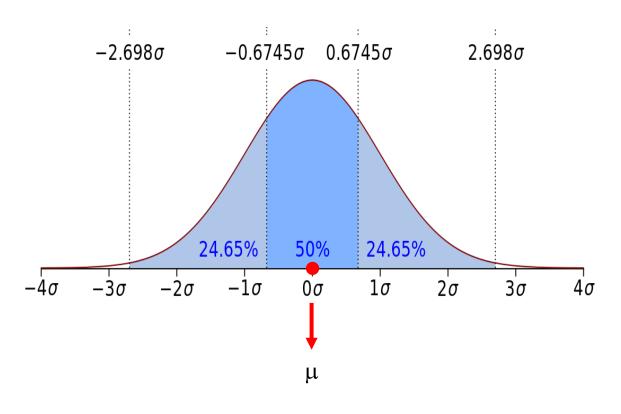


- Bell shape
- $\mu$  = Mean value
  - → centre of distribution
- $\sigma$  = standard deviation
  - → measure of dispersion

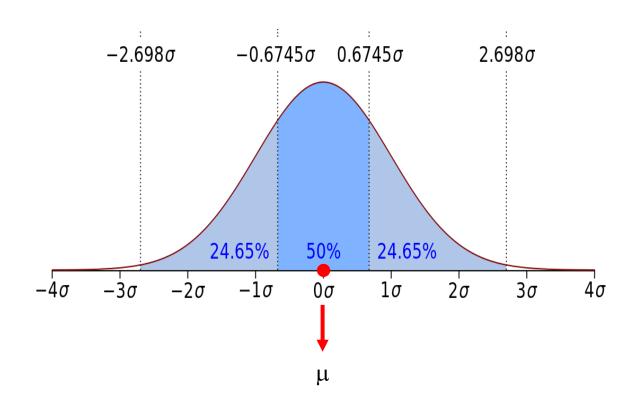




#### • Symmetric:

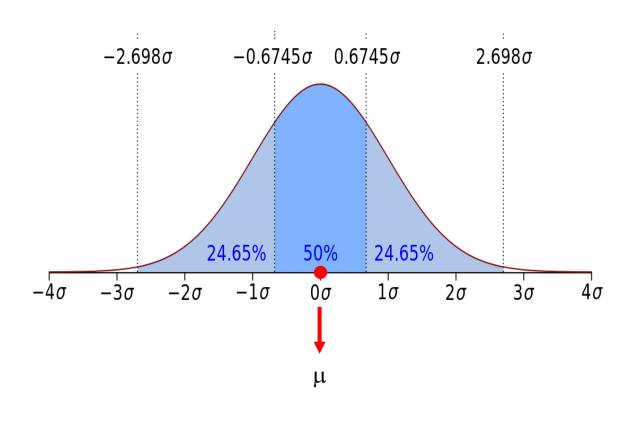
- Most observations occur around the centre
- Probabilities for values further away from the centre decrease equally in both directions.
- Extreme values in both tails of the distribution are similarly unlikely.





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



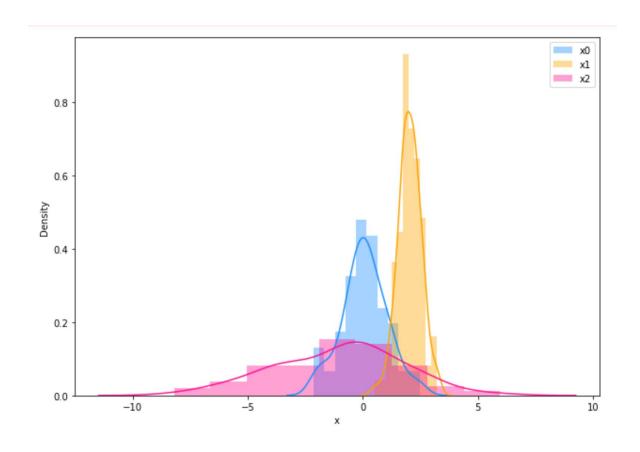


A variable is normally distributed:

• 
$$X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

• X1 ~ 
$$N(\mu=0, \sigma^2=1)$$



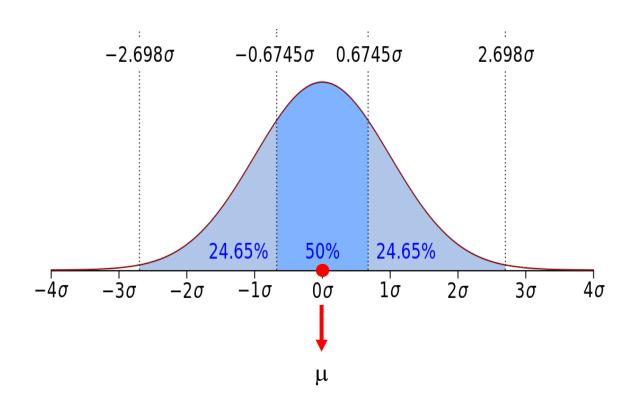


• **X0** ~ **N(**
$$\mu$$
 = 0,  $\sigma$ <sup>2</sup> = 1)

• X1 ~ N(
$$\mu = 2$$
,  $\sigma^2 = 0.5$ )

• **X2** ~ 
$$N(\mu = -1, \sigma^2 = 3)$$





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

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



## Mean

Average of the variable values

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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

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

n= number of observations

- $\sigma$  = standard deviation.
- $\sigma = \sqrt[2]{var}$



#### Variance and Standard Deviation

 Measure the dispersion of the data, away from the mean

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

12	10
8	7
16	13

X1

X2

n= number of observations

• 
$$\sigma 1 = \sqrt[2]{\frac{(12-12)^2+(8-12)^2+(16-12)^2}{3-1}} = 4$$

•  $\sigma$  = standard deviation.

• 
$$\sigma = \sqrt[2]{var}$$

• 
$$\sigma 2 = \sqrt[2]{\frac{(10-10)^2+(7-10)^2+(13-10)^2}{3-1}} = 3$$





## THANK YOU

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