

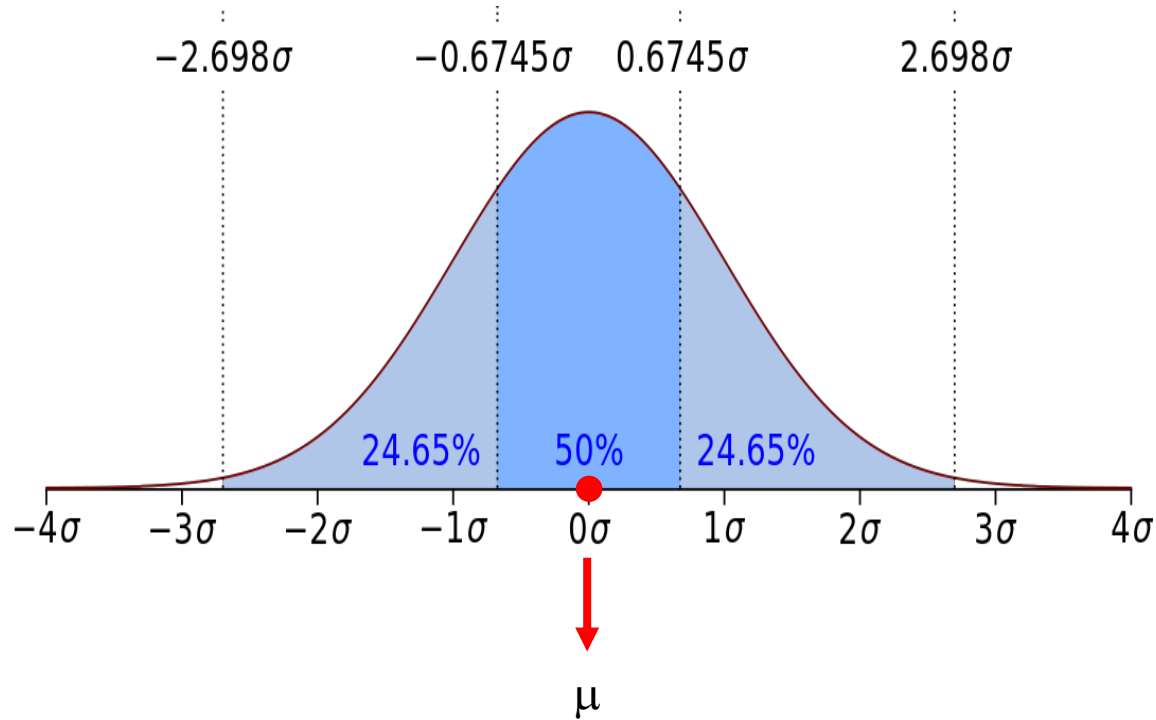
Gaussian Distribution

Gaussian distribution

→ We say a variable follows Gaussian dist. when it adopts this bell shape. The bell shape indicates the prob. of finding an observation with a certain value in the dist. of this variable.

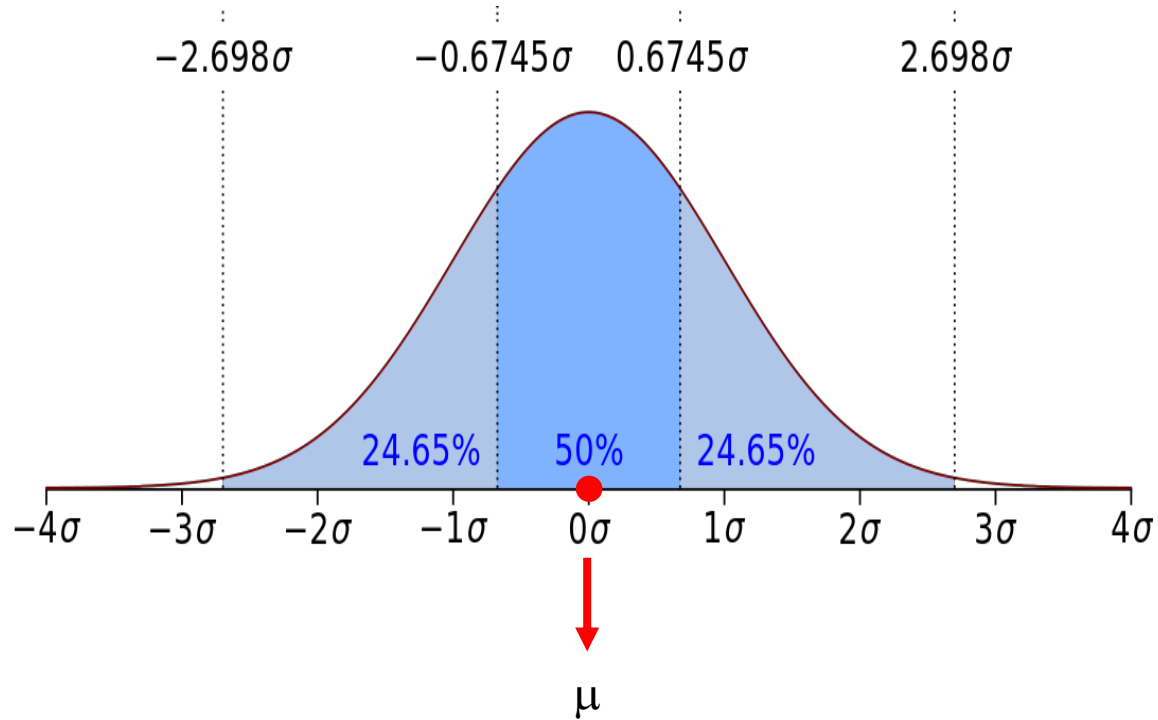
⊗ This bell is centered around the mean (μ) value of the var.

⊗ The Gaussian dist. is also characterized by std. dev. (σ) \Rightarrow how dispersed the values are around the mean.



- Bell shape
- μ = Mean value
→ centre of distribution
- σ = standard deviation
→ measure of dispersion

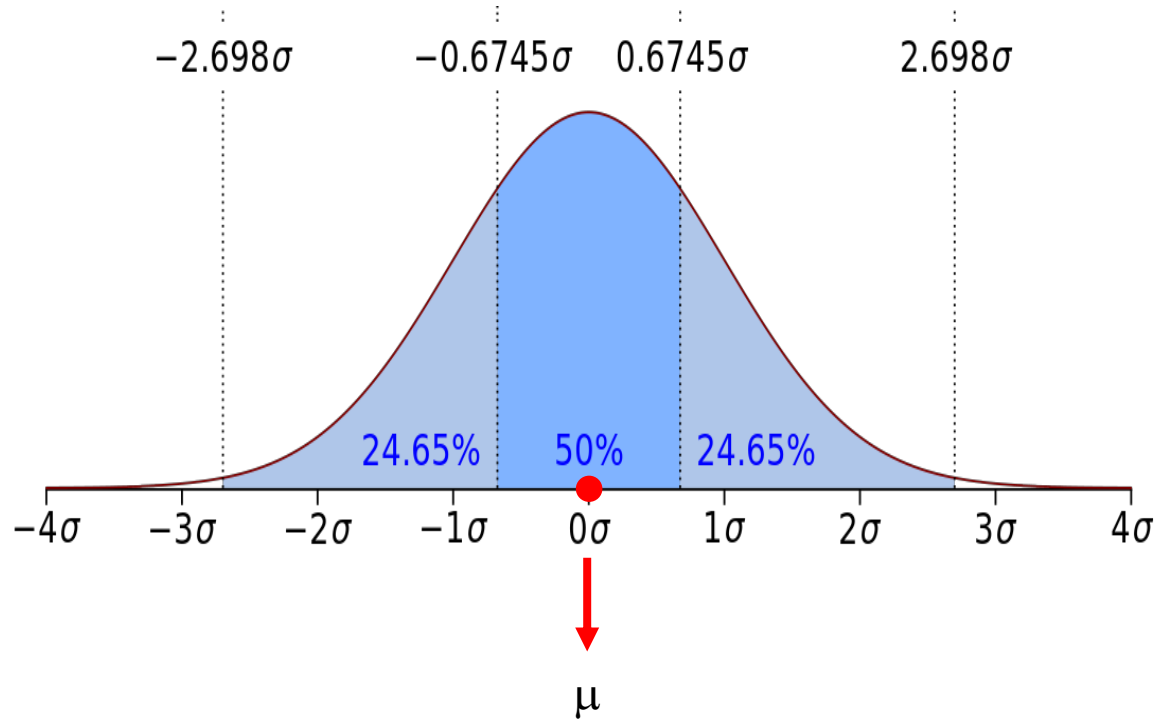
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- **Symmetric:**

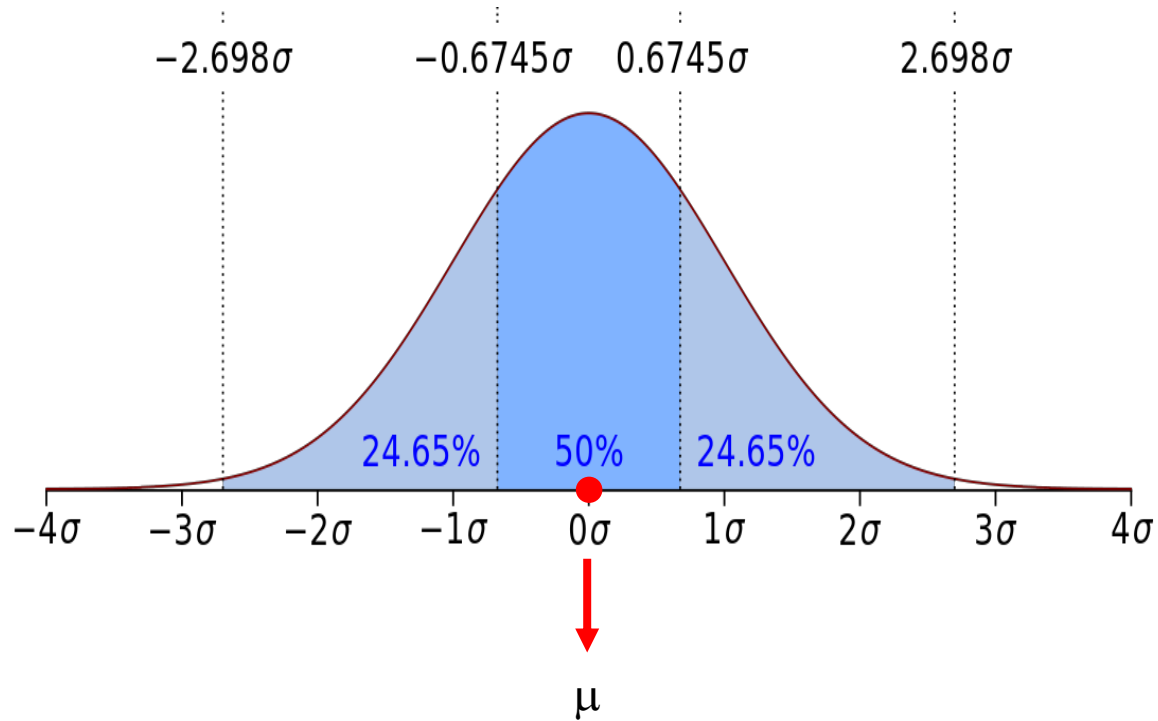
- Most observations occur around the centre
- Probabilities for values further away from the centre decrease equally in both directions.
- Extreme values in both tails of the distribution are similarly unlikely.

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- ~50% of the observations within $x_{\text{mean}} \pm 0.67 \times \sigma$.
- ~99% of the observations within $x_{\text{mean}} \pm 2.7 \times \sigma$.

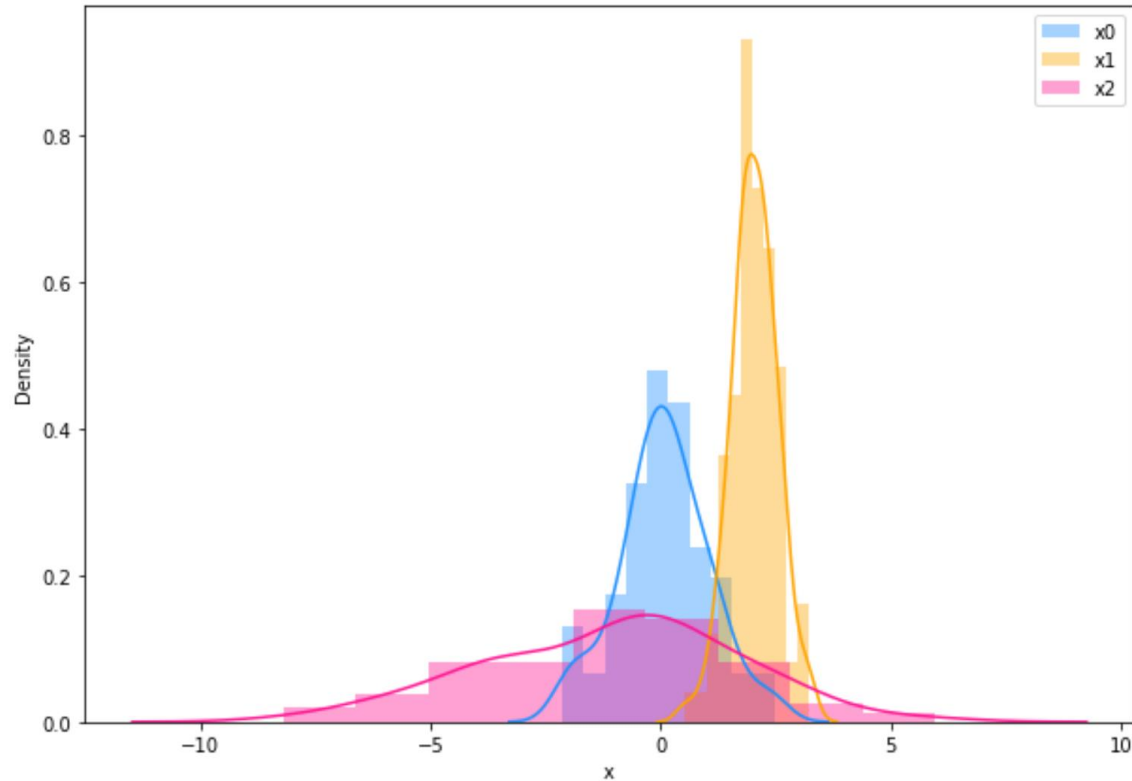
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A variable is normally distributed:

- $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$
- $X1 \sim N(\mu=0, \sigma^2=1)$

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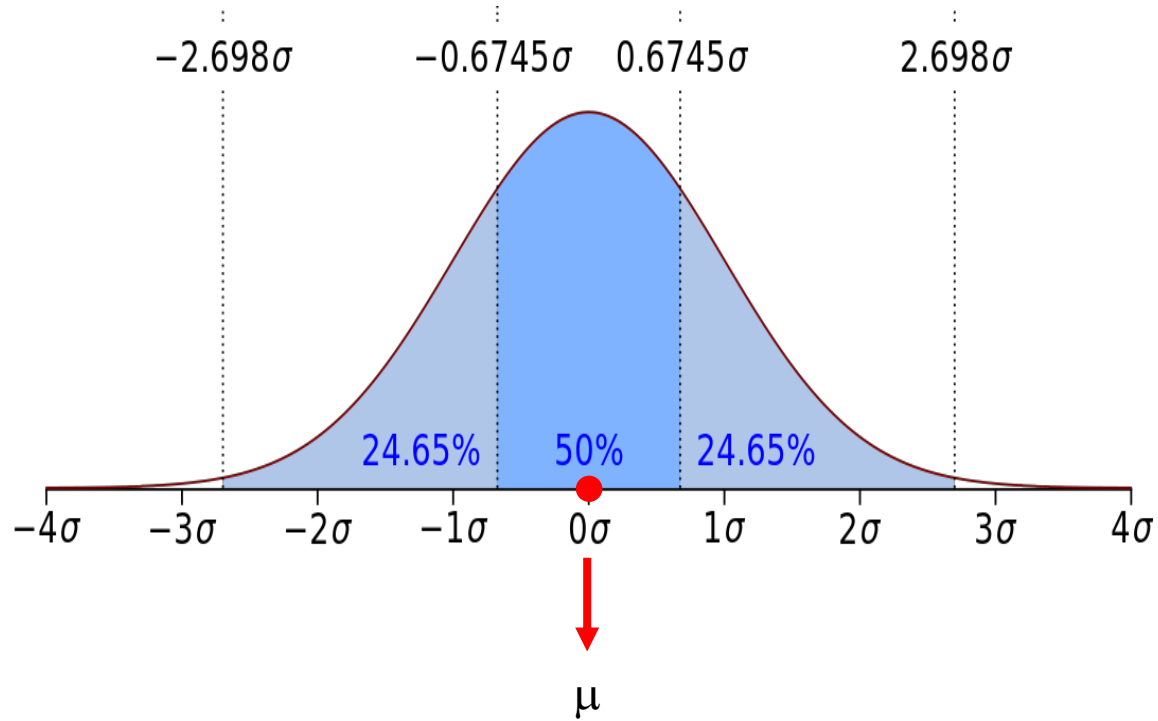


- $X0 \sim N(\mu = 0, \sigma^2 = 1)$

- $X1 \sim N(\mu = 2, \sigma^2 = 0.5)$

- $X2 \sim N(\mu = -1, \sigma^2 = 3)$

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

$$p(x|\mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2})}$$

Mean

- Average of the variable values

- $X_{\text{mean}} = \mu = \frac{\sum x_i}{n}$

- n= number of observations

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- $$\bar{X}_{\text{mean}} = \mu = \frac{\sum x_i}{n}$$

- n= number of observations

X1	X2
12	10
8	7
16	13

- $\mu_1 = (12 + 8 + 16) / 3 = 12$
- $\mu_2 = (10 + 7 + 13) / 3 = 10$

Variance and Standard Deviation

- Measure the dispersion of the data, away from the mean

- $$\text{var} = \sigma^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - x_{\text{mean}})^2}{n}$$

- n = number of observations

- σ = standard deviation.

- $$\sigma = \sqrt{\text{var}}$$

Variance and Standard Deviation

- Measure the dispersion of the data, away from the mean

- $$\text{var} = \frac{\sum (x_i - x_{\text{mean}})^2}{n-1}$$

- n= number of observations

- σ = standard deviation.

- $\sigma = \sqrt{\text{var}}$

X1	X2
12	10
8	7
16	13

- $$\sigma_1 = \sqrt{\frac{(12-12)^2 + (8-12)^2 + (16-12)^2}{3-1}} = 4$$

- $$\sigma_2 = \sqrt{\frac{(10-10)^2 + (7-10)^2 + (13-10)^2}{3-1}} = 3$$

THANK YOU

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