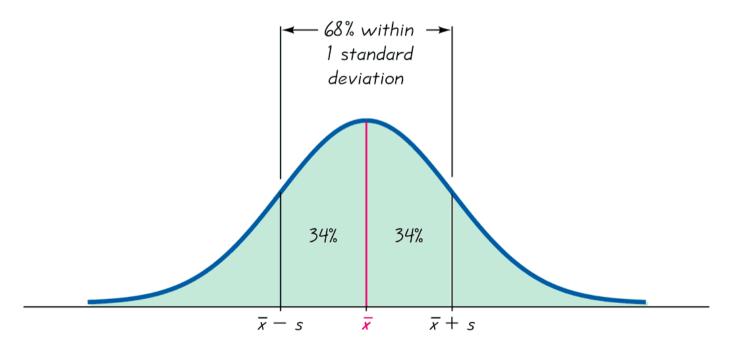
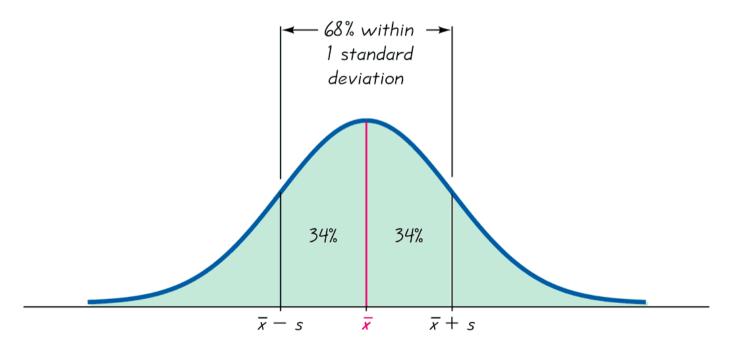
# Gaussian distribution and empirical rule

#### **Empirical (or 68-95-99.7) Rule**

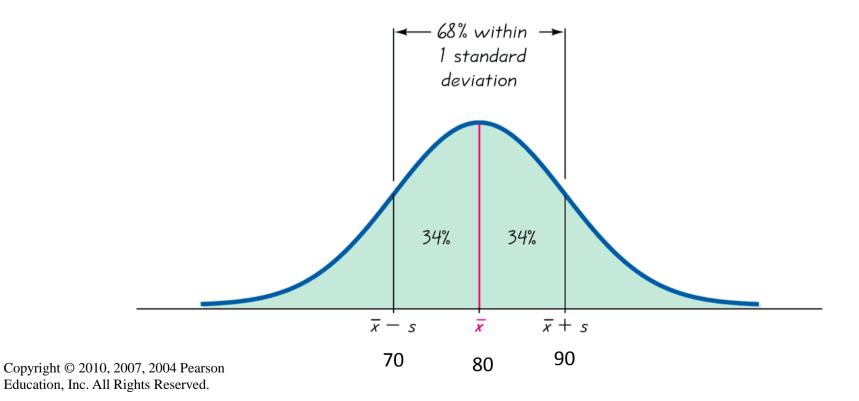
For data sets having a distribution that is approximately bell shaped, the following properties apply:

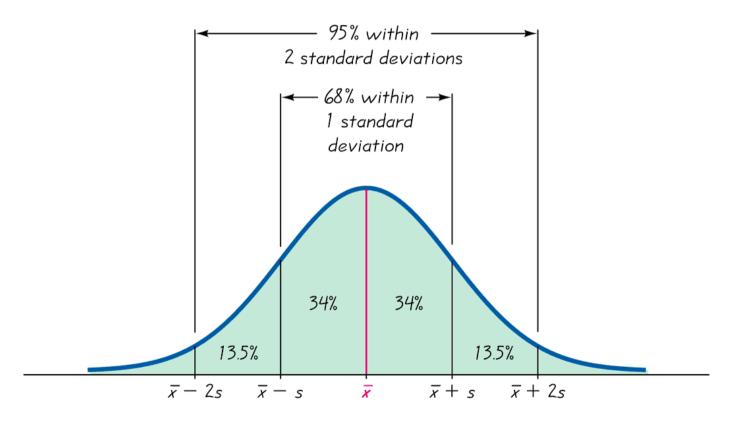
- About 68% of all values fall within 1 standard deviation of the mean.
- About 95% of all values fall within 2 standard deviations of the mean.
- About 99.7% of all values fall within 3 standard deviations of the mean.

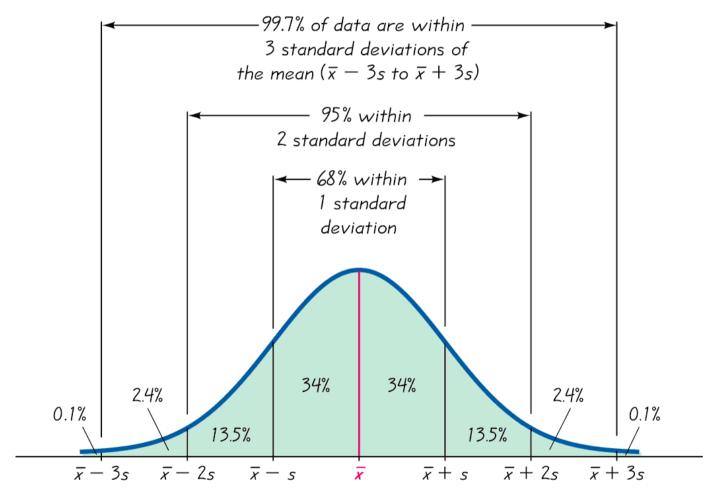




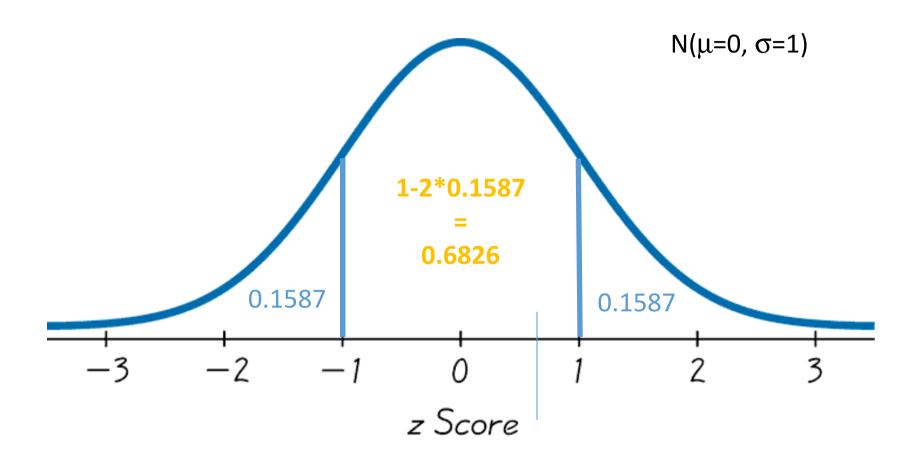
 $\bar{x}$ =80 mmHg s=10 mmHg







#### The standard Normal distribution: z score



If a distribution of data is approximately symmetric and bell-shaped, about 95% of the data should fall within two standard deviations of the mean.

