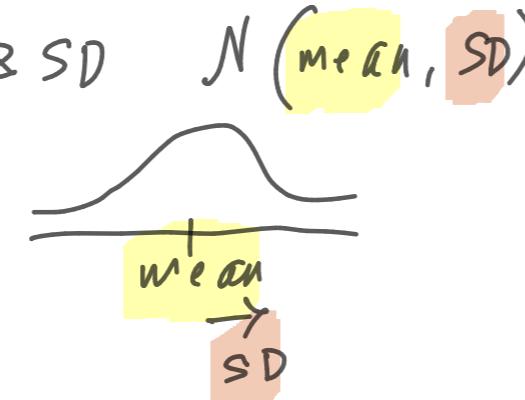


History: Abraham de Moivre (1720)

Why famous curve?

- Naturally occurring (eg heights)
- CLT (Module 3)

Defined by mean & SD
(parameters)



2 types:

Standard $N(0, 1)$

General $N(\text{mean}, \text{SD}^2)$

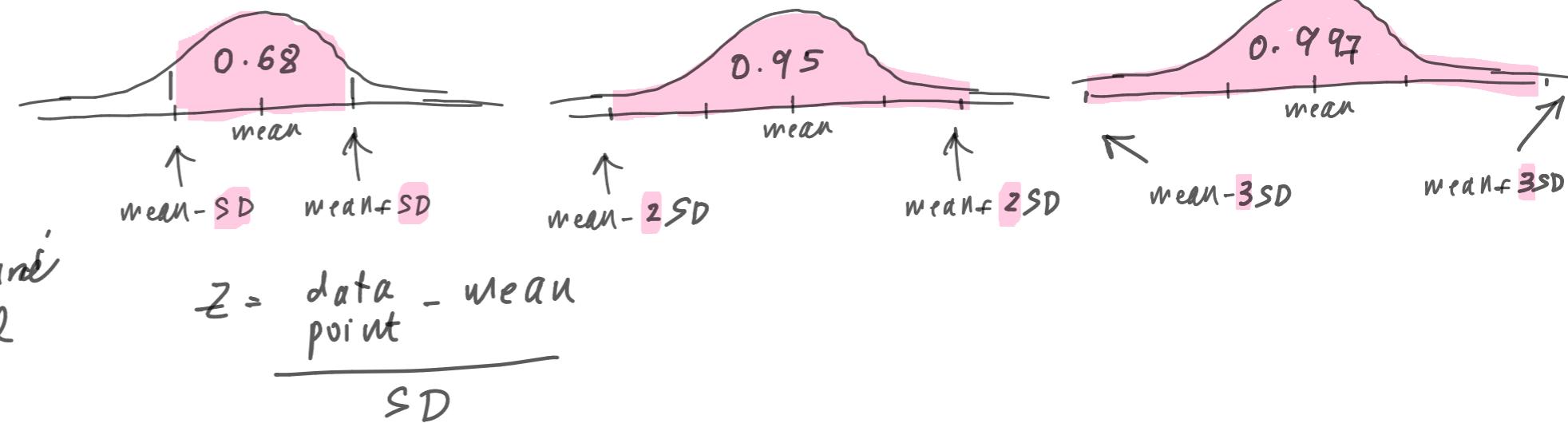
$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\text{SD}} e^{-\frac{(x-\text{mean})^2}{2\text{SD}^2}}$$

$-\infty \leq x \leq \infty$

Special Properties:

① 68/95/99.7% Rule

② General Normal $\xrightarrow{\text{re-scaled}}$ Standard Normal



Model

Variable

When?

What?

Diagnostics

Predictions

Normal

I Quant



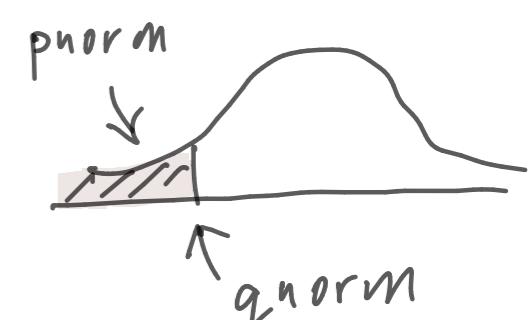
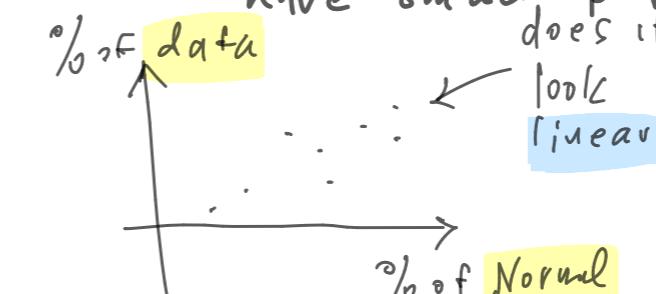
looks bell-shaped



Normal approximation
 $N(\text{mean}, \text{SD}^2)$

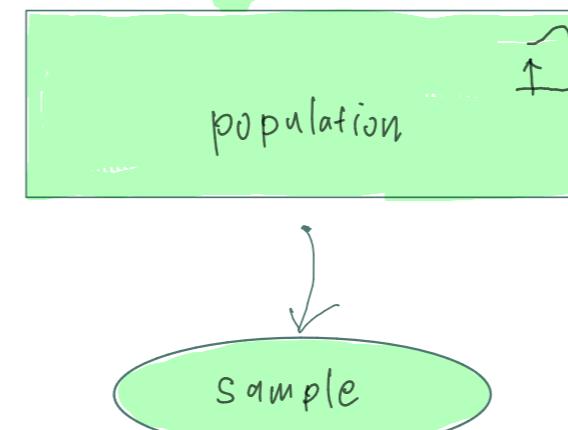
① Is the histogram in the proportions 68/95/99.7% (±1/2/3 SD's)

② Is the Q-Q plot linear?
③ Does the Shapiro-Wilk test have small p-values? does it



- integration
- stable
- pnorm

Module 2: Modelling Data



T4: Normal Model

T5: Linear Model

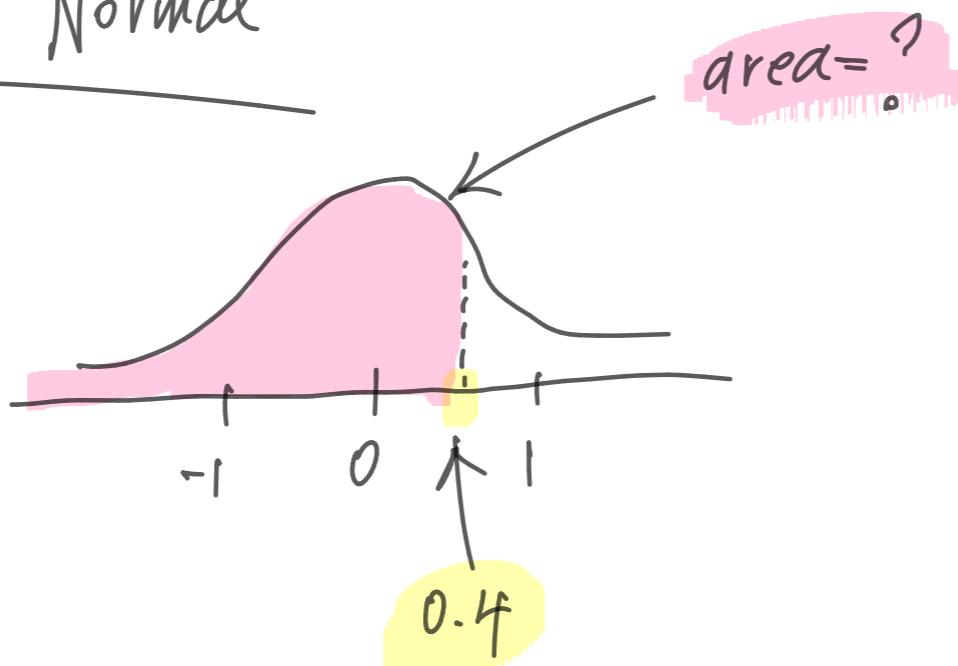
L04: Apply the Normal approximation to data, with consideration of measurement error.

"All models are wrong but some models are useful"
(Box et al, 2009)

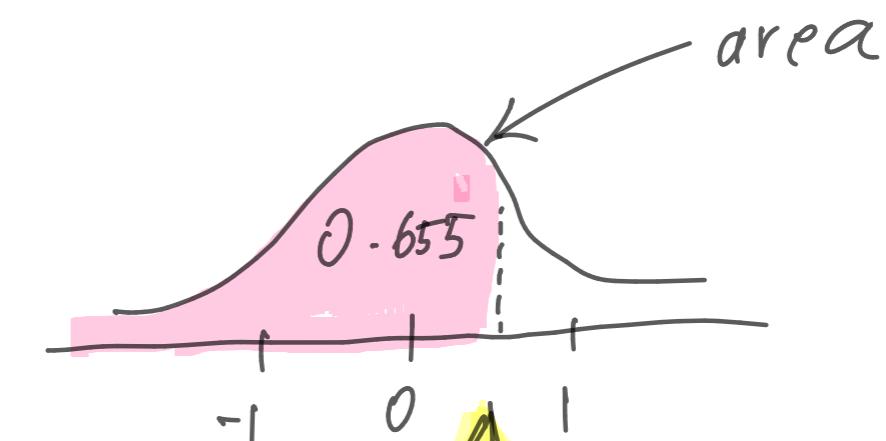
How to use R for the Normal

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

↑ ↗
mean = 0 SD = 1



$$\text{pnorm}(0.4) = 0.655$$

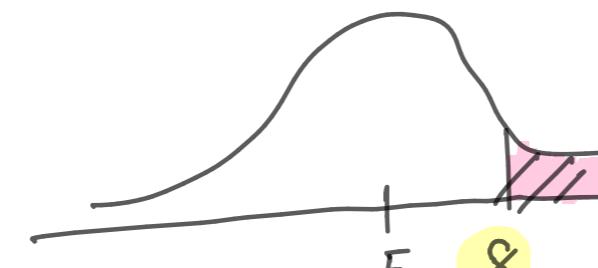


percentile = ?

$$\text{qnorm}(0.655) = 0.4$$

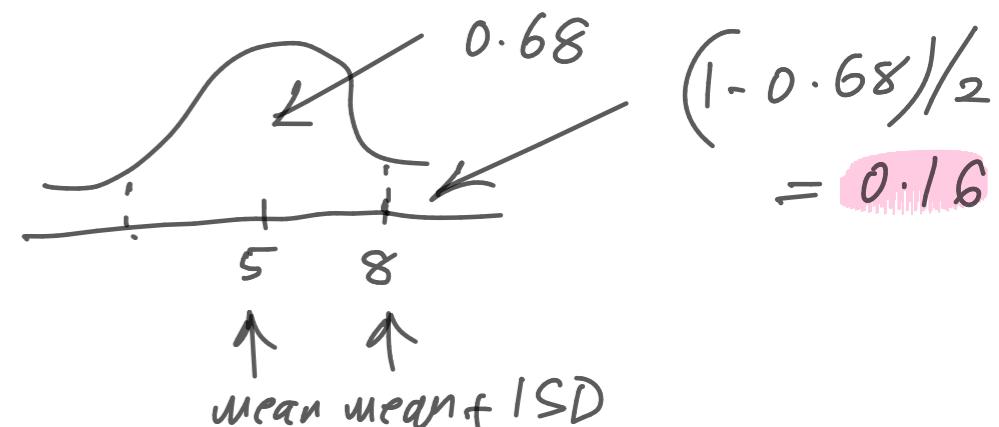
$$X \sim N(5, 3^2)$$

↑ ↗
mean = 5 SD = 3

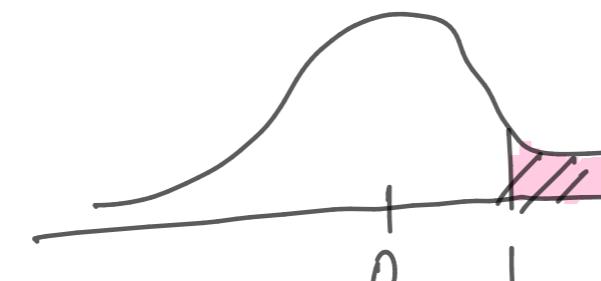


$$\text{pnorm}(8, 5, 3, \text{lower.tail} = \text{F}) \\ = 0.159$$

check:



$$Z \sim N(0, 1^2)$$



$$\frac{5-5}{3} \rightarrow \quad \frac{8-5}{3} = 1$$

$$\text{pnorm}(1, \text{lower.tail} = \text{F}) \\ = 0.159$$