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This number needs to be rounded up to the next integer, giving us an answer of 431 sandwiches to be stocked.

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Another Problem...

John can take either of two roads to the airport from his home (Road A or Road B). Owing to varying traffic conditions the travel times on the two roads are not fixed, rather on a Friday around midday the travel times across these roads can be well approximated per normal distributions as follows,

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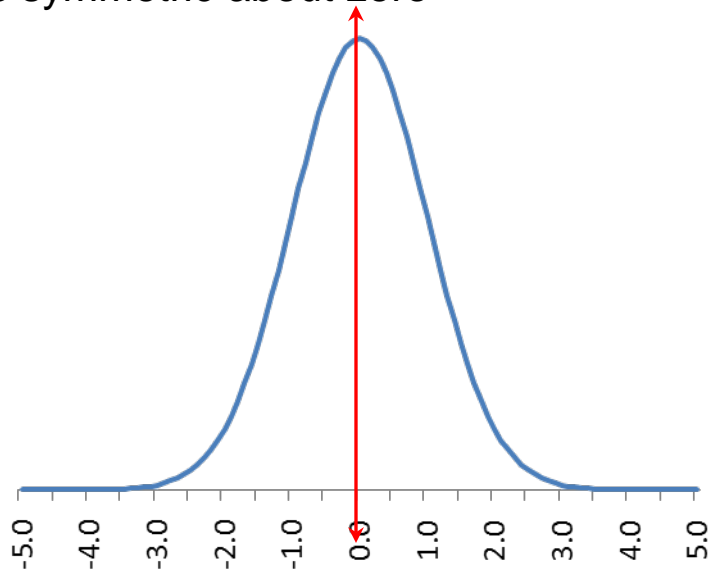


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