## The Normal Probability Distribution

A random variable $X$ has a normal distribution if its probability density is given by:

$$
f(x)=\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2 \pi}} \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^{2}\right\}
$$

where

- $\mu$ is the mean of the distribution and
- $\sigma$ is the standard error of the distribution


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