

PROBABILITY & STATISTICS

Lecture 8 – More on Normal distribution

HOW TO COMPUTE PROBABILITIES?

Let's start with the *standard* normal distribution.

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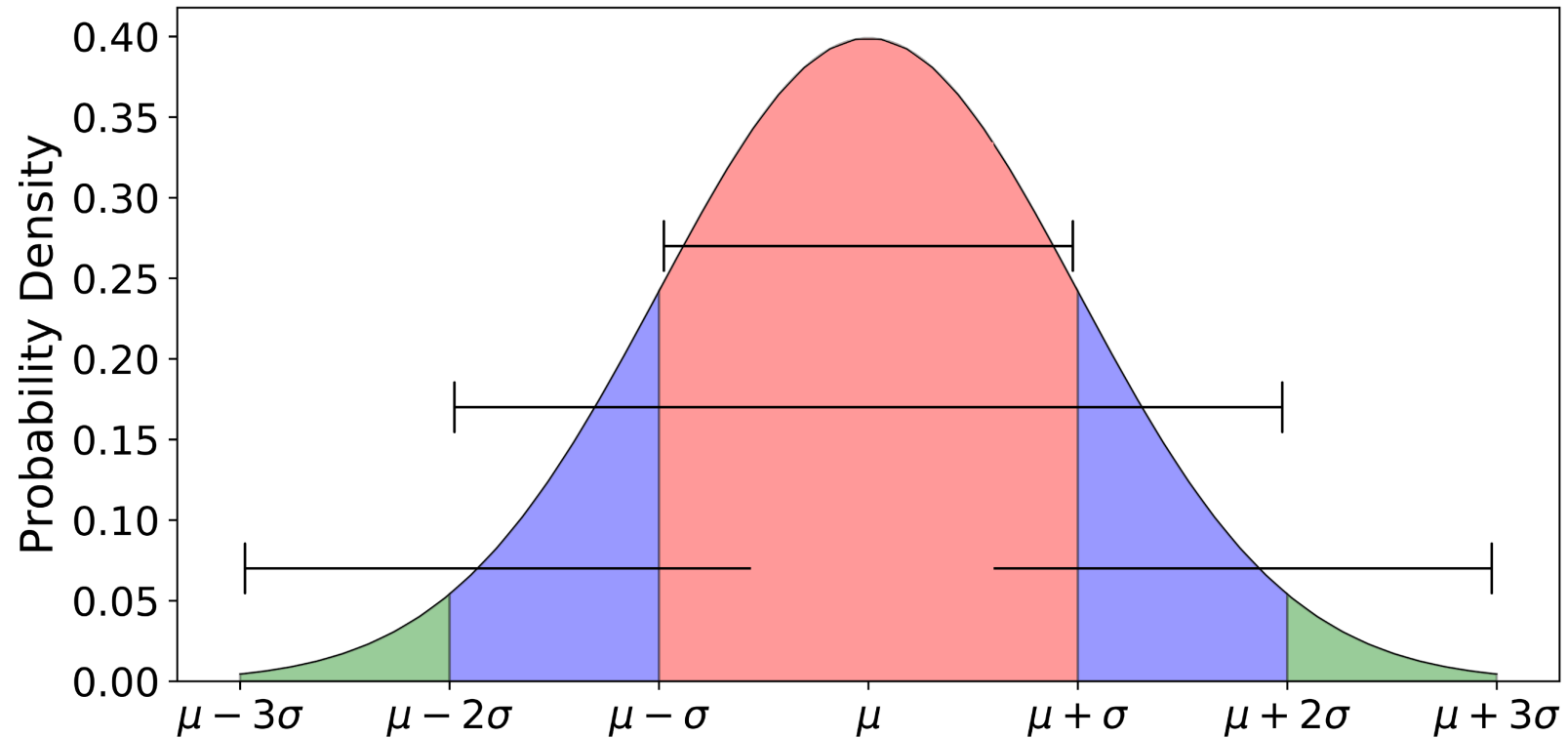
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2.8	0.9974	0.9975	0.9976	0.9977	0.9977	0.9978	0.9979	0.9979	0.9980	0.9981
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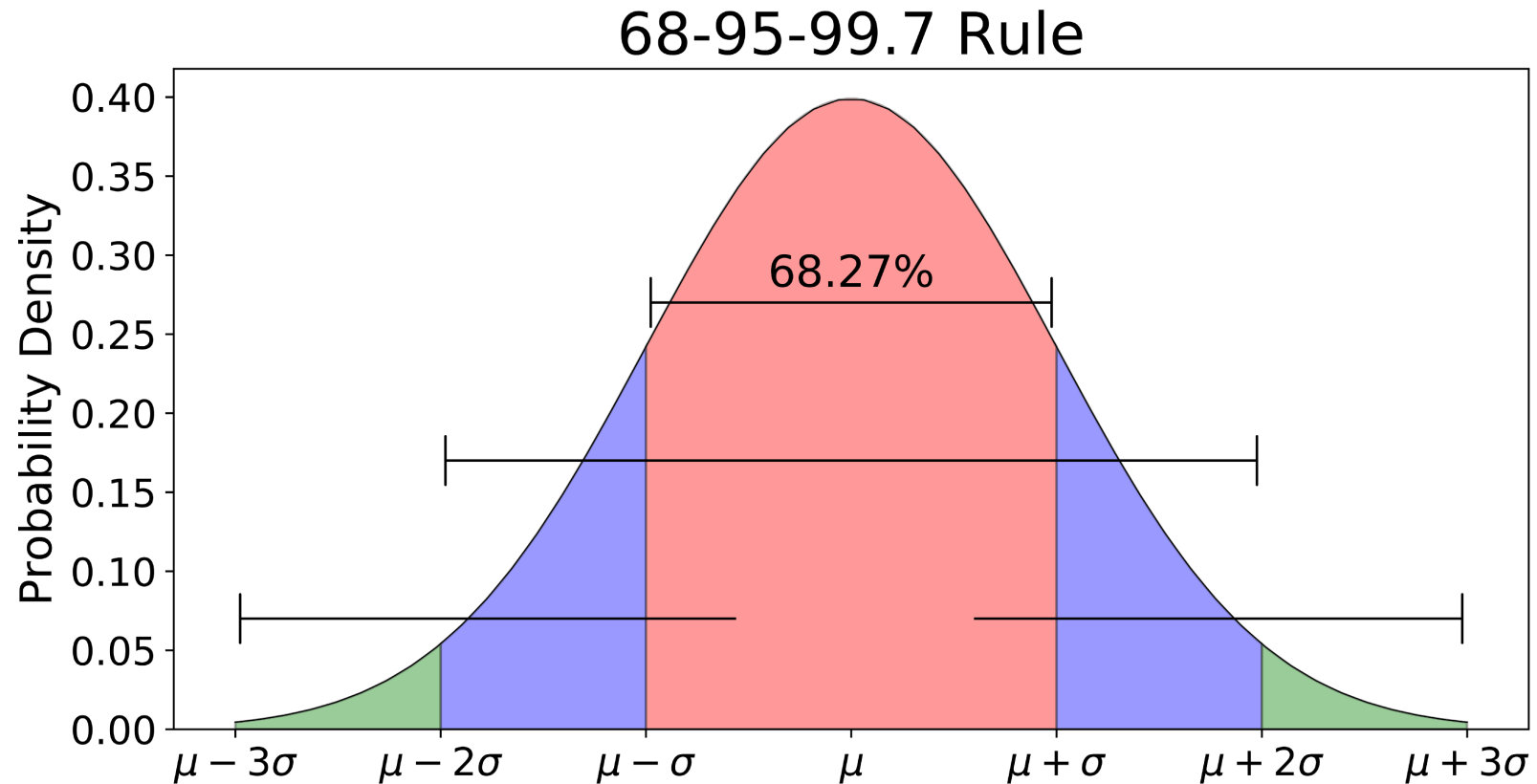
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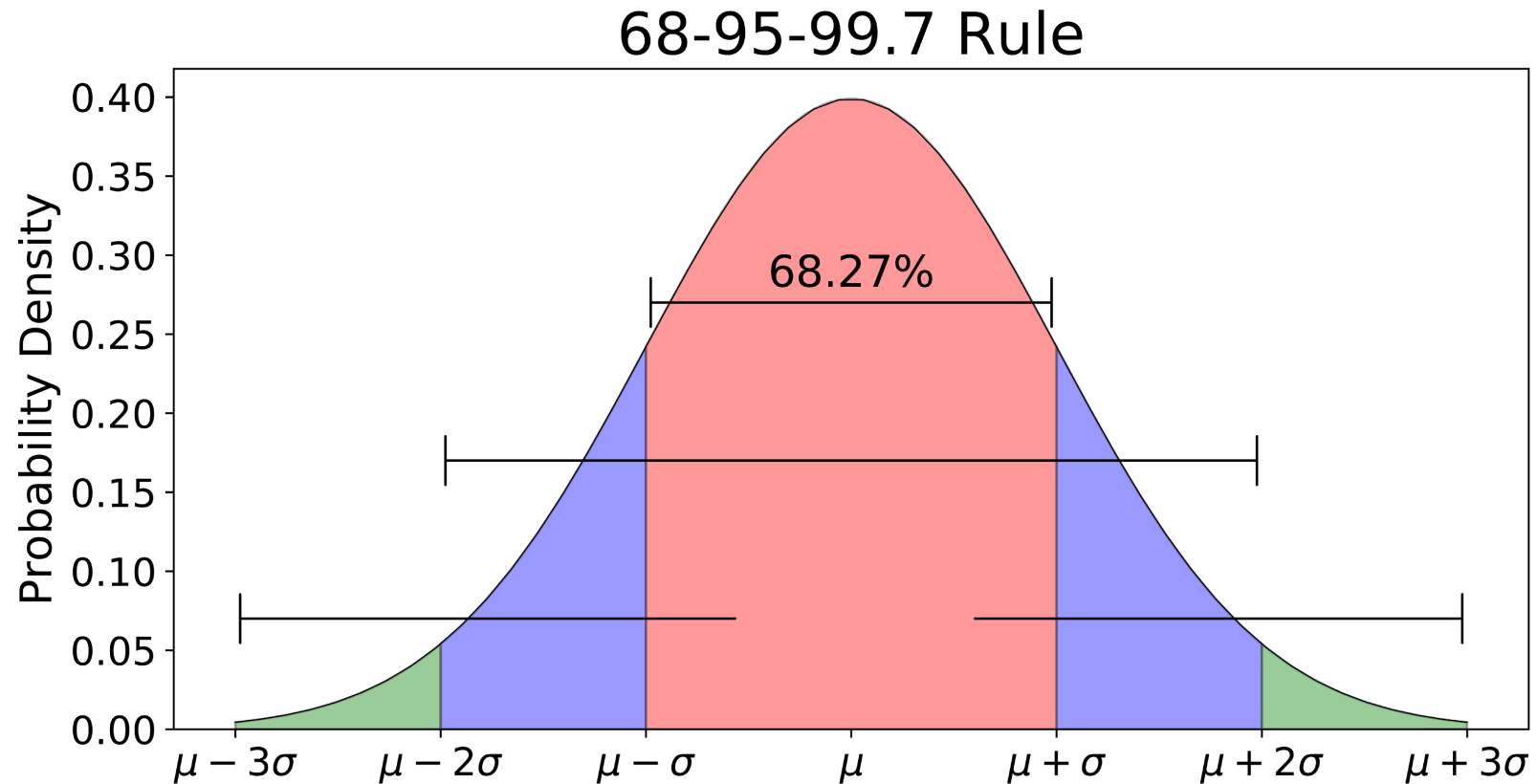
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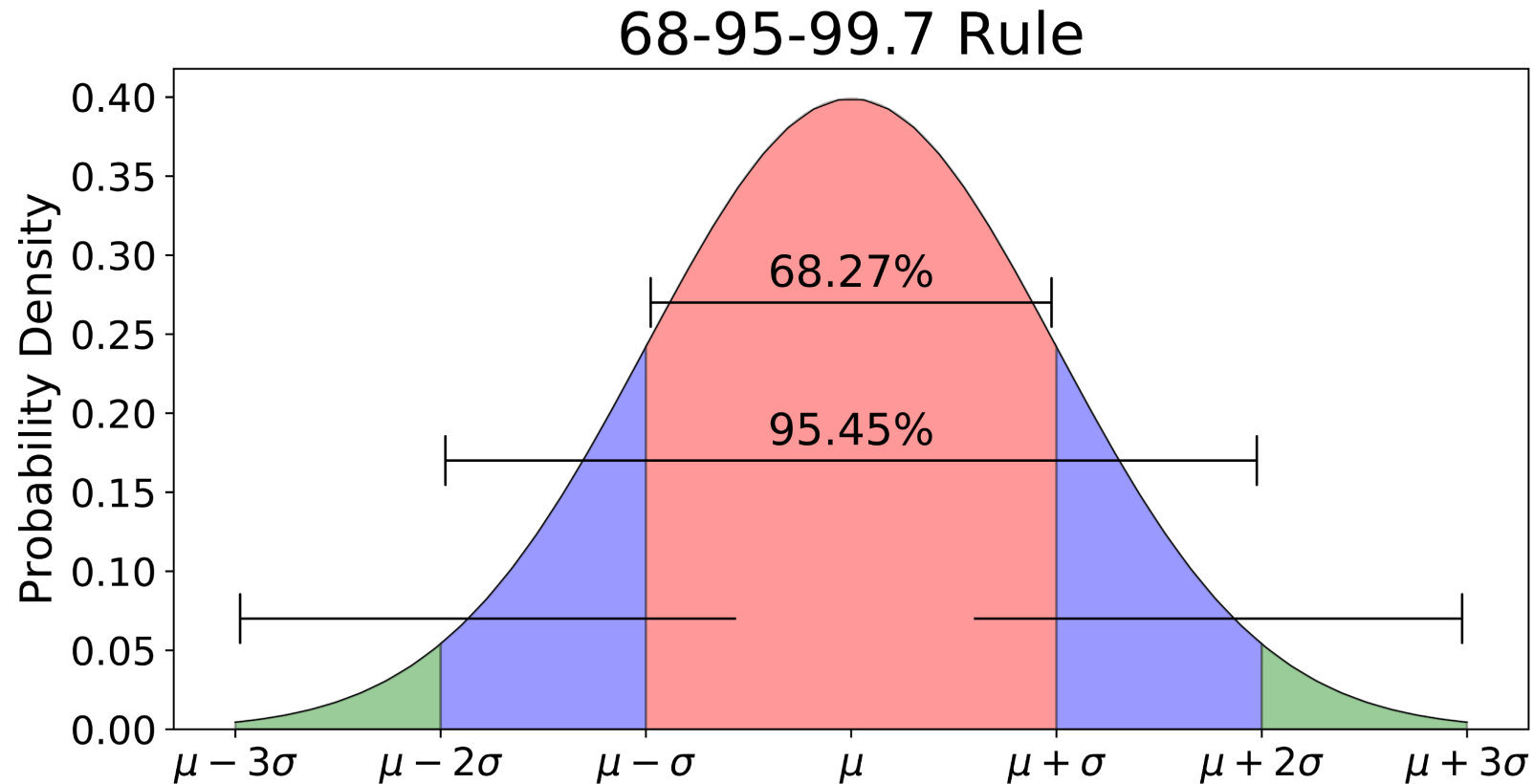
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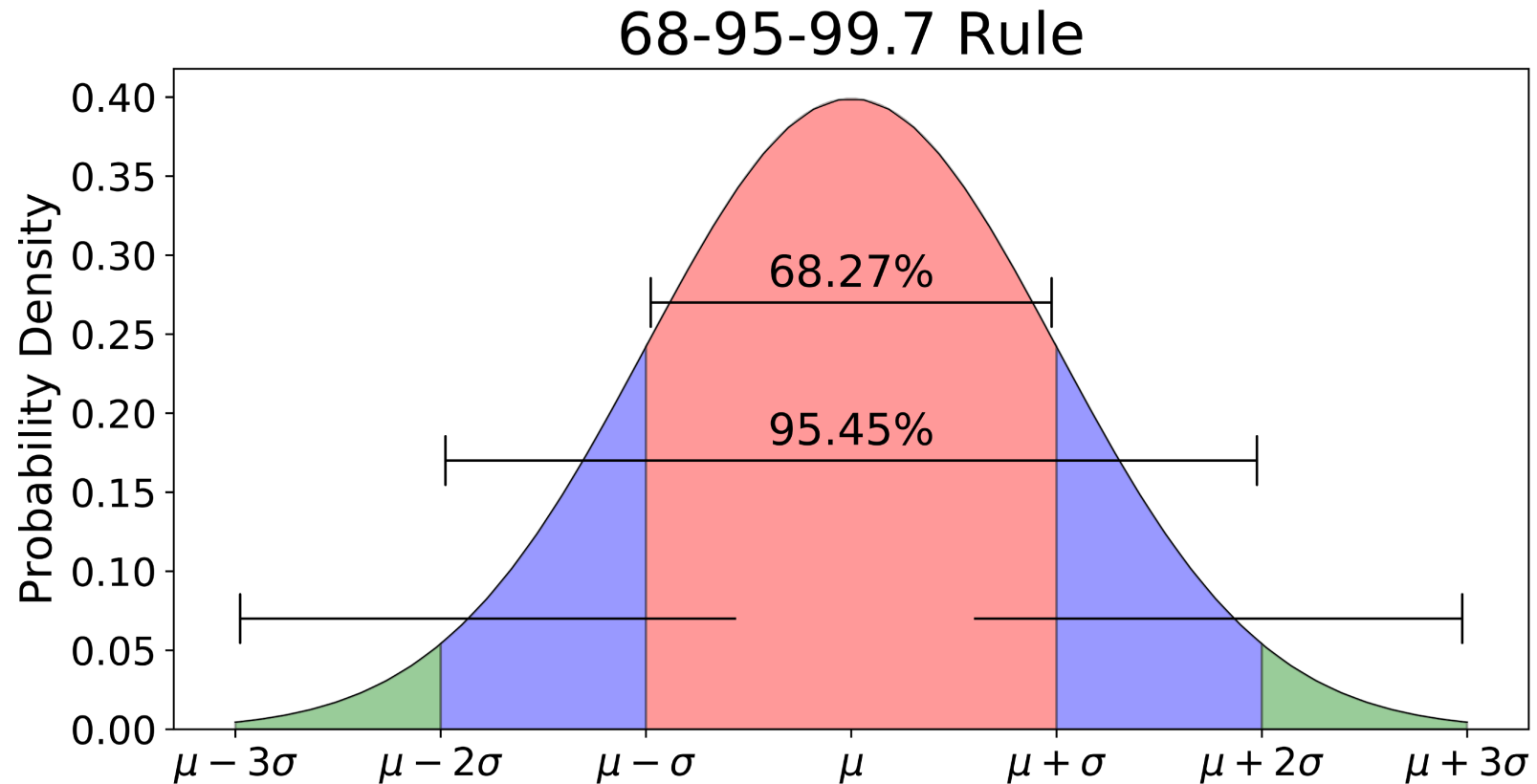
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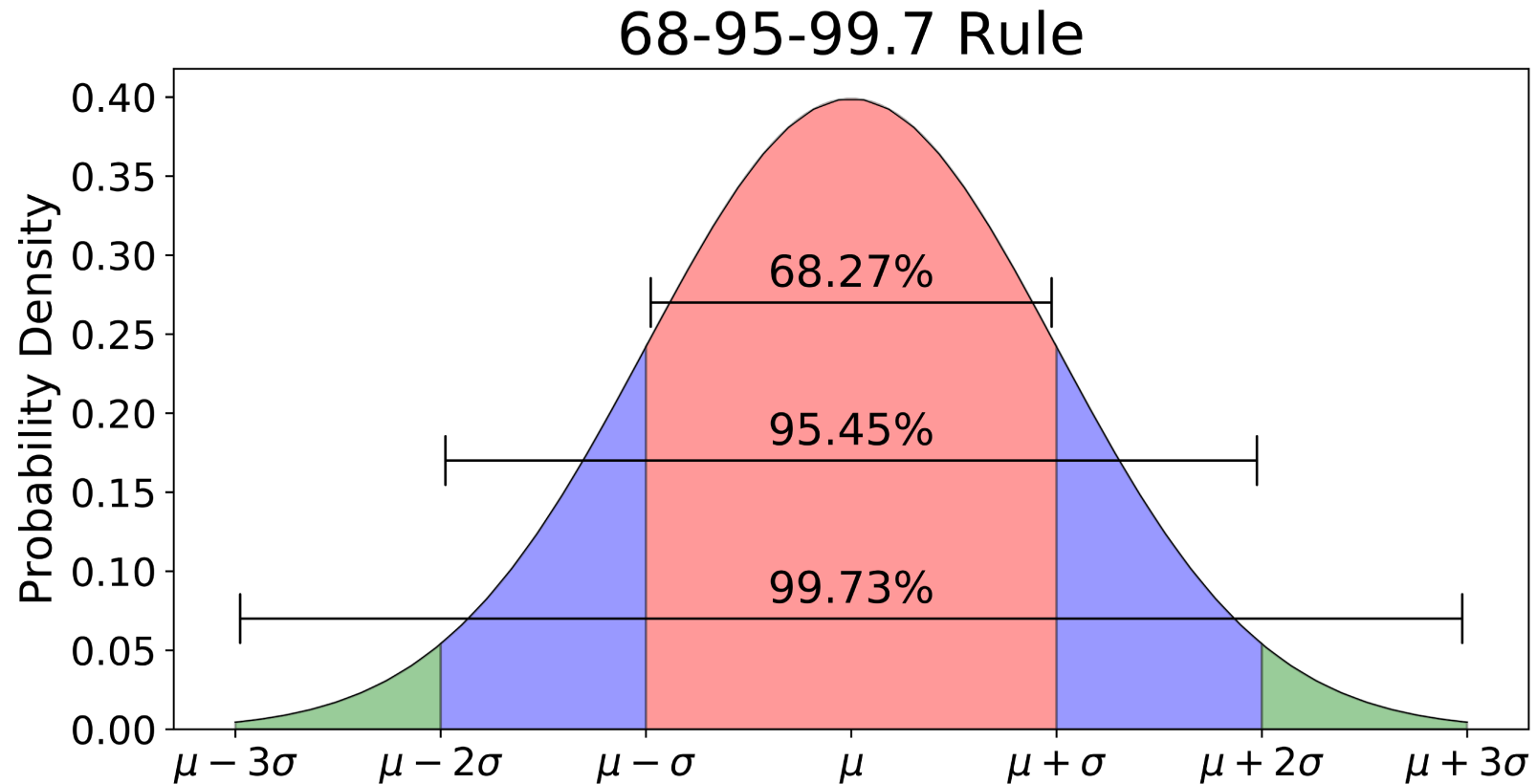
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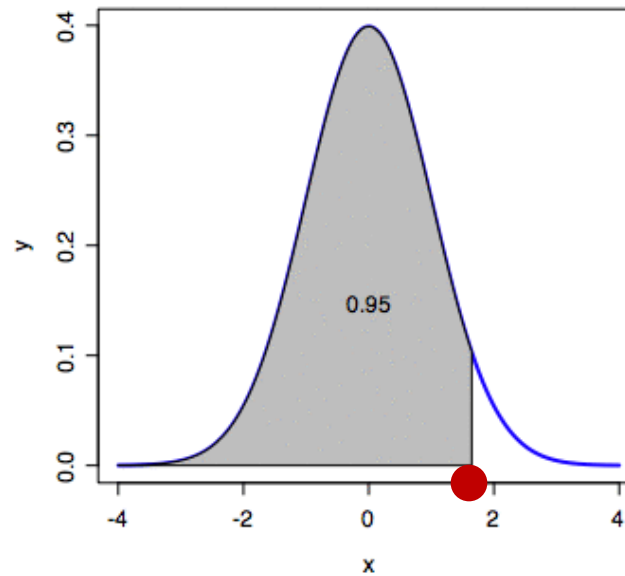
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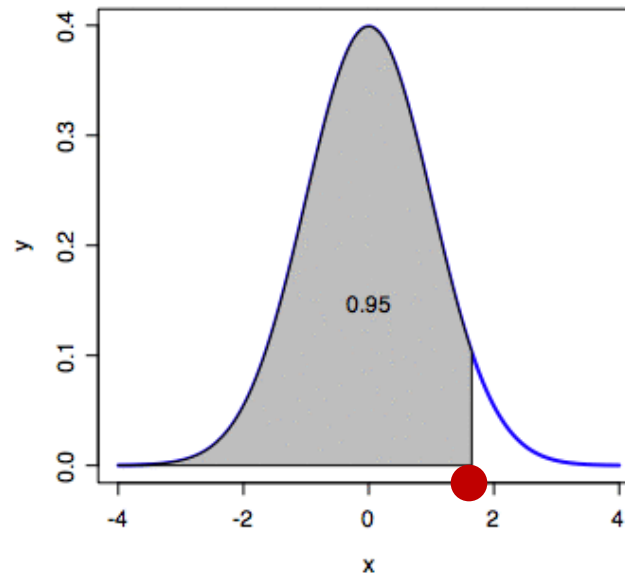


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How to compute this? There are tables!

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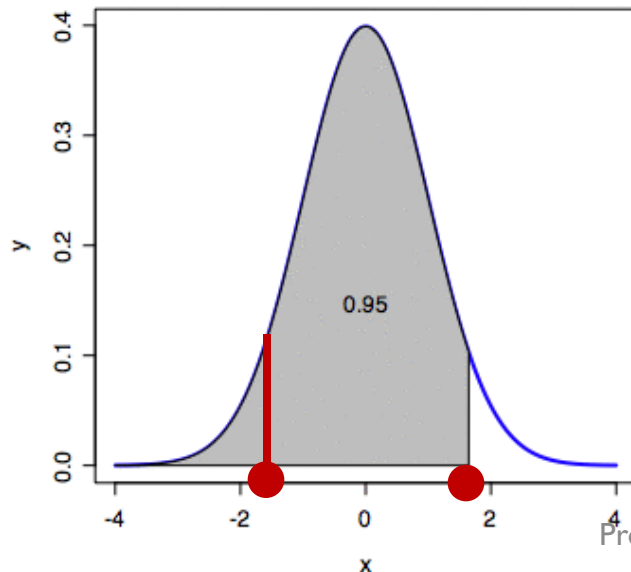
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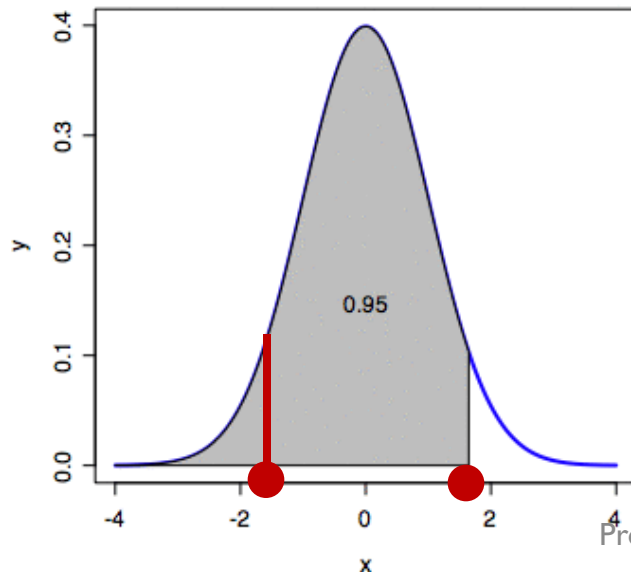


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PRACTICAL EXERCISE

Google Classroom -> Day 8 ->
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Why normal distribution is so important

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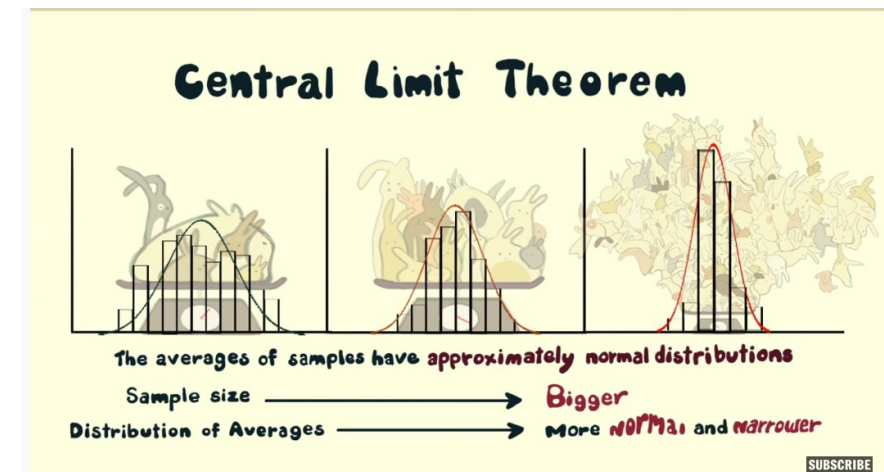
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CLT IN ACTION

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