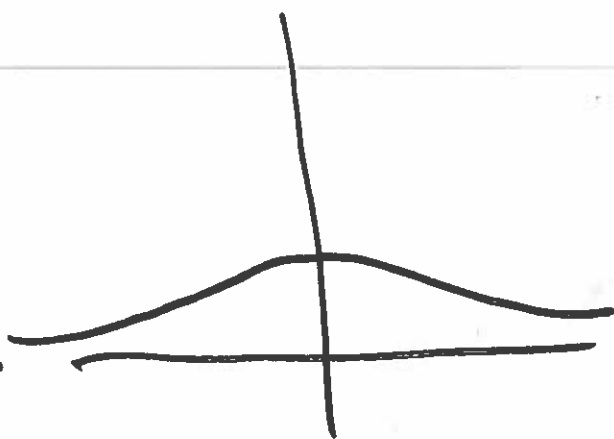
$$1 - R = P_f$$



$\mu$ : mean  $\sigma$ : standard deviation



$\hat{\sigma}$  small



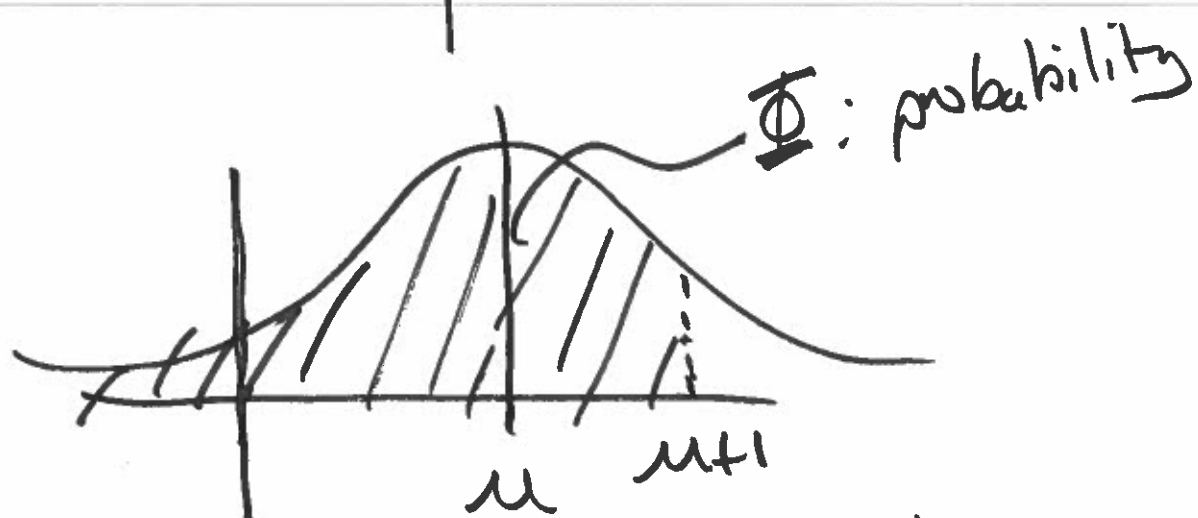
$\hat{\sigma}$  large

Probability  
Distribution Function

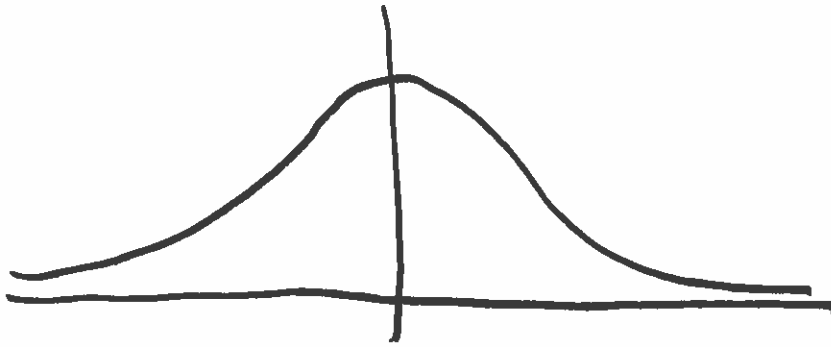
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{2\pi}} e$$

$$\left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{x - \mu}{\hat{\sigma}} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \Rightarrow 100\% \text{ probability}$$



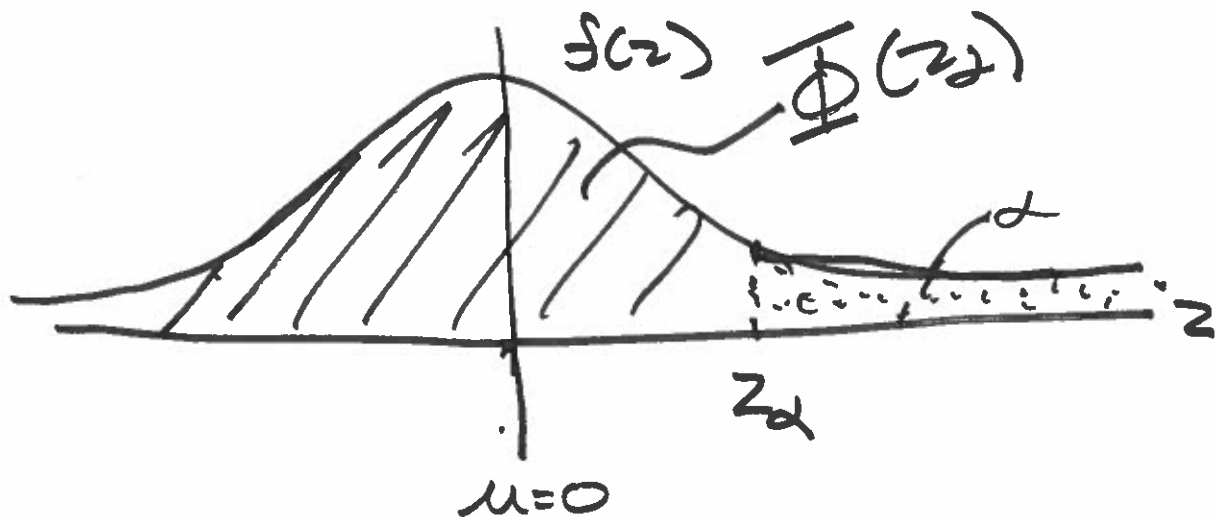
What is the probability that  
the observation is less than  
 $\mu+1$ ?



$$\mu=0$$

$$\hat{\sigma}=1$$

$$Z = \frac{x - \mu}{\hat{\sigma}}$$

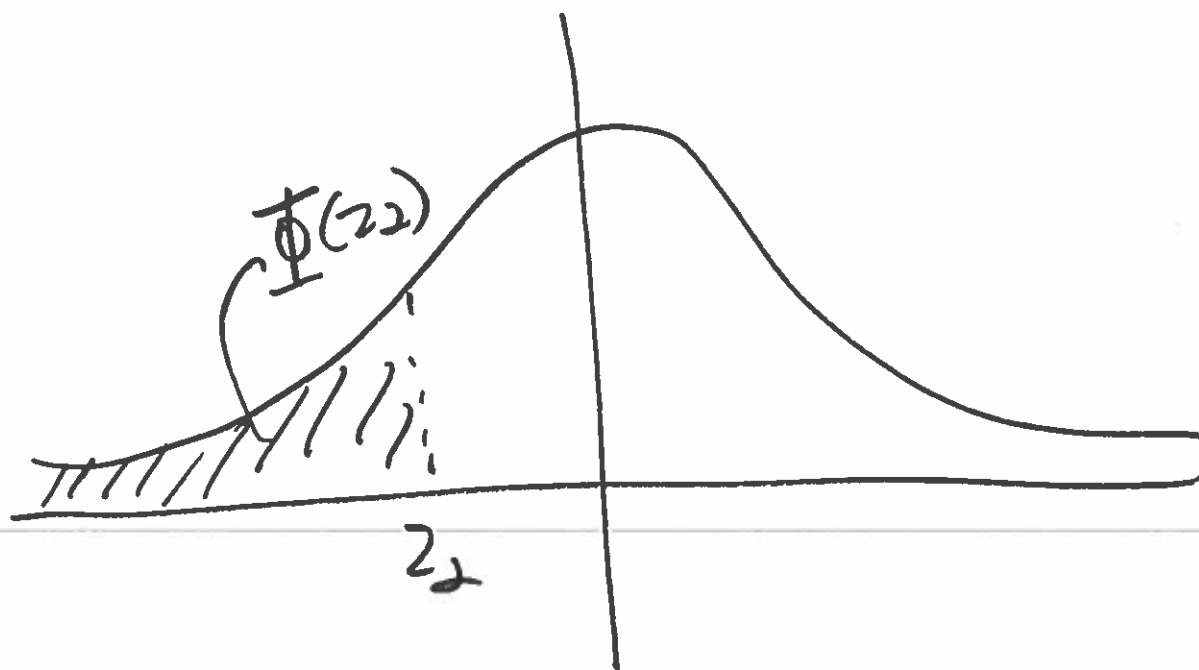


$$z_\alpha > 0$$

The probability that occurrence is less than  $z_\alpha$

$$\hookrightarrow 1 - \Phi(z_\alpha)$$

$$\alpha =$$



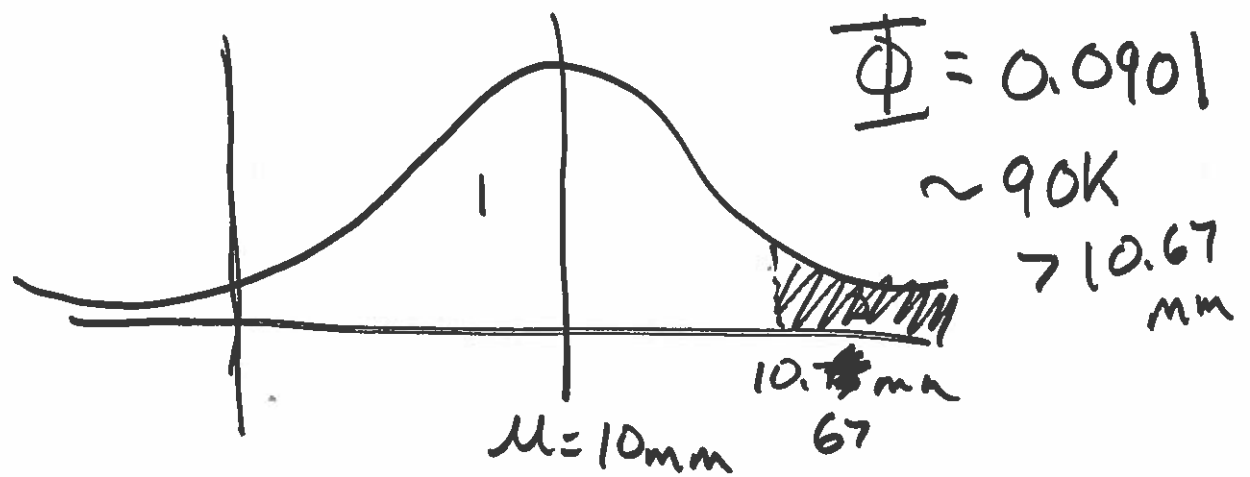
$z \leq 0$   
probability  $\Phi(z_2)$

1M parts, measure 1000 of them to build a histogram of hole diameters

$$\mu_d = 10 \text{ mm}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_d = 0.5 \text{ mm}$$

What is the probability that  
~~a diameter~~ a randomly chosen  
part has a diameter  $> 10.67 \text{ mm}$ ?  
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$$Z = \frac{d - \mu_d}{\hat{\sigma}_d} = \frac{10.67 \text{ mm} - 10 \text{ mm}}{0.5 \text{ mm}} = 1.34$$

# Table A-10

Cummulative Distribution Function  
of Normal (Gaussian) Distribution

See the "Standard Normal Table"  
on Wikipedia for equivalent.

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What is the probability of occurrence for less than  $z = -1.23$ ?

- A. 0.1151
  - B. 0.1093
  - C. 0.8907
  - D. 0.8849
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# Tolerances

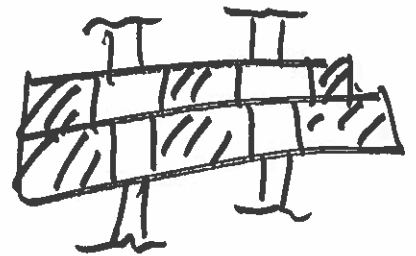
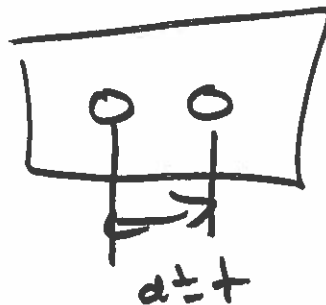
- uncertainty
- bounds (size, shape)

$$1.000 \pm 0.001''$$

↑ is not ~~±~~  
typically  $\hat{\sigma}$

- tight tolerances  
= high cost
- loose tolerances in general
- tight tolerances only if necessary

# Dimensioning



SI: ~~Five~~

International System of Units

US: US customary units

Burma, Liberia

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