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Normal Distributions Dr. Back

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There's a normal distribution with any mean μ or $\sigma > 0$.

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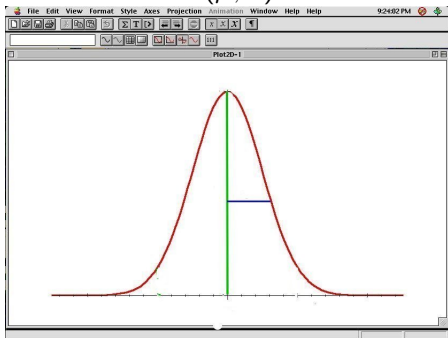
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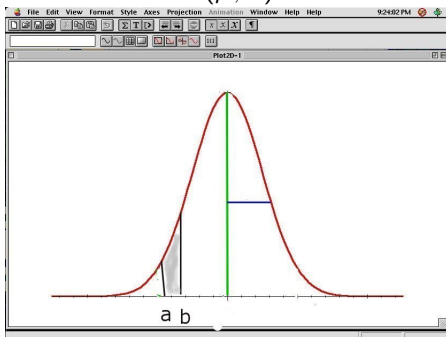
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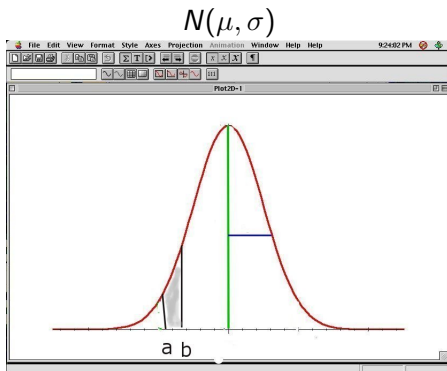
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Area corresponds to probability.

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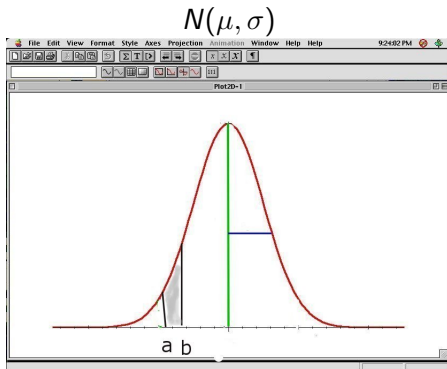
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The entire area under the curve is 1.

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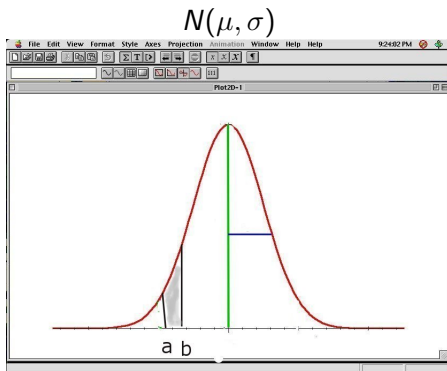
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The area between a and b is the probability of a value x falling within that range.

The 68 – 95 – 99.7 Rule

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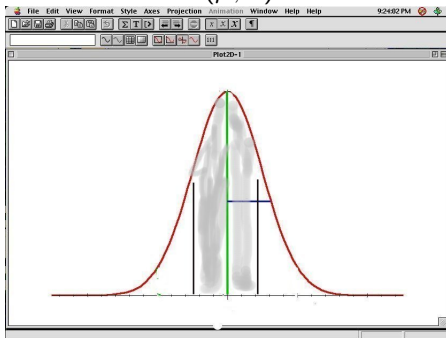
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68% within 1 standard deviation of the mean.

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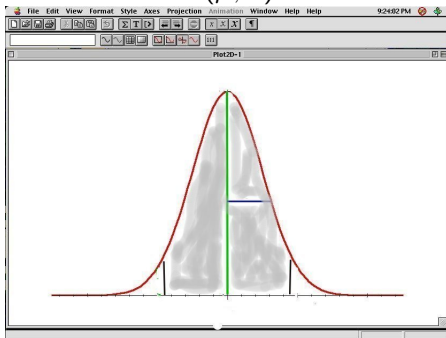
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The 68 – 95 – 99.7 Rule

95% within 2 standard deviations of the mean.

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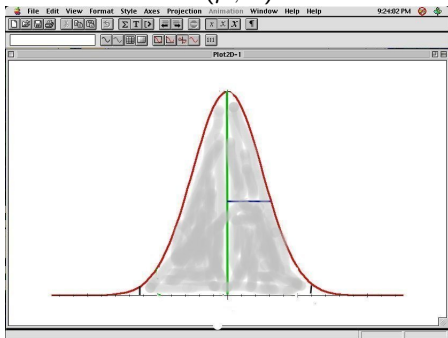
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The 68 – 95 – 99.7 Rule

99.7% within 3 standard deviations of the mean.

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Standard normal is the case $\mu = 0$ and $\sigma = 1$.

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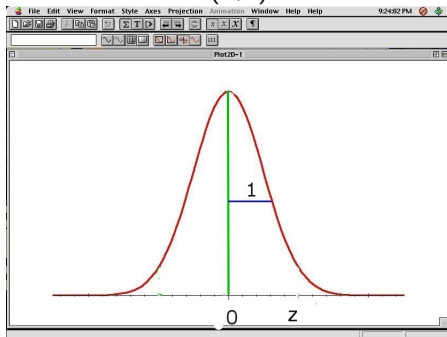
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$N(0,1)$



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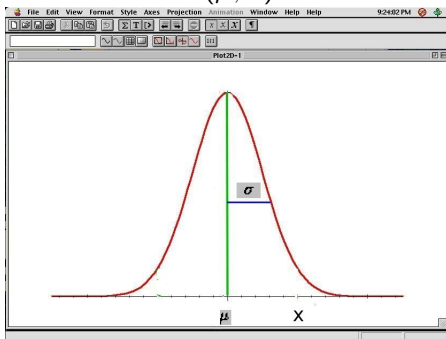
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A general normal distribution:

$$N(\mu, \sigma)$$



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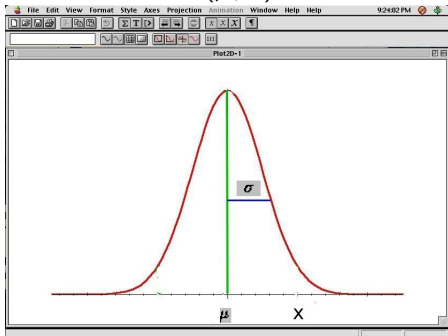
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$$N(\mu, \sigma)$$



Can convert from a general $N(\mu, \sigma)$ to $N(0, 1)$ via the Z-score.

$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

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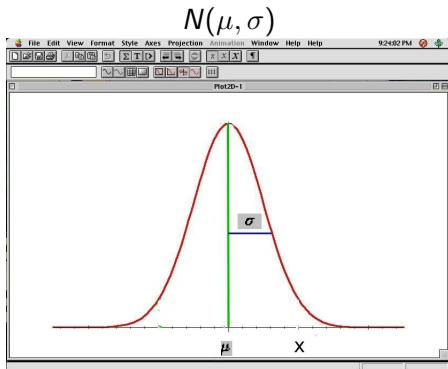
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The Z score is just the offset from the mean in standard deviation units.

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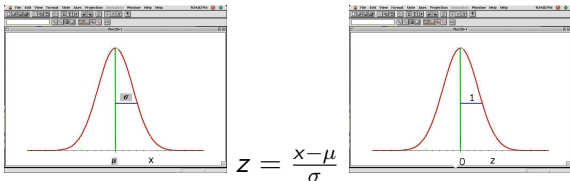
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This transformation preserves area and probability.

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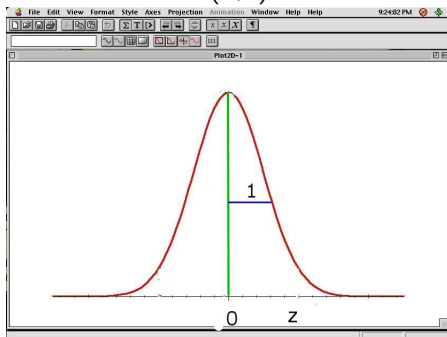
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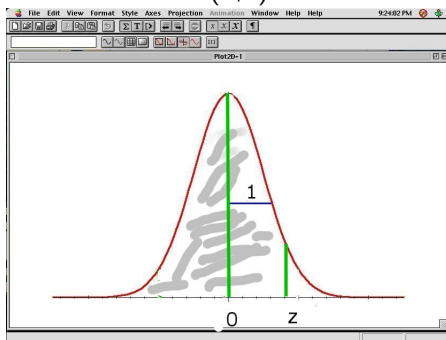


Table Z gives us the area to the left on the standard normal.

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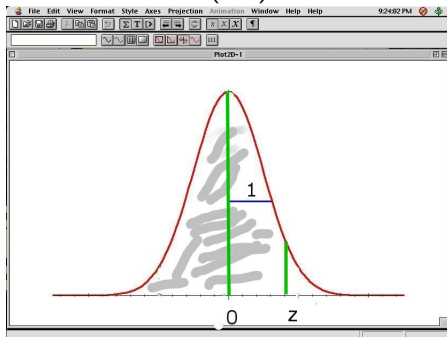


Table Z gives us the area to the left on the standard normal.
i.e. $P(Z < z)$

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Table Z gives us the area to the left on the standard normal.
For example $P(Z < 1) = .8413$ since

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	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.0	0.5000	0.5040	0.5080	0.5120	0.5160	0.5199	0.5239	0.5279	0.5319	0.5359
0.1	0.5398	0.5438	0.5478	0.5517	0.5557	0.5596	0.5636	0.5675	0.5714	0.5753
0.2	0.5793	0.5832	0.5871	0.5910	0.5948	0.5987	0.6026	0.6064	0.6103	0.6141

1.0	0.8413	0.8438	0.8461	0.8485	0.8508	0.8531	0.8554	0.8577	0.8599	0.8621
1.1	0.8643	0.8665	0.8686	0.8708	0.8729	0.8749	0.8770	0.8790	0.8810	0.8830
1.2	0.8849	0.8869	0.8888	0.8907	0.8925	0.8944	0.8962	0.8980	0.8997	0.9015

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And $P(Z < 1.16) = .8770$.

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Table Z gives us the area to the left on the standard normal.

Note you use row 1.1 and column .06 for this!

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We can also get the area under the curve between two values.

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For example $P(-.67 < Z < 1) = ?$

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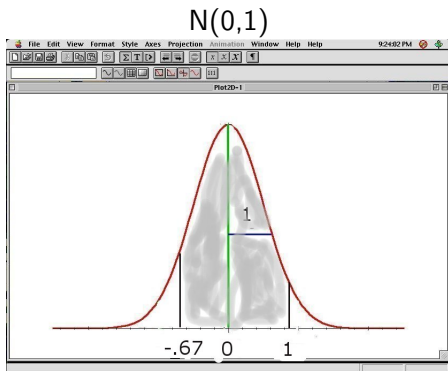
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Table Z tells us $P(-.67 < Z < 1) = .8413 - .2514 = .5899$.

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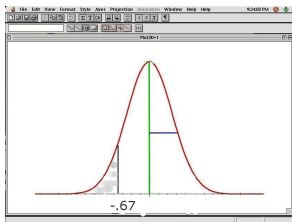
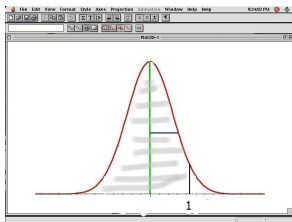
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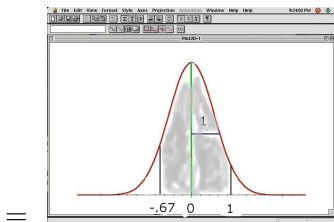
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Suppose a normal model $N(24 \text{ mpg}, 6 \text{ mpg})$ describes fuel efficiency of cars in a region:

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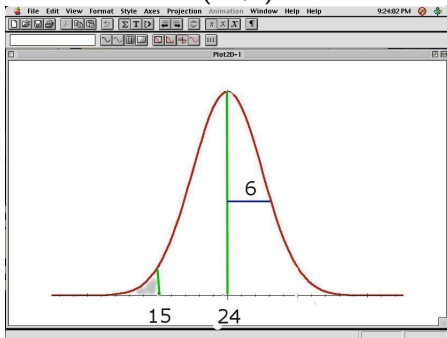
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Percent of cars with mileage below 15?

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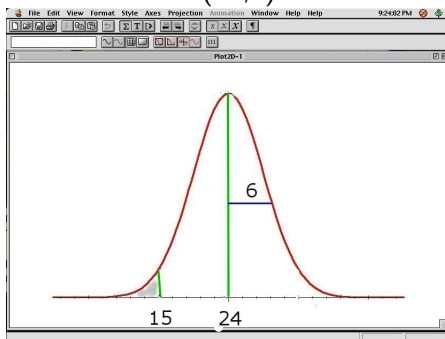
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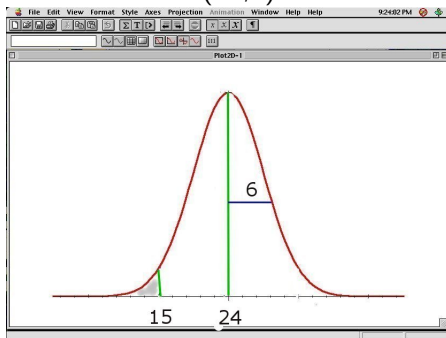


We understand a general $N(\mu, \sigma)$ by reducing to $N(0, 1)$.

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Percent of cars with mileage below 15?

$$N(24,6)$$



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The Z score of 15 is ?

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Percent of cars with mileage below 15?

The Z score of 15 is ?

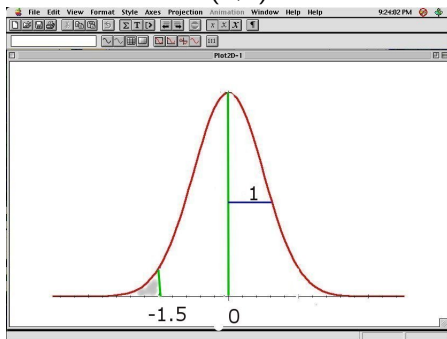
$$z = \frac{15 - 24}{6} = -1.5$$

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Percent of cars with mileage below 15?

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$N(0,1)$



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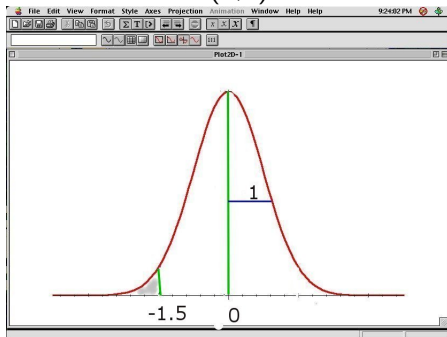


Table Z tells us $P(Z < -1.5) = .0668$.
6.7% of cars will have mileage below 15 mpg.

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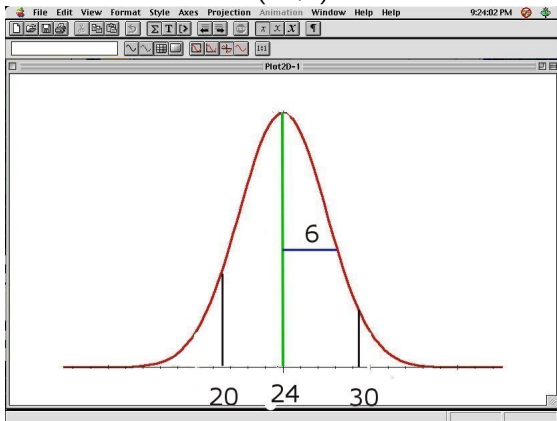
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% between 20 and 30?

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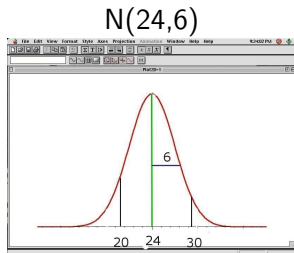
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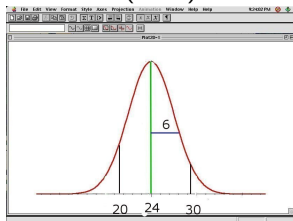


The Z score of 20 is ?

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$$z_1 = \frac{20 - 24}{6} = -.67$$

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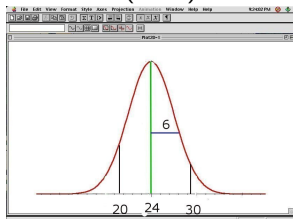
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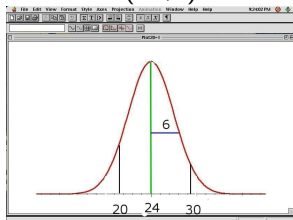
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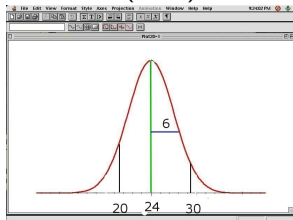
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The Z score of 30 is ?

$$z_2 = \frac{30 - 24}{6} = 1$$

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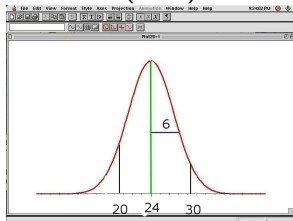
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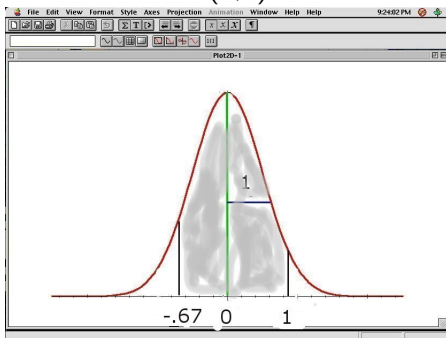
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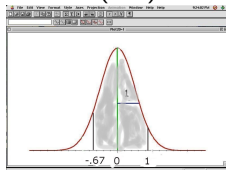


Table Z tells us $P(-.67 < Z < 1) = .8413 - .2514 = .5899$.
58.7% of cars will have mileage between 20 and 30 mpg.

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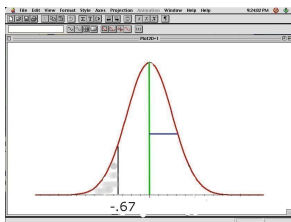
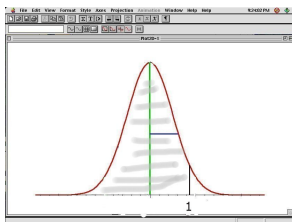
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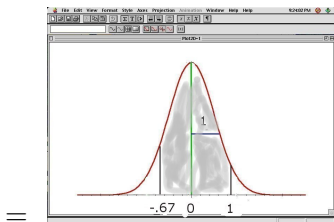
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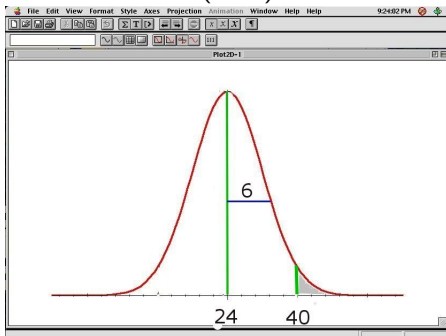
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% of cars above 40?

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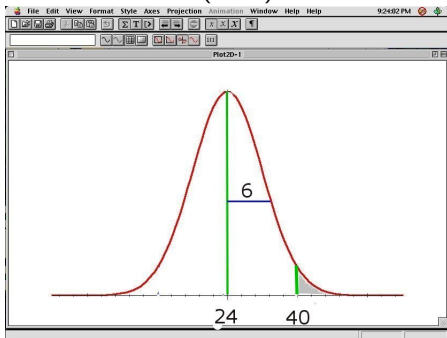


The Z score of 40 is ?

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% of cars above 40?

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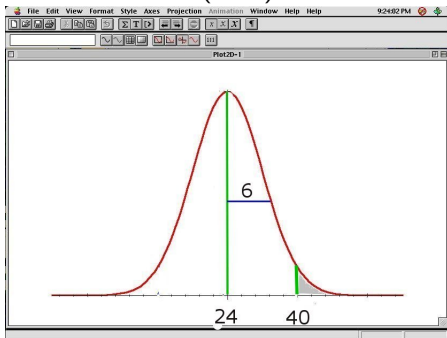
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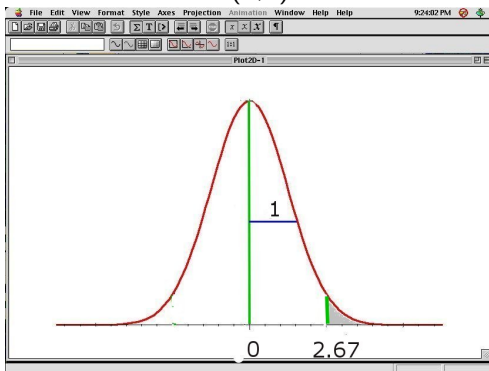


Table Z tells us $P(Z < 2.67) = .9962$.

Therefore $P(Z > -2.67) = 1 - .9962 = .0038$.

0.38% of cars will have mileage above 40 mpg.

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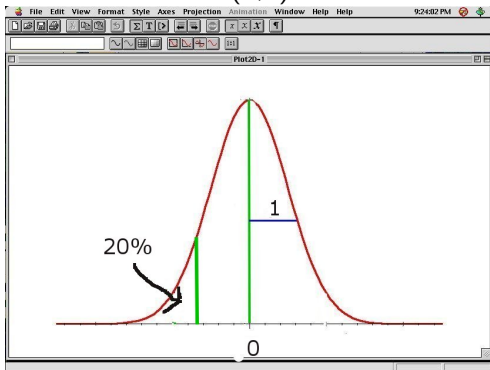
Worst 20% of cars?

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Now we need to start with the $N(0, 1)$ picture.

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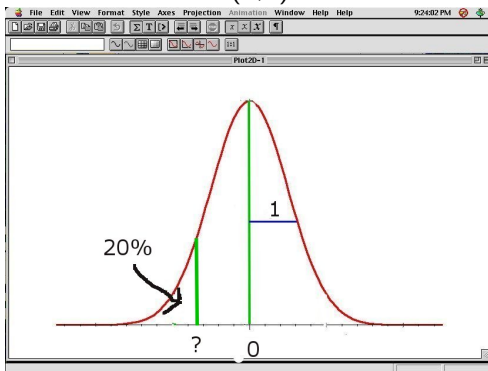
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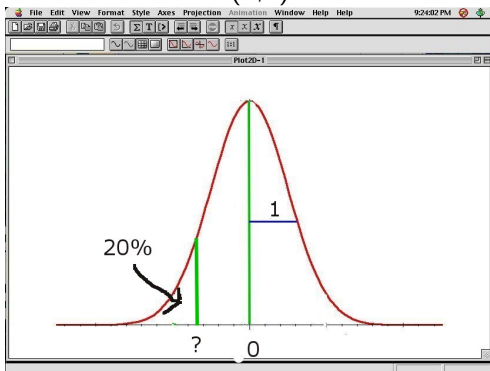
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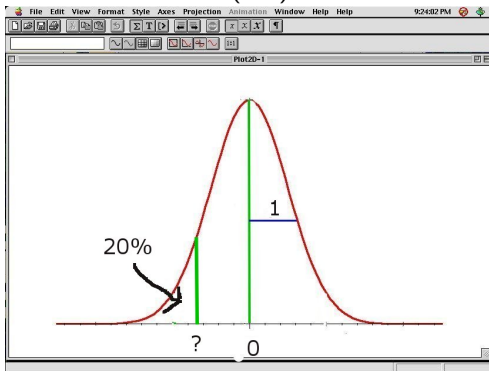
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$$P(Z < ?) = .20$$

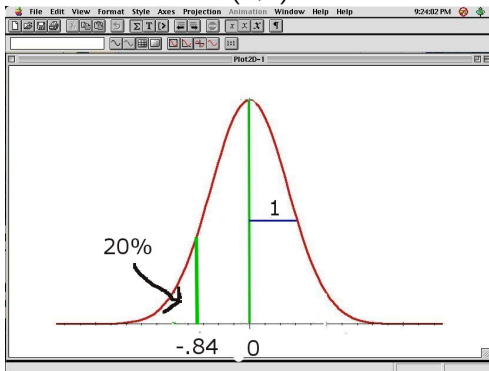
Table Z suggests $-.84$. to 2 decimal places.

$$P(Z < -.84) = .2005.$$

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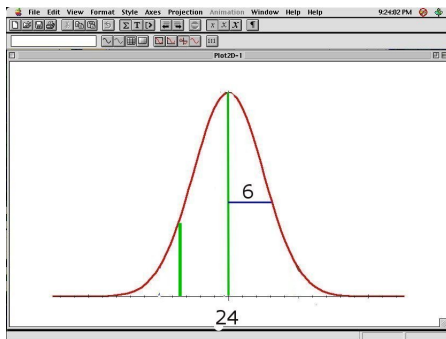
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Worst 20% of cars?

Translating to $N(24, 6)$:



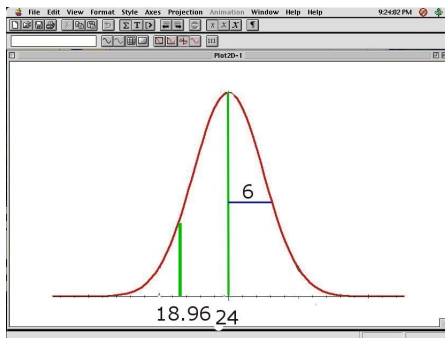
Having a Z score of $-.84$ means being $.84$ std. dev. to the left of 24.

So the value is $24 + (-.84)(6) = 24 - 5.04 = 18.96$.

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Worst 20% of cars?

$N(24, 6)$:



The worst 20% cars are those with mileage below 18.96 mpg.

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Worst 20% of cars?

Instead of viewing

$$x = 24 + (-.84)(6)$$

as being clear from the picture, some people prefer to solve

$$\frac{x - 24}{6} = -.84.$$

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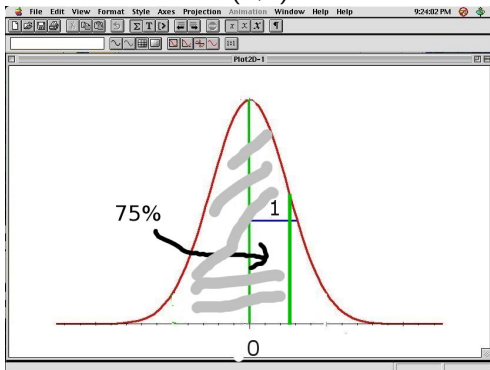
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Again start with the $N(0, 1)$ picture.

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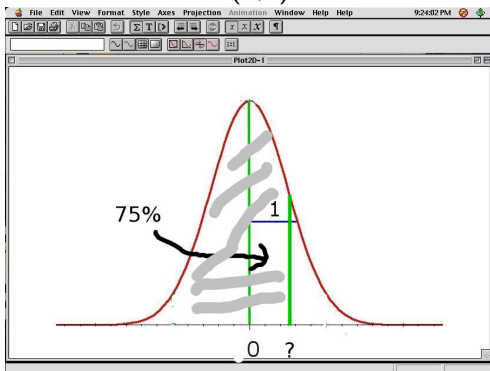


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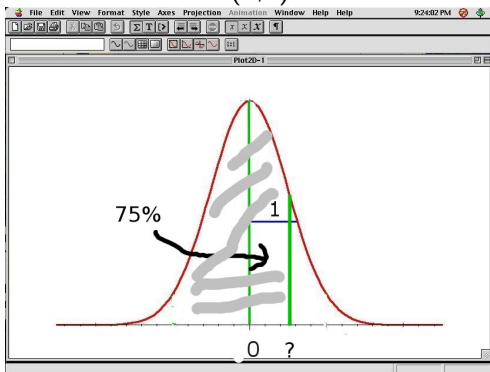
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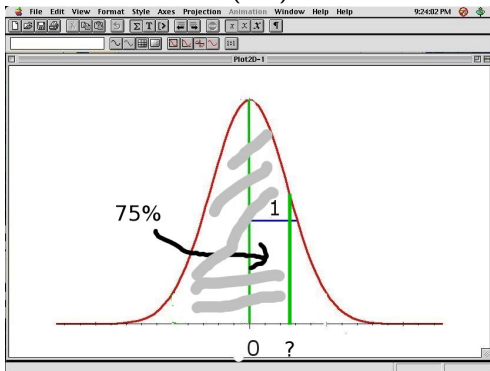
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$$P(Z < ?) = .75$$

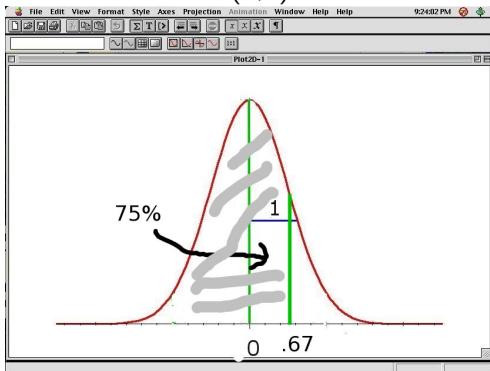
Table Z suggests .67. to 2 decimal places.

$$P(Z < .67) = .7486.$$

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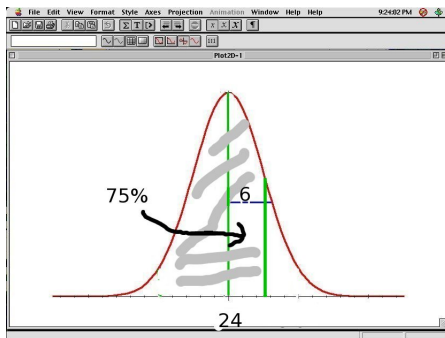
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Translating to $N(24, 6)$:



Having a Z score of .67 means
being .67 std. dev. to the right of 24.
So the value is $24 + (.67)(6) = 28.02$.

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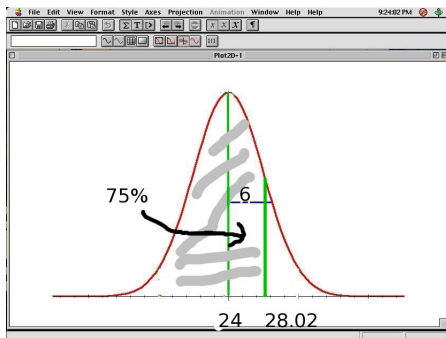
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$N(24, 6)$:



The 3rd quartile of cars are those with a mileage of 28.02 mpg.

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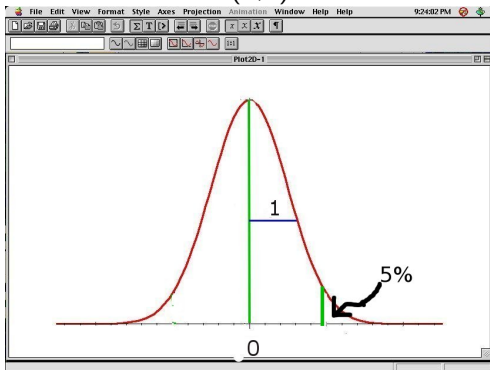
Gas mileage of the 5% most efficient?

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Gas mileage of the 5% most efficient?

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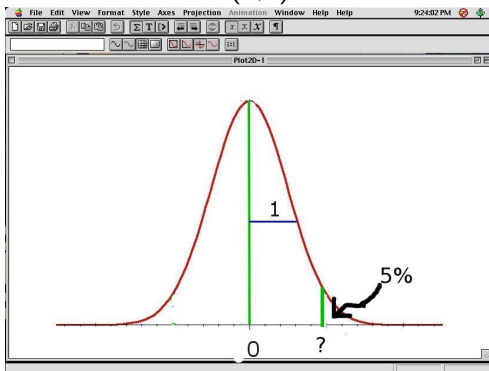
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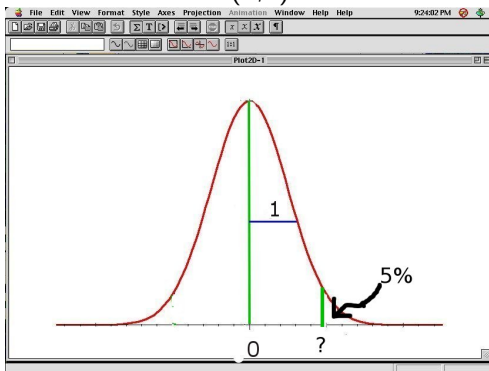
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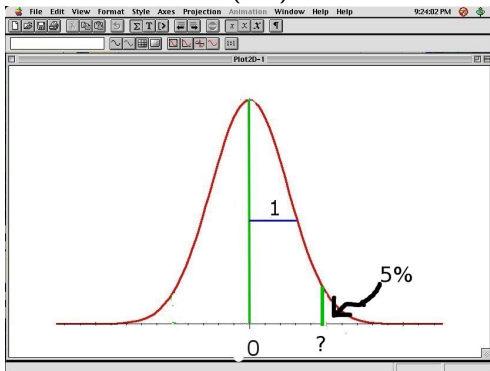
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$P(Z > ?) = .05$. That means $P(Z < ?) = .95$.

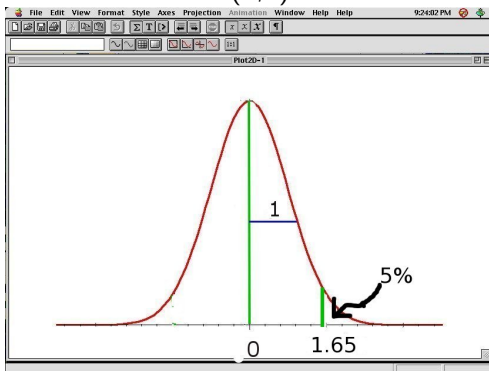
Table Z suggests 1.65. to 2 decimal places.

$P(Z < 1.65) = .9505$. (1.64 is an equally good choice.)

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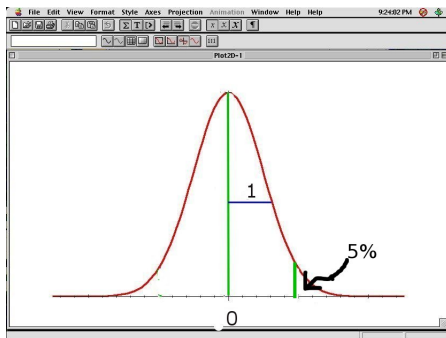
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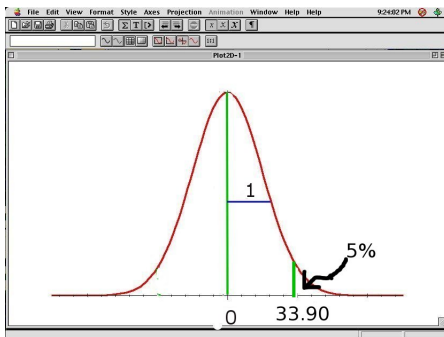


Having a Z score of 1.65 means
being 1.65 std. dev. to the right of 24.
So the value is $24 + (1.65)(6) = 33.90$.

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Gas mileage of the 5% most efficient?

$N(24, 6)$:



The top 5% of cars are those with a mileage of at least 22.90 mpg.